

Clerk and the expenses incurred by the corresponding members, there will be left in the hands of the Treasurer the small sum of \$45. In these circumstances the Synod recommend that these amounts be paid in full; that \$10 be taken from this fund to assist in defraying the expenses connected with the printing of the Minutes, as required by the Synod; and that, out of the remainder, a part of the travelling expenses of the more distant members of Synod be paid in proportions mentioned, as under.

The state of this Scheme will then be as follows:—

Amount collected by different congregations,			\$161 30
	Claimed. To be pd.		
Synod Clerk, for services	\$20 00	\$20 00	
Rev. J. A. Murray's exp's as Corresponding Member,	20 00	20 00	
John M' Dougall, Esq. do.,	16 00	16 00	
Rev. J. Kidd, trav. expens.,	16 00	7 00	
Rev. William Murray, do.,	16 00	7 00	
Rev. Dr. Brooke, do.,	12 00	5 75	
Rev. Mr. Mackie,		5 75	
Rev. James Murray,	4 00	2 00	
For printing of Records,		10 00	
			93 50

In hands of the Treasurer, \$7 80

Your Committee regret exceedingly that the sum at their disposal should be so small, and think it extremely desirable that the collections should be such as to pay the travelling expenses of members to the Synod more fully.

Respectfully submitted by
WILLIAM MURRAY, *Convener.*
Chatham, July, 1864.

D.

Home Mission Fund---Report 1863-4.

The Committee on the Home Mission Fund regret that they have it not in their power to report as favorably as they could have wished.

The Colonial Committee of the Parent Church are repeatedly expressed their purpose of withdrawing, in whole or in part, the aid which, for many years, they have very generously extended to a large proportion of our congregations.

It is well known that some of these congregations are quite unable to support a Minister to their homes, and, unless assisted by those who are more wealthy, the services of a Minister must necessarily be withdrawn from them.

During the past year, the grants from home have actually been withdrawn from several of our congregations, and though this has been met by increased liberality on the part of the people themselves, it is to be feared that, in some cases, this cannot be depended on, to the amount required.

It was to meet such an emergency that the Home Mission Fund was originated; but your committee regret that the contributions received during the last year, come far short of answering the end in view.

The following is a view of the present state of the fund:—

Balance in the Treasurer's hand, as per last Report,	\$258 93
St. John's Church, Richmond (additional),	6 54
St. Andrew's Church, Chatham,	12 00
St. John's Church, Dalhousie, \$9 60	
Maple Green,	1 40— 11 00
St. John's Church, Richmond,	8 00
St. James's Church, Newcastle,	19 35

do. St. Andrew's Church, St. John. -	82 22
Additional, St. John,	4 00
Col. St. Andrew's Ch., Woodst'k. \$3 63	
do. St. James's Ch., Northampton, 3 37	

\$7 00

Less cost of Post Office order. 0 05—	6 95
do. St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, -	24 00

\$432 99.

It will be observed that there are several congregations from which collections for this Scheme have usually been obtained, that had sent in no contribution at the date when the account was closed. There is reason, however, to believe that some have been sent in since, and will appear in next year's account.

The disbursements for the year have been as follow:—

Paid Dr. Brooke's order, favour Rev. James Murray,	\$60 00
Paid Dr. Brooke's order, favour Rev. H. J. M'Lardy,	60 00
Paid Dr. Brooke's order, favour Rev. John Ross,	58 98
Paid Dr. Brooke's order, favour Rev. Peter Keay,	80 00
Paid Dr. Brooke's order, favour Mr. W. T. Wilkins,	20 00
Postage,	30

\$279 23

There is thus a balance on hand of \$153 76, which, it is hoped, will still be considerably increased, but, after all that can be looked for, the receipts still come far short of answering the end in view.

Your Committee have granted \$20 to Mr. William T. Wilkins, who, since his return from College in May, has been labouring as a Catechist on the River Tobique and in the adjoining district; and it is hoped his services, may prove useful, and be duly appreciated by the many scattered families of Presbyterians in that quarter, who have long been, in a great measure, destitute of the means of grace.

Your Committee regret that the sum at their disposal leaves little to be granted this year to those Ministers whose income is insufficient; and it is obvious that, unless greater liberality is manifested by the people of our various organized congregations, your Committee's hands must be much weakened.

Respectfully submitted, in name and by appointment of the Committee, by
JOHN M. BROOKE, D. D., *Convener.*

E.

Report of the Temporalities' Fund.

The Report which the Committee have to render of the prospects of this Scheme, are partly favorable and partly unfavorable.

The Convener, in company with the Rev. John Wells, visited for the purpose of recommending the Scheme, the congregations at Campbellton, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Chatham, Newcastle and Black River. They felt much encouraged by the reception which they met with from these congregations, and at the approval testified by them of the project of a Temporalities' Fund, by which the Church might be rendered independent of foreign aid.

At all these places Committees were appointed for the purpose of endeavouring to obtain subscriptions for the object proposed; and it now remains to state what progress has been made. At Campbellton, in consequence of the disorganized state of the congregation, through the death