

Notices.

In the December No., an extract from the Canadian Presbyterian Magazine, was inserted containing the statements of the Editor, on the United Presbyterian Hymn Book, particularly with regard to its introduction into the Churches under the Canadian Synod. Our cordial approval of the recommendations in that article induced us to insert it without any reserve. We feel desirous now to add one or two observations. Whether our Synod will, at their next meeting; adopt any measures with respect to this collection of Sacred Songs, will depend much upon the interest which may be expressed by the different congregations under their charge. We deprecate rash interference with the Psalmody of the Church—no change should take effect, without very clamant occasion, and when introduced, it should be gradually as well as orderly. Our aged disciples, the Fathers in Christ; have the language of our present Book of Praise interwoven with their most sacred emotions; and we should account it little short of sacrilege to rob them of the ties which unite their elevated strains of devotion. We counsel therefore such as would gladly adopt the Hymn Book of the parent Church, to introduce it first into the Sabbath School. Its smooth versification, chaste simplicity, and appropriate arrangement, and strictly evangelical sentiment admirably adapt it for this most important purpose. Let the youth of our Church grow up, thoroughly familiar with its contents, and then the Church will be prepared to receive it as an addition to her ritual of public praise. Families might in a similar manner introduce it as a medium of domestic praise. Should any minister, congregation or individual desire to test the merits of this publication which has for so many years been under preparation by the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland, they can readily obtain a copy or copies to any extent from J. Dawson & Son, Pictou, on the following terms:

32 mo. sheep 1s; 32 mo embossed roan 1 3d
18 mo. do 1s 8d; 18 mo do 2s 3d.
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Being the British prices in Nova Scotia currency.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.—On New Year's Day, the Young Ladies' Penny a Week Society, Merigonish, presented to the Rev. A. P. Miller, a handsome and comfortable Over-coat, accompanied with a kindly expression of feeling toward himself and family; for both which he desires thus publicly, with the concurrence of the youthful donors, to return his sincere and grateful acknowledgments.

J. & J. Yorston acknowledge the receipt of 10s in cash, from a friend in Pictou, for the Foreign mission,

In the list of the Treasurer's receipts for the past month, will be found the sum of £10 from the Missionary and Benevolent Society in connection with the Congregation of Toronto, and the farther sum of £1 10s from the Sabbath School Missionary Box, in aid of the Foreign Mission. This remittance was accompanied, as usual, with a very kind and sympathising note from the Pastor, Rev. John Jennings.—We very freely accord to him and his people the claim to call the Ancient Mission "Our Mission," and hope to see every congregation in Canada, before long, enabled to employ the same language.

A Public meeting to celebrate the Jubilee of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in the Assembly Hall on Tuesday the 8th inst. at 11 a. m. The friends and supporters of the Institution are earnestly invited to attend.

The Treasurer of the Mission Education Fund acknowledges the receipt of the following sums From Alexander Fraser Esq. New Glasgow, 10s 5d; Dr Keir from Princetown Sabbath School 12s; John McP. Fraser Esq. £1 5s.

In accordance with the terms repeatedly announced, copies of the Register for this month are only sent to such parties as have paid for 1853, or to the orders of accredited Agents.

Robert Smith, Truro, acknowledges the receipt of the following sums:—

For the Foreign Mission;—From Onslow, Brookfield, and Old Barns, per Rev. J. I. Baxter, £10, From Mr and Mrs Robert Hingley, Salmon River, 5s.

For the Register;—From Rev. J. I. Baxter, £5 6s 3d.

The Presbytery of Pictou will meet at N. Glasgow on Wednesday the 9th inst., and at Merigonish on the day following.

The Board of Foreign Missions will meet at Pictou on Tuesday the 8th inst. at 4 o'clock.

MONIES RECEIVED BY TREASURER,

From 20th, January to 20th February.

HOME MISSION.

From Ladies' Penny a week Society of Prince Street Church Congregation, western district £2 10; Robert Smith, Truro, received by him since October last £12 3; John Kenny Advocate Harbor £1; J. McNudge, Parrsboro 5s 2d; Cross Roads, do. £1 12; Joggins, 13s 5d; Minudie, 7s 8d; Salem Church, Green Hill, £6 5 2d; the Misses McCulloch 10s 5d.