

be pursued so as to *enable* them to give, is clearly laid down in the scripture." "On the first day of the week *let every one of you lay by him in store* as God has prospered him." There is the simple principle of a Saving's Bank, a principle which the weakest capacity may thoroughly understand and act upon. As a steward of God the poorest may lay up something for God "for if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that a man hath not." The *time* at which they are to lay up for God, is the *first day of the week*, thus pointing out to them that it is a Sabbath day's duty to recall to their minds the mercies of the past week; and thankfully devoting such a portion of them as they have purposed in their heart to give to his service, they may thus by adding little to little, by the end of a year have a nice little sum from which to support the minister under whose teaching they sit, and give a contribution of upwards of \$3.82, as per financial statement, besides a trifle more than *twenty-five cents* for Knox College. It is not necessary that they deposit every week's gathering in church collecting plate, as it may stand at the door or be handed from pew to pew by the deacons, because by so doing they may not be able to contribute to any of the several causes in the proportion they would desire, and so deprive themselves of the privilege of supporting the Bible cause; but from their weekly gatherings for God's cause, thus laid up in store, they will be placed in the pleasing position of contributing to this or that particular object according as its merits may demand.

Were it not that I feel convinced you will dispose of the trifle sent to the best advantage, I would not have ventured to use so much freedom with you. I shall see in the *Record* to what cause you devote it, *only please to withhold my name*.

I feel a deep interest in the support of the gospel, and always can cheerfully give my mite for this object, and I regret much that I cannot succeed in getting any of my brethren here to see the matter in the same light as I do."

The second letter is not less interesting and encouraging. We give it exactly as we received it:—"Dear sir,—Having read Mr. Nesbit's letters in the *Record*, about his work among the Indians, I thought I would like to do something to aid him in his work. I was busy spinning at the time, and for some time I did not know of anything I could do. One morning the thought occurred to me, that with some self-denial, I could send the flannel dress I would be getting for the winter. As there would be some difficulty in the way of sending the dress itself, I send the price of it which amounts to \$4.50, my father sends with me \$1.50, and my mother sends \$1, making in all \$7.

May Jesus bless this little offering, and richly bless Mr. Nesbit in his work and give him many souls for his hire. Yours truly, C. F."

We add our earnest prayer that these contributions, given as they evidently are, in a right spirit, may be accompanied with the blessing of the Great Head of the church, and we heartily trust that many may be found, who, in similar ways, may give evidence that they know the grace of the Lord Jesus.

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The anniversary of this society was held at Montreal, on the 23rd January last, in the Wesleyan Church, Great St. James' Street. As usual, this large building was crowded, and many went away without being able to gain admittance. In the absence of the president, John Redpath, Esq., through illness, the Rev. Dr. Taylor, of Erskine Church, vice-president