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### THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

We have much pleasure in extracting the following announcements from the October number of *The H. and F. Miss. Record*.

From the Missionary Association in connexion with St. Andrew's Church, Perth, C. W., per Rev. W. Bain, and an anonymous friend, for  
 India Mission, £5 12 0  
 Jews' Conversion, 5 12 0  
 Mission to Turkey or Crimea, 4 0 0  
 British and Foreign Bible Society 6 0 0

£21 4 0

From St. Paul's Congregation, Montreal, per Rev. Robert McGill, D. D., £33 to the Foreign Mission Scheme.

### DEATH OF THE HON. JOHN MCGILLIVRAY.

We regret to have this week to announce the demise of this much esteemed and highly respected gentleman. He died at his residence near Williamstown, Glengary, on Saturday last after a lingering illness at the advanced age of 78 years. Mr. McGillivray was a native of Inverness-shire, Scotland, which place he visited a few years ago, having, we understand, fallen heir to a large estate in that place. He was formerly a partner in the Hudson's Bay Company, from which he retired with a handsome competency, and afterwards filled many offices of honour in his adopted country, and was one of those who contributed largely to render Canada renowned for her sterling loyalty to the Sovereign to whom she owed allegiance. As a perfect gentleman in society, and a pious Member of the Church of Scotland, his memory will be long cherished by every one who possessed the honour of his acquaintance, as well as by all those who knew him only through the fame which his good repute had gained him.

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### LANCASTER NEW CHURCH.

On a recent visit to the village of Lancaster we were much struck with the many improvements that have lately been made there in the shape of new Buildings, &c.—But with none were we so much pleased as with the new Presbyterian Church, which is situated on the rising ground behind the Village, and is an object of beauty and admiration to all around. It is truly a handsome edifice, and reflects the highest credit on the taste and devotedness of the Presbyterians of Lancaster who have grudged no labour and spared no cost, that a suitable house might be erected, wherein the Lord "might record His name, and come unto them and bless them."

This Church, we understand, was commenced about 8 years ago, in accordance with a plan drawn by James Doull, Esq. Architect. The walls were raised at that time, and the roof was finished under the able superintendence of Mr. John Stuart, builder, who did ample justice to his part of the work. From the scarcity of funds or some such cause nothing farther was done until last spring, when the Building Committee resolved to make every exertion to have it finished before winter; and, to the lasting honor of several of its members, be it said, that they hardly gave rest to their bodies or repose to their minds till their resolution was carried into effect, and the desire of their hearts realized.

For this purpose they were fortunate in securing the services of an active and experienced Builder, Mr. William Ferguson, Vankleek Hill, who fulfilled his contract "in a neat, substantial and workman-like manner, and considering the great amount of work he had to perform viz: the seating, plastering and painting of the whole in the short space of 5 months, was enabled to deliver the key of the Building so handsomely finished that it will vie in every respect with any other of the same kind in Canada.

So highly satisfied were the Committee with Mr. Ferguson's work and conduct altogether that they unanimously resolved to present him with

the sum of £50 over and above his contract price, thereby giving him "a substantial token of their approbation and a good recommendation to any other Congregation who may require his services."

The Church was opened on Monday, the 20th October, by the Revd. Mr. McPherson, Minister of the congregation, who offered up a solemn and fervent prayer in the Gaelic language, and was followed by the Revd. Dr. Mathieson, of Montreal, and the Revd. Mr. Urquhart, of Cornwall, who severally delivered eloquent and appropriate discourses in English to attentive, delighted and overflowing audiences.

It must now be a matter of great joy to the Congregation that, in God's Providence, they have been enabled to erect for themselves a House of Prayer. We trust that "glorious things" will afterwards be said of it and them, and that, under the pious ministrations of their able and affectionate Pastor, Sabbath after Sabbath will find them increasing in holiness, and in the knowledge of the Saviour, so that at last, when they are called from the Tabernacle on earth, they may be found meet for taking their places in the Temple above, "that House not made with hands—eternal in the Heavens."—*Cornwall Constitutional*.

### QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KINGSTON.

The claims of this excellent Institution have been so frequently set forth in the columns of our periodical that we deem it at present only necessary to submit the subjoined documents without any comment.

AT KINGSTON, AND WITHIN ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH THERE,

Wednesday the Third Day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-five years.

The which day the Commission of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connec-