

Sabbath School teachers, as, in fine, Christian men, there is a wide field of usefulness before the Laity. Living in a land of liberty—enjoying the full blaze of Gospel light, may grace be given us that we may not prove barren fig-trees—but full of fruit—not putting our trust in mere works, but working earnestly, because the path of duty lies before us; and may we be found striving zealously amid many imperfections and shortcomings to do somewhat in “serving the Lord.”

CHURCH IN CANADA.

EDUCATION FUND.

Remittances since last Report.

Beckwith per Rev. D. Morrison.....	£4	0	0
King—John Tawse.....	2	0	0

HUGH ALLAN, Treasurer.

Montreal, March 31, 1853.

FRENCH MISSION FUND.

Remittances received since last notice.

Beckwith per Rev. Duncan Morrison	£1	10	0
Mount Albion—W. Johnston	1	5	0
Hamilton—Mr. J. D. Pringle.....	3	2	9
Fergus—A. D. Fordyce.....	1	15	0
Cornwall—Rev. H. Urquhart.....	5	0	0
Pakenham—Rev. Alexander Mann....	1	0	0
Stratford and North Easthope—Mr. A. Bow.....	1	10	0

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MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Congregational Collections.

Georgetown per Rev. J. C. Muir. . . .	£3	0	0
Ramsay " " J. McMorine.	3	0	0
Woodstock " " F. Petry Sim.	2	0	0
L'Orignal " " Andrew Bell.	2	0	0
Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George			
per Rev. Aeneas McLean	3	0	0
Buckingham " " D. Shanks.	0	13	6
Cumberland " " " " " "	1	0	0
Stratford and North Easthope Wm. Bell	2	0	0
Goderich, Rev. A. Mackid, per Thos. Kydd, Esq.,	3	0	0
Pickering, Rev. P. McNaughton, per A. H. Armour, Esq.	£3	0	0
Scarboro' " J. George.	2	10	0
Eldon " J. McMurchy.	3	0	0
Do " Do additional for 1852.	0	6	3

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ORDINATION OF REV. THOMAS MORRISON.

The Presbytery of Montreal were appointed to meet at Melbourn, C. E., on the 10th February last, for the purpose of inducting the Rev. Thomas Morrison, recently from Scotland, to the charge of the congregation there. Owing, however, to a snow storm, preventing the passage of the Rail-cars over the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad, the Presbytery were unable to keep the appointment.

In consequence, the Presbytery assembled in St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, on Thursday the 10th of March, for the purpose of ordaining the Reverend gentleman, where a large concourse of

people of the two City Churches were assembled.

The Rev. Dr. Mathieson preached an impressive sermon from the text, Is. xxi, 11, "Watchman, what of the night?" The ordinary questions having been put and satisfactorily replied to, and the Act of the Independence of the Church assented to, the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery followed. The Rev. Mr. McGill then addressed the newly ordained Minister with much earnestness and fidelity. We trust that Mr. Morrison may long be spared to minister to the people among whom he is so harmoniously settled, and that, if the Divine blessing be vouchsafed upon his labours, he may prove an earnest worker in his Master's Vineyard, finding an abundant harvest.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

INDUCTION AT DUNDAS.

The Rev. Kenneth MacLennan was inducted at Dundas on the 8th of March. The Rev. John B. Mowat, of Niagara, presided and preached on Eph. iv, 21, "If so be that ye have heard Him, and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus." The object of his discourse was to show that the peculiar doctrines of what is called Evangelical religion, in distinction from Puseyism and Socinianism, are taught in the Holy Scriptures. After sermon Mr. MacLennan was solemnly ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry by prayer and the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery, and was admitted to the pastoral charge of Dundas and Ancaster. The Address to the Minister was then delivered by the Rev. D. Macnee, of Hamilton, and that to the people by the Rev. William Johnson, of Salfleet.

This is the fourth induction which has taken place within our bounds during the last six months, and Mr. MacLennan is the sixth Minister with whom we have been supplied by Queen's College. As our new fellow-labourer was much esteemed as an accomplished preacher and zealous Missionary in Kingston, Vaughan and other places where he has been employed, it is to be expected that his congregations, which are already respectable both in size and influence, and are situated in a flourishing part of the Province, will greatly increase under his care.

Mr. Macnee having been prevailed upon to furnish his Address for publication, it is here subjoined.

ADDRESS BY THE REV. D. MACNEE.

You are now, my dear brother, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry in this Church, and among this portion of our people, and on this solemn occasion I "bid you God speed", and request you to accept of my cordial congratulations. The office, with which by the imposition of hands, and prayer to the Most High God, you have been clothed, is the most honourable in its nature, arduous in its exercise, and important in its consequences, known among the sons of men. To serve the Lord of Hosts in the Gospel, to be the

ambassador of High Heaven, to be the representative of the Son of God, to be Minister in holy things, to preach the glad tidings of salvation to those immortal souls; if this, which has been the office of the wisest and best of men, of patriarchs and prophets, and apostles and evangelists, and pastors, of kings, and nobles, and philosophers, of the Incarnate Son of God Himself while in this lower world, is to be yours,—how honourable your office! How arduous in its due discharge! How vitally important in its consequences!

The Apostle Paul glories in magnifying his office; and the office of the Christian Minister cannot be too highly magnified. It is of Divine institution, it has the Divine sanction, it carries along with it the Divine blessing, it was souls to a Divine Redeemer; at least this is its aim, scope and legitimate tendency. It takes for its peculiar province the mind, the heart, the soul, the conscience, the life, of the sinner, while through the external organs of seeing and hearing it deals directly with the *whole* inner man! If it achieve the illumination *abides*—nay—advances forever; if it purify the heart of any one, *that* purification remains—*un*—rather grows—grows forever, while, if by pacifying the conscience it mini-ter peace and comfort and joy, *that* peace, *that* comfort and *that* joy remain, or rather increase forever!

While, therefore, like the Apostle of the Gentiles, you are at perfect liberty to magnify the office of the Christian ministry, with which you are this day clothed, you are, of course, like the same great Apostle, to entertain the humblest views of yourself. Oh! you are not to deem yourself fit, competent, highly qualified for the performance of this onerous priesthood. On the contrary, reposing none—or the most moderate confidence in wit and ability, in learning and scholarship, in the accumulations of acquired knowledge, whether sacred or profane, in zeal and eloquence, you are to exclaim with St. Paul, "Who is sufficient for these things!" At the same time, be not dismayed; guard against all despondency, fear not, be hopeful, and scatter indolence by the regular forthputting of vigorous mental effort in the service of the Lord—in the cause of God and of most precious souls. Should the great adversary of God and man cause you *now* more molestation than heretofore,—and, in proportion to the zeal and energy with which you enter on your public ministerial career, will be his efforts to quench your zeal, and thwart your measures, and counteract your energy—care not for it, or consider it a decided token for good. If Satan did not apprehend serious consequences to his own ascendancy in those immortal souls from your ministry, he would not be at the trouble to cause you any annoyance, or offer you any opposition!

Be up then, and doing, trusting in the Lord, whom you are bound to serve to the uttermost of your powers, both of body and of mind, who is for you, and who is infinitely greater than Satan. Learn not to your own understanding, make the Oracles of Jehovah your counsellors at all times and in all places. Methodise your entire knowledge, gained or to gain, whether of a general sort or drawn from the Word of God, as much as may be, and make large additions to it with all the quickness in your power. Abound in prayer to the Throne of Grace for things agreeable to the will of God—for those things of a temporal and spiritual character of which the people of your charge and yourself may stand in need. "Preach the Word, be instant in season, and out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all patience and long-suffering." Let not your zeal, however, outrun sound discretion. "Be not high-minded, but condescend to men of low estate." Be humble, meek, gentle, kind, tender-hearted, and yet prudent, firm, dignified, fearless of man, fearing God!

Men may call preaching "foolishness," but, as it is a main means of grace, if not *the* main, you will not think lightly of it, nor go carelessly about it. Whether you mean to lecture or ser-