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THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

COMMISSION OF SYNOD.

The Commission of Synod is appointed to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on the third Wednesday, the 15th day, of this month at noon. All members of last meeting of Synod are members of the Commission. Nine Commissioners, of whom 5 must be Ministers, form a quorum. In all their actings the commissioners are required to proceed according to the Act passed last session of Synod anent the nature, powers and duties of the Commission.

OUR CIRCULATION.

We hope to receive a large accession to our list of subscribers in reply to a Circular recently addressed to our Ministers. We hope that each of them will induce some member or members of their congregations to act as agents in extending our circulation and remitting subscriptions. A little united action would help our cause very much. We have just received from one Minister a revised list of subscribers in his congregation, amounting to no less than 63. We wish that we had many more of such zealous friends. Our circulation is not what it ought to be. Could not our readers help us? If each would get a new subscriber, it would be a great encouragement to us. There is no cheaper or more efficient way of interesting the

people in the efforts of our Church than that of circulating the "Presbyterian." May we not then hope to reach 5000 subscribers before the close of 1860? Let our friends but will it, and it will be done.

GLASGOW STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

We are glad to learn from a letter from Scotland that the Missionary Association of Glasgow University are prosecuting an interesting missionary work. From the slender subscriptions of the students and the aid of a few gentlemen in Glasgow they support a missionary in Glasgow, and also maintain a catechist at Madras, India. It is a hopeful sign of the Church when those who are in training for the ministry are found promoting such interesting efforts as those carried on by the Glasgow students and the Home Mission enterprise of the students of our own College.

TERCENTENARY OF THE REFORMATION.

At the last meeting of our Synod the Rev. W. Snodgrass and Mr. Alexander Morris were appointed a Committee to take steps for the due celebration of this interesting event, with power to co-operate with the other Presbyterian bodies in this Province with regard to it. We learn that favourable replies have been received to a communication addressed by them to the Rev. W. Ormiston, Hamilton, and Rev. Dr. Willis, Toronto, conveners of the committees of the Synod, respectively of the Free and

United Presbyterian Churches, on the subject, and that there is every prospect that the committees of the three Churches will be able to arrange upon a comprehensive plan for the due and joint commemoration in Canada of the work of God in 1560 in Scotland, to which we are so much indebted for the civil and religious privileges which we so abundantly enjoy.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE BURSARY FUND.

St. Andrew's Church, Hamilton—Collection.....	\$33 50
Additional from Missionary Association of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, per Rev. W. Bain.....	12 00
	\$45 50

JOHN PATON,
Secretary to Trustees.

Kingston, 23d January, 1860.

FRENCH MISSION FUND.

The Treasurer to the French Mission Fund acknowledges the receipt of the following payments:

Jan. 25, 1860.—Received from Rev. G. Macdonnell, being a contribution from the Female Association of St. Andrew's Church, Fergus, ..	\$12 00
" " Received from Rev. W. Bain, being additional from the Missionary Association, Perth.....	8 00
	\$20 00

ARCH. FERGUSON,
Treasurer.

Montreal, 25th January, 1860.