

ous remarks, an excellent speech on the importance of knowledge, especially of the Bible; and the Rev. Mr. James, of Galt, concluded with some pithy observations on the fact of human activity and the best methods of guiding it.

During the evening the choir discoursed several pieces of sacred music in a famous style.

The church was tastefully decorated; the entables were abundant and excellent, and after thanks were given to the ladies who had furnished the major part of the creature comforts, to the committee of management, to the stewards and stewardesses, to the choir and to the speakers, the meeting was dismissed highly gratified, after the chairman had pronounced the apostolical benediction. It may be interesting to notice that the committee, after defraying all expenses, found themselves in possession of \$88.50, to be expended in diminishing the debt contracted by recent enlargement of the Church.

Next morning, at nine o'clock, the Sabbath school children with many of their parents, in all about 140, met to gather up the fragments of good things. The chairman, together with the Rev. Messrs. Dunbar, James, and Robertson, who kindly consented to remain, shortly addressed the young, betwixt whose speeches several well selected pieces of music were sung; after all which, and the pronouncing blessing, the young folks were dismissed in great glee.—[Communicated.]

#### U. P. PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

Those Congregations and Sessions within the bounds of this Presbytery that have not sent in their statistics, are again reminded of their duty to do so. According to the law of Synod, those that have been sent in will be forwarded to the convener of the Mission Committee in a few days.

JAMES DICK.

#### PRINCE ALBERT.

On Tuesday, 5th February, a Soiree was held in the U. P. Church here. The Church, which is seated for fully 300, was completely filled; and indeed it was necessary to bring in several benches for the accommodation of 40 or 50 who could not be accommodated in the pews. After tea was partaken of, speeches were given by the minister, the Reverends J. M. King of Columbus, T. Sharpe of Ashburn, (Free Church) J. Baird of Pickering, and R. Thornton of Whitby. Throughout the evening a select choir, chiefly composed of friends from the front, sung a variety of pieces of sacred music which, besides the speeches aforesaid, contributed greatly to the pleasure of the meeting. Also, a very massive and handsome Bible was presented to the Rev. R. Monteath, by a number of young men connected with his congregation, accompanied by a kind and respectful address. Altogether the proceedings of the evening were unusually satisfactory, and we are happy to add, that after deducting expenses, sixty dollars came

into the treasurer's hands, which will go to diminish the debt upon the Church.

—[Communicated.]

#### HAMILTON.

Income of United Presbyterian Congregation for 1858 :

For Congregational purposes...	\$3,000
For Missionary and benevolent purposes.....	500

\$3,500

Paid towards building fund...\$18,000

Of which sum about \$15,000 was munificently contributed by one member of the congregation.—[We hope to be excused for drawing attention to this remarkable contribution. \$15,000 is fully £3,000 stg. We have no recollection of any individual, either here or at home, giving so large a donation to one congregation. Oh! that we could say, *Ex uno disce omnes*.—Ed.]

#### U. P. PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

We are not aware that this Presbytery have had any meeting since that reported in our last. We have had several communications, however, respecting an unpleasant piece of business still on their table. Being anxious to keep that matter, so far as the Magazine is concerned, within as narrow limits, and to bring it to as speedy a termination, as justice will permit, we have resolved to publish nothing more on the subject till after