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WITH THY FACE SET HEAVENWARD.

Pilgrim that, with staff in hand
 Through earth's sorrows journeyest,
 Seeking for the Better Land,
 For the mansions of the Blest;
 Leave thy day-dreams, clear thine eyes,
 Let no doubts thy course retard;
 From all slavish fears arise,
 With thy face set heavenward.

Soldier of the Cross, whose sword
 Strikes on earth for Heaven's crown,
 Rest thee on the Incarnate Word,
 Know the work is not thine own.
 Keep thine armour pure and bright,
 O'er thy heart a watchful guard;
 Steadfast in the truth and right,
 With thy face set heavenward.

Servant of the King of Kings,
 Cheerfully perform His will,
 For the Host in Heaven sings
 While His mandates they fulfil.
 When thy heart is faint and weak,
 And thy path of duty hard,
 Comfort in His praises seek,
 With thy face set heavenward.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AND THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Presbyterian Churches of Britain have been lately directing their attention to the state of religion throughout their bounds, and have adopted various agencies in order to revive the religious life of congregations and to carry the Gospel into the homes of the careless. It is impossible to separate these two ends of a Church's activity. The influences for good exercised upon a christian congregation cannot fail to make themselves felt upon the careless and indifferent in the neighbourhood. He whose heart is filled with love for the souls of men and the glory of his Divine Master will not confine his efforts to them that stately meet in places set apart for the worship of God, but will long to compel guests from the high-ways and hedges to come to the appointed Gospel feast.

In a late number of the RECORD we noticed the efforts put forth by the Irish Presbyterian Church for reviving its people and bringing life into regions where the spiritual death that Popery cherishes reigns. The English Presbyterian Church also has been vigorously prosecuting evangelistic work. Liverpool and Manchester have followed the example of London, in arranging for an occasionally recurring week of preaching in a number of the churches. The United Presbyterian Church has not been unmindful of the home field, while throwing itself so zealously into the work of foreign missions. But the most thorough and systematic of all schemes is that of the Free Church of Scotland, which is thus alluded to in the pages of the *Free Church Record*:

"The Assembly's appointment of ministers who should act as evangelists in other congregations than their own was a happy arrangement. It encouraged those flocks that sought more abundant life, and enabled them to find aid for continuous meetings. Therewith many earnest spirits were stimulated to special prayer and simultaneous work for souls. All the congregations that have been visited have been refreshed. In not a few there have been marked cases of awakening. But the plan has had an equally important reflex influence on many in the ministry. All who have had health and leisure to devote to evangelistic work speak of the personal benefit they have found in trying to speak very earnestly and very plainly the most urgent messages from God, and that among the prayers of Christian people.

"Most of our cities and towns have taken some advantage of this scheme, and some country presbyteries have been visited. This has been arranged this year from the centre in Edinburgh. This is well. The use of evangelistic meetings held in nightly series for a week or two is now well known. Ministers, encouraged by the *imprimatur* of the Assembly, are alert in taking advantage of the first indications of desire for such meetings. It is now known who have energy to spare for this work. Probably in future the plan will be more self-working, though those who have aided hitherto in making arrangements will be as willing as ever to advise and aid. Thus it seems that an extraordinary and tentative effort has helped to develop a mode of mutual aid and edification that is likely to prove a blessing to the Church.

"With the remarkable and spreading work of grace on the coasts of Banff and Moray, and the revived zeal for church-extension, and the rescue of the lapsed and lapsing masses in Glasgow, we may hope that 'days of refreshing' from the presence of the Lord, will soon be known throughout Scotland."

There has for a long time been a complaint that the Presbyterian Church is not the Church of the poor, and that it has been lacking in the

work of evangelization in cities, where a large class of neglected people calls for Christian sympathy and effort. The Venerable Dr. Charles Hodge speaks very plainly on this point:—

“It is with great reluctance that we are constrained to acknowledge that the Presbyterian Church in this country is, not the Church for the poor. It is not meant that they are excluded, nor that we fail entirely to reach them. But it is true that our system does not make adequate provision for their instruction. In purely agricultural districts, where the poor hardly exist as a class, this evil is not felt; but in all our larger towns and cities it is great and apparent. Great efforts are, indeed, made to accomplish the object by means of city missions and chapels. But these means are inadequate. A very small part of the poor, much smaller than is our proportion, belong to the Presbyterian Church. We as a Church are not doing, and never have done, what we were bound to do in order to preach the Gospel to the poor. We are not disposed to refer this neglect to any special want of intelligence, or zeal in the ministry or members of our Church. The evil is to be referred to our system. The Presbyterians early adopted in this country, and have always adhered to the principle, that, as a general rule, a minister should look for his support to the particular congregation to which he preaches. We have, indeed, never been unmindful of the wants of those who were not able to sustain the Gospel by their own resources. Our Church from the beginning has laboured in the field of domestic missions, and made systematic efforts to aid feeble congregations in the support of their pastors. The error complained of is not in the Board of Missions, either in its principle or operations. It is in the Church itself. *The error is that no general provision has been made for the support of the preachers of the Gospel.* Every minister has been left to depend on those to whom he preached. The inevitable consequence of this system is, that those who are unwilling or unable to support the Gospel are left in ignorance. Had those who went before us acted on this principle, we should be without the Gospel to this day.”

Much of the above statement is applicable to our Church in Canada as well as to that in the United States. The poor are welcome to our churches, doubtless, but little exertion is put forth to gather them in. A Presbyterian Mission Church does wonders if it brings into its fold all the nominal Presbyterians in its neighbourhood. As for the unconverted, they may be unconverted still. Our ministers, we are told, decline to labour in a home field that is not self-supporting, while they have no objections to the work of foreign missions, which must be engaged in altogether at the expense of the Church. To preach Christ to perishing sinners is as truly noble work in Toronto and Montreal as in the Red River and British Columbia, and the Church is as much bound to provide for the one as for the other.

In regard to ascertaining the state of religion in congregations, that steps may be taken to improve it, it may be well to enquire to what extent we as a Church may imitate the Church of the Lower Provinces. Its various Presbyteries meet by regular rotation in all the churches within their bounds, and proceed at once to the visitation of the congregations which assemble there. When it is not convenient for the Presbytery to meet in both congregations of a double charge, or in small and out of the way localities, Committees of Presbytery are appointed to visit and report. In this way the fullest information is obtained as to the general state of the various congregations, and the publication of minutes, such as the fol-

lowing, draws attention to all that is deserving either of censure or of commendation :—

“PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

“PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HARVEY,
March, 21st, 1871.

“The Presbytery having met according to adjournment was, after service by the Rev. N. McKay, constituted by the Moderator.

“The Presbytery proceeded to the visitation of this congregation.

“The customary questions having been put, it was found : That the minister endeavours to preach the Gospel faithfully—endeavours to make his pastoral visitations answer the ends of diets of examination—visits the congregation punctually once a year—visits the afflicted attentively, and attends Church courts regularly—administers baptism only in a worshipping assembly and with consent of the Session—does not administer baptism to the children of parents not in the fellowship of the Church. Has usually two Bible classes, with an aggregate attendance of about 25.

“The elders seldom visit and pray with families in the congregation ; do watch over members and report cases requiring discipline ; visit the afflicted, always attend meetings of Session and other Church courts when within their reach ; attend and take part in prayer-meetings. The number of elders is six, one of whom is aged and infirm. They carefully exclude persons under censure ; have occasional meetings for conference and prayer ; endeavour by agency of Sabbath schools, and sometimes by personal conversations, to bring in the baptized youth. They exercise supervision over Sabbath schools, and these are efficiently conducted.

“Regarding the state of religion, they report their shortcomings many, and they have nothing to boast of, but there are evidences of the growth of spirituality and morality ; many attend carefully to family religion, and the Sabbath schools are fully attended ; there are two prayer-meetings—one conducted by the elders, and the other, near the residence of the pastor, is regularly attended by him ; there is service at Harvey every Sabbath morning, and on Sabbath afternoon a monthly service is given to Brockaway, Gass Settlement, and Acton. The number of families is about 80, and of communicants about 200 ; accessions during the year 10. There are some who ought to have professed Christ who have not done so. Eighteen copies of the *Record* are taken in the congregation.

“The minister’s salary is \$440. It is all they can raise. They believe the people give as much as they are able. The highest subscription is \$15, and there is only one so high as that. No arrears due the pastor. The congregation meets its liabilities promptly.

“After several members of the Presbytery had expressed their views on the information elicited, the Presbytery unanimously agreed to the following finding, which was submitted by the Clerk :—

“*Resolved*,—That the Presbytery is highly gratified to find that, under the efficient and pains-taking pastorate of the Rev. S. Johnston, the spiritual affairs of the congregation are in a very satisfactory condition, and that he is well assisted by a band of elders who understand their duties and endeavour to discharge them. The Presbytery is also pleased to find that the congregation is promptly fulfilling what it promised for the support of ordinances, and in aiding the mission schemes of the Church. The Presbytery would, however, earnestly encourage and urge the congregation to endeavour to attain a higher exercise of Christian liberality towards both local and general objects.

"The Presbytery then adjourned to meet at the residence of the Rev. Mr. Johnston, this evening at seven o'clock, p. m."

We are aware that something of the kind is done by some of our own Presbyteries, but it is to be hoped that some decided action in regard to an improved state of religion, whatever the agency by which it is to be brought about, may shortly be taken by all the Presbyteries of our Church.

Missionary Intelligence.

FREE CHURCH MISSIONS.

The following statement of the Foreign Missions Committee of the Free Church gives a valuable synopsis of the work carried on and the results obtained.

"The operations of the mission are very varied, and are gradually extending. The work, mainly of an educational kind, which has been so long carried on in the Presidency and other large and important cities of India, is still carried on as extensively and as vigorously as it ever was; while evangelistic and educational operations are constantly extending amongst the teeming populations in many provinces of that vast land. The readers of the *Record* are familiar with the names of our native brethren who are daily preaching to their countrymen in such districts as Chinsurah and Mahanad in the Eastern, Jalna and Indapur in the Western, and Nellore and Chingleput in the Southern Presidency of India. Nor is it only among one class of the native community that our missionaries labor. While the Hindus or Brahmanic race have long been the chief objects of their care, they have been able to bestow no little amount of attention on the members of other communities,—the Mussulmans and Parsis, and the uncivilized but unsophisticated aboriginal tribes, such as the Waralis, Gonds, and Santals.

"Similar operations are being carried on in South Africa. The Institution at Lovedale is becoming, like those in the Presidency cities of India, a veritable 'school of the prophets,' having now a dozen students under training for the work of the ministry. The operations of the mission have been extended into the Transkei territory; and the mission in Natal, adopted by the Free Church six years ago, is doing much for the civilization and christianization of the Zulus—an interesting branch of the Kaffir race.

"As bearing upon the demand for a liberal collection on this occasion, the following statement of the extent of the missions ought to be seriously examined and pondered.

"The total number of Christian Agents is 223, of whom 174 are in India and 49 in Africa. Of the whole number, there are 18 European and 10 native missionaries in India, and 7 European missionaries in Africa—the rest being engaged as preachers, catechists, readers, or teachers in schools. As regards the native churches, there are 656 communicants in India and 1250 in Africa, of whom 50 adults in India and 79 in Africa were baptized or admitted on profession during the past year. The entire number admitted on profession since the commencement of the missions is 1144 in India and about 2350 in Africa. Besides communicants, there is a considerable body of baptized adherents. There are altogether, in both fields,

9752 scholars under Christian instruction, of whom nearly 2000 are girls, in the various female schools of the missions in India.

"The schools in Constantinople are attended by 200 Jewish children. Mr. Tomory is a zealous and indefatigable laborer, and the teachers, Mr. Leonhard, Miss Henry, Miss Whittet and Miss Ewing, have succeeded in placing the schools in a state of commendable efficiency. An appeal has been made for new buildings, and already a large sum has been collected for building purposes."

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

The *Record of the United Presbyterian Church* contains the following:—

"Another promising feature of our Missions, as a whole, is the extent to which brethren in the different fields are taking up practically the question of a native agency. In Jamaica, it is hoped that this subject, which has long and often been pondered, not without some encouraging results, will henceforth be regarded more hopefully as an attainable result, and as a matter of necessity. In Old Calabar the brethren are beginning to testify that one-half of the work done is by means of native teachers and evangelists; and it seems not too much to hope, amid the gloomier events of that mission, that we may see, ere long, in the first native convert in that African tribe, its first ordained native minister. In Caffreland an indigenous agency already exists, not merely in the case of Mr. Soga, whose culture and character make him a permanent exception, as having the status of a European superadded to the incommunicable aptitudes belonging to a native; there are others at every station on both sides of the Kei, who, by the blessing of God, and by hopeful labour on the part of their instructors and themselves, may all attain a higher position, and some of them the highest—that of ordained ministers of the gospel. The whole subject of a native ministry has engrossed the attention of a general conference of the missionaries of Caffreland at two separate annual assemblies. Then our Indian Mission numbers some natives who preach a sound gospel in the bazaars and villages with intelligence and fervour; and the brethren there are alive to the fact, that the mission will have taken the first step in a higher career, when, without laying hands suddenly on any man, they can proceed to the first ordination of a convert; for he will be the first native minister of that great future Church, which is one day to fill the length and breadth of Rajpootana."

During the year 1870 the following grants were voted by the Mission Board:—To the Union of Evangelical Churches in France, £500; to the Evangelical Society of Geneva, £250; to the Evangelical Society of Lyons, £150; to the Belgian Missionary Society, £200; to the Waldensian Mission at Palermo, under the care of the Rev. J. Simpson Kay, £100; to the French Canadian Missionary Society, £100. In addition to these amounts, the students of our Theological Seminary raised at the various missionary meetings with the congregations of the Synod, £974, which they devoted to the training of native Spanish evangelists. There remain yet to be applied to this important object a sum of about £350. The amount already distributed is £500, and consists of the following sums, allocated by a committee appointed for the purpose,—viz., £200 to the Theological Seminary, under the care of the Edinburgh Spanish Evangelization Society; £150 to be administered by our Spanish Missionaries, Messrs. Benoliel and Viliesid; and £150 to Madrid, to be expended under the direction of Señor

Carrasco and the Rev. John Jamieson. It is gratifying to add, that besides a noble gift of £1000 by one Christian friend, there have been realized, up till the date of this report, £1962, in behalf of the suffering French Protestants, whose resources for Christian work have been so sadly reduced by the destructive war.

AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

The following record of a two weeks' mission tour by the Rev. L. W. Eckard, of Chefoo, China, appeared in the July number of the *Presbyterian Monthly Record*.—

"I should like to tell you of a pleasant two weeks' tour in the country during December, the first itinerating trip that up to that time I had attempted. I was accompanied by one of Bro. Corbett's assistants, Mr. Tzung, and my teacher Wang, both of them most excellent men. They displayed a spirit and ability to impart the truth which was most gratifying, liberally sowing their seed in the morning and not withholding their hands in the evening. We started on the sixth of December. During the time we were absent we went about two hundred and fifty miles, visiting the walled cities of Hai Yang and Lai Yang, besides numerous smaller places. Fortunately we were able to attend some half dozen "markets" (or agricultural fairs) where, in each instance, thousands had collected together, affording a fine field for the distribution of the S. S. and tracts, as well as for direct preaching. It was at one of these places, Wan De, that we experienced the only exception to the kindness with which we were elsewhere greeted. Such interesting announcements as "The Devil has arrived," and "Here is a Frenchman," greeted us as we entered the place. It was in vain that I denied all connection with his Satanic majesty, or the Latin race, and proclaimed my Anglo-Saxon origin. We attempted once to stop and talk, but it was useless. Mr. Wang (who was kneeling down to untie a package of tracts) was violently pushed over, and I was struck in rapid succession with three stones. The language of the crowd became menacing, and so a retreat was at once determined upon and happily effected. I do not desire, however, to give this as a representative case, or to imply that the people generally are disposed to act otherwise than in a friendly manner. The reverse is true. On the whole we were much encouraged.

"At Kingtze Poo, thirty miles from here, we found a decided spirit of enquiry, the result of Mr. Corbett's faithful efforts in that direction. It would not be warranted by existing circumstances, but I trust the day is not far distant when we will be able to establish a regular station there, which shall be self-supporting. At Hai Yang also our success was encouraging. We arrived there on Saturday noon, and remained over the Sabbath. Not only were we able to dispose of a considerable number of books, and address large and attentive crowds; but numbers followed us to our inn to be further instructed. Among these were several Yamen underlings, a Buddhist priest and a score of children. The latter were taught by Mr. Tzung how to pray, and as many as consented to recite after him an outline statement of the character and work of our Saviour received a little book. The majority under these circumstances sought and obtained the prize. We have been led recently to hope that the trip was not without immediate visible fruit. Two muleteers who were with us (carrying books, clothing, &c.) and who necessarily heard the truth from day to day, have, since our

return, presented themselves as enquirers, and one of them has brought four others with him. These all are enjoying regular instruction from Mr. Corbett, and he expresses himself as much gratified with their sincere desire to attain to a knowledge of the truth. They seem to be in earnest.

"In general, the work here is encouraging, the street chapel daily crowded, and the Sabbath services well attended. A large Sabbath-school was recently started—conducted by the whole available mission force. Mrs. Eckard and myself each have a class.

"You will be sorry to learn, if you have not yet heard, that through the winter Mrs. Corbett has been dangerously ill. She is very much better now. We hope, however, that she may be induced to take a trip during the summer for the purpose of more completely re-establishing her strength. She seems loath to leave, even for a brief season, her chosen duties here, but all of us are convinced that she ought to have a change.

"You of course know about the Wherrys. We were glad to welcome them here as an addition to our number. Mr. W. looks much better than when he came, and I think is so. They spent the winter with us; but are now keeping house by themselves. I hope, and think, that the change from the debilitating southern climate to the bracing air of Shantung, will spare them long to the mission and prevent the necessity of their return home.

"Let me, in conclusion, ask that we all may continue to have an interest in your prayers. Nothing encourages us more than to think that we are constantly remembered thus by our friends at home. Ask that in our weakness *His* strength may be perfected, and that our efforts may be used by Him for the promotion of His glory."

MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE LOWER PROVINCES.

The recent intelligence afforded of the state of affairs in the New Hebrides Mission, in the letter of the Rev. Dr. Geddie, will be read with interest.

GEELONG, March 20, 1871.

DEAR SIR,—You have been informed of our safe arrival in Australia. We reached here late in January, after an unusually boisterous voyage. Being later than usual in leaving the islands, we encountered the outer circle of a hurricane. The barometer fell to 28° 18', being lower than ever it was in the "Dayspring." Our upper yards were all lowered, and we rode out the storm with comparative ease.

The work goes on at my station as usual during my absence. The Rev. Mr. Inglis spends an occasional Sabbath there, and the elders are regularly employed in conducting worship in their different districts. Mr. Goodwill lives at my station during my absence, having come there at the recommendation of the brethren to spend the first unhealthy season. Neither he nor Mrs. Goodwill was robust when I left the island. I hope that they will both be able to return to this island when the "Dayspring" goes back to the New Hebrides.

Our efforts to open up new islands have been crowned with some success. We now occupy the middle and extreme ends of the group. Every island of the New Hebrides will, by the time this reaches you, be within sight of an island where the Gospel is made known. When a few more missionaries are settled it will not be necessary for any one of our number to

devote his time to the introduction of the Gospel into new islands. The different missionaries will be able to operate with advantage on the islands in their immediate neighbourhood. God has prospered the efforts to extend His cause to a great extent. The evangelization of the New Hebrides is now more hopeful than ever it was.

The printing of the Aneityumese Bible is now fairly begun. The work has been undertaken by Mason, Firth & Co., Melbourne, the most extensive firm in these quarters. The British and Foreign Bible Society have assumed the responsibility of the work, but I expect that we will be able to repay all their expenditure in due time. The natives are making commendable efforts to provide themselves with the whole of God's written Word. I regret that the work must be suspended from the first of April until the close of the year. Our mission is so weak at present that I must return by the "Dayspring" to the islands. I leave my family here, and hope to return about December to resume the printing of the Bible. Mrs. Geddie is not in a fit state to return to the islands; but she is fast improving by the cold of Australia.

The traffic in natives is causing some stir in this part of the world. The manner in which a large number of these natives are procured is a disgrace to the civilization of the nineteenth century. Some of them are induced to leave home under false pretences, others are regularly bought, others are stolen from their islands, and some leave of their own accord, and of these we have nothing to say. A few of the natives who go abroad to Queensland and the Fijis meet with good treatment, and are sent home satisfied; many of the natives are ill-treated and badly paid, and little attention paid to their agreements. But we complain most of the numbers who are never brought home at all. John Wesley was not far wrong when he pronounced the slave-trade the "consummation of villainies." Scenes have been enacted in the New Hebrides which are worthy of the palmy days of African slavery. The effects of the trade on these islands have been very disastrous to the natives. The New Hebrides missionaries have now their share of abuse, especially from the Queensland press, for the exposure of some of the evils of the trade. I have been writing a short letter which I enclose, and which will give you some idea of what we have to bear. It would be an endless thing to notice all the scandal heaped upon us, so I have just answered one thing.

There is a vessel in Melbourne just fitting out for the New Hebrides. There are a number of young men on board who are going there as settlers. They will cultivate cotton, sugar, coffee, etc. This will tend to keep the natives on their own islands. The settlers will, from motives of self-interest, use their influence against the kidnapping and buying of natives. I have not seen any of the parties; but I believe they are all respectable, and some of them members of Christian families. They commence at Tana and Faté. A great effort should be made to precede trade in these islands by Christian missionaries. It will be hard work if we have to follow.

The "Dayspring" will sail this week for some of the outports. I expect to follow in the steamer next week, and join her at Portland, and sail from thence to the islands about the 10th of April. May God prosper His own work.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN GEDDIE.

REV. P. G. MCGREGOR.

General Religious Intelligence.

MEETINGS OF ASSEMBLIES AND SYNODS.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND.—The Assembly met in Dublin on the 5th of June. The Rev. L. E. Berkeley succeeded Dr. Smyth as Moderator. The reports of the various committees, and especially of the Foreign Mission Committee, were very encouraging. In regard to commutation it was stated that out of 562 ministers 512 had commuted, while the others are expected soon to cast in their lot with their brethren; that nearly two million dollars of the commutation money has been invested, and over a quarter of a million is waiting investment; and that for this, the first year, the Sustentation Fund has reached \$126,000. In spite of the special call upon the revenues of the Church there has been an increase in the contributions to its ordinary schemes. The statistics give 80,559 families; 115,495 communicants; 2,210 elders; 161 deacons; 275 manse; 716 national schools; 1,104 Sunday Schools; 8,253 Sunday School teachers; 63,829 Sunday School scholars. The questions of instrumental music and the use of hymns have been vexing the Church, and committees were appointed, after discussion, to consider these questions at length, and report. Deputations from Scotland, England, France, Belgium, America, and New Zealand, gave interest to the meeting of the Assembly at various stages of its progress. The Church pledged itself to uphold an undenominational system of education. We observe the names of the Rev. Dr. Watts and Thomas Sinclair, Esq., the deputies who visited our Church last year, among the eloquent of the Assembly.

SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE LOWER PROVINCES.—The Synod met on the 28th of June in St. John, N. B. The Rev. W. Duff was elected to the chair vacated by the Rev. Robert Sedgwick. The reports of Committees were full of interest. The Home Mission report showed how great the field is that has to be occupied by the missionaries, especially in Cape Breton, and the need of labourers in this department of the Church's work. The Foreign Missions Report set forth a summary of the information which has been furnished monthly to the readers of the RECORD. The Conference on the State of Religion, in which all the Presbyteries of the Church were represented, was well calculated to encourage the hearts of God's people, and to stimulate them to earnest and hopeful exertions for the good of souls. Deputations from the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, the American Presbyterian Church, and the Reformed Presbyterian Church of the United States, visited the Synod, and were heartily welcomed. The question of ministerial education came up in connection with the election of professors in the Theological College. We are sorry to see that some members of Synod advocated the doing away with a home institution and sending the students to Colleges in the mother country. The College Committee announced that Dr. King had presented his library of 2,000 volumes, and C. D. Hunter, Esq., the sum of \$2,000, to this institution. Professor King resigned his connection with the Church, and is leaving Canada for Scotland. The Rev. Mr. McKnight was elected Professor of Theology, and the Rev. John Currie, Professor of Hebrew, with a salary of \$1,200. The

Committee on Psalmody intimated the completion of the task assigned them and the publication of the collection of music authorized by the Synod. The Acadian Mission reported favourably, and Mr. Paradis addressed the Synod in its interest. A discussion took place on the question of Union in regard to the Larger Catechism being made one of the subordinate standards. This was negatived, and the basis of the Joint Committee sent down to the inferior courts. The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Maritime Provinces, representing the Established Church of Scotland, being in session at the time, an interesting communion service was held, in which the two Synods joined.

SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.—This Synod also met in St. John, on the 30th of June. The Rev. Alex. McLean, of Prince Edward Island, succeeded the Rev. Allan Pollock as Moderator. The Reports on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, the RECORD of the Church, Dalhousie College, Foreign and Home Missions, occupied the attention of the Synod for some time. In connection with the latter report, we have to notice the appeal for missionaries, and especially for Gaelic speaking missionaries, from Cape Breton. The amount contributed for Home Missions last year is \$773, being an increase of \$336 on the fund for the previous year. The Foreign Mission Committee reported that Mr. and Mrs. Goodwill were labouring in Espirito Santo, New Hebrides, and that another missionary, Mr. Hugh Robertson, was ready to be sent out to the same field. For this mission \$2,456 were collected during the year. The basis agreed on by the Joint Committee on Union was ordered to be sent down to Presbyteries and Kirk Sessions to report on or before the last day of August, after which it is to be submitted to the whole membership of the Church.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.—The second General Assembly of this Church met in Chicago, on the 18th of June. The Rev. Dr. Humphrey succeeded Dr. Backus in the Moderatorship. There were over 500 members present, and one item of business that engaged the Assembly's attention was the reduction of the numbers composing the Supreme Court of the Church. The Memorial Fund Committee reported that, instead of five, nearly eight millions of dollars had been contributed, and that the fund will probably reach the amount of ten millions. Publications, especially in regard to Sabbath School literature; psalmody, in reference to a hymn and tune book; a sustentation fund, giving a minimum of a thousand dollars and a manse to each minister; union with the United Presbyterian Church of the United States; the manufacture and use of intoxicating drinks in connection with Church membership: these are the principal subjects that occupied the attention of the Assembly. The Home Mission Committee received during the past year \$37,224, while the Foreign Mission Committee closes the year \$43,300 in debt. The Foreign Missions are eleven in number—American Indian Mission, among seven different tribes; South American, in Columbia and Brazil; African in Liberia, Gaboon and Corsico; Syrian, Persian; East Indian, in Lodiana, Furrukhabad and Kolapoor; Siamese; Chinese in Canton, Ningpo, Pekin and California; Japanese; Jewish; and European, in France and Belgium. The number of American missionaries is 111; of native ordained missionaries, 18; native licentiates, 23. The lay teachers number 509, of whom 378 are natives, 119 American females,

and 12 American male teachers. There are 3,512 communicants and 10,059 children in schools.

THE WALDENSIAN SYNOD.—This ancient Church met in Synod on the 16th of May at La Tour. From every parish and every mission station a report is sent annually to an examining Committee, whose duty it is to present a general report on the spiritual condition of all the congregations connected with the Church—our Committee on the State of Religion, in fact, under a different name. There are in this Church 87 evangelists and teachers; 2,019 communicants; 258 catechumens; 126 new members admitted during the year; 26 members lost; 1,635 children at the day schools; 131 at evening schools; 923 at the Sabbath schools.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE WELSH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—The Assembly was held on the 24th of May, in Liverpool. All the proceedings were conducted in the Welsh language, with the exception of part of one diet, when a deputation was received from the English Presbyterian Church. The following was the deliverance of the Assembly after hearing the deputation:—"That this Assembly wishes to extend the heartiest welcome to the brethren who have attended as a deputation from the Synod of the English Presbyterian Church; and having regard to the identity of doctrinal views, and similarity of ecclesiastical polity existing between us and that section of the Christian Church, we rejoice in the hope that the frequent interchange of such visits will ultimately result in a more visible union that will greatly add to the efficiency of both in promoting the cause of the Redeemer, and blessing the world."

The subject of union with other Presbyterian Churches had been remitted to the Assembly by the Northern and Southern Synods respectively, and further consideration of it was deferred. Meanwhile a deputation was appointed to attend the next Synod of the English Presbyterian Church.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SOUTH.—The Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church met in Huntsville, Alabama, on the 18th of May. The retiring Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Dalbey, was succeeded in office by the Rev. Dr. Plumer. About one hundred members of Assembly were present. Old grievances still stand in the way of union.

SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.—On the same day this Synod met in Philadelphia, the Rev. A. Thompson succeeding Dr. McLeod, of New York, in the Moderator's chair. This is the Church to which Mr. George N. Stuart belonged; and the lawsuit recently entered for obtaining possession of the Rev. Dr. Wylie's church, which had been forfeited on account of the Church's dealings with Mr. Stuart, was one of the subjects that occupied the attention of the Court. Some twenty-three members of Synod were present, representing seven Presbyteries.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE AMERICAN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—This Assembly met in Xenia, Ohio, during the last week in May. A new version of the Psalms was adopted. The Committee on Union reported that, having met with a Committee of the American Presbyterian Church in March, they had found themselves unable to agree on all points, especially the exclusive use of the Psalms in public worship, close communion, and non-fellowship with secret societies as a qualification for Church membership. Negotiations are, however, to be continued. The United Presbyterians must be a little more liberal, if they are to dream of union with any other Presbyterian body.

Home Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

CALLS, &c.

The Rev. A. C. McDonald has received a call from the congregation of *Islay*.

Rev. H. J. McDermid has been ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of *Russell and Gloucester*; Rev. R. N. Grant has been inducted into the pastoral charge of *Knox Church, Ingersol*; Rev. J. Baird has been inducted into the pastoral charge of *Port Stanley*.

DEGREE CONFERRED.—We notice with satisfaction that the degree of D. D. has been conferred on the Rev. J. J. A. Proudfoot, of London, by Monmouth University, Illinois.

COLLECTION FOR ASSEMBLY FUND.—It is requested that the collection for the Assembly Fund be remitted as soon as possible to Rev. W. Reid, Toronto.

MINUTES OF ASSEMBLY.—The Minutes of Assembly are now in type, and will be circulated without delay. Those requiring extra copies are requested to send their orders at once. For these the charge will be 15c., post-paid. Extra copies of the Statistical and Financial Returns, with the Report, will be distributed with the Minutes of Assembly.

COLLEGE AT RED RIVER.—The foundation stone of the Presbyterian College at Red River was recently laid by the Rev. John Black. It is expected that the building will be ready this autumn.

Proceedings of Presbyteries.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.—This Presbytery met at Montreal, in Free Church, Côté Street, on the 12th and 13th July, 1871. The Rev. Arch. Henderson, A.M., Moderator. Attendance, fourteen ministers and four elders; the Rev. C. Chiniquy and J. Jones, correspondents; sederunts, four.

Inter alia.—The Presbytery took steps toward dividing the congregation of Winslow into two. The quarterly Home Mission Report was read and disposed of. Distribution of preachers was made to vacancies. The list of aided congregations was revised. Subjects of exercise were prescribed to students of theology within the bounds. R. H. Hoskin delivered part of his trials for license, which were approved. George Bryce, A.M., passed his trials in a satisfactory manner, and was licensed to preach the Gospel as a probationer.

The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held at Montreal, on the first Wednesday of October, in Knox Church.

JAMES WATSON, A.M., *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—This Presbytery met in Kingston on the 3rd and 4th days of May. The congregations of Trenton and Consecon were disjoined, and Trenton erected into a separate pastoral charge, with the prospect of securing the same supplement, previously enjoyed by both places, viz., \$100. A call from Trenton in favour of the Rev. J. B. Watt was presented, sustained, and subsequently accepted by him. The amount promised for salary directly by the people was \$400, to which is to be added the supplement of \$100 from the Central Fund. Arrangements were made for his induction.

Mr. John Gallagher, who had been transferred from the Presbytery of Toronto, was received, and a committee appointed to examine him, with a view to application being made to the Assembly for leave to take him on trials for license. Messrs. Gray and McMechan were associated with the Session of Amherst Island for the disposal of a difficult case of discipline.

At a meeting held on the 23rd of May, James Watt was inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Trenton.

The quarterly meeting of this Presbytery was held in Gananoque on the 11th and 12th days of July. Mr. Wilson, Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, presented a report of mission operations within the bounds. Messrs. Wilson and Burton were appointed a deputation to visit the mission district of North Hastings, inquire into the state of matters there, and report. It was found necessary for the support of this extended mission to draw on all available resources.

Arrangements were made for the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in each of the mission stations before next meeting. Messrs. Burton and Scott were instructed to confer with the Presbyterians at Mill Point in relation to a desire expressed by them to be erected into a separate organization.

Mr. Barron asked and obtained leave of absence for three months on account of ill health. Arrangements were made for the supply of the Gananoque pulpit, chiefly by the members of Presbytery.

Mr. Thomson, at present studying under the superintendence of the Presbytery, was directed to appear at next meeting for examination. Mr. Wilson was authorized to moderate in a call at Glenvale, &c., when requested.

Notice was given by Mr. Wilson that he intended to move at next meeting that the Presbytery overture the General Assembly to be allowed to apply their contributions for college purposes to the support of the Montreal College.

Mr. John Gallagher read his trial discourses, and was examined on the several subjects prescribed for such cases. His trials, taken as a whole, were sustained, and, in due form, he was licensed to preach the Gospel.

The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in Madoc on the last Tuesday of September ensuing, at 7 p.m., Mr. Turnbull to preach the opening sermon.

THOMAS S. CHAMBERS,
Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.—This Presbytery met within the Canada Presbyterian Church, Port Hope, on Tuesday, the 4th of July, 1871.

The Rev. J. W. Smith was elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

A petition from the congregation of Lakevale, which has been heretofore associated with the congregation of Springville, was submitted. The petition was signed by twenty-six heads of families, and requested that the petitioners be placed under the pastoral charge of the Rev. J. Ewing, of Emily. Messrs. James Fowler and J. Williamson appeared as commissioners from the congregation of Lakevale, and were heard in support of the petition. Mr. William Lockie was heard on behalf of the congregation of Springville. The case and the interests involved having been considered at considerable length, it was unanimously resolved that the petition in the meanwhile lie upon the table, and that both congregations be encouraged to hope for the speedy settlement of a pastor among them; the Presbytery promising to give as full and continuous supply of preaching as possible. Arrangements were at the same time made for the dispensation of the Lord's Supper in these congregations at an early day.

The Clerk introduced Mr. William Clark, of Kinmount, who stated that the members of the mission station there are very anxious to build a church, that the people themselves, who are poor and few in numbers, have already subscribed \$150 00, and that they desired the countenance of the Presbytery in the effort to raise additional funds. The Presbytery agreed cordially to re-

commend the claims of the Kinmount Station to the liberality of congregations within the bounds; but, at the same time, resolved to instruct the congregation, through Mr. Clark, to secure, by a proper deed to the Canada Presbyterian Church, the site of the proposed church, before any money is expended on the erection of a building.

The Rev. Thomas Alexander, of Percy, intimated his intention of resigning his pastoral charge on an early day.

Mr. Ewing was appointed to dispense the communion at Kinmount, and Mr. Clark at Chandos, on some convenient Sabbath. Mr. Clark was also invited to give such service to Harvey as circumstances may enable him to render.

The next regular meeting was appointed to be held at Cobourg, on the Tuesday before the opening of Knox College.

W. DONALD, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.—This Presbytery met at Prince Albert on Tuesday, the 4th of July, and was constituted by the Rev. D. Cameron, Moderator. Although the weather was extremely unfavourable, there was a fair representation of members of Presbytery.

The business was chiefly of a routine character; the following items, however, may be noticed:

A petition from persons in Cartwright, to the number of thirty, was considered. The petitioners expressed an earnest desire to occupy their church, (which is still used by those adhering to Mr. Windel), and to have a regular supply of gospel ordinances in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church. As the deed of the church property had never been registered, high legal authority, it seems, has intimated that it is really private property, and therefore at the disposal of the owner. A committee was appointed to confer with the petitioners, and aid the convener of said committee, Rev. J. B. Edmondson, in organizing the parties. Mr. Edmondson was directed to enquire particularly into the state of the congregation, and make up a communion roll, including all members of the Church now acknowledging due subordination to this Presbytery.

The Clerk was instructed to write for a definite reply from Mr. McDonald, of Thamesford, under call to Islay.

A paper was read from Rev. Alex. Kennedy, of Dunbarton and Canton, resigning his charge on account of failing health. The members were unanimous in their expression of regret that Mr. Kennedy should have been led by a sense of duty in the circumstances to resign. The paper was laid on the table, in the hope that, in the good providence of God, Mr. Kennedy may be so far restored as to continue his pastoral labours; and, in the meantime, the Presbytery agreed to supply his pulpit, commencing at such time as he may wish.

Next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Prince Albert on Tuesday, the 26th day of September, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

The Clerk was instructed to intimate that the Records of Session within the bounds will then be called for and examined. Accurate and full returns must then be forward from all the mission stations and supplemented congregations.

The attention of the Presbytery was directed to a movement on the part of the Toronto Presbytery, which, if correctly reported, may seriously interfere with the prosperity of one of the congregations of this Presbytery. It is understood that the above Presbytery is taking steps to organize a station not only within the bounds of that of Ontario, but in the *immediate vicinity* of a congregation lately receiving supplement, and now, after most praiseworthy efforts, relying on its own resources. A committee was appointed to visit the locality and make minute inquiries into all the circumstances of the case, and report at next meeting.

R. H. THORNTON, *Pres. Clerk.*

THE PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO met in the usual place on the 4th of July when 15 ministers and 2 elders were present.

Mr. Pringle was appointed Moderator for the next twelve months, but not being present when the appointment was made, Professor Young, the last Moderator, continued in the chair.

It was reported by Professor Caven that, since last ordinary meeting, he had dispensed the Lord's Supper to the congregation of Weston, and had received six persons into the fellowship of the Church.

An extract minute of the General Assembly was read, authorizing the Presbytery to ordain Mr. George L. McKay to the holy ministry, and to make arrangements in connection with the Foreign Mission Committee for his designation to the work whereunto he has been called, viz., in China. The Moderator was then appointed to assign to Mr. McKay subjects of trial for ordination; and it was agreed that the next ordinary meeting of Presbytery be held in the usual place on the 19th of September, at 11 a.m., when the trials referred to shall be heard; and, in case of their being satisfactory, that the Presbytery meet in Gould Street Church in the evening of the same day, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of ordaining him and designating him as aforesaid, Mr. Pringle to preside, put the questions, and offer up the ordination prayer, Mr. Meikle to address the congregation, and that the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee, Mr. McLaren, of Ottawa, be requested, through the clerk, to deliver the charge to Mr. McKay, and to notify these appointments to the members of Committee; the Presbytery, in making them, believing that they would harmonize with the Committee's wishes.

There was also read an extract minute of the General Assembly, bearing on the appointment of Mr. Inglis, of Hamilton, to be Professor of Systematic Theology in Knox College, and instructing the Presbytery to induct Mr. Inglis into said professorship at the opening of next session of Knox College. It was then moved by Mr. Gregg, and agreed, That the Presbytery meet on the first Wednesday of October, at 7 p.m., for the installation of Mr. Inglis as Professor, and appoint Professors Caven and Young, and Messrs. Pringle and Reid, a committee to consider the detailed arrangements to be adopted, and to report to the meeting in September.

A letter was read from Mr. John Baikie, declaring his acceptance of the call addressed to him by the congregations of Knox Church, Brampton, and Burns' Church, Walton, but stating his inability to appear at the Presbytery meeting, and craving a few weeks' delay in regard to his settlement. After some consideration, it was agreed to hold a special meeting in Knox Church, Brampton, on the 1st of August, at 10 a.m., for the purpose of receiving Mr. Baikie's trials; and in the event of their being satisfactory, that the ordination services be proceeded with at 2 p.m. of the same day, Mr. Pringle (the Moderator elect) to preside, put the questions and offer up the ordination prayer, Mr. McKay to preach, Mr. Christie to deliver the charge to the minister, and Mr. Croll to address the congregation.

An application was read from 21 persons, representing themselves as members and adherents of the Presbyterian Church, residing in Sandford and its vicinity, in the township of Scott, and praying the Presbytery to take the necessary steps to form them into a station in connection with the station at Mount Albert. Anent this application, Mr. Duncan, interim Moderator of the Session of Mount Albert, was heard, as was also Mr. D. McKerracher, missionary student. After some reasoning, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Alexander, That the petition of the people of Sandford be received, that the Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee be instructed to correspond with, and, if possible, to appear before, the Presbytery of Ontario in regard to the establishment of a mission station in that place; and that the matter of supply of preaching there, in the meantime, be left in the hands of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee.

Another application was read, bearing also the names of 21 persons resident in Aurora and its vicinity, and praying to be organized as a mission station. On motion made by Mr. King, it was agreed, that the petition be received, that the Presbytery express satisfaction therewith, that Mr. Dick, Prof. Caven, and Mr. T. W. Taylor be appointed to visit Aurora and Newmarket, and to report (after ascertaining by conference with the people) the wants of the district, and the amount of support that might be expected from it, and that the Home Mission Committee be empowered to give such supply to Aurora, in connection with Newmarket in the meantime, as it may think it right, and have it in its power to afford.

Papers were read in favor of Mr. J. P. McAlpine and Mr. W. P. Walker, both of them licentiates of the Free Church of Scotland; and, in accordance with their own wishes, it was agreed, on motion made by Professor Caven, to make application to the General Assembly, at its meeting in November, for leave to receive both of these brethren as ministers of our Church.

Mr. Meikle gave notice of a motion for next ordinary meeting, to the effect that the General Assembly be overtured to abolish the requirements of a Latin Thesis from students and licentiates, and to require an English Thesis in its stead.

R. MONTEATH, *Presbytery Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—An adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Hamilton was held in the Central Church there on the 30th of May.

The Rev. John Eadie declined the call from Ancaster East and West.

A Commission from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland in favour of Mr. John Thomson, licentiate, was read, and Mr. Thomson was received as a licentiate of this Church.

The Presbytery took up the call from Knox's Church, Ingersoll, in favour of Mr. R. N. Grant, minister of Waterdown and Wellington Square. Parties being heard, and Mr. Grant having signified his acceptance of the call, his translation was agreed to, and he was ordered, after the 5th of June, to await the action of the Presbytery of Paris in reference to his induction. The following minute was adopted, and ordered to be engrossed in the records:—

“The Presbytery, in agreeing to the translation of Mr. Grant, desire to place on record their deep regret in parting with a brother who, both in his public and private relations, has acquired and retained their affection and esteem; and to express their sympathy with the congregation of Waterdown and Wellington Square, in losing the services of a pastor whose character and public ministrations are so well fitted to draw forth their confidence, and to whom they are so ardently attached. The Presbytery would follow Mr. Grant with their earnest prayers, that in occupying a larger field he may experience more of God's grace, and be blessed with a still greater measure of success. The Presbytery would also congratulate the Church in Ingersoll, in receiving as Pastor a man possessed of the amiable manners and intellectual powers of Mr. Grant; and the Presbytery of the bounds in the acquisition of a member very regular in attendance, and efficient in co-operation.”

The call from the Scotch Presbyterian Church, Chicago, to Mr. John McColl, was then taken up, when Mr. McColl declined the call, and the Presbytery expressed their gratification that Mr. McColl had seen it to be his duty to remain amongst them.

DAVID INGLIS, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—This Presbytery held its last regular meeting in Central Church, Hamilton, on Tuesday the 11th of July. There were present fourteen ministers and seven elders. The Clerk stated that Mr. Craigie's term as Moderator expired at this meeting, whereupon Mr. John McRobie, of Jarvis, was appointed Moderator for the next twelve months.

Mr. Inglis then resigned his office as Clerk, and a Committee was appointed to prepare a suitable minute. Mr. MacColi, of Dundas, was appointed Clerk.

Mr. Murray reported that he had moderated in a call from Beamsville, unanimously addressed to Mr. John Thomson. The Moderator's conduct was approved, the call sustained, and the Clerk requested to communicate with Mr. Thomson. Mr. Allen, a member of the Presbytery of Boston, U.S., being present, was asked to correspond. Mr. Allen having made application for admission into the Canada Presbyterian Church, a committee was appointed to confer with him and examine his credentials, according to the laws of the Church. A committee was also appointed to confer with Mr. Thos. Shaw, Catechist, and examine him with a view to his entering Knox College next session.

A full and detailed report of the operations of the Presbytery's Home Mission was read by the Convener, Mr. Inglis.

The Clerk read a remit from the General Assembly intimating the appointment of Mr. Inglis to the Chair of Systematic Theology in Knox College. An extract was also read from the records of the Session of McNab St. Church, Hamilton, asking the Presbytery to permit Mr. Inglis to remain in charge of the congregation until it shall be necessary for him to assume his duties at the College. This request was granted; and it was agreed that the Presbytery shall meet on the second Tuesday of September, at 11 a.m., to take steps to carry out the instructions of the Assembly's remit, and that intimation of Mr. Inglis' appointment, and the Presbytery's purpose in reference to it, be given from the pulpit of McNab St. Church at an early date; said meeting of Presbytery will be an adjourned meeting.

Mr. Porteus, from the committee to prepare a minute anent the resignation by Mr. Inglis of the Clerkship, read the following, which was accepted and ordered to be engrossed in the minutes:—"The Presbytery, in accepting the resignation of Mr. Inglis as their Clerk, desire to put upon their records that he discharged the duties of that office with fidelity and care; that he displayed the most zealous interest in their several vacancies and stations; that he met all parties who had any business with the Presbytery in the most obliging and conciliatory manner; and that he always studied to promote the interests of the Church within the bounds of the Presbytery."

Mr. Fraser, Convener of the Committee to confer with Mr. Allen, reported that, "after conference with him, and examination of his documents, the Committee is satisfied with his standing as a missionary minister in the United States. They beg to suggest that Mr. Allen may be employed in the Home Mission Field, and that the Presbytery delay to a future meeting any more definite action as to his application." The report was adopted.

The Committee to meet with Mr. King, a minister of the Congregational Church, who also applied for admission, reported that Mr. King's credentials were found entirely satisfactory, that the Committee desire further conference with him in reference to his views on doctrine and Church Government, and recommend that, in the meantime, he receive appointments within the bounds; and that he be requested to study maturely the subordinate standards of our Church, and that he meet with the Presbytery at its next ordinary meeting. This report was adopted.

Mr. Shaw, on the report of the Committee that examined him, was recommended to the Board of Examination, as a student entering the first year in Theology.

Mr. Murray was appointed Moderator of Knox Church, Hamilton, until the return of Mr. Simpson.

The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery was appointed to be held in McNab St. Church, Hamilton, on the second Tuesday in October next, at 11 a.m. The Presbytery then adjourned, to meet in Central Church on Tuesday, the 12th day of September next.

JOHN MCCOLL, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—This Presbytery met at Ingersoll, on Wednesday, the 12th July, and inducted the Rev. R. N. Grant to the pastoral charge of Knox Church there. The Moderator of Presbytery, Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Paris, presided, the sermon was preached by the Rev. F. W. Farries, charge to the pastor by the Rev. Mr. Lowry, and to the congregation by the Rev. Wm. Cochrane. The church was filled by an interested congregation, from whom Mr. Grant received a cordial welcome at the close of the services. In the evening, the church was crowded on occasion of the Soiree. Rev. Mr. Cochrane occupied the chair, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Wright, of Ingersoll; McColl, of Dundas; Wardrobe, of Guelph; McMullen, of Woodstock; Rev. E. H. Dewart, Editor of *Christian Guardian*, and Mr. Grant. On Sabbath, the 16th, the newly inducted minister was introduced to his people, by Professor Inglis, who preached morning and evening.

W. COCHRANE, *Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—This Presbytery met at London on the 3rd of May last, by permission of Synod. Twelve ministers and five elders present. Extract minutes anent the Presbytery of Montreal anent the translation of Mr. Gordon, of Indian Lands, were read. A communication from New Hamburg set forth that there was no prospect of that station's being able to pay for missionary supply during the summer. The Presbytery's Home Mission Committee was instructed to apply for further aid from the Central Fund, should they find it necessary. On the motion of Mr. Fotheringham, seconded by Mr. Macpherson, it was unanimously agreed to overture the General Assembly on the selection of books for Sabbath School Libraries. Arrangements were made for the supply of Mr. Hamilton's pulpit during his continued indisposition.

The Presbytery again met on July 4th, at Harrington, for the induction of Mr. Gordon and for ordinary business. Notwith standing unfavourable weather in the forenoon, twelve ministers were present, and two elders. There was also a very large gathering of people, numbers from neighboring congregations. The induction services were conducted in the usual way, and with much interest, Mr. McPherson presiding, Mr. Drummond addressing the minister, and Dr. Waters the people. At the close of the services an address was presented to Dr. Waters, accompanied by a valuable tea service, as an acknowledgment of his services as Moderator of the Session of Harrington during the vacancy. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in the manse in the afternoon, where the congregation had provided dinner for them. Having re-assembled, Mr. Gordon's name was added to the Roll of Presbytery. A petition signed by twenty-five persons in the neighborhood of Mr. Kay's school house, East Zorra, was read, praying the Presbytery to take steps for their organization as a congregation. They were constituted into a mission station in connection with Burns' Church, and Messrs. McPherson and Croly appointed to meet with them in order to their proper organization. The Presbytery's commissioners who attended Assembly at Quebec reported their diligence. The committee on statistics were re-appointed for the year. Dr. Waters was appointed to visit and inquire into the circumstances of Wartbury Mission Station. The Presbytery adjourned to meet at Mitchell, on Sept. 19th, at 11 o'clock a.m.

JOHN FOTHERINGHAM, *Clerk*.

THE LONDON PRESBYTERY held its usual quarterly meeting at Sarnia on the 11th and 12th July.

The Presbytery resolved not to separate the Congregations of Yarmouth and Belmont; but on Mr. Currie adhering to the resignation of his charge, Mr. Cuthbertson and Mr. John Scott, of London, were appointed to visit these congregations, to try to make arrangements that the services shall be compatible with a minister's ability.

Mr. E. H. Bould tendered the resignation of his charge of Warwick, on account of ill health. Parties were called to appear for their interests at London on 8th August next,

Mr. John Baird having accepted the call from Port Stanley, the induction was appointed to take place on 26th July; Mr. Cuthbertson to preach; Dr. Proudfoot to address the minister, and Mr. George Sutherland the people.

Mr. Donaldson having accepted the call from Port Burwell, the induction was appointed to take place on 3rd August; Mr. Baird to preach and preside; Mr. Cuthbertson to address the minister, and Mr. J. A. McDonald the people.

A matter of importance came up from the Session of Zorra, with petitions referring to the same from the congregation.

The Presbytery appointed Dr. Proudfoot, Messrs. George Sutherland, George Cuthbertson, George Simpson, John Thompson, and Lach. McPherson, ministers, and Messrs. James Armstrong and Alex. McMillan, elders, to sit as assessors with the session, and thereafter to act as a Commission of Presbytery on 1st and 2nd days of August next.

Calls to be moderated in at the following places:—Bosanquet, Strathroy, Argyle Church, Aldboro; Napier, and Brooke; and Mr. Sutherland, of Ekfrid, was instructed to organize the people of Euphemia, and, if possible, have elders elected and ordained there. Messrs. McAlpin and Munro, elders, to act in company with Mr. Sutherland.

Mr. Rogers, with his Session, was appointed to visit Oil Springs, with a view to make up a communion roll there.

Mr. B. Lyman, of the M. E. Church, asked to be received as a student of divinity: the matter was referred to a committee.

Rev. A. C. McDonald, of Thamesford, tendered the resignation of his charge, on account of the state of his health. The Presbytery expressed sympathy with Mr. Mc. Donald, and accepted his resignation.

The matter of Mr. Peter McDermid's resignation of his charge of Burns' Church and Bear Creek, was deferred till next ordinary meeting. Mr. McDermid in the meantime allowed three months' absence.

In view of re-arranging East and West Adelaide, it was agreed to cite these congregations to appear for their interests at next ordinary meeting.

The Committee recommend Mr. Lyman's reception; to study two year's under the Presbytery, and one year at Knox College. Intimation of the same to be given to the General Assembly for approval.

Mr. Peter Scott, after trials of a very satisfactory character, was licensed to preach the Gospel.

The services of the student at Williams were ordered, so far as possible, to extend to Arcona also.

The Presbytery recorded its gratification at the well-merited honour conferred on Mr. Proudfoot, one of their ministers, by the Monmouth College, Illinois, conferring on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the people of Sarnia, for their generous hospitality; and to Captain Stone for his kindness in giving the members an excursion to the Lake in his steamer.

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in 1st Presbyterian Church, London, on second Tuesday in August, at 11 a.m., and was closed with the benediction.

Next ordinary meeting, Tuesday, 25th September next, at 11 a.m., in St. Andrew's Church, London.

G. CUTHBERTSON.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON.—This Presbytery held a regular meeting in Kincardine on Tuesday, the 11th day of July.

The Rev. John Stewart was elected Moderator for the ensuing six months.

Mr. Leask and his Session were appointed to organize the Station in East Ashfield, and to dispense the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper there at his earliest convenience.

Mr. Ure was appointed corresponding member of the Foreign Mission Committee from this Presbytery.

The Session Records of the congregations of Tiverton, Lucknow, Ashfield and Huron, St. Helen's, East Kinloss, North Kinloss, &c., were examined and attested.

The Commissioners to the General Assembly gave in a report of their attendance, &c., at the Supreme Court. The report was received, and thanks given to the Commissioners.

Mr. Forbes was appointed to moderate in a call at Lucknow on the 25th inst., said congregation promising to pay an annual stipend of \$800, with a manse.

The Presbytery entered into a lengthy examination of the financial returns for the past year, which resulted in the following Committee being appointed to consider the matter, draft a deliverance thereon, and to report at next regular meeting:—viz., Messrs. Goldsmith, Ferguson, Maclean and McCuaig. Mr. McCuaig, Convener.

Mr. Fraser was appointed Moderator of the Session of Glamis.

Missionary reports were read and approved.

Subjects for trials for license were prescribed to Mr. Wm. Ferguson.

A letter was read from Mr. Hastie, tendering his resignation of his pastoral charge on the ground of ill-health, and requesting that the Presbytery take action on the matter as soon as convenient. It was resolved to hold an adjourned meeting at Lucknow on the 2nd Tuesday of August, at 10 a.m., for the purpose of considering and sustaining a call from the congregation of Lucknow, if it be deemed advisable, disposing of Mr. Hastie's resignation, and considering other matters connected with the congregation of Wingham.

Mr. Wardrope was appointed Moderator of the Session of Langside.

The list of Mission Stations being revised, it was agreed to put Pine River congregation on the list of Mission Stations.

The next regular meeting is to be held in Seaforth on the 2nd Tuesday of October, at 11 a.m.

ARCH. MACLEAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.—This Presbytery held its usual quarterly meeting, at Owen Sound, on the 4th and 5th days of July. A full attendance of ministers and elders.

The following are the principal items of business:—

To meet the rate of this Presbytery for the expenses of Synod it was agreed, that each settled charge contribute one dollar, and North Keppel, Amabel, Dumblane, and North and South Sullivan, one half dollar each.

A circular was read, from the National Bible Society of Scotland, soliciting co-operation in circulating the publications of that society. It was agreed, that the clerk correspond with the secretary of that society, and request that a specimen box be sent to the care of the Rev. C. C. Stewart, Owen Sound.

A paper was read, signed by A. Milne, J. Milne, and J. Thompson, complaining of the conduct of the Meaford Session, in removing their names from the Communion roll. The consideration of the matter was laid over till next meeting, and all parties cited to appear for their interest.

The complaint of certain parties from Thornbury Station was also taken up, but when parties were called, it was found that the Thornbury commissioners did not appear, and the case was left over to another meeting. The parties present were cited afresh, and the others ordered to be cited by the clerk. For the hearing of these two cases an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery was appointed to be held at Owen Sound, on the last Tuesday of this month.

Assessors were appointed at North Keppel in settling a dispute in that congregation.

The Session Records of Paisley, Knox Church, Sydenham, and Dumblane Sessions, were, on the Report of committees appointed to examine them, attested in the usual form.

Mr. Gauld, in reporting on Home Mission matters, stated that there were ten dollars due Mr. Danby, student, from Oxendon, which that station was unable to pay. Application was ordered to be made to the Home Mission Committee for that sum.

A petition from Knox Church, Sydenham, was read, setting forth the claim of that congregation to certain Church property, on Union Street, Owen Sound, and praying to be heard before this court. Mr. Hugh McKay was heard, as Commissioner from the congregation. It was resolved, that the consideration of this petition be deferred till next meeting, and request the congregation of Division Street, Owen Sound, to appear by representation; and further request said Division Street congregation not to sell any more of the property, under dispute, till notified by this court.

Messrs. Fairbairn and McRae, students, underwent part of their probationary trials for license, and subjects for their remaining trials were given them.

The Presbytery adjourned, to meet again at Owen Sound, on the last Tuesday of September, at two o'clock, p. m.

ALEXANDER FRAZER,
Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF SIMCOE met within the Barrie Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday, 4th July, at eleven o'clock, a.m.

Nine ministers and seven elders were present.

The minutes of 25th April and 3rd May last were sustained.

Mr. J. Ferguson was elected Moderator for the ensuing twelve months.

The discourses of Mr. Thos. McKee, permitted to be taken on trials for license by last General Assembly, were formally prescribed to him.

After hearing the report and explanations anent the demission of the charge of Cookstown, &c., by Mr. G. Burnfield, the Court granted him permission to withdraw his resignation.

The ministerial commissioners to the General Assembly reported that they had attended said Assembly.

The elders appointed, as commissioners, stated reasons for their non-attendance, which were accepted as sufficient.

The decision of the Synod of Toronto, in the case of Mr. Thomas Burgess, having been read, it was decided, in terms thereof, to send him a certificate of membership up to date.

It was intimated that with the sanction of the above-named Synod, the Mission Stations of Mulmur and Melancthon had been transferred to the Toronto Presbytery.

By authority of the General Assembly of 1870, Mr. James Stewart was received as a Minister of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

A financial statement was submitted from Knox Church, Oro, showing that the stipend had been fully paid, from 1st January to 30th June, 1871, and that the debt had been reduced.

It was also intimated, that the arrears, considered due by Willis' Church to their late pastor, had been paid up.

The Court expressed its gratification that such favorable reports had been given in.

Authority was granted to Mr. G. Craw to take the usual steps for appointing elders at Wyebridge and Penetanguishene.

The claim made by Mr. J. Greenfield, against the Bowmore Congregation for \$472.61, as arrears of stipend, was, after lengthened deliberation, dismissed, from there not being any substantial ground to support its rightfulness.

A similar claim against the Stayner Congregation for \$109.00, was postponed until fuller information regarding it has been obtained.

Application was made by Bowmore and Stayner Congregations, to be reunited into one pastoral charge, as formerly.

All parties concerned were ordered to be summoned to appear for their interests at next meeting of Presbytery, when the application will be considered.

A communication was read from Mr. J. Brown, Treasurer of the Synod of Toronto, to the effect that the Presbytery had been assessed for \$12, to meet the expenses of said Synod. A rate of assessment was fixed, and handed to the Treasurer of the Presbytery for collection.

Mr. Craw reported that he had dispensed the communion to settlers in Tay and Medonte. His conduct in the matter was approved of.

Mr. R. Rodgers was, on application, authorized to take the steps necessary for organizing a congregation and electing elders at Dunedin.

A petition was received from Holland Landing, asking for the dispensation of the Lord's Supper.

It having been ascertained that said village lies within the bounds of the Toronto Presbytery, the petition was ordered to be transmitted to the Clerk thereof; and Mr. Cameron, of Bradford, was left to act according to his discretion, in regard to continuing religious services in the place.

Mr. J. Campbell applied for employment in the Mission Field. His case was referred to the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery.

Application was made to organize a congregation and have the Lord's Supper dispensed at and around Parry Sound. Mr. Rodgers was appointed to attend to this duty.

The next meeting was appointed to be held within the Barrie Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday, 1st August, at 11 o'clock a.m.

JOHN GRAY, *Presbytery Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF DURHAM.—This Presbytery held their ordinary quarterly meeting, at Durham, on July 11th.

There was little business before the Court.

Arrangements were made for the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in each of the stations.

A petition was read from Toronto Line praying for severance from Rocky Saugeen, &c. congregation, with the view of obtaining more frequent supply than under present arrangements. It was agreed that the petition lie on the table till next meeting, and that parties be cited there and then to appear for their interests in the matter.

Next meeting at Durham, on 2nd Tuesday of September, at 11 o'clock A.M.

WM. PARK, *Pres. Clerk.*

Communications.

LETTER FROM REV. C. CHINIQUY.

MONTREAL, 15th July, 1871.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE RECORD.

Dear Brother in Christ,—Please allow me to address, once more, a few words to the disciples of Christ who take an interest in the progress of the Gospel in Canada.

Our General Assembly had kindly allowed me to lecture in the many places which wanted to hear me, in order to finish the payment of the buildings which we had to put up in the place of those which the Romanists had burnt, but I have been prevented till now from going in your midst by the cries which came to me from almost every corner of Canada; it is not the voice of a single "Macedonia," it is the voices of a million of starving souls which I hear crying, "Do come and help us—we starve,

bring us the bread of life!" If I had consulted you, would you not have told me, "Go and preach the Gospel to your perishing countrymen. Do not lose your time in coming to knock at our doors; we know what you want; we will cheerfully collect it ourselves, and send it to you."

Then, instead of passing the summer in collecting the funds we want, we pass it in preaching the Gospel to our dear countrymen; and you will help us to thank and praise God, when you will hear that he is giving us to reap a most precious crop of souls.

At Belle Riviere not less than eight redeemed souls have been taken away from the snares of Popery. In St. Augustine two Irish families have left the errors of the Apostate Church to follow Christ. In another place, after the service, I was pressing the hands of several French Canadian Protestants converted some years ago, when I perceived a fine-looking man, who kept himself at some distance. I went to him and said, "I suppose, my friend, that you are one of the respectable Roman Catholics of this place?"—"Yes, sir," said he, "I was a Roman Catholic till this morning, but I am no more so since I have heard you. Please take my name as a disciple of the Gospel; and I hope my wife and my children will soon do the same."

In another parish, a pretty well educated Roman Catholic had come to hear, through curiosity; but the address was not finished when the beloved Saviour had entirely changed his heart. Great was the distress of his wife, when, on his return home, he told her his change of religious views; and many hours were passed in discussing the different reasons which the husband gave for his unexpected change. The next day it was my privilege to pass three of the most blessed hours of my life with that family. After having read and meditated with them several chapters of the Gospel, I selected the 4th chapter of John, and handed the book to the wife that she might read it herself. She had never touched a Bible, and I will never forget her sentiments of profound emotion when she pressed the book for the first time with her trembling hands. She read to the eleventh chapter, but she could not go farther. Unable to contain herself any longer, with her face bathed in tears and her hands lifted up to heaven, she fell on her knees and cried, "O, my God—my merciful God! Thou sendest me Thy eternal and beloved Son Jesus as a gift! Jesus comes to me as a gift! Oh, what have I done that Thou mightest give me such a gift? And I have only to accept the gift and through Him love the Giver to be saved! Oh! what can I do to thank and bless Thee for such a gift? Yes, yes, I accept the gift! Oh, gift of God, dwell in me to make me rich and pure and holy! From this day, O Jesus, I am Thine, and Thou art mine for ever!"

At Joliette, last Sabbath, our merciful God granted me to address not less than 300 Roman Catholics, who listened with the greatest attention, respect and joy to the glorious Gospel message I gave them. It was evident that many of them were opening their eyes to the errors of their apostate Church. The priests, who are very numerous and strong there, got frightened. They gathered a mob, composed of the vilest characters, to disturb our evening meeting; and after I had hardly spoken and prayed half-an-hour, the chapel was filled with tumult and horrible imprecations. The rioters swore that they would kill me on the spot if I would speak any more, and one of them came to strike me; but a Roman Catholic threw himself in the way of my murderer, and got his face cruelly cut and bruised: he was soon covered with blood. Dear brethren, do pray for that Roman Catholic who fought and bled that day that I might give him

the Gospel of Christ. Let us hope that Jesus will cast his merciful eyes upon him, and upon the multitude of those who, like him, wanted to fight for me that I might continue to preach. I found it prudent to stop; for many lives would have been lost if I had persisted to speak. The authorities of the town being in the hands of the priests, they refused to protect me, and the two following nights and days my life was in constant danger. The furious mob came to my door and struck it to pull it down. They had a long rope to hang me. I was evidently in the cruel lion's den. But the Lord was there also, and he has saved me from them.

Now, brethren and dear sisters in Christ, help me to thank and bless the beloved Saviour for having given me the grace to suffer all those things, and to pass through those perils for His Gospel cause.

You know that the very same day our dear brother Maraine, at Quebec, was cruelly beaten for the same glorious cause; and that he is now in danger of death from the many wounds he has received.

You see what your missionaries are doing—how they are exposing their lives, and what sacrifices they are called upon to make every day to spread the Gospel in Canada. Will you be deaf to our prayers when we ask you to come to our help and not desert us in this terrible battle we are fighting under your eyes? Not long ago the cruel hand of Rome destroyed my dear chapel and my college. Several of you have already come to our help to rebuild. Some \$3,000 have been sent from the Maritime provinces and Canada for that sacred object. But there are still more than \$2,500 due, which must be paid. I thank and bless those of you who have not hardened your hearts on our great tribulations. But how many who have not yet done anything! Oh! for the dear Saviour's glory, do not forget and forsake us any longer. It is not for ourselves, personally, that we ask you to do something; it is for the sacred cause of the Gospel.

You see by what many perils we are surrounded; you understand the anxiety of our mind in this solemn hour of danger. Please do not add to our tribulations by giving us to think that you have no feelings for your suffering and working missionaries.

Do, then, come to their help, strengthen their arms, cheer up their hearts, and never forget them in your fervent prayers to the throne of God.

Believe me, your devoted brother in Christ,

C. CHINIQUY.

My address is Bible House, Montreal.

THE LATE MR. JOHN URQUHART.

Mr. John Urquhart was born of respectable parents, in the Township of Charlottenburgh, Dominion of Canada. His father was William Urquhart, of the parish of Ferintosh, Scotland. He emigrated to the State of New York about the year 1775, a short time previous to the revolutionary war.

Belonging to that noble band of patriots known as United Empire Loyalists, he would not join the rebellion against his king and country, and left the land of his adoption, to settle in Canada, along with a goodly number of his fellow-citizens of the same political principles.

John, the subject of this memoir, was his third son, and, though a man by no means devoid of natural talent and good sense, did not excel most of his neighbours in anything so much as the earnest manner in which he maintained a truly consistent character. Brought to the knowledge of the

truth, under the truly evangelical ministry of the Rev. Archibald Connel, by a more than ordinary application to the means of grace and the continued exercise of a loving faith in the Great Saviour of Sinners, he gained a high influence among his fellow men, and a more than ordinary reputation for true godliness of life.

He was ordained an Elder of the Church of Scotland in Martintown, during the ministry referred to, and, along with a small number of his brethren, witnessed a good confession for the spiritual independence of God's Church and people, by joining the ranks of those who saw it to be their duty to abandon the walls, not the true principles, of the Scottish Church, at the period of the celebrated disruption, in 1844.

Ever since he sustained the cause of Christ well, not only by his prayers and good example, but by the liberality of his offerings for the spread of the Gospel at home and abroad.

After enduring a long and protracted illness, and bearing unquestionable testimony of the all-atoning blood of Jesus Christ, "he was gathered to his fathers," in the eighty-fourth year of his age, greatly lamented by the Church of which he was an honored Elder, and respected by all.

In his death, the congregation of the Canada Presbyterian Church, Martintown and Williamstown, has lost a good and faithful member, and the minister one of his best friends. N. P.

THE LATE MR. WILLIAM WADDELL.

The subject of this notice was born at Whitburn, in the neighbourhood of Edinburgh, Scotland. For a long period he occupied a farm in that district, but becoming convinced that he could employ his capital more advantageously, and that he could find a more extensive sphere for the energy of his increasing family, he emigrated to Canada, where he arrived in the year 1835. He spent some time in examining different localities, but, ultimately, resolved to settle in Pickering.

In his early years, Mr. Waddell enjoyed special religious advantages; for in addition to the godly example and instructions of pious parents, he was brought up under the ministry of the devout John Brown, of Whitburn—a son of the well known Brown of Haddington, and father of the late Dr. Brown of Edinburgh. The religious principles he enjoyed in his youth he ever highly valued, and by the blessing of the Spirit, he was enabled, early in life, to consecrate himself to the service of God, and, by a public profession, become a member of the Church. His unostentatious piety and conscientious performance of duty early won the respect of his fellow members, and when an addition to the Eldership of the congregation was determined on, he was unanimously chosen to this office; thus for some time before Mr. Brown's death he had the honor of being associated with him in the Session, so that he must have held the office of Elder for the long period of above sixty years.

Mr. Waddell did not forget, when he came to Canada, the care and labour which had been bestowed on his early religious education, nor his consecration to the service of God, as a member of His Church, and a ruling Elder in His house; and consequently, his influence for good in this district was readily acknowledged of the highest value. When the ordinances of religion could not be enjoyed in his immediate neighbourhood, he, with great regularity, attended the ministry of Dr. Thornton, and officiated as Elder under him. He took a principal part in founding the Claremont

Presbyterian Church, and up to the last day of his life promoted in every way possible its temporal and spiritual interests. The duty of private communion with God was never neglected by him, while the sacred social religion of the family was regularly maintained, amid all the changes and inconveniences connected with the early settlement of this country. We have also been informed, that it was with Mr. Waddell and the late Mr. Matheson of Whitby, that the union of the two Churches now forming the Canada Presbyterian Church, was first mooted.

From the singular amiability and geniality of his disposition, the consistency of his conduct in all the relations of life, and his faithfulness to duty, and firmness in defence of the truth, associated as these were with an unobtrusive and modest bearing, Mr. Waddell received the spontaneous offering of respect and love from all with whom he came into contact. Naturally of a sound constitution, and temperate and orderly in all his habits, Mr. Waddell arrived at the good age of eighty-eight years and nine months; death came to him through mere natural decay, without any active disease. He looked on death as simply a transition from the Church on earth to a full introduction into the sacred services of the Church in Heaven. His mental faculties remained clear to the last, while his memory in particular retained its wonted power. His last utterance was, "My flesh and my heart faileth, but *God* is the strength of my heart, and my *portion* for ever." "After he had served his own generation by the will of *God*, he fell on sleep" on the 28th of April, 1871. His end was peace.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH.

From 1st May, 1870, to 30th April, 1871, as audited for presentation to Synod.

KNOX COLLEGE—1870-71.

RECEIPTS.

	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Amount received from all sources		6,928 14
EXPENDITURE.		
Amount due at beginning of year.....	167 76	
Paid on account of salaries.....	5,769 35	
„ to Mrs. Willing—fuel, light and attendance.....	250 00	
„ accounts for repairs, &c.....	50 88	
„ for Library.....	75 65	
„ Printing and Advertising.....	8 00	
„ Insurance.....	103 20	
„ Interest on Mortgage on Building.....	151 41	
„ „ for advances for ordinary expenditure.....	80 00	
„ Proportion of charges common to all the Schemes of the Church	190 00	
Balance.....	81 89	
		6,928 14
Amount at Cr. as above.....	81 89	
Due at date.....	695 02	
Total amount of debt on ordinary Fund being.....	613 13	
Total amount of debt on ordinary Fund on 1st May, 1870, was	831 03	
Less this year by.....	217 90	

KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

1870.		RECEIPTS.	
May 1st.	By amount in hand.....	5,040	00
	„ Cash, per Rev. J. Laing.....	52	10
	„ Interest.....	350	00
		<u>5,442</u>	10
		EXPENDITURE.	
	Knox College ordinary Fund—Interest.....	350	00
	Balance at Interest.....	5,092	10
		<u>5,442</u>	10

BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

		RECEIPTS.	
	Balance in hand.....	428	14
	Received Donations, Interest, &c.	1,151	00
		<u>1,579</u>	14
		EXPENDITURE.	
	Bursaries and Scholarships paid.....	1,020	50
	Invested.....	500	00
	Printing, Stationery, &c.	25	00
	Balance.....	33	64
		<u>1,579</u>	14
The amount invested for Scholarships is \$4,600			

COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

Amount due on mortgage as before.....	2,163	62
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ASSEMBLY FUND.

		RECEIPTS.	
	Amount received.....	1,813	23
	Balance due.....	437	66
		<u>2,250</u>	89
		EXPENDITURE.	
	Balance at beginning of year.....	78	11
	Paid expenses connected with Assembly meeting in Toronto	183	00
	Paid accounts for Printing, including Synod Minutes....	834	55
	„ Rev. W. Fraser, salary.....	100	00
	„ „ Postage account.....	2	84
	„ Rev. Dr. Waters, convener of Committee on Statistics	60	00
	„ expenses of Deputations to other Churches.....	144	00
	On account of expenses Union Committee..	25	50
	Credited to arrears of Buxton Mission.....	72	89
	Proportion of general expenses.....	100	00
	“ Salary of General Agent.....	650	00
		<u>2,250</u>	89

FOREIGN MISSION.

		RECEIPTS.	
	Received from all sources.....	6,312	62
	Balance due.....	1,375	96
		<u>7,688</u>	58

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at beginning of year.....	1,584 53	
Paid on account of Mission to British Columbia.....	2,100 00	
" " " Red River.....	510 00	
" " " Saskatchewan.....	3,183 90	
" " " expenses of Committee.....	55 15	
" " " Proportion of general expenses.....	90 00	
" " " Salary of General Agent.....	100 00	
" " " Interest for advances.....	65 00	
		<u>7,688 53</u>

HOME MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year.....	501 99
Receipts from all sources.....	12,248 16
	<u>12,750 15</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Presbytery of Montreal, Missions \$521 72 Sup. \$972 00 ...	1,493 72
" Ottawa " 644 85 " 	644 85
" " for arrears of Stipends.....	150 00
" Brockville, Missions 159 00 Sup. 312 50 ...	471 50
" Kingston " 481 50 " 325 00 ...	806 50
" Cobourg " 390 00 " 537 50 ...	927 50
" Ontario " 149 00 " 641 00 ...	790 00
" Toronto " 551 50 " 230 00 ...	781 50
" Guelph " 358 00 " 50 00 ...	408 00
" Hamilton " 258 00 " 425 00 ...	683 00
" Paris " 100 00 " 	100 00
" London " 627 50 " 341 00 ...	968 50
Presbytery of Stratford Missions 88 00 " 125 00 ...	213 00
" Huron " 452 00 " 74 50 ...	526 00
" Durham " 91 05 " 312 50 ...	403 55
" " for arrears of Stipends.....	150 00
" Owen Sound Mission 186 00 Sup. 200 00 ...	386 00
" Chatham " 267 00 " 395 00 ...	662 00
" Simcoe " 589 00 " 287 50 ...	676 50
" Manitoba " 743 20 " 	743 20
Mission services on Lake Superior, &c.....	278 50
For Printing, &c.....	7 50
Expenses of Special Deputations.....	66 60
" Members of Committee last year.....	211 22
Proportion of General Expenses.....	100 00
" Salary of General Agent.....	110 00
Amount credited to arrears of Buxton Mission.....	72 88
Interest.....	64 00
Balance at-end of year.....	4 13
	<u>12,750 15</u>

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year.....	191 11
Received during year from all sources.....	2,675 11
	<u>2,866 22</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Remitted to Montreal.....	2,527 92	
Paid proportion of General Expenses.....	35 00	
" " Salary of General Agent.....	40 00	
Balance.....	263 30	2,866 22

WIDOWS' FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year.....	4,800 24	
Congregational collections and donations.....	3,054 04	
Ministers' rates.....	1,358 00	
Interest.....	3,978 00	
Investments falling due and paid.....	11,875 00	25,065 28

EXPENDITURE.

Annuities paid to Widows and Children of Ministers.....	2,940 00	
Rates repaid.....	291 00	
Invested.....	13,376 17	
Amount placed to credit of Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers.....	1,574 72	
Proportion of General Expenses, Printing, &c.....	100 00	
" " Salary of Agent.....	395 00	
Sundry charges—Printing, Legal Services, &c.....	70 92	
Balance.....	6,317 47	25,065 28

The following is the present state of the Fund:—

Invested in Debentures.....	27,400 00	
" " Mortgages.....	33,157 81	
Cash.....	6,317 47	66,875 28

FOR AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year.....	3,200 89	
Receipts during year from congregations, donations, &c.....	1,574 72	
From Investments.....	200 00	4,975 61

EXPENDITURE.

Annuities to Ministers paid.....	1,536 67	
Proportion for Printing and General Expenses.....	35 00	
" " Salary of Agent.....	80 00	
Balance.....	3,323 94	4,975 61

BUXTON MISSION.

Amount at Dr. last year.....		145 77
Credit from Home Mission Fund.....	72 88	
" " Synod Fund.....	72 89	
		145 77

This account is now closed.

HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year.....	5 81	
Received from Subscriptions and Advertisements.....	2,637 12	2,642 93

EXPENDITURE.

Printing.....	950 86	
Bunting Bros. & Co., on account of Paper.....	1,000 00	
Postage and Express charges, &c.	351 29	
Proportion of General Expenses	81 27	
" Salary of Agent and Assistant Editor.....	250 00	
Balance.....	9 60	
	<hr/>	2,642 93

KANKAKEE MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Receipts from all sources.....	2,822	71	.	
Balance.....	72	90		
	<hr/>			2,895 61

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at the beginning of year.....	189 89	
Paid Rev. C. Chiniquy, on account of salary and arrears....	933 36	
" J. H. Paradis, Teacher.....	500 03	
" Rev. C. Lafontaine.....	500 02	
" Rev. E. Therrien.....	120 00	
" Expenses of Members of Committee, &c.....	127 05	
" Proportion of General Expenses, Salary, &c.....	105 00	
" Special Contributions for Building Fund.....	395 26	
" Interest.....	25 00	
	<hr/>	2,895 61

MISSIONS OF FREE CHURCH.

Amount received.....	22 00
" remitted.....	22 00

MISSIONS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Amount received.....	34 92
" remitted.....	34 92

MISSIONS OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LOWER CANADA.

Amount received.....	35 00
" remitted.....	35 00

MADAGASCAR.

Amount received.....	16 00
" paid.....	16 00

MUSKOKA.

Amount received.....	52 33
" paid.....	52 33

CHAIR OF REV. G. P. YOUNG.

Balance for 1869-70, received.....	222 33
" paid Rev. G. P. Young (this account is now closed)	222 33

FUND FOR REV. J. G. CARRUTHERS.

Amount in hand.....	268 00	
" received during year.....	105 33	
	<hr/>	373 33
" paid Rev. R. Dewar, for Mr. C.....	20 00	
Balance in hand.....	353 33	
	<hr/>	373 33

DR. BURNS' MEMORIAL.

Amount received.....	448 18
Expenses incurred.....	24 75
Balance in hand	423 43

The above accounts have been examined, Vouchers and Balances compared, and found correct.

(Signed) J. McMURRICH,
(Signed) LAIKIE.

MONEYS RECEIVED UP TO 22nd JULY.

ASSEMBLY FUND.			
St. Sylvester.....	\$2 50	Napanee.....	10 50
W. Gwillimbury, 1st.....	7 06	N. Carradoc.....	20 00
Egmondville.....	8 00		
Thamesville, &c.....	7 00	HOME MISSION.	
Amherst Island.....	2 00	Fort William, L. Superior..	\$123 15
Ancaster and Barton.....	9 00	Mosa.....	20 00
St. Andrew's.....	8 00	Amherst Island.....	2 00
Guelph, 1st.....	5 00	Friend at St. Liboire.....	2 50
Verulam and Bobcaygeon.....	6 10	Vroomanton.....	9 00
Ramsay.....	4 00	Cannington.....	11 00
Vittoria, &c.....	5 50		
Richmond Hill and Thornhill...	8 50	WIDOWS' FUND.	
Forest.....	5 00	Amherst Island.....	\$2 00
Ayr, Knox's.....	7 68	Rates from Rev. Dr. W. Taylor,	\$24 ;
Fisherville.....	2 00	Rev. Dr. McVicar.	
Watford.....	3 48		
Scarboro.....	17 00	KANKAKEE MISSION.	
Inverness.....	3 50	Amherst Island.....	\$2 00
		One who wishes the spread of the	
		Gospel, per Rev. R. Hall.....	2 00
FOREIGN MISSION.		KNOX COLLEGE.	
Elmira, Ill.....	\$14 08	Amherst Island.....	\$2 00
Tilsonburgh S.S., for Mr. N. ...	6 00	Friend at St. Laboire.....	2 50
Mosa.....	20 00	Vroomanton.....	9 00
Williams.....	92 03	Cannington.....	11 00
Thamesville S.S., for Mr. N....	7 00	English Settlement.....	25 75
Amherst Island.....	2 00	Friend, per Rev Prof. Caven....	20 00
St. Andrew's S.S., \$1.64; Miss			
Wales' Class, \$1.36; Laura Har-			
ington's Miss. Box, \$1.50.....	4 50		

RECEIPTS FOR RECORD UP TO 22nd JULY.

Mrs. S., Acton; A. O., Rockburn, \$3.30; W. L., D. L. McD., W. S., W. M., O. B., H. E. W., J. M., S. McL., G. McC., W. M., Kinloss; T. C., North Douro \$10; Dr. M., \$1.25., Mrs. B., Kingston; M. McL., A. N., Stayner; Rev A. F. McQ., J. McP., J. C., J. McC., J. R. McK., Skye; J. S. McA., Varna; W. R., Port Rowan; W. G., A. A., D. McK., Aughrim; W. C., J. M., G. C., J. C., D. A., \$1.10, Normanton; Per A. D., Mt. Forest, \$5; Per Rev. H. C., Manilla, \$11.40; G. G., Keene; J. B., North Georgetown; W. B., Lansdowne; S. McL., J. A., W. S., Ashburn; J. A., Watford; Per W. C., Scarborough, \$5.80; Per G. O., Toronto, \$21.35; W. S., Whitby; A. S., Wartburgh; Mrs. F., Scotland; Rev. J. P., Brampton, \$18; R. J. H., Toronto; D. C., Bruefield; Rev. H. J. McD., Ottawa; Per D. McL., Hamilton, \$25.30.