

In its furniture was an emblem of spiritual things, partly under the Gospel and partly in Heaven; but let the teacher consult a good Bible dictionary, or Manners and Customs of the Jews, by Religious Tract Society.

Wasted Benevolence.

Professor Charteris, in the course of an address to the University Missionary Association of Edinburgh, gave several instances of the pernicious effects of indiscriminate charity as practised by rival denominations. They were not, he said, doing good but harm with their money, for they were contending with one another with it. In the Grassmarket there were seven distinct denominational missions working, without taking account of each other's doings or helping each other. In the Lawnmarket they repeatedly found missionaries from different Churches visiting and not taking any account of each other. As an instance of the effects of their want of co-operation, he mentioned the case of a man who died, and it was found that three different Churches had provided a coffin for his remains. Another instance he knew was that of a woman whose husband had been killed by an accident. It was found that there were seven distinct streams of charity flowing in to the widow and her four children; and the distressing result was that, not being able to make a good use of the money, she took to drink, and ultimately became a confirmed drunkard. He remembered a woman, living in the Potterrow, who for 15 years had no one representing any Church crossing her door, while a woman in the same lane had representatives from seven different Churches visiting her regularly. The one who had seven visiting her went to church, and was therefore fruit worth contending for; the other did not go to church, and therefore was left alone.

Dr. Charteris has always been an advocate of Co operative Union between the dissenting Churches and the Established Church, by which, in City Mission and other work for overtaking the lapsed masses of the large cities of Scotland, they should work together, and not as rivals seek to supersede each other.

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JAS. J. BREMNER, *Treasurer.*

Halifax, N. S., 4th March, 1874.

SYNOD'S HOME MISSION.

Rec'd. from D. McDonald, collection at East Branch of East River, part of Rev. Mr. McRae's congregation...\$11 00	
Geo. Mitchell, <i>Treasurer.</i>	

YOUNG MEN'S BURSARY FUND.

Dugald McLean, per Rev. T. Duncan...\$100 00	
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<i>Halifax, 21st February, 1874.</i>	

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

St. Andrew's, Halifax:	
Jas. Thomson, (Pleasant St.) third in- stalment on \$15.....	\$5 00
W. C. MENZIES, <i>Treasurer.</i>	
<i>Halifax, 21st February, 1874.</i>	

Additional subscriptions towards the Fund for the widow of the late Rev. Peter Keay:

Already acknowledged.....	\$737 90
John Yeats, Esq.....	40 00
Mrs. David Miller.....	20 00
James Macfarlane and family.....	5 00
Col. Tupper, of Woodstock.....	10 00
Mrs. D. Botsford.....	20 00
Rev. Geo. J. Caird has received also \$10 from a friend; Rev. Geo. M. Grant has received additional \$3.50 from Misses Sutherland and 50c. from T. Johnson.	

Rev. J. Fraser Campbell acknowledges with thanks the following contributions for the Labrador mission:

"No Name".....	\$1 00
Miss E. Morrison.....	1 00

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Pictou Kirk session for 1874 and 1875..	\$4 00
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Rev. S. Russell, Newcastle, N. B.	\$ 2 00
J. Gray, Hopewell	10 00
A. McKenzie, Stake Road	1 00
W. McDonald, Argyle Shore, P. E. I.	5 00
H. McKenzie, Stellarton... ..	14 50
Jas. McLeod, Glengarry	7 00
D. McDonald, jr., Pleasant Hill	1 00
G. Campbell, Barney's River.....	2 00
Rev. R. McCunn, River John.....	5 00
John Fraser, Cross Point, Quebec.....	60
Jas. Maitland, Grand Pre	60
Arch. McDonald, Loch Lomond, C. B.	60
<i>Halifax:</i> —T. Forbes, A. Brims, J. T. Fraser, W. Jordan, C. Fletcher, T. Thorburn, W. L. Hetherington, Duncan McDonald, Miss Rhind, J. J. Bremner, John Hunter, W. Hood, Miss O. Sutherland, and Mrs. Morrison, 60c. each.	
W. G. PENDER, <i>Sec'y.</i>	

18 Blowers St., Halifax, March 5, 1874.