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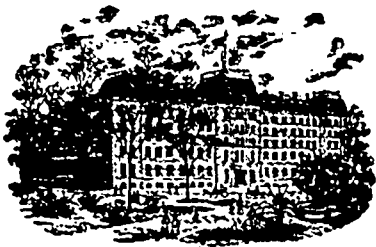
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## MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERY.

ALGOMA.—At Gore Bay in September.  
BARRIE.—At Barrie, on May 26th, at 10.30 a.m.  
BRANDON.—At Brandon on July 14th, at 10 a.m.  
BROCKVILLE.—At Lyn, on July 14th, at 3 p.m.  
BRUEL.—At Southampton, on July 14th, at 5 p.m.  
BRANDON.—Regular meetings in March, first Tuesday; second Tuesday of July and September of each year. Meets next in Brandon.  
CALGARY.—At Pincher Creek, Alberta, on September 2nd, at 8 p.m.  
CHATHAM.—At Chatham, in First Church, on July 14th, at 10 a.m.  
GLENGARRY.—At Alexandria on July 14th, at 11 a.m.  
GUELPH.—At Guelph, in Knox Church, on May 10th, at 10.30 p.m., adjourned meeting at Fergus, in McVillie Church, on April 9th, at 2.30 p.m.  
HURON.—At Brucefield, on May 12th, at 10.30 a.m.  
HAMILTON.—At St. Catharines, on May 19th, at 10.30 a.m.  
KARLOOPO.—At Enderby, on Sept. 1st, at 10 a.m.  
LINDSAY.—At Wick, on June 23rd, at 10.30 a.m. Presbyterian Sabbath School Convention the following day.  
LONDON.—At St. Thomas, in Knox Church, on May 11th, at 2 p.m., for conference; and for business on the 12th, at 9 a.m.  
MONTREAL.—At Wingham, on May 19th, at 11.30 a.m.  
MONTREAL.—At Montreal, in Knox Church, on June 30th, at 10 a.m.  
ORANGEVILLE.—At Orangeville, on May 5th, at 10.30 a.m.  
OWEN SOUND.—In Division Street Hall, Tuesday, April 21st, at 10 a.m.  
PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.—At Portage La Prairie May 4, at 7.30 p.m.  
PARIS.—At Ingersoll, in St. Paul's Church, on July 7th, at 11 a.m.  
PETERBOROUGH.—At Peterborough, in St. Andrew's Church, on July 7th, at 9 a.m.  
REGINA.—At Qu'Appelle on July 8th.  
SARNIA.—At Sarnia on July 14th, at 7 p.m.  
SAUGERN.—At Harrison on July 14th, at 10 a.m.  
SUPERIOR.—At Rat Portage on September 9th, at 2 p.m.  
STRATFORD.—At Stratford, in Knox Church, on Monday, May 11th, at 7.30 p.m. First Sederunt Conference on Church Life and Work.  
WESTMINSTER.—At New Westminster, on June 2nd, at 2 p.m.

## FOREIGN MISSION FUND DEFICIT.—WESTERN DIVISION.

TO MINISTERS AND SESSIONS.—On the 30th April when the books closed for the year the Foreign Mission Fund was in debt to the extent of \$8,784.81. Since an appeal was made some weeks ago other unexpected claims have been presented, which, notwithstanding the response of certain congregations to that appeal, leaves the fund in the condition above named. At a meeting of the executive of the Foreign Mission Committee held on the 1st inst., it was agreed to acquaint the Church with the state of the fund in this department of its work, and to ask that a collection be taken on the 24th or 31st May, in order to make up the amount required. It is not reasonable to expect that this will be done unless the effort is general throughout the Church. All congregations, Sabbath Schools, and Young People's Societies are therefore asked to assist in this effort, in order that the work of the year now begun may not be encumbered by the deficiency of the past. A few congregations have responded generously to the last appeal. If sessions will make known to their congregations their responsibility, giving them an opportunity to contribute, and a contribution however small, is received from each, we doubt not the whole amount will be provided for in time to be reported to the General Assembly when it meets next month.

R. P. MACKAY,  
Secretary of F. M. C.

Toronto, May 7th, 1896.

## PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

HONAN: All the members of the mission having observed January 31st as a day of prayer and fasting, seeking a special out-pouring of the Holy Spirit, Presbytery met to transact business on Saturday, Feb. 1st. One new missionary, Rev. Jas. Menzies, M.D., was welcomed with the right hand of fellowship and enrolled as a member of Presbytery; and Miss Jeanie I. Dow, M.B., was welcomed as a member of our mission staff. Reports were presented from our mission stations, Hsin Chen's, Oh'u-Wang, and Chang-te-fu. At Hsin Chen work has gone on quietly since last meeting. In November Messrs. Malcolm and Mitchell joined Messrs. Slimmon and Grant there. Shortly afterwards possession was quietly taken of the new premises, which we had succeeded in renting earlier in the season, for medical work. The names of two men at Hsiao-Chai were recorded as catechumens. Medical work was begun on the arrival of Dr. Malcolm. At Oh'u-Wang preaching has been steadily carried on among the patients in the hospital with gratifying results. The names of sixteen persons (ten men and six women), from seven different villages, were recorded as catechumens, while two men at Hsin-Ts'un, who were catechumens of a year's standing, were baptized and added to the Church. Medical work has gone on steadily, the average number of treatments *per diem* being forty-three. Misses McIntosh and Dow arrived at Oh'u-Wang on December 9th. At Chang-te-fu evangelistic work has gone on steadily among both men and women. Mr. Goforth's family and Miss MacKenzie moved here in October, and Dr. J. Menzies joined us in December. All has been very peaceful. Three native buildings have been

erected. Reports were received from the various committees and approved. Wm. Malcolm, M.D., was elected Moderator for the succeeding year, and Dr. Wm. McClure was appointed mission treasurer during Mr. Bostwick's absence on furlough. Prof. D. M. Gordon was nominated Moderator of the next General Assembly, as Rev. J. H. MacVicar and D. McIntosh appointed commissioners to the same. The Foreign Mission Committee were requested to send on an additional young lady doctor and a young lay worker. A standing committee was appointed to superintend the studies and examinations of newcomers in the language. Presbytery cordially encouraged Mr. MacGillivray to continue his revision of "Stent's Chinese Dictionary," which is well fitted to perform, and in the performance of which he will benefit missionaries generally throughout North China. Estimates for 1896 were approved for transmission to the Foreign Mission Committee. In the evening conferences were held at which subjects of general interest were discussed. On Feb. 5th, Presbyter adjourned to meet again at the call of the Moderator.—W. HARVEY GRANT, Clerk.



## TENDERS FOR COAL, 1897

The undersigned will receive tenders, to be addressed to them at their office in the Parliament Buildings, Toronto, and marked "Tenders for Coal," up to noon on Tuesday, 26th May, 1896, for the delivery of coal in the sheds of the institutions named below on or before the 15th day of July next, except as regards the coal for the London and Hamilton Asylums and Central Prison, as noted:—

### ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE, TORONTO

Hard coal, 1,050 tons large egg size, 200 tons stove size, 75 tons nut size. Soft coal, 425 tons lump, 100 tons hard screenings, 100 tons soft screenings.

### ASYLUM FOR INSANE, LONDON.

Hard coal, 2,000 tons small egg size, 325 tons egg size (Scranton coal), 160 tons stove size, 4 tons chestnut size. Soft coal, 30 tons for grates. Of the 2,000 tons 1,000 may not be required till January, 1897; also 50 tons Scranton egg.

### ASYLUM FOR INSANE, KINGSTON.

Hard coal, 900 tons large egg size, 325 tons small egg size, 40 tons chestnut size, 250 tons hard screenings, 400 tons soft screenings, 12 tons soft lump, 30 tons stove size (hard).

### ASYLUM FOR INSANE, HAMILTON.

Hard coal, 2,930 tons small egg size, 174 tons stove size, 92 tons chestnut size. Soft coal, 24 tons for new barn. For pump-house, 200 tons small egg size. Of the above quantity, 1,380 tons may not be required until January, 1897. 5 tons Straitsville for grates.

### ASYLUM FOR INSANE, MIMICO.

Hard Coal, 1,900 tons large egg size, 150 tons stove size. Soft coal, 25 tons lump, 150 tons hard screenings, 75 tons soft screenings.

### ASYLUM FOR IDIOTS, ORILLIA.

Hard coal, 2,200 tons large egg size, 100 tons stove size. Soft coal, 50 tons.

### ASYLUM FOR INSANE, BROCKVILLE

Hard coal, 1,050 tons large egg size, 150 tons stove size, 5 tons grate coal.

### CENTRAL PRISON, TORONTO.

Hard Coal, 50 tons nut size, 50 tons small egg size. Soft coal 2,000 tons Reynoldsville screenings, 100 tons lump. The soft coal to be delivered in lots of 160 tons monthly.

### INSTITUTION FOR DEAF AND DUMB, BELLEVUE.

Hard coal, 725 tons large egg size, \$5 tons small egg size, 15 tons stove size, 26 tons No. 1 size. Soft coal for grates, 4 tons.

### INSTITUTION FOR BLIND, BRANTFORD

Hard coal, 425 tons egg size, 140 tons stove size, 20 tons chestnut size.

### MERCER REFORMATORY.

Hard coal, 500 tons small egg size, 100 tons stove size.

Tenders are to name the mine or mines from which they propose to supply the coal, and to designate the quality of the same, and if required will have to produce satisfactory evidence that the coal delivered is true to name.

Delivery is to be effected, satisfactory to the authorities of the respective institutions. Tenders will be received for the whole quantity above specified, or for the quantities required in each institution.

An accepted cheque payable to the order of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary must be furnished by each tenderer as a guarantee of his bids, and two sufficient sureties will be required for the due fulfilment of each contract.

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Inspectors of Asylums, Prisons and Public Charities, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ont. May 11th, 1896.