

## THE CENTURY FUND.

Regina has subscribed \$2,500 to the Century Fund.

The Country charge of Oro and Guthrie, Ont., will give \$1000 to the Common Fund.

Stonewall, Manitoba, subscribes \$1,700, of which \$700 for their own debt and \$1,000 for the Common Fund.

Gravenhurst congregation, Barrie Pres., has raised \$1,700 for the Century Fund, of which \$1,500 is for the Common Fund.

Rev. A. MacGillivray, sub-agent in charge of the Century Fund in Toronto Presbytery, reports that the Presbytery will exceed the amount asked from it.

Rev. R. G. MacBeth, of Winnipeg, has been requested by the Central Committee to work for a time in the Synod of Manitoba and N. W. for the Century Fund, in connection with Presbyterial Committee, and has begun his work.

St. Andrews, St. John, N. B., expects to raise \$6,000 for the Century Fund. The two congregations of Chatham, N. B., agree to raise \$6,000, and it is stated that about \$6,000 is expected from Charlottetown.

Century Fund Banks have been prepared for the Children of the Church and will be sent on application to the church officers, Toronto. When ordering it would be well also to send at the rate of \$2.50 per hundred, which would pay the cost and carriage of the Banks.

The Agent, Dr. Campbell, judging from the hearty and sympathetic response all over the Church, is confident that the aim of the Church, in the amount of the Century Fund, will be realized. May the higher aim, the greater result, in stronger Christian life, be realized as well.

Five men in the congregation of Pembroke, Ont., are subscribing \$3,000 to the Century Fund, and the ladies are raising \$1,000. Ten families have undertaken to pay off the church debt in connection with the Century Fund, leaving the gifts of the other two hundred families to go to the Common Fund.

Dr. Campbell says that the half-way house is in sight, and that the million will be raised and more. To make the Common Fund, for the help of all the great Scheme of the Church, one million dollars would be a worthy and a grand result. It would give all our Mission Schemes a good work-

ing balance and enable them to do far more and better work.

What I do for the Century Fund will bear fruit in the different Mission Schemes of the Church after I am gone. Through aid given to Home Missions, it will go on making Canada a better land. Through Foreign Missions, it will aid in the world's redemption. Thus may I influence the world's destiny to latest ages.

To put away debt and to keep it away, is the one great object of the Century Fund, so far as the financial side of it is concerned. To put it away from congregations by leading them to pay off their debts; and, by providing a working balance, to keep it away from the Mission Schemes of the Church each summer before the congregational offerings come in at the close of the year.

"Over 160 congregations have been visited and organized. Everywhere our people have been hearty and responsive. We must have the work at heart, and not stay our efforts till the last family, the last member, the last adherent, has had an opportunity to contribute. Very specially, we must remember that we are seeking for that which is better than many millions—for showers of spiritual blessing on our beloved Zion, for spiritual uplift to all our people. Already we have token that the times of refreshing are at hand. As we work, let us pray, that this crowning result of the movement may come sure and soon." Dr. Campbell, Agent.

Rev. A. MacGillivray, Century Convener in Toronto Presbytery, writes to the RECORD:—Toronto Presbytery, with its fifty-two pastoral charges, has the work well in hand. The indications from Ottawa are that the Dominion Capital will show both the strength and liberality of its Presbyterians. No one can afford to be out of line with this "forward movement" of his Church. While there may be room for differences of opinion as to the details of the scheme, all must agree as to the general outline. It is the Scheme of the whole Church calmly and reverently adopted, after thoughtful and exhaustive deliberation and solemn prayer. To say, "I don't approve of the Scheme," would be giving an exaggerated prominence to our own opinion, and assuming an attitude scarcely consistent with loyalty to the Church. The Century Fund will indicate to our children our gratitude to God for His mercies to our land and Church during the century, and to ourselves during our life-time. It will also express our trust and hope for the future. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."