

Confederation, and for the reason mentioned by Mr. Somerville, that in territory with which he is connected there are now resident numerous members of the Canadian Church; and as the result of their deliberations they recommend the Synod to assume a pecuniary obligation of £100 stg., per annum—this amount to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Colonial Committee, and by the Committee to be applied to the purposes of the Mission; and for the raising of this contribution your Committee further recommend the Synod to appoint a day for a collection to be taken up in all the churches within the bounds, specifically for the Mission in British Columbia and to agree that in the event of the collection exceeding £100 stg., the whole amount of it shall be transmitted to the Colonial Committee. They also suggest that the Convener of the Committee receive authority to request the Colonial Committee to direct their Missionaries to communicate to him from time to time accounts of the progress of their work for the information of the Church and in order to keep up the interest of contributors.

It would have been gratifying to the Committee to have seen their way to the recommendation of a greater measure of assistance, but, as the Treasurer reports no funds on hand since the remittance of \$300 last year to the Colonial Committee for this Mission, they cannot venture to propose a larger sum. If, in addition to the important objects which this contribution is intended to promote, our people will consider it as a slight but acceptable recognition of the many great favours annually bestowed by the Church of Scotland upon the Church in Canada, throughout the whole period of its history down to the present day, it is believed that the call for assistance to this Mission now addressed to them by the Colonial Committee will be cheerfully and liberally responded to.

All which is respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee by

W. SNODGRASS,

St. Andrew's Church, Hamilton, 2nd June, 1869.

Convener.

APPENDIX I.

JUVENILE MISSION AND SABBATH SCHOOL SCHEME.

The Committee have now the pleasure of submitting the thirteenth annual Report of the Juvenile Mission Scheme, being the first since that and the Sabbath School Scheme were merged into one.

During the past year the two Schemes have met with much success and encouragement among the youth of our Church, and it is with feelings of deep thankfulness to Almighty God that the Committee are able to report to the Synod increasing interest in the cause of Missions, and marked improvement in the efficiency of our Sabbath Schools.

The Orphanage Scheme continues to be the favourite channel through which the Missionary offerings are dispensed, and during the year \$677 55 have been received by the Committee on account of Orphans supported in India. Most satisfactory and gratifying reports of these Orphans have been received, and not a few of them are occupying positions of great usefulness. One girl, Margaret Machar, has recently been engaged by the American Ladies' Mission, as a Zenana Teacher at Calcutta, and several others are teaching to their heathen countrywomen the blessed truths which they themselves learned in our Orphanages.