

with 14 students graduating, many of whom are now settled as pastors.

Morrin Colloge, Quebec, regretfully reported that owing to insufficiency of support, it had been resolved to close in the meantime the department of theology, and that unless aid were received the work of the colloge, after thirty-eight years of history, would have to cease. A committee was appointed to confer with the Governors upon the situation.

The Presbyterian Colloge, Halifax, venerable, with its four score years, but vigorous as any of the younger, reported 48 students in theology, 11 in the final year, 15 in the second, and 19 in the first, with three general; and a fine new Colloge building. Never in its history did it occupy the position that it does to-day.

The colleges lie at the foundation of our church life. Their tone affects the tone of the church life, and while grateful for their material and intellectual prosperity we have reason above all to be thankful for the large measure of the ideal that should ever be sought, a high moral and spiritual tone

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The wide, wide, world, and the effort to win it for truth and right was the subject for Friday evening. The Reports were presented by the joint conveners, Dr. Falconer and Dr. Moore, while Messrs. Hugh McKay of Round Lake, and Wilkie of Indore, told of the work among the Indians of the Northwest and of Central India.

The receipts for the year have been \$31,512 East, and \$108,000 West, or a total of nearly one hundred and forty thousand dollars. Of this the Women's Societies, East and West, gave over fifty thousand dollars.

Supported by this Fund we have missions in the New Hebrides, Trinidad, Demarara, India, China, Korea, and Formosa, and among the Indians of the North West, from all of which there were cheering reports of progress. As all of these are, and will be, kept constantly before the readers of the RECORD, but brief mention is here made of this great Scheme which fills so large a place in the thought of the Assembly and of the Church at large.

The more our Foreign work is studied, and the more its details and circumstances are known, the more must one be impressed with the earnest unselfish devotion to their great work of those who generously take our places and go as our substitutes and do our work in the foreign field.

Saturday forenoon was also occupied with Foreign Missions, and the afternoon was a holi-

day for some while others attended to committee work.

Some two hundred went over to the Falls. The ladies of the Presbyterian congregations there had kindly provided tea in the beautiful park, and to the accompaniment of Niagara's music some pleasant hours were spent.

#### THE SABBATH.

Hamilton was for the day Presbyterian. Her pulpits, except Episcopal, were filled by commissioners. What an object lesson on the true unity of Protestantism.

In the Assembly Church Dr. W. G. Jordan of Strathroy preached in the morning from Is. 6:5, the prophet's vision of God. The sermon was good, grand, inspiring. In the afternoon was the usual solemn Communion service. The evening sermon was preached by Rev. C. W. Gordon, of Winnipeg, (Ralph Connor) whose beautiful story sermons of Western life are familiar.

#### AGED MINISTERS' FUND.

Monday again, and work in reviewing and planning for the sick or aged, who have given life and strength to the Church in the work of the ministry.

Most of these to-day receiving aid are men who, with very small salaries and large fields, helped to mould our country in districts that were young, and it is but small return that some provision is made for their old age, by a church and country for whom they have done so much

In the East, 23 receive aid from the Fund, in amounts of \$200 or under, yearly, a total of \$3,885. One annuitant died during the year and two were added to the list. The ministers paying rates are 140, and 151 out of 217 settled charges gave contributions. Why not all?

In the West, the annuitants are 83, receiving from \$275 downwards, according to years of service, etc.; a total of \$15,967. Eleven annuitants died during the year and seven have been allowed to retire and come on the list.

#### MINISTERS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND.

This fund, East, is on an entirely different basis from that in the West. In the East it is a mutual insurance scheme supported by the ministers. In the West it is a beneficiary scheme, supported by the church, but ministers must pay rates to it if they would secure benefit to their widows and orphans.

The report, East, shewed the fund in a prosperous condition, with the prospect that in the