

copper required. "I called a meeting on the 20th inst. (June) when it was agreed that the copper should be ordered and sent out at the time specified, on the faith of the pledge in Mr. McDonald's letter, that the Australian churches would bear their proportion of the expense"

Our *Record* for September contained the fact that the Board representing our Synod, at once assumed the fourth part of the liability, involved in the outlay, which practical men among us considered necessary. As we understand the Board's resolution, they do not appeal to the children of the Church to meet the extra expenditure; but it is a valid reason why our Sabbath Schools should be in motion, that they may not fall short in meeting the ordinary outlay of \$1260. This sum should be speedily on its way to our Agent in Sydney, and will be, by order of the Board, before these remarks are published; and as it is thus loaned to our young friends, they must prepare to pay off all their debts at the close of the year, or as soon after that as possible.

We shall forward cards without waiting for orders, immediately. Schools or individuals wanting a larger number will find their applications speedily answered, if directed either to Rev. P. G. McGregor, or to Mr. James Barnes, publisher of *Record*, Halifax. Boxes will be furnished when applied for in accordance with the decision of the Board at its meeting held in August last and published in the September *Record*. Will the superintendents and Teachers of Sabbath Schools take note, so that the stream of juvenile contributions may commence with Christmas or sooner, and be completed early in the year 1868?

Fraternal and Complimentary.

The Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland, at a recent meeting, passed the following resolution, which the Synod of that body endorsed, and which the Board communicated to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces:—

"It is with feelings of devout gratitude to God that your Committee desire to call

your attention to the widely extended interest which the New Hebrides Mission has excited among the Presbyterian Churches of Victoria, New South Wales, and New Zealand. In a British colony nearer home, to which belongs the honour of first breaking ground in this part of heathendom, the same deep interest, which has ever marked the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, continues to be felt and shewn.—The cordial co-operation which has existed between the Church in Scotland and their brethren in Nova Scotia, in the conducting of this mission, has made clear the fact that it is possible for men holding the one faith, the one Lord, the one baptism, though called by different names to labour as with one heart in the field of Foreign Missions. It is pleasant also to have it to say that this harmony is not a thing of the past alone, but that it extends up to the present moment. During the past year the gentleman who has had most to do in conducting the mission in Nova Scotia, has, after many years' service, retired from the position of Secretary. Dr. Bayne, whose name and labours are familiar to us all in connection with the New Hebrides Mission, who has been in turn the official correspondent of Dr. Bates and Dr. Graham, and of our present Secretary, has made way for the Rev. Mr. McGregor of Halifax, whose communications to your Committee show him to be a not unworthy successor of the man on whom devolved the onerous work of carrying to successful completion the building of the *Dayspring*, and whose careful superintendence sent into the field the Gordons, and Matheson, and Johnston, and Morrison and McCullagh. Your Committee suggest that in looking back upon the work of Dr. Bayne for fifteen years, and connecting it with his resignation of the Secretaryship of the Mission, this Court ought to place upon their record an expression of the deep sense which they have of the valuable services rendered by him to the mission, and their hope that he may not find in vain his labour in the Lord."

The Sabbath School.

LESSONS FOR DECEMBER.

FIRST SABBATH.

SUBJECT:—*The Spies*.—Numbers xiii. 17-35.

The Israelites had now reached Kadesh, a town near the southern boundry of Palestine in the wilderness of Paran. From Mt. Horeb to Kadesh was eleven days journey (Deut. i. 2.) Having now arrived at the frontier of Canaan nothing but their own