

mendation of the Board that Presbyteries and Kirk-sessions be enjoined to use all diligence in the formation of Missionary Associations in every congregation, where such do not already exist; and for the better carrying out of this plan to recommend to the Temporalities' Board to indicate to each Presbytery what, in their opinion, would be a just and reasonable proportion of the whole amount of five thousand dollars (\$5000), or such other sum as may be requisite to meet the deficiency in the revenue of the Fund, for said Presbytery to raise, and to recommend further that the Temporalities' Board furnish congregations with printed schedules—one, say, for each family. To this suggestion the Committee would particularly solicit the attention of the Synod, and are confident that, if it be acted upon vigorously, not only the necessities of the Church in its present dimensions would be fully met, but also that its bounds might be greatly extended.

The Committee further recommend that Ordained Missionaries and Licentiates, actually employed in the service of the Church under the supervision of Presbyteries, be placed in relation to the Fund upon the same footing as settled Ministers, in order both that the Synod may be able to meet the views of the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland in their recent regulations, and that the motion for undue haste in the settlement of Licentiates may be removed.

GRANT FROM THE COLONIAL COMMITTEE.

The Clerk read a communication, of date 22nd May, which he had just received from Simon S. Laurie, Esq., intimating that the Colonial Committee, in order to show their sympathy with this Church in its present financial difficulties, had granted one hundred pounds sterling (£100 stg.) as a contribution to the Temporalities' Fund, and inclosing a draft for the amount. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. Burnet, seconded by Mr. J. B. Muir, and carried unanimously, That the Synod gratefully acknowledge this generous contribution to the funds of the Church; record the belief that this renewed expression of sympathy and interest by the Church of Scotland will encourage our people to pursue their present efforts to supplement the stipend of our Ministers owing to the recent pecuniary losses sustained by the Church; and instruct the Clerk to intimate to the Colonial Committee that this unsolicited and opportune contribution has been received by the members of the Synod with unfeigned gratification.

FRENCH MISSION SCHEME.*

The Report of the Committee on the French Mission Scheme having been given in by Dr. Jenkins, Convener, and read, it was moved by Dr. Barclay, seconded by Mr. J. B. Muir, and passed unanimously, That the report be received; that the Committee be thanked for their diligence and continued; that the Scheme be anew commended to the liberality of the Church; and that the Rev. Robert Campbell, M.A., and Alexander Macpherson, Esq., be added to the Committee.

*Appendix G.