

day-schools for heathen girls who are provided for with Christian teachers, a fourth one Mr. Yule closed before I took charge, but the people have several times come to me to have it reopened, and, not having the means, we have not hitherto done it, and, since receiving your letter, I have consulted the Rev. Mr. Herdman, our Secretary, and he thinks, with myself, that, if you will support this school, then we may reopen it and call it the Canadian School. The cost annually will be £25 for a teacher, the people at the place are willing to defray extra expenses, such as paying a woman to bring the children, and giving them a little parched rice for their lunch, and sometimes a piece of cloth, for you must know that they are very poor, and most of them come for what they can get, but that must not deter us, for we are told to "sow beside all waters," and the last day will reveal what has been accomplished by these little Schools.

We shall do nothing at present towards opening this School till we hear from you again, for the whole of India is in a state of panic and excitement from the revolt of our *Native Troops*, the Mohammedans being inclined to join them. The City of Delhi is in their hands, and many of our brethren have been savagely murdered by them.

We here in this City stand in a manner with our lives in our hands. Two days ago (Sunday) was a day of fearful excitement; many of the churches were closed, as it was rumoured that they would be attacked.

It is remarkable that they are chiefly incensed against Missions and Missionaries. They say that the Governor General wishes to force them to become Christians; so that I firmly believe that it is the devil struggling for his dying power, that after this fearful trial India will more fully embrace the Gospel, and Missions be more blessed. We may some more of us fall, but God will not let His people's blood be spilt in vain.

The 23rd of this month we are looking forward to with a degree of anxiety; but I trust our gracious God will overrule the designs of the wicked for their own overthrow. It will be the centenary of the Battle of Plassey, when India became the possession of the British Crown.

The fort is guarded with English troops, the river is full of war-steamers, and the streets are doubly guarded by the police; all faith is lost in our Native Troops. My heart aches most for our brethren up country. For myself I fear not; for, if I have found (as I trust I have) refuge beneath the shelter of the Cross, sudden death will be sudden glory; it is only for my charge that I feel anxious.

Please God, if we are spared, I hope to write soon again, and send you the half-yearly reports of the children. In the meantime, dear Sir, pray for us; this is indeed a time for fervent prayer.

Believe me, with Christian regard,  
Yours, very faithfully,  
FRANCES HEBRON.

JOHN PATON, Esq.,  
Kingston, C. W.

THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

SUBSCRIPTION IN AID OF THE BURSARY FUND OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

From the Missionary Association of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, by the Rev. W. Bain, £5 0 0

JOHN PATON,  
Secretary.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE,  
Kingston, 17th Aug., 1857.

THE FRENCH MISSION FUND.

The following contributions have been received :-

Markham, per Mr. Jas. J. Bark...	4	2	0	0
Perth, " Rev. Wm. Bam...	2	10	0	0
West Flamboro, per Rev. K. McLennan,.....	1	11	3	
Montreal, per Ladies of St. Paul's Church,.....	15	0	0	
	22	1	3	

ARCH. FERGUSON,  
Treasurer.

Montreal, 22th August, 1857

DEATH OF THE REV. WILLIAM BELL.

We cut from a Perth paper the ensuing notice of the death of one of the veterans of the Presbyterian Church.

Foreseeing his speedy removal, Mr. Bell, in concert with his congregation, had taken steps for uniting his charge with the other charge in Perth, and the Synod having approved of it, the union had been effected ere his decease.

Mr. Bell had two sons, ministers of our Church, the late Rev. Andrew Bell, Synod Clerk, and the Rev. George Bell, of Clifton. One by one the veterans of the Church, who bore the heat and burden of the day, are being gathered to their fathers. There will soon be few left.

DIED.

At Perth, on Sabbath morning, the 16th August, the Rev. William Bell, A.M., the Minister of the First Presbyterian Church, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, and the forty first of his ministry. He was born at Airdrie, Scotland, on the 20th May, 1780, educated for the Gospel Ministry, at the University of Glasgow, and ordained at Edinburgh, March 4th, 1817.

He had looked to Canada for some years as the scene of his future labors, and arriving at Perth as the Minister of the First Presbyterian Settlers, in June 1817, he entered at once on his public Ministry. Though he had many labors to go through and hardships to endure in a new country, he never repented the choice he had made.

He had the honor of being the first to preach the Gospel in Lanark, Ramsey, Beckwith, Smith's Falls, and other places, besides Perth: at all of which there are now flourishing congregations. It was his desire that his friends at a distance should be informed that he died in the firm faith of that glorious Gospel which he had with so much pleasure preached to others, and in the unclouded hope and prospect of a glorious immortality beyond death and the grave. His last illness was merely the decline of nature; his increasing infirmities had compelled him to cease his public labours about three months ago; but he was confined to his room only two weeks, during which he suffered very little pain, and was uniformly calm and happy. His latter end was peace.—*Perth Standard.*

INDUCTION AT MELBOURNE, EASTERN TOWNSHIPS, C. E.

On Thursday, the 30th July, the Presbytery of Quebec met there for the ordination of the Rev. James Sievewright, as minister of this district in connection with the Church of Scotland. The Rev. Dr.

Cook, of Quebec, conducted the services, preaching a most eloquent and appropriate discourse from 1 Cor. i. 17. "For Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the Gospel." After Mr. Sievewright had answered the questions prescribed by the Church, and had been solemnly set apart by prayer and the laying on of hands for the work of the Holy Ministry, the Rev. Dr. delivered an affectionate charge to both pastor and people as to their relative duties to one another, inculcating on the one prayerful, earnest and unwearied zeal in the discharge of his office, enforcing in an especial manner the duty of a personal application of the truths brought before the people from the pulpit, not searching the Scriptures merely for the sake of his flock and overlooking his own necessities, but remembering that, if he would seek earnestly to labour to win souls to Christ, he must first himself have obtained a saving faith in our Great High Priest; on the other a cordial co-operation with their minister in every labor, so lightening his burdens, bearing with him in his weakness, remembering that he was of like passions with themselves, and not only encouraging him by their regularly assembling themselves in public, but also assisting him by private prayer.

The young pastor was cordially welcomed by his new flock, among whom he has been labouring with great acceptance for a short time as missionary.

In connection with the charge at Melbourne, Mr. Sievewright regularly officiates on alternate Sabbaths at Windsor and Brompton Gore, with occasional weekday services at other places. In the three stations Bible Classes and Sabbath Schools have been established, which already are well attended and promise to be of great service to the young. Altogether the prospects held out by this settlement appear to be of the most cheering kind.

MEETING OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE TRUSTEES.

The adjourned Meeting of the Trustees of Queen's College was held on Wednesday, the 5th August, and was attended by nearly all of the members.

We understand that the first business before the meeting was a proposal to erect houses for the Principal and Professors on the College grounds, thus very much adding to the convenience and comfort of those gentlemen, who have at present much difficulty in finding residences near the College, and in some cases are obliged to live at a considerable distance. It was stated that, as the Professors were willing to pay a moderate rent for such houses, this could only have the effect of withdrawing funds from Bank Stock and of investing them in another way at little loss to the College. It was also shown that such a plan would very much enhance