

Rev. J. Stewart, Pakenham, preached an eloquent and appropriate sermon from Ps. xxvii. 4, which was listened to with marked attention. Mr. Bremner, the pastor, then reviewed the history of the congregation, and the progress they had made during his pastorate of three years. These had been the happiest three years of his ministry. The congregation had bought a manse at White Lake, and repaired the church there. Now, they had built a new church here, finished and painted it, and could say they were free from the incubus of debt, which hangs like a dark cloud over so many congregations. This was encouraging both to pastor and people, and calculated to inspire them with new vigour, showing what a united and willing people could do when they exerted themselves. The increase in membership has been no less marked. Sixty names have been added to the communion roll during the last eleven months. In somewhat less than three years, one hundred and twenty names have been added to the communion roll. There is an onward progress in spiritual things equally manifest. This is apparent from the fruits. These fruits are seen not only in the regular attendance on public worship and the earnest attention given, but are manifest in the daily business of life and the morals of the people. The Evangelistic services held here last summer were greatly blessed.

DUNDAS.—The corner stone of the new Knox Church, Dundas, has been laid. The Church when completed will be a handsome and commodious building.

MOUNT PLEASANT AND BURFORD.—We are glad to hear of good progress made at these stations. A new church is in progress of erection at Burford, the corner stone having been laid by Rev. W. Cochrane, on the 25th April. A considerable amount has already been raised for the erection of the church, and it is hoped that the whole amount will be on hand by the time that the building is finished. Mr. Alexander, whose zealous labours have been given for some time back to Mount Pleasant and Burford, received the other day a pleasing and valuable token of the esteem and affection in which he is held.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.—The Rev. Dr. MacVicar, on entering his new residence in connection with the Presbyterian College, Montreal, was presented, by a few of his friends in the city, with elegant furniture to the value of one thousand dollars, as a token of their respect and esteem.

Proceedings of Synods and Presbyteries.

SYNOD OF MONTREAL—SIXTH SESSION.

This Synod met in Knox Church, in the City of Montreal, on Tuesday, the 5th of May, 1874, at 7.30 o'clock, p.m. The retiring Moderator, the Rev. R. F. Burns, D.D., preached the opening sermon from Acts iii. 19, "Times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord," and thereafter constituted the Synod with prayer.

The Roll of Synod, as compiled from the Rolls of the several Presbyteries, was called, and the attendance of members marked.

The Clerk presented and read a statement of the changes affecting the Synod Roll, which had occurred since last meeting, as set forth in the reports of the several Presbyteries, from which it appeared that there were *three* demissions, *four* translations, *seven* ordinations, *six* inductions, *four* ministers received, *nine* students in theology, *four* congregations organized and erected into separate charges, and *five* mission stations erected.