

are all ticketed, and it becomes important to know whether a felon considers himself a good member of the Churches of England or Rome, for it involves—money. We learn, then, that on the 1st of January in this year there were 27,307 prisoners in the gaols of England and Wales, of whom 18,397 claimed to be members of the National Church—there's comfort for Archdeacon Denison !; 5,333 were Roman Catholics—there's hops for the priests !; and 2,344 of "other denominations," who ought surely to be very much abashed by the sorry proportion they contribute to our criminal population. In one case only do the prisoners of "other denominations" outnumber the Churchmen and the Catholics, and in that case the figures are really an indication of the proportions of the sects in the population of the district. In Cornwall county gaol there were 67 Wesleyans and Bryanites, with 55 of the Established Church, and only 5 Catholics. In many cases the "other denominations" are all lumped together as "Protestant Dissenters;" but, as far as a more distinct classification exists, the Independents and Baptists who have found their way into prison are a scarcely appreciable fraction of the whole; yet we are sorry to see as many as 125 set down as Congregationalists. In Helson borough gaol there was but a single prisoner, and he was a Wesleyan; one Quaker is found at Warwick, half-a-dozen Unitarians, 2 Moravians, several Lutherans and Jews in various prisons: 2 Mussulmen in Coldbathfields, 1 Greek at Somerset, and a "Reformer" in Spilshy. The return of next year will show a pretty considerable array of paid Roman Catholic chaplains; when the present one was made up, there had scarcely been time for the application of the act of last session.—*Patriot*.

Official.

CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE B. N. A. ANNUAL MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Subscribers to the College will be held (D.V.) in the Congregational Church, at Brantford, on Friday, June 10th, 1864, at ten o'clock, a.m.

RECEIPTS IN MAY.

Kingston, per Rev. K. M. Fenwick	\$87 40
Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, per Rev. A. Burpee	40 00
Ottawa, per Rev. J. Elliott	6 00
Toronto, Zion Church, on account.....	52 00
Manilla (additional), per Rev. D. McGregor	2 00
Brantford (additional), per Rev. J. Wood.....	8 00
Newmarket (additional), per Rev. E. Barker.....	2 00
Montreal (additional), per Rev. Dr. Wilkes.....	33 75
Liverpool, Nova Scotia, per Rev. J. Howell.....	3 50
Guelph, per Rev. Dr. Lillie.....	30 00

F. H. MARLING,

Secretary.

Toronto, May 31st, 1864.

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of this Society will be held in the Congregational Church, Brantford, on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 8th of June, at two o'clock.

PETER W. WOOD,

Secretary of Trustees.

Montreal, May 28th, 1864.