

section for a house for Mr. Grant, Trinidad.

The Report on French Evangelization showed 78 preaching Stations, 26 church buildings and 934 members.

The committee on the question of marriage with a deceased wife's sister, reported that in their opinion the law of the church was not sustained by scripture and recommended that the report be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration before giving a final decision in Assembly. The report was adopted.

The Reports on the state of religion was earnest and hopeful, showing that while there is much to mourn over, yet there are many and pleasing evidences of a growing spiritual life.

The report on Temperance was in full sympathy with the tide of temperance feeling and work that is now flooding the land. The following are its recommendations.

1. That we regard the traffic in strong drink as one of the greatest hindrances to the progress of the cause and Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. That in view of the evils wrought by this scourge of our race, this Assembly would hail with gladness the utter extermination of the traffic in intoxicating liquor as a beverage by the power of example, public opinion, and the strong arm of the law.

3. That we rejoice at the wonderful advancement of temperance and prohibition sentiment throughout the world, and especially in our own land, and would recommend our people by voice, vote, and example, and by all peaceful and righteous means, to work for the abolition of the great evil.

4. That we assert our approval of the principle of the Canada Temperance Act of 1878, and recommend the adoption of said Act as the best available means for the legal suppression of the traffic.

5. That the Assembly make thankful recognition of the good work accomplished by the women of our land, whether in their organized or individual capacity, and would express the hope that their self-denying efforts may be in the future more abundantly fruitful.

The Sabbath School Report showed on the whole an increasing interest in the work of caring for the young of the church and country.

When the college reports were presented there was a great deal of discussion on the number of Colleges and the best means of supporting them, the mat-

ter was referred to a committee to report to next Assembly.

The Report of the committee in the aged and infirm Ministers Fund for the eastern section showed a small deficit for the year, but the fund is in good condition.

A deputation from the church of England Synod, meeting in Toronto, waited upon the Assembly to exchange fraternal greetings and also to bring before the Assembly a scheme for cooperation in religious instruction in schools.

Several other matters were considered and disposed of and the Assembly closed to meet in next year in Montreal.

MISSION GOODS FOR THE NEW HEBRIDES.

Congregations, Sunday Schools, or Societies desiring to send boxes or parcels containing made-up clothing, or calicos for the schools and the work generally of our Canadian Missionaries in the New Hebrides, should forward all such goods, not later than 31st August, to Mr. Isaac A. Grant, Merchant, Pictou, Nova Scotia, who has very kindly undertaken to ship what may be sent in up to that date, to Sydney, Australia, in time for the *Dayspring* leaving that port on the 1st April for the New Hebrides.

Each box or parcel ought to be carefully addressed to the Missionary for whom it is intended, accompanied by a note or card to Mr. Grant that he may acknowledge the receipt of the goods to the proper party.

Full address:—Rev. J. W. McKenzie, Elate, — Rev. J. Annand, Aneityum;—Rev. H. A. Robertson, Eromanga, Care Rev. Dr. Steel, Sydney, Australia.

H. A. ROBERTSON.

Rev. H. A. Robertson of Eromanga is at present in Toronto carrying through the press a translation of the Gospels into *Eromanga*. Until this important work be completed, Mr. R. will not be able to address any congregation of our church except those in, or near Toronto, and these only on Sundays as his whole time during the week will be occupied in transcribing copy and correcting the proof.

Address (until 1st August), 41 Weed St., Toronto, or Care of Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, Publisher, 5 Jordan St. Toronto, Ontario.

—The congregation of North Sydney has called Rev. D. Murray of Vale Colliery.