ANOTHER MISSIONARY.

The Rev. Francis Nicol, recently of St. Johns, Newfoundland, has, we are happy to learn, arrived in the Province, and is now doing duty as a missionary within the bounds of the Presbytery of Hamilton.

WIDOWS' FUND.

Before our next number can be in the hands of our readers generally the time appointed by the Synod, namely, the first Sabbath of January, for making the annual collection for the Ministers' Widows' and Orphan's Fund, will have arrived. By way of reminding the friends of this excellent Institution of the matter we insert in this number the Report presented by the Managers to the last meeting of Synod. The congregational contributions last year amounted to \$1657.82, falling short of those made the year before by the considerable sum of \$398.10. We do sincerely hope that the many cheerful contributors to this Fund will give as freely as ever, and more so if they can, and that those who diminished their offerings last year will be in a position to do more now.

THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

FRENCH MISSION FUND.

The amount acknowledged in the last number of "The Presbyterian," as having been received from A. Dignwall Fordyce, Esq., Fergus, should have been—Collection made in St. Andrew's Church, Fergus, receivedthrough A. Dingwall Fordyce, Esq. ARCH. FERGUSON,

Treasurer.

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HOME MISSION FUND. Nov. 2.-Received from the Congregation of Beauharnois for Missionary services.....\$40 00 Nov. 24.—Received from the Congregation of Longueuil for Missionary

services 30 00

\$70 00 ARCH. FERGUSON,

Montreal, 24th Nov., 1858.

THE JEWISH MISSION. Received from the Congregation at Lanark per Rev. Thos. Fraser...£1 10 0 ALEX. MORRIS. Treasurer.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS IN AID OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

BUILDING FUND.—Ramsay Congregation. 13.25 BURSARY FUND.—St. Andrews' Church, Fergus, per A. D. Fordyce, Esq.....\$10.00 JOHN PATON,

Secretary to the Trustees.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, Kingston, 22nd Nov., 1858.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

A meeting of the Synod's Committee on Sabbath Schools will be held in Hamilton on the evening of Wednesday, the 15th of largest which ever assembled within the December, at 7 o'clock.

GEORGE McDONNELL.

Fergus, Nov. 20th, 1858.

ORDINATION AT MIDDLEVILLE.

On the 27th of October last the Presbytery of Bathurst met at Middleville, where they ordained Mr. William Clarkson Clarke to the office of the Holy Ministry, and admitted him to the pastoral charge of the congregation there. The Rev. John McMorine, of Ramsay, preached and presided on the occasion, and, Mr. Clarke having been ordained and admitted with the usual forms and solemnities, the Rev. Solomon Mylne, of Smith's Falls, addressed him on his responsibilities and duties, and was followed by the Rev. William McHutchison, who delivered sundry exhortations to the people.

Our readers will perceive in Middleville a new name in the list of our charges. The place is six miles from Lanark, and has hitherto been a Station to which Mr. Fraser, the minister of Lanark, attended. Sometime last spring, we understand, the Presbytery separated it from Lanark, and erected it into a charge by itself. Mr. Clarke was well known to the people, having laboured there as a Catechine throughout last summer. We hope this settlement will be productive of much fruit to the praise and glory of God.

OPENING EXERCISES OF QUEENS' COL-LEGE.

On the first Wednesday of November the Session of Queen's College was formally opened by the usual address, the Arts' Students having, however, been at

work for a month previous.

The class-room in which the opening exercises took place was far too small for the occasion, a defect soon to be remedied. It was crowded with the students, leaving but little room for friends of the College, of whom there were not so many present as usual, owing to the unfavorable weather. The opening address was delivered by the new Professor of Chemistry and Natural History, Dr. George Lawson, a gentleman who bids fair to reflect honor not only upon our College but also upon the cause of Science in this Province. From the address, which was listened to with marked attention, we make a few extracts, which, however, give but a faint idea of the impression produced on those present.

It is most gratifying again to have to chronicle a large increase in the number of Students. The Roll on 15th November was as follows:-

1st Class.... 29 (Juniors.)

2nd " 11 66 3rd.... 13

" 10 (Theological Students.)

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The Junior Class is this year by far the walls of Queen's College, and is composed of young men of more than average ability, in view. It is also pleasing to notice which he is labouring is easily accessible

among the Students several from Prince Edward's Island and the Lower Provinces, showing the increased interest felt in the College. Two Students have also joined from Scotland.

A new building is in course of erection which will give greatly increased accommodation and supply a want long felt, viz: that of a large Hall for Divine Service, for examinations, &c. Before the middle of the Session it is hoped that the greater part of this building will be ready for use.

The Medical Professors expect that the number of Students in this department will again show an increase over former years, but are unable to give the exact numbers as many of the young men do not make their appearance at College until the close of this month.

The great want felt at the Alma Mater of our Church is that of a permanent Principal, the Rev. Dr. Cook only acting as such until an appointment is made. From the interest manifested in our College by the Colonial Committee and others Home it is hoped that this most important vacancy will soon be supplied. At great personal sacrifice the Rev. Dr. George has again taken charge of the Theological classes in addition to the duties of his own chair.

THE FRENCH MISSION.

The French Mission Committee take this, the earliest opportunity, of announcing that they have engaged the Rev. Louis Baridon to be a missionary under their supervision and direction. As stated in the report of the Committee, presented to the last meeting of Synod, Mr. Baridon has been for some time occupied on an interesting and promising field in the vicinity of the Boundary Line between this Province and the neighbouring States, about fifty miles from Montreal. He has made a successful commencement, although from the poverty of his people (numbering about sixty families of French Canadians who have left the Church of Rome) he has been obliged, up till his engagement with the Committee, to support himself by manual labour. The design of the Committee is to enable Mr. Baridon to devote his whole time and energy to a work of vast importance and fair promise, for which he seems to be well qualified. They think it would be imprudent to remove him from his present sphere, where, if he labours not in Canadian soil, he labours among French Canadians. At the same time he has been instructed to turn his attention to the state of the field on this side the Province Line, and to seek opportunities of extending his operations in this direction, the Committee hoping that ultimately the work of the Mission will, with the blessing of Almighty God, he carried on chiefly in Canada. Mr. Baridon is required to furnish the Committee with Convener. a large number of whom have the Ministry periodical reports, and, as the locality in