

Our Own Church.

REV. DR. REID has received the sum of \$3,076.19 from the executors of late *Rev. William Barrie, D.D.*, to be divided equally among the following schemes of the Church,—Knox College Endowment Fund, the Home Mission Fund, and the Foreign Mission Fund. Also from the executors of the late *Mr. David J. Greenshields*, of Montreal, the sum of \$3,433.33, the final instalment of *Mr. Greenshields'* bequest of \$10,000, and interest, for the Assembly's Home Missions. MORRIN COLLEGE, Quebec, has received a legacy of \$2000 from the late *Mr. Philip Peebles* of Quebec, a donation of \$100 from the wife of *Rev. W. B. Clarke*, and a \$50 bursary from *Mr. Edward B. Greenshields* of Montreal.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Presbyterian Church in Canada did a very wise thing last year when it provided for the nomination to the Moderatorship of the Assembly by a "College of ex-Moderators." This practice has long been followed in the Church of Scotland. In the Free Church, it is the commission of Assembly that makes the selection. Any plan is better than that of nomination by Presbyteries. We wish that our Irish friends would follow our example.

MANITOBA COLLEGE: Collections for this college were appointed by the General Assembly to be taken up on the fourth Sabbath of this month in all the congregations where there are no missionary associations or other means of procuring funds for the schemes of the Church. We could give many valid reasons why this College should be generous dealt with. It is the youngest, and therefore stands most in need of assistance. And it is doing a grand work for the Church. The attendance this year, we are glad to learn, is in advance of any previous year. The number of students in theology is seven, two of whom will finish their course next spring. The debt is now considerably reduced, but the contributions of the Church in the east and in the west are still needed to meet current expenses.

ALMONTE, Ont. :—The congregation of St. Andrew's Church in this thriving town recently celebrated their jubilee. The Church was organized in 1834. Its first

minister was *Rev. John Fairbairn*, a licentiate of the Church of Scotland, ordained in 1833, and who is still living, a minister of the Free Church at Greenlaw, in Berwickshire, Scotland. The late highly esteemed *Rev. John McMorine, D.D.*, a native of Sanquhar, Scotland, was the second minister. The third was the *Rev. John Gordon*, a native of Nova Scotia. The present minister is *Rev. John Bennett*, an alumnus of Morrin College, Quebec. The occasion was one of great interest. Of the 157 who sat at the first communion table in "Ramsay," over fifty years ago, only two are now alive. All the rest—elders and managers and members—have passed over to the great majority.

BRACEBRIDGE, the capital of the Muskoka district, is lamenting the removal of the *Rev. Allan Findlay*, who has for nine years attended faithfully to the spiritual interests of the Presbyterians in that part of the country. But, as *Mr. Findlay* has been appointed Superintendent of Missions, and is pre-eminently qualified to discharge the duties of his office in the large sphere of labour to which he has been called, the good people of Bracebridge have wisely and gracefully acquiesced in the arrangement. HUNTSVILLE, in the same district, is to be congratulated in securing the services of so notable a pioneer as *Rev. James Sieveright*, formerly of Prince Albert, N. W. T.

FORMOSA.—The accompanying sketch map of Northern Formosa shews the position of *Dr. Mackay's* stations and chapels. The shaded part, in the centre, is covered with dense forests and inhabited by savages. We have also received from *Dr. Mackay* a photograph of himself and *Mrs. Mackay*, surrounded by twenty-nine of his helpers and students. There are some fine heads in the group. The thoughtful face of *A-Hoa*, the first convert, is readily distinguished.

OUR MISSIONARIES.—Before these lines are read, the *Rev. Hugh A. Robertson* will be on his way to Eromanga, via San Francisco. We wish him a good voyage and a happy "home-coming." During his furlough he has addressed 275 meetings and superintended the printing of the four Gospels in the Eromangan language. *Rev. J. F. Campbell* and his wife, from Central India, have also visited a large number of the Presbyteries and congregations, and have been the