

he had received out of the Bursary Fund. Subsequent to this, the convener had a lengthened correspondence with Mr. Porteous, which is herewith submitted.

By last mail, the convener received a letter addressed to the Moderator of Synod by Mr. Porteous, with a draft of discharge for the monies received by him from the Bursary Fund, both of which is now submitted to the Synod.

Your committee submit the whole for the consideration of the Synod without giving any opinion further than that indicated in the correspondence.

Respectfully reported, in name of the committee, by

W. DONALD, D. D., *Convener.*

APPENDIX B.

HOME MISSION FUND---REPORT 1862-3.

THE Committee on the Home Mission Fund consider this fund most important. Without such a fund, the Church cannot be maintained in its present position, far less can its operations be extended,—an object much to be desired by every one who has the true interests of the Church at heart. The committee, therefore, earnestly appeal to all the lovers of our Zion for enlarged contributions to this most necessary scheme.

This fund having last year been separated from the Synod Fund, the committee entertain the hope of being able, by the increased liberality of members and adherents, to relieve, in some measure, the heavy burden which has pressed so long on the Colonial Committee of the parent Church, and to enter earnestly on work proper to a Home Mission.

According to the report of the Colonial Committee to last General Assembly, it appears that that committee last year aided ministers and missionaries within our bounds to the extent of £572 8s. 10d. sterling; and thus enabled them to continue their services in their respective localities. Surely the congregations that have thus, through the generosity of the parent Church, had the ordinances of the gospel maintained among them, will, out of gratitude for such privileges, be stirred up to greater efforts to relieve the Colonial Committee of such a burden.

The congregations that have been thus favored, are those worshipping at

St. Andrews and St. Patrick—minister aided to extent of	-	£65	0	0	sterling.
Woodstock and Northampton	"	"	-	52	0 0 "
Nashwaak, Stanley and Boiestown	"	"	-	61	5 0 "
Moncton, Shediac, &c.	"	"	-	127	2 8 "
Richmond	"	"	-	107	2 2 "
Tabusintac and Burnt Church	"	"	-	45	0 0 "
Bathurst	"	"	-	25	0 0 "
Dalhousie	"	"	-	40	0 0 "
Rev. Robert Falconer, missionary	-	-	-	50	0 0 "
Amount,	-	-	-	£572	8 10 "

Without this generous aid, gospel ordinances could not have been maintained in many of these places, but now, when congregations have been formed and organised, greater local efforts should be made for the support of these ordinances. It cannot be expected that the parent Church will continue long to extend such an amount of aid as has hitherto been so liberally granted, nor is it desirable that such aid *should* be continued. The sooner, therefore, our Church becomes self-supporting and self-reliant, so much the better will it be for all parties, and so much the more will the Gospel be likely to flourish, and the influence of religion to be felt.

The present state of this fund is as follows :—

Balance on hand, according to Treasurer's last report,	-	-	-	\$101.13
Received by Treasurer before last meeting of Synod, but too late to be included in his report, (noticed in committee's report),	-	-	-	29.00
St. Andrew's Church, New Richmond, for 1861-2,	-	-	-	14.08
" " Campbelltown,	-	-	-	6.00
" " Tabusintac and Burnt Church, for 1861-2,	-	-	-	9.00
St. John's Church, Moncton,	"	-	-	3.20
St. Luke's Church, Bathurst,	"	-	-	8.55
St. James' Church, Newcastle,	"	-	-	22.10
St. Andrew's Church, Chatham,	"	-	-	24.00
St. Stephen's Church, Black River,	"	-	-	9.94
St. John's Church, Dalhousie, 1862-3,	-	-	-	8.40