

ordinary collections for our current expenses, we must not neglect the claims of Missions and the General Schemes of the Church; and for local purposes we must bear in mind the Manse scheme, which met the approval of the congregation in May last, and also the proposal to extend the Session House.

Popular Grove and its Minister.

Rev. Allan Simpson and Lady returned on Saturday night 19th ult., from a three months' tour in Europe. On the evening of the weekly prayer meeting the Congregation met their Pastor and his young wife to give them a social and Christian welcome. Dr. Payson's wedding was a prayer meeting, and the Poplar Grove meeting combined, the social, the devotional and musical with the Cordial Welcome.

An affectionate address with a Gold Watch to the Pastor, and a furnished Davenport writing desk to Mrs Simpson, were presented from the Congregation, and a Fancy Inkstand, Gold Pen, &c., with a suitable address from the children of the Sabbath School. The excellence and beauty of the first named articles may be inferred from the fact, that they represented the sum of \$200, and the children's gift was chaste and beautiful.

The thanks of Mr. Simpson on behalf of himself and Mrs. Simpson, given *impromptu*, were fervent and affectionate, and more so if possible to the juveniles than to the Seniors.

The time remaining was most agreeably occupied with music, speeches and recitations, and the meeting closed as it opened, with thanksgiving to God for His mercies, and prayer that the Lord's Blessing may rest on Pastor and people in all their relations, and in all their united efforts for the advancement of the Lord's work.

A New Church.

The congregation of the Rev. J. Fraser Campbell at Richmond have erected a handsome church, which was opened for public worship on the second Sabbath of October.

Rev. A. Glendinning is at present in New York. We understand that his health has benefited by change and travel.

We regret to learn that Rev. D. MacNeil's health is in so unsatisfactory a condition that he has resolved to demit his charge.

Rev. George Christie has spent some weeks in the Upper Provinces.

Rev. George Sutherland, late of Dunedin, New Zealand, has accepted a call to Sydney, Australia. Mr. Sutherland has published two works, one on Baptism, and one on the Lord's Supper, since going to New Zealand.

Rev. J. K. Smith of Galt, Ontario, has accepted the call of the Fort Massey congregation. His induction is appointed for the last evening of October. We very cordially welcome Mr. Smith among us.

We republish from the United Presbyterian Record an admirable article, by Rev. Dr. King, on the augmentation of stipends. All, or nearly all, of that article suits our own church. Let it bring to the minds of readers the claims of the Supplementing Fund.

The Ter-Centenary of the death of Knox will be the 24th of the present month. Would it not be well for ministers to call the attention of their congregations to the characteristics of the Reformation, and of the great Retormer?

Canada Presbyterian Church.

The cause of Christ in connection with Presbyterianism is making progress in Manitoba.

Dr. Inglis, Theological Professor in Knox College, has accepted a call to a Church in Brooklyn, New York. Stipend, \$7000. Dr. McVicar of Montreal has declined a similar call.

The "Life of Dr. Robert Burns" by his son Dr. R. F. Burns of Montreal, is now published.

The Free Church has established a Mission in the region of Mount Lebanon.

Rev. Dr. Guthrie's health is in a very precarious condition. He expected to preach this winter in Rome, but this hope is now given up.

Dr. Duff quotes the testimony of Lord Lawrence, Sir Bartle Frere, Lord Napier, and Sir Donald Macleod—all Indian Governors—to the success of Missions in India.

A Good Sign.

It is a good sign of the times that the Roman Catholic organs abuse the Emperor of Austria as savagely as they have been wont to abuse Garibaldi and Victoria Emmanuel. Emperor Francis Joseph, it seems, has refused to allow the Jesuits to rush for shelter into his Dominions now that they are expelled from Germany. He has broken