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The following statement shows the receipts for the different schemes in the Western Section of the Church for the past two years. The marked increase in all is a matter for profound thankfulness. What has been given has been well invested. It is so much done towards leaving the world better than we found it, and leaving a better country for our children to live in, and, if given with a right motive, it has bettered ourselves as well, by leading us out of self and into a broader and more Christlike sympathy with others:—

	1890-1.	1891-2.
Assembly Fund.....	\$ 3,975 50	\$ 4,145 50
Home Mission Fund.....	51,192 14	78,700 64
Stipend Augmentation....	22,762 10	27,603 68
Foreign Mission Fund...	86,726 50	92,033 75
Widows' and Orphan Fund	4,950 94	4,818 37
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	9,597 09	10,350 00

Two or three points, however, should be borne in mind. (1) That the increase in the Home and Augmentation Fund is in some measure due to a large legacy; (2) that the work is growing, its demands, particularly in the Foreign Field, are greater, and thus, though the revenue has increased there is a deficit of some \$2,000 in the Foreign Mission Fund. The Augmentation Fund has its small balance on the right side, and the Home Mission Fund closes its accounts with a good working balance.

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The International Christian Endeavor Convention of 1893 will be held in Montreal. As no church or hall is large enough, the use of the Drill Shed has been secured from the Government. The committee has made appeals to all the Canadian societies for guarantees towards defraying expenses, and hopes soon to have the promise of the large sum necessary. Already arrangements have been made with a number of the leading railway companies for greatly reduced rates. The '92 convention meets in Madison Square Gardens, New York, and "Westminster" Hotel, on 16th street, is to be the headquarters of the Canadian delegates.

We trust that all our young workers, while they enjoy and profit by the inspiration and enthusiasm of their grand gatherings, will remember that their work, the work which requires their strength, which tests their sincerity, and which will tell in lifting the world heavenward, is the patient, faithful discharge of the duties that each day brings, in their own church, their own little society, their own individual work, their own heart. Let them hold fast by Christ with one hand, and with the other reach out and grasp everything within their reach, at their work, their recreation, their worship, and bring it towards Him; or, better still, bound firmly by the threefold cord of faith, hope and love, as He lowers them down into the sea of life, let them, with both hands, like the pearl diver in the Eastern seas, gather all within their reach for Him.

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So far as known the chief matters of interest to be brought before the Assembly, are great practical questions that concern the Church's work. In some respects these questions may not materially differ from those of former assemblies, reviewing the past year, planning better ways of work, if possible, for the year to come. There are, however, one or two special questions to be considered. One is, the providing of winter supply for congregations and missions stations. At present there are many places that have no preaching from the time the student catechists leave for college in the autumn, until they go out again in the spring. A practical solution that will probably be attempted will be to have a summer session in the college at Winnipeg, so that some students can labor in the mission field during the winter, and pursue their studies in summer.

The more effective working of our Foreign Mission Scheme will be another important matter before the Assembly, and will take shape in the special question of the appointment of a secretary for the Western Division who shall devote his whole time to the work.