

Amount collected by Rev. J. Murray, Tabusintac, and charged to him	20 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order in favour of Rev. P. Keay	48 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order in favour of W. T. Wilkins	40 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order for printing Minutes	2 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order in favour of Rev. John Ross	32 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order in favour of W. T. Wilkins	81 20
Remitted to Rev. J. A. Murray, travelling expenses	20 00
Paid Dr Brooke's order in favour of W. T. Wilkins	20 00
Postages, &c.	0 57

\$323 77

From the above statement it appears that the balance in favour of this Fund at present in the Treasurer's hand is almost literally nothing; and your Committee would beg to suggest that the Synod very urgently enjoin upon all the Ministers within their bounds to press upon their people the necessity of liberal contributions to this scheme, so as to enable them to pay the allowance to their Catechist now labouring on the Tobique, and also to afford some aid to settled Ministers, now very inadequately supported by their people.

JOHN M. BROOKS, D. D., *Convener*.

NOTE.—Since this Report was presented, it has been ascertained that \$4 00 collected in Saint John's Church, Richmond, had been remitted to the Treasurer, but omitted in the account.

Report on Lay Associations.

The Committee appointed for devising some method for the formation of Lay Associations in the different congregations throughout the bounds of the Synod, to collect funds and aid weak congregations, met, and after deliberation, resolved to recommend,

1st.—That a meeting be held in every congregation for the purpose of forming a Lay Association within it, pursuant to recommendation of Synod.

2d.—That the Office-Bearers of these Associations shall consist of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Collectors.

3d.—That each congregation be divided into convenient districts, and one or more Collectors be appointed for each district.

4th.—That a quarterly meeting of each Association be held for the purpose of receiving the report and contributions of the Collectors.

5th.—That an annual meeting of each Association be held, at which a report of the proceedings of the Society during the year be read by the Secretary.

6th.—That the contributions received be acknowledged in the pages of the *Record*.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. KEAY, *Convener*.

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The Committee appointed at last Synod to take into consideration the desirability and practicality of incorporation with the Synod of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in connexion with the Church of Scotland, have to report that they held one meeting before the close of the Synod, at which the Rev. Thomas Duncan and the Hon. John Holmes, a Deputation from the Synod of Nova Scotia, attended, when, after considerable conversation on the subject, three of the members, namely, the Rev. C. S. Ogg, Dr Henderson and Mr Thomas Johnstone, were in favour of a Union, while the other two, Dr Brooke and Mr

Murray, were opposed to it. The Committee have had no further communications on the subject.

Respectfully submitted by
WM. HENDERSON, D. D., *Convener*.

Notices and Acknowledgments.

AN article from "A. P.," on the Divinity Hall, has been received, but cannot be inserted for want of room. Will appear in next No.

CONGREGATIONS are reminded that the Synod has ordered a collection to be made on the *first Sabbath* in November in aid of the Foreign Mission.

JAMES CHRISTIE, *Synod Clerk*.

CONGREGATIONS are requested to remit to the General Treasurer—Wm. Gordon, Esq., Pictou—the collections made for the Synod Fund for the year ending the 30th of June last, as the monies in hand are insufficient to meet the claims against the Fund.

JAMES CHRISTIE, *Synod Clerk*.

THE Treasurer of St. David's Church, Georgetown, P. E. I., begs most gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of \$41, N. S. currency, from the Revd. G. M. Grant, being the amount of collection made at the prayer meeting in St. Matthew's, Halifax, in behalf of the Manse of Georgetown.

PICTOU, 6th September, 1865.

THE subscriber acknowledges the receipt of the sum of eighty-eight dollars, currency, and thirty-two dollars in copper, from Messrs Duncan Matheson and William McDonald, being a free contribution to the funds of the B. & F. Bible Society from Gairloch congregation.

GEO. HATTIE,

Treasurer Pictou Auxiliary
B. & F. Bible Society.

Lay Association.

West Branch East River Congregation.

QUARTERLY COLLECTIONS.

Sections.	Collectors.	£ s. d.
Fox Brook,	{ Barbara Sutherland,	} 0 11 4d
	{ Catherine McLeod,	
Hopewell and	{ Christy McLearn,	} 0 18 1d
Middle River,	{ Mary I. McDonald,	
Big Brook,	{ Barbara McDonald,	} 1 0 5d
West Branch,	{ Ellen J. Fraser,	
East Side	{ Anna J. Gordon,	} 0 11 9d
West Branch,	{ Jane Chisholm,	
West Side	{ Isabell McLean,	} 1 2 6d
West Branch,	{ Christy McDonald,	
Hopewell,	{ Mary Gray,	} 1 0 0d
West Branch,	{ Margaret Gray,	
Middle River,	{ Christy Ross,	} 1 17 1d
	{ Mary McKay,	

Total, £7 1 4

DANIEL GRAY,

Secretary B. L. Association.

Hopewell, West Branch, }
24th September, 1865. }