

had their annual Soiree on the evening of the 7th of February, in the school-house of that village.

After a sumptuous entertainment of tea and all those other *et ceteras* which were kindly provided by the good folk who know what children like, and served round to them by their teachers, the children marched over to the church, where a general meeting was to be held, more of an intellectual kind. There to a large and attentive audience addresses were delivered, first by the pastor on "the superior advantages of Canadian youth compared with their parents," then by Mr. James of Galt on "the danger of resting in privileges without employing them," and afterwards by Mr. Portous of Beverly on "the origin, aims and results of sabbath schools." During the evening cakes and fruit were served around. The whole proceedings were agreeably interspersed and connected

together by select pieces of music sung solely by the children, reflecting no little credit upon Mr. Murray, their assiduous preceptor. The whole being free, a goodly collection was contributed in aid of the Sabbath School Library. The evening was delightful, the people were happy, and the whole passed off in a very pleasing and profitable manner.—*Com.*

#### ST. GEORGE.

On Monday, 30th January, the U. P. Congregation here, unanimously called Mr. R. Hume, A.M., to be their Pastor.

#### OWEN SOUND.

The U. P. Congregation here have unanimously called the Rev. Thomas Stevenson, of Stratford and Shakespere, to be their Pastor.

#### U. P. CHURCH, SCOTLAND.

The sum raised for Missions, for 1859, was £25,198 18s. 11½d. stg.

## Gleanings.

#### SCOTLAND—CARDROSS CASE.

The Commission of the Free General Assembly met at Edinburgh, on January 18th, and agreed to "satisfy the production" and at the same time to present a minute, refusing to acknowledge the right of the Civil Court to review sentences of the Church exclusively spiritual. Great complaints were made that some of the Scotch Newspapers had grossly misrepresented the case. We are sorry to find that some of the statements made in our last, p. 61, are not correct. First, the Synod found Mr. McMillan guilty of nothing. The appeal to the Assembly was, of course, taken, not by him, but by some members of Synod who were dissatisfied: Secondly, it is maintained that the Assembly had actually laid the "contract" before the Court and had withheld only the sentences pronounced, though there is a dispute as to whether the contract had been presented in the form required by the Court. We gladly correct these mistakes though they do not affect the principle at stake.—It is said that a member of a Congregational Church, in the North of Scotland, has commenced a civil action claiming damages for the discipline to which he has been subjected. We believe several overtures will be brought before the U. P. Synod in Scotland, proposing that an addition be made to our Formula for ordination, to the effect that the person subscribing, shall bind himself to acquiesce in the decisions of the ecclesiastical judicatories, without appealing to the Civil Courts.

#### FATHER CHINIQUY A PRESBYTERIAN.

The O. S. Presbytery of Chicago held a session in that city a short while ago, at which, "after a protracted and rigid examination of Father Chiniquy, as to Christian experience, scholastic and theological attainments," he was received into the Presbytery as a minister. The congregations of St. Anne and Kankakee City were taken under the charge of the Chicago Presbytery, and it is proposed to establish a Presbyterian College at St. Anne for the education of the Canadian-French youth.