

The "Record" Office was illumined, 21 July, by a visit, between trains, from our Mission Band of five on their way to Korea; Rev. D. MacRae, Rev. W. R. Foote and Mrs. Foote, and Rev. Robert Grierson, M.D., and Mrs. Grierson.

A farewell meeting had been held in Halifax on Friday evening, 15 July; designation services in Truro, on Monday evening, 18th, and a farewell meeting in St. John, N.B., Tuesday evening, 19th; and on Wednesday, 20th, they started on their 'long journey Westward to the far East. A splendid band they are, all well fitted by thorough training for their work, and besides the ordinary training, Mr. MacRae is a skilled mechanic, Mr. Grierson a medical doctor, and Mrs. Foote a trained nurse.

It now remains for the Church in the Maritime Provinces to rise to its increased responsibilities and privileges, in the added honor, given by Christ, of being in larger measure co-workers with Him.



Rev. R. Grierson, M.D., of Korea.

Our oldest College, Presbyterian College, Halifax, shows vitality second to none. It is adding to its equipment a new library building, the corner stone of which was laid 13 July, with fitting services and ceremonies. Long years have passed, and great progress has been made, since 1820, when the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia founded its Institution in Pictou for the training of ministers, the first of the kind in Presbyterian Canada; and results, both now and then, have been rich reward.

F. M. ESTIMATES, 1898-99.

The estimates adopted by Assembly for the Foreign Mission work of the year 1898-99 are:

Eastern Division.

New Hebrides.....	\$ 7,000 00
Trinidad, St. Lucia and Demerara.....	22,000 00
Deficit.....	4,500 00
Interest and Expenses.....	1,000 00
Korea.....	4,000 00
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	\$38,500 00

Western Division.

(General Fund.)

India.....	\$26,000 00
Formosa.....	8,780 00
Honan.....	15,109 00
Indians (N. W.).....	6,580 00
Indians (B. C.).....	1,120 00
Chinese (B. C.).....	3,900 00
Chinese (Montreal).....	1,900 00
Expenses.....	4,720 00
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	\$68,109 00
Less buildings for Bheels.....	3,000 00
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	\$65,109 00

Women's F. M. Society (West).

India.....	\$23,664 00
Formosa.....	1,145 00
Honan.....	2,969 00
Indians (N. W.).....	13,186 00
Indians (B. C.).....	3,850 00
Chinese (B. C.).....	450 00
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	\$44,964 00
Less Miss Dow's salary, paid by Woman's Missionary Society, Montreal.....	500 00
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	\$44,464 00

Four thousand churches are either built or remodeled every year in the United States.

Great Britain's 'drink bill' for 1897 was \$760,000,000, \$17,500,000 over previous year.

It is estimated that there are 750,000,000 of women in the world, 150,000,000 of whom are to be found in India. Of the latter only 1,000,000 can read.—The Missionary.