

After an animated discussion on each subject, the conference closed, and the Presbytery agreed to hold a conference on Sabbath School work open to Superintendents and Teachers of the Sabbath Schools in the Presbytery, some time between October next and January, 1876. The next ordinary meeting of Presbytery will be held in St. David's Church, on the first Tuesday of June, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

J. C. BURGESS, Clerk.

### Close of the Hall.

The Session of the Hall was closed on Friday, the 9th ult. The services were held in Chalmers' Church which was well filled by an influential audience. Professor McKnight presided. After devotional exercises the two Professors reported their winter's work and spoke highly of the diligence and attainments of the students. Dr. Burns then gave an admirable lecture on "Certain Phases of Modern Infidelity." The conclusion was specially practical in its bearing on students as well as christians generally. Dr. Burns was followed by Rev. G. M. Grant, who pled with great power in favour of one University for the Arts course, to be supported by the Government of the country. If this policy, the only rational one, were adopted, the funds of our churches would be set free for use in connection with the Hall. This was the first time that Mr. Grant attended a meeting of the Hall, and he hoped before long to have a right to speak of it as *our* Hall. It is virtually so already.

### Bible Classes of La Have.

In our Bible Class Statistics of last number, we inadvertently placed the number of attendants at La Have to the credit of the Bridgewater Congregation. By so doing we deprived the former congregation, so far as our statement could do it, of the honor of standing No. 1, in the matter under consideration, in the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth. Correcting our statement we would add that both minister and people have cause for gratitude to God at the fact that 190 meet periodically to study the Bible

### Princetown, P. E. I.

The Annual Meeting of the Princetown Missionary and Bible Society was held in the Church on Monday, the 8th March. Rev. R. S. Patterson preached on Systematic Beneficence, from 1st Cor. 16: 3. Rev. N. MacKay, Summerside, also addressed the meeting in explanation and advocacy of the same subject. Both these brethren were present as members of a Committee of Presbytery to visit several congregations

in connection with the subject which they discussed, and they ably and satisfactorily discharged their duty in this respect.

The Secretary, Peter McNutt, Esq., reported the contributions for the year amounting to the sum of \$265.77. This was appropriated as follows:—

Foreign Missions of P. C. L. P. ....	\$145 00
Home Missions " " .....	50 00
British and Foreign Bible Society....	33 00
Educational Institutions.....	37 77
The children's separate contribution for the Day Spring Mission Ship amounted to.....	31 13
Making a total summing up of the day's work of.....	296 90

This amount shows an encouraging increase on the contributions of the previous year.

At the close of the weekly prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening, the 21st ult., (the series of special meetings having been brought to a close on the Sabbath evening previous) Frederick Tupper, Esq., on behalf of the Presbyterian and Baptist congregations of Upper Stewiacke, presented the Rev. Edward Grant with an address, accompanied with five volumes of Hugh Miller's works, (the gift of one individual) and the sum of sixty eight dollars and eighty cents, as an expression of their esteem for him personally, and their appreciation of his special efforts for their spiritual benefit. Mr. Grant acknowledged the same with thanks.

Our leading religious and benevolent institutions have recently issued their Reports, and we rejoice to say that these are without exception favourable and encouraging. The Institution for the Deaf and Dumb is now commodiously housed, and is in unusually good working order. There is still some debt on the building.—The Blind Asylum is doing excellent work as was clearly shown at a public examination and exhibition held here a few weeks ago.—The Christian Association is prospering. It is now incorporated. It is a centre of invaluable influence.—Early this year an Infants Home was established in this city, which we understand has been caring for some 16 or 18 infants, who would otherwise be undergoing the horrors of "farming."—A Home for Inebriates is about to be established here.

PORT HOOD.—The church building at Port Hood is a union Church, and will be occupied by the different Protestant denominations of the place. At present Mr. Thomson preaches there fortnightly on Sabbath afternoons in a private house. The services are largely attended, and are deeply interesting. The Methodists also have regular services.