

spent far from the place where her body now lies. She was a daughter of the manse. Her father the Rev. Mr. Millar was for forty years in the work of the ministry, in the town of Huntly, in Scotland. Her mother who died about her own age, was a woman of firm principles, deep piety, and much given to secret prayer. To this pious couple were born fourteen children, of whom five still remain. The training they received was the wholesome training that was common in pious families in Scotland, in the good old times. The Bible was the great book of the house; then came the Shorter Catechism, which was repeated round the fireside every Sabbath night, then came such authors as The Marrow; Bunyan; Baxter, &c. It is believed on good grounds, that all these children came to Christ and did walk in him. Two of the sons are to-day ministers of the Gospel. From an early age Mrs. Dewar loved the Saviour, and when very young she made a public profession of her faith. She was the daughter of a minister, the sister of ministers, and the wife of a minister. She will be long remembered in this locality, where she lived 25 years, for her many excellent qualities, and her Christian example. Her funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Jas. Cameron, Chatsworth, from which this notice has been chiefly taken.

THE REV. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY WALKER, minister of the parish of Ochiltree, Ayrshire, Scotland, died on the 24th of April. Mr. Walker was ordained by the Presbytery of Montreal in 1834, and was soon afterwards inducted as the first pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Huntington, Que., where he laboured with much acceptance and success for ten years. In 1844 he received a presentation to the Scottish parish in which the remainder of his life was spent. He was a man of very superior attainments, gentle and genial in his manner, laborious and faithful in the work of the ministry till the very last week of his life.

### Ecclesiastical News.

REV. DR. GIBSON, of Chicago, has accepted the call of St. John's Wood Congregation, London, and is already on his way thither. It is whispered that Chicago is about to lose another of its prominent men, in the person of the Rev. Dr. Patton, whose removal to the Theological College, Princetown, N. J., is likely to take place very soon. The Rev. Dr. John Hall, of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, is now, it is said, the best paid clergyman in America. His income—more than \$30,000 a year—is made

up as follow's:—Salary, \$15,000; free house, worth \$4,000; fees of various kinds, \$10,000; Yale Lectureship, \$2,000 or \$3,000 more; total, \$31,000 or \$32,000 per annum. He has also three months' leave of absence every year. The Presbyterian Church of the United States has surpassed itself this year in the amount of its contributions for Foreign Missions. The last General Assembly said the Church ought to raise \$500,000. The amount actually raised was \$586,844—an advance on the receipts of the previous year of more than \$150,000. The expenditure for the year was \$579,746, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$7,048. The debt at the beginning of the year was \$60,000, and the Board lost \$48,000 by the failure of its financial agents in Liverpool, but the debt has been paid, the loss borne, and the work sustained and enlarged. The Women's Societies poured nearly \$200,000 into the treasury.

THE FINAL MEETING of the committee of arrangements for the PAN-PRESBYTERIAN CONVENT, was held in Philadelphia last month. The place of meeting has not yet been announced, excepting that the reception of Delegates will be in the Academy of Fine Arts, a splendid building, little if at all inferior to the Museum of Science and Art in Edinburgh, which opened its doors so hospitably to the first Council in 1877. THE REV. DR. STEEL, of Sydney, N. S. W., now on his way to Canada was, on the eve of his departure, presented with an address and a testimonial of six hundred guineas from his congregation in acknowledgment of his valued services to the congregation, to the colony, and to the cause of missions during his pastorate of eighteen years. By the will of the late Mr. James Buist, of St. Andrew's, Scotland, the Church of Scotland has fallen heir to a number of handsome bequests,—The Home Mission Scheme, \$30,000; Endowment, \$5,000; Colonial Missions, \$5,000, &c. The residue of the estate, valued at \$150,000 to be equally divided between the India, Home, Colonial, and Endowment Schemes.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FUNDS. The income for Foreign Missions amounted to £32,000 stg.; the expenditure to £37,000. This is a considerable decrease as compared with 1877, and 1878,—a decrease attributed to severe financial pressure. For all the ordinary Funds the contributions were £75,000 sterling. This sum, raised by one of the smallest of the three Scottish churches, is most creditable.

THE FIFTH SYNOD of the Presbyterian Church of England met in Mary-le-bone Church, London, on 26th April. About 500 members were present, representing 268 congregations. Dr. Donald Fraser was elected Moderator. Professor Chalmers was elected Principal of the Theological College in room