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PER PACEM AD LUCEM. I no not ask, O Lord, that life may be A pleasant road;
I do not ask that Thou wouldst take from me
Aught of its load;

I do not ask that flowers should always spring liencath my feet;
I know too well the poison and the sting
Of things too sweet.

For one thing only, Lord, dear Lord, I plead; Lead me aright— Though strength should falter, and though heart should bleed— Through peace to light.

I do not ask, O Lord, that Thou shouldst shed Full radiance here; Give but a ray of peace, that I may tread Without a fear.

I do not ask my cross to understand, My way to see— Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand, And follow Theo.

Joy is like restless day; but peace divine Like quiet night : Lead me, O Lord-till perfect day shall shine

Through peace to light. - Adelaide Procter.

### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

THE NEW MODERATOR.

BEY. PRINCIPAL GRANT, D.D., Queen's University, Kingston, the new Moderator of the General Assembly, is so well known minent a figure in the country, that a biographical sketch of him is scarcely requisite. Neverthelese, a few particulars as to the career of this distinguished occupant of the Moderator's chair may not at this juncture prove unacceptable. George Monro Grant was born of Scotch parentage December 22, 1835, at Siellarton (Albion Mines), Pictou County, Nova progress is making with the preparation Scotis, a district of the Dominion which of the Book of Forms. The esteemed has produced many men eminent in Convener, Dr. Laing, has spent much Pictor Academy, but chiefly at Glasgow the book is very much needed it is to be University, where he came under the to Precipital and precipitation of seading down strong personal influence of chargement and by will not be unduly prolonged. Church and State. He was educated at to Canada be ministered, to the charge of Georgetown, in Prince Edward Island, from which he was soon called to the pastorate of St. Matthew's church, Halilar. compliment to the Assembly, and gave co-operation of the women of the Church might be some danger of exporting too missioners an opportunity of payprincipalship of Queen's University. What he has accomplished for that institution in placing it upon a broad and solid financial basis, is now matter of history. It is doubtbasis, is now matte ful if any score of men could have accomworn out physically by his efforts in behalf of the Endowment scheme Principal half of the Endowment scheme Principal ling the Assembly to Government House. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Christian education in India and evidently

At the beginning of last year (1st April, he quoted the fact that the canvass mode the advice of his friends and to take a long and it was a happy accident that "God Society so as to include Home Missions and the audience for the special work on the list; the whole number receiving congregations which were below the standholiday. He has recently returned from a trip round the world, and it is matter of great satisfaction to the Church and the complete restoration to health.

Principal Grant, as our readers are aware, has taken much interest in public affairs. Without descending into the arena of practical politics, he has on general mittee (Western Division), presented by principles discussed questions of great the energetic Convener, Rev. Dr. Cochmoment to the State; and if he has not rane, is a very voluminous document and always succeeded in making converts to contains an immense amount of informahis theories, his views have commanded tion respecting the work of the Church in the respectful attention of the country, the Home field, and also with regard to irrespective of party.

the leading magazines and reviews, Prin. Mr. McMillan was greeted with hearty in carrying out the provisions of their cipal Grant has published one or two cheers when he drew attention to the Constitution they felt that in sending volumes which have made his name known largely increased signs of interest in the as a literary man far beyond his native Home Mission fields of the North-West country. His "Ocean to Ocean" is so on the part of the Church in the Maritime had a specific object before them from well and favourably known that we in- Provinces. The approaching visit of the which it would be a great mistake to didulge the hope that some permanent Superintendent of Missions, at the call of record of his trip round the world may be the Eastern Committee, cannot fail to given to the public.

teous, dignified, firm with a comprehen- the retiring Convener of the Committee monument of his untiring matience and bly well in hand, and permits nothing to to whose great exertions is largely due the important facts as to the growth and finaninterfere with the regular and prompt gratifying success of the scheme. The cist condition of the Church. The total despatch of business.

NOTES AND OBSERVATIONS.

A LARGE GATHERING.

THE attendance of corimissioners at the opening of the Assembly was unusually large. So also the number of spectators. Refore Dr. McMullen ross to begin the proceedings every seat was in the Dominion.

THE SERMON.

and timely discourse, as the readers of arrears, and that a united effort all along congregations do not give returns of single the REVIEW have already discovered for the line will be required to make a satis. persons connected with the Church, and

themselves. Every word fell upon attendactory showing at next General As- he suggested that the Young Peoples' not stagged, the galleries never being \$6,633.89 for summer survice. They paid tive cars. It is not much to be wondered sembly. A crisis has come. The Associations might be utilized in securing without scores of eager listeners. As an about \$600 for winter labour. Ordained at that, considering the state of public Committee must be found in large (winds that the names of such persons be placed instance of this public Interest a delegate missionaries, \$2,382.66 out of the fund.

The fields raised \$5 >>>> more. Preachers feeling on the Jesuit Question, an uncon- to prosecute the work, or the Church on the rolls of congregations. scious burst of applause greeted the must call a halt in its efforts to send the speaker when he referred to the Judases Gospel to our own countrymen. Wo who would betray the country for the share in the opinion expressed by Rev. Catholic vote. Nevertheless, applause D. J. Macdonnell that, if the members, quoted as a precedent.

THE NEXT MOTERATOR.

The election of Rev. Principal Grant to the Moderator's chair was a foregone conclusion, a large number of Presbyteries having nominated him. Nevertheless, the vote for Rev. Dr. Laing was very considerable. Prom that vote we would be inclined to predict that Dr. Laing will Se the next Moderator.

### THE CLERKS.

The two Clerks, Rev. William Reid, D.D., and Rev. William Fraser, D.D., who are the connecting links between so many Assemblics, are present in their accustomed places and show but little sign of increasing years. Dr. Reid is, as ever, complete master of the business of the Church and ready to the moment with papers and reports. How Dr. Fraser keeps track of the business and gets the voluminous minutes ready for the opening of each sederunt is a perpetual surprise. The way the venerable Clerk enunciates his words should be a lesson to the men who will not speak out.

### PLORAL DECORATIONS.

During all the sederunts the platform has been kept supplied with a profusion of fresh flowers. The large stone font was also made a bouquet-holder for a great trast from the time when a bouquet on a Presbyterian pulpit would have been thought to savour of vanity and world-

### BOOK OF FORMS.

Everybody was glad to hear that good time and labour upon the matter. As

# WAT GOVERNMENT HOUSE!

The reception at Government House have been no evening session.

# HOME MISSIONS.

The report of the Home Mission Com-Augmentation. The same may be said Besides being a contributor to some of of the report from the Eastern section. deepen the interest of our Eastern friends As might be supposed Principal Grant In our work in the West, The Commitmakes a model Moderator. Alert, courtee paid a well-deserved meed of praise to the Convener, Rev. Dr. Totrance, it sive grasp of details, he holds the Assem- on Supplements, Rev. E. A. McCurdy, industry. It discloses a large number of speeches of Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Rev. D. J. number of congregations is now 1,337, Macdonnell, Rev. Dr. Robertson, who with 435,177 sittings-an increase of emphasized the necessity for greater 8,460 over last year, the total number of liberality on the part of the Church as a families connected with the Church being whole, to meet the pressing need of the 79,678, an increase of 1,029. During the Mission fields, made a deep impression. year there had been admitted on profes-It rests with the ministers to inform the sion of faith 11,832, as against 12,471 in people of the needs of the Home fields 1887. The total expenditure for atrictly and to keep the subject persistently be- congregational purposes was given as fore the congregations. It is not encour- \$1,555,867, an increase of \$162,641 over begin the proceedings every seat was aging to find the Augmentation Fund the previous year. For all purposes the filled. No finer audience could be found falling behind. Ministers owe it to the payments in 1837 aggregated \$1,730,252. Church that the facts should be plainly and in 1888, \$1,942,723, or an increase of stated, that both the Home Mission Fund [\$212,471. In speaking to the report, Dr. McMullen's sermon was an able and the Augmentation are very much in Dr. Torrance expressed regret that some

Church from using to the measure of its direction.

LOOKING TO THE WOMEN FOR HELF.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Mission night (Friday), brought togother another large audience, prominent smong whom were Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie, should find no place in our worship. The elders and ministers of the Church are of the Central India Mission : Mics Blackexample of the Assembly should not be united, there is nothing to prevent the adder, of Trinidad; the newly appointed delinquent delegate got a good seat and missionary to Holian; Mr. Hamilton that he remained an attentive listener to responsibilities and opportunities in this Cassels, Secretary of the Foreign Mission | the close of the sederunt. Committee, and a large number of the Board and local members of the Wo-The recommendation of the Home man's Porcign Missionary Society. The in the hearing of the REVIEW, "by ask-Mission Committee in their straits for reports were presented by Rev. Dr. Ward- ling leave for the committee to continue funds that, with a view largely to increase rope, the Convener, in a stirring address its sitting?" This formality having follows :-Women's Home Mission Societies in the ancilla the field would be granted. The trusted to them would come and learn several Presbyteries and congregations, adoption of the report was moved by Mr. what is the value of order. The Assemdid not commend itself to the judgment John Charlton, M.P., and seconded by

all and ale property of the care REV. PRINCIPAL

securing the desired end. After a debate and stimulating addresses. Mr. Charlthat brought out very clearly the high ton made a specially good point in re- THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY on Thursday afternoon was a graceful value which the Assembly places upon the minding the Assembly that while there compliment to the Assembly, and gave co-operation of the women of the Church might be some danger of exporting too denominations. Sir Alexander Campbell Missionary Societies, as sanctioned by a opportunities for evangelistic work pre denominations. Sir Atexander Campbell Missionary Societies, as sanctioned by a and Hon, Oliver Mowat are both members of our commution, and they both evidently took special pleasure in welcom-levidently took special pleasure in welcom-levidently to Government House.

Missionary Societies, as sanctioned by a opportunities for evangelistic work prevagelistic work prevagelis plished for Queen's what its Principal has and Hon. Oliver Mowat are both mem previous General Assembly, to confer sented by the present flux of native relialmost single-handed achieved. Almost bers of our commution, and they both with the Poreign Mission Committee glous opinion in India. He made a ing the Assembly to Government House. the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Christian education in India and evidently Atth Save the Queen," in a medley, sent the in its operations." The Church will with which he is entrusted. After Mr. grants during the year was 145; the ard, rising at once to this standard, involv-Save the Queen, in a medicy, sent the in its operations. The Church will with which he is entrusted. After any important present on the list is 130. Ing a payment of increased salary to the commissioners home in ample time to be await with much interest the result of the Wilkle had spoken, addresses were heard. The receipts from congregational consumption of \$2,300 a year. In the case of ready for the evening sederunt. But for conference foreshadowed in the resolution from the three young missionaries elect tributions and donations during the past twenty-nine congregations, who did not the hand market for the standard of country that the trip has resulted it his the band master's faux par there might as adopted. In the meantime, the mat- to Honan-Messrs. Murdoch Mackenzie, year have been \$22,012; grants to Proster cannot be finally settled until the John MacVicar, B.A., and John Macdou- byteries and general expenses have been an increase in their salary contribu-Woman's Poreign Missionary Society, gall, B.A. With much tenderness they were in annual meeting assembled, shall then committed to Divine guidance, Rev. \$3,763. This result is unmistakably dishave decided to ange the basis of Principal MacVicar leading in prayer, appointing. The demands on the fund their constitution. Rev. Dr. King, The further consideration of the report Mr. Milligan, Dr. Kelloge and others was deferred. The evening was an will be about the same as for the past pointed out that the Woman's For- occasion long to be remembered; but as eign Missionary Society in their late it drew to a close we could not but feel tions will be required if the present scale decision to adhere to their constitution that the Committee had provided for the of grants is to be maintained. showed no signs of disloyalty to the other occasion a rather too ample bill of fare. Schemes of the Church. They were the There was enough for two whole evenings foremost workers in all the Schemes, and |-and to spare. missionary women to the dwellers in the furnishing full and accurate reports of the Of these forty-three were catechists en-Zenanas, where men conlå not go, they vert their chief attention 142

# STATISTICSC, THE No. 15

The report on Statistics presented by

of the Assembly as the best means of Rev. A. Palconer, of Picton, in carnet

# NEWSPAPER REPORTS.

The daily morning press of the city is proceedings of which the Ravisw has gaged in work during the summer months in which our great dailies handled the pro. Year as orcained missionaries, and ten

# GOOD SINGING.

ivit was a pleasant thing to see our old "Crack on Instrumental Music" in our only one of that band to take monthly columns is not forgotten, restored to appointments. There were fifteen accessions during the year, but these have vicorous health and leading the service also been thinned so much by the proof praise in fine voice.

# THE REVIEW.

The four hundred copies of the PRES-BYTERIAN REVIEW that the publishers sent ing were evidently welcome missives. others having been treasured up as a the Maritime Provinces with a view to memorial of the Assembly or dispatched the people. by post to the friends and acquaintances at home or in foreign lands.

tells with much amusement how an olderly clergyman applied to him for a good seat, nalvely remarking: "I am a delegate to \$3,000 in addition.

The fields raised \$5,000 more. Preachers et p. lying vacancies, \$1,314.93 out of the clergyman applied to him for a good seat, and. The congregations supplied about \$3,000 in addition. another body, but I find your meetings Total out of the fund......\$ 7,654 27 much more interesting and instructive Total raised by places supplied, 13,234 00 than our own." No need to say that the

RULES OF CRDER. "What does he mean," said a visitor bly, under, such a Moderator, is a good school of instruction in rules of order." To which the REVIEW cheerfully assented.

AN OUTING.

The very unpropitious state of the results of executor.

Any and expenses.. 415 27
Paid For. Missions, part of legacy at request of executor.. 85 00

The very unpropitious state of the weather on Saturday afternoon last some-what marred the complete success of the Balance on hand May 1, 1889, \$5,223 or weather on Saturday afternoon last sometrip to Oakville, per steamer Steinhoff, provided by the Committee on Arrangements. As it was, about 175 ventured forth, and the westher having cleared a very pleasant afternoon was spent. On the arrival of the boat at Oakville Miss Patterson came aboard with a magnificent the sum of \$10,000. The Committee made forty-three grants, amounting to \$7,841, and deferred twelve applications for further information. The lowest possible estimate of what must be given to the total required this wear to fully basket of flowers intended for the Moderator who unfortunately was not present.

On the return trip a cordial vote of thanks was given to the Committee on Arrangewas given to the Committee on Arrangements for resulting and the committee of ments for providing such an enjoyable honourable position, and there has been

SABLATH SERVICES.

On Sabbath afternoon the Sacrament the contributions of the supplemented of the Lord's Supper was observed in St.

Andrew's church, about 400 persons being present. The services were conducted the resignation of Rev. E. A. McCurdy as Convener, and nominated Rev. E. Smith by the Moderator, assisted by Rev. D. J. as his successor. Macdonnell, Rev. Dr. Reid, Dr. William Fraser, and Dr. Bryson, of Alabama. Supplements (Eastern Section). Pav. It was felt to be a season of much spiritual refreshment and the occasion will long report explained that though the name live in the memories of those who were live in the memories of those who were

AUGMENTATION FUND.

amounted to \$25,304; the deficit a year tions of \$2,600. In all the advance made ago was \$986; the total deficit is now was \$7,000. for the year upon which we have entered year, and a considerable increase in the contributions sent from many congrega-

EASTERN SECTION.—The missions i. the Bastern Section of the ecclesiastical territory according to the report had been successful, and on the whole gives room for encouragement. Seventy-eight labour-ers were employed during the past year under the direction of the Committee. made free use. The admirable manner only, six were placed during the whole and urges upon them a fuller considera-In which our great dailies handled the proceedings of the various religious conferences in session in the city last week is
exceedingly creditable to their enterprise
and resources.

GOOD SINGING.

year as preamed missionaries, and ten
others during part of the year; while the
sion field in the Northwest of the Dominion to which they have begun to contribetter supplying vacancies as directed by
the Committee. There were on the
preachers roll last year fifteen, of these
two were located as ordered. two were located as ordained missioniv It was a pleasant thing to see our old aries, ten were settled as pastors, and two friend. Rev. John Thomson, of Ayr, whose have removed out of the bounds, leaving cess of settlement or removal, that only seven remain. The year is begun with eight, and three more are promised the tat of June to supply some twenty vacancies. The Committee is striving to enlist up to the Assembly on Thursday morn- the symathhy of the people in the work of the North-West, this being evident Not a few did not lay them saide until to the credit of the Western fund. Rev. they were well perused. Next day Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of North-

THEEXIMNDITURE.-The expenditure last year for the various branches of ser-Public interest in the proceedings has

Grand total.....\$20,888 27

year.......\$420 20 R'cptsfromallsources,8,113 95 Total receipts...........\$8,534 15

Expenditure for all purposer.. 8,353 57

COMMITTEE ON SUPPLEMENTS.

EASTERN SECTION. -- The statement of the fund at the close of the year was as

Total.....\$13,366 46

Pavm'ts for augmentation of slipend .. \$7,643 18 Proport'n agent's sal-

The applications from Presbyteries this a total increase in local support of \$3,556.

### HOME MISSIONS.

present. The forenoon service was conducted by Rey, President Forrest, Dalhouse College, Finish, the enemies by the service was managed on the same principle. He stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his belief that this might fairly be called the most successful year the fund stated his bel

# CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTION.

Rev. P. M. Morrison, Agent of the Church in the Maritime Provinces, noved the following resolution :-"The General Assembly having heard

the reports of the Home Mission Committee and the Committee on Supplements (Eastern Section) receives the same, records its gratitude to God for his abundant blessings upon the labours of the Committee, thanks the Presbyterian Church of Ireland and the Free Church of Scotland for their financial aid, appreciates the liberality of the people in meeting the increased demands of the Home Mission Fund and in continuing to sustain in efficiency the Augmentation Fund, tion of the claims of the great Home Misthe Scheme with the deferred applications, and should the Synod of the Maritime Provinces give its consent, at its discretion either to reduce the gounts to congregations that have not for years made any increase in their contributions to the salaries of their ministers or pay the surplus funds at the end of the year pro rata, according to the year's receipts. The Assembly enjoins Presbyteries to use the ul-most diligence to stir up all supplemented congregations to increase, according to their ability, their proportion of ministerial salary, so as to relieve the fund as much as possible and prevent its being regarded as a perpetual endowment. The Assembly further thanks the Committee for their diliscarcely a copy could be obtained, the West Missions, has been asked to visit gence in the discharge of their work and especially tenders to the Rev. B. A. Mc-Curdy, the Convener of the Augmentation Committee, who is now retiring from that position, its grateful acknowledgments of the value of his wise and energetic ser-vices on behalf of the schemes, to which