

"Yes," he replied. "What do you think of them and of Jesus Christ? 'Christ is the true Incarnation, there is no denying that.' 'Do you believe in Him, and do you intend to profess His religion?' 'I can do nothing less if I am a true man,' was his answer.

Many of the best educated and wealthiest men here have come to converse with him and in every case he has frankly avowed his belief in Christ as the only Saviour of men.

Night after night, Mr. Douglas sat with him reading and explaining. On Sunday last, Feb. 2nd, he was baptised in our Mission Lecture Room. There were seven native men, (all Brahmans) present in the church, and five more at the windows on the verandah. All was good natured, not a single angry word heard. He changed his name from "Swami Ji" to "Isa Ka Dass" or "Servant of Jesus."

He read in the Bible how Christ called *everyone* to hear, rich or poor, young or aged, it was all the same. So yesterday he went out to find a congregation just like one of Christ's, he said. After a time he got 14 people together. Then he came for me and my girls. We went of course. The service was held in an old house on the new premises we have bought. Heread and talked with them. Then sang a native hymn and afterwards prayed. Before kneeling he told them how he was going to talk with God, and it must be very reverently, for God was very great. Down they went on their faces with hands upon their mouths, while he in simple words asked God to cleanse and heal. Lately when at Hindustani worship, Mr. Douglas asked him to lead in prayer, and he did so in such a simple, earnest way we were greatly delighted. I am sure you will rejoice with us in that God has raised up a man so well qualified to do work among his own people. Along with him was also baptised a Hindu woman with her child from my own work, Mr. Douglas conducting the service in the vernacular.

Official Notices.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The fifth session of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada will be opened in the City of Ottawa, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on Wednesday, 11th June next, at 7:30 p.m.

Presbytery Clerks will please forward rolls, so as to be in the hands of the Clerks of General Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.

Reports of ordinations, inductions, licensures, deaths, demissions and depositions within the several Synods, should be sent by their respective Clerks, so as to be in the hands of Clerks of Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.

All papers for the Assembly should reach the

hands of Clerks of Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.

The Conveners of Standing Committees should have their reports ready to hand to the Committee on Bills and Overtures at the second sederunt of the General Assembly.

Rolls and other documents should be addressed to Rev. Dr. Reid (Drawer 2567), Toronto.

WILLIAM REID, } Clerks of
J. H. MACKERRAS, } Gen. Assem.
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RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

Arrangements will be made with the leading lines of Railway, and with the Steam-boatline, for return tickets at reduced rates. Certificates will be sent so as to reach members by the 24th May; should any not have received them by that date, they will please communicate with Dr. Reid, Toronto.

Presbytery Clerks are requested to send to Dr. Reid, as soon as possible, lists of ministers, and elders entitled to receive certificates, with their POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES and the RAILWAY STATIONS from which they will begin their journey. Inattention to this will occasion great inconvenience and trouble.

THE AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND IN MARITIME PROVINCES.

There are eight ministers this year on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund in the Eastern Section of our Church. The payment for the last quarter is to be made in April. The sum to be paid is \$425. The portion of the salary of the Agent of the Church paid out of this fund is \$35. The expenses for drafts and printing will be about \$8. The sum paid in annuities for the three quarters which have passed is \$1075. Thus the whole expenditure this year will be about \$1593. The accounts are kept from May to May.

Our receipts up to the present date have been as follows:—

Interest and dividends.....	\$289.70
Congregational collections...	265.03
Ministers' Rates.....	373.84
Donations	50.83

\$979.40

Thirty-six congregations have sent in collections. Seventy-six ministers have paid their rates. A young man in business in St. John's Newfoundland, has given a donation of \$43.33. It is to be hoped other young men in business will do likewise.

If our income is to equal to our expenditure this year, the sum of \$613.60 must be paid in before the middle of May. It is to be hoped that the congregations which have not yet sent in their collection will take notice of this. Let the collection be made and sent on, be it large