

ren who proposed to accept the Union, or from co-operating with them in any way in promoting the interests of Scotch Presbyterians in the Canadian Dominion.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FREE CHURCH met also on the 20th May. Dr. Moody Stuart was unanimously elected Moderator. The reports of the Committees on Religion and Morals, on the Conversion of the Jews, and on other schemes of the Church, were given in by the respective conveners. The report of the Sustentation Fund was given in by Dr. Wilson of Dundee. The report referred to the death of Dr. Buchanan, to whom a warm tribute was paid. The total income for the year was £525,424, being £14,340 in excess of last year. The amount afforded an equal dividend of £157; and, in addition, each minister whose congregation contributed at the rate of ten shillings per member received £36, and those whose congregations contributed at the rate of seven shillings and sixpence, received £18. The report on FOREIGN MISSIONS stated that during the year 10 missionary agents had been added to the staff, and left for their respective fields of labour; 5 missionary artisans had proceeded to Kaffraria, and other 3 were about to go. The report contained interesting information as to the establishment of missionary establishments at Lake Nyassa and Zululand. The total income of the Committee had been £58,884 2s. 11d. There are now 52 central and branch missionary stations in India, and 37 in South Africa. The number of communicants is 2,387; baptized adherents not communicants, 1,936; and the number admitted on profession of their faith since the commencement of the mission, 4,227. In 159 schools connected with the Free Church Missions, there are 11,303 scholars. On the subject of the Abolition of Patronage in the Established Church there was a long discussion. A motion of Dr. Rainy, in favour of the disestablishment of the Church, was carried over an amendment by Dr. Begg, by a vote of 397 to 84. Measures were adopted for the union of the Reformed Presbyterian Church with the Free Church. Professor Douglas, of Glasgow, was elected Principal of the Free Church College there, and Mr. Bruce, of Broughty Ferry, was appointed Professor of Divinity.

AMERICAN CHURCHES.—We had prepared a brief notice of the proceedings of the Ecclesiastical Meetings in the United States; but we are obliged to leave it over.

Book Notice.

THE PRESBYTERIAN QUARTERLY AND PRINCETON REVIEW, April, 1875.

We received, in due time, the April number of the *Princeton Review*, although we have been unable to notice it sooner. The contents are varied, but throughout of ability and merit. The articles for the month are the following:—1. The Spirits in Prison; 2. An Open Letter to Professor Tyndall; 3. Calvin's Life and Labours; 4. Materialism in Germany; 5. Christian Work; 6. The Controversy with Pharaoh not upon a False Issue; 7. Theistic Reactions in Modern Speculation; 8. Dr. Gillett's Works on Natural Theology; 9. The Papal Question in England; 10. Current Notes; 11. Contemporary Literature; 12. Theological and Literary Intelligence. The "Open Letter to Prof. Tyndall" is from the pen of one of our own Ministers—Rev. J. Laing, M.A., Dundas. It is a well-reasoned and well written letter. It is gratifying to find one of our ministers so ready and prepared to enter the lists with Professor Tyndall. The earnest spirit of the writer adds pungency to his remarks.