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good people of the congregation met them. After tea an adjournment was made to the church, which was filled, body and gallery. Messrs. James Gillean and Donald McDonald, the esteemed honorary ushers, were called to the front by Mr. James Mills, who, in a brief speech, presented each of them with a handsome easy chair, upholstered in leather. Mr. Gillean has been an usher in St. Andrew's Church for 52 years and Mr. McDonald for 44 years. Both expressed their gratitude for these magnificent recognitions and said it always afforded them pleasure to welcome new comers to the congregation and to make the stranger feel at home in their happy family. They were greatly pleased to find that they had appreciated their efforts. Rev. J. A. Murray presided, and short speeches full of good humor, good will and good advice were delivered by Rev. Mr. Cook, of Dochester, and Rev. W. J. Clark, city. Mr. Murray thanked the people for their liberal patronage in cordial terms. The proceeds go to the extensive Sunday school improvements. Mr. George Fraser was the secretary of the concert committee.

CLOVERDALE, PRESBYTERY OF WESTMINSTER, B.C.

The annual tea meeting of this interesting mission was held in the new church at Cloverdale, on Thursday evening, 22nd of March. The audience was large and the refreshments and programme of the highest order, indeed surpassing many entertainments given in cities. Rev. B. K. McElman presided over the meeting. Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Star with Mrs. McElman over the tables, while Miss Etie Richmond, daughter of an esteemed elder, held sway over the programme. The minister of Richmond, a member of Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, was present and delivered an address. The proceeds wiped off some debt on the organ and helped to pay insurance on the church.

Cloverdale is situate on the Great Northern Railway running from Brownsville, opposite New Westminster, to Seattle, and is sixteen miles from New Westminster. Three years ago the H. M. C. sent Mr. McElman into the field to break up the ground. The settlers were and are still few, although an increase has taken place. There was no church and no manse, in fact not even a shack to live in. Now Cloverdale has a beautiful church 30 x 40, with small spire and only \$20 debt. For over two years Mr. McElman and his family (wife and five children), lived in a shack 12 x 20, which with his own hands he helped to erect. That

shack is now the wood-shed, being many degrees inferior to the summer kitchen and fitted only for "bucking" and splitting fuel. The missionary's days of roughing it, however, are over so far as a house is concerned, for now he has as nice and comfortable a manse as need be, 22 x 28, with large kitchen and pantry, and the "original manse" behind, mentioned already, as only fit for firewood. The manse has eight comfortable apartments and large hall. All the internal woodwork was done by the hands of Mr. McElman, who also designed and drew the plans. The same is also true about the church. Besides attending to Cloverdale, service is given by the missionary to Port Kells, Tirehead, Surrey, and other two points, names at this moment forgotten.

In the field there are two complete organizations with two sessions, and another of the stations are presently arranging to build a church in spring. So much building in a new field where the settlers have to, as one of the elders said, "keep scratching" to make a bare living, has meant much shortage in salary to the pastor. Indeed he has received each year about \$300 less than the minimum, and were it not for the careful, frugal wife ends could never be met. In these out-of-the-way places in British Columbia, living is expensive, and the actual doing of mission work costs heavily. Roads only fairly passable in summer, and giving cause for continual repair to horse, buggy and minister's clothing, in winter, with all the necessities for the conduct of work of this "wild western type," known only to a few of our ministers, means large drains on scanty supplies, together with big demands upon strength, energy and time.

All honour to such men as McElman, working in the outposts and buried in the woods, carrying the Gospel in the van of incoming peoples, unknown to the church, their names never printed in missionary calendars nor church reports, and yet doing their work as faithfully and deserving of as much notice as the men in foremost places.

Our Church has yet to awaken to a sense of its duty to our Western missionaries. If the Church pays the salaries of one class of laborers without the shortage of a dollar, it is dishonorable to permit another class to suffer shortage of hundreds of dollars year by year, besides expecting them to build churches and manse which very often come out of the missionaries' salaries. Were the "square" thing done to all our missionaries, less anxious pleading for mission funds would be the result, for then the Church could pray to God with a clear conscience.

JASON.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

In addition to the accounts already given of the business done by this committee at its last meeting, we now give the following additional account:—The claims of the respective Presbyteries for services rendered in Mission fields and Augmented congregations during the past six months, were considered and the following sums ordered to be paid:

PRESBYTERIES.	MISSION FIELDS.	AUGMENTED CONGREGATIONS.
Quebec.....	\$ 935 83	\$1006 90
Montreal.....	896 00	1075 00
Glengarry.....	45 00	425 00
Ottawa.....	1005 00	587 50
Lanark & Renfrew	832 00	317 50
Br. ckville.....	129 00	351 00
Kingsion.....	1031 00	625 00
Peterborough....	230 00	510 00
Lindsay.....	300 00	61 54
Whi by.....	.....	.....
Toronto.....	130 00	1220 00
Orangeville.....	.....	395 50
Barrie.....	1980 25	692 77
Owen Sound.....	557 00	250 00
Saugeen.....	65 00	100 00
Guelph.....	.....	57 50
Algoma.....	2159 65	300 00
Hamilton.....	156 00	491 00
Paris.....	75 00	200 01
London.....	52 00	708 00
Chatham.....	208 00	250 00
Sarnia.....	137 00	340 50
Huron.....	.....	407 33
Maitland.....	.....	225 00
Bruce.....	52 00	125 00
Winnipeg.....	1658 00	479 00
Rock Lake.....	1187 50	325 00
Brandon.....	779 00	477 00
Minnedosa.....	2128 00	425 00
Regina.....	3032 00	425 00
Calgary.....	2011 90	175 00
Kamloops.....	150 00
Westminster....	1355 00	100 00
Victoria.....	775 00
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The list of missionaries desiring work for the ensuing summer, was made up, and appointments given to Presbyteries, as follows:

QUEBEC.—Messrs. D. Hutchison, F. W. Gilmore, A. McCallum, G. A. Woodside, Jas. Rollins. MONTREAL.—Messrs. W. Ashe, P. D. Muir, D. D. Millar, A. Mahaffey, N. D. Keith, J. A. Cleland, Rev. A. N. Suckling, Rev. J. McCarter. GLENGARRY.—Messrs. G. Weir and C. Young. OTTAWA.—Messrs. N. McLaren, J. P. McInnis, J. Taylor, W. M. Townsend, G. Gilmore, W. T. B. Crombie, Major McIntosh, W. C. Sutherland, I. McLean, H. Mackay, Rev. M. Danby, Rev. H. T. Kalem. LANARK AND RENFREW.—Messrs. M. H. Wilson, C. A. Ferguson, Rev. R. Knowles, D. J. Scott, and George J. Lowe. BROCKVILLE.—Mr. J. H. Turnbull. KINGSTON.—Messrs. R. Ballantyne, A. C. Bryan, J. Leitch, W. W. Peck, J. R. Fraser, E. C. Currie, R. F. Hunter, H. R. Grant, E. C. Galup, A. Walker, F. E. Pitts, Stuart Woods, W. M. Kannawin, W. T. Pittie. PETERBOROUGH.—Rev. W. Bennett and R. F. Hall. LINDSAY.—Rev. J. S. Stewart and J. D. Smith. WHITBY.—None.

TORONTO.—J. A. Cranston. ORANGEVILLE.—None. BARRIE.—Messrs. J. K. Clark, A. M. Currie, G. J. Crow, A. L. Budge, W. G. Smith, J. Radford, G. B. Wilson, J. G. Inkster, Rev. R. J. Adamson, J. G. Jackson, W. H. Porter, J. Lochore, M. J. Leith, A. Matheson, E. Mason, L. A. McRae. OWEN SOUND.—Messrs. T. Menzies and D. W. Thompson. SAUGLEEN.—Messrs. Jas. Skene, and W. Beattie. GUELPH.—None. ALGOMA.—Messrs. L. McLean, G. C. Little, J. Foster, W. B. Findley, I. B. Torrance, T. Oswald, W. Macphail, J. C. Smith, P. Reith, Rev. J. L. Robertson, Rev. E. B. Rodgers, D. B. Smith, Jas. Steele, D. Forbes, R. W. Goodall, D. Austin, T. Henderson, A. P. Clouin, W. M. Mackeracher. HAMILTON.—Messrs. J. A. McKenzie and J. T. Harcourt. PARIS.—Mr. W. J. West. LONDON.—Mr. A. Graham. CHATHAM.—Messrs. H. Carmichael, J. C. Greathead and P. Uzzell. SARINIA.—Messrs. J. McCullough, H. Cowan and Rev. J. McRobie. STRATFORD.—None. HURON.—None. MAITLAND.—None. BRUCE.—Messrs. N. D. McKinnon and W. A. Maclean.

SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST.—Messrs. G. S. Armstrong, J. C. Stuart, I. Lindsay, A. Macgregor, J. A. Claxton, Rev. E. Florence, S. H. Fee, M. C. McLennan, S. F. McLennan, E. M. Smith, J. S. Muldrew, R. F. Cameron, W. J. McLean, M. S. McKay, E. Smith, G. Gunn, D. Matheson, W. Small, F. J. Hartley, J. R. Robertson, G. H. Menzies, J. W. McLean, H. McLean, J. Russell, J. G. Anderson, J. W. S. Lowry, M. McKee, S. Lundy, A. D. Caskey, W. Still, H. A. Ferguson, A. Hartley, W. Williamson, J. Buason, J. Johannsen, A. Morrison, J. Hohman, W. Bell, H. M. Irwin, R. C. Pollock, T. McAfee, D. Oiver, A. Lang, and six student missionaries from Britain.

CALGARY.—Messrs. T. A. Sadler, J. S. Gordon, J. S. Short, G. S. Scott, J. R. Elmhurst, J. R. Morrow, Rev. E. G. Walker, and P. W. Anderson. KAMLOOPS.—Messrs. R. Laird, Jas. L. Miller, and A. D. Mackinnon.

WESTMINSTER.—Messrs. H. A. McPherson, H. J. Robertson, D. R. McIntosh. VICTORIA.—Messrs. A. D. Menzies, A. D. McIntyre, R. G. Murison.

GRADUATING STUDENTS, &c.—The following resolution was adopted by a vote of sixteen to eight: That the committee recommend the General Assembly to enact that all graduating students and ministers received from other churches be required to give at least one year's service in the Mission Field before being eligible for a call.

WINTER SUPPLY.—Dr. Laing (Convener), Dr. Robertson and Mr. D. J. Macdonnell were appointed a committee to consider in what manner more full and regular supply can be secured during the winter months for the mission fields of the church, to report to the committee in June.

REV. A. FINDLAY'S REPORT.—The Rev. A. Findlay laid on the table an interesting report of his work for the past half-year. The report was received.

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ed, and it was resolved to publish the substance of it in the *Presbyterian Record*. Mr. Findlay's expenses (\$69.52) were ordered to be paid.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S H. M. SOCIETIES.—Mr. A. Henderson was asked to gather information regarding Young People's Societies in the several Presbyteries of the church and report to the convener.

EXECUTIVE.—It was agreed to recommend to General Assembly that the following constitute the Executive for the ensuing year: Revs. Dr. Cochran, Dr. Warden, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Laing, Dr. Campbell, Messrs. Macdonnell, Somerville, M. W. McLean, Gilray, A. Findlay, and Moodie, and Messrs. Warden King, R. Kilgour, and John Penman.

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