

weakened by a considerable number of the people remaining behind to worship in the old Church, and how, again, it took heart of grace, and, after a vacancy of two years, rallied round its present energetic minister, Mr Farries who now reports a membership of 120 families and 195 communicants. The accompanying financial statements refer to a certain amount of debt on the property, but a determination is also indicated to be rid of it as soon as possible.

The report of St. John's, Almonte, notwithstanding the great financial pressure of last year, is far from discouraging. Measures for the extinction of a small amount of debt have only been delayed a little longer. They are not abandoned. In higher things, the year has been one of progress. An unusual number of young people have been added to the communion roll, which now numbers 191. No seat rents are taken—members being expected to contribute, according to their own sense of duty, to the maintenance of ordinances.

St. Andrew's Church at Huntingdon, Que., is reported to be in a prosperous condition—no less than 130 new members having been added to the communion roll since the induction of its present minister, in May 1874. Since July last, the congregation contributed \$120 for the schemes of the Church.

The manse at Martintown has been put in a thorough state of repair. Everything in the way of decoration being done in the best style, the Kirk and the Manse, together, are both a credit to the congregation, and ornament the beautiful site they occupy. Some \$800 have been expended on the improvements.

NEW CHURCHES.—The magnificent Tabernacle just completed for Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, in Toronto, will come up for notice next month along with the congregational report of St. Andrew's Church. Besides this, we have intimation of four "dedications" within a month. (1) St. John's Church, Walkerton, was opened by Professor McLaren, of Knox College. This is the third church built by the Con-

gregation and their minister, the Rev. R. C. Moffatt—Log—Frame—and now the handsome brick, costing \$9000. An apt illustration of how we "go ahead" in the West. Is there not room for another Church in the Capital? Come on St. Andrew's people! (2) At Meaford, Principal Caven, of Toronto, officiated at the opening of a handsome gothic structure, 40x65, with a tower and spire 120 feet in height, the whole costing nearly \$7000. From the glowing accounts given in the "Monitor," the whole city must have been moved to enthusiasm over this occasion, which others of us afar off also rejoice to hear of. (3) Wherever Mr. Sieveright is, there do churches and manses rise up as if by magic. He is now one of the ministers of Knox Church, Goderich, and officiated lately at the opening of "the Union Presbyterian Church," Goderich Township assisted by the Rev. J. C. Smith, of Hamilton. The collections at the services amounted to \$300—leaving only a balance of \$250 to be provided for. This is the fourth Presbyterian Church erected in this neighbourhood within the past five years! (4) Lyn is in a fair way of becoming famous. On the 6th instant, Principal MacVicar, of Montreal, preached "powerfully"—as he always does—at the opening of a beautiful new church in that rising village. Mr. Burton, of Belleville—formerly of Lyn—preached in the afternoon, and was followed by the venerable William Smart—next to Mr. Henderson, of St. Andrew's—the oldest Presbyterian minister in the country, whose ordination dates from 1811, and whose address upon this occasion was peculiarly touching and effective. Other members of Mr. Brown's congregation have caught the infection, and purpose building a new church at Cantown. "Already" adds our correspondent. "the Union has borne fruit, and an impetus has been given to the Church which will be most beneficially felt throughout the rural districts of Ontario."

PRESENTATIONS.—We heartily congratulate Dr. Muir, of S. Georgetown, on the receipt of a very handsome present