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Erratum in July No.—In page 97, 2nd column, instead of *College Avenue* read *Mansfield Street*.

### THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

#### NOTICE TO MINISTERS AND SESSIONS.

We have been requested by the Moderator of the Synod to call the attention of Ministers and Sessions, that have not yet forwarded their Statistical Returns for last year to the deliverance of Synod on this important matter, as published on page 24 of the Printed Minutes; and to press it upon every such Minister and Session as a matter of solemn duty to comply without further delay with the injunction of Synod and forward these Returns to the Rev. R. Dobie, of Osnabruck, Aultsville, Convener of the Synod's Committee on Statistics.

#### JUVENILE MISSION.

Owing to the recent famine in India, the effects of which will long be felt, a vast number of children have been left orphans. In this way the Orphanages with which our Juvenile Mission is connected are now full, and orphans can be assigned to all schools that will undertake their support—\$20 per annum. A new Orphanage has been opened at Sealkote for boys, 3 of whom are assigned to Canada; and, in addition to these, 3 girls at Madras are now

offered. Application should be made early to Mr. Paton, at Kingston, who will furnish further information.

#### FRENCH MISSION FUND.

July 16, received from Rev. Dr. Muir, North Georgetown, a Congregational collection,..... \$6.00  
17th, from Rev. A. Mann, Pakenham.. 5.00  
\$11.00

#### ARCHIBALD FERGUSON,

*Tr. surr.*

Montreal, 27th July, 1861.

#### INDIAN ORPHANAGE AND JUVENILE MISSION SCHEME.

Already acknowledged,..... \$48 50  
In aid of Canadian School.....  
Union Sabbath School, Garafraxa,  
per Rev. Geo. Macdonnell..... 3 15  
From E. (anonymous)..... 1 00  
Clifton Sabbath School per Rev.  
Geo. Bell..... 9 50  
In aid of Memorial Church at Seal-  
kote from E. (anonymous)..... 1 00

\$63 15  
JOHN PATON,  
*Treasurer.*

Kingston, 24th July, 1861.

#### OBITUARY NOTICE.

DIED.—On the 6th of July in the Township of Lanark Robert Urquhart, Esq., aged 94 years.

The deceased was for many years an Elder in the Church, in which capacity, as well as in all his dealings, his character was irreproachable. He was respected and esteemed by all

that knew him; he was unobtrusive, humble and amiable, and often was the remark made in reference to him, that "there was a Nathaniel indeed in whom was no guile."

Mr. Urquhart was born in the parish of Lairg, Scotland, and entered the army in his 23rd year, remaining in it till after the taking of the Cape of Good Hope. Returning to Scotland, he resided in Glasgow till 1820. He then with his family came out to this country and settled in Lanark, where he lived until his death.

He was severely tried with domestic affliction, his beloved partner and 7 of his sons having gone before him into eternity, yet he bowed in submission to the will of his Father. May his only surviving son imitate and follow his footsteps. He was a sincere, devout Christian, and a faithful office-bearer in the Church. Though at such an advanced age, he was most anxious to discharge all his duties. The writer has many times been affected at the Communion season to see him so feebly, yet with such interest and apparent happiness, coming forward to his accustomed place at his minister's side. Many will remember him long with love and veneration. Not long before his death he travelled many miles to see the daughter of an old friend, simply, as he said, to leave her his blessing, and will she not value that blessing now? Truly we may say that a father in Israel has been taken from us. His health and faculties continued unimpaired until his last illness, which lasted but a few days. So perfect was his eyesight that he could read without spectacles the smallest print. On the day he died he conducted family worship in the morning as usual, but before noon his spirit had gone to Him who gave it; his death, like his life, was peaceful and full of confiding faith. The Session of the congregation of Middleville and Dalhousie has lost in him a worthy member, a prudent counsellor, and a tried friend; but their loss is his gain.—*Comm.*