

tical proof of the advantages of a specific scheme. The Treasurer's Report will be looked to with interest.

We believe that the Jewish and Foreign Mission Committee will be able to report progress. A labourer has been offered to them who will combine the ministerial with the medical capacities, and is highly recommended by Dr. Schaufler and other well known and judicious parties. We trust that the labours of the Committee and the deliberations of the Synod may be overruled to promote the success of this interesting Scheme.

The placing of the French Mission on a footing creditable to the Church is very desirable. Labourers can be had if our congregations only evince a real interest in the work. The duty is a plain one. It ought to be discharged. The Church cannot now honourably or rightly evade it.

The Sabbath School Committee and the Sabbath Observance Committee will no doubt report the gestion of their trusts. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund Board will, notwithstanding the pressure of the times, report fair progress.

The subject of a General Assembly for British North America is fraught with many eventual benefits, and will yet be found practicable, and is deserving of thoughtful consideration.

We hope, too, that the Synod will agree upon some comprehensive plan for securing reliable statistics relating to our Church.

We would be glad to see a determination come to, to secure the laying on the Table of the Synod, at each annual meeting, of a thorough practical report from each Presbytery as to its working for the past year, and as to the missionary openings within its bounds. The Church ought to know more of the working of its subordinate Courts. In one Presbytery, that of Montreal, each congregation was visited during the past year, and much valuable information acquired and real work done. In that of Toronto a most excellent Home Mission Scheme has been for two years in successful operation, but the Church at large has no means of learning its features so as to imitate them. In others no doubt similar enterprises are being prosecuted.

The subject of a large and comprehensive Home Mission Scheme is one vitally affecting the progress and prosperity of our Church, and no doubt will receive careful consideration.

Such is an outline of some of the many subjects which must engage attention. Others will no doubt arise, but sufficient have been indicated to demonstrate the magnitude and importance of the work before the Synod. May its deliberations be blessed to the spiritual good of this branch of the Church, and may many in our Zion be earnest in prayer that wisdom and prudence and forbearance and meekness and an earnest love of souls and an

anxious desire for the spread of the Redeemer's kingdom may characterize all its sessions and acts.

THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

THE PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

This Presbytery will meet in St. Andrew's Church, Stratford, on the 13th May next (Thursday.)

DIED,

At his father's residence, Mariposa, C. W., on the 13th ult, aged 23 years 8 months and 8 days, Peter Macpherson, second son of Andrew Macpherson, Esq., beloved for his many natural and moral virtues, and regretted for his early death by all those who had the happiness of knowing him.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTIONS—APRIL.

Richmond, C.W., per Rev. W. White, ..	\$12 00
Seymour, " R. Neill, ..	16 00
Williamstown, " P. Watson, ..	20 00
Point Levy, " D. Anderson, ..	12 00
Clifton, " Geo. Bell, ..	8 00
Finch, " D. Monro, ..	12 00
Scott & Uxbridge, " W. Cleland, ..	12 00
Chatham, C. W., " John Robb, ..	10 00
Eldon, " J. M'Murphy, ..	20 00
Belleville, " A. Walker, ..	26 95
Scarboro, " J. Bain, ..	24 00
Camden East, per Mr. J. Weightman, Tr.	4 00
Cote St. George, vacant, per J. S. McCuaig, Ruling Elder, ..	16 00
Chinguacousy, per Rev. Thos. Johnson, ..	4 00
Westminster, " J. EcEwan, M.A., ..	8 00
North Dorchester, " W. McEwen, ..	8 00

JOHN GREENSHIELDS,

Treasurer, Ministers' Widows' & Orphans' Fund.

BUCKINGHAM CONGREGATION.

It is our pleasing duty to make known a valuable and appropriate presentation of a handsome Communion Service lately made to this congregation by John Thomson, Esq., of Quebec. Until the incumbency of their present pastor this congregation, being in connection with Cumberland, had no session of their own, and for this reason were without some of the requisites of a separate congregation. Now with their own Session, Sanctuary, &c.,—though for the present, as a matter of expediency, still connected with Cumberland,—they assume the position of an independent congregation.

When king David, blessed of God in his royal palace, thought of the ark of God, he was filled with holy concern. "I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains." It is well when those who have the power are not forgetful of the Sanctuary. Far distant be the day when our Church will glory in anything connected with the architecture, the furnishing or the adornments of our Sanctuaries. In these lies not her glory. Yet we are to pay a due regard to appearances. A proper regard to taste in our Sanctuaries interferes neither with the purity of our standards nor spirituality of our wor-

ship. To such as are not forgetful of the Sanctuary may the beautiful promise be fulfilled—"The liberal shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST PUBLICATION.

BURSARY FUND.

Kingston Congregation, Collection, per John Mowat, Esq., ..	\$ 48 00
John Paton, Kingston, Donation, ..	60 00
St. Andrew's Church Sabbath School, Quebec, second annual subscription, per J. W. Cook, Esq., ..	50 00

BUILDING FUND.

Kingston Congregation, Annual Subscription, per John Mowat, Esq., ..	314 00
Cumberland and Buckingham Congregation, per Rev. P. Lindsay, ..	10 00
On account of the Subscription of the late Hon. James Wylie, per J. H. Wylie, Esq., ..	40 00
Nelson and Waterdown Congregation, per T. Cooper, Esq., ..	48 00

JOHN PATON,

Secretary to the Trustees.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE,
Kingston, 22d April, 1858.

Yesterday the work of the sixteenth session of this Institution was brought to a close. As usual, there were many more present than were comfortably accommodated, and not a few had to go away without gaining admittance to see the interesting performances on the occasion.

First came the distribution of prizes by the Professors to the most distinguished students in their various classes. The prizes were valuable and elegantly got up, bearing on their binding the University coat of arms. Many of the students who received prizes seem to have had to work for them, for their fagged appearance betokened a severe campaign passed through.

Next came the conferring of degrees in Arts and Medicine respectively, though not, we think, with such solemn gravity as on former occasions. The degree of M.A. was conferred on Mr. Robert Campbell, B.A., Head Master of Queen's College School, who is well known to most of the citizens as an energetic and successful teacher, as well as a most diligent student. The degree of B.A. was then conferred upon the following gentlemen:—

- Daniel J. MacDonnell, ... Fergus, C.W.
- Archibald Currie, ... Scotland.
- James Douglas, ... Quebec, C.E.
- Edmund J. Hooper, ... Newburgh, C.W.
- Joshua Fraser, ... Lanark, C.W.

The Degree of M.D. was conferred upon the following gentlemen:—

- John R. Benson, B.A., ... Kingston.
- Alexander Bethune, ... Walpole, C.W.
- Dr. R. H. Davies,
- Henry Evans, ... Kitley, C.W.
- Wm. W. Elmer, ... Belleville, C.W.
- Joseph Hackett, ... Amherstburg, C.W.
- Donald Henderson, ... Williams, C.W.
- William Mostyn, ... Kingston.
- George Smith, ... Perth, C.W.
- John Sweetland, ... Kingston.
- Michael Sullivan, ... Kingston.

Thereafter Principal Cook gave a brief but very appropriate address to the students, and thus terminated the excitement of the day, students walking off with buoyant spirits, anticipating a renewal of their experience of home joys.—*Kingston News* of April 28th.