

\$50,000. Our own church last year, for all purposes, contributed \$2,114,031. The three leading churches are St. Paul's, Montreal, \$30,810; St. Andrew's, Ottawa, \$21,800; St. Andrew's, Toronto, \$20,034.

ON looking over the list of Free Church moderators, we notice that the venerable missionary, Dr. Duff, twice received this honor. Our veteran missionary, Dr. Mackay, of Formosa, is again visiting Canada. What is the proper thing for the church to do at the General Assembly in 1894? *Verbum sap.*

BISHOP BALDWIN thus characterizes postures in prayer. Standing—readiness to serve; kneeling—humility; sitting—equality. Sitting is certainly neither a scriptural nor a seemly posture; and as, we suppose, there is no hope of getting back the custom of standing during public prayer in our services, then let us take the other scriptural posture, which we use in private and family prayer. We think presbyteries might take this up and recommend something on it. Our churches should be seated so that one could conveniently kneel, and be furnished with hassocks to kneel upon. But perhaps we're too busy building auditoriums for audiences to attend to what is scriptural and seemly for worship and worshippers.

THE Church of Scotland within the last forty years has built and endowed in Scotland three hundred and forty new churches. The Free Church has not endowed many parishes, but it has its Sustentation Fund, which serves, perhaps, as well. Last year the equal dividend per minister was £160, or about \$800. Efforts are being made to raise this to £200. The Sustentation Fund is the project of that versatile genius, Dr. Chalmers, and is an excellent thing in the church. Too bad we hadn't some genius at the right time to induce our church to adopt some similar scheme!

THE Very Rev. the Moderator of the Free Church Assembly is perhaps the only minister in Scotland who has been honored by three of the universities. He received D.D. from Glasgow, then LL.D. from Aberdeen, and, last year, LL.D. from Edinburgh. While presiding over the assembly, Dr. Smith wore over his court dress and gown the academic hood, the use of which was introduced last year by Dr. Blaikie. We commend the custom, but, doubtless, some good brother, by whom everything he hasn't been accustomed to is conveniently ascribed to popery, will be horrified at this practice; but surely Dr. Blaikie is evangelical enough for any? We should like to see our own assembly put on something of the dignity of the Scotch assemblies, both in electing its moderator and carrying on its business. We can see no objection to our moderator following