

PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The following is a detailed statement of the amounts collected in the various districts, during the past year :—

Mrs Anderson	\$133.15
„ Gosling	23.80
„ H. D. P. Armstrong	10.00
„ C. Holmes	20.25
„ W. J. Baines	9.75
Miss Street	38.05
„ M. A. Cayley	130.00
„ Lough	128.60
„ Mackellar	16.25
„ VanKoughnet	2.25
Paid to Treasurer	32.80

Total\$544.90

E. S. MACNAB,
Treasurer.

NOT PAID.

1. A few subscriptions promised for the Easter decorations, and forgotten.
2. A few tickets used at the Costume Concert, and forgotten.
3. A good many subscriptions to Parish Journal and Canadian Missionary.

Mr. Kirkpatrick is authorized to collect these last, or they may be sent in to Dr. Lough, 14 St. Patrick Street.

PORT CARLING.

In the May Number, the Rector asked for old books and magazines for the poor people at this Mission Station. As only one parcel has been sent to the Rectory in response, he assumes that he is mistaken in supposing that the members of St. George's Congregation have any old books or magazines that they can devote to this object.

COMMUNICATED.

A letter appeared lately in the *Mail*, signed "Presbyterian," objecting strongly to a sermon on Christian Unity delivered by Mr. Kingston, on the ground that it was not such as to please the many Presbyterians who are in the habit of appearing at St. George's at evening service," and the "many people of dissenting denominations" present "among his audience." We think this letter worth noticing as regards two or three points. First, we are pleased to learn that there

are many Presbyterians and people of dissenting denominations who are in the habit of attending our evening services. Secondly, we are surprised to find them so numerous and so organized a body as to expect the sermons to be toned down to suit their tastes. Thirdly, we don't understand the object of their appealing to the *Mail*, or through its columns to the public, against preaching which they do not agree with. Certainly neither the *Mail* nor the public exercise any control over the preaching in St. George's.

To add one word in seriousness : Christian disunion, or schism, is—to speak in the mildest way of it—undeniably a very grave hindrance to Christianity. Even Sectarians are now admitting that much, and are seeking re-union, such as seems to them practicable. Surely then, on that ground alone, no clergyman ought to be censured for raising his voice in favour of unity and in condemnation of schism; rather should he be censured if he failed to do so. And if there is ever to be unity, is it possible for it to be in theory only, and not in actual visible fact. And if it must be the latter, or not at all, "Presbyterian" must inevitably concede Mr. Kingston's claims for the Apostolic Church as the centre of union, in preference to any modern body, to be well founded. In our opinion clergymen should speak, and speak boldly, giving no uncertain sound, on such subjects as this.

Some amusement was created by the appearance in the *Mail* shortly afterwards of a letter signed "Anglican," which was a parody or rather a copy *mutatis mutandis* of "Presbyterian's" letter, which had the effect of shewing the latter in a rather ridiculous light.

[We insert the above Communication, because it bears witness to a plain Scripture doctrine, viz., that of Christian Unity. But our own opinion of Presbyterian's letter is, that it was not written by a Presbyterian at all. It bears internal marks of having been written by a member of our own Church, who does not like to hear "the whole counsel of God" upon *this* subject.—ED.]