

references. Next, an abundant supply of the *Shorter Catechism*. Patterson on the Catechism can be confidently recommended to Teachers as a cheap and convenient help. The handiest Commentary of the whole Bible within easy reach is published in 3 vols. by Collins,—Dr. David Brown is part author. But we are perhaps trenching on the work of the Committee by going thus far.

REVIVAL IN PICTOU COUNTY.

Our October number contained a notice of the meeting of the Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association in Pictou town. This annual gathering was *anticipated* and *followed* by prayer; and as a consequence has proved an eminent blessing. The windows of heaven were opened and the Spirit poured down from on high as a Spirit of grace and supplication. Prayer Meetings have multiplied, and Christian Associations, and Bible Classes have been organized to an extent which far surpasses any other county in the province.

Pictou town has taken the lead, closely followed by New Glasgow, Albion Mines, West River, Green Hill, Merigomish and other settlements and congregations over the whole county. The wayfarer who tarries for a night at any of these places can scarcely fail, if so inclined, of meeting his fellow Christians, either in prayer, biblical study or in some Christian work. There are meetings for young men and for young women, for boys and for girls, and for all in common. We have heard of seven meetings for prayer weekly, at the Mines, and of three in one section of a congregation in the country; and having been present at some of these meetings, we can testify to the fervour, simplicity, and spiritual power which prevailed. We feel that the Lord's work has been truly revived, and that our brethren there are enjoying a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Such being the facts we record them, that good men in other portions of the Lower Provinces, east and west, north and south, may bestir themselves and invoke the gracious aid of the Hope of Israel.

Let His presence be known by the Spirit's mighty working, and sinners will be turned to the Lord, and all our congregations will feel the pulsations of a new life, display an increased working power, and astonish themselves by the speedy attainment of a much higher standard of liberality.

OUR FUNDS.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1869.	
June 1. Balance on hand.....	\$3226 72
Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	1597 11

Total.....\$4823 83

" Payment for Missionaries salaries to date..... 4367 72

To credit acct.....\$456 11

" PAYSIRING."

June 1. Balance on hand	\$99 59
Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	429 17

Total.....\$528 76

Expenditure for the year..... 1259 02

To debit acct.....\$720 26

HOME MISSIONS.

June 1. Balance on hand.....	\$491 49
Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	1116 47

Total.....\$1607 96

Expenditure to date..... 1317 51

To credit acct.....\$290 45

SUPPLEMENTARY FUND.

June 1. Balance on hand.....	\$333 80
Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	1584 60

Total.....\$1918 40

Expenditure to date..... 1623 00

To credit acct.....\$295 40

EDUCATION EXCLUSIVE OF PRO. FUND.

Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	\$1412 05
Dec. 23. Expenditure to date.....	1640 59

To debit acct.....\$228 54

ACADIAN FRENCH MISSION.

June 1. Balance on hand.....	\$ 40 83
Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	135 52

Total.....\$176 35

Expenditure to date..... 37 89

To debit acct.....\$201 54

JEWISH MISSION.

June 1. Balance on hand.....	\$20 60
Received from Alberton.....	13 33

To credit acct.....\$33 93

SYNOD FUND.

Dec. 23. Receipts since June 1st.....	\$659 02
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June 1. Balance due Treasurer..... 195 32

Dec. 23. Expenditure to date..... 648 70

\$844 02

To debit acct.....\$185 00