

acter. It appeared from the report that there were connected with the Committees operations 77 distinct mission fields, with 150 preaching stations, besides 56 supplemented congregations. These represent, altogether, 4,509 families, an adult membership of 6,155, and an average attendance of 19,091. These mission stations and congregations contribute locally, besides board for the missionaries, \$22762.41, and receive in aid from the central fund \$9583.75. The list of missionary agents comprehends 11 Ministers, 4 Lay Catechists, 22 Divinity Students, and 14 Student Catechists. The total amount contributed for the Home Mission Fund, including balance from last year, was \$12,517.19; and the amount expended \$10,350.16. The balance on hand at the end of the year is \$2,167.03.

The report was sustained and the thanks of the Synod given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener, who has given very great attention to this important scheme. The Synod in connection with this report adopted the following resolutions:—

1. That Presbyteries be instructed, as they hereby are, to adopt at once such measures as shall prevent the accumulation of arrears in supplemented congregations, and not allow any minister to remain in a place where, for any reason, the people neglect the duty of contributing to his support as the Lord enables him.

2. That Presbyteries be, as they hereby are, enjoined to take prompt and decided action in reference to congregations and stations within their bounds, which either neglect to contribute to the fund or contribute inadequately.

3. That the Synod repeat the instructions of last year that students licensed during the summer, and ministers or probationers received after this Synod be not put on the roll of probationers till October next, but that these men continue to labour in the mission field all that time.

4. That all incidental expenses connected with the operations of the Home Mission within Presbyteries be defrayed by the Presbyteries, and not form a claim on the Central Fund.

5. That the costs of all exploring and aggressive missionary work undertaken and sanctioned by the Presbyteries, be defrayed out of the Home Mission Fund.

KNOX'S COLLEGE REPORT.

The Report of the Board of Management of Knox's College was called for at the evening diet of Thursday 11th. It was given in and read by Rev. D. Inglis, Chairman of the Board. The report of the Senate was also read; and at a subsequent sederunt the Report of the Board of Examiners.

The report gave particulars as to the income and expenditure—the former being \$5,753.80, and the latter \$6,383.32. The total debt on the ordinary fund is \$1,561.17, being \$431.71 more than last year. The contributions of three Presbyteries, however, have now been transferred to the College in Montreal. The ordinary fund for Knox's College has also been affected by the effort made to pay off the debt on the Beachville Church, so as to obtain the sum of \$4000 promised by W. C. McLeod, Esq., of Woodstock, towards the endowment of the College. This amount has now been secured. There has also been a large addition to the Bursary Fund, one gentleman (Mr. Goldie, of Ayr,) having given \$500 for the foundation of a Bursary, and several other gentlemen giving annual sums for a number of years for the assistance of students. The total receipts for the Bursary Fund during the year were \$1,392.19, and the expenditure \$1,379.00, leaving a balance on hand of \$13.19.

The report of the Senate, read by Principal Willis, referred to the number of students, (23 in theology, besides a considerable number in the pre-