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### THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

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#### ARRIVAL OF A MISSIONARY.

The Rev. Mr. Milligan arrived about two months ago from Scotland, and has since been labouring in the Beauharnois section of country. He has preached on several occasions in the City Churches with much acceptance. We understand that a call is about being presented to him by the Congregation at Norvaltown, Beauharnois. Mr. Milligan is an extemporaneous preacher. His manner is earnest and impressive, and we trust he will be found to be a labourer, that needeth not to be ashamed. (See page 111.)

#### CONGREGATION OF L'ORIGINAL.

**PRESENTATION.**—A short time ago the ladies of Mr. Bell's Congregation, at L'Original, presented him with a very handsome Pulpit-gown in token of their respect and esteem for him as their Pastor, accompanied with many kind wishes for his ministerial success and personal and domestic happiness. He was at the same time assured that this token of respect had not only been very generally joined in by the Ladies of his own Congregation, but that those of other denominations, as

well as some in other places in the neighbourhood, had requested to be allowed to contribute towards it, in order to manifest their kindly feeling towards him as a Christian minister, a friend and neighbour. —*Communicated.*

#### ST. PAUL'S CONGREGATION, MONTREAL.

It affords us much pleasure to inform our readers that a piece of plate, bearing a suitable inscription, has since our last issue been presented by the congregation of St. Paul's Church to John Greenshields, Esq., known to many of our readers as the zealous Treasurer of the Ministers', Widows', and Orphans' Fund of our Church.

The presentation was made in token of the appreciation, by his friends in St. Paul's Church, of the services which Mr. Greenshields had, as leader of the choir for several years, and in various other ways, rendered to the Church. It is always gratifying to chronicle such evidences of fraternal feeling amongst our congregations; and we have had of late several like manifestations to notice.

#### MEETING OF SYNOD.

At the approaching Meeting of Synod there will be much to engage the attention of that Reverend Body; and amongst the many topics that will come under their consideration we are glad to see that there will be an overture from the Hamilton Presbytery, relative to Foreign Missions. We feel confident that the amount, which would find its way into the Treasury of the Foreign Mission Scheme of

the Parent Church from Canada, would be a respectable one, if transmitted through one channel. Already many of our Congregations have regular collections for the Indian and Jewish Missions; but we consider it highly desirable that the Missionary spirit should more and more prevail, evidencing, as it does, the existence of Christian zeal and love. Living in a Christian land and possessed of many and great advantages, within the sound of the precious Gospel, we may all do somewhat towards spreading the glad tidings of great joy. True, we have not all a call to be ministers of the Word; but are we of the laity, therefore, to fold our arms, and content ourselves with a bare performance of those duties which a Christian profession requires? Are there no practical heathen within our reach? Are there no efforts of Christian love in which we may engage? Are there no fields ripe for the harvest, inviting our approach, but with no man to care for them? Do we feel no desire to devote a portion of our earnings annually to the promotion of our Master's work? Do we remember that all that we possess is but lent us, and that we are but stewards? Or are we unprofitable servants, hiding our one talent in the earth? We fear a lax view of Christian duty is too general. Few seem rightly to understand the duty of labour, or rather, we would say, the blessed privilege of doing somewhat in our Master's Vineyard. We look with much interest to the approaching Meeting of Synod. The past year has been one of progress in the Church. From Queen's College several of the now increasing band of the native Ministry