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 Springfield, Sunnyvale, Plympton—amount promised by the field, \$500 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Caledonia, Point des Chenes, Millbrook, Clear Springs—amount promised by the field, \$250 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$150 per annum.
 Rockwood, Greenwood, Ridgeway, Dundas, Victoria, Grassmere—amount promised by the field, \$500 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Emerson, Peimhina, U.S., Rosau, The Ridge, Smuggler's Point—amount promised by the field, \$450 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Upper Hoyne, Lower Hoyne, Tobacco Creek—amount promised by the field, \$500 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Duncan's, Scott's, Alexandria, Morden's—amount promised by the field, \$500 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Woodlands, Poplar Heights, Headingly—amount promised by the field, \$100 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$75 per annum.
 High Bluff, Portage Creek, Grant's Camp Creek—amount promised by the field, \$25 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$25 per annum.
 Portage La Prairie, Burnside—amount promised by the field, \$400 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$200 per annum.
 Palestine, Golden Stream, Squirrel Creek, Tuckan, Woodside—amount promised by the field, \$250 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$250 per annum.
 Morris, Union Point, Cadenheads, Riviere Sale—amount promised by the field, \$200 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$200 per annum.
 Walker's, Honeyman's, McGregor's, McKinnon's, Oliver's (Beautiful Plains Group)—not yet ascertained.
 Rapid City, Smith's, McTavish's, Weir's, Geikie's, Rolling River (Little Saskatchewan Group)—amount promised by the field, \$200 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$200 per annum.
 Old Mission Church, New Mission Church, McBeth's, Muir's Settlement (Prince Albert Group)—not yet ascertained.
 Prairie Grove—amount promised by the field, \$200 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, \$200 per annum.
 C. P. Railway, Contract 12—amount promised by the field, \$1,000 per annum; amount required from Home Mission Committee, nothing.

LAKE SUPERIOR FIELDS.

1. *Thunder Bay*.—Letters were read from the Rev. D. McKerracher, the missionary in this field. A new church is being erected at Fort William. It was agreed to grant Mr. McKerracher \$50 extra for last year's services, and to guarantee him \$500 per annum for the ensuing year in the hope that the field will contribute a similar amount.

2. *Silver Islet*.—Mr. J. R. Johnston labored here during a portion of the summer under the Students' Missionary Society of Knox College, Toronto. The Convener reported that the people recently petitioned for the services of Mr. Johnston for a year, from 1st October, 1878, offering to contribute \$300 towards his salary. The Committee granted the application, and agreed to guarantee \$300 towards Mr. Johnston's salary.

3. *Sault Ste. Marie*.—Letters were read from Mr. W. Stuart, a former missionary of this field, claiming \$200 of arrears due by the people, part of which they disputed, and all of which they declined to pay. The Convener was instructed to offer Mr. Stuart \$100 in full of his claim.

The Convener reported that the present missionary, Mr. J. R. McLeod, had recently been ordained by the Presbytery of Bruce, that his services were highly appreciated by the people, who were to contribute at least \$250 per annum of his salary.

It was agreed to instruct all the missionaries in the Lake Superior fields hereafter to report to this Committee through the Presbytery of Bruce, within whose bounds they are, and under whose direct supervision it is desirable they should hereafter be.

MANITOULIN ISLAND.

Mr. Tolmie reported that a deputy from the Presbytery of Bruce had recently visited this field. The progress made has been most satisfactory, and the services of the ordained missionary, Mr. Hugh McKay, as well as of Mr. Builder, the student missionary, were highly appreciated by the people.

Two new churches have been erected during the summer, viz. at Gore Bay and at Manitowaning.

The Committee agreed to appoint a student missionary to assist Mr. McKay during the winter half-year, and voted a grant of \$4 per Sabbath for this purpose.

The Presbytery of Bruce were instructed to lay before the Committee next March full statistics of this field.

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1. *Appointment to Prince Albert*.—Applications were received from several ministers of the Church for an appointment to Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

The appointment was offered in June to Rev. D. Ross, of Lancaster, who was unable then to accept it. Mr. Ross having intimated his readiness to accept provided the Committee could wait till next spring, it was unanimously resolved, after hearing Mr. Ross give expression to his mind on the matter, to appoint him to Prince Albert for a term of at least four years, with a salary of \$1,250 per annum and travelling expenses to the field, with the understanding that these do not exceed \$500. Mr. Ross accepted the appointment.

It was agreed to instruct Mr. Ross for the present to report directly to this Committee, and the Treasurer was instructed to remit his salary direct to himself.

Miscellaneous.—Full reports were received from this Presbytery of services rendered during the half-year ending 30th June, with statistics of all the fields and the amounts promised by the several stations towards the salary of the missionaries for the ensuing year.

A request was received from the Financial Committee of the Presbytery to have the time changed from 1st October to 31st December for the annual statement of the amounts promised by the several stations for the ensuing year.

The time having been fixed by the General Assembly, the Committee did not feel justified in making the desired change.

A communication from the Presbytery was laid on the table and read, asking the appointment of two additional missionaries. It was agreed, owing to the present state of

the fund, to decline making any further appointments in the meantime.

The Committee declined to entertain a claim of \$123, arrears due to Mr. J. S. Stewart for services rendered about two years ago.

APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES.

The list of missionaries available for service during the winter months was made up and appointments given as follows:—

(Only the names of those receiving appointments are here given.)

Messrs. John Geddes, H. I. Millar and D. Beattie, to Kingston Presbytery.
 Messrs. Mark Turnbull (to Perry Sound), John McKay (to Magalloway), J. K. Andrews and Charles Hemming, to Barrie Presbytery.
 Messrs. Wm. Fleming, Adam Moffatt and John Cairns, to Chatham Presbytery.
 Mr. Colin McKerracher to Lindsay Presbytery.
 Mr. James Robertson to Ottawa Presbytery.
 Messrs. George Jamieson and Archibald MacGillivray to Huron Presbytery.
 Mr. E. B. Rodgers to Owen Sound Presbytery.
 Messrs. T. Fenwick and J. Hume to Quebec Presbytery.
 Mr. James Stewart to Montreal Presbytery.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. James Miller.—Convener reported that he had received a letter from Mr. James Miller, asking that his expenses be paid home to Scotland, which he declined to do. The action of the Convener was sustained.

The late Rev. A. Dryburgh.—A letter was read from the executor of the late Rev. A. Dryburgh, asking payment of \$37.50, supplement due for services in Elmira and Hawksville. The claim was ordered to be paid.

Claim of Rev. A. Glendinning.—A communication was laid on the table and read from the Rev. A. Glendinning, preventing a claim for his travelling expenses from Manitoba of Ontario, he having about three years ago returned on account of impaired health. The committee declined to entertain the claim.

Sub-committee.—The following were appointed a sub-committee to whom were referred all matters requiring action prior to the March meeting of the committee.—Dr. Cochran, Messrs. Laing, King, Macdonnell and T. W. Taylor.

STATE OF THE FUND.

The Convener reported the state of the fund at this date as follows:—

Expenditure to 1st Oct., 1878, including balance against the Fund on 1st May.	\$11,612 00
Claims passed at this meeting, say.	10,600 00
Claims for Manitoulin Island, etc., to date, say	1,000 00
	\$23,212 00

Receipts from 1st May to date (1st Oct.)	4,150 00
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Balance against the Fund	\$19,062 00
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After lengthened consideration of the matter the following resolution was adopted:—

Whereas, the indebtedness of the Fund at this date exceeds \$19,000,—nearly \$6,000 above the debt at the same period last year,—whereas the estimated expenditure of the current year is about \$43,000; and whereas the committee are satisfied that only by a strong and general effort the income of the year can be made equal to the expenditure; Resolved, that the Convener be instructed to request all the Presbyteries of the Church to use the utmost diligence to secure liberal contributions to the Home Mission scheme from every Congregation and Station within their bounds, and hereby intimate that in the event of sufficient funds not being forthcoming prior to the March meeting of the committee, they will be under the necessity of deducting a percentage from the claims of all Presbyteries for Supplemental Congregations and Mission Stations for the half year ending 31st March next, so as to equalize the expenditure with the income of the year.

The Committee further earnestly request Presbyteries carefully to revise every application for aid with a view to increase the contributions of the people in the respective fields, and to reduce the grants from the Home Mission Fund.

Expenses paid.—The travelling expenses of members were noted and paid.

Close.—The Committee adjourned at half-past eleven o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, 9th October, and the meeting was closed with the Benediction.

ROBT. H. WARDEN,	WM. COCHRANE, D.D.,
Secretary.	Convener.

CARDINAL CULLEN died on the 24th ult. A telegraphic despatch from Dublin on the 25th says: "Cardinal Cullen was taken suddenly ill at two yesterday afternoon, and died about four. He had been in delicate health ever since his return from the conclave at Rome last February. On Wednesday he complained of pains in the chest, and on Thursday morning his malady was pronounced serious but not dangerous. Suddenly he began to sink. He spoke the responses in the prayers for the dying at the last moment and shook hands with his private secretary. He said "good bye" without pain and died. The shops in the vicinity of the Cathedral are closed and every mark of respect shown. The body will lie in the private chapel until Saturday, and then in state in the Cathedral. A solemn requiem will be celebrated on Monday, and the burial in the Cathedral vault on Tuesday. Dr. McCabe, coadjutor Bishop, is likely to succeed him. The Cardinal leaves a large fortune. The Catholic citizens of Dublin will wear mourning until the month's end."

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY.—An adjourned meeting of this Presbytery was held at the manse, Quaker Hill, Uxbridge, on Monday, Oct. 21st, 1878. The Rev. Mr. McNabb reported having moderated in a call at Woodville, and laid on the table said call. Addressed to Rev. A. Ross, Pictou, N.S., signed by 220 communicants and 122 adherents. The Moderator's conduct was approved; Messrs. Gilchrist and Reid, Commissioners from the congregation were heard; and the call sustained. Reasons for translation were read, and Mr. McNabb appointed to represent the Presbytery of Lindsay at the Pictou Presbytery. The Presbytery having sustained Mr. W. J. Smyth's trials for ordination, adjourned to the church. The Rev. S. Acheson preached to a large and attentive audience, after which Mr. Smyth was ordained minister of the congregation, Rev. J. T. Paul, presiding. The Rev. A. Currie addressed the newly ordained pastor, and Rev. E. Cockburn the people of his charge.—JAMES R. SCOTT, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.—This Presbytery met, pursuant to adjournment, on Friday, the 25th ult., in St. John's Church, Brockville. There was a fair attendance of members. In the absence of Mr. Clark, Mr. Leishman was chosen Moderator, *pro tem*. The Presbytery took up first Mr. Brown's resignation of the charge of Lyn and Yonge. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Brown, stating his inability to be present. No commissioners from session or congregation appeared. The Presbytery accepted Mr. Brown's resignation, and appointed Mr. Burnfield to declare the charge vacant on the 27th ult. Mr. Burnfield was also appointed Moderator of the session of Lyn and Yonge. Mr. Dey reported the action of the committee appointed to visit Dunbar with reference to the arrears due Mr. Chesnut. The balance had been paid, thus removing a cause of anxiety to Presbytery, and a source of embarrassment to an esteemed brother. The Court fixed the rate necessary for the Presbytery and Synod Fund, and instructed the Clerk to remind sessions of their duty to answer the claims of the Assembly Fund. Mr. Blair's application to be received into fellowship as a minister of this church was next taken up. Upon consideration of Mr. Blair's further communications respecting his past labours, and his designs for the future, it was agreed to receive the application and transmit it in due form to the next General Assembly. The next regular meeting of this Presbytery takes place (D.V.) at Spencerville, on Tuesday, Dec. 17th. at 3 p.m.—W. M. McKIBBIN, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE.—On the 15th October at Barrie an adjourned meeting of this Presbytery was held, chiefly to dispose of a call from Knox Church, Oro, to Rev. Henry Sinclair of Mulmur and Tosoronto, which was sustained and handed to him at meeting on Sept. 24th. Commissioners from the congregations interested were heard for and against Mr. Sinclair's translation. He decided to accept the call, and notwithstanding that Mr. Sinclair has been in his present charge only seven months, the Presbytery had no hesitation in agreeing to the translation on account of the strong reasons urged for it. It was agreed to declare the charge of Mulmur and Tosoronto vacant on Sabbath, Oct. 27th, and to induct Mr. Sinclair to the charge of Knox Church, Oro, on Thursday, 31st, at one p.m. Mr. Gray was appointed to preside; Mr. D. McDonald to preach, Mr. A. McDonald to address the people in Gaelic and English; and Mr. S. Hutcheson to address the newly inducted minister. The Presbytery agreed to supply the station of Waubashene during the winter, by each of the ministers giving a day's services in the field. It was found that the expenditure of the year would require contributions at the rate of eight cents per member in the bounds, and it was agreed to ask this from the congregations, together with the sums required for General Assembly expenses, to be paid to the treasurer on or before meeting of Tuesday, Nov. 26. The total rate to be raised in this Presbytery for Presbytery, Synod and Assembly expenses is thirteen cents per member; but this does not include what will be needed to meet deficiency in salaries of missionaries during the summer. Special collection on Thanksgiving Day to meet that deficiency was agreed on. It was also agreed to leave it to the ministers to arrange their missionary meetings as convenient for them.—ROBT. MOODIE, *Pres. Clerk*.

THE Brooklyn Tabernacle trustees have raised Mr. Talmadge's salary from \$7,000 to \$12,000.