

—such contribution to be drawn from the Presbyterial Home Mission funds—or made up in some other way. After serious deliberation it was thought better to adopt the course which has now been proposed to meet the demand. But it is absolutely necessary that each Presbytery take a strict account of the amount collected within its bounds to the Synod Fund, and see to it that this amount fall not below its fair proportion of the whole sum required.

It is of the greatest consequence that the several Collections be made on the days appointed, or as nearly so as practicable—that they may not interfere with each other or be omitted.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO. PROPOSED PLAN OF MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

- Jan. 26, Monday,—Trafalgar Mills, 1 o'clock ; Oakville, 6 o'clock.
27, Tuesday,—Trafalgar rear station, 1 o'clock ; Boston church, 6 o'clock.
28, Wednesday,—Nassaggiweya, 1 o'clock ; Acton, 6 o'clock.
29, Thursday,—Stewarton, 1 o'clock ; Union church, 6 o'clock.
30, Friday,—Caledon West, 1 o'clock ; Erin, 6 o'clock.
31, Saturday,—Mono.
Feb. 1, Sabbath,—The Rev. Dr. Burns to preach in Mono.
2, Monday,—Free Temple Ch., 6 o'clock.
3, Tuesday,—Norval, 1 o'clock ; Streetsville, 6 o'clock.
4, Wednesday,—Brampton, 1 o'clock ; East Toronto, 6 o'clock.
5, Thursday,—Vaughan, 1 o'clock ; King, 6 o'clock.
6, Friday,—Gwillimbury, 1 o'clock ; Bradford, 6 o'clock.
9, Monday,—Highland Creek, 1 o'clock ; Scarborough, 6 o'clock.
10, Tuesday,—York Mills, 1 o'clock ; Brown's Corners, 6 o'clock.
11, Wednesday,—Melville Church, 1 o'clock ; Scott, 6 o'clock.
12, Thursday,—Brook, 1 o'clock ; Reach, 6 o'clock.
13, Friday, Whity (rear) 1 o'clock ; Whity Village, 6 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Burns of Toronto, and the Rev. Robert Ure of Streetsville, have been appointed to conduct the above meetings. Missionary Sermons and Addresses will be delivered at each, and with a special reference to Missions within the bounds of the Presbytery. A collection will be made at each meeting in aid of the funds of the Presbytery's Home Mission. May the Great Head of the Church crown these meetings with a special blessing!

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto will meet on the first Wednesday of January, in the Library of Knox's College, at noon.

T. WIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The Presbytery of Hamilton will meet in Knox's Church, Hamilton, on the second Tuesday, (13th January,) at three o'clock, P. M.

M. Y. STARK, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of London will be held within St. Andrew's Church, London, on the second Wednesday of January, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Clerks of Sessions will take notice that the records of Sessions must be presented for inspection, and reports of financial matters are required from the different congregations, covering all money transactions of the congregations for the last half year.

W. M. S. BALL.

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

The Presbytery of Cobourg will meet at Peterboro' on the first Tuesday of February, at half-past nine o'clock, A. M.

JOHN W. SMITH, *P. C.*

The Presbytery of Cobourg has made arrangements for holding the following Missionary meetings, during the first week in February, viz:—

- At Keene, on Monday evening.
Peterboro', on Tuesday evening.
North Cavan, on Wednesday morning.
South Cavan, on Wednesday evening.
Cartwright and Manvers, on Thursday.
Enniskillen, on Friday morning.
Bowmanville, on Friday evening.

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH.

The Presbytery of Perth, which met at Carleton Place on Tuesday, 9th December, resolved, D.V., to carry out the following scheme of Presbyterial Visitation and Examination, and at the same time to hold Missionary meetings at each of the Congregations and Mission Stations within the bounds.

Ministers, Kirk Sessions and Congregations, are requested to observe, that the whole Presbytery will meet and constitute at each place, according to the scheme; that the visitation will embrace a full investigation into all the affairs of congregations—their spiritual state—their arrangement and management of temporalities, and the respective duties of members, elders and people; that the whole body of Church members are expected to be present at the meeting, unless unavoidably prevented; and that the missionary meeting will take place on the evening of the same day, and in the same place in which the visitation has been held.

It is hoped that all the requisite arrangements for the comfortable and effective conducting of the missionary meetings will be made in good time, and that these meetings will be attended not only by our own people, but also by the whole neighbourhood, Christian Missions at home and abroad being the great duty and privilege of our common christianity.

The Presbytery will meet, D.V., at the Gattineau, 16th Dec., at 2 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Gourlay. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Perth, on Tuesday, 6th Jan., at 11 o'clock, a.m.; sermon by Mr. Wardrope. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Dalhousie, on Wednesday, 7th Jan., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Lochead. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Ramsay, on Friday, 9th Jan., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Wardrope. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Bytown, on Tuesday, 27th Jan., at 2 o'clock, p.m.; sermon by Mr. Duncan. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Osgoode, on Wednesday, 28th Jan., at 11 o'clock, a.m.; sermon by Mr. Corbett. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Gloucester, on Thursday, 29th Jan., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Gourlay. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Nepean, on Friday, 30th Jan., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Gray. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At McNab—Renfrew or Castleford, on Tuesday, 3rd Feb., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Duncan. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At White Lake, on Wednesday, 4th Feb., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Gourlay. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Goulbourne, on Friday, 6th Feb., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Fraser. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Pembroke, on Wednesday, 9th Feb., at 11 o'clock; sermon by Mr. Gray. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Bristol, on Thursday, 19th Feb., at 2 o'clock, p.m.; Mr. Wardrope to preach. Missionary meeting in the evening.

At Beckwith, on _____; sermon by Mr. Duncan. (As this Church is at present in an unfinished state, and workmen about to be employed in it, the time of meeting will be notified at a future day.)

P. GRAY, *Pres. Clerk.*
Carleton Place, 15th Dec., 1851.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

To the Editor of the Record.

MY DEAR SIR,—

It is right that liberal gifts from parties not connected with our Church should be made known. I beg, therefore, to acknowledge in your columns, two sums generously handed to me for the Ministers' Widows' Fund, viz:—

Alexander Gillespie, Esq., of London, £50.

A. T. Galt, Esq., of Sherbrooke, £10.

The above amounts are paid in through the Treasurer of my congregation.

Our Coté Street Church subscription for this fund, when I last saw it, amounted to £304.

I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

D. FRASER.

Montreal, Dec. 15, 1851.

METIS MISSION.

To the Editor of the Record.

KNOX'S COLLEGE, TORONTO,
November, 1851.

DEAR SIR,—

I see by the *Record* for October, that your readers have been led to expect some particulars from the Students' Missionary, regarding his labors during the summer. I shall here only give them some account of a public meeting which I had with a Roman Catholic priest. I do this, in the hope, that the Lord may lead your Christian readers to think on the spiritual destitution of the French Canadians, their fellow-countrymen.

In April last, at the close of the College Session, with the permission of the Church, my fellow students sent me to labor amongst the French Canadians at Metis—a place about 200 miles below Quebec. I had not been there very long, until the priest of the adjoining parish went round amongst the people, telling them either to give back any copies of the word of God that they had received, or to burn them—saying, at the same time, that he had himself burned several hundreds such books. He warned the people from the pulpit against attending my meetings, or receiving any books from me.

About the middle of July, he gave notice to the people that he would hold a meeting in the third concession of Metis, where he would satisfy any who might be doubting, and confound all those who had anything to say against the doctrines of their Church—saying that there was not a man between Montreal and Quebec, that was able to speak with him on religion. Being absent for a few days, at a distant parish, on my return, our school teacher, Mr. Page, told me that two individuals had called upon him, and had told him that the priest, Rev. Mr. Duguay, wished to meet with me at this meeting. After some conference with Mr. Page, and having laid the matter before the Lord that night, I told Mr. Page, in the morning, to let it be known that I should have received a written invitation from the priest, but that, nevertheless, I would go up, God willing, and be at a house near to where the meeting was to be held, and there wait for a formal invitation from Mr. Duguay, lest I should be looked upon as going to disturb that meeting.