

proportion of the funds of your Society were yearly devoted to that object, but that your resources were inadequate to the outlay which the proposed extension of them required, seeing that so many other claims demand your consideration. It was suggested by the Secretaries and influential persons of the different societies to which I applied for aid, that some special effort on behalf of Indian Missions should be made in the province as soon as possible after my return: indeed the yearly grant made by the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts was expressly accompanied with the recommendation that such effort should be made.

In order to redeem the pledge then given, on which I was promised very important aid, amounting to the sum of £250 sterling per annum towards the support of missionaries, from the three societies which responded to my call for assistance, I would now beg to submit the matter to the consideration of your committee.

It is not, I trust, necessary for me to urge on your committee the duty of the Church as regards that race to which, as colonists, we owe much, and need only to state the fact that not a single ordained missionary is at present supported for the benefit of the Indians by your Society, in order to make it plain that something ought to be done to arouse our people through the province to a better sense of their duty in this particular.

This will, I think, be made more plain by the statement of a fact known to your committee, but perhaps not so well known to Churchmen in general throughout the province, that while Methodists and the Jesuits have been greatly extending their missions on Lakes Huron and Superior, the latter being represented by a staff of ten active, able and energetic labourers, with a bishop at their head, the cause of our Church has now for fourteen years been maintained within the same district by one clergyman, who, if he had confined himself to his stipulated duties or listened to wishes of the government by whom he was paid, would not have gone beyond the Indian establishment at Mahmetoahning.

It is self-evident that this state of things cannot long exist, and to remedy it, at the suggestion of our indefatigable Diocesan, who, having been himself the originator of the work on Lake Huron, has ever taken a lively interest in all that concerns it, I last year visited England, with the result which I have already mentioned. There are, however,

no funds which would be available for the erection of the necessary buildings, (residences, chapel, schools, &c.) which are indispensably necessary to the occupation of the advantageous positions that offer themselves as missionary stations, and for this purpose it is desirable that something should be done as soon as possible, as well as to excite such an interest in our missionary work in that region as will secure its permanent and adequate support.

As to the measures which should be adopted for the attainment of these desirable objects, I confidently leave them to the collective wisdom of your committee, assisted by the counsel of our respected diocesan in the matter,

And remain,

Rev. and dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully,

FRED. A. O'MEARA.

Rev. T. S. Kennedy.

The Secretary stated that the present annual charge on the Mission Fund of the Society for the assistance of our Indian Missions amounted to £250, besides which a sum of £100 had lately been granted for the erection of buildings at Garden River.

The Standing Committee having recommended that previous to making a special appeal on behalf of the Indians, a statement should be drawn up, and published, setting forth what is now done, and what yet remains to be done for them. The Secretary read a copy of a letter which he had addressed to the several clergymen connected with Indian Missions, which was approved of by the meeting.

The Rev. Arthur Hill having certified that Herbert Mortimer, Esq., had contributed the sum of £25 to the fund for endowing the parish of West Gwillimbury with a glebe and parsonage, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, Mr. Mortimer's name was ordered to be added to the list of life members.

A note was read from the Rev. John Langtreay, stating that the Lord Bishop had, when at Cookestown, in the summer, promised some of his Sunday School Teachers, that if a petition for Sunday School books were sent in to the Society, he would back it; on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, books to the amount of £2 10s. were granted,

On application of the Rev. John Hutton, sets of service books were voted for the use of his churches at Perrytown and Elizabethville, and also books for Sunday Schools at the same places; the

grant being recommended by the Standing Committee.

On application of the Rev. J. S. Lauder for a grant of £2 5s. to add to the sum already subscribed by his congregation at Bellamy's Mills, Mission of Carleton, for the purpose of purchasing a set of service books for St. George's Church, at that place; the sum was granted.

The quarterly report of the C. T. Committee was read, approved of and ordered to be entered into the minute book.

The Rev. Edward Morgan, of Barrie, and the Rev. H. H. O'Neil, of London, were unanimously elected Incorporate members.

The concluding prayers were read and the meeting adjourned.

CIRCULAR.

The members of the Clergy Trust Committee are respectfully reminded that the days appointed for the quarterly meetings of said committee are the second Wednesday in February, May, August and November, at 11 A. M.

January, 1856.

*Collections made in the several Churches, Chapels and Missionary Stations in the Diocese of Toronto in the month of January, in behalf of the General Purposes of the Society.*

St. George's, Clarke.....	1	2	6
Newton .....	0	10	0
per Rev. H. Brent .....			£1 12 6
Brock, per Rev. R. Garrett.....	0	15	0

Three collections, amounting to ... 2 7 6

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Previously announced.....	387	12	4
St. John's, York Mills, per Churchwarden .....	4	0	0
St. Mary's, Warwick .....	0	12	6
Brooke .....	0	5	8
Warwick East, Capt. Alisons .....	0	2	6
Crones .....	0	4	9
per Rev. J. Smyth .....			1 5 0
St. George's Church, Guelph .....	6	2	2
Church in Puslinch .....	0	15	0
per Churchwarden .....			6 17 2
Elizabethtown .....	1	3	5
North Augusta .....	1	0	5
per Rev. W. C. Clarke .....			2 8 10
St. John's, Mono.....	0	11	0
St. Mark's .....	0	5	8
St. Lukes .....	0	6	0
Trinity .....	0	2	4
per Rev. John Fletcher .....			1 5 0
St. James's, Paris, per Churchwarden .....			2 17 5
St. James's, Perth .....	3	12	6
St. Paul's, Lanark .....	0	7	6
St. John's Baldersons.....	0	5	0
per Rev. Alex. Pyno .....			4 5 0
Queenston, per Churchwarden .....			1 11 8
St. John's Oshawa, per Rev. J. Pentland .....			1 10 0
Huntley, per Rev. James Godfrey .....			1 10 0
Missions in the Johnstown District, per Rev. F. Tremayne, senior... ..			1 2 0