

of these new organizations. As a result there are districts in London where a few years ago Presbyterianism was unknown, yet to-day a fine edifice, a settled pastor, a large and influential congregation register the progress of the Church."

Mr. Wm. Calder has accepted a call to the congregation of Mira, C. B., and will soon be settled there. There is a fine field here for the energies of an active and faithful young man. Cape Breton is rapidly filling up the vacant congregations.

AUGMENTATION.

A good start in the work for the year has been made by the Presbytery of Lunenburg, as will appear from the following extract of a letter to the convener :

LUNENBURG, N.S., Aug. 31, '86.

Rev. and Dear Sir:

At our last meeting of Presbytery, we took the initiative in regard to Augmentation Fund for ensuing year. Following the cue given at the close of last annual report that the probable sum to be asked for will be \$9000, a reduction of ten per cent on the sum asked for last year, we reduced our quota and found our proportion to be \$360. However we allocated \$376 as follows :

Lunenburg \$110	Shelburne \$30
Bridgewater 54	Clyde & Co. 30
Mahone Bay 40	New Dublin 20
Lahave 40	Riversdale 18
Lockport 30	Rocks 4

This division was made with the cordial understanding that of the Fund needed a larger amount, we would increase the rate.

Yours,

E. D. MILLAR.

Not long since we heard a lady, the president of a W. F. M. S. give her mind on the subject in the following energetic fashion. Said she, "we have Women's Societies, let us have Men's Missionary Societies, the men need it as much as the women. We have little girl's mission bands, why not have little boy's bands? They need to be interested in missions as much as the girls do. Then, when in a congregation there is a Men's Society and a Women's Society, a little boy's band and a little girl's band make them all into one and have one Missionary Society in the Congregation." Well and sensibly said.

STATE OF THE FUNDS, SEPT. 1, 1886.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Receipts	\$2976.02
Expenditure	4235.76
Balance due Treasurer May 1st 1886	719.64 4055.40

Balance due Treasurer Sept. 1st 1886 \$1078.48

DAYSPRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Receipts	\$164.80
Expenditure	1214.65
Balance due Treasurer May 1st 1886	1310.50 2525.24

Balance due Treasurer Sept. 1st 1886 \$2300.35

HOME MISSIONS.

Receipts	\$1236.48
Expenditure	1173.03

Balance on hand \$62.55

AUGMENTATION FUND.

Balance on hand May 1st 1886	\$4740.79
Receipts	392.40 5133.19

COLLEGES.

Receipts	\$3282.90
Balance due Treasurer May 1st 1886	7447.05
Expenditure	3440.36 10987.44

Balance due Treasurer Sept. 1st 1886 \$7604.54

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTER'S FUND.

Receipts	\$222.81
Balance on hand May 1st	713.62

Balance on hand,	\$936.43
Expenditure	\$475.03

Balance on hand \$461.40

RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

Foreign Missions	\$1299.01
"Dayspring" and Mission Schools	53.50
Home Missions	325.20
Augmentation Fund	102.32
Colleges	1346.30
Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund	79.00
College Bursary	33.75
French Evangelization	425.22
	\$3656.36

The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light, and even the children of light are often far wiser in regard to their worldly business than they are in church matters. Men and women who in seeking a servant, a mechanic a clerk, a teacher, would look carefully at their record in the past, and be guided by that, whose first question would be for "recommendations," hear a minister, whom they never perhaps heard of before, and of whose past work they know nothing. Carried away by a fine sermon, fluent speaking, or graceful delivery, they decide at once to call him. Sometimes the result is satisfactory, oftener otherwise. Marry in haste, repent at leisure, has fulfilments beyond the family circle. O that they were wise, that they un-