

Rev. S. C. Damon, better known as father Damon, died on the following Saturday, Feb. 7th, after an illness of three weeks, aged 70 years. He came out to the Islands on Oct. 19th, 1842, being sent out by the American Seamen's Friend Society, as chaplain for Honolulu. At that time the Bethel Church was the only edifice for the public worship of English speaking people, so that he naturally became the pastor for the foreign community on shore, as well as for the seamen. He began in 1843, the publication of a paper called "The Friend," devoted to the welfare of seamen, and which he continued to edit and publish until within a month of his death. The funeral services were held in Bethel Church which had been the scene of his life-work, and were conducted by the present pastor, Rev E. C. Oggel, assisted by the resident clergymen, and were attended by all classes. His Majesty, King Kalakaua, accompanied by his Chamberlain, Her Royal Highness, Princess Liliuokalani and her husband, Governor Dominas, and many others in high official station were present to testify their esteem for the departed missionary. The *Record* comes regularly and is enjoyed more than ever.

ERZROOM, E. Turkey:—The Rev. Robert Chambers, a minister of our own Church, who has since 1879 been labouring in Eastern Turkey under the auspices of the American Board still reads and appreciates the *Record*, under the shadow of Mount Ararat. In a recent letter he says,—During the past year we have made a strong and hearty effort on behalf of cordial co-operation with the native churches and have succeeded sufficiently to be incited to still more earnest and prayerful efforts towards the same end in the future. Winter is mild this year and we have prospect of a somewhat earlier spring than usual. Government is getting more and more severe in measures for resisting our work. Two of our workers were imprisoned during the past year. Our Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, whom we sometimes meet at consulate dinners and at their own residences, profess high admiration of our work and warm friendship towards ourselves. When we present a case of hardship or persecution they listen with sympathy and indignation, dictate telegrams or messages in our presence, ordering the proper officials to enquire into the matter and have the offenders well punished, then when our backs are turned they recall the professedly despatched message and substitute for it the usual formula—"See that justice is done as Turkish law requires," which means "We have been applied to and have diplomatized the applicant into silence, you are free to do as you like, but try and cover your tracks."

In Tokio, Japan, the largest theatre in the city was packed at services on two days to hear the gospel as proclaimed by native ministers.

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THE increased demand for March necessitated the printing of a second edition of the number for that month. We are thus able to supply a few additional copies to any of our agents who may wish to get them. Our circulation is increasing steadily, though not so rapidly as it should. It is now at the highest point yet attained; but there are heights beyond to which we aspire; though we may never reach them, we shall still keep them in view. There are, as yet, only a few of the congregations who supply each family with a copy of the *Record*. That it would be advantageous for all the congregations to do this we firmly believe. Sample copies may be obtained on application—free of charge.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Montreal, D. Morrice Hall, 31 March, 10 a.m.
Ottawa, Bank St. Church, 5 May, 10 a.m.
Guelph, Guelph, 19 May.
Lanark and Renfrew, Perth, 28 April, 2 p.m.
Lindsay, Sonya, 26 May, 11 a.m.
Wallace, Wallace, 5 May, 11 a.m.
Whitby, 21 April.
Toronto, Knox church, 7 April, 10 a.m.
Brockville, 1st Church, 14 July, 2 p.m.
Lun. and Shelburne, Lunenburg, 14 April, 10 a.m.
Halifax, St. Matthews church, 30 April, 10 a.m.
Truro, 7 April.
Pictou, New Glasgow, 5 May, 9.30 a.m.
Vic. & Richmond Whycocomah, 31 March.
P. E. Isla d, Summerside, 5 May, 11 a. m.
Glengarry, Lancaster, 7 July, 1 p.m.
Stratford, Knox church, 12 May, 10 a.m.
St. John, 5 May, 10 a.m.
London, (Adjrd) 1st Pres. ch. 7 April, 2.30 p.m.
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Winnipeg, 18 May.
Miramichi, Newcastle, 7th April, 11 a.m.
Huron, Clinton, 12 May, 10.30 a.m.

MEETINGS OF SYNODS.

HAMILTON AND LONDON, in McNab st. church, Hamilton, 13th April, at 7:30 p.m.
MONTREAL AND OTTAWA, in St. John's church, Cornwall, 12th May, 7:30 p.m.
TORONTO AND KINGSTON, at Cobourg, 5th May, 7 p.m.
MANITOBA AND THE N. W. TERRITORIES, at Brandon, 19th May, 7:30 p.m.

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