

last place, and regretted being able to give only three days to it. The view from the Golden Horn is magnificent and the sail round the Bosphorus, going in the European side and returning by the Asiatic, is delightful. It is an immense place with nearly a million of inhabitants. Both our Church and the Frees have a Station there. From Constantinople we retraced our steps through the Dardanelles and Archipelago to Athens where we remained a couple of days. It is a clean, modern place, very like a German town,—but the Areopagus, Acropolis, Temple of Theseus and the Stadium are there in the ruins of their ancient grandeur. It seems so strange to see all the names on the shops and streets in Greek—although not able to understand people talking, the sound seems very familiar, and we felt as though we could talk Greek very easily. Dr. Thomson, agent of the Bible Society at Constantinople, sailed with us to Athens and proved a most valuable guide to the ruins, in which he is well posted. He was formerly missionary of the Free Church, and is a most liberal-minded man. He and I took part in the ordination of a missionary to the Greeks. We were most fortunate in having fine weather the whole way from Beyrout. When in Greece it was particularly fine. I enjoyed the sail from Athens to the Isthmus and thence through the Corinthian gulf, calling at several of the Ionian Islands. In crossing the Isthmus, which we did in a swell carriage and pair, a distance of six miles, at every half mile there was a guard of soldiers stationed. So insecure is the state of the country from brigands that the excursion from Athens cannot be made without an escort. Three years ago, four Englishmen going to visit Marathon were captured and put to death. The boat remained sufficient time in Corfu to enable us to take a drive on the Island. We then crossed to Brindisi and took train to Naples and Rome. I am here for a few days and then start for the Italian Lakes through Switzerland and the Rhine-Land to London, which I hope to reach in time for the May meetings, and then to Auld Scotia, to be present at the meeting of the General Assembly.

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#### SIGNS OF A TRUE REVIVAL.

1st. The filling up of the seats in the prayer-meeting by the heads of families.

2nd. A spirit of devotion and prayer pervading the young men of the church.

3rd. An earnest study of the Scriptures and a desire on the part of all the members of the Sabbath school.

4th. The revival of family worship among those who have neglected it.

5th. A better attendance on the services of God's house on the Sabbath.

6th and last, but not least. A consecration even of the mites of the widow to the cause of missions.

These, we think, are evidences of no mean revival, when they begin to show themselves in any church. They will soon be followed by a striving on the part of the godless to be like-minded.

#### THE UNION.

The number of ministers on the Rolls of Presbyteries of the Canada Presbyterian Church at date of the last statistical report, was 315. Our own church numbered 136, not including nine ordained missionaries. The Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces numbered 130, and the Church of Scotland in the Maritime Provinces 32. The approximate number of ministers in the four negotiating churches is therefore 613. The votes cast in the following Presbyteries represent of course, chiefly, the opinions of the ministers of those churches. The returns are not complete, neither are they official, and we cannot guarantee their absolute correctness.

#### CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

1. Bruce.....	Yea,	2 to 1,	asks an article on Headship
2. Guelph.....	Yea	21 to 8	
3. Hamilton.....	Yea	14 to 7	
4. Huron.....	Yea	13 to 12	
5. Ontario.....	Yea	Unanimous.	
6. Paris.....	Yea	12 to 10	
7. London.....	Nay		
8. Stratford.....	Yea	17 to 1	
9. Brockville.....	Yea	6 to 5	
10. Toronto.....	Yea	14 to 8	
11. Cobourgh.....	Yea	Unanimous.	
12. Ottawa.....	Yea	11 to 6	
13. Montreal.....	Yea	12 to 8	