

drawn by means of seat-rents, to be £29, 22s, 14s, 8d., the average of which to each congregation is £87, 16s. 1d.; to each member is 6s. 3d., to adherents 5s.

343 congregations have reported their ordinary collections to be £26,616, 3s, 1d. the average to each being thus £77, 11s. 8d.

165 report subscriptions to the amount of £10,252, 17s, 7d., the average to each £62, 2s, 9d.

143 report income from other sources at £2885, 15s. 1d., the average of which is £20, 3s, 7d.

352 congregations report that they have expended in ministers' stipend £39, 10s. 3d., this is exclusive of supplement from the Home Mission Fund of £2200. and gives an average of £117. But it includes a few cases of collegiate charges, and preachers' stipend in vacant congregations, which would therefore go to reduce the average. Considering however, on the other hand that some of the largest congregations have not reported, and consequently some of the largest stipends have not been included, this circumstance is probably more than an equivalent, so that the average stipend throughout the body must reasonably be estimated somewhat higher, say £120.

160 report as expended on sacramental expenses to the members, £1271, 11s., being an average to each of £7, 19s. nearly.

208 report interest of debt as amounting to £4621, 13s, 6d., being an average of £22, 4s, 8d.

300 report general and incidental expenses, such as preceptors, and officers, salaries, cleaning, repairs &c. £9031, 19s, 1d. the average of which is £30, 2s, 3d.

98 report debt liquidated during the year to the amount of £9171, 17s, 1d, the average of which is £97 nearly.

190 report the yearly value of manses £3569, 5s, 4d., average £19 nearly.

28 report they have no debt.

225 report that they have debt to the extent of £103,346, 1s, 10d., giving an average of £481, 10s, 9d. Supposing that 28 more congregations are without debt, the debt of the whole church may be £120, 000.

Under the third head, 343 congregations report that they have in all 518 Sabbath schools, 4542 Sabbath-school teachers, and an attendance of 38,569.

263 congregations report 507 advanced classes taught by ministers and elders.

53 congregations report 82 new schools.

Under the fourth head, 345 congregations report £8421, 8s, 2d., as given to the missions of the United Presbyterian Church.

50 report £1509, 6s, 10d, given to city and town missions; 139, £1467, 3s, 9d. to other missions; 182, £2742, 2s., 5d., as given to the poor; 231, £4212, 3s., 1d. to other benevolent purposes.

Under the fifth head, 279 libraries are reported, including 96,850 volumes.

215 monthly prayer meetings, attended by 11,575 persons.

228 congregations report 730 other prayer meetings.

CHURCH IN NOVA-SCOTIA.

On Wednesday, May 8th, the Rev. William McCulloch, deputy from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia addressed the Synod at great length on the present state and prospects of that church, especially with regard to the means of educating a native ministry.

On motion of the Rev. James Robertson of Portsburgh, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Patterson of Kirkwall, it was resolved that the Synod, much interested by the statement of Mr. McCulloch, agree to return their thanks to him for the information he had communicated with regard to the present state and prospects of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, express their cordial sympathy with the object at present sought to be carried out namely, raising up a well educated native gospel ministry, and commend this object to the liberality of the members and congregations of the Church.

On the following day Mr. Robertson appealed to the Synod for a grant on behalf of the object of Mr. McCulloch's mission. On motion it was remitted to the Mission board to make a grant to Mr. McCulloch for the Academy in Nova Scotia, of not less than £100.

On the last day of the meeting of Synod Mr. McCulloch thanked the Synod for the kind manner in which it had used its influence in furtherance of his mission to this country, in obtaining assistance for the erection and endowment of a Theological Seminary in Nova Scotia,

MISSIONARY MEETING.

On Wednesday evening the annual Missionary meeting was held. The Rev. A. Somerville read an abstract of the Report of the Mission board for the past year.—