

the Roll. The missionary collections of these schools for 1876 appear to have been \$2750—an average of nearly \$1 for each scholar on the Roll. Just one half of the twelve city churches commenced as mission Sabbath Schools a few years ago.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY at Kingston, has elected its first Chancellor in the person of the Rev. Dr. Cook, the respected Principal of Morrin College, and Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Quebec. It has been usual in the old country, and on this side the Atlantic, also, to appoint a layman to this office.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

MONTREAL, January 9th and 10th.—Dr. Jenkins was appointed Moderator for the next six months. Home Mission matters, as usual, occupied by far the larger portion of the time. Regret was expressed at the action of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee in curtailing the grants formerly given the congregations and stations within the bounds, and deputations were appointed to visit several of the stations thus affected for the purpose of stimulating the liberality of the people themselves in support of ordinances.

Mr. Stewart, the resident missionary at Arundel and De Salaberry presented a very interesting report of his labours in that field. The Convener's Report recommended the continuance of the grant of \$3. a Sabbath to Taylor's Church in the East end of Montreal.

In the prospect of a lengthened absence from the country, the Rev. Robert Campbell resigned the convenership of the Home Mission Committee, and the Rev. R. H. Warden was appointed in his stead. The Presbytery expressed their deep gratitude to Mr. Campbell for his past services and commended him and the mission he has undertaken to the Christian people of Great Britain and Ireland.

The Rev. John Wells of New Richmond, Bay of Chaleurs, a member of the Presbytery of Restigouche in connection with the Church of Scotland, was, in compliance with his request, cordially received by the Presbytery as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Rev. Dr. Patterson of Greenhill, N. S., being present, was asked to sit and deliberate. The Remits from the General Assembly were severally discussed and certain modifications recommended, e.g. In regard to the Home Missions of the Church, the Presbytery recommended that

there should be but one fund for the whole, embracing both supplemented charges and mission stations. In connection with the Remit on the Ministers Widows and Orphans Fund, it was suggested that ministers in the Upper Provinces should pay into the new fund, when created, the same annual rates as they have been accustomed to do—a condition which seems to have been overlooked by the Assembly in framing its proposed regulations.

BROCKVILLE, 19th and 20th December.—The committees appointed at a previous meeting to visit several of the congregations, with a view of securing a more economical distribution of the labours of their pastors, reported having fulfilled the duties assigned to them, and presented a number of recommendations, some of which were adopted by the Presbytery, while others, in view of the many interests involved, were held over for further consideration. Prof. Gregg, and Rev. Robert Campbell, of Renfrew, addressed the Presbytery on the claims of the Colleges, and received an assurance that the Court would do all in its power to press the claims of these Institutions on the support and liberality of the congregations.

PETERBOROUGH, 12th December :—The Presbytery agreed, though very reluctantly, to accept the Rev. Kenneth MacLennan's resignation of the charge of St. Andrew's Church, Peterborough. Mr. Torrance, of St. Paul's Church, Peterboro, was appointed interim Moderator of the Kirk-session. Mr. Bennett gave notice that at next meeting he would move for the appointment of Commissioners to the next General Assembly.

TORONTO, 2nd and 3rd January.—There was a large attendance of members. It was announced that a new congregation at Bclantrae, had been organized, and a committee was appointed to go to Brockton on an early day and there also organize a congregation in the new Church then nearly ready for occupation. A committee appointed at a previous meeting to confer with the congregations at Brampton in regard to their Union, reported that their efforts had happily been successful, and Mr. Meikle was appointed to proceed to Brampton on the 14th January, to meet with the two congregations and to constitute them one. A commission was read from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland in favour of Mr. Edward Millard, for some time a missionary in Jamaica. Mr. M. was cordially received as a minister of our Church. Application was made on behalf of the congregation of old St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, for leave to sell their