

—immediately after an ordination or induction to send an Extract of the same to the Secretary of the Board of Management.

The Synod direct the Board, (June 1, 1857,) in the case of the demise of Widows to pay their annuities up to the termination of the current half-year in which the demise may take place.

3. *Graduated scale of annuities.*

The Synod approve of the scale of distribution embodied in the Report : (as follows :)

"4th—That the annuity to be paid to Widows shall be at the rate of £12 10s. from the Fund consisting of Ministers' contributions, and according to the following scale from the Fund consisting of Congregational Collections.

Where the average annual amount collected is under three pounds, the Managers may, in their discretion, allow an annuity not exceeding fifteen pounds.

Where the average is £3, and does not amount to £6, the annuity shall be £20.

Where	£6	and under	£9	to	£25.
Where	9	and under	12	to	30
Where	12	and under	15	to	35
Where	15	and under	18	to	40
Where	18	and under	21	to	45
Where	21	and under	24	to	50
Where	24	and under	27	to	55
Where	27	and under	30	to	60

And no annuity shall exceed the last mentioned sum, namely, £60.

5th—That in the event of a child or children coming on the Fund in consequence of the death of both parents, the same annuity as in the case of a widow should be payable to him, her or them, until the youngest daughter shall attain the age of 21 years, or the youngest boy shall attain the age of 18 years, unless he is studying with a view to the ministry in the Church of Scotland or in this Synod, when it shall continue to be paid until he attains the age of 21 years. When the youngest daughter shall have attained the age of 21 years, and it appears to the Managers that the family is in destitute circumstances, they may where there is more than one daughter allow an annuity not exceeding one half what would be paid to a widow, and, where there is only one daughter, an annuity not exceeding one third of what would be paid to a widow. Whenever any daughter is married her interest in the Fund shall cease. In the case of boys who, from mental or physical incapacity, are unable to support themselves, the Managers may allow an annuity for a longer term than attaining the age of 18, such annuity in no case to exceed half of what would be allowed to a widow."

The Synod approve of an intermediate (June 11, 1867,) grade in the scale of collections between twelve dollars and sixty dollars and annuities between eighty dollars and one hundred and sixty dollars, as also of the equity and propriety of increasing annuities to widows having children under age.

SECTION THIRD--FRENCH MISSION.

The Synod enjoin all ministers (July 8, 1845,) and Sessions to bring the claims of this important Mission more fully and urgently before their congregations, and procure as liberal collections and subscriptions as possible.