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JUNE, 1877.

The Missionary World.

WE are vividly reminded of what the Gospel has done for India, when we read of the *suttee* of the three favorite wives of the late Sir Jung Bahadoor, who reigned in a region not yet under British sway. Amid blazing sandal-wood and spicery, songs of triumph, and moans of distress, the wretched devotees passed away.

The cruelties of the most refined heathenism are horrible. Its most sacred rites are hideous and revolting. On the other hand, from widely distant sections of India proper, we receive tidings of increasing eagerness to hear, to read, and to understand the Word of Life. The University of Cambridge is greatly strengthening a hopeful Mission at Delhi, which is intended mainly to influence the more cultivated and better educated classes. In Madras, in spite of the appalling famine, (perhaps partly in consequence of it), there is wide-spreading spiritual interest. Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopalian, and other Missions, report progress at a much higher than the average rate. War and famine, and pestilence itself, are God's ministers, and are used by Him to open the way for the Gospel chariot.

From Japan, we hear of increasing Christian liberty and of rapid growth. Schools are multiplying. The printing-press is at work. Popular shrines are being deserted, and idols are fleeing away. Roman Catholic as well as Protestant Missionaries are meeting with much success. The Buddhists are alarmed, and are starting counter-Missions. We are glad to note that all Presbyterian Missionaries in Japan are co-operating with perfect cordiality. This is as it should be over the wide world.

The King of Siam, in a special message of recent date, to the United States Government, dwells with warm appreciation on the character and work of the Presbyterian Missionaries in that country. He declares that they are the best of all foreigners,—peaceable, laborious, unselfish, ever doing good to the people, and setting an example of law-abiding citizenship. This is wonderful testimony from a heathen king,—from the land of the white elephant!

From Persia, we hear of large accessions to the churches, brave endurance under persecution, and a noble spirit of self-sacrifice on the part of converts, and of native ministers. A spirit of enquiry is extending among the people. The rulers of the land are somewhat more liberal in their treatment of Evangelical Christians than they were wont to be. A government official was present at the late Conference or Synod of the Persian Mission. In his report to the Prime Minister, he expresses great satisfaction with what he had witnessed, and his surprise at seeing among the Shah's subjects so large a gathering of native preachers, forming a deliberative body, so orderly and dignified in its proceedings. This from a Mohammedan!

The Societies now so energetically engaged in evangelizing Central and Eastern Africa, have by their representatives met in London, and in a wise and loving spirit, have parcelled out the land so as to avoid unhappy collisions, heretofore so disastrous and so disgraceful. Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Wesleyans and Congregationalists have entered into this friendly arrangement. The spirit thus manifested is worthy of Christianity.

Presbyterian Missions have taken better hold of the people of Egypt than any others that have been attempted. Only one branch

of our Church, the United Presbyterians of America, have entered that field, and now they have five Stations, eight organized congregations, sixteen out-Stations, twenty-three native preachers, and twenty-nine Schools. It is hard to over-estimate the importance of this Mission in view of the prospective influence of Egypt in Africa.

Our Presbyterian brethren on the other side of the border established a Mission in China in 1844. For the first ten years, there was not a single convert. Our Mission in Formosa is hardly five years old, and yet its converts are numbered by hundreds. Success has crowned the efforts of the English Presbyterian Church in the same inviting field.

Such are some of the encouraging features that catch the eye as we glance over the vast field now open for Missionary effort. We can hardly venture to allude to the perilous position in which Protestant Missionaries and their converts are placed at this moment in the Turkish Empire. Day and night, in the cities and in the small districts, the danger is great and pressing. Nowhere do the heralds of the cross call for more kindly sympathy.

To every member of the Presbyterian Church in Canada we say, Help the Foreign Mission enterprise by your prayers and your money. Follow your own agents in Formosa, in India, in Trinidad, and in the New Hebrides, with ever-growing interest. The work is the Lord's, and when He calls on us for men and women to engage in the work, and for means to support those men and women, it is for us to hear and obey with grateful alacrity.

A Lesson of Contentment.

IN one of the wild gales that swept down from the North upon the coast of Cape Breton late last fall, a vessel which had sought shelter under the lee of Port Hood Island was driven upon a reef and became a total wreck. The fierce blasts were thick with snow, and bitterly cold. On board the

vessel were several men, and one woman with her two little children. Two of the men were washed overboard and drowned. The mother struggled with all her might to save the children, but, one by one, they were wrenched from her grasp by the angry waves. When daylight came, and the people on the island were able to see the wreck, they managed with difficulty to rescue the woman and the men that were left. The poor woman was so terribly frost-bitten that both her feet had to be amputated above the ankles. She is a Christian, and in all her trials and sufferings she acknowledged the hand of the Lord. Her physical condition was such that the surgeon did not venture to administer chloroform, but she bore the amputation of both her feet without a murmuring word. When the pain became insufferably severe, she would ask the surgeon to pause a moment in his work till she could anew gather up all her strength for prayer to the Lord Jesus. She would then calmly bid him "go on." And she is now a helpless, lonely, afflicted cripple: yet she rejoices in the Lord, and bears her affliction with a grateful heart. Sometimes she weeps for her children: "When I hear their dying cry, and see their little hands stretched out to me, their helpless mother, while the icy waves swept them away, my heart is very very sore. But then I think that they are out of storms now, and with Jesus who comforts and shelters them."

Mothers, who gather around you your little ones in peace and safety, what think you of this case in its sorrow and its joy? As you sympathize with this sister in Christ ask yourselves what are you doing, and what more can you do, to spread the "good news of salvation" which alone is able to cheer and strengthen in the day of trouble and distress?

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "Come unto me and rest;
 Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
 Thy head upon my breast,"
 I came to Jesus as I was,
 Weary and worn and sad:
 I found in him a resting-place,
 And he has made me glad.

The Sabbath School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

BY REV. GEO. M. GRANT, M. A.

THE PROMISE OF REVIVAL.

JUNE 10th.—Hosea 14: 1-9.

Golden Text: Hosea 13: 9.

The Time.—Hosea's prophetic career extended over at least 59 years. He was contemporary at one time or another of his life with Jonah, Amos, Joel, Isaiah, and Nahum. He describes the frightful social and political state of Israel after the death of Jeroboam II; predicts the destruction of Samaria; and may have lived to witness the captivity of Israel, 2 Kings, xvii. The last chapter is very different in tone from the others. Every word is full of mercy, hope, and promise.

1. *The Entreaty.*—"Israel" the name of acceptance given by God to their forefather; not Jacob, nor Ephraim, nor Samaria. "Thy God," though they had cast Him off, Ro. 11, 2. "Fallen," and from no other cause than "thine iniquity."

2. *How shall we come to God?*—Not with sacrifices, not with silver and gold, not with merit; but with "words," worthless in themselves, precious as expressing the desires of the heart; with "words" and "turning to God."

The form of words given teaches, (1) what is between God and us; (2) that He alone can take it away; (3) that *all* must be taken away before He can receive us; (4) that not till it is taken away can we offer the sacrifices of thanksgiving, Ps. 51, 12-15: 69, 30.

3. *Renunciation of the world, the flesh, and the devil.*—Asshur was the chief of the princes of this world, Ps. 146, 3. The horse was the symbol of warlike strength, Ps. 20, 7; Prov. 21, 31; Deut. 17, 16. As they renounce false help they see Him—the Father—in whom is mercy and true help.

4-7. *God's gracious promises.*—Fickleness is the characteristic of man, Ps. 78. In healing this, He heals our root weakness, Matt. 16, 18, John 13, 1.

We love the love-worthy. He loves "freely," impelled by no motive. God is love.

Various figures to express the manifold grace of God, and the fruits of grace in the soul—the dew, silently distilled, renewed day by day, refreshing and fructifying; the lily, emblem of purity and beauty; Lebanon of stability; a wide-spreading tree, of en-

largement, Matt. 13, 32; the olive, of fruitfulness and perpetual green, Ps. 52, 8; the aromatic plants and flowers at the base of Lebanon, of the sweet odours of prayers and good deeds, 2 Cor. 2, 14; Phil. 4, 18; Rev. 5, 8.

8. *Dialogue between returned Ephraim and his reconciled God.*—Ephraim renounces idols forever. God hears and accepts his profession. Ephraim exults in his fresh and vigorous beauty. God reminds him of the source of all his fruit, John 15, 5.

9. *The lessons to be learned by us.*—Same as in Ps. 107, 43; Dan. 12, 10. "Prudent" and "wise;" or wise in action as well as in thought. We advance in grace only as we practise what we know. Christ is *the way*; and He is a stone of stumbling to the transgressors. Ps. 69, 22. 1 Peter 2, 7, 8.

HOME STUDIES.

M.	Hos.	6:	1-11— <i>Repentance Enjoyed.</i>
T.	2 Kings	15:	8-22— <i>Zachariah—Menahem.</i>
W.	2 Kings	15:	23-30— <i>Pekahiah—Hoshea.</i>
Th.	Hos.	8:	1-14— <i>Destruction Denounced.</i>
F.	Hos.	11:	1-12— <i>Israel's Ingratitude.</i>
S.	Hos.	13:	1-12— <i>Israel's Self-destruction.</i>
S.	Hos.	14:	1-9— <i>Promise of Blessing.</i>

THE CAPTIVITY OF ISRAEL.

JUNE 17th.—2 Kings 17, 6-18.

Golden Text: 2 Kings 18, 12.

I. *The Captivity.*—The Eastern and Northern tribes had already been carried off (15, 29); but the "pride and stoutness" of Samaria had not been humbled, Isa. 9, 9. Now, Samaria itself and the kingdom of Israel is utterly and forever destroyed. The Assyrians according to their uniform policy carried off the flower of the inhabitants to people other parts of their empire, and replaced them with heathen colonists, v. 24.

II. *The causes of the Captivity.*—Not their weakness nor the strength of the enemy, nor any of the secondary causes that men make much of; but (1) the rebellion of Israel against Jehovah their covenant God, the God which delivered their fathers from Egypt. The obligation which this imposed on them is set forth in the preface to the ten commandments, Exo. 20, 2. (2) Their secret sins and open idolatry. They covered the whole land—from the little towers in the wilderness and country built for the protection of the flocks and fruits to the strongest and greatest cities—with their altars and idols, v. 8-12. (3) Their disregard of the prophets who sought to recal them from their backsliding, v. 13-15. God not only gave them the law once for all, but raised up inspired preachers of it in every generation. (4) Their national apostacy, in the worship of the two calves, from the days of Jeroboam. Dynasty succeeded dynasty,

but not one ever proposed to abolish the calf-worship and restore the religious unity of the people. (5) Their worship of Moloch, the most cruel and unnatural form of idolatry, Deut. 18, 10.

Lessons.—1. God "hath not done without cause all that He hath done." The law of retribution extends to nations as well as to individuals. What nation or Church can hope to sin without being punished, when Israel is cast off, Ro. 11, 17-24.

2. All sin begins in disobedience, or rebellion against God.

3. The service of sin is slavery, Ro 6, 20. God's service is perfect freedom, John 8, 32-36. Sin offers pleasure at first. In the end, it demands the sacrifice not only of ourselves, but of our children.

4. They "became vain." We become like that we worship, Ro. 1, 23-32. v. 15 expresses the nullity of the whole life when God is not its centre and chief object.

HOME STUDIES.

M. 2 Kings 17:	1-12— <i>Three Years' Siege.</i>
T. 2 Kings 17:	13-23— <i>Captivity of Israel.</i>
W. 2 Kings 17:	24-33— <i>Strange nations in Samaria.</i>
Th 2 Kings 17:	34-41— <i>The worship of God & idols.</i>
F. John 4:	19-26— <i>Spiritual Worship.</i>
S. Ps. 137:	1-9— <i>Weeping in Captivity.</i>
S. Ps. 126:	1-6— <i>Out of Captivity.</i>

REVIEW LESSON.

JUNE 24.—Nahum 1, 1-13.

GOLDEN TEXT:—The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked." Nah. 1: 3.

CATECHISM, Q. 56. What is the reason annexed to the third Commandment?

Along with our review of the quarter, including Nineveh's short-lived repentance, and the captivity of Israel in the days of Shalmaneser, we have also to consider the doom of Nineveh—Israel's destroyer—as foretold by Nahum in the reign of Hezekiah, Nineveh was seemingly secure (1, 12) and Judea was suffering sorely from it, (1, 11-13; 2, 2) when Nahum delivered this "burden."

v. 2-6. *The character of Jehovah in his dealings with his enemies.*—He had used the Assyrians to punish Israel, but in their pride and cruelty they had taken all the glory to themselves, Isa. 10, 5-15. He did not spare his own people. How then shall His enemies go unpunished? 1 Pet. 4, 17-19. God is love, but the foundation of love is justice, Exo. 34, 7.

v. 7, 8. *God's character to His people and to His enemies contrasted.*—A stronghold to the one: an overwhelming flood that sweeps everything before it to the other.

v. 9-11. *A prophecy of the utter destruc-*

tion awaiting Nineveh.—v. 11 refers to Sennacherib or his mouthpiece Rabshakeh, Isa. 26, 13-20: 37, 1-38.

v. 12, 13. *God's purpose declared to Judah.*—Though the Assyrians were secure in their numbers, they should be cut down, as the mower cuts down grass.

v. 14. *God's purpose declared to the king of Assyria.*—He was slain by two of his sons (2 Kings 19, 37,) and though Esarhaddon succeeded him, the Assyrian Kingdom was destroyed soon after by the Babylonians and Medes, and no more of his seed was sown upon the earth. v. 15: The messenger of the glad tidings of the destruction of Nineveh goes over the land, inviting the people to celebrate their feasts, and to pay their vows for their deliverance.

Lessons.—The certainty of doom, though the Lord is slow to anger, Prov. 11, 21: 16, 5, Jer. 49, 12. 2nd Pet. 3, 9-12.

HOME STUDIES.

M. 2 Kings 4:	1-37— <i>The Shunamite's son.</i>
T. 2 Kings 5:	1-27— <i>Naaman and Gehazi.</i>
W. 2 Kings 7:	1-20— <i>The Famine in Samaria.</i>
Th 2 Kings 10:	1-31— <i>Jehu the King.</i>
F. 2 Kings 13:	1-25— <i>The death of Elisha.</i>
S. 2 Kings 17:	1-18— <i>The Captivity of Israel.</i>
S. Nah. 1:	1-13— <i>Goodness and Severity.</i>

Our Own Church.

It is to be regretted that, on account of the meeting of our General Assembly being so near to the time of the meeting of the Pan-Presbyterian Council, some of our Canadian delegates may be unable to reach Edinburgh in time to take part in the opening services of the Council. It is possible, however, that the business of the Assembly may be so far advanced as to admit of their joining the Allan Steamship at Rimouski on the 23rd instant, in which case they may still be in time to make an appearance at the subsequent seditments. This at least we hope they may be able to do.

The list of acknowledgements which we publish this month is the largest we have had since the RECORD began. But we trust none of our readers will grudge the space thus occupied. It affords the best evidence we can present of the vitality of the Church, and the interest taken in the several departments of its work.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

RICHMOND, Ottawa Presbytery:—Mr. A. M. McClennand, M. A., a graduate of Knox College, was recently ordained and inducted to the pastoral charge of Richmond and Stittsville.

RICHMOND HILL AND THORNHILL, Toronto: Rev. Isaac Campbell, formerly of Beverly, was inducted, 30th April.

SHERBROOKE, Pictou, N. S.:—The Rev. James Quinn, recently of St. James, N.B., was inducted on the 1st May.

WYOMING, London:—The Rev. George Cuthbertson, clerk of the Presbytery, formerly of St. Thomas, inducted 2nd May.

MOSA, London:—The Rev. Neil McKinnon, formerly of Belmont and Yarmouth, in the same Presbytery, inducted 22nd May.

BEVERLY, Hamilton:—The Rev. Robert Thynne, formerly of English Settlement and Proflaine was inducted 1st May.

DOON, HESPELER AND PRESTON, Guelph: The Rev. George Haigh, formerly of Laskey, was inducted to this charge, 24th April.

STRATFORD, Stratford:—The Rev. E. W. Waits, formerly of Waterdown, was inducted to St. Andrew's Church, on 9th May.

CALL.—The Rev. J. C. Smith, formerly of St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, has received a unanimous call to St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, vacant by the death of late Dr. Hogg.

NEW CHURCHES.—The corner stone of a large and very fine new Church to be called the CRESCENT STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Montreal, was laid on 5th May, by Rev. Principal MacVicar. This is for the use of the majority of the congregation presently known as the Free Church, Coté Street. It is estimated to cost \$100,000 and will be seated for 1200 persons.

A beautiful new Church was opened at BURLINGTON, Ont., on the 13th May. Principal MacVicar officiated in the forenoon and Rev. R. M. Grant, of Ingersoll, in the afternoon.

At CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., a very fine new Church, is being built by the St. James' congregation of which Rev. Kenneth MacLennan is pastor.

A new Church at SOURIS, P. E. Island, is nearly completed.

The new church erected by the CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION, Toronto, was opened on Sabbath, 6th May. It is allowed to be one of the most attractive of the many beautiful churches in that city. The Rev. David Mitchell is the pastor.

NEW MANSE.—The congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Clifton, Ont., have done

wisely in erecting a commodious and comfortable manse for their minister, and are to be congratulated on this pleasing evidence of their increasing prosperity.

CONGREGATIONAL REPORTS.—That of the Rev. John Gray's congregation at Orillia, exhibits satisfactory progress, as the result of methodical management on the part of a full staff of Elders and Deacons. The Sabbath school is large, having 212 scholars on the roll. The office-bearers have recently added \$200 to their minister's stipend—making it \$1000 *per annum*.

The report of St. Peter's Church, Madoc, shows that, notwithstanding the formation of several congregations within the bounds of the original charge, this church has still more than double the number of members it had twenty years ago, when Mr. Wishart became its minister. In course of his reply to an address from his congregation the other day, Mr. Wishart made the following, somewhat remarkable statement:

"During these 20 years neither storms nor the state of the roads has hindered me from my doing my duty, and I have tried to serve the Lord with all my might. I have baptized over 730 persons; admitted to the membership of the church nearly 400; made more than 4000 pastoral visitations; been instrumental in building 6 churches, and projected as many more; written fully 10,000 letters; preached about 5000 discourses, and travelled 50,000 miles, or twice the circumference of the globe."

Fort Massey Church, Halifax, contributed during 1876 for all purposes, \$9,654, being at the rate of \$110 for each family. Ordinances are supported entirely by church-door collections which amounted last year to \$4,757, or an average of \$89.77 per Sabbath. Missionary contributions, including those of the Ladies' Society and the Sabbath-School, were about \$1,500. Paid on account of debt on building \$2,647. The pastor (Rev. R. F. Burns, D.D.) has had his salary raised to \$3,000.

The Halifax WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSION AID SOCIETY has 104 members. An auxiliary has been formed in St. John's, Newfoundland, which has already contributed \$100 towards Zenana Missions in India. The Halifax Society supports Miss Blackadder in Trinidad as teacher in a Mission School.

Rev. Isaac Murray, D.D., Cavendish, has delivered a series of very able lectures on the Baptist question at Charlottetown and other places in P. E. Island where controversy on that subject prevails.

COLLEGE ENDOWMENT IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES.—Rev. Dr. McGregor during his recent visit to Bermuda raised the sum of \$120 for this fund. Rev. John Forrest received \$1000 from an anonymous "Friend." Dr. Burns visited Windsor, N.S., where there is one Presbyterian congregation. Eleven members subscribed \$1600 and \$600 more is expected. Rev. G. M. Grant and Mr. John S. McLean, visited Antigonish, the congregation of Rev. P. Goodfellow, which is an oasis in a vast wilderness of Romanism. The sum of \$1800 was promptly subscribed, and a local committee was appointed to complete the work. Lochaber and Union Centre,—the congregation of Rev. J. F. Forbes, subscribed the sum of \$1064; some \$500 additional is expected. The campaign has opened in P. E. Island which has been visited by Doctor MacKnight, Mr. Grant and Dr. Burns. Professor Pollok, D. D., has visited St. Mary's, Guysborough county; but we have not yet ascertained the full results of his visit.

At Sherbrooke, Pictou Co, immediately after the induction of Mr. Quinn, a list was opened and \$1300 was subscribed before the meeting separated. Up to date, \$2750 has been subscribed in Sherbrooke, Goldenville, and Wine Harbour. There is now every reason to hope that the whole amount asked for (\$100,000) will be subscribed before the October meeting of the Synod.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

TORONTO, 17th and 18th April:—A letter was read from Rev. A. Carrick announcing his intention to demit his charge at Orangeville. Rev. J. M. King reported on behalf of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee that during the past year, and within the bounds, regular supply has been given at seventeen distinct points, to an average attendance of 1428, with a communion roll of 486, and that towards the expenses these stations had themselves contributed \$2011, and the Assembly's H. M. Committee \$650. A report on the state of religion was read by Rev. J. Cameron, convener, and ordered to be transmitted to the Synod.

MAY 1st—At a meeting held this day Rev. Mr. Carrick announced his intention of going to New Zealand. The Rev. Evan Macaulay was suspended *sine die* from the office of the ministry. In accordance with the instructions of the General Assembly, the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell handed in a written statement as to his adherence to the doctrinal standards of the Church, and the

same having been considered, in private, it was agreed to transmit the document to the General Assembly.

GLENGARRY, 10th April: The quarterly meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Martintown, with a full attendance of members. The following commissioners to the General Assembly were elected by ballot; Rev. K. McDonald, Dr. Lamont, and Robt. Binnie, *ministers*: Messrs. D. B. McLennan, H. Robertson and William Colquhoun, *Elders*. The evening sederunt was occupied with a conference on "Religious Life and Church work." Two overtures were introduced by Rev. Donald Ross: one limiting the representation of Colleges in the Church Courts to the Professor of Divinity in each Institution, the other establishing the order of Evangelists in the Church.

KINGSTON, 10th and 11th April: The meeting was held at Belleville, and the attendance was unusually large. The following were elected commissioners to the General Assembly,—Principal Snodgrass, Professor Williamson, Messrs. T. G. Smith, A. Young, J. M. Gray, M. W. Maclean, and D. Wishart, *ministers*: Rev. J. H. MacKerras, Messrs. J. Cook, Dr. Boulter, G. S. Hobart, G. Davidson, T. Rutherford, and A. G. Northrup, *Elders*. For the payment of their travelling expenses, a collection was ordered to be taken in all the congregations of the bounds on the last Sabbath of May. Rev. Mr. Leitch of Camden and Sheffield accepted a call from Dungannon and Port Albert in the Presbytery of Huron. Mr. Beattie's resignation of his charge of Madoc was accepted. A report containing much interesting and valuable information was received respecting the mission field in North Hastings.

OTTAWA, 7th and 8th May: Mr. Smith's resignation of the charge of Chelsea was accepted. Mr. H. Sinclair tendered the resignation of the charge of Ross. A committee was appointed with power to institute a Womens' Foreign Mission Association in connection with the Presbytery. Dr. Mann, Messrs. Ross, Farries and Armstrong, having declined their appointments as commissioners to the General Assembly, Revs. Messrs. McLean, Tait, Ballantyne, and McLaren were appointed in their stead. It was resolved to take up a collection from the congregations within the bounds to defray the travelling expenses of commissioners. Mr. Fairlie obtained leave of absence for three months to visit Britain. It was agreed to transmit an overture to the General Assembly asking that the Rules of the General Home Mission committee may be so far relaxed as to meet the case of certain supplemented congregations and Mission

Stations within the bounds of this Presbytery which, for reasons stated, are unable to comply fully with the terms of the regulations now in force. A minute was adopted in reference to the resignation of the charge of Westmeath by Rev. Alex. Campbell who carries with him the sincere esteem and best wishes of his brethren.

P. E. ISLAND, 10th April: The Rev. Allan McLean was released from the pastoral charge of Dundas. The Rev. A. Munro tendered his demission of the Cardigan section of his congregation.

LUNENBURGH and YARMOUTH: This Presbytery recently visited six congregations in the county of Lunenburg. All were found in an encouraging condition. Riversdale, though it has not enjoyed the services of a Pastor for more than a year, has made remarkable progress. A comfortable manse has been completed and a church is commenced. The congregation of New Dublin, recently formed, is looking for a pastor. The following commissioners to the Assembly were appointed; Rev. Messrs. Christie, Duff, and Henry, *ministers*, and Messrs. Robertson, Gow and Eisenhour, *Elders*. Professor MacKnight was nominated as Moderator of the Assembly.

TRURO; 11th May: The meeting was held at Great Village, Londonderry. The Economy case was remitted to the Session with assessors. The following commissioners were appointed to the General Assembly: Dr. McCulloch, Rev. J. McG. McKay, and John McMillan, *ministers*, and Joseph Reppard, J. K. Blair, and S. Ryan, *Elders*. The remits of the Assembly were generally approved of.

WALLACE, 1st May: The following commissioners were appointed to the General Assembly, Revds. H. B. Mackay, James Murray and J. M. Sutherland, *ministers*, and Rev. Professor Currie, Wm. Blackwood and W. D. Main, *Elders*. Rev. John Munro obtained leave of absence in order to attend the Presbyterian Council to be held in Edinburgh in July. Two ministers of the Wallace Presbytery, Messrs. Sedgewick and Munro, are to attend the Edinburg Council.

MIRAMICHI, 1st May: Rev. Wm. Wilson was earnestly pressed by the congregation and the Presbytery to withdraw his resignation, and he consented to do so. He accepted the offer of three or four months furlough. His decision was equally gratifying to the people and the Presbytery. Rev. J. P. Bryant's demission of Kouchibouguac was accepted. Rev. John Robertson's demission of Tabusintac, &c., was accepted. The Presbytery resolved to renew their application or a grant from the Aged and Infirm Minis-

ters' Fund to Rev. James Fowler. The following commissioners to the Assembly were appointed: Rev. Messrs. Johnstone, Wilson and Houston, *ministers*, and Hon. W. Hamilton, J. Nicholson and Dr. Gordon, *Elders*. The congregation at Campbellton applied to be received under the care of the Presbytery. The application was cordially granted. This act completes the Union in New Brunswick.

HALIFAX, 26th April: A call from Dartmouth to Rev. P. M. Morrison was sustained: also a call from Bridgetown and Annapolis to Rev. W. Stuart. The following commissioners were appointed to the General Assembly: Rev. R. Sedgewick, Dr. Burns, A. Stuart, T. Duncan, Professor MacKnight, G. M. Grant, J. B. Logan and C. B. Pitblado: and Dr. McGregor, C. Robson, H. B. Webster, J. S. Hutton, W. Anderson, Charles M. Forbes, Judge Blanchard and F. Frieze, *Elders*. The Presbytery met on the 9th May for the induction of Rev. E. McNab into the pastoral charge of Newport.

Meetings of Synods.

THE Synods in the Western Section of the Church held their respective meetings during the month of May. It does not appear from the published reports of their proceedings that any business of special importance was transacted, their work being rather that of preparing the way for the General Assembly by the convenient arrangement of matters originating in the Presbyteries.

In respect of the now somewhat celebrated overture from the Presbytery of Paris, in reference to colleges, the Synod of Hamilton and London, after prolonged discussion, came to the following finding:—"That the Synod, while disapproving of the paragraphs relating to Queen's College in the overture from the Presbytery of Paris, agree to transmit said overture to the General Assembly.

Our Colleges.

ON Wednesday the 25th April the session of the Halifax Theological Hall, which was a fortnight longer than usual, was brought to a close in St. Andrew's Church, Halifax, in the presence of a large assemblage. Rev. Dr. Burns presided. The Professors severally gave reports of the

Session work and spoke very highly of the diligence and progress of the Students. The Students sang a Hebrew chant with fine effect, and at the close they sang the National Anthem in the same venerable language. Mr. D. S. Fraser delivered a valedictory address, Professor Macknight gave suitable advice to the Students who had completed their course,—six in number, viz: Messrs. D. S. Fraser, J. A. Logan, D. McGregor, D. McLeod, W. C. Herdman, and B. K. McElmon. The Colonial and Free Churches had granted a sum of \$280 for scholarships which were awarded in the order of merit, as shown by written monthly examinations. Ten Students shared in the benefit. The Students were impressively addressed by Rev. W. Mitchell of St. John, and Rev. Thos. Duncan, Halifax. Altogether, this was the most spirited and hopeful closing of a Session ever witnessed in Halifax.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE.

The annual Convocation for the conferring of degrees, &c., was held in the College Hall on the 26th April. The attendance of alumni and citizens was unusually large. The installation of the Rev. Dr. Cook, of Quebec, as the first Chancellor of the University, invested the proceedings with special interest and afforded the opportunity for Dr. Cook delivering an admirable address. Principal Snodgrass stated that the Session had been a very agreeable and satisfactory one. After that the Professors had severally distributed a large number of prizes to the successful competitors, the ceremony of conferring degrees in the different departments of Arts, Medicine, and Theology took place. The convocation was preceded on the evening of the 25th, by a brilliant conversation held under the auspices of the Alma Mater Society, and it was followed by a meeting of the Board of Trustees which is composed of members from different parts of Ontario and Quebec. It would have done the Presbytery of Paris good to have been present and witnessed the enthusiasm which marked the closing ceremonies of the 36th session of old Queen's.

French Evangelization.

LETTER FROM REV. C. CHINIQUY.

Montreal, 15th May, 1877.

YOUR readers will like to know that the "Good Master" continues to pour his abundant blessings upon this part of His vineyard. Since our new Church (The Saviour's Church) is opened in Canning street, not less than 3000 Roman Catholics have come to hear the word of God, of whom 700 have publicly given up the errors of Popery. After three weeks of preparation to the holy communion, during which we gave public instruction, almost every day, to large meetings of inquirers, one hundred and fifteen were found worthy to sit at the Lord's table; many more would have been admitted, if the want of decent clothing would not have prevented them to present themselves.

Many of those converts had to suffer the loss of everything in order to follow Christ. They had to bear the cursings of their best former friends, their brothers and sisters. Some have been ignominiously turned out from their happy homes, even by a father and a mother who had been maddened by the Priests of Rome. I know a man who has been cruelly insulted by his wife and his children for having accepted the Gospel of Christ. Great numbers have lost their situations, and would have been exposed to starve, had not several noble hearted Christians helped me to go to their rescue. But, as a general thing, they have passed through that fiery furnace with truly heroic courage.

Last year the whole Church was filled with joy by the conversion of one of the ablest and most respectable priests of the Church of Rome—the Rev. Mr. Ourière. His address before the General Assembly, at Toronto, though in French, will never be forgotten by those who heard it. Well, it is my exceedingly great joy to announce to the Church, just now, the conversion of another priest whose good qualities of heart and mind will make him a vase of election. His name is Camerle. Several letters which he has published in the French columns of the *Witness* give us the assurance that our merciful God has given us in him a man of first ability as well as of a true piety.

But, though we have great cause to rejoice and bless the Lord for the great number of French Canadians who have already bravely sent their dismissions to the Bishop, we must not less rejoice and bless our Heavenly Father for the far greater numbers whom we know are shaken, and who do not conceal that they have lost much of their for-

mer robust faith in their Priests. My house is constantly filled by them. The breathless attention with which they listen to our instructions: the tears which I often see trickling on their cheeks when I explain to them the Great Mystery of their Saviour's love: their unspeakable joy when, commenting on the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah, I shew them how Christ took their sins upon Himself, and suffered the chastisement of their iniquities that they might be healed by His wounds, afford sure indications that the dawn of a new day is coming upon Canada.

Yes! before long by the mercy of God, my dear countrymen will accept Christ and Him crucified for their only way, light and Life. They will reject the false doctrines of Romanism, to follow the Gospel. Everywhere we see sure indications that the French Canadian people is a ripe fruit for the Gospel.

Let every disciple of Christ pray, work and hope. Let every soldier of Christ who is enrolled under the banners of the "Great baptism" do his duty and fight, and the day will be ours. A million of precious souls redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, will soon join with us to sing His praises and follow Him.

C. CHINQUY.

New Kincardine Colony.

WE have received a copy of Rev. Peter Melville's Annual Report of his indefatigable labours in this new settlement in the forests of New Brunswick. After reciting some of the difficulties and discouragements incident to an enterprize of this kind, and others of a special nature, but which have chiefly a local interest, Mr. Melville goes on to say:—

"Four comely and commodious school-houses have been built in the Colony. Three of these are already opened for teaching, and for preaching, too; and when the fourth is completed, it will be inferior to none of them. These schools were a work of great anxiety to us, and might well demand all our spare energies for the whole year.

Although these schools have cost us all a good deal besides, yet we rejoice that they are now secured to the Colony as "a thing of beauty, and a joy forever." I was happy to be able to give a considerable part of my own salary to aid in completing them.

We have now three teachers (all being

Colonists) busy in our schools. At our late examination of the schools, I was much gratified in observing the substantial progress made by the scholars. It reminded me of what Scotland has gained by its Parish schools. Four other teachers from this Colony are engaged in honourable and successful tuition in other parts of New Brunswick, and are still climbing upwards.

Our regular meetings for public worship are now held in our new school houses, and are large, cordial, and much more comfortable than when they were held in private houses. The fervour of the singing is remarkable, and many souls, young and old, are evidently being taught of God. It is refreshing, after the weeks' toil and conflict, to meet in His name, see eye to eye, and feel His presence, and saving influence in our souls. The result of our meetings appeared at our Communion season, when *fifty-five* members were added to the church. Of these, 27 were admitted by examination, and 28 by certificate. May they show their faith by their works, and prove that they have life and love the Lord by their daily faithfulness and charity!

The Rev. Dr. MacIise, and the Rev. Kenneth Mackay made us a Presbyterial visitation last August. Their visit was blessed, and we will not soon forget this timely and suggestive counsels. We observe that they have given an excellent report of this congregation and colony; and we will try to prove worthy of their high approval.

We have now seven regular Sabbath schools, with small but select S. S. libraries. These, along with our prayer meetings, have been a means of sacred solace and edification; not least during the dark days of doubt and agitation. In my Missionary visitations of Tilleyville and other outlying settlements that have no pastor, I tried to organize regular Sabbath schools and Prayer-meetings, with varying results. As Tilleyville is largely a Scottish Presbyterian settlement, I have sent thither a supply of Catechisms and other S. S. books, and hope to give a good report of my next visit. At Lower Perth, we have instituted a Christian Association, which meets every week. It is doing a good work, and proves a valuable common ground on which our various denominations assemble as one body in Christ, with His Word as their only rule.

Since my arrival, seventeen months ago, there have been five marriages, thirty-nine baptisms, and ten deaths in this Colony. Three worthy farmers, four excellent mothers, two young men, and one little boy, have been called away, and have left sad blanks in their homes.

OUR CHURCH BUILDING ENTERPRISE.

This will be our next duty, and will prove the heaviest task of all. For the resources of the Colonists are exhausted by four years of preparatory toil and expense in this vast forest. Still they have wisely resolved that the Lord's house must be built. Already they have agreed upon its site, secured a Glebe there, and laid the foundation of their church, 50 x 30 feet. We have also secured plans and specifications, collected \$270, chiefly from friends in P. E. Island and Montreal, and are about to begin the great work of building. The Colonists have proved their deep interest in this good work by their cordial co-operation in laying the foundations and cheerfully offering of their scanty resources to build their church, "even in troublous times," during the very crises of their hardships, and amidst the severity of the Kansas agitations. We trust they shall not sink beneath the heavy work, but that they shall be enabled, before another year is born, to blot out the reproach, that our Scottish Colony builds its own houses, but suffers God's House to lie waste!

The Colony has been able to forward in aid of the Schemes of the Church this Spring: \$10 for the Home Mission, \$5 for the Foreign Mission, \$5 for French Evangelization, and \$5 for the Assembly Fund. It is but as the widow's mites, her last farthing. But God can make this tiny rill increase from year to year, till it become a mighty river, blessing and beautifying many thirsty lands."

Obituary.

Mr. DONALD ROSS, of Viewmount, Montreal, departed this life on the 16th of May, in the 65th year of his age. Mr. Ross was a native of Rosshire, Scotland. He was one of the original founders of St. Paul's Church, Montreal, and also one of its most liberal benefactors. In business, as well as by inheritance, Mr. Ross accumulated a large fortune, the whole of which he bequeathed for the establishment and maintenance of a college for the higher education of young women. This is to be called "THE TRAFALGAR INSTITUTE." A magnificent site for it, consisting of ten acres of land on the mountain side, was vested in Trustees some years ago. An Institution of this kind is very much needed at the present time, and, when completed, the Trafalgar Institute will be a noble monument of its founders' wisdom and philanthropy.

MR. RICHARD MILLER, of Morrisbank, died on the 18th April last, in his 76th year. He was a native of East Lothian, Scotland, and was for many years an active and exemplary Elder in the congregation of Wroxeter.

Hymn Writers.

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love.



WE find the following account of the origin of this popular hymn in the columns of an excellent contemporary, *The Christian Guardian* :—

"The author of this hymn, John Fawcett, was converted at the age of sixteen years, under Whitefield's preaching. In 1758 he joined the Baptist Church at Bradford, England. In 1765 he was ordained pastor of the Baptist Church at Wainsgate.

True hymns are born of some peculiar experience or inspiration. So it was with the one referred to above. Dr. Fawcett was pastor of a small church; his family increased more than his income, and he felt it his duty to accept the urgent call to London he had received, as the successor of Dr. Gill, the famous commentator. His farewell sermon to his church in Yorkshire was preached, and severally waggons were loaded with furniture and library for departure. But the members of his flock, men, women and children, gathered around him and his family, in tears and almost broken-hearted agony, praying him not to leave them. The last load was being packed when Dr. Fawcett and his wife sat down on one of the boxes, and wept. The devoted wife, amidst tears, looked up into his face, and said, "O John, John, I cannot bear this!" "Nor I either," said the good man, weeping; "Nor will we go. Unload the waggons, and put everything where it was before." The people cried with joy. The church in London was notified that he could not come, and the beloved pastor resumed his labours on a salary of about two hundred dollars a year.

Then it was he wrote the hymn that has become so immortal—

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love,
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

He labored faithfully with this people till his death in 1817, in his seventy-seventh year.

Not Knowing.

"Not knowing the things that shall befall me there."—Acts xx. 22.

BY MARY G. BRAINARD.

I Know not what shall befall me;
God hangs a mist o'er my eyes,
And thus, at each step of my onward path,
He makes new scenes to rise;
And every joy He sends me comes
As a sweet and glad surprise.

I see not a step before me,
As I tread on another year;
But the past is in God's keeping,
The future His mercy shall clear,
And what looks dark in the distance
May brighten as I draw near.

For perhaps the dreaded future
Is less bitter than I think;
And the Lord may sweeten the waters
Before I stoop to drink;
O, if Marah must be Marah,
He will stand beside its brink.

It may be He keeps waiting,
Till the coming of my feet,
Some gift of such rare blessedness,
Some joy so strangely sweet,
That my lips shall only tremble
With the thanks they cannot speak.

O restless, blissful ignorance!
'Tis blessed not to know;
It stills me in those mighty arms
Which will not let me go,
And sweetly hushes my soul to rest
On the bosom which loves me so!

So I go on, not knowing;
I would not if I might;
I would rather walk in the dark with
God
Than go alone in the light;
I would rather walk with Him by faith
Than walk alone by sight.

My heart shrinks back from trials
Which the future may disclose;
Yet I never had a sorrow
But what the dear Lord chose;
So I send the coming tears back
With the whispered word, "He
knows."

Ecclesiastical News.

THE union of the English Presbyterian Church with the United Presbyterian Church in England was consummated on the 14th June last, and now we have an account of the first session

of "the Presbyterian Church of England" which commenced its proceedings in Regent Square Church, London, on the 23rd of April. Dr. McKerrow of Manchester was chosen Moderator and opened the Synod with an eloquent and practical address. This new church consists of 258 congregations, divided into ten Presbyteries. Its membership comprises 43,434 Communicants, 1203 Elders, 494 Deacons, and a staff of 4,367 Sabbath School Teachers, having under their care 42,058 scholars. From the Sustentation Fund the church was able last year to give \$1000 to all the ministers within the bounds. The Thanks-giving Fund was reported to have reached a total of \$500,000. Its Home Missions, including church extension, Evangelization, and Temperance, has been vigorously prosecuted. Its report on Foreign Missions shewed that there were in connection with the China Mission 12 ordained missionaries, three medical missionaries, 49 native evangelists, and 27 students engaged in the work. Four of the ordained missionaries are stationed in Formosa, and unite their testimony as to the excellent work carried on by Mr. Mackay and Dr. Fraser of the Presbyterian Church in Canada on the same Island. The Rev. Robert Campbell, of Montreal, received the thanks of the Synod for the statement he gave of the work of French Evangelization in Canada. On motion of Dr. Donald Fraser it was resolved, in deference to the wishes of Regent St. congregation, to defer the consideration of the new professorship in the College till next session, and, meanwhile, to remit it to Presbyteries to send up names (other than that of Dr. Dykes) of those whom they regard as eligible for the chair.

Among the list of those who have recently received honorary degrees from the University of Glasgow, we notice with special interest the names of the Rev. Alexander MacKnight, Primarius Professor of divinity in the Theological Hall at Halifax, Nova Scotia, and that of our venerable friend the Rev. A. N. Sommerville, of the Anderston Free Church, Glasgow, who have severally been accorded the degree of Doctor in Divinity.

Notable meetings have lately been held in Glasgow in connection with Dr. Sommerville's departure for Australia, whither he goes as a missionary at large to preach the Gospel under the auspices of the Glasgow United Evangelistic Association. Among those who addressed those meetings were Drs. Andrew and Horatius Bonar, who spoke feelingly of their earlier associations with Dr. Sommerville. Said the latter, on one of those occasions,—"You and I have often walked the streets of Edinburgh in other days, and my happy times we have spent with Robert McCheyne and others now gone. You remember how we sometimes climbed Arthur's Seat, and tried there the strength of our voices, to see how far they would reach. Very few remain of those who were our companions then. And though I feel a sort of sorrow in allowing you to cross the ocean, yet I cannot but rejoice. You have more strength and spirit than some of us. We wish you

God-speed with all our hearts, and shall follow you with our prayers." "We ought to lay down our lives for the brethren," seems to be Dr. Somerville's own motto and key-note, and in this spirit he is ready to go to the ends of the earth.

† Henry Varley is also on the way to Australia. His intention is to visit all the large towns in Victoria, New South Wales, and South Australia, besides Tasmania and New Zealand, returning home by way of San Francisco and Chicago. He anticipates an absence of about eighteen months.

PALESTINE FOR THE JEWS.—The old question as to the return of the Jews, and their re-occupation of "the Promised Land" is still one of the most interesting subjects of the day.

The first point to be ascertained, of course, is whether Palestine is capable of supporting a nation such as the Jews. Dr. Edesheim, writing in *The Christian Week*, claims that if it were possessed by its own people, under a stable and civilized government, its natural resources are ample for this purpose.

"Two questions come here into consideration.—*soil and climate.* On both these we have no less distinguished an authority than that of Captain Warren, of the Royal Engineers, who for years has made the scientific exploration of Palestine his sole business. His testimony in regard to the capability of its soil is unmistakable. 'Palestine,' writes Captain Warren, 'is about the size and shape of Wales, and has now a population of about one million and a half. Give her good government, and quicken the commercial life of the people, and they may increase tenfold, and yet there may be room. The soil is so rich, the climate so varied, that within ordinary limits it may be said that the more people it contains the more it may. Its productiveness will increase in proportion to the labour bestowed on the soil, until a population of fifteen millions might be accommodated there.' And this, mark, within the present boundaries of Palestine!"

All this seems, indeed, scarcely requiring proof, when we bear in mind the population which Palestine formerly supported, and the enormous number of towns which covered its soil."

PRESBYTERIANISM IN JAPAN.—The Rev. S. G. McLaren writes to the *United Presbyterian Missionary Record* (Scotch) that a basis of union has been agreed upon by the different Presbyterian missionaries in Japan, subject to the approval of the respective missionary societies and churches. A committee of six, representing an American Presbyterian, a Reformed Dutch, and a Scotch Presbyterian church, met and drew up the basis; and their report was afterward submitted to a conference of the whole missions interested, and, with some little alterations, adopted. It was then resolved to await the approval of the societies and churches before proceeding further. According to the proposed basis, the standards of doctrine are the Westminster Confession, the Canons of the Synod of Dort, the Shorter Catechism, and the Heidelberg Catechism. For rules of procedure, discipline, and

public worship the constitution of the Anglican Presbyterian Church was adopted. The united church is to be independent ecclesiastically, and to be called "The Presbyterian Church of Japan." The basis of union also contemplates the erection of a Divinity Hall in Japan, for the training of students.

Foreign Missions.

THE Eastern Section of the General Assembly's Committee on Foreign Missions, met at New Glasgow on May 3rd, in Lecture Room of United Church.

A minute was adopted expressive of the services rendered to the Church, and the cause of Missions, by the late Rev. Dr. Bayne. A recommendation of the Mission Council in Trinidad was adopted involving the purchase of a horse for Rev. Thomas Christie on terms advantageous to the Church, as well as to the missionary. The subject of provision for the education of the children of missionaries having been brought under consideration, was referred to a meeting of the united Committees.

Voluminous reports were read from all the Trinidad missionaries, with accounts of expenditure for Schools, Catechists, and Buildings. These were approved, and gave evidence of satisfactory progress.

The annual report from the Rev. H. A. Robertson was submitted and read, giving details of his work in general, and specially of the opening of a Station, and erection of premises at Cook's Bay, Erromanga. Mr. Robertson's report was accepted as affording good evidence of diligence and advancement.

Letters and accounts were submitted from Rev. Dr. Steel. Directions were given for the preparation of the report, and the next meeting fixed for 13th June at 2½ p.m., in St. Matthew's Basement, Halifax.

LATEST FROM TRINIDAD.

Letters from the missionaries have been received dated April 7th. Mr. Grant and other friends in Trinidad had been cheered by a visit from Rev. A. Falconer of Port of Spain, who, in addition to two services in the Scotch Church, examined the Coolie Sabbath School, spoke briefly through an interpreter at the Hindostani service, and preached in the afternoon to the English speaking Asiatics. Mr. Grant reports marriages and baptisms. In reporting the missionaries as "well," we regret that there is one exception in the Mission families. Mrs. Morton has continued in a state of indisposition for a few months, and Mr. Morton will for a time leave his station under charge of

Mr. J. A. McDonald, while taking Mrs. Morton for change of air. In this affliction they will have the sympathy of many Christian friends, and we trust that we may soon hear of Mrs. Morton's convalescence.

REV. J. F. CAMPBELL.

Letters of various date from Mr. Campbell were read in reference to his field and work at Madras. It appeared that while a most promising field was open to him as Missionary to the educated natives of Madras, there were other agents there to occupy it to advantage: so that Mr. Campbell had decided on proceeding to Indore to examine with Rev. Mr. Douglas, what might be the openings for missionaries in that region. Mr. Campbell may therefore before long be heard from in connection with Mr. Douglas, and on the whole it is most probable that they will be fellow-labourers together in Central India. Before that is decided on however, the whole subject will receive full investigation, and probably be referred to the General Assembly.

Our Trinidad Mission.

LETTER FROM REV. JOHN MORTON.

SAVANNAH GRANDE, 5th Mar. '77.

On the 7th of January I baptized six persons all from Jordan Hill Estate. Four of these belonged to one family, father, mother and two sons. The father, Din Bandhoo, is a very industrious man; but he had acquired the habit of drinking occasionally and was thus in danger of ruining himself and his family. This habit he has totally abandoned. It is difficult to say whether it was his reception of the truth that led him to abandon strong drink, or whether the latter was the removal of the last hinderance to the former. He applied for baptism while still occasionally drinking, but his mind was comparatively dead. We told him that he must give up drink before his application could be entertained. At this time he fell sick and had to go to Hospital, and it was then he seemed to realize the mischief that strong drink was doing him; for he promised to abstain totally, and he has kept his promise. In a short time the change in him became manifest. He began to listen with new interest, set himself to learn to read, and can now read the Scriptures intelligently in his own language. His wife Kaunsaleeah is a gentle creature who bore patiently with him when the evil Spirit was upon him and rejoiced greatly when he came to himself. Their two boys

were called Tailakan and Mabesh. As Mabesh means great lord, and is a name of Shiva, it was agreed to change it. And, not to make the last singular, his brother's name also; thus Tailakan became David, and Mabesh, Daniel. The other two are their school companions, Lagar aged 11, and Sad-boo aged 8. Their parents were not prepared to make the grand decision. Their father is somewhat old and cannot read. He speaks as if he believed, indeed, from hearing, but would feel sure if he could read for himself. When these two boys heard that their cousins and school companions were to be baptized they were a good deal moved. They had gone to school together for over three years and were reading together both in English and Hindi. They had been taught the same truth and believed it equally. Were, then, Tailakan and Mabesh to become Christians and they to be left? Kantroo, their teacher told them they must ask their father's leave themselves, and without knowing that he had done so, I gave them the same advice. I was present when the eldest boy asked his father if he would allow him to be baptized. The father was evidently much stirred and perplexed. He looked toward me, but I told him that as the father of these boys he must decide for himself. It was a grave matter and God would hold him responsible if he did not decide wisely, or if he did anything to hinder his sons from walking in God's way. Turning to Lagar he asked, "Do you believe that there is but one God and no others to be looked to?" He answered "Yes." "Do you with heart and soul believe the Christian faith which you have been taught?" "Yes." "If you become a Christian will you never turn back from that way?" No, never." "Well I am contented; you may be baptized." The mother also gave her consent. Much the same questions were asked of the younger boy with the same result. On Sabbath, the father came here and led his two boys forward with the others, and, in the presence of the congregation, renewed his consent to their being baptized. David and Daniel came with their parents; but in reality all four were baptized on their own profession of faith, Kantroo undertaking to continue their further instruction. They all read the Scriptures both in English and Hindi and are very well behaved. All of them were born in Trinidad. Another Jordan Hill school-boy was very anxious to be baptized at the same time; and although his father seldom attends any of our meetings, he yielded to the boy's earnestness, but his mother would not consent. Kantroo says these are his first fruits.

JOHN MORTON.

Our New Hebrides Mission.

LETTERS FROM REV. K. J. GRANT.

THE following is the substance of a letter addressed to Rev. J. K. Smith, Galt, dated

SAN FERNANDO, 26th Feb., 1877.

Yesterday, Sabbath, I had a busy, yet a very happy day. It was an ordinary day's work. First, at 6½ o'clock I left and drove six miles to La Fortune. There I recently erected a little church. Here we have service every Sabbath morning. It is a most encouraging corner of our field, already we have twenty baptized converts, nine since I returned.

2. Got home in time for service at 11 o'clock. After sermon, five Hindoo men rose up and declared themselves on the Lord's side. Such open declarations do much to strengthen the weak and doubting. I did not get out of the Church till past one o'clock.

3. I then took a little refreshment and drove five miles to Picton. Here we had a brief service in English for the Creoles as well as a service for the Coolies. Seven converts from another Estate, met me here. The meeting was deeply interesting. A Mussulman spoke violently, interrupting our meeting by reproaching the name of Jesus. He then withdrew, and had some dispute with a half intoxicated Madras man who inflicted a wound on his head, and both were put in charge of Estate constables and marched to San Fernando to jail. The converts were ready to recognize in this signal retribution.

4. At five I again got home. The bell had ceased ringing, and my small English-speaking congregation now awaited instruction. I immediately went into the Church and spent above an hour with some forty young people whom I love to instruct, they are so attentive and give such ready intelligent answers. This little congregation is made up of young people from China, Calcutta, and Madras, who have been instructed in our schools. In a few months you may expect a representative from this congregation: Jacob will probably leave by the first sailing vessel in April for New York. We will miss him greatly but I am full of hope that his going to Galt may be for the glory of God. But in speaking of a Sabbath day's work I simply told you how I was occupied. Others also were at work in my District. Eight Sabbath School teachers gave instruction to about 80 children. The San Fernando Hospital was visited. In another quarter, the catechist supported by the United Ch.,

New Glasgow, was assisted by another worker. I have excellent helpers. The seed is widely scattered. Here and there, it is allowed to lie and get covered up. We can't say that we have had a plenteous rain, and yet how often are we made to feel that the spirit of God is working through the truth. There is no doubt that there is a wide and growing interest in Christianity. I never visit an Estate or a Hospital without some token of encouragement. I never before felt to the same extent the blessed privilege it is to be permitted to preach the Gospel. Oh that the Church would break forth on the right and on the left and send forth earnest hard workers to the wide uncultivated fields yet remaining to be possessed! I sometimes think that an effective way of arousing hearers at home would be to carry them in thought and feeling to those who, without the Bible or the living preacher, live in unbroken sin, without one aspiration that reaches the throne. Is there none in that band of hearty workers that I found around you in the basement of Knox Church, Galt, that could go abroad to tell of Jesus's love. I don't wonder that Paul made so much of Christ in his preaching, for it supplies the thing essential, lacking in all other systems. Last Sabbath we spoke of the important truth held by Mohammedans "there is one God;" we spoke too of the *recognition of evil* by the Hindoo system, which required ten incarnations of their God Vishnoo to subdue in this mundane system. We then held up the one true incarnation, in the presence of Jesus Christ, and spoke of the love of the Father in sending His Son. Don't cease to pray for us.

The following, addressed to Rev. Dr. McGregor, Halifax, is dated

SAN FERNANDO, 7th March, 1877.

Jaipargas Lal has just been in telling me of his troubles. This man is about 40 years of age, well-to-do, intelligent and influential. He lives on Concord Estate. This Estate adjoins La Fortune, on which we have had great encouragement.

Jaipargas Lal has been friendly for three years, and, since the opening of our little church at La Fortune, he has attended service. Two days ago, in company with others, he called and declared, what I before believed, his entire renunciation of Hindooism and his full acceptance of the teachings of the Bible and of Jesus as his Saviour. The news of his visit were at once carried back to the Estate, and on his return there was intense excitement. His brother-in-law, the head driver on the estate, attempted to argue

the point, by showing that the Christian religion was designed for English people, but, that as they belonged to another nation, it was their duty to worship according to the ways of their country. Jaipargas Lal was able however to show that Jesus was not an Englishman, but an Asiatic; that the English were idol worshippers when Jesus went back to Heaven.

The driver, sailing in argument, besought him not to join the Christian people, and particularly whilst he (the driver) remained in the country. Said he, "read the Christian books if you will, worship alone in the Christian way, in other words believe with your heart but don't confess with your mouth. If you break your caste, it will bring shame on us all." Another threatened to cut him down if he talked more on the Estate about Christianity. A third said, we thought La Fortune bad, but Concord is worse. Shame is coming on us all, by the spread of the Christian religion. A fourth pointing to an unfortunate fellow-labourer, a leper, said, if Christ can make him whole then we will all believe. A new sign wanted. A week ago, a similar proposal was made to me by a driver on another Estate. Said he, let us put the Bible and the Ramayan into the fire and let the book which is not consumed be held as the true revelation.

A fifth said, what is the use of trusting *Isu Masih* if he had not the power to save himself, he could not have God's power when he let men kill him. This is quite in keeping with the language of the rulers who derided him, "Let him save himself if he be the Christ."

A sixth, whose attention had been arrested by a wooden image of our Saviour exposed on a cross on the side of the street, at the entrance to the R. C. Church in this town, said, "how can Jesus be in Heaven when I saw him the other day nailed to a cross?"

The great concern of our friend in calling was to get better instructed in the Bible, that he might be fully furnished with means of defence. I am not afraid that the opposition of man will turn him aside. He is well grounded, and as he reads his language freely, he can daily grow in knowledge as we trust he may in grace.

His decision, I believe, will influence many to enquire concerning the new faith. Such cases call for the prayers of those who would see the heathen brought to the feet of Jesus. Our daily encouragements, call for abounding thanksgiving.

A convert was assaulted and rather severely beaten a few days ago in the cane field. He came to me professedly for counsel, but it turned out to be to get my en-

couragement to his entering a complaint in Court against his assailants. Desirous that he should study the things that promote peace, I counselled forbearance; "If thine enemy hunger, feed him." Said he, "If I in reading the Scriptures, or telling of Jesus, were assaulted, then that counsel would be good, but as I was just at my daily work and as the quarrel was not about our religion, I think it is right to ask the Queen to protect me."

When a heathen said, "If Christ will make that leper well, then I will believe in him," Lal Bahari answered "Christ made lepers and many other persons well who were diseased, but this was not done as a prize to get them to believe. He made them well because they did believe. Now, said he, if you trust him in view of what he has already done, he may grant your wish or do something else that you may think very much better." K. J. GRANT.

India.

MANY of our readers will be glad to have the opportunity of perusing the following communication addressed to the Secretary of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions, Toronto, both because it is extremely interesting in itself, and because it is written by one of our own dear Canadian missionaries who has been labouring faithfully for three years in the prosecution of the work which is so intelligently described in this letter.

RAKHA, 23rd January, 1877.

Your letter reached me some time ago, and I must apologize for the delay in answering, but you know even missionaries play sometimes, and so we went to Allahabad to give ourselves the double pleasure of attending the annual mission meeting and helping to proclaim our Lady Queen Victoria "Empress of India." Miss Rodger also needed the change after her illness: you will be glad to know she is once more enjoying perfect health and is getting strong. Now we are back in dear old Rakha once more, but for a very short time however. The furniture is almost all gone, and we are living as we can until we start in a few weeks for our new home in Central India. Altogether, I believe it is worse than "Fall cleaning" as I remember it. I am glad if any letter of mine gives you pleasure and instruction. When we get into our "Canadian Field," that interest I am sure will in-

crease greatly. Rev. J. M. Douglas arrived in Allahabad in time to help us eat our New Year's dinner. Last Friday he went South in company with Rev. J. F. Holcombe of this mission to select our field for future labour. I am sure that with us you are praying that Our Father will give them wisdom to judge and will lead them into a fruitful field among His waiting people. It is truly "glad tidings" to hear of the interest now existing and spreading among the women of our Church regarding work in the Zenanas here. In watering others, we ourselves are most enriched. I hope and trust this may beset with you who are labouring so zealously at home. You enquire what I think respecting the advantages of Zenana and school work comparatively. Well, it is a broad question, but one I do not think at all difficult to answer. It is to the young, pure, (comparatively) hearts of the children we must look as the best soil for the springing of the word. Zenanas are most often opened to us by the tender fingers of its children; gain a child and you have its mother, in nine cases out of ten. The women, as you talk, listen perhaps with marked attention, and you feel as tho' surely the heart is opening to the light, when you will be startled by the exclamation "How much did you pay for your clothes in *Valite*?" as they call every place which is not Hindustan. There is much to discourage in Zenana labour, especially when going, day after day, and year after year, you find what you have said has literally been like water straining through a bank of sand, forgotten as soon as heard; but worst of all is when you have laboured in a house and thought you had been very convincing, the women assenting very heartily to every statement you make, and then see them rise up and do worship to an idol almost before your very face. You are indignant and say how can you do that when so often you have heard and acknowledged that a stone or mud figure is no God, and the Great God your maker watching you all the while? They will laughingly answer, "don't be angry Miss Sahib, but it is our custom." Children, you see, are not such slaves to custom as the older people. But, on the other hand, we get the children only for a few years and then they go from us to their husband's home, and if our influence does not follow them, their heathen associations often blot out, or nearly, all our work. Then there are often those who seem prepared by sorrow and other circumstances to accept Christ and take home the great lessons of life to the heart with joy, so that the one seems to work into the other and to supplement the other. If one had to be dis-

pensed with, I should say Zenanas must go down and give us the children. You see the same children are often good Zenana preachers, as they repeat the day's lessons to the mother and household at home. So we cannot afford to let any mode monopolize our strength. We must try and make one aid the other, and on all occasions teach as much as we can the *pure Word of God*, and let it act like leaven as the Bible says. In Mynpuria, where the first girls schools were opened in the American mission, Mrs. Wyckoff, who established them, has often told me she has been turned away and the doors of houses slammed in her face. She got her first entrance through the boys of the mission high-school. She made friends with them and they got her into the houses. After a time, when they saw she only came as their friend and to help them, (she had to be very careful not to bring religion too prominently forward however for a long time) then they welcomed her for her own sake, and at length, to her great joy, she could speak to them freely of the Saviour, their need of Him, and their sins. They had no fear of her or her religion. I fancy we must perhaps look for just such a struggle if we go to Malwa. It is new to this sort of work. Both Miss Rodger and I have engaged in both works during the whole time, but my work for the past two years has been more especially School and Orphanage, although I have a few houses of Bengali Brahmins. About 30 women and girls in all, and some half dozen boys, who are my especial knights and worshippers. They are in the high-school studying English, Persian, and Hindi, and we often have Bible readings in English, and talks and explanations in which not unfrequently the father also joins. He, I fancy, belongs to the now famous sect the "Brahmo Samaj," altho' he never directly said so. These women are all closely veiled and are a proud, rich community, who keep almost entirely to themselves.

Yours sincerely,

M. FAIRWEATHER.

Juvenile Mission.

SOME interesting letters have been lately received from Calcutta, from girls supported at the Orphanage there, by Sabbath Schools and private friends. Two of them are given here, as showing not only the progress, but something of the daily life of the children. The letters are very neatly written in English. It will be seen from

them that these girls are already becoming useful in teaching others. It may be hoped that as they grow older, they may be instrumental in lightening the darkness of many of their heathen sisters.

The following is from *Christina* supported by the Sabbath School of St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa:—

SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE, March 3rd, 1877.

Dear friends,

For a long time I have not written to you, and since then I have been promoted to the First Class. Five of them go out to teach the Zenanas and day schools, and three of us stay in the school to assist in teaching the youngest class by turns, each girl taking a week. One day, two ladies came from some other mission to visit our school. They were glad to see us and also examined us in Scriptures and Grammar, and were very much pleased to hear our answers, and asked us what food we ate, and how we dressed when we go to Church. My teacher told me to bring my veil which we wear from the middle of our heads, falling on our shoulders and back. The ladies said it looked very pretty, and that their girls did not wear them. We showed some of our tiffen that we eat every day, called *Khocy*, a kind of dried rice, which one of the ladies tasted.

Lady Lytton distributed the prizes to us yesterday and also to the children of our other schools. We were very glad to get them. A great number of people were present, and we sang three English and one Bengali hymn before them. Lady Lytton was very pleased with our singing, and said to us, "I will write a letter to Queen Victoria and tell her about the Orphanage."

Among the prizes here mentioned were a number of the dolls, &c., sent from Canada last summer. Some more dolls are wanted for next year. Will any young readers prepare them as before? They are *not* wanted *expensive*, only prettily dressed. The second letter given is from Frances, supported by Mr. T. F. Harkness, formerly of Kingston:

SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE, Feb. 20th, 1877.

Dear Supporter,

This is my first attempt at letter-writing in English, so I hope you will be pleased. I feel very grateful to you for your kind support, and am thankful that I came to this school. I might still have been living in darkness, if God had not sent that great famine in Orissa. My mother died when I was a baby, and my grandmother then took care of me. Some time after, my father died and left two of us, myself and a big brother; and one day while we were walking along the road, crying for them, and not knowing who would take care of us in that great famine, a Baboo came up to us and asked us why we were crying. We told him all, and he said, "do not cry, will you come with me?" I went because my brother told me I would be put to some school. The Baboo who brought us from there is now our

minister, the Rev. B. C. Chuckerbutty. I did not know anything about the true God, but was living in darkness. I know that he did all this for my good. I have been taught and am teaching others, as Miss Pigot has kindly given me a school to teach in Badoor Bagn. I go with one of my school-companions. We walk to the school, it is so near ours—leaving this at eleven o'clock. The first thing we do is to assemble all the children together for Bible lesson, which we tell them as a story, then they have catechism and afterwards go to their different class—Bengali. In the afternoon they work and sing until four o'clock, when we return home. I hope to write a better letter next time,

Yours gratefully,

FRANCES.

Christian Work in San Francisco

BY MRS. P. D. BROWNE.

IF the readers of *The Presbyterian* wish to see heathenism as it is occasionally represented here, let them accompany me to a Sabbath afternoon service at Jute Mill. We enter an enclosure, and see only Chinese men. The place resembles a barracks—not a woman is to be seen; men and boys everywhere. There is but one woman about the place, a tall "little footed lady," never visible. She is the wife of one of the employees, who was himself at one time favourable to the work, but was convinced by an English speaking infidel that the Christian religion was false—God only a myth, etc. Hence he has withdrawn his influence, though he does not oppose, yet the very withdrawal is a serious hindrance, as the sympathy and co-operation of the better class largely influence the lower ones, in so great a step as acknowledging a Being superior to Confucius. We enter a large low room, the tables and benches showing that it is used as a dining room during the week. On the Sabbath it is used for everything. Near the door are seated row after row of Chinamen; others farther back are coming and going through an open side door. An American gentleman is telling them through a Chinese interpreter, of the Prodigal's return. They listen with interest. The Chinese are naturally a polite people. Although they cannot on this occasion understand one word until it is interpreted, there is none of that listless inattentive manner so trying to the speaker, that one often sees among our own people. We occupy one portion of the room, while all about us are barbers shaving their "customers," for this room is not by any means consecrated to religious worship. It is the very fact that it is not,

that makes this work so interesting, as thereby many are reached who would not otherwise hear the Gospel. A barber occasionally stops for a moment to listen as something of more than ordinary interest is said, then proceeds with his work. Sabbath is the day devoted to those queus, which the Chinese admire, and the "Melian man" dislikes above everything else. They never will "assimilate" the American says, while the queus are worn. Dr. Dio Lewis, of Boston, suggests, that "assimilating" can hardly be expected under the present treatment. As I look upon these flowing locks upon this Sabbath afternoon, I no longer wonder that they are indignant when their long queus are cut. They are perfect marvels in quantity and length, and if to them they are a mark of beauty or position, they cannot be expected with their Eastern ideas, to give them up any more willingly than American ladies would part with theirs. Even here when we see the queu *wound around the head*, we know that we are addressing a menial. While the washing, shaving, and combing process is going on all about us, the speaker addressing the company gathered about the door, is telling of God's willingness to receive all who will come; and adds, "How many of you wish to come to Christ. Let all who do, raise the hand." There is a look of surprise, of half fear, of ridicule on the face of the listeners, as the interpreter explains the request, and then nearly every hand is raised. Your correspondent, like Thomas of old, is "very doubting," and says, "They cannot understand what he means." "Oh, yes, they mean that they wish to be "Jesus men" is their reply. "Jesus men" and "heart religion" are the terms used by them to designate true followers of Christ in distinction to merely nominal Christians. At the close of the service, one of the young China-men selects the hymn, "Alas, and did my Saviour bleed." How precious those good old hymns of our childhood are! Then the service closes, and we walk home, feeling what a blessed privilege to be working for heathen souls, when there is so much beauty in the outer world, so little of self-denial. Yet many Christians even here count it self denial to teach or labour in any way for a Chinese.

Yesterday, I met a Missionary from one of the Micronesian Islands, who is here to recruit. She had not heard from her husband and only child since she left last November, and could not until her return next June. *That* may be called self-denial. "The feeling of isolation is very great," she said, "but I never like to speak of

what we have done; it looks as if I expected because I was a Missionary, something more than others." I wondered as I thought of her it our Canadian ladies, and we of San Francisco, realized the kindness of the Father of all, that He has given us both a work to do at our very doors with the Romanists and Chinese, as well as the privilege of *sending* the Gospel to other lands.

Dr. Kerr, of Canton, in a recent lecture on China, spoke in the highest terms of the Canadian Missionaries at Formosa. He hopes soon to have a hospital for the Chinese here. I met Dr. Spear a few evenings since. He is returning from China where he was for many years (long ago) a Missionary, but has been more recently connected with the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Vincent, of New York, opens the Sabbath School Convention this evening in Oakland. The San Francisco Theological Seminary sent out three Graduates last week, all engaged by Churches on the Coast before they left the Seminary. This is the day of small things as regards the Seminary, but it is firmly established now, and will be a great power for good, as all *Presbyterian* Theological Seminaries are! Dr. Eels who leaves Monday next as a delegate to Edinburgh, has been untiring in his efforts to make this Seminary what it is. If Satan is busy in San Francisco, so are Christians. Church debts are being rapidly wiped off, and earnest prayer is ascending for the blessing which seems very near.

Missionary Items.

THE "DAYSPRING."

THE mission ship, about which we have heard and read so much, is now in Auckland harbour. She is a fine large three-masted schooner, and is comfortably and conveniently fitted up for the accommodation of the New Hebrides missionaries and the transit of their stores. She left the islands on the 19th December, with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Inglis, and the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Watt, and arriving first at Port Chalmers, she then visited Lyttelton, Wellington, and Auckland, and is to sail for Sydney in the first week of this month. She has been visited by the various Sunday-schools at the different ports she has visited, and coconuts have been dealt out liberally to the children, which of course they enjoyed heartily. The expense of sailing the Dayspring is from £1,600 to £1,800 per annum, so that this trip will cost the Mission between £500 and £600, but then against that must

be put the sum raised by the missionaries in New Zealand, and the good which the visit of the vessel will do in exciting a greater interest in her and in her work.—*New Zealand Pres. Church News.*

Captain Moresby, of the English service, after a cruise in the Pacific among missionary stations, remarks in a volume just published ("Discoveries in New Guinea and Polynesia"), "every impartial man must heartily and thankfully admit that vast benefits have resulted from missionary enterprise in the South Seas."

THE number of Christians in China is now increasing six-fold every ten years.

There are 40,000 communicants in the churches of South Africa.

For every convert there was in Burmah fifty years ago, there are now a thousand. There are now 350 churches, and nine tenths of the work is done by native preachers.

The Madras Christian College, which was founded by the Free Church of Scotland, in 1865, and which was the first distinctively Christian school for higher education opened in India, has, according to the wishes and promised co-operation of the Protestant missionaries in Madras, been placed upon an unsectarian footing. Opening in 1865 with a class of six students, it now has 174, with 754 in its school department. It educates up to the standard of bachelor of arts, maintaining a minimum staff of five European professors. A council, composed of representatives of various religious bodies, has the management of the College, the aim of which is "to provide an education that shall cultivate, expand, and enliven the whole man—the conscience and the will, as well as the mere reasoning powers."

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Remittances should be made in Dominion currency. All letters containing money should be registered. The Clerks of Presbyteries are requested to keep us informed of the *stated* meetings of their respective Courts.

OUR circulation reached its maximum in December 1876, when it was 36,392. We commenced 1877 with 33,750. In May last we had 34,199. We are increasing again, slowly, but steadily. Upon the whole we ought to be thankful, and thankful we are, indeed. It might have been worse. Even if we had proved ourselves every thing that the most fastidious could have desired, a very unlikely condition, by the way, still, we have to contend with the monetary—what shall we call it—that sort of thing that makes people "panic" at the mention of a dollar, and to look at both sides of "a quarter" very closely before parting with it. It should be known that we have no agents to canvas for the RECORD, other than voluntary ones, to whom we acknowledge our great indebtedness.

THE JULY NUMBER will be largely devoted to the proceedings of the General Assembly. In order that the report may be as full and complete as possible, it may be necessary to delay the despatching of that number by the space of a week or so. It will be made up by our Mr. Robert Murray, at Halifax, to whom all communications for the July number should be addressed.

ANONYMOUS WRITERS will understand that we cannot make any use of their communications, except, perhaps, for our own private edification; and then we should, doubtless, be much more edified did we know who is addressing us.

Literature.

BIBLE ANIMALS, by REV. J. G. HOOD, M.A., F.L.S., etc., with a Treatise on Evolution, by REV. JAS. MCCOSH, D.D., and Researches and Travel in Bible Lands, by REV. DANIEL MARCH, D.D., published by J. W. LYONS, Guelph, Ont., 1877, pp. 719.

The design and scope of this volume is to present a description of the habits, structure, and uses of every living creature mentioned in the Scriptures, and to explain all those passages in the Old and New Testaments, in which reference is made to Beast, Bird, Reptile, Fish, or Insect. And all this, we may say, Mr. Wood has done in a manner worthy his high reputation as an author, combining, in a most pleasing way, the results of scientific investigation with popular instruction. The illustrations are numerous, and exceedingly good—so conceived and arranged as to add greatly to the interest and value of the work. The best feature of the book, however, is the reverent spirit of interpretation which pervades it from beginning to end. It is a Commentary as well as a Bible Dictionary, and, while its aim is to harmonize the ancient phraseology of the sacred writings with the teachings of modern science, it throws fresh light on many passages of Scripture, and is thus valuable to the natural historian and Biblical student. If you want to know why man's companion, the dog, is so contemptuously spoken of in the Bible, here you find the reason; or, if you want to know why the hare is alluded to as chewing the cud, which it does not do, you find here a satisfactory explanation for the apparent mis-statement, and so with many other allusions to Bible animals, in which are things hard to be understood, we find much to help us in our endeavours to catch the meaning of some of the most difficult passages of Scripture. On the whole, we judge the book to be a most useful and reliable work of reference.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN EVANGELICAL REVIEW. James Bain & Son, Toronto: \$2 per annum; and **THE PRESBYTERIAN QUARTERLY AND PRINCETON REVIEW.** Rev. Andrew Kennedy, London, Ont., Agent; price, \$2.35. The current parts of both these excellent Quarterlies are to hand, full, as usual, with able dissertations on the great Theological questions of the day, which are engaging the attention of thinking men.

Official Announcements.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The third session of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada will be opened in the City of Halifax, and within St. Matthew's Church there, on Wednesday, 13th June next, at 7.30 p.m.

All papers for the Assembly should reach the hands of Clerks of Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.

The Conveners of Standing Committees should have their reports ready to hand to the Committee on Bills and Overtures at the second sederunt of the General Assembly.

Rolls and other documents should be addressed to Rev. Dr. Reid (Drawer 2567), Toronto.

WILLIAM REID,
J. H. MACKERRAS,
W. FRASER, } Clerks of
Gen. Assem.

RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

Arrangements have been made with the leading lines of Railway for return tickets at reduced rates. Members who have not received their certificates should communicate with Dr. Reid at once.

Trains leave Point Levis—opposite Quebec—every morning (Sabbaths excepted) at 7.30 o'clock—Reaching Halifax in 26 hours.

Presbytery Clerks are requested to send to Dr. Reid, as soon as possible, lists of ministers and elders entitled to receive certificates, with their POST-OFFICE ADDRESS and the RAILWAY STATIONS from which they will begin their journey. Inattention to this will occasion great inconvenience and trouble.

MISSIONARY WANTED.

A fourth Missionary to the Coolies of Trinidad: Application by any minister or licentiate of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, may be sent to Rev. Dr. McGregor, of Halifax, Secretary of Eastern Section of the General Assembly's Committee of Foreign Missions, by whom all information will be furnished respecting the field, salary, and requisite qualifications. Halifax, May 8, 1877.

Official Notices.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Truro—Tuesday, 29th May.
Brockville—Tuesday, 3rd July, 7 p.m.
Paris—Tuesday, 3rd July, 11 a.m.
Huron—Tuesday, 3rd July, 11 a.m.
Chatham—Tuesday, 3rd July, 11 a.m.
Toronto—Tuesday, 3rd July, 11 a.m.
Quebec—Wednesday, 4th July, 10 a.m.
Montreal—Tuesday, 10th July, 11 a.m.
Glengary—Tuesday, 10th July.
Peterboro—Tuesday, 10th July, 11 a.m.
Bruce—Tuesday, 10th July, 3 p.m.
Kingston—Tuesday, 10th July, 3 p.m.
London—Friday, 13th July, 2 p.m.
Miramichi—Tuesday, 7th August.
Ottawa—Tuesday, 7 August, 3 p.m.

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Millbrook	4.00
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Ottawa, Knox Ch	10.00
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Aylmer	2.00
Halifax, Fort Massey Ch.	20.00
Cartwright	2.00
Ballyduff	2.35
Osgoode	2.00
West King	6.00
Stirling, St Andrew's	2.00
Markham, St Andrew's, Stouffville, &c	6.50
Belfast	10.60
London, 1st Pbyn Ch	10.00
McNab	5.00
Guelph, Knox Ch	15.70
Norwich	4.00
Windham	4.00
Percy	5.00
Campbellford	2.40
Bridgewater	5.00
Huron	8.00
Glenallan	5.00
Hollin	5.00
Harrington	2.00
Normanby, Middle Stat'n	2.00
Laguerre, Calvin Ch	3.00
Onslow	6.00
Paris, River Street	10.00
Roxborough, Knox Ch	2.00
Pakenham, Victoria St.	2.00
Feversham & Maxwell	2.30
Chatham, St Andrew's	5.00
Perrytown	4.00
Kirkhill	5.00
Valleyfield	3.00

Barrie	4.40
Bradford	2.50
Trenton, St Andrew's	2.00
Toronto, Gould Street	22.60
Seymour, St Andrew's	5.00
Dalhousie Mills	4.00
Galt, St Andrew's	5.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch	20.00
Tara	3.68
Hamilton, McNab Street	25.00
Burn's Ch	1.20
Toronto, Knox Ch	33.30
Kingston, St Andrew's	10.00
Bristol	5.00
Fenelon Falls	3.80
Melbourne	4.00
Woodstock, Chalmer's Ch.	15.00
Port Hope, 1st Pbyn Ch.	8.00
Quebec, Chalmer's Ch.	15.00
Vaughan, St Andrew's & St Paul's	9.00
Southampton & Arran	5.00
Bellefleur, St Andrew's	10.00
Alexandria	2.60
Martintown, St Andrew's	3.00
Caledonia, Argyle Street, and Allan Settlement	10.60
Truro	9.00
Oshawa	5.00
	\$3224.14

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Received to 2nd April	\$45.00
Chingacousay 1st	8.35
Do 2nd	8.13
Toronto, Knox Ch Sab Sc.	50.00
	\$111.48

HOME MISSION.

Received to 2nd April	\$26229.73
King, St Andrew's	25.00
Latona	11.00
Brooklin	20.00
Harriston, Guthrie Ch.	12.00
Eastern Seneca	8.00
Westminster	40.00
Fisherville	18.00
Millpoint	2.00
Harriston, Knox Ch. debt	14.30
Do do ordy	5.70
Harwich do	20.00
Presb'y of Bruce, add. debt	15.10
Millbank do	20.00
Do do debt	18.25
Millbrooke do	24.00
Centreville do	25.00
Peterbor'gh, St Pauls. debt	50.00
Toronto, Knox Ch ordy	600.00
do do SS do	50.00
do do MSS do	25.00
do do BibCl do	32.30
Perth, St Andw, add. do	20.00
Mtilton do	5.00
Underwood do	4.00
North Brant do	10.00
Ottawa, Knox Ch	113.00
Hamilton, St John's	27.00
Ashton do	12.00
Chatham, Adelaide St	90.00
Edwardsburgh, Add	0.75
Port Hope, 1st Ch	70.00
do do Sab Sc.	20.00
Round Lake Mission	4.00
Baltimore do	92.00
Bainbrooke, Knox Ch	15.75
Saltfleet, Cheyne Ch	9.14
Mrs A Wilson, Saltfleet	5.00
Caistor do	4.00
Wellesley do	9.00
Caledonia, Sutherland St.	24.00

Centre Bruce	3.00
Blythe	45.00
Belgrave	deb't 25.00
Grafton	ordy 30.00
Langside	do 24.00
Scarborough, Knox Ch	do 70.00
Amherstburgh	do 16.29
North Arthur	do 5.00
Demorestville, add.	do 1.00
Ramsay	do 8.00
Rodgersville	do 77.32
Chesterfield	do 50.60
Carlingford	do 12.00
Point Edward	do 3.00
Westmeath	do 6.60
Dresden	do 17.50
Toronto, Charles St SS	do 16.66
Longwood, Guthrie Ch	do 28.00
Carradoc, Cook's Ch.	do 8.00
Keady	do 5.44
Peabody	do 2.56
Yorkmills	do 22.00
Wingham	do 30.00
Sarnia, St Andrew's	do 120.00
Derry West	do 5.00
Fiverton	do 7.00
Woodstock, Knox Ch.	do 100.00
Melrose, Lonsdale & Shannonville	do 80.00
Hemmingford, St AndwCh	do 10.00
do Knox Ch.	1.35
Normanby, Orchardville Station	5.00
North Pelham and Port Robinson	12.40
Brussels, Knox Ch	20.00
West Tilbury	17.20
Storrington	21.00
Pitsburgh	12.00
Warwick, Knox Ch.	8.00
South Caledon, Melville Ch	9.00
Napanee	5.00
Mono Centre	6.50
Aylmer	9.00
Glenvale & Harrowsmith,	30.00
Ingersoll, Erskine Ch	20.00
Friend, McKillop	0.25
West King	10.00
East Gloucester	24.81
Russell	16.00
Osgoode	3.28
Kenmore	3.41
Collingwood	30.00
Embro	41.68
St Helens	20.00
Whit Church	29.00
Fairbairn, add.	0.25
Woodland	1.79
Russelstown Flatts	12.00
Stirling, St Andrew's	19.00
Markham, St Andrew's, Stouffville, &c	45.00
Richmond Hill	20.00
Thornhill	30.00
Vaughan, St Andrew's & St Paul's	35.00
Kirkfield & Victoriaville.	3.05
London, 1st Pbyn Ch	70.00
do do SSc.	55.00
Streetsville	73.82
Georgetown	12.50
Limehouse	10.95
Vaughan	44.00
Albion	25.00
Oro, Willis Ch	3.00
Oro, Esson Ch	2.50
McNab	20.00
Guelph, Knox Ch	65.00
Delaware	4.00
Norwich	10.00
Windham	18.00
West Gwillimbury and Innisfil	10.00
Thamesville	25.33
Toronto, West Ch, add	5.08

Oakville	debt	12.00
do	ordy	10.00
Grimsby		38.00
Muir Settlement		9.00
Port Dover, Knox Ch		20.00
Peroy		24.75
Campbellford		20.40
Rochester ville		10.00
do Sab Se		3.00
Hull		10.00
Admaston	debt	8.00
Huron		14.00
Amherst Island		10.00
Medonte & Floss		13.00
Glenallan		9.40
Hc'lin		17.30
Northman, Middle Station		3.20
Smith Hill		8.88
Harrington		20.00
Toronto, Bay St Sab Se		21.00
Desboro		3.00
McIntosh		19.28
Presbytery of Hamilton,		
bal of	debt	14.00
Paris, River Street		70.00
Roxborough, Knox Ch		6.00
East Oxford, St Andrew's		24.50
Invarness		30.00
Vankleekhill		10.00
Pakenham, Victoria St		30.00
Ivy		10.09
Feversham & Maxwell		6.00
Meaford		19.82
Warwick		2.00
Chatham, St Andrew's		25.00
Pembroke, Calvin Ch		57.45
Perrytown		30.00
Nelson & Waterdown		40.00
Kirkhill		31.75
Valleyfield		6.00
Leaskdale		15.00
Glenmorris		32.00
Cayuga	debt	3.00
do	ordy	38.00
Barrie	do	25.95
Bradford	do	16.00
Cookstown		28.00
Trenton, St Andrew's		6.00
Kingston, St Andrew's		100.00
Penetanguishine, Wye-		
bridge, &c		30.00
Seymour, St Andrew's		15.00
Lindsay		18.00
Ripley, Knox Ch		8.00
Black Creek Station, Som-		
bra		10.00
Shakespeare	debt	13.40
Chinguncousey 1st		9.46
do 2nd		16.35
West Lorne		4.00
Orillia		40.00
Tara		6.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch		110.00
do do	debt	40.00
Madoc, St Paul's		10.00
do St Columba		8.00
Strathroy, St Andrew's		15.50
Medonte & Floss	debt	27.00
Oro, Willis & Esson Ch do		12.75
Burn's Ch	do	4.50
Kingston, St Andrew's ordy		248.00
Owen Sound, Division St.		31.43
Bristol		25.00
Windsor		52.00
Oxford	debt	8.00
do	ordy	8.00
Alex Clark, Smith Falls		50.00
Somerville		1.50
Penelon		12.50
Brookville, St Johns		10.50
Paisley, Knox Ch		43.00
Angus		8.00
New Lowell		4.00
Woodstock, Chalmers Ch		125.00
Belleville, John St, add		25.00

Dorchester Station	4.00
Colborne	15.00
Brighton	5.00
Reservo	11.07
Botany	8.74
Southampton & Arran	40.00
Owen Sound, Knox Ch	10.00
Alexandria	8.00
Oshawa	11.00
Nassagaweya	20.00
Ingersoll, Knox Ch	160.00
Laskoy	6.00
Kingston, Chalmers Ch	258.75
Ottawa, Daly Street	102.00
Kinloss & Bervie	20.00
Seaforth	60.00
Brantford, Zion Ch, add	56.00
Martintown, St Andrew's	26.00
Mono West	4.47
	\$31901.86

FOREIGN MISSION.

Received to 2nd April	\$9862.21
Brantford, Wellington St	5.00
do do S S	9.35
Brooklin	10.00
East Williams, St Andrew's	6.00
Harrison, Guthrie Ch	10.00
Eastern Seneca	4.00
Westminster	27.50
Fisherville	7.30
Millpoint	1.37
Harrison, Knox Ch	16.00
Harwich	20.00
Ratho	12.00
Innerkip	18.00
Millbrook	20.00
Millbrooke	18.00
Centreville	19.00
Toronto, Knox Ch	350.00
do do S S, China	50.00
do do do Saskn	25.00
do do do Mission S S	20.00
do do do Bible Class	32.30
Malton	10.00
Wroxeter & Fordwich	38.04
Underwood	4.00
North Brant	6.00
Ottawa, Knox Ch	43.26
Chesley	6.18
Salem	2.57
Ashton	10.00
Port Hope, 1st Pbyn Ch	38.00
do do S S	10.00
Baltimore	42.00
Saltfleet, Cheyne Ch	10.00
Birbrooke, Knox Ch	10.00
Mrs A Wilson, Saltfleet	6.00
Caistor	2.00
Wellesley	9.00
Ayr, Stanley Street	20.00
Caledonia, Sutherland St	20.00
Centre Bruce	2.00
Blythe	20.00
Grafton	20.00
Montreal, St Gabriel St	40.00
Langside	6.00
Amberstburgh	5.90
Laarak	21.25
North Arthur	3.00
Madoc, St Peter's, add	1.25
Ramsay	8.00
Rodgerville	38.68
Chesterfield	20.00
Carlingford	8.00
Point Edward	1.50
Westmeath	4.00
North Sherbrooke	7.35
Longwood, Guthrie Ch	10.00
Carradoc, Cooke's Ch	3.75
Ayr, Knox Ch	66.00
Avonton Sab Se, Saskn	13.00
Yorkmills	4.00

Wingham	20.00
Raleigh Station	1.00
Sarnia, St Andrew's	34.30
Derry West	3.00
Tiverton	10.00
Woodstock, Knox Ch	120.00
do do S S, China	30.00
do do do India	30.00
Galt, Knox Ch S S	41.00
Bobcaygeon	7.00
Normanby, Orchardville	
Station	5.00
North Pelham and Port	
Robinson	5.00
Thames Road	35.00
Brussels, Knox Ch	8.00
Storrington	7.00
Pittsburgh	5.00
Warwick, Knox Ch, China	
South Caledon, Melville Ch	
Napanee	6.00
Aylmer	5.35
Aylmer	5.00
Cartwright	3.00
Ballyduff	2.90
Montreal, St Joseph Street	
Sub Se, India	25.00
do do China	20.00
do do do Saskn	15.00
Middleville & Dalhousie	5.00
Harrowsmith	10.00
Ingersoll, Erskine Ch	10.00
Osgoode	12.00
West King	14.00
East Gloucester	20.00
Russell	16.00
Mount Pleasant	5.75
Burford	2.00
Collingwood	5.00
St Helens	9.00
Whitchurch	14.00
Holstein	7.89
Amos	6.78
Fairbairn	4.00
Montreal, Knox Ch S Se	50.00
Markham, St Andrew's,	
Stouffville, &c	25.00
Richmondhill	10.00
Thornhill	10.00
Vaughan, St Andrew's &	
St Paul's	35.00
Kirkfield & Victoriaville	3.00
London, 1st Pbyn Ch	22.56
do do S Se	27.73
South Kinloss & Lucknow	
Streetsville	23.00
do Sab Se	29.00
do	16.85
Georgetown	6.25
Limehouse	3.00
Vaughan	38.00
Albion	14.00
Oro, Willis Ch	3.00
do Esson Ch	2.50
McNab	10.00
Guolph, Knox Ch	42.33
Norwich	10.00
Windham	6.00
West Gwillimbury and	
Innisfil	10.00
Thamesville	6.61
Oakville	10.00
Grimsby	17.00
Muir Settlement	5.00
Port Dover, Knox Ch	3.00
Melrose, Lonsdale and	
Shannonville	6.00
Dunsford	9.30
Peroy	19.15
Campbellford	10.00
Manchester	14.00
Rochester ville	3.66
Huron	13.00
Lake Charles	0.50
Amherst Island	5.00
Medonte and Floss	10.00
Glenallan	9.00

Hollin.....	10.00
Normanby, Middle Station	3.00
Harrington.....	30.00
Toronto, Bay St Sab So.....	21.00
Laquerre, Calvin Ch.....	4.50
Lachute, Henry's Ch.....	25.60
Fort Coulonge.....	5.00
McIntosh.....	39.54
Paris, River Street.....	9.00
Roxborough, Knox Ch.....	30.00
East Oxford, St Andrew's.....	8.50
St Louis de Gonzague.....	10.00
Inverness.....	12.00
St Mary's.....	50.00
Kirkton.....	11.00
Vankleekhill.....	10.00
Sydenham, St Paul's.....	5.00
Pakenham, Victoria St.....	10.00
do do SSc	
boys dept, China.....	20.00
Feversham & Maxwell.....	4.00
Ivy.....	2.00
Warwick, Knox Ch.....	1.40
Chartham, St Andrew's.....	20.60
Chelsea.....	4.79
do Sab So.....	15.21
Pembroke, Calvin Ch.....	51.45
Perrytown.....	5.00
Kirkhill.....	10.00
Leaskdale.....	2.44
Glenmorris.....	30.00
Cayuga.....	38.00
Barrie.....	13.70
Bradford.....	11.00
Cookstown.....	14.00
Trenton, St Andrew's.....	4.00
Victoria.....	5.00
Kippen.....	19.32
Hillsgreen.....	5.68
Smith Church.....	6.00
Seymour, St Andrew's.....	15.00
Lindsay.....	10.00
Woodville.....	72.22
Hespeler.....	19.26
Dalhousie Mills.....	7.00
West Lorne.....	4.00
Caledon Centre Road,	
Knox Ch.....	4.00
Orillia.....	12.00
Tara.....	6.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch.....	30.00
Hanover & West Bentinck	6.00
Strathroy, St Andrew's.....	10.00
Kingston, St Andrew's.....	35.00
Owen Sound, Division St.....	20.47
Mr Flowers, Owen Sound	10.00
Bristol.....	13.00
Oxford.....	10.00
A Clark, Smiths Falls.....	50.00
Fenelon Falls.....	2.00
Brockville, St Johns.....	6.90
Paisley, Knox Ch.....	38.00
do do Sab So.....	15.00
Angus.....	4.00
New Lowell.....	2.00
Woodstock, Chalmers St.....	51.75
Colborne.....	5.00
Brighton.....	5.00
Reserve.....	2.36
Botany.....	2.58
Southampton & Arran.....	12.00
Belleville, St Andrew's.....	25.00
Alexandria.....	3.00
Nassagaweya.....	9.70
Ingersoll, Knox Ch.....	61.00
Laskey.....	11.00
Ottawa, Daly St Sab So.....	25.00
Seaforth.....	60.00
Brantford, Zion Ch.....	100.00
Mono West.....	3.50
Guelph, St Andrew's.....	20.00
Kinloss & Bervie.....	5.00

\$13660.29

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

Received by 2nd April... \$2672.53	
Brooklin.....	10.00
Harriston, Guthrie Ch.....	8.00
Eastern Seneca.....	4.00
Millpoint.....	2.04
Harriston, Knox Ch.....	10.00
Millbank.....	20.00
Toronto, Knox Ch.....	150.00
do do Sab So.....	20.00
do do Bible Class	25.90
Underwood.....	3.00
North Brant.....	5.00
Port Hope, 1st Pbyn Ch SS	11.22
Ottawa, Knox Ch.....	40.00
Saltfleet, Cheyne Ch. add.	3.36
Mrs A. Wilson, Saltfleet.....	3.00
do do do for	
Rev Chiniquy's children	3.00
Caistor.....	2.00
Wellesley.....	8.00
Ayr, Stanley Street.....	44.80
Caledonia, Sutherland St.	6.00
Centre Bruce.....	2.50
Langside.....	2.00
Acton, Knox Ch.....	46.01
Chesterfield.....	10.00
North Sherbrooke.....	5.00
Wingham.....	7.25
Derry West.....	2.68
Woodstock, Knox Ch.....	29.00
do do S Sc	30.00
William Pott, Woodstock.	13.50
Brussels, Knox Ch.....	10.00
Almonte, St Andrew's.....	20.00
Warwick, Knox Ch.....	2.75
South Caledon, Melville Ch	11.00
Mono Centre.....	6.55
Friend, McKillop.....	0.25
West King.....	14.00
Markham, St Andrew's,	
Stouffville, &c.....	25.00
Richmondhill.....	5.00
Thornhill.....	5.00
London, 1st Pbyn Ch.....	22.56
do do S Sc	27.73
Collingwood.....	6.00
Union.....	40.65
Norval.....	16.00
Guelph, Knox Ch.....	50.00
Fingal.....	40.00
Norwich.....	15.00
Windham.....	7.00
Oakville.....	10.00
Percy.....	10.28
Campbellford.....	10.40
Rochester ville.....	4.00
Hull.....	5.10
Medonte and Floss.....	10.00
Glenallan.....	3.00
Hollin.....	7.00
Harrington.....	20.00
East Oxford.....	3.91
Feversham & Maxwell.....	4.00
Meaford.....	5.00
North Mara.....	9.00
Leaskdale.....	5.00
Glenmorris.....	30.00
Barrie.....	19.15
Bradford.....	8.00
Trenton, St Andrew's.....	2.00
Orillia.....	8.00
Tara.....	6.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch.....	45.00
Madoc, St Paul's.....	5.22
Strathroy, St Andrew's.....	10.00
Somerville.....	1.24
Fenelon Falls.....	3.47
Brockville, St Johns.....	10.75
Paisley, Knox Ch.....	28.00
do do S Sc	10.00
Angus.....	4.00
Ailsa Craig, add.....	1.00
Woodstock, Chalmers' Ch.	20.00

Southampton, & Arran... 8.00
Ingersoll, Knox Ch..... 5.00
Laskey..... 11.50
Kinloss & Bervie..... 4.67
Brantford, Zion Ch..... 20.00
Mono West..... 4.50
Cayuga..... 9.00
do Sab So..... 5.00

\$3939.20

BURSARY FUND OF KNOX COLLEGE.

Received to 2nd April... \$350.00	
Toronto, Cooke's Ch..... 69.33	
Rev Principal Caven, D D	
Toronto..... 10.00	
Robert Wilke's, Toronto.. 100.00	
Rev Professor McLaren..... 10.00	
Woodstock, Chalmers' Ch.,	
Gaelic..... 10.00	
Port Hope, 1st Pbyn Ch.. 20.00	

\$569.33	

WIDOWS' FUND.

Received to 2nd April... \$2249.81	
Harriston, Guthrie Ch..... 4.00	
Eastern Seneca..... 2.00	
Westminster..... 8.00	
Harriston, Knox Ch..... 7.60	
Millbank..... 10.00	
Millbrooke..... 7.80	
Centreville..... 8.00	
Toronto, Knox Ch..... 100.00	
Underwood..... 3.00	
North Brant..... 4.00	
Ottawa, Knox Ch..... 4.10	
Ashton..... 6.00	
Baltimore..... 10.00	
Saltfleet, Cheyne Ch..... 4.50	
Brinbrooke, Knox Ch..... 7.00	
Mrs A Wilson, S-lt fleet..... 0.50	
Wellesley..... 8.00	
Ayr, Stanley Street..... 10.00	
Caledonia, Sutherland St.	
Centre Bruce..... 2.00	
Grafton..... 6.00	
Langside..... 3.00	
Ramsay..... 9.00	
Dalhousie..... 5.00	
North Sherbrooke..... 5.00	
Longwood, Guthrie Ch..... 5.00	
Sarnia, St Andrew's..... 22.00	
Tiverton..... 10.00	
Woodstock, Knox Ch..... 40.00	
North Pelham and Port	
Robinson..... 3.00	
Thames Road..... 8.54	
Brussels, Knox Ch..... 3.00	
Aylmer..... 5.00	
Carwright..... 3.52	
Ballyduff..... 1.75	
Ingersoll, Erskine Ch..... 10.00	
Osgoode..... 3.00	
West King..... 12.00	
Embro..... 14.67	
Ottawa, Daly Street..... 21.00	
Collingwood..... 4.00	
South Kinloss & Lucknow	
Norval..... 8.95	
McNab..... 5.00	
Fingal..... 18.00	
Norwich..... 6.00	
Windham..... 2.00	
Oakville..... 2.00	
Percy..... 14.30	
Campbellford..... 10.90	
Huron..... 10.00	
Amherst Island..... 2.50	
Glenallan..... 4.00	
Hollin..... 6.00	
Harrington..... 4.00	
Medonte & Floss..... 12.00	

Port Dover, Knox Ch.....	5.00
McIntosh.....	3.97
Paris, River Street.....	15.00
Roxborough, Knox Ch.....	8.00
East Oxford, St Andrew's	0.35
Kirkton.....	6.00
Pakenham, Victoria St.....	3.00
Feversham & Maxwell.....	4.00
Kirkhill.....	6.00
Leaskdale.....	4.00
Barrie.....	21.15
Bradford.....	8.00
Alex Muirhead, sr, York-	
township.....	25.00
Tara.....	4.00
Bristol.....	6.00
Somerville.....	1.07
Fenelon Falls.....	2.30
Hamilton, Knox Ch.....	30.00
Paisley, Knox Ch.....	17.00
Blyth.....	16.00
Belgrave.....	12.23
Angus.....	8.00
New Lowell.....	2.00
Bonnytown.....	2.00
Port Hope, 1st Pbyn Ch.....	15.00
Southampton & Arran.....	8.00
Alexandria.....	2.00
Oshawa.....	10.00
Colborne.....	9.00
Brighton.....	1.00
Seaforth.....	10.00
Caledonia, Argyle Street	
Allan Settlement.....	27.00
Brantford, Zion Ch.....	20.00
	\$3139.17

With Rates from Revds T Wilson, J Mackie, W Richardson, Robert Gray, D L McKechnie, J G Murray, W Craigie, Jos White, G Caw, J Paterson, J M King, A Grant, Dufferin, A Young, S Young, T Lowry, A Grant, Kentail, \$16.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Received to 2nd April.....	\$821.35
Toronto, Knox Ch.....	100.00
Mount Pleasant, Presby-	
tery of Toronto.....	5.70
Caistor.....	1.60
Ramsay.....	8.00
Chesterfield.....	5.00
Mount Pleasant, (Presby-	
tery of Toronto, add.....	0.50
Wingham.....	12.00
Sarnia, St Andrew's.....	22.00
Normanby, Orchardville	
Station.....	3.00
Chingucousey 1st.....	7.25
do 2nd.....	13.00
Guelph, Knox Ch.....	20.00
Thamesville.....	5.16
Vankleekhill.....	10.00
Ivy.....	3.00
Thos Black, sr, Townline.....	1.00
Meaford.....	3.00
A Muirhead, sr, Yorktown-	
ship.....	25.00
Orillia.....	8.00
Hanover & West Bentinck	
Oxford.....	5.00
Ailsa Craig.....	4.00
Carlisle.....	6.53
Nairn.....	4.12
Nairn.....	3.12
Woodstock, Chalmers' Ch	
Quebec, do.....	25.00
Reserve.....	35.00
Botany.....	1.51
	2.34

Kinloss & Bervie.....	4.00
Belleville, John St.....	10.00
	\$1174.63

COLLEGES, ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 2d April '77.....	\$5731.01
Harrison Guthrie Church.....	5.00
Eastern Seneca.....	4.00
Fisherville.....	6.00
Millpoint.....	1.75
Harrison Knox Church.....	10.00
Ratho.....	12.67
Innerkip.....	20.33
Millbank.....	10.00
Millbrooke.....	8.00
Centerville.....	9.00
Peterburgh, St Paul's.....	100.00
Toronto, Knox Church.....	550.00
Malton.....	4.00
Underwood.....	5.00
North Brant.....	8.00
Ottawa, Knox Church.....	40.35
Rev Robt. Hamilton, Mo-	
therwell.....	10.00
Port Hope, 1st Church.....	20.00
Baltimore.....	35.00
Newcastle.....	6.00
Saltfleet Cheyne Church.....	10.50
Binbrook.....	10.00
Mrs Andrew Wilson, Salt-	
fleet.....	0.50
Caistor.....	1.22
Wellesley.....	9.00
Caledonia, Sutherland St.....	16.00
Centre Bruce.....	3.00
Blyth.....	20.00
Belgrave.....	15.00
Grafton.....	20.00
Langside.....	6.00
Scarborough, Knox Church	
North Arthur.....	102.60
Ottawa, Saint Andrews.....	6.00
Chesterfield.....	175.00
Carlingford.....	15.00
Dalhousie.....	10.00
York Mills.....	5.00
Wingham.....	5.00
Sarnia, St Andrews.....	25.00
Tiverton.....	70.00
Woodstock, Knox Ch.....	13.00
McLross, Lonsdale and	
Shannonville.....	100.00
Normanby, Orchardville	
Station.....	3.00
Thames Road.....	35.00
Brussels, Knox Church.....	15.60
Storrington.....	23.00
Pittsburgh.....	23.00
South Caledon, Melville	
Church.....	16.00
Cartwright.....	8.00
Ballyduff.....	2.87
Port Elgin.....	2.43
Glenvale & Harrowsmith.....	11.81
Ingersoll Erskine Church.....	5.00
West King.....	10.00
Collingwood.....	14.00
Ottawa, Daly Street.....	10.00
Toronto, East Church.....	46.00
Western—add.....	75.00
Markham, St. Andrews,	
Stouffville, &c.....	5.00
Richmond Hill.....	25.00
Thornhill.....	18.00
London, 1st Pbyn Church.....	8.00
South Kinloss and Luck-	
now.....	100.00
Streetsville.....	29.45
Georgetown.....	50.00
Limehouse.....	12.50
Vaughan.....	12.50
Albion.....	33.00
	25.00

Scarborough, St Andrews.....	23.45
do St Johns.....	18.58
Oro, Willis Church.....	3.00
do Esson Church.....	2.00
McNabb.....	17.00
Guelph, Knox Church.....	55.00
Norwich.....	5.00
Windham.....	3.00
Nelson and Waterdown.....	19.00
Oakville.....	26.00
Griensby.....	25.00
Muir Settlement.....	6.00
Port Dover, Knox Church	
Percy.....	20.00
Campbellford.....	19.40
Huron.....	6.45
Amherst Island.....	8.00
Glenatian.....	2.50
Hollin.....	9.00
Harrington.....	10.00
Medonte and Floss.....	10.00
Toronto Bay street S.S.....	12.00
McIntosh Station.....	21.00
Smiths' Falls, St Andrews	
Paris, River Street.....	5.90
East Oxford, St Andrews.....	15.00
Kirkton.....	35.00
Pakenham, Victoria street	
Feversham and Maxwell.....	11.00
Ivy.....	15.00
Meaford.....	5.00
North Mara.....	6.00
Chatham, St Andrews.....	5.00
Perrytown.....	7.00
Leaskdale.....	1.00
Cayuga.....	12.00
Barrie.....	39.00
Bradford.....	11.00
Trenton, St Andrews.....	10.00
Lindsay.....	4.00
Woodville.....	10.00
Orillia.....	58.25
Tara.....	22.00
Hamilton, Knox Church.....	6.00
Madoc, St Pauls.....	152.00
do St Columbia.....	5.00
Hanover and Bentinck.....	4.80
Kingston, St Andrew's.....	5.00
Fenelon Falls.....	200.00
Paisley, Knox Church.....	3.53
Angus.....	45.00
New Lowell.....	6.00
Woodstock, Chalmers' Ch	
Belleville, John Street.....	2.00
Vaughan, St Andrew's &	
St Paul's.....	39.00
Colborne.....	75.00
Brighton.....	14.00
Southampton and Arran.....	3.00
Belleville, St Andrews.....	1.00
Oshawa.....	16.00
Nassagaweya.....	40.00
Ingersoll, Knox Church.....	20.00
Kingston, Chalmers' Ch.....	60.00
Kinloss and Bervie.....	258.75
Seaforth.....	5.00
Brantford, Zion Church.....	20.00
Caledonia, Argyle Street	
and Allan Settlement.....	100.00
Biddulph and Fraser Ch.....	36.00
	5.00
	\$9,606.00

KNOX COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

Received to 2d April '77.....	\$14,654.68
Princeton.....	60.00
Malton.....	11.00
Erin.....	38.00
Toeswater.....	39.00
R Coulthard, Strathburn.....	8.00
West King.....	50.00
Vaughan & Albion.....	14.00
Wellesley.....	18.00

Belmont.....	34.00
English Settlement.....	28.00
Proton.....	19.00
Mosa.....	45.00
Thamesford.....	50.25
St Catharines.....	67.00
Thorold.....	53.34
Tiverton.....	34.00
Corunna.....	11.00
Brantford.....	142.00
Markham.....	18.00
Elnora.....	40.00
Lindsay.....	9.66
Strathroy.....	147.00
Port Dover.....	20.00
Harrington.....	36.67
Harrington.....	80.00
Robt Anderson, Toronto.....	10.00
Forwich.....	14.00
West Puslinch.....	18.00
Dunwich.....	24.00
Yarmouth.....	16.50
Essa First.....	40.60
Aldborough.....	19.00
East Oxford, Rev H Thom- son.....	30.00
Port Stanley, Rev Prof. Gregg.....	27.00

\$15926.65

John Scott, Westminster, is credited in April Record with \$6.00. It should have been \$10.00.

MONTREAL COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 2nd April....	\$43.45
Vankleekhill.....	25.00
Kirkhill.....	12.00

\$80.45

MANITOBA COLLEGE, ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 2nd April....	\$103.40
Montreal, St Joseph St....	10.00

\$113.40

KNOX COLLEGE, MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Toronto, Knox Ch Mission	
Sab Sc.....	\$25.00

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

Received by Rev. R. H. Warden, General Agent of the Board of French Evangelization, 210 St. James Street, Montreal, up to 1st May.

ORDINARY FUND.

Acknowledged 1st April.	\$11324.89
St Andrews, London.....	55.00
Centreville.....	13.00
Milbrook.....	12.00
Friends in London, per Rev A Kennedy.....	10.50
Mille Isles.....	5.10
Legacy from late Rev A Henderson, St. Andrews	100.00
P A Landing & Fort Wil- ham.....	10.00
Baltimore.....	26.00
Maidstone.....	3.00
Miss Riddell's Class, Smith Falls.....	1.11
Pickering.....	8.00
Demorestville.....	4.50
Blyth.....	12.55

Belgrave.....	9.57
Albion.....	12.68
Knox Ch, Vaughan.....	16.11
John St, Belleville.....	50.00
Belmore L.O.L. No. 852.....	32.00
Rockburn and Gore.....	6.75
Orchardville, Normanby.....	4.00
Middle Station.....	4.00
St Joseph St SS, Montreal.....	30.00
Cote St Antoine SS, Mon- treal.....	26.00
Aylmer.....	4.00
St Andrews, Seymour, Ont.....	25.00
St Mary's Infant class.....	15.00
Windsor Mills.....	12.00
Glamis.....	8.00
Daly St, Ottawa.....	83.50
Prov. Grand Orange Lodge N.S.....	19.50
St Andrews, Stirling, Ont.....	5.00
Windsor Mills.....	6.00
Friends in Burn's Ch, in Martintown.....	13.00
McNab Cong.....	12.35
St Andrew's and St Paul's Chs, Vaughan.....	20.00
"Dickie Settlement" SS, near Galt.....	5.40
Laguerre.....	9.00
Friends in Chatham, Ont., per K Campbell.....	24.00
Knox Ch, Port Dover.....	5.00
Victoria St Ch, Pakenham.....	15.00
Girls of SS, Pakenham.....	11.00
Vankleekhill.....	25.00
Colborne.....	9.00
Brighton.....	6.00
Inverness.....	15.00
River St, Paris.....	20.00
Chalmers Ch SS, Montreal.....	20.00
Knox Ch, St Vincent.....	3.00
Kirkhill.....	10.00
N Mara.....	9.00
St Andrews' Ch, Chatham.....	10.00
St Andrews' Ch, Belleville.....	16.00
Dalhousie Mills.....	10.00
St Andrews' Ch, N East- hope.....	5.00
Union Ch, Brucefield.....	20.00
St John's Ch, Hamilton.....	20.00
Bristol.....	10.00
Aryle Ch, Aldboro'.....	12.00
Union Ch, Lancaster.....	43.00
Oxford Cong.....	20.00
Alexandria.....	5.00
Knox Ch SS, Harriston.....	7.00
Brook St SS, Kingston.....	10.00
Lachine.....	13.00
Molesworth.....	4.00
Manotick and Gloucester.....	10.00
Admston.....	4.63
Barr's Settlement.....	4.50
Per Rev R Campbell.....	1250.81
Georgetown.....	3.70
Limehouse.....	2.30
Proton.....	4.00
Kirkfield & Victoriaville.....	10.00
Lachine, (addl.).....	8.00
Per Rev Dr Reid, Toronto.....	2156.91
Mrs J Anderson, Chat- ham, N.B.....	2.00
Temperance Lodge, 588, Lochiel.....	2.00
Sault Ste Marie.....	5.13
Daly St Sab Sc, Ottawa.....	25.00

Total.....\$15,850.84

BUILDING FUND.

French Church, Canning Street, Montreal.....	
Acknowledged to 1st April 1877.....	\$3,030.43
L.O.L. 44, Huntingdon.....	23.00

A Friend, per Dr MacVicar L.O.L. 89, Cloverhill, Ont.....	6.00
Boston Ch, Esquering.....	5.00
Boston Ch, Esquering.....	9.50
Knox Ch, Milton.....	4.10
do SS.....	7.40
Thames Road.....	25.00
do do SS.....	13.00
Friends in Bayfield Road, per J Shaw.....	15.00
A Thankoffering.....	5.00
Cluny McPherson, Cluny Castle, Scotland.....	24.30
E McLennan, Montreal.....	10.00
Thankoffering, Picton, O.....	10.00
Minister with very small stipend.....	5.00
Coll. by Wm. Hepburn, Morewood.....	11.00
John S Lyall and Mother Clarke.....	15.00
Anna M. Johnston, Lis- towel.....	4.00
D Bisson, Jr, Paspebiac.....	10.00
Coll. by N Farlinger, Fort Covington—addl.....	5.25
Rev Hugh McGregor, Kin- tyre.....	10.00
Geo Hay, Ottawa.....	10.00
A Friend of cause, Thorold W., Toronto.....	2.00
Arch McNab, Rockwood.....	10.00
Jno McNab, Clinton, Mass.....	2.50
Mrs R McNab, do do.....	2.50
Caleb Sawyer, do do.....	1.00
Wm Kerr, Elnora.....	10.00
D Ross, Owen Sound.....	10.00
Mrs John Thom, Toronto.....	20.00
Mrs R H Carnochan, Tuc- kersmith.....	10.00
Jas Thomson, Perth.....	10.00
Berne Cong.....	5.50
Saugeen Cong.....	10.00
Per W Davidson, sr, Car- lingford.....	5.00

Total.....\$3,361.48

RECEIVED BY REV. DR. MACGREGOR, AGENT OF THE CHURCH AT HALIFAX, TO MAY 3RD.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Acknowledged already.....	\$7,179.08
Moncton.....	40.00
Mr McNaughton, Toney River.....	1.00
Salt Springs.....	4.00
Maitland Youth's Miss. So Whyocomagh, C.B.....	19.25
Bay Fortune, Souris and Grand River.....	14.00
1st Pres. Truro, for 1876.....	41.32
Elmsdale.....	25.00
Nino Mile River.....	8.00
D Ferguson, son.....	2.00
Halifax Woman's Miss. Society for 1 qr., Miss Blackadder's Salary.....	100.00
Poplar Grove Ch, Miss. So Warwick, Bermuda.....	62.77
Warwick, Bermuda.....	21.50
Hamilton, Bermuda.....	30.00
Rich. Wingood, Bermuda Judah Newcomb, Avon- port.....	20.00
Rev J Leishman, S Gower, Ont, for Rev McKenzie's teacher.....	5.00
Harbour Grace, Nfld, addl for 1876.....	68.00
Princeton.....	145.00
Murray Harbour, P.E.I.....	31.50
Ladies of Higginsville.....	4.00

Antigonish Bible Class for South Sea native teacher	14.60
Contributions by the Cong. of Strathalbyn, P. E. I. for 1876	47.00
Scotsburn	78.00
St Andrew's Ch, Halifax	43.02
Dundas, for 1876	7.00
Mrs Maxwell, West New Glasgow	2.00
James Henry, Salisbury	1 50
Mary A Henry, Salisbury	0 50
Port Hastings and River Dennis	3 00
St James' Ch, Charlottetown, for Trinidad Catechist	60.00
W W E Smith, Harvey York Thankoffering	20.00
Tete-a-gouche	1.20
Belledune	2.30
Redbank	6.00
The Misses Stark's Bazaar Woodstock, for Trinidad Mission	40.00
Misses Stark's Bazaar, Woodstock, for India Mission	10.00
Brookfield Section of Rev E Smith's Cong	4.50
Campbell Sett. and Londonderry, N B	4.00
St Stephen's Ch, St John, N B	48.52
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	501.06
Earltown	9.51
St John's Ch, Halifax	60.00
West Truro	65.70
	\$8,873.83

DAYSRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Acknowledged already	\$1,902.44
Whycocomagh, C B	22.23
Stanley S S, P E I	4 00
St Joseph S S, Montreal	20.00
Princeton—addl	6.14
SS of Greenock Ch, St Andrews	10.00
Chetecamp, Margaree	4.00
St Andrews, Sydney	25.00
Clyde River & Barrington	18 00
South Cornwallis, Wolfville	18.65
Pearl St S S, Hamilton	20.00
Willis St S S, Clinton	5.00
Chalmer's Ch S S, Halifax	54.20
SS of Coté St, Montreal	46.31
	\$2,155.97

HOME MISSIONS.

Acknowledged already	\$4,143.99
Moncton	25.00
Middle River, C B, for M MacGregor	18.00
Little Narrows	3.80
Bay Fortune, Souris and Grand River	12.00
1st Pres. Truro, for 1876	60.00
St John's Ch, St John	12.00
Elmsdale	15.00
Nine Mile River	4.00
R. Wingood, Hamilton, Bermuda	10.00
Princeton, P E I	35.00
Murray Harbour, P E I	21.00
Ladies of Higginsville	2.30
St Stephen's Ch, Amherst	14.07
A. McLeod, Halifax, to aid Redbank in Manse building	60.00

Port Hastings and River Dennis	9.50
Musquodiboit in 1875, in Little River	4.00
W. W. E. Smith Harvey, York Thank Offering	20.00
Stanley	10.00
Carleton, N B	5.00
Jeddore	4.50
Redbank	4.00
Brookfield Section of Rev E Smith's Cong	4.50
Campbell Sett. and Londonderry, N B	4.00
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	200.00
St John's Ch, Halifax	30.00
West Truro	65.70
	\$4,797.36

SUPPLEMENTING FUND

Acknowledged already	\$3,988.58
Lgke Ainslie	6.00
Richmond, N B	9.00
Maitland	40.00
Mabou	14.51
Bay Fortune, Souris, and Grand River	15.43
1st Pres. Truro, for 1876	50.00
St John's Ch, St John	12.00
R. Wingood, Hamilton, Bermuda	10.00
St Peters and Brackley Pt Roads	20.00
St Stephen's Ch, Amherst	14.08
Greenock Ch, St Andrews	8.00
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	265.00
Earltown	3.50
St John's Ch, Halifax	40.00
	\$4,496.10

COLLEGE FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$4,463.61
Bay Fortune, Souris, and Grand River	6.00
Elmsdale	16.06
R. Wingood, Bermuda	10.00
Princeton	29.86
Murray Harbour, P E I, — addl	0.63
Greenock Ch, St Andrews	6.50
Port Hastings and River Dennis	8.00
St Paul's, Truro	25.00
Sheet Harbour—Quoddy	6.29
Tangier	4.58
Redbank	5.00
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	306.00
Earltown	4.32
St John's Ch, Halifax	60.00
	\$4,951.79

FRENCH 'EVANGELIZATION

Acknowledged already	\$2,251.16
Mr. McNaughton, Toney River	4.00
Bay Fortune, Souris, and Grand River	10.00
R. Wingood, Bermuda	5.00
Murray Harbour, P E I	39.29
Mabou Miss. Society	9.00
SS of East River, St Mary's 2nd qr.	1.93
James Henry, Salisbury	1.50
SS Port Hastings and River Dennis	2.32
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	60.00
	\$2,387.20

JOHN A. McDONALD FUND,	
Ladies of United Ch, New Glasgow	\$12.50

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTER'S FUND.

Middle Musquodiboit	3.00
Rev. R. S. Patterson, N. Bedeque	3.00
St John's Ch., St John, N.B.	6.00

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS FUND

Late in connection with the Church of Scotland.

James Croil, Montreal, Treas.	
Matilda	5.00
Stirling	15.00
Vaughan	16.00
Cornwall	70.00
Chatham, Ont.	12.00
Belleville	34.00
Galt	18.00
Lancaster	12.00
Eldon	4.00
North Williamsburgh	12.00
North Easthope	5.00
Brockville	7.20
Oxford	8.00
Melbourne, Que.	12.00
Point Levi	12.00
Finch	6.00
St Gabriel's, Montreal	80.00
Lachine	32.00
Port Hope, Mill Street	8.00
Beechridge	9.00
Mountain & South Gosw	5.00
Beckwith	16.00
London, St James's Ch	72.00
Clifton, Ont.	12.00
Stratford	15.00

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL

Warden King, Treasurer.

ORDINARY REVENUE,

Amount last reported	\$2049.25
Knox Ch, Hemmingford	1.40
St Andrew's Ch, do	6.60
Manotic & Gloucester	8.25
Laruerre	5.00
Aylmer	5.00
Knox Ch, Roxboro	12.00
Inverness	20.00
Bristol	19.00
Dalhousie Mills	6.00
Alexandria	5.00
Remitted by Rev Wm Reid, D D, Toronto, less 50c collecting	76.95
	\$2214.45

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

H McLennan, Montreal	25.00
J W Kelly, do	10.00
Hugh Mackay, do	60.00
Geo Stephen, do	50.00
McNab St Ch, Hamilton, "French"	45.00

THEOLOGICAL CHAIR.

R Blackburn, Ottawa	60.00
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BUILDING FUND		Interest	8.09	STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY,		
W McIntosh	5.00	Princetown, P E I.....	11.20	PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL		
Alexandria Congregation.	5.00	R Wingood, Bermuda.....	8.40	<i>J. A. Anderson, Treasurer.</i>		
JUVENILE MISSION TO INDIA.		A friend, per Rev R S		Baltimore & Coldsprings.	\$ 4.00	
<i>Miss Machar, Kingston, Treas.</i>		Patterson.....	5.00	L'Amable, by Soiree	39.45	
Bible Class, St Andrew's		Interest from Hunter		Thanet and The Ridge ...	10.55	
Ch, Quebec.....	\$25.00	Bursary	120.00	York River.....	5.00	
Campbellford Sub Sch...	3.00	Interest from Matthew-		L'Amable	7.00	
St Andrew's S S, Kingston	50.00	son's Bursary	50.00	Thanet	1.00	
Mrs Bissett, Montreal ...	20.00	WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS FUND.			Montreal.....	25.00
St Andrew's S S, Toronto ...	50.00	<i>Of late Church of the Maritime</i>			R B Arthur	0.50
Arnprior Sub Sc	20.00	<i>Provinces in connection with</i>			D Morrice, Montreal	10.00
Martintown Sub Sc.....	20.00	<i>the Church of Scotland,</i>			J Stirling do	5.00
Lakefield & N Smith S S.	20.00	<i>Geo. Mitchell, Halifax. Treas.</i>			Erskine Church Mis. Soc.,	
YOUNG MEN'S BURSARY FUND.		Rev W Wilson, Chatham,		Montreal	100.00	
MARITIME PROVINCES.		N B, for 1875 & 1876...	\$24.00	Coaticook	19.00	
<i>W. F. Knight, Halifax, Treas.</i>		St John's, Nfld, St And Ch	12.00	Chalmers' Ch SS, Montreal	20.00	
Rev G M Grant.....	49.00				A friend, Montreal.....	2.65
					Collection, Knox Church,	
					Montreal	60.00
					Collection, Williamstown	11.37

Good Acts.

The missionaries of the Presbyterian Board in Persia held their annual meeting at Oroomiah. The reports from the stations were quite encouraging. In Oroomiah there were one hundred and twenty additions, the largest number received in one year since the mission was established, and in Tabreeze, five. In Teheran a church of twelve members was organized, to which five more were added. The meeting asked for two more missionaries and an immediate appropriation of \$5,000 for the purchase of land in Teheran.

Mr. Cameron, who was driven away from Madagascar in 1835, was enabled to return in 1863, to be greeted by a vast prayer and praise meeting. On the spot where once stood the prison of the martyrs there now stands a beautiful memorial church, where Mr. Moss preaches to a thousand hearers every Sabbath day. A wide and effectual door is now open. There are now a thousand congregations in Madagascar! The tunes of Phillips and Sankey have been set to Malagasy hymns, and are sung in a manner that would do credit to meetings in Philadelphia.

Gie's Hour Day.

As the story goes,—two Scotchmen occupied the same cottage, each being bound to keep his own side of the house well

thatched. They were sadly divided religiously, one being a Burgher and the other an Antiburgher. After repeated battles of words they were not on speaking terms. One day these men were at work on the roof each thatching his own side. They met at the top, and were forced to look in each other's faces. One of the men took off his cap, and, scratching his head, said to the other, "Johnnie, you and me, I think, hae been very foolish to dispute as we hae done concerning Christ's will about our Kirks, until we hae clean forgot his will about ourselves; and so we hae fought so bitterly for what we ca' the truth, that it has ended in spite. Whatever is wrong, it's perfectly certain that it never can be richt to be un-ceedvil, neeghborly, unkind: in fac, to hate ane anither. Na, na, that's the deevil's wark, and no God's! Noo, it strikes me that maybe it's wi' the Kirk as wi' this hoose: ye're working on ae side, and me on the t'ither, but if we only do our work weel, we will meet at the tap at last. Gie's your han', auld neeghbor!" So they shook hands, and were the best of friends ever after.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "I am this dark world's light;
 Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
 And all thy day be bright!"
 I look'd to Jesus, and I found
 In him my Star, my Sun;
 And in that Light of Life I'll walk,
 Till trav'ling days are done.

Educational and Book Notices.

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Feb. 1st, 1876. }

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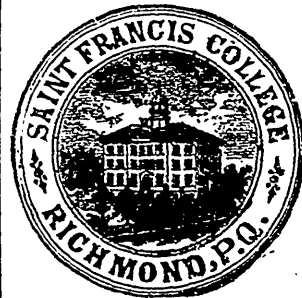
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