

and most hopeful symptom when all the ministers of our land, see an ever increasing number of their "children" walking in the truth."

It ought to have been mentioned in connection with the soiree, that the profits go as usual, to defray the expenses connected with the United Presbyterian Sabbath School at Westminster, and to add some new books to the Library. In this way without trenching upon the children's missionary contributions, all expenses have been defrayed during the last two years, and when the missionary boxes were opened towards the end of December last, it was found that altogether there had been gathered by the children, on the first Sabbath of each month during 1859, rather more than \$17;—seven of which have been sent to the French Canadian Missionary Society; and ten to the Synod Home Fund. It seems very evident that if every Sabbath School within our church had a missionary society, not only would the children be trained to habits of liberality and self sacrifice, but a very considerable sum would be put into the coffers of the church, without diverting one cent from its ordinary course, which would have ever otherwise found a way thither. The more the children give, not the less but the more, will the parents be found contributing, and the child who has learned rejoicingly to give his cent or his dime to the Sabbath School Missionary Box, will be the most likely in coming years, to be found giving his dollar or his pound, or his five pounds, for the like excellent object. Greedy, grasping selfishness is sufficiently strong and sufficiently developed even in children, to make it necessary to use, and that betimes, every legitimate counteractive, and when multitudes of so called christians in all our churches do not see their way clear, to giving anything for missionary purposes, or give only some such pitiful sum as they would spend at a tavern on a single visit and think themselves wonderfully moderate to boot, it seems a matter of pressing necessity to have the next generation at any rate imbued with more consistent views at once of principle, duty, and privilege.—*Communicated.*

U. P. PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The U. P. Presbytery of London, met at Delaware, on the 8th of February. After an excellent and appropriate sermon by Rev. A. Waddell, moderator, the Presbytery was constituted, and 35 persons formed into a congregation, in connection with the United Presbyterian Church. It is not six months since R. J. Mr. Proudfoot, of London, preached there for the first time, and already plans and specifications for a church have been drawn, and, we understand, about a thousand dollars subscribed for its erection. An eligible site has also been secured, and we trust that before the close of the ensuing summer, a handsome and commodious Presbyterian Church will be finished in Delaware. The friends in that quarter have shown a very commendable amount of zeal and energy, and it is to be hoped that they will do still greater things.

Calls from the congregations of Nissouri and Fish Creek, addressed to the Rev. Robert Hall, were sustained, and trials for ordination appointed, to be delivered at first meeting of Presbytery, if Mr. Hall should wish to be forward.

Next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery to be held at London on the 27th March, in the Mechanics' Hall, at 11 o'clock, A.M.—*Communicated.*

U. P. PRESBYTERY OF BRANT.

This Presbytery met at Paris on the 10th of January. Mr. Wm. Peattie appeared and delivered trials for ordination, consisting of—Sermon on Rom. V. 17, last clause of the verse; Lecture on Luke xx. 39–41—Exegesis on Gal. ii. 15–16, together with an oral examination on practical religion, all of which being approved and sustained, the presbytery appointed Mr. Peattie's ordination at Mount Pleasant to take place on Tuesday the 24th of January, Rev. Messrs. Robertson, Drummond and Young, to officiate. A letter was read from Rev. Wm. Inglis, Clerk *pro-tem.* of Sustentation Fund, setting forth the need and the benefit of presbyterial visitations of congregations at least once a year, in order to cheer, counsel, or