

Alexandria was occupied, during the summer, by Mr. D. H. MacLennan, B. A. ; and as a result of the Society's labours there, Alexandria Station has been greatly enlarged and strengthened ; and since the Annual Meeting of the Society, Rev. K. Macdonald has been settled as pastor of the congregation and missionary to the Roman Catholics of Glengarry.

Mr. J. R. MacLeod had considerable success at South Branch. There was evidence of an outpouring the Spirit upon the people among whom he laboured.

Summerstown was occupied by Mr. N. MacPhee during part of the summer ; and part of the time Mr. MacLeod worked it in connection with South Branch.

Mr. W. D. Russell occupied a very a very interesting group of stations in North Hastings. His labours were attended with marked success.

All the fields at present under the care of the Society are *promising* fields.

Proceedings of Presbyteries.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.—This Presbytery held its quarterly meeting at Montreal, on the twenty-eight and twenty-ninth days of January, 1874, Rev. James McConechy Moderator.

Since last quarterly meeting of Presbytery, the Rev. Kenneth Macdonald has been settled at Alexandria, and the Rev. George McKay at LaGuerre.

A call from the Congregation of Huron, in the Presbytery of Bruce, to the Rev. A. F. McQueen, of Kenyon, was under consideration but decision was delayed till next meeting of Court in April.

It was agreed to erect a Mission Station and Congregation in the district of Lake Megantic.

The Presbytery adopted a Resolution of respectful condolence with the Rev. Dr. Taylor, on the death of Mrs. Taylor.

Favourable Reports were received from New Carlisle, St. Sylvestre and Mille Isles, and the Presbytery agreed to represent the claims of the Congregations there to the General Home Mission Committee.

After intermitting, on Wednesday evening, for half an hour, the Presbytery re-assembled and held a Conference anent the present state and claims of Presbyterian College, Montreal. The following Resolution was adopted, viz. :—1st. This Presbytery expresses great satisfaction at the progress made by the Presbyterian College of Montreal, and its present most hopeful prospects ; 2nd. This Presbytery cordially congratulates the College authorities on the erection of so comfortable and commodious a building, and, in view of the debt yet remaining on the building and the increasing demands on the Ordinary Fund, the Presbytery earnestly counsels a larger measure of liberality on all our Congregations ; 3rd. The Presbytery would also impress on the members of the Court the great importance of seeking out and encouraging young men, whose hearts the Lord may have touched to offer themselves as candidates for the Holy Ministry ; 4th. The Presbytery desires, further, to return thanks to the College Board for the kind offer of the College Building for its meetings, and for the hospitality already extended.

It was further Resolved :—That inasmuch as it is desirable that every available means should be used for the enlightenment of our people on the duty of systematic giving, a Committee be appointed to prepare and issue small Tracts on the subject, to be distributed from time to time in the Congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery.

After discussion of the remit on Union, the Presbytery, by a majority of twelve to eight, approved *simpliciter* of the Basis of Union, and the Resolutions thereanent, sent down by the General Assembly