

- (c) That the money constituting the Fund shall at the discretion of the Board either be invested, and the revenue accruing therefrom be given in the form of grants to congregations engaged in the erection of Churches or Manses, or shall be lent to such congregations for a limited number of years, either with or without interest.
- (d) The Board entrusted with the management of this Fund shall be composed of nine members, six of these to be appointed annually by the General Assembly; the other members of the Board to be the Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and the North-West, the Convener of the Home Mission Committee, Western Section, and one member appointed by the Home Mission Committee. The ordinary place of meeting of the Board shall be Winnipeg. The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies made by death or resignation, until the next General Assembly thereafter.
- (e) All applications for aid shall be made to this Board through the Presbytery of the bounds, and before being considered by the Board must be recommended by the Presbytery, but the Board is to be sole judge as to the merits of the application and the amount of aid to be granted.
- (f) The assistance when made in the form of a grant, shall not, except in special circumstances, exceed one-fifth of the total cost of the building; and when made in the form of a loan shall not exceed 50 per cent. of the cost. The money shall be payable only when the building can be used for service, in the case of grants. In the case of loans it may be advanced from time to time. No grant to be made nor loan effected until the Board is satisfied a valid title to the property has been secured by the congregation, and that the deed is in the form approved by the General Assembly.
- (g) It shall be competent for the Board, with the approval of the General Assembly to make changes in these regulations, but such as shall not extend to the alienation of the capital intrusted to the Board.
- (h) The Board shall report its transactions annually, through the Home Mission Committee, to the General Assembly.

Rev. J. Robertson was requested to act as interim treasurer of the fund till the Board is duly constituted.

BEQUEST OF LATE MR. DAVID M'EWEN.

There was read a letter from Rev. J. A. Murray, intimating that the late Mr. David McEwen of Westminster had left the sum of \$500 to the Session of St. Andrew's Church, London, Ont., to be used in whatever way they consider will best contribute to the furtherance of the Gospel, and that the Session had resolved to appropriate the amount to Church buildings in Manitoba. The matter was referred to Mr. Jas. Robertson, interim treasurer of the Manitoba and North-West Church and Manse Building Fund, and the Convener was instructed to notify Mr. Murray of the action of the Committee.