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SYNOD MINUTES.

The printed Minutes of last meeting of Synod are expected to be ready in a few days, and will be distributed without delay. Parcels of them will be sent to Ministers for the use of members of Sessions, and the Synod Clerk will be happy to supply any deficiency if notified thereof.

ARRIVAL OF A MISSIONARY.—The Rev. Mr. Douglas, whose appointment we noticed last month, has since arrived, and proceeded to his destination in the Presbytery of Glengary. He preached in the City churches, and will, we doubt not, prove an earnest and faithful labourer.

PRESENTATION, BELLEVILLE CONGREGATION.—We learn with much pleasure that on the 2nd of May last the ladies of St. Andrew's Church, Belleville, presented Mrs. Walker, the wife of their minister, with the sum of twenty-five pounds, as a token of respect and esteem.

LACHINE CONGREGATION.

We have much pleasure in giving insertion to the subjoined communication. Such a token speaks creditably for the donors and the donee. We trust that Mr. Simpson's health may be quite re-established by his visit to Scotland, and that after his return he may be spared for many years to go in and out among his flock at Lachine as their faithful and esteemed pastor and personal friend.

PRESENTATION.—A few of the friends and well-wishers of the Rev. W. Simpson, of Lachine, learning that he was about to visit his native country, after an absence of fourteen years, in order to show for him a mark of their respect and esteem, subscribed the handsome sum of four hundred and sixty dollars towards defraying his expenses. This act of liberality not only shows the high estimation in which Mr. Simpson is held as a zealous Minister of the Gospel, but also how much he is valued as a private friend.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE ELDERS.

This is a very important duty which Sessions have to perform. There ought not to be a single congregation on the Roll of Synod without a Representative Elder, and Sessions ought to be guided in their election by the probability of the Elder elected giving attendance at meetings of Presbytery and Synod. The following is the present law of the Church on the subject, Art. XVIII, Synod 1845:—

"Whereas many of the Kirk Sessions connected with the Synod are very neglectful of their duty in returning Representative Elders to the Church Courts, the Synod enjoin Sessions to use greater diligence in this matter, and instruct Presbyteries to employ all competent means to secure a compliance with this injunction on the part of Sessions:—And the Synod further enact, that all Representative Elders shall be elected within two months after the Annual Meeting of Synod, to attend the meetings of the Presbytery of the bounds, and the ensuing Annual Meeting of the Synod; that, in case of death or demission, a new election shall be made within one month of the same; and that the extract minutes of such elections, duly certified, shall be laid on the tables of Presbyteries at their first ordinary meeting after such elections shall have taken place."

THE JEWISH AND FOREIGN MISSION.—ENGAGEMENT OF A MISSIONARY.—An exceedingly interesting and important step was taken by the Synod at its recent meeting in relation to the Jewish Mission. We insert elsewhere the Report of the Committee and the deliverance of the Synod in relation thereto. It is matter of thankfulness that a labourer has been secured in whom every confidence may be reposed. We are certain that, as time passes, it will demonstrate the judiciousness of the selection which has been made of our missionary, upon the recommendation of such men as Drs. Schauffler and Potts. The combination too of medical knowledge with ministerial standing will be of great advantage to the future mission. It is intended that Mr. Epstein shall, with his wife and family, reside at Kingston for the present, completing his medical studies, and during the year visit as many of our