

STREETSVILLE.

On Monday the 21st inst. a Source was held in the Presbyterian Church, Streetsville. The office bearers of the Church, in encouraging this meeting had a view to combine religious instruction with social entertainment and intercourse, and to promote the funds of the Congregational Library. Nor were they in any respect disappointed in the results of the meeting. The admission was by ticket; and the attendance large beyond all that had been expected, but not beyond the supply of refreshments,—for there, consisting of tea and coffee, with cakes and other eatables of domestic manufacture of the best kind, were furnished in the utmost abundance. The ladies of the congregation provided the refreshments and presided over their distribution. The Rev. Mr. Rantoul asked the blessing and the Rev. Mr. Robb of Halifax gave thanks.

The Rev. Professor Eason addressed the meeting on the importance of education and of education based on the Bible. The Rev. Mr. Gale of Hamilton, after adverting to the gratifying contrast presented by the appearance of the country now as compared with what it was when he first visited Streetsville, directed the attention of the meeting to the importance of domestic religion as the basis of all that is good and prosperous in a community.

The Rev. Mr. Hutchinson of the Wesleyan Methodist Church made a few remarks on Christian Union, and adverted to the exemplification of this as found in the meeting itself, as it was composed of members and adherents of different Churches.

The Rev. Mr. Begg, Deputy from the Free Church of Scotland, addressed the meeting on the history of that Church, and conversant as he is with Scottish ecclesiastical history as found in the records of remote times, and in the traditions and stories of times nearer our own, and great too as has been his part in the doings in Scotland in these our days, his speech was of the most interesting kind. Numerous anecdotes of varied character, appropriately introduced and told characteristically, added to its effect. The hearers in various unequivocal ways attested their delight in listening to this speech.

The Rev. Mr. Robb followed Mr. Begg with a powerful address, and introduced some notices of the state of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, and the sympathy and interest she had manifested in the struggles and triumphs of the Free Church of Scotland. Singing had been intermingled with the speeches. Mr. Begg offered up a closing prayer, when the assembly broke up about 11 o'clock, P. M.

Ayr.—On the 27th Jan'y, 1846, a number of the ladies in the congregation at Ayr, of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, formed themselves into a Missionary Society, for the purpose of raising a little money for missionary purposes, chiefly to aid in sending the missionary to destitute places in Canada and other places. The number of members already amounts to forty-one, and more are expected. The entry-money is a quarter of a dollar. Twenty-four needles are now in operation, making men's shirts.

ENGLISH PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE.—The College was opened this winter on Tuesday, the 4th of November, when the Rev. Professor Campbell delivered a lecture. The audience was large and respectable. The Rev. William Nicolson, Moderator of the London Presbytery, opened with prayer, and the venerable Dr. Hunting, so well known, and where known so highly and justly respected, concluded with prayer and the apostolic benediction. It was altogether a very gratifying occasion to the friends and members of the Presbyterian Church in England. The Rev. Professor Lorimer delivered an admirable introductory lecture on Tuesday the 11th, and the Rev. Dr. Henderson a truly excellent introductory lecture on Wednesday the 19th, both to large and delighted audiences. The number of students that enrolled themselves on the first evening exceeded the attendance of last session, and at present there are upwards of thirty attending the classes. This is a subject worthy of notice, and deserving of grati-

tude. It is a well known fact, experienced in all infant institutions, that the first meeting, or year, is no criterion by which to judge of its prospective condition. Friends will lend you a helping hand when just setting up for life, will advance you a little credit, and lend you a patronizing smile. But you must not make the same demands upon them for the second year. You must then lean upon your own resources. Your friends have done all that you ought to expect. The rest you must manage for yourself. Besides, there is always a little excitement connected with a new institution. There is novelty to excite attention; an undefined hopefulness to attract regard. And there is, above all, as has been already noticed, that kindly sympathy of human nature to give the "young folks" a fair start in life. It is accordingly, always found that the second year is much more trying than the first. Everything adventurous has then vanished. The institution is then tested by experience, and subjected to the ordinary ordeals by which prudent practical business-like men decide upon the object they mean to support. The romance of the thing has vanished with the first year—the institution honeymoon, and the second year must find it prepared to stand the test of the stern realities of life.

How the College has stood this ordeal, the preceding facts abundantly evince. Its character is now established, and the Church of which it is so essential a part, has abundant cause to felicitate herself upon the result of her undertaking. Nor has she less cause of rejoicing in the character of her students. We have the authority of the professors for stating that they are a truly superior class of young men, and if God spare them and bless their studies, they will yet do much honour to the College and the Church.—*Presbyterian Messenger.*

THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH AT TONGUE.—A correspondent in Sutherlandshire has sent us the following account of the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the Established Church of Tongue, on Sabbath last, that being the first time the ordinance has been dispensed there since the period of the Disruption in 1813:—"The Gaelic congregation, which met at eleven o'clock, consisted of five individuals, apart from the minister's family. When the parish minister finished his discourse in Gaelic, he went out of the church, and did not return, either to communicate or to assist in the other services of the day. The Rev. Mr. Stewart of Edderachillis, who succeeded him in English, said he was indisposed,—and I do not wonder at it. The Gaelic and English congregations together amounted only to twenty-four individuals. The Rev. Mr. McColl of Durness acted as elder, in bringing forward the elements. He also consecrated them by prayer.—The first table was served in English by Mr. Stewart. The communicants were only ten in number, and consisted chiefly of parish officials and their families. Mr. McColl, in Gaelic, then requested the Gaelic communicants to come forward, but none took their seats save Mr. Stewart. After some delay, a female came into the church with the minister's wife, and took her seat at the table. There were now two communicants at what was meant for the Gaelic table; but as the female, who, it appears, is from Edinburgh, and is servant to a certain doctor here, does not understand the Gaelic, Mr. McColl had to change the service into broken English. And so ended the business of the day!"

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH.—On Wednesday a meeting of the Free Church Presbytery took place, when, among other business, chiefly of an important nature, a call from the congregation of Ranelagh Chapel, Pimlico, London, in favour of the Rev. Mr. Bonar, Collace, was taken up. On the document being read, the Rev. Mr. Chalmers, one of the London deputation, in a very eloquent speech of great length, made out a strong case in favour of the translation, and showed the immense amount of Christian good that such a minister as Mr. Bonar was fitted to perform in such a field of gospel labour, compared with what he could possibly effect in the parish of Collace. It was followed by the Rev. Mr. Hamilton, and another of the deputation, who likewise produced strong arguments for Mr. Bonar's translation. Three

gentlemen having delivered their sentiments, the court was afterwards addressed, on the part of the parishioners, by J. M. D. Nairne, Esq. of Dunblane, who, after describing the extensive good which the ministrations of Mr. Bonar had effected in the parish, and dwelling on the high estimation in which he was held by the parishioners, objected, in strong and glowing terms to the translation. He was followed, in more homely style, by six of the deputation from Collace, who, however potent or otherwise their reasoning might have been, showed at least that their love for their pastor was sincere and fervent, and not without sufficient cause. The court, after hearing both parties at full length, and considering the matter in all its bearings, ultimately came to the unanimous resolution of refusing to sustain the call, to which Mr. Bonar seemed gladly to assent, observing, that it never had been impressed on his mind that it was really one from the Lord. The court was crowded to suffocation the whole time.

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" " " Caledon	9 5 0
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