

increase the receipts both in the City and Country, but unfortunately without effect.

There will probably be some further amounts to come in during the next few weeks, but it will still leave the Mission fund in a worse condition than it was at the beginning of the last year.

Quarterly payments will again have to be made on the 1st July, 1st October, and 1st January next, the only apparent means of meeting which are the drafts on the S. P. G. and the transfers that can be made from the Sustentation fund and the Clergy Trust fund.

These amounts together will be considerably less than the amounts that will have to be met, and, therefore, at the end of the year, or say on the 31st December next, the balance against the Mission fund will be very considerable.

This has hitherto been met, as the Committee are aware, by certain parties, interested in the matter, getting a note discounted at the bank, for which, of course, they are personally liable.

The amount which had thus to be raised last year, was \$5,000, and from the appearance of the account now, it would look as if a considerably larger amount would have to be provided in this way during the current year, unless such a revision of the expenditure takes place as has been recommended by the Executive Committee.

It is clear that with all the efforts that are being made to collect funds the annual subscriptions to the Mission Fund are falling off instead of increasing, and the outlay is also getting larger.

That this is an unsatisfactory state of affairs cannot be denied, and I suggest that it is a matter which should receive the earnest attention of the Executive Committee and of the Synod at its forthcoming meeting.

C. J. BRYDGES, *Treasurer*.

MONTREAL, 3rd June 1875.

Archdeacon LEACH read a report of the Committee on Canons, (see report as it was finally adopted, page 665), and moved, seconded by Mr. BRYDGES:

That it be considered to-morrow.—*Carried*.

Rev. H. W. NYE read report of the Committee on Lay agency in missionary work (see page 665); and moved, seconded by Rev. J. ROLLIT:

That it be received and considered to-morrow.—*Carried*.

Notices of Motion were given by the Chancellor, Rev. J. Carmichael, Mr. L. H. Davidson, Canon Bancroft, Rev. J. G. Baylis, Mr. T. Simpson, Rev. R. W. Norman, Rev. R. Lindsay, Archdeacon Lonsdell, Rev. H. W. Nye, the Dean, Rev. W. Jones, Mr. T. R. Johnson, Rev. D. Lindsay.