

and another marked feature was the close attention of the members to business. We do not remember ever to have seen this better exemplified. Too much praise cannot be given to the Committee of Arrangements for the accommodation of the commissioners. In the published list are the names of some 450 delegates, many of whom were accompanied by wives or daughters, and all were hospitably entertained. Then, the arrangements at Bank Street Church seemed to be as nearly perfect as could be—the handsome and commodious new hall affording unlimited facilities for the meetings of committees, while Dr. Moore, pastor of the Church and master of ceremonies, and those associated with him, earned the thanks of all by their courtesy. The city of Ottawa, proper, is said to contain about 40,000 inhabitants, but including the immediate suburbs, the population is now close on 60,000—irrespective of the city of Hull, only separated from it by the river, and which has some 12,000 inhabitants. The population of Ottawa is divided nearly equally betwixt the Catholics and Protestants. Of the latter, the Episcopalians, Methodists and Presbyterians are about equally numerous—each having six churches.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE RECORD FOR JULY must be a few days later than usual of reaching subscribers, as we are desirous of giving as full an account of the General Assembly in this number as possible. The back numbers are completely exhausted. New subscribers may commence with June, by giving early notice, *but all subscriptions must terminate in December.* IN ORDER TO MAKE THE EXPERIMENT EASY FOR THOSE WHO ARE DESIROUS OF INTRODUCING THE RECORD INTO EVERY FAMILY, ANY NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL COPIES WILL BE SUPPLIED FROM JULY TO DECEMBER, INCLUSIVE, AT THE NOMINAL RATE OF TEN CENTS PER COPY!

Literature.

THE SUCCESS OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONS, by Robert Young, F.R.S.G.S., author of "Modern Missions," and "Light in Lands of Darkness;" London, Hodder & Stoughton, 1890; pp. 278; price \$1.50. The author's idea is to illustrate the success of missions by independent testimony as to their beneficent results from parties whose personal acquaintance with the work in heathen countries entitles them to speak on this subject. The "Testimonies"

are culled from Government Blue Books books of travel, and other sources in no way connected with missionary societies, and are thus all the more valuable. The witnesses are statesmen, politicians, colonial governors, editors of secular papers and literary men in general, and their evidence is spontaneous and conclusive. Among them are some illustrious converts to Christianity, whose opinions are entitled to great weight, and some who, like Mr. Darwin, in spite of their religious scepticism, are constrained by what they have seen with their own eyes to admit the benefits accruing to heathen races by Christianity. Perhaps the most satisfactory evidence of all is that given by Prince Harnan Singh, late Maharaja of Kapurthala, a feudatory state in the Punjab, who said at a meeting of C. M. Society, in 1887:—"Had it not been for the knowledge imparted by the missionaries, English laws and English science, no, nor British arms, would have effected such changes in the social condition of India, as are evident to all observing men in these days." This man, speaking for himself, says, "Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift," and feels sure that "the time is not far distant when the full light will shine in India. Then my country will throw away its idols and bow itself before the unseen God, who makes Himself known in His revealed Word, and by His Spirit which dwelleth in man." *Wm. Drysdale & Co., Montreal.*

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

Whitby, Whitby, 15th July, 10.30 a.m.
 Guelph, Knox ch., 15th July, 10.30 a.m.
 Maitland, Wingham, 8th July, 11.15 a.m.
 Truro, Economy, 8th July.
 London, 1st Presby. ch., 8th July, 2.30 p.m.
 Gtengarry, Alexandria, 8th July, 11 a.m.
 Bruce, Tara, 8th July, 1 p.m.
 Chatham, St. Andrew's, 8th July, 10 a.m.
 Saugeen, Harriston, 8th July, 10 a.m.
 Kingston, Belleville, 1st July, 7.30 p.m.
 Sarnia, St. Andrew's ch., 1st July, 1 p.m.
 Regina, Moosomin, 8th July.
 Brockville, Morrisburg, 8th July.
 Peterboro, Port Hope, 8th July, 9.30 a.m.
 Calgary, Calgary, 3rd September.
 Columbia, New Westminster, 9th Sept. 3 p.m.
 Minnedosa, Neepawa, 23rd July, 2 p.m.
 Ottawa, Knox ch., 5th August, 10 a.m.
 Halifax, Chalmers Hall, 17th July, 10 a.m.
 Quebec, Morrin College, 26th Aug. 3 p.m.
 Winnipeg, Knox ch., 22nd July. 7.30 p.m.
 Stratford, Knox ch., 8th July, 10.30 a.m.
 Hamilton, 15th July, 10 a.m.
 Lindsay, Cannington, 26th Aug., 10.30 a.m.
 Brandon, Portage la Prairie, 21st July, 3 p.m.
 Huron, Goderich, 8th July, 11 a.m.
 Orangeville, St. Andrew's, 8th July, 10.30 a.m.
 Toronto, St. Andrew's, 8th July, 10 a.m.
 P.E.I., Montrose, 1st July, 2 p.m.
 Lan. & Ren., Renfrew, 25th Aug., 7 p.m.