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## STATE OF THE FUNDS JAN. 1st, 1885

FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Receipts to Jan. 1st, 1885,	\$6413 80
Expenditure " " "	11003 29
Bal. Due Treas. Jan. 1st '85	\$4589 49
DAYSPRING, AND MISSION SCHOOLS.	
Receipts to Jan. 1st '85	\$1503 65
Expenditure " " " (including Bal. May 1st. \$367.35)	2378.70
Bal. due Treas.	\$875 45
HOME MISSIONS.	
Receipts to Jan. 1st, 1885,	\$2214 70
Expenditure " " "	2705 32
Bal. due Treas.	\$490 68
SUPPLEMENTS.	
Receipts to Jan. 1st, 1885,	\$6219 35
Expenditure " " "	3 13 78
Bal. on hand	\$3005 57
COLLEGE.	
Receipts to Jan. 1st, 1885,	\$4796 26
Expenditure (including adverse Bal. May 1st. \$4492 09	11318 04
Bal. due Treas.	\$6521 78
AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS FUND	
Receipts to Jan. 1st '85	\$1291 27
Expenditure " " "	1673 80
Bal. due Treas.	\$389 43
RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH OF DEC.	
Foreign Missions	\$ 789 25
Dayspring and Mission Schools	346 80
Home Missions	554 01
Supplements	1543 80
College	1037 '18
Aged Ministers Fund	853 37
French Evangelization	222 80
	\$5406 31

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

The Moose Brook section of the congregation of Noel, Hants, Rev. E. Thrope, pastor, have just completed a new church. It was opened on Sabbath 21st ult, Rev. M. G. Henry of Shubenacadie officiating. It is seated for 175. The collection on the day of opening was forty five dollars.

The MARITIME PRESBYTERIAN enters upon its fifth volume, wishing all its readers and helpers a GOOD NEW YEAR. It wishes to tender thanks to all who have aided it by word or deed in the past, and with regard to the future will do what it can to deserve continued support.

It is seldom that any civilized nation attains the unenviable position now reached by France, in interfering with the progress of Christianity. In their war with China they have in the meantime broken up our mission on Formosa. The French bombarded Kelung and were blockading Tamsui. All mission work was stopped. Mr. and Mrs. Jennison, and Mrs. McKay, and her children, were sent away, but Dr. McKay determined to remain. He was attacked by fever and completely prostrated. He took a short trip to Hong Kong for the sea voyage and on returning found that he could not land on account of the blockade. In Formosa the natives are filled with the most intense hatred to all foreigners, and to the native Christians. Churches have been destroyed, converts robbed and beaten. The mission in Formosa is coming through a sore experience, but God reigns and the work is His.

The cruel and unjust war which France is waging against Madagascar is a dark blot on French Fame. She has many such stains on her history, the expulsion of the Huguenots, the massacre of St. Bartholemew, and she is seemingly not done yet. The progress of Christianity in Madagascar has been written in blood. It is a Martyr Church, but Christianity