

increase the grants from D. C. S., yet the conditions required from the people have in several cases been made for larger amounts, and the Committee are glad to say have, in all but one case, (and that only from want of ability) been cheerfully agreed to. This we think, in a time of commercial and industrial depression, is a good sign of the right spirit of independence increasing among church people.

In addition to the above named grants under the Quebec Scheme, the following have been made, as they were regarded necessary to meet the wants of church members:—For a travelling missionary in Cape Breton \$300; to Rev. L. M. Wilkins, at Bridgetown, for two years, \$50 per annum; Rev. F. M. Young for missionary visits in Cape Breton, for one year, \$50. The total amount of grants is therefore \$5640.

The income for general purposes, received up to May 18th, is \$3958.44. There may be about \$750.00 yet to be depended upon, while casual contributions may increase the amount to \$5200.00. It is evident therefore, that it will be necessary still further to draw upon our reserves to meet the engagements which the Committee felt it necessary to make. Under these circumstances, the D. C. S. earnestly hope that every member of the church will deny himself something more, in order that the work in the Lord's Vineyard may not be hindered or hampered.

Your Committee regret that while St. Paul's, Halifax, has increased its contributions, yet St. George's and St. Mark's have not sent any return as yet. Until the claims of the Society are more decidedly advocated in some of the churches in Halifax, this want of support must be felt by our county missions.

An Act has passed the Local Assembly (which Act is printed for the information of the Church) transferring all the funds of the D. C. S. to the Diocesan Synod, with the proviso that all the objects of the Society be carried on as usual, and under the same rules and regulations. For the sake of economy of management and centralization of design, this change has been agreed to by all,

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