

raised for the Mission be paid to the Treasurer of the Church, and be administered by the Committee."

JOHN SCOTT,
Convener.

COMMITTEE ON AUGMENTATION OF STIPENDS.—The Committee on the augmentation of stipends met on the 9th ult. Steps were taken to have all the congregations visited by deputations during the months of September and October. In our next number more full information will be given in regard to these deputations.

MITCHELL.—We have received a note from the pastor at Mitchell, calling attention to the fact that the number of Communicants at Mitchell as reported in the statistical returns is stated to be 130, while the number in reality was only 118.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.—The Rev. W. Aitken of Smith's Falls, acknowledges the receipt of \$20 from "A Friend," for Missionary purposes,—\$10 for Mr. Chiniquy's Mission.

RICHMOND HILL.—The congregations of Richmond Hill and Thorn Hill held a social meeting on the evening of Tuesday the 25th June, to bid good bye to their minister, the Rev. James Dick, who is now on a visit to Scotland, and presented him with a purse containing \$121. They also presented him with an address expressive of their affection for him as their pastor.

INNERKIP.—The congregation at Innerkip finding their church too small for their increasing numbers have recently made a large addition—more than the whole of the original building—to their church, besides a comfortable vestry. The church was re-opened on Sabbath the 30th June, by the Rev. J. K. Smith, of Galt, preaching both morning and afternoon, to a crowded congregation.

SPRINGVILLE.—On the 1st of June there was a congregational meeting held at Springville, for the purpose of transacting business of interest to the congregation. When the general business was despatched, the pastor, the Rev. W. Blain, was presented with a handsome sum of money—verging on \$100. This amount was collected almost entirely by the *Ladies* of the congregation.

INDIAN LANDS.—On Thursday the 27th June, the grove surrounding the Indian Lands Manse was the scene of one of those happy social gatherings which express, and at the same time cement, the deep attachment which ought to hold between Pastor and people. The details of the "surprise party" had been skilfully arranged. Early in the fore-noon one of the office-bearers in the church had called with a double carriage and politely invited Mr. and Mrs. Gordon to accompany him to visit an esteemed member of the church, who was ill. They complied, and on their return to the Manse, at 3, p.m., found to their astonishment from two to three hundred of the people, both old and young, male and female, assembled in the grove, seats, &c., having been improvised for the occasion. On being conducted to seats near the Elders and the choir, an address was read by Mr. Colin McKercher, a member of the committee, expressive of the esteem and attachment of the congregation, and referring to a carriage and set of harness, and various other articles of the value of about \$170, of which they asked Mr. Gordon's acceptance. After a brief reply from the Pastor, the well trained voices of the choir discoursed sweet music—then followed the "good things," in praise of which one does not like to get too eloquent. The high attainments of the ladies of the congregation in this matter received, however, on the spot, the best eulogies. The interest and liveliness of the occasion were sustained throughout by short and suit-