

enthusiasm and unanimity. Judge Torrance was elected President of the New Association. After the delivery of suitable addresses, the proceedings terminated with a social entertainment.

CHILDREN OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL!

Listen to this proposal. While the older members of the Church are talking about raising a large sum of money as a thank-offering to God for the Union of the Churches, let the children shew them how to do it. There are nearly, if not quite, 75,000 of you. If each scholar will lay by in store *only three cents* a month, between the first of March and the 15th of June next, this would amount to \$7,500 to begin with. If each teacher will in like manner lay by *fifteen cents* per month, and each Superintendent *thirty cents* per month, we should be able on the 15th of June, the first anniversary of the Union, to present the noble sum of *twelve thousand dollars* to the Mission Funds of the Church. Come on children! Those of you who will do this thing, send in the names of your schools, through your superintendents, to the office of THE RECORD, and we will gladly enter them in a book prepared for the purpose.

TRUE COURAGE.—Between twenty and thirty years ago, three little English boys were amusing themselves together in a wood-lodge one summer afternoon. Suddenly one of them looked grave, and left off playing. "I have forgotten something," he said. "I forgot to say my prayers this morning; you must wait for me." He went quietly into a corner of the place they were in, knelt down, and reverently repeated his morning prayer. Then he returned to the others, and was soon merrily engaged in play again. This brave boy grew up to be a brave man. He was the noted Captain Hammond. He was a faithful servant to his earthly sovereign, but, better still, a good soldier of Jesus Christ; never ashamed of His service.

STEPS TO HEAVEN.—There once was a man whose slender stock of wit scarce raised him above idiocy, but who had been taught by the Spirit a knowledge above all human wisdom. A friend, wishing to find out whether he had any ideas on the subject of religion, said to him one day, "It is

hard work, is it not, to get to heaven?" He was surprised to receive the answer, "No; it is easy. There are only three steps—*first*, out of self; *second*, into Christ; *third*, into heaven."—*Sunday Teacher's Treasury.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

EASTERN SECTION.

A meeting of the Eastern or Maritime Board of Foreign Missions was held in the Lecture Room of the United Church, New Glasgow, which had been opened for public worship on the previous Lord's Day, by services conducted by Rev. Dr. Burns and Rev. G. M. Grant, associated with Rev. Messrs. Walker and Stuart.

Were present, Rev. Dr. Bayne, Chairman, Rev. Messrs. Stewart, Walker, McCurdy, Thompson, Coull, McKinnon, McLean, Sinclair, McGregor, J. F. Campbell, and Drs. Patterson and Burns, with John Miller, Esq., of Westville.

The Secretary explained that he had communicated the thanks of the Board to the India Mission Committee of the Church of Scotland for the information furnished, and had opened correspondence with Rev. Professor McLaren, the Convener of the Committee of Foreign Missions of the General Assembly in the Western part of the Church, as directed by resolution of the Board, at its last meeting.

It was agreed unanimously "that it is the opinion of the Board, that, Mr. Campbell should proceed, as soon as possible, to visit congregations in the Upper Provinces; the Secretary to notify Professor McLaren, when Mr. Campbell will be at the disposal of the Western Committee, with request that he will make the necessary arrangements for his prosecuting the proposed visitation to the best advantage."

The Report of Rev. J. D. Murray of a year's labour in the New Hebrides, was submitted, approved, and authorized for publication.

P. G. MCGREGOR, *Secretary.*
Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1876.

NEW HEBRIDES MISSION.

ANNUAL REPORT OF REV. J. D. MURRAY.

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The following is a brief account of the work in which we have been engaged during the past year.