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The Canadian Presbyterian Magazine.

TORONTO, FEBRUARY, 1842.

The Rev. Dr. Taylor, moderator, has summoned a special meeting of Synod, to be held in Hamilton, on the 27th of April, at 12 o'clock, noon, to consider a proposal from the Board of Missions, Scotland, in relation to the Professorship of Theology.

HAMILTON UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—The annual meeting of the Missionary Society was held on the 26th of January—the Rev. Mr. Hogg presiding. The Treasurer reported that the collections for 1851 amounted to £21; also, that the sum of £25, including interest, for the year 1842, was still in his possession, having been voted in such a way as precluded its appropriation. It was resolved that the vote on the proceeds of the Society for 1842, be rescinded, and that the income for these two years be appropriated as follows:—

To Theological Library.....	£10
To Theological Institution.....	5
To French Canadian Mission.....	5
To Home Mission of the Church.....	30
	£50

The Sabbath-school Missionary-box was found to contain £2 5s. The appropriation was made by vote of the scholars, as follows:—

To French Canadian Mission.....	£1 5 0
To Jewish Mission.....	1 0 0

W. J.

TORONTO.—The annual meeting of the Missionary and Benevolent Society of the U. P. Congregation—which had been postponed from the first Tuesday in January—was held on the evening of the 3rd of February—the Rev. Mr. Jennings in the chair. The Treasurer presented his statement, when it appeared that the total income of the Society, for the year 1851, amounted to £24 7s. 8d.

During the year the Committee had appropriated:—

To persons connected with the congregation, requiring assistance.....	£5 15 0
To Rev. John Proudfoot, London, to aid the congregation of St. Mary's in erecting a Church.....	5 0 0
Balance on hand, of £23 12s. 8d., was voted as follows:—	
To Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, for Foreign Mission at Annetrum—annual donation.....	10 0 0
To French Canadian Mission.....	5 0 0
To Home Mission Fund of the Church.....	8 12 8

J. L.

CALEDONIA.

On Sabbath, January 18th, the United Presbyterian Church of Caledonia was opened for Divine service by the Rev. John Jennings, Toronto, and on the same day the Synodical Supper was dispensed to the congregation. A liberal collection was taken up for the Building Fund. The church is erected on the north side of the Market Square—a substantial frame building, with an elegant turret in front. Behind, there is a large space laid out for burial ground, which has already begun to be occupied.

On the Tuesday following, a Soiree was held in the church, which, notwithstanding the severity of the cold, was well attended. The ladies of the southern portion of the congregation presented an elegant Bible to their minister, by one of the elders, who made an appropriate and impressive speech on the occasion, to which Dr. Ferrier made a suitable reply. The meeting was eloquently addressed by the Rev. Messrs. Hogg of Hamilton, and Drummond of Brantford. The Rev. Mr. Jennings, having gone to visit some friends at a distance, was prevented by the drifted state of the roads, from getting forward, as was expected.

On Wednesday, the children of the Sabbath School met, and were profitably and pleasantly entertained. The Rev. Mr. Drummond addressed the young, and having directed their attention with much good humour, gave them some valuable instructions, with plainness suitable to their capacities, and with a warmth and energy calculated to produce a deep and lasting impression.

It is known that Dr. Ferrier, the minister of that congregation, although professing to hold entire, as sound and scriptural, the principles of

the United Presbyterian Church, was received into the Free Church, and that in violation of all honourable faith and Christian courtesy, that church excluded him from their fellowship, ostensibly because he was true to the sentiments they knew he held, when admitted to their communion, and which are held by many of themselves.

Dr. Ferrier and his congregation are to be congratulated on the honourable stand they have made for the principles of the Reformation, and of the Scriptures, in opposition to secession and sinister views; and we trust the time is not distant when the Free Church in this country, by abandoning their course of policy, will not only shift, to plain ways, the obvious passages respecting the Magistrate's power in the Westminster Confession, and will acknowledge themselves to be, what we believe the most of them really are, of one mind, substantially, with the United Presbyterian Church, on this head, as well as on the grand doctrine of grace, on which the two denominations have always agreed.

This spirited and high-principled congregation will undoubtedly move and more prosper, and advance the cause of Christ in the neighbourhood. May they be blessed and be a blessing.—Commented.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto, of the United Presbyterian Church, met on the 21st February, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Coutts, moderator, p. 1. The committee appointed to superintend the students reported, that they had, on the 16th December, examined Mr. McDonald on part of the exercises previously assigned him by the Presbytery, and had sustained and approved of the whole. The Presbytery received and adopted the report of the committee. They then examined Mr. McDonald on the remainder of the exercises assigned him. A letter was read from Mr. Dunbar, student, stating, that in consequence of sickness, he was unable to attend the present meeting. His excuse for absence was sustained, and the clerk was empowered to request him to be present at the next meeting of Presbytery, and to be prepared with as many of his trials for license as possible.

The congregational statistics, from almost all the congregations in the bounds of the Presbytery, were laid before the Presbytery, and ordered to be published as soon as all the returns were made. The Rev. Mr. Coutts made an application on behalf of the congregation in Vaughan, to have the income of the Lord's Supper dispensed among them on the fifth Sabbath of February. The Presbytery granted their request, and appointed Mr. Coutt to officiate on that occasion.

The Presbytery took up and read an overture from Mr. Coutts to the Synod at its meeting in June, respecting the "Rules of Order." They agreed to transmit said overture.

The Presbytery deferred the consideration of the "Draft of Deed for Church Property," and also "the literary course of students of theology," till the next meeting. Assigned Mr. McDonald exercises for the next three months, to be prepared for the committee and Presbytery. Appointed the Rev. Mr. Jennings moderator for the current year. Appointed the next meeting to be held on the 6th of April, at two o'clock p. m., in the United Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

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PRESBYTERY OF WELLINGTON.

Statistical Report for the year ending 31st December, 1851.

	QUEEN.	BRANSON.	SIORA.
Organized Congregations.....	1	1	1.
Stations within bounds.....	None.	None.	2, Irvine & Pee 1
Average attendance.....	250	300	£1,280, Ir. 100.
Members added.....	14	13	33 (Peel, 100.
Members removed.....	6	3	11
Members on the Roll.....	61	101	118
Baptism.....	9	26	11
Number in religious classes.....	115	41	£1 30, Ir. 101.
No. attending Prayer-meetings.....	None.	50	Irvine, 20.
No. of volumes in Libraries.....	200	512	£1, 105, Ir. 274.
No. of Churches.....	1	1	2
Is property devoted.....	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
Congregational Debt.....	£130 0	0	£80.
Total income.....	£130 5	£152 3	0, £117 10 3.
Expenditure on:—			
1. Stipend.....	£90 10	£91 13 0	£105.†
2. Church property.....	£23 1	£24 17 0	£2 0 1—Insur.
3. Theological fund.....	£2	£2 17 0	£2 5 0.
4. Synod and Presbytery fund.....	None.	£1 15 0	£2 15 0.
5. Synod's Missions.....	£1	£1 1 0	£2 9 0.
6. General Missions.....	£4 1	3	£5 0 0.
7. Contributions to the poor.....	None.	None.	
8. Incidental expenses.....		£1 3 1½	£1 5 7½

† There has been an advance during the past year of £5. There is also a house for the minister, and fifty acres of land attached, which the congregation intends to purchase as soon as it comes into the market.

† It is but justice to this congregation to remark, that they pay the stipend, and that they have made an advance of £5 during the past year.