

than previously directed to the subject of general catechising."

In regard to the evidence of saving fruit arising from the means of grace, there does not appear to be any thing special. There have been indications during the past year, that the Lord is accompanying his word and ordinances with his blessing. Several congregations have received larger additions than usual, to the number of communicants; and a great proportion of these additions, in five instances, have been from among the young, attended with circumstances which evince the work of the spirit of God in their hearts. But there is reason to fear that the spiritual life of the Church in general, is low; and such a state of things should call for humiliation

and earnest prayer to God for a time of refreshing from his presence, and this matter ought the more to attract attention, from the circumstance, that both in the neighboring republic, and in Britain, the Lord has been, and is, giving special efficacy to the word of His Grace. A serious concern for the future welfare of our Canadian Church ought to be awakened, should we be altogether passed by at such a time.

The Committee would also take the liberty of recalling to the mind of the Synod, the sad indications that appear in the social condition of our country, of an advancing immorality. The many instances of recklessness and dishonesty in business transactions; the serious accidents that are ever occurring from the preva-

lence of drunkenness; the boldness with which profanity is practiced, and the many cases of murder that have lately taken place, seem to prove a want of vitality in the Christian Church, and a failure on her part to approve herself as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

And as the government and training observed in the family, have a special influence in forming the character of Society, as well as in maintaining true religion in the Church, your Committee would conclude by recommending that a pastoral letter, bearing specially on the subject of Family religion, be prepared by the Synod, and besides being published in the Record, be read from the pulpits of the Church.

JOHN SCOTT, *Convener.*

### Abstract of Accounts of various Schemes of the Church, for the Year '58-9, as examined and Audited.

#### ABSTRACT of College Account (Ordinary Fund,) for Financial year 1858-9.

Receipts.		Dr.
1859.	To amount from Presbytery of London	\$ 767 08
May.	" " " Hamilton	1291 49
"	" " " Toronto	1378 87
"	" " " Cobourg	366 07
"	" " " Kingston	369 49
"	" " " Brockville	153 37
"	" " " Ottawa	244 02
"	" " " Montreal	897 55
"	" " Sundry Donations	9 00
Balance		1569 72

CONTRA.		Cr.
Balance due last year		1754 13
May.	By amount paid Professors on Account of	
"	Salary	\$4585 10
"	Mr. Willing, Fuel, Light, and Attendance	200 00
"	Mr. Thomson for Tuition	40 00
"	Proportion of General Agent's Salary	250 00
"	Office Rent, Taxes, Fuel, Postage, Incidental Expenses, Stationary, &c.	80 00
"	Sundry Accts., Insurance on Library, Printing, Advertising and Repairs	87 43
"	As Interest Credited to Widows' Fund	50 00
Balance now due		\$7046 66

The above statement does not include the sum of \$2000, being legacy of late J. Gibb, Esq.

#### ABSTRACT of Account College Building Fund for Financial year 1858-9.

Dr.	
To Amount from Presbytery of London	\$118 25
" " " Hamilton	50 00
" " " Toronto	14 00
" " " Cobourg	20 00
" " " Kingston	27 00
" " " Brockville	36 05
" " " Ottawa	154 00
" " " Montreal	47 00
Balance due at date	721 60
	1187 90
	\$1187 90

CONTRA.		Cr.
By amount paid for work done on roof of College Building		\$190 26
" " " Sundry small accounts, Fence and Glazing		17 88
" " " Insurance on Building		76 00
" " " Interest on purchase money still due		642 66
" Balance at beginning of the year		261 60
		\$1187 90

The amount unpaid on original purchase money is £2678.—\$10612, this is due in January, 1862.

#### STATEMENT of Bursary Fund for Financial Year 1858-9.

##### Receipts.

Balance at the beginning of the year	\$912 20
To Cash per Mr. Spreul, from Miss Wright, Edinburgh	6 04
" Mrs. Ball's Bible Class, Woodstock	5 00
" Galt Female Association	44 40
" Per Mrs. Esau, for H. Esau Bursary	20 00
" Isaac Buchanan, Esq., M. P.	80 00
" Saltfleet, &c.	5 00
Interest	20 00
	\$1092 64

##### Disbursements.

<i>Bursaries awarded to Students after comparative trial, viz:</i>	
D. H. Fletcher	\$20 00
A. Tracer	30 00
J. Ferguson	24 00
K. McDonald	30 00
John Morrison	16 60
Bursaries given in special circumstances to assist students	\$ 90 00
Fees of Students attending Mr. Wickson	135 50
Sundry sums advanced to students, of which part may be repaid	65 00
Balance in hand	60 00
	722 14
	\$1092 64

#### ABSTRACT of Budget Mission and Synod Fund Acc's, for year 1858-9.

##### Receipts.

Dr.		
1858.	To amount from Presbytery of London	\$ 259 35
"	" " " Hamilton	275 32
"	" " " Toronto	304 44
"	" " " Cobourg	122 66
"	" " " Kingston	81 26
"	" " " Brockville	68 30
"	" " " Ottawa	83 87
"	" " " Montreal	233 60
"	J. Thomson's legacy, appropriated by Synod	1401 89
	Balance	1016 14
		506 59
		\$2924 53