

pates, as you will learn from a letter that I understand he recently forwarded for publication in the *Record*. The openings for work among the Indians are numerous, as we learn by communications from missionaries, both in the Saskatchewan and McKenzie River districts, as well as the locality to which your attention was directed last year, viz., Beren's River. It is our earnest hope and prayer that the circumstances of our Church will soon be such as to warrant your entering fully into this inviting field of christian enterprise.

We shall hope in two or three weeks to hear the decision of your committee in regard to the Saskatchewan. I suppose you quite agree with us in thinking that it would not be wise to leave this place with only one minister for such a length of time as the Saskatchewan exploration would occupy; indeed it would be nothing less than suicidal. If it were possible to give more full supply to the out-stations our cause at them would be much more prosperous, and other nearer localities ought to get some attention.

The only other matter that calls for notice in this report is that of funds received and expended on account of churches, schools, and school-house for the current year.

RECEIPTS.

Balance of collections for Fairfield Church.....	\$ 61 44		
Synod's grant.....	200 00		
Collections and subscriptions for school-house &c., received when in Canada.....	120 89		
		\$332 33=	£79 6 5
For books sold.....			6 6 7½
Paid of Red River subscriptions for school-house.....			8 3 2½
Draft on Mr. Reid, March 15, 1864.....			45 0 0
		£138 16 3	

EXPENDITURE.

D. McLellan's ac.....	\$ 15 15		
Educational Department ac.....	37 25		
J. Campbell's ac.....	16 00		
Tract Society's ac.....	13 10		
Presbyterian Board ac.....	25 00		
Pulpit Bible.....	3 00		
Travelling expenses in Canada on account of the Mission	24 00		
Freight and charges.....	50 72		
		\$184 22=	£38 4 5
Laid debt on Fairfield Church.....			14 18 4
Accounting for maps and object lessons.....			0 15 1
Cotton for covering library books.....			0 16 0
Two stoves for churches.....			4 2 0
Preparing boarding for Fairfield ch. and nails for do...			7 3 1½
Laid towards the building of school house, stones, lime, boards, &c. &c.....			30 17 3½
		£96 16 3	
In my hands at this date.....	£42 0 0		

I hope you will find the above statement satisfactory. I have vouchers for the various items which can be examined here or sent to you if you so desire.

My dear brother, I do not feel that it would be prudent to tresspass longer on your patience with this report. It is my prayer that the Spirit of Him who sent about *doing good* may guide the deliberations of the approaching Synod,