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MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Report of the Treasurer for the year ending 16th May, 1864.

I have the honour to report to the Synod that some inconvenience has been experienced during the past year on the part of the managers of this Fund, because the Synod did not elect, at its last meeting in June, 1863, any persons to fill the places of the members who retired, and consequently the Board has been incomplete during the whole year. The parties who retired in terms of the Act of Incorporation are, Rev. A. Mathieson, D.D., Chairman of the Board; Alex. Morris, Esq., M. P. P., and James Mitchell, Esq. There is no power in the Board to fill up vacancies occurring in this way. Owing to the above cause may perhaps be the fact that the meetings during the year have been irregularly attended; and the last meeting, at which the annual report should have been ordered, broke up for want of a quorum.

I shall endeavour, as far as I can, to make up for the want of the usual report which has from year to year been so carefully prepared by Dr. Mathieson; and beg to state for the information of the Synod, First, for the year have been, from congregational collections, \$1588.44, from Ministers' contributions, \$1380, from interest or revenue from investments \$2269.38, from loans repaid \$1000, and from other sources, such as donations, &c., \$462.44. These sums added together form a total of \$6895.36.

Included in the congregational collections is the sum of \$210.80 which are arrears of the year before but only paid in this year. The congre-