

JARVIS.—The members of Rev. J. McRobie's congregation have secured a most desirable site for a manse, and are making preparations for the erection of a commodious residence for their highly esteemed minister. It is pleasing to see such evidence of progress.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL.—The members and adherents of this Church, at their Annual Soiree, held 4th February, embraced the opportunity to present to their esteemed Treasurer, Johnston Thomson, Esq., on his resignation of this office, held by him for 25 years, a slight acknowledgment of their sense of the fidelity and diligence which had marked his occupancy of the post, and the many obligations they had received from him.

The Senior Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Taylor, addressed, him in affectionate terms, and in the name of the congregation placed in his hands a handsome family Bible with a silver-plated tea service and salver.

We are also pleased to know that two of their leading members waited privately upon Dr. Taylor, and begged his acceptance of \$200 as a gift from his people.

The junior Pastor, the Rev. Mr. Gibson, received an unexpected but gratifying surprise as well, from the Bible Class under his care:—A purse, containing \$200, collected amongst themselves and a few other friends, being put into his hands, accompanied with kindly expressions of their regard.

This Church gives evidence of a liberality and activity which is worthy of general imitation. The following is an abstract of the finances of the congregation for the year 1868.

Amount raised for Building Fund	\$1,189 53
“ “ Ordinary Revenue	5,628 47
“ “ Missionary Society	1,801 91
“ “ Montreal College	2,337 55
“ “ Poor Fund	185 54
“ “ Dorcas Society	53 20
“ “ Sabbath School and Library	189 22
“ “ S. S. Mission Society	104 83
	\$11,490 25

For some years past there has been a regular increase in the ordinary revenue, while all immediate obligations in connection with the erection of the church have been met, with a balance in the Treasurer's hands.

COLLINGWOOD.—On the 12th January, the Rev. R. Rogers was waited upon by a large number of his people, who, after refreshments provided by themselves, and several hours spent in pleasant intercourse, presented the Pastor with an address expressive of their most friendly feelings, and gave, in money and other things, substantial tokens of their good will. to the amount of about \$120.

ALMONTE.—We have been favoured with a copy of the annual report of the congregation at Almonte, under the pastoral charge of the Rev. W. McKenzie, and have remarked with pleasure the indications of progress which the report presents. The congregation, in its separate state, had been in existence only about ten months. In the course of that time, the membership has increased from 89 to 120, while the amount raised has been \$1,454 76. The plan adopted with reference to the congregational fund is by weekly, monthly, or quarterly contributions, and, in point of