

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Synod Clerk's Salary .....	\$120 00
For Stationery, &c. ....	2 40
Incidental Expenses .....	3 38
Committee on Christian Life and Work, for Circulars, &c. ....	1 50
Travelling expenses of members of Synod .....	259 75
Sexton of St. Andrew's .....	6 00
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Balance in hand .....	\$ 99 50

No Collections for this fund have been received from the following Congregations:—Musquodoboit, New Glasgow, Nashwaak, St. Andrews, New St. Stephens, Saint John, New Richmond, Dalhousie, Tabusintac, St. Peter's Road and Brackley Point. The representatives of these Congregations have made no demand on the Committee for travelling expenses. Still, it is not fair that they should fail to contribute to this fund when the first charge upon it is the unavoidable expenses connected with the business of the Synod, such as the Clerk's Salary, &c. It is to be hoped that next year's report will show a much smaller number of non-contributing Congregations. And in the case of many of the Congregations that have contributed, their representatives have drawn, for travelling expenses from the fund, double the amount of their collections. The burden, therefore, is thrown upon a few liberal congregations. The Committee would respectfully ask the Synod to enjoin anew upon all congregations the necessity of making the Annual Collection for the Synod Fund.

Respectfully submitted, in name and by the appointment of the Committee.

JAMES ANDERSON.

It was moved by Mr. Herdman, seconded by Mr. MacRae, and agreed to, that the Report be adopted; that Mr. Anderson be requested to continue to act, and also that Mr. McCunn be added to the Committee.

## CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK.

The following Report on Christian Life and Work was given in and read by the Rev. T. Duncan, Convener:—

In order to carry out the instructions received at last Synod, and with the view of obtaining as full information as possible on the Life and Work of the Church, the Committee met at Halifax in October last, and prepared the following questions, a copy of which was sent to each minister within the Synod's bounds:—

## "SUBJECTS AND QUESTIONS.

*I.—Extent of your Field.*

Would you mention the extent of your field of labour, and the probable number of adherents, including such as attend no particular Church, but are nominally connected with the Church of Scotland.

*II.—Character of Field.*

What of the Spiritual Life of the Congregation? (1)—How many are in full Communion with the Church? (2)—Do professing Christians seem growing in spirituality and earnestness? (3)—Does interest in personal religion seem to be growing among others?

*III.—Ordinances.*

(1)—What of attendance on Public Worship? (2)—On Prayer Meetings? (3)—Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes? (4)—Have you any suggestion to make, and would you indicate your practice on the subject of Baptism? (5)—What of admission to the Lord's Supper? (6)—What of frequency, &c., of its administration?

*IV.—Family Life.*

(1)—What of Family Worship? (2)—What of Parental Instruction?