

Buildings for the use of our Mission, and the Students' Missionary Association of Halifax, for their interest in this field in providing the means and, from among their number, the men for the prosecution of this work.

The Assembly is pleased to find that the Augmentation Scheme has a growing hold on the congregations in the East, as evidenced by the increased number that have met their obligations and the increased amount given to the fund; sanctions the grants made by the Augmentation Committee, and gives said Committee authority to deal with all the applications that have been deferred, or that may yet be laid before it, in accordance with the rules of the Scheme, and trusts that the Committee and the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, with which it proposes to take counsel, may be able to devise some plan which will equalize receipts and expenditure, without resorting to the reduction of the stipends now enjoyed by the pastors of supplemented charges.

WESTERN SECTION.

The report of the Committee on the Home Missions of the Western Section of the Church was presented in printed form by the Convener, Dr. Cochrane, who dwelt at some length on some of the main features of the report, with many specific details of an encouraging nature; mentioning the great progress made in this most important enterprise in the course of the years since it was in a comparatively feeble condition, and presenting aspects of a character fitted to stimulate the zeal and energy of the Church in an enterprise so vitally connected with the welfare, both temporal and spiritual, of the people of our country.

AUGMENTATION.

The report of the Sub-Committee on Augmentation of the Home Mission Committee for the Western Section, was presented in printed form by Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, who represented in earnest terms the condition of the fund under the direction of the Committee, stating the great need of increased liberality in its support, and urging upon ministers, Presbyteries and congregations the duty of putting forth more earnest and persistent efforts for giving more adequate aid to the weaker congregations for the maintenance of gospel ordinances.

Dr. Warden submitted a resolution for the disposal of the reports on Home Missions and Augmentation for the Western Section of the Church, at the same time dealing at length with the character and main points of interest in connection with this department of the work of the Church.

Before action was taken on Dr. Warden's motion, attention being called to certain statements on the thirty-second page of the report, after reasoning, it was agreed that the report should end at the close of the first paragraph on said page.

The resolution of Dr. Warden, duly seconded, was then taken up and was unanimously adopted, with the exception of the last clause, having reference to the regulations applicable to supplements in the Province of Manitoba, reserved for consideration at a future Sederunt. The resolution as adopted is in terms following:—The General Assembly having heard the report of the Home Mission Committee—Western Section—and of its Sub-Committee on Augmentation, receives the same, expresses its devout gratitude to God for the measure of success vouch-