

there is an open door for preaching the gospel. The hope seems to be entertained that at some time these stations may be erected into a separate charge, leaving the minister of Yarmouth to give his whole energies to the congregation of the town. Meagher's Grant was originally a section of Musquodoboit congregation, but had been very much neglected for a long time. The attempts recently made to furnish that place with something like regular supply have involved considerable expense; but the attendance at the services is large, and it is hoped that under the culture afforded them they will learn to contribute with greater liberality and promptitude for the support of ordinances among themselves. Rawdon comprises a few families of very staunch adherents; and although they seem to have drawn more largely from our funds this year than usual, it is probable that some part of the amount may be refunded, as they are not usually neglectful of the duty of contributing according to their means for the supplies afforded them. Oldham, Waverly, and Wine Harbor are gold fields. The payments for West Chester are for services extending over more than three years. The supply of Bridgewater was rendered necessary by the illness of Mr. Morton. About half the expense has been borne by Mr. Morton himself. The remainder seems to fall upon the Board, as the congregation appear to feel taxed to the full measure of their ability in raising the salary of their minister. Cape North is a weak congregation in the furthest extremity of Cape Breton, which had supported their first minister for many years, (though they failed in some degree to fulfil their obligations to him,) without asking aid from the funds of the Church; and it was thought right to grant an allowance towards the expenses of eight months' supply afforded them after they became vacant.

In the matter of Gaelic bursaries the Board have to report that they have given two students £10 each. They are of opinion that some definite rules should be laid down by synod for the management of this matter in future, if it is thought advisable to continue the plan; and they would sug-

gest that the following be among them:—

I. These bursaries are not intended for students whose private means are such as to render aid from the funds of the church unnecessary.

II. Applicants are to be recommended to the Board by their respective Presbyteries—and Presbyteries are expected, in their letters of recommendation, to name the sum which, in their judgment, ought to be given, if the state of funds permit.

III. The board have authority to examine the applicants if they think fit; and to attach such weight as they think proper to the results of their examination, in graduating the scale of payments.

IV. These bursaries are given under condition of re-payment if the student do not accept a Gaelic speaking charge within the bounds of this synod,—time of such re-payment to be within one year after accepting an English speaking charge, or a charge beyond the bounds of the synod.\*

The following is an abstract of expenditure for the year ending 8th June, 1865:—

Supplements .....	£309 8 4
Gaelic Catechists .....	20 0 0
Do. Bursaries .....	20 0 0
Yarmouth Mission .....	40 18 7½
Labrador Mission .....	35 14 5½
Meagher's Grant .....	18 4 6
Rawdon .....	17 5 0
Oldham .....	16 14 11½
Bridgewater .....	8 15 0
Bedford and Waverly .....	5 0 0
West Chester .....	19 8 0
Wine Harbor .....	8 0 0
Country Harbor .....	4 10 0
Wentworth (Trav. Exp.) .....	2 10 0
Murray Harbor .....	2 0 0
Lot 14 .....	4 7 6
Tryon .....	12 5 10
P. E. I. (report not yet received) .....	15 0 0
Cape North .....	20 0 0
Blue Mountain .....	1 10 0
Miscel. Trav. Exp. ....	11 15 9
Postages .....	1 19 9

£594 7 1½

\*The Treasurer's report will exhibit the present state of funds. The Board did not feel much compunction in overdrawing the account, as they had been informed that the late John Yorston, Esq., had left them

\* Instead of adopting this rule, the Synod resolved to leave the question of re-payment to the good feeling of the recipients themselves. See *Minutes*, p. 13.