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E N O C H.

He walked with God in youth's bright morn,
When life was in its spring;
And his young spirit soared aloft
On hope's exulting wing.

He walked with God, when joy's fresh buds
Were opening on his way,
And tempting him with fragrant breath,
In pleasure's path to stray.

He walked with God in manhood's prime,
And shunned ambition's snare;
Nor heeded he the gilded toys
That are the worldling's care.

He walked with God when time entwined
His locks with threads of gray;
Still leaning on his pilgrim's staff
He kept the narrow way.

He walked with God from youth to age,
And unto him was given
A deathless entrance to the land—
The bright fair land of Heaven.

Synodical Collections for the Current Year.

1. For French Canadian Missionary Society, 3rd Sabbath in July.
2. Buxton Mission and Synod Fund, 3rd Sabbath in October.
3. Foreign Missions of the Free Church, 3rd Sabbath in January.
4. Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, 3rd Sabbath in April.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

The Treasurer begs to call the attention of ministers, whose rates to the Fund are in arrears, to the first and second regulations adopted by the Synod, on the 11th June, 1852. See Minutes, p. 14, or *Record* for July last, p. 132.

Notices of arrears and rates falling due on the 1st November, were transmitted through the Post Office in the month of October.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Conveners request, that in future, all letters be addressed to the Secretary, John Burns, Esq., Knox's College, Toronto.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The next ordinary meeting of Presbytery is appointed to be held within the Church of St. Louis de Gonzague, on the first Wednesday of November, at 9 o'clock, A. M.
D. FRASER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The next meeting of the Presbytery of Kingston is appointed to be held in Belleville on the second Wednesday of November, at 11 o'clock forenoon.
WILLIAM GREGG, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto will meet in Knox's College, on Wednesday, the 1st December, at 12 o'clock, noon.
THOMAS WIGHTMAN, Clerk.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Synod's Home Mission Committee met in the Divinity Hall of Knox's College, Toronto, on the 13th October. The principal business before the Committee, was the distribution of the available supply among the Presbyteries for the ensuing six months. The number of ministers and preachers at the disposal of the committee, was reported to be *nine*; and that after Presbyteries had reduced their demands to the lowest point, compatible with keeping up their stations, the applications were *fourteen*, viz: from the Presbytery of Montreal, four; Perth, one; Kingston, three; Cobourg, one; Hamilton, two; London, three. The Presbytery of Toronto, in consequence of the clamant calls from other parts of the field, asked for no missionaries during the winter, hoping that the congregations and stations easily accessible from the college, will be supplied, to a considerable extent, by the ministers in Toronto, and by the students of Divinity.

The following distribution was made, viz:—
to the Presbytery of
Montreal—Mr. Scott and Mr. Nicolson.
Perth—Mr. Smith.
Kingston—Mr. Chesnut.
Cobourg—Mr. Boag.
Hamilton—Mr. Young and Mr. Macgregor.
London—Mr. McLaren and Mr. Tolmie.

In consequence of the pressing wants of the Presbytery of Montreal, and the inability of the Committee to give the necessary aid, the Rev. Dr. Burns was requested to supply the pulpit in Quebec for six weeks. Dr. Burns being present, consented to proceed to Quebec by the last Sabbath of October, and to continue for at least four weeks. The Committee agreed to request the Rev. Mr. Bayne, of Galt, to succeed Dr. Burns for a few Sabbaths, or until the congregation be otherwise provided for.

The Rev. Dr. Willis and Mr. Burns were appointed a committee to procure a suitable person as teacher at the Buxton Mission, to succeed Mr. Straith, when he returns to college.

JOHN BURNS, Sec'y.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The Presbytery of Toronto met on the 13th of October. The following is a brief account of the principal business transacted:—

It was reported that, since last meeting, Mr. McLellan from Hamilton, accompanied by Mr. Ure of Streetsville, and others of the brethren at various congregations, had visited a considerable part of the Presbytery, on behalf of the Widows' Fund, viz: Streetsville, Boston, Acton, Union Church, Norval, Temple Church, Brampton, E. Toronto, Erin and Caledon, West Gwillimbury and Bradford, Barrie and Innisfil, Oro and Orillia, and that the prospects are favorable.

The Presbytery agreed to record their sense of obligation to Mr. McLellan, for his very efficient and devoted labors in the cause of the Widows' Fund, during the two weeks he spent within the bounds.

To Dr. Burns and Mr. Burns, agent, was committed the charge of completing the visitation of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery agreed to instruct their Home Mission Committee to urge on all the missionaries and catechists within their bounds, to furnish written reports in detail of their missionary labors, accompanied with particular statements of their accounts.

On the suggestion of the Moderator, it was agreed to extend our mission field of Mono, by adding to it the south-western part of the township of Essi.

Application was made to the Presbytery, by friends near the township line, between York and Vaughan, for supply in that locality, about seven miles from York Mills. Mr. Wightman stated that this application was made in anticipation of a disjunction of Scarborough from York Mills, and that a considerable number of families in the locality referred to, had signified their willingness to promote the formation of an auxiliary congregation there.

The Presbytery agreed to give the supply asked, and Mr. Irvine, of the second congregation, Toronto, undertook to open the station on the 24th October.

Mr. William Reid, probationer, from the Free Church of Scotland, who has been supplying va-