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Systematic Beneficence.

To the Members and Adherents of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

DEAR BRETHREN :—The General Assembly at its meeting in Winnipeg, in June last, appointed a Committee on Systematic Beneficence under the following resolution :
 “Whereas, there is urgent need of greater liberality throughout the Church in order to the development of the several Schemes, and even to the maintenance of the degree of efficiency already attained ; whereas it is the duty and privilege of all Christian people to contribute towards the support and extension of the Kingdom of Christ as the Lord hath prospered them ; whereas we who enjoy the superior privileges of the New Dispensation, and upon whom the responsibility of carrying the message of salvation to the whole world is definitely laid, should not, at least, fall beneath the standard of giving for the Lord’s cause prescribed for the Jewish Economy ; and whereas, notwithstanding the gratifying increase of contributions which we witness from year to year, the duty of adequate and systematic liberality is as yet imperfectly realized :—The General Assembly appoints a Committee on the subject of Systematic Beneficence, for the purpose of bringing, through the Press and otherwise, the important subject herein referred to earnestly and fully before the whole Church, with the view of promoting, on sound Christian principles, the heartfelt and continuous growth of liberality in connection with every department of the Church’s work. Presbyteries and Sessions are requested to co-operate with the Committee, and especially to assist them in gaining the ear, if possible, of all the congregations and families of the Church.” The Committee thus appointed beg to address a few words to the members and adherents of our Church in fulfilment, so far, of the important duty laid upon them.

Systematic Beneficence may be understood as relating to all our givings for religious and charitable purposes, whether in connection with our Church organization or otherwise. This paper has special reference, however, to giving for the support of our respective congregations and the several Schemes of the Church. It may be useful, therefore, to bring under the eye the estimates for the present year, as carefully prepared by a Committee of the General Assembly. For some of these Schemes the estimated expenditure is larger than that of last year ; for others, the figures are nearly the same. The prospect of a serious deficit in some of the Funds at the end of the year, or the sad

alternative of curtailing our Home and Foreign Mission work, greatly emphasizes the necessity of giving earnest attention to the subject of Systematic Beneficence, but is by no means the only reason why the Assembly took the action which it did. It is of much importance that we should continue to hold the fields, at home and abroad, already in our possession, but it is still more important that an intelligent and conscientious liberality should aid in developing the Christian character of our people, and should provide for the steady and continuous extension of the Church's work.

The total revenue of the Church last year, for all purposes, as reported by the Finance Committee, was \$1,580,818. Of this amount \$193,453 was devoted to the Schemes; all the rest went for congregational objects. The amount which will be required for congregational uses during the current year, will be somewhat in excess of last year; the estimates for the Schemes are as follows:—

Home Mission Proper (Western Section)	\$46,000
Stipend Augmentation, " "	30,000
Foreign Missions (East and West).....	79,000
French Evangelization, including School and Buildings at Pointe-aux-Trembles, etc.	52,000
College Fund—Montreal, Queen's and Knox.....	14,500
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund (Western Section).....	10,000
Widows' and Orphans' Fund, " "	5,000
Manitoba College, exclusive of amount from Synod of Mani- toba (East and West).....	10,000
Assembly Fund (East and West).....	4,000
Home mission (Eastern Section).....	7,000
Stipend Augmentation (Eastern Section).....	8,100
College Fund, \$10,000, from Congregations.....	3,000
Bursary Fund " "	700
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, \$2,600, from Congregations	800

It is unnecessary to show the importance of maintaining all these Schemes. Their very names are their sufficient vindication. The duty of bearing our part in providing supply of ordinances for our fellow-countrymen through this wide Dominion is not questioned. As little can it be doubted that we should use our utmost effort to send the Gospel to those who have it not, in every part of the world. Neither of these great objects can be accomplished unless the Church is provided with properly qualified labourers. No humane or Christian man will deny that we should care for aged and infirm ministers who have spent their strength in our service, and for the widows and orphans of ministers.

In comparison with most other branches of the Church, the record of our own Church in supporting missionary and educational work is highly creditable. We cannot but observe, with gratitude and encouragement, that the liberality of the Presbyterian Church in Canada on behalf of missions has been steadily rising. Not only are larger sums annually contributed, but the increase somewhat exceeds, we think, the ratio of our increase in wealth. There are many individuals in connexion with our Church who are giving very liberally, and, according to the standard commonly applied, there are not a few congregations that are doing well. It is right to say this in acknowledgment of the grace bestowed upon the Church, and in commendation of the sincere devotion to the Redeemer manifested by growing numbers. But we cannot—we dare not—say that the Church, as a whole, comes up to its duty and privilege in the matter of giving, so that nothing farther is to be expected in this regard. What is given by our people for all religious and benevolent purposes is a long way short of the proportion of revenue required of God's ancient people. We do not here attempt to estimate the percentage of income devoted by the Presbyterian Church in Canada to the Lord, but it is probably not greatly different from that of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, which has been recently computed to be rather less than the sixteenth part of income, or about six per cent. The question of the permanent obligation of devoting the *tenth* to the Lord would require fuller consideration than we could here give it, but surely it cannot be maintained that the Christian Church has discharged her duty when she has fallen short of this standard. In any case, we should strive to do the utmost possible for that blessed cause and

kingdom, with the triumph of which the glory of the Redeemer and the highest interests of the race are inseparably bound up.

There are two points to which we would earnestly call attention : 1. Giving to the Lord should, on the part of all, be *systematic*. It should not be done at random, and by fits and starts. Having sought intelligently to determine what our duty to Christ requires of us, we should lay by us in store, that we may be ready to give at the proper time, to the proper object. We should deal with the matter as carefully and methodically as with our personal or household expenditure. So much per year, or per month, or per week, should be devoted and set apart, to be given towards the support and extension of the Christian Church and other benevolent and holy ends. All who have practised systematic giving, whether of the tenth or of some other proportion, have testified to its excellent results. "It cultivates the spirit of beneficence; it restrains from waste and extravagance, and luxurious living, at the expense of the Lord's money; it helps to quicken the conscience, and so withstand the spirit of covetousness; it swells the streams that flow towards missionary treasuries till they rejoice out of their fullness."

So also should congregations bring *system* into their methods of raising funds, whether for their own purposes or for objects lying beyond. All congregations that are successfully worked do so. Various methods of raising monies for congregational purposes are in use among us. The method of pew rents, though common, is little to be approved of. Subscription, according to ability, is better. The envelope system is generally found to work very successfully; each contributor giving, Sabbath by Sabbath, the weekly proportion of what is aimed at for the year.

In regard to the Schemes of the Church, every congregation should act upon some approved method; and at regular intervals not too far apart, an opportunity of contributing should be given to all. The congregation should be organized with a view to this end, and the systematic accuracy with which a careful business man would conduct his own affairs should be observed. It is painful to reflect that in many congregations not the slightest care is taken to ensure the best results: contributions being made only once a year,—and that by Sabbath collection—bad weather or bad roads may entail shameful failure. This is all wrong; it is inexcusable in the weakest congregation, and should be remedied at once.

2. All should give for the cause of Christ in proportion to their means,—“as the Lord hath prospered them.” As already said, many regard the *tenth* as the Lord's, under the New Dispensation as under the Old. The truth is, that much more than the tenth was required of the Jews. But were the tenth of their revenues contributed by professing Christians we should see the Lord's treasury overflowing, and the painful and spasmodic measures often proposed to meet emergencies in Church work would be quite unnecessary. It is of less importance, however, to determine the proportion of income which should be given, than to have the principle of giving *according to ability* heartily recognized. Some should give much more than the tenth. There are those who deem it their duty to devote to religion and charity all their revenue beyond what decently provides, from year to year, for themselves and their families. The great matter is that all of us should act upon the conviction that both we and our substance are entirely the Lord's; and thus from love to Him and desire to see His kingdom advance, we shall delight to do the very utmost in our power.

Attention is called to the generous offer of Mr. Thomas Kane, 310 Ashland Avenue, Chicago, to supply, gratis, tracts on the subject of Systematic Beneficence to congregations and individuals who may wish to circulate them. It is believed that the extensive circulation of these tracts would greatly tend to promote liberality on Christian principles, and the Committee hope that the generosity of Mr. Kane will be largely taken advantage of. In many a congregation and neighbourhood, great good may easily be accomplished in this way.

Dear Brethren, we earnestly commend to you a subject which all who love the Church and the Church's Head, will deem to be of the utmost importance. We ask you to ponder it, to pray over it, and in the strength of the Master to resolve that you will do what duty

requires. We press this upon you not merely because something like a crisis has arisen in the support of Home and Foreign Missions, but still more because we cannot duly honour the Lord, nor enjoy the blessedness of true service, unless we shall consecrate both ourselves and our substance to "Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

WM. CAVEN, *Convener.*

1688-1888.

III.

NO branch of the Church of Christ has a more splendid record of endeavour, endurance, and achievement than the Presbyterian Church. Two hundred years ago she was broken-hearted, lacerated, bleeding from every pore, after long years of relentless persecution. In England two thousand of her ministers had been in one dark "St. Bartholomew's day," driven out of their parishes, for conscience sake. In France they were nearly exterminated—hundreds of thousands having been driven into exile; and countless hosts slain, or imprisoned, or sent to the hulks—treated, in fact, worse than the worst criminals. Indeed hardly one hundred years have passed since Presbyterians were hanged in France for their faith. It is almost incredible; but the facts stand on the lurid pages of history. In Austria and Hungary, in Bohemia, in the valleys of the Alps, the sufferings of our faithful people were terrible. In some instances the persecutor did his work so well that our churches were very nearly exterminated. In Switzerland, in Holland, in Prussia, the record is less disastrous; there are fewer stains of martyrs' blood. But it is not to be forgotten that it was Presbyterian Holland that drove back the invading hosts of Philip II.—that it was a Presbyterian, William of Orange, that humbled the autocratic pride of Louis XIV. and established a constitutional *régime* in the United Kingdom.

However much we may regret the comparatively little progress made by our church for the hundred years after the Revolution, we need not be surprised at the fact. A struggle for existence had well-nigh exhausted her vitality. She needed rest and she, in a measure, obtained it. Still, in the period to which we refer, there was progress. We note its tread in Ireland,

and especially in America. It was then that the foundations of Presbyterianism were laid on this broad continent.

Two hundred years ago there was only one General Assembly of Presbyterians in the world—that of Scotland. Now we have Assemblies in Scotland and Ireland, in Canada and the United States, and Australia; and we have strong "Synods," in many other quarters. Then, our numbers were small, and our people poor from the exactions of tyrants and traitors. Now we number in Scotland over 3,000 churches and ministers; and in Ireland, Wales and England about 1,500 more. On the continent of Europe we have about 5,500 ministers and churches. In the United States we have about 10,000 ministers and churches. In the British colonies, where Presbyterian influence has always been most beneficent, we have about 1,750 churches and 1,300 ministers. We have a grand total of say 20,000 ministers and congregations. Our ordained missionaries to the heathen number nearly 700. There is no continent, there is no great group of islands, there is no British colony where the influence of Presbyterianism is not being benignly felt to-day. No people have shewn a larger or purer public spirit; none have exhibited a more generous catholicity of feeling; none are responding more liberally to the cry for help that comes from heathen lands. Our church has been intimately associated with modern progress; she is never afraid of any truth of reason, or any discovery of science. The Word of God is her weapon of defence and offence; and, founded upon that word, her faith cannot be shaken.

The past of our church, illustrious and glorious though it has been, is but a preparation for her future. She is extending her beneficent conquests at home and abroad; and nothing but unfaithfulness to her Head, and to her own record, can mar her progress. It becomes all those who

love the same faith, order, and worship, to pray that God would count them worthy of their calling, that they may fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power; that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in them, and they in him, according to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the causes for sincere congratulation, one of the signs of a noble destiny, is the spirit of union which has been given to our churches. The age of divisiveness among Christ's people, let us hope, is past forever. Another ground for thankfulness is the manner in which other branches of the Christian church are becoming more and more Presbyterian in their system of government. Even the Prelatic churches have to bow to the principle that the people, "the laity," are to be represented in the courts of the church. The Methodist churches are essentially Presbyterian. The Congregationalists are tending powerfully in the same direction. If we, the children of the Presbyterians of 1688, are but true to our principles as our fathers were, what may not our church and our country become in another century! While we remain true to our principles and contend earnestly for them, let us have the saving common sense to follow a large-hearted and liberal policy, suited to the necessities of our country and the world. M.

The Church of Geneva.*

I.

THE DAWN OF THE REFORMATION.

AT THE beginning of the Christian era the inhabitants of Geneva worshipped Apollo, the god of the sun, in whose honour a temple stood on the site of the present cathedral. Christianity seems to have been first introduced in the third century. About twenty years after the death of Irenæus, bishop of Lyons, two missionaries came this way from Vienne, in the south of France, these were Paracodus and Dyonisius, or *Paracode* and *Denys* as they were called in French, who made Geneva the base of their operations. It is thought that this Denys was identical with St. Denis,

the first bishop of Paris, who is supposed to have suffered martyrdom under Decius, about A.D. 249—251. The joint labours of these missionaries would thus seem to have been between A.D. 220 and 230. Nothing is known as to the extent or the results of their work, as it is not until the sixth century that the authentic church history of Geneva commences. St. Peter's cathedral was founded in the tenth century, when Christianity must have been well established. Geneva was, on the whole, fortunate in having honourable, learned, and beneficent prelates for its rulers. But Romanism rose and flourished, declined and became corrupt, there as elsewhere. At the beginning of the sixteenth century, it had forfeited public esteem, and shared in the obloquy attached generally to the clergy of that period. The Church of Rome was then, even more than now, fertile in devices for raising money, that the army of priests might have a good time. Images and relics were regarded with superstitious reverence. The leg-bone of a stag kept in the sacristy of the cathedral, was pawned off as the arm of St. Anthony. The people came from far and near to take oath on the relic, with fear and trembling, for they were told that the hand of every one who swore falsely, on touching this famous relic would become withered for a year! Nor would the devotees retire without paying homage to a piece of pumice-stone, which they believed to be the veritable brain of St. Peter. Under the altar of the church of St. Gervaise lay the remains of several "sacred sodies." These were said to "move" at frequent intervals—"a sign that they wanted to be raised and canonized," which could not be done without a large sum of money. "The faithful" who approached the mysterious place of confinement, could hear the doleful wail of the dead men. The offerings which they presented at the grated opening were immediately seized by an invisible hand and were quickly sold.

The greatest fraud of all was practised at the church of *Notre Dame des Grâces*. There, children who had died unbaptized were brought to life just long enough to have the sacrament administered to them! Weeping mothers came from afar, carrying dead infants which were placed before a richly dressed image of the Virgin, who was reputed to work the miracle. A feather,

* Les Premiers Jours du Christianisme en Suisse, par F. Noë, Pasteur de l'Eglise de Genève; Les Debuts de la Réformation à Genève, par A. Guillot, pasteur de l'Eglise Nationale.

was placed in the child's mouth; at the preconcerted moment, while the priest was invoking the Virgin, a female accomplice carefully disgraced, having blown on the feather, it was seen to move gently. The infant was baptized; the bell rang; the faithful threw themselves on their knees; the trick was over. Was it not evident that the child had breathed? On the 10th of May, 1535, the council put an end to that scandal.

Years before this, in the month of June, 1522, there arrived at Geneva a Franciscan monk endowed with rare eloquence. This was *Francis Lambert*, a native of Avignon, who, having read the writings of Luther in his cell, after several years' struggle with conscience, was converted. This illustrious man, who afterwards joined Luther in Germany, and gained for himself the title of the Reformer of Hesse, did not remain long, but he planted seeds that were destined to take root and grow, and he has the honour of being the first to proclaim the doctrines of the Reformation in Geneva. His visit was followed by a succession of itinerant missionaries who were constantly passing through Geneva from France into northern Switzerland and Germany, in the disguise of pedlars. They rehearsed what they had seen and heard as the results of the new departure in the places they came from. Wherever they went, they refuted the errors of the church, declaring to the people that "it was not in councils, nor in Popes that they should seek the truth, but only in the Word of God." Taking their Bibles from their wallets, they proved their statements from Scripture, and, on leaving, they would distribute tracts and portions of the Word, which were eagerly accepted and read by the people in secret.

In the spring of 1532, a notice was posted on the church doors that Pope Clement VII. would bestow pardons to all who paid a certain sum of money; to this was annexed a list of sins, small and great, and the cost of a pardon for each. This roused some of the more daring of the friends of the Reformers, who immediately posted up a counter-notice in these words: "Our Heavenly Father promises to each one a full pardon for all sins, on the sole condition of repentance and sincere faith in the promises of Jesus Christ." This created a great commotion, inspiring some with fear,

others with hope; but nothing could stay the rising tide of the Reformation. Among the citizens of that time was one *Pierre Robert Olivétan*, a tutor in a private family, and one of the most learned men of his age. He had studied theology at the college of the Sorbonne, Paris, under *Jacques Lefevre*, "the chief luminary in that constellation of lights." Olivétan had warmly espoused the doctrines of the Reformation himself, and was the chief instrument in gaining over his cousin and friend, John Calvin, to the new faith. He was also the means of preparing the way for the coming of a mighty champion for the truth, in the person of *William Farel*.

Missionary Cabinet.

THE THREE MRS. JUDSONS.

Ⓐ DONIRAM JUDSON—"the Apostle of Burmah"—was thrice married. Some of our readers will remember the notice of Ann Hasseltine, his first wife, which appeared in the RECORD for April, 1884. She was one of the grandest heroines this missionary age has produced. After enduring hardships and privations such as have fallen to the lot of few women, she died in 1826, shortly after the release of her husband from prison.

Dr. Judson's second wife, Sarah Hall, was alike lovely in person and character. The genuine missionary spirit was early developed in her heart. At twenty-one she was married to Rev. George Dana Boardman, and with him went to India in 1825, intending to join Dr. Judson and other missionaries in Burmah; but just then war was raging in that country, and Judson was in a dismal dungeon, suffering the horrors of cruel treatment and disease. The Boardmans were thus detained some time at Calcutta; but at length, in 1827, they proceeded to Amherst, the capital of the newly acquired British territory in Burmah. One of Boardman's first labours was to make a coffin for his first-born child with his own hands. They removed to Maulmain, twenty-five miles up the river. The mission house was a mile from the barracks, in the neighbourhood of a jungle swarming with serpents and beasts of prey. On the opposite side of the river, was an old de-

decayed city, a rendezvous of banditti. There, in a little bamboo hut, "so frail that it could be cut open with a pair of scissors," the young missionaries studied the language of Burmah, under a native teacher. It was not long before a band of robbers entered their hut at midnight, and carried off everything of value that it contained. Had they offered the slightest resistance, it would have cost them their lives. "But, oh how merciful was that Providence," wrote Mrs. B., "which prolonged the slumbers of that night, not allowing even the infant at my bosom to open its eye at so critical a moment." Sometimes they were alarmed by wild beasts. Once they were terrified by fire in the jungle, when a sudden change of wind saved the mission premises. But none of these things discouraged the delicate missionary's wife. She was in the place of her choice, a place of usefulness, surrounded by natural scenery that charmed her cultivated eye and taste. The natives began to visit them in increasing numbers, seeking instruction in the new religion. Mr. B. had a Sunday service, and school for boys, Mrs. Boardman, one for girls. A few years later they were forced to sever the ties that bound them to Maulmain. The American Board of Baptist Missions, for they belonged to that church, ordered their removal to Tavoy, 150 miles south, a city of heathen pagodas, where they were kindly received by the English "Resident," but in establishing a mission they had many repulses and discouragements to contend with. In December, 1828, her husband was taken seriously ill and he had to go away for change of air, leaving her with two little ones exposed to dangers of various kinds; but not a murmur escaped her lips. In 1830 their hearts were again pierced by the death of their youngest child, of eight months, and in the following year Mr. Boardman—"one of the brightest luminaries of Burmah"—was taken from her by death. His mantle fell on his widow, who now, more than ever, gave herself to benefit the heathen. She made frequent visits into the country, "preaching the Gospel and strengthening the weak churches." In 1834 she was married to Dr. Judson. Seven years later, the whole family were prostrated by malaria and were sent to the Mauritius, but before they left Maulmain, another child was laid "where moulders the dust of

Carey, Marshman, and Ward." Even in sickness she found time to devote to literary work. Her translation of the *Pilgrim's Progress*, written at that time, is said to have been admirable. Her letters, her poems, indeed all her writings were beautiful. Her whole life was beautiful, wholly consecrated to the service of her Heavenly Father in acts of benevolence to the poor heathen. In 1844, Mrs. Judson's health broke down under the pressure of increased work. She sailed with her family for America, but she was never to see the home of her youth again. She died on the voyage, and was buried on St. Helena.

In 1846, Dr. Judson married his third wife—Emily Chubbuck. She was born at Eaton, Madison Co., N.Y., in 1817, of poor parents. At eleven years of age she entered a woollen factory, receiving \$1 per week for her hire. In the winter months she attended the district school, and made some proficiency in learning. At fifteen she commenced to teach school, receiving \$1.50 per week, and "boarding round" among the people, as the custom then was. To eke out a scanty living, she took to writing poetry, and before long, like Byron, "she awoke one morning to find herself famous." Under the *nomme de plume* of "Fanny Forrester," she became one of the most popular writers of her time. On the 11th of June she sailed with her husband for Burmah, and settled down in the very heart of heathenism, where she became the right-hand helper of that devoted missionary, and his ministering angel in his last illness. Dr. Judson was advised to take a long sea-voyage. He died and was buried at sea, 12th of April, 1850. In the following year Mrs. Judson, in consequence of broken health, sailed for America, *via* Calcutta and England. Among other proofs of esteem for herself and her late husband, she was presented by Bishop Wilson with a Bible and a sum of fifteen hundred dollars. Soon after reaching home her health failed rapidly, and, on the first of June, 1854, "she sweetly dropped her head on her sister's breast, and fell asleep."

"Were the whole realm of Nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all."



REV. JONATHAN GOFORTH.



MRS. GOFORTH.

A MOST interesting farewell service in connection with the departure of the Rev. Jonathan Goforth, for China, was lately held in Knox Church, Toronto. Mr. Goforth, accompanied by his wife, left at the close of the service for Vancouver, whence he proceeds to Shanghai. His destination is Honan, a central province of China, with a population of 15,000,000, among whom no mission is established. Our readers are aware that the students and alumni of Knox College are sending to the foreign field a missionary who will specially represent the college, and whose salary they undertake to pay. Mr. Goforth, who completed his studies last session, was unanimously nominated by the alumni as their first missionary, and was appointed by the General Assembly in June last.

Mr. Goforth was brought up near Thamesford, Ont., in the congregation of the Rev. Lachlan Cameron, under whose ministry he gave himself to the service of the Lord. For six years he prosecuted his studies in arts and theology in Toronto; in which city, during two summers, he proved himself an indefatigable and successful home mission worker. For several years the foreign field, and especially China, was strongly before his mind; he was filled with the desire to preach the Gospel to the heathen. His intense devotion to this aim told powerfully upon his fellow-students, and, it is believed, will in due time lead many of them to offer for the same service. Since the completion of his theological course, Mr. Goforth has been visiting congregations of our church in a wide circuit

and pleading the cause which he has so much at heart. That his ardent words have kindled the zeal of many there is abundant proof; for years indeed, he lost no opportunity of urging his favourite theme in public and in private. His labours, together with those of the students of Queen's College and Knox College, who were detailed for visiting the church during last summer, have unquestionably accomplished much good.

The terrible calamity which has recently befallen Honan by the overflow of the Hoang-Ho, or Yellow River, has hastened Mr. Goforth's departure, for he was eager to reach the scene of his intended labour, that, if possible, he might do a little to alleviate the fearful suffering which must ensue. The Committee approved, and hence the suddenness with which the Missionary has left. He carries with him a considerable sum—hurriedly raised by friends of the Mission—to be applied in relief of sufferers by the flood. Many will earnestly pray that the acts of mercy which he may be enabled to render may help to prepare soil in which the good seed of the Kingdom may be hopefully sown.

Mrs. Goforth is a most devoted lady, and in entire sympathy with her husband. She has contributed no less than \$3,000 of her own means towards a fund for the erection of buildings which the mission is expected soon to require. Her name before marriage was Bell Smith. Her family are well known to all lovers of Art in Canada. She formerly lived in Montreal, but for some years has been a resident of Toronto, and, has been very earnest in all good work.

Mr. Goforth's outfit is provided for by Central Church here and other sources. The alumni pay his salary, and there will be no charge on the Foreign Mission Fund except house-rent. Any buildings required will be provided for by special effort. Mrs. Goforth's large donation is made to a fund which is being raised for this purpose.

Mr. Smith, who also graduated in Theology last year, will shortly complete his medical studies, and will then, as the representative of Queen's College, proceed to Honan, to be associated in labour with his brother missionary, who has preceded him. May the Head of the Church greatly prosper the work to which these devoted men have put their hands.

WM. CAVEN.

Toronto.

Household Words.

WHITEFIELD'S LAST SERMON.

ARRIVING at his Orphan Home in Georgia, his seraphic soul seemed to receive a presentiment of his approaching end, and to anticipate the joys of heaven. "I am happier," he wrote, "than words can express—my happiness is inconceivable." He started northward to preach, and on the evening of his departure recorded the prophetic words, "This will prove a sacred year for me at the day of judgment. Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come!" "Hallelujah! hallelujah!" He wrote to England: "Let chapel, tabernacle, heaven and earth resound with hallelujah! I can say no more, my heart is too big to speak or add more."

Arriving at Philadelphia, he hailed Wesley's itinerants, and gave them his blessing; it has never failed them. From the day of his conversion, his soul had always glowed with a divine fire; but it now seemed to burst into a flame. No edifice could hold his congregations; he preached every day. He made a tour of three hundred miles up the Hudson, proclaiming his message at Albany, Schenectady and Great Barrington. "Oh, what new scenes of usefulness are opening in various parts of this world!" he wrote, as he returned. "I heard afterward that the word ran and was glorified. Grace! Grace!" He had penetrated nearly to the north-west frontier. He saw the gates of the north-west opening, through which the nations have since been passing, as in grand procession; but he was not to enter these; the everlasting gates were opening for him, and he was hastening toward them. He passed to Boston, to Newburyport, to Portsmouth, still preaching daily. Seized with illness, he turned back; at Exeter he mounted a hog'shead, and preached his final sermon to an immense assembly. His emotions carried him away, and he prolonged his discourse through two hours. It was an

effort of stupendous eloquence—his last field triumph—the last of that series of mighty sermons which had been resounding like trumpet-blasts for thirty years over England and America. He hastened, exhausted, to Newburyport; the people gathered about his lodgings in throngs to see and hear him once more; they pressed into the entry of the house. Taking a candle, he attempted to ascend to his chamber; but pausing on the stairs he addressed them. He had preached his last sermon, this was to be his last exhortation.

It would seem that some pensive misgiving, some vague presentiment touched his soul with the apprehension that the moments were too precious to be lost in rest. He lingered on the stairway, while the crowd gazed up at him with tearful eyes, as Elisha at the ascending prophet. His voice, never, perhaps, surpassed in its music and pathos, flowed on until the candle which he held in his hand, burned away and went out in its socket. The next morning he was not, for God had taken him.—*Abel Stevens, LL.D.*

IS THY HEART RIGHT?

Have you within you a repenting heart, an expectant heart? If not, I must write upon your soul what George Whitefield wrote upon the window-pane with his diamond ring. He tarried in an elegant house over night, but found that there was no God recognized in that house. Before he left his room in the morning, with his ring he wrote upon the window-pane: "One thing thou lackest." After the guest was gone, the housewife came up and looked at the window, and saw the inscription, and called her husband and her children; and God, through that ministry of the window-glass, brought them all to Jesus. Though you may to-day be surrounded by comforts and luxuries, and feel that you have need of nothing, if you are not the children of God, with the signet-ring of Christ's love, let me inscribe upon your souls, "One thing thou lackest." I pray you that, whatever else you may miss, you may not miss Heaven. It is too bright a home to lose. Your soul has been bought at too dear a price. I preach to you of the blood that cleanseth from all sin. Casting all your sins behind you, I beg of you to start this morning for the kingdom. "Yes," you say, "I will start, but not now." William III. made proclamation, when there was a revolution in the north of Scotland, that all who came and took the oath of allegiance by the 31st of December should be pardoned. Maclean, a chieftain of a prominent clan, resolved to return with the rest of the rebels, but had some pride in being the very last one that should take the oath. He postponed starting for this purpose for two days before the expiration of the term. A snow-storm impeded his way, and before he got up to take his oath and receive a pardon from the throne the time

was up and past. While the others were set free, Maclan was miserably put to death. He started too late and arrived too late. In like manner some of you are in prospect of losing forever the amnesty of the Gospel. Many of you will be forever too late. Remember the irreparable mistake of Maclan! *Talmage.*

A MINER'S PERSISTENCE.

Canon Wilberforce, relates the following touching story,—A miner having heard the Gospel preached, determined that, if the promised blessing of immediate salvation were indeed true, he would not leave the presence of the minister who was declaring it, until assured of its possession by himself. He waited, consequently, after the meeting to speak with the minister, and, in his untutored way, said: "Didn't he say I could have the blessing now?" "Yes, my friend." "Then pray with me, for I'm not goin' awa' wi'out it." And they did pray, these two men, wrestling in prayer until midnight, like Jacob at Peniel, until the wrestling miner heard the silent words of comfort and cheer. "I've got it now!" cried the miner, his face reflecting the joy within; "I've got it now!" The next day a terrible accident occurred at the mines—one of those accidents which so frequently shock us with their horror merely in the reading of them. The same minister was called to the scene, and among the men dead and dying was the quivering, almost breathless, body of this man, who only the night before, big and brawny, came to him to know if salvation could really be had "now" for the asking. There was but a fleeting moment of recognition between the two, ere the miner's soul took flight, but in that moment he had time to say, in response to the minister's sympathy, "Oh I don't mind, I've got it—I've got it—it's mine." Then the name of the poor man went into the list of "killed." There was no note made of the royal inheritance to which he had but a few hours before come into possession, through faith in Christ, and all by his believing grip of the word "now."

"SINCE THE MARRIAGE-DAY."

"How long have you been lying here, Mrs. B——?"

This question was addressed to a bed-ridden old woman, whose worn and troubled face told a tale of years of suffering.

"Oh I a long while now," she replied wearily, "and I don't suppose I shall ever get about again."

"Are you a Christian?" Replied the visitor.

"I'm trying to be one," she answered almost hopelessly.

Her friend was silent for a moment, and then, as if a new thought had struck him, he inquired, "Do you ever try to be Mrs. B——?"

"No!" she replied, "I am Mrs. B——."

"How long have you been Mrs. B——?" he pursued.

"Ever since the marriage-day," she answered, in some surprise.

"And have you no doubt about it?"

"None whatever," she returned unhesitatingly; and, holding up her hand, added, "I have known I was Mrs. B—— ever since that ring was put on my hand."

"That is just how it is with me," the visitor said. "I do not try to be a Christian, but I know I am one, and that I belong to the Lord Jesus Christ ever since I put out an empty hand, and received him as my Saviour. It is by nothing that I have ever done, or ever could do, that I have gained everlasting life, but simply by believing God's record, that, 'while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us'—just receiving Jesus as my Substitute, and believing that now, 'being justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.'" Rom. v: 8-9.

It was a new light to the poor soul, who was struggling on in darkness and doubt, seeking by her own endeavours to earn that everlasting life which God will sell to no man, but which he bestows as a free gift upon "whosoever believeth."

"WHAT PROFIT?"

"What is the value of this estate?" said a gentleman to another with whom he was riding, as they passed a fine mansion surrounded by fair and fertile fields.

"I don't know what it is valued at; I know what it cost its late possessor."

"How much?"

"His soul?"

A solemn pause followed this brief answer; for the inquirer had not sought first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.

The person referred to was the son of a pious labouring man. Early in life he professed faith in Christ, and he soon obtained a subordinate position in a mercantile establishment in this city. He continued to maintain a reputable religious profession till he became a partner in the firm. Labour then increased. He gave less attention to religion and more and more to his business, and the cares of the world choked the Word. Ere he became old he was exceedingly rich in money, but so poor and miserly in soul that none who knew him would have suspected that he had ever borne the sacred name of Him who said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." At length he purchased the landed estate referred to, built him a costly mansion, sickened and died. Just before he died he remarked:—"My prosperity has been my ruin." What a price for which to barter away immortal joy and everlasting life; yet how many do it!

Christ's last Journey to Jerusalem

MARCH 4. A. D. 30. MATT. 20: 17—29.
Golden Text, Matt. 20: 28.

COMP. Mark 10: 32-34, and Luke 18: 31-34. Jesus was going to His last Passover. He had crossed the Jordan, to avoid Samaria, then turned southward until he reached "the coasts of Judæa beyond Jordan," Matt. 19: 1. Recrossing the river, he now took the direct road to Jerusalem, by way of Jericho, v. 29. V. 17, *took the disciples apart*—many people thronged the roads at this time, as every male was required to be present at the Passover, Exod. 23: 17. What Jesus had to say then, was for the disciples alone. V. 18, *We go up to Jerusalem*—twice before this, Jesus had predicted his sufferings and death, Matt. 16: 21; 17: 22. The disciples had felt "exceeding sorry," but now the near prospect of trouble frightened them, Mark 10: 32. V. 19, *to the Gentiles*—the Jews, subjects of the Romans, had no power to put Jesus to death legally, Matt. 27: 2, John 18: 31. *Mock, scourge, crucify*—literally fulfilled as we may see by Matt. 27: 29, 26, 35. *He shall rise again*—this would encourage the disciples, and sustain them in the days of trial, 1 Cor. 10: 13. V. 20, *the mother*—probably Salome, Mark 15: 40; *her sons*—James and John. The request was theirs, Mark 10: 35, but they make it through their mother, thinking she was more likely to obtain this favour. *Worshipping*—bowing down or kneeling. V. 21, *Right*—left—places of honour. *In thy kingdom*—which they still thought to be of this world. V. 22, *drink the cup*—endure the sufferings, the grief and agony, Matt. 26: 39, 42; comp. Is. 17: 22, Ps. 75: 8. *The baptism*—afflictions overwhelming like a flood, Ps. 69: 1, 2. *We are able*—and yet in the hour of trial, they, like the rest, forsook Jesus and fled, Matt. 26: 41. V. 23, *Ye shall drink*—James, first of all, Acts 12: 2, John later on, Rev. 1: 9. *Not mine to give*—it was "for them for whom it had been prepared by the Father." V. 24, *moved with indignation*—they thought themselves as good as James and John, and naturally resented their attempt to be put above them. V. 25, *Princes of the Gentiles*—kings and rulers of the nations. V. 27, *It shall not be so among you*—no Christian minister, therefore, has the right to "lord it over God's heritage," 1 Pet. 5: 3. This is a strong proof of the purity of Christian pastors. The power of the church is spiritual, not secular. *Your minister*—your servant. Humility is the way to true greatness. V. 28, *The Son of man*—Jesus, who is called a servant by the prophets, Is. 42: 1, and by the Apostles, Phil. 2: 7. *A ransom*—a price by which the life of many has been saved, Acts 20: 28, 1 Pet. 1: 18, 19. As Christ lay down his life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren, 1 John 3: 16. In other words, be always ready to help those in need. This is loving as Christ loved, in deed and in truth.

Christ Entering Jerusalem.

MARCH 11. A. D. 30. MATT. 21: 1—16
Golden Text, Psalms 118: 26.

COMP. Mark 11: 1-11, Luke 19: 29-44, and John 12: 12-19. Six days before the Passover, Jesus reached Bethany where he lodged in the house of Simon the leper, who seems to have been a relative of Lazarus, or who lived with him, Matt. 26: 6, John 12: 1. Bethany was fifteen furlongs from Jerusalem, John 11: 18, about two miles. The events of this lesson took place on the first and second days of the week. The Saturday or Jewish Sabbath, was spent by Jesus in Bethany, John 12: 12. V. 1, *Bethphage*—a small village on the eastern slope of the Mount of Olives. V. 2, *An ass and a colt*—Mark and Luke only mention the colt, because it was this on which Jesus rode. In the East, kings had often used the ass in this way, Jud. 10: 4. *Bring them*—the Lord was probably well known to the proprietors. They did not object, but sent the colt at once, when they knew who it was for, Luke 19: 33, 34. V. 5, See Zech. 9: 9, *daughter of Zion*—Jerusalem. *Meek—patient*—to those who injure him, Matt. 11: 29. V. 7, *their clothes*—their mantles. V. 8, *Spread their garments*—as a mark of respect and honour. *Cut down branches, of palm*, John 12: 13. The carrying of palm branches was a symbol of joy and peace among the Jews, Rev. 7: 9. V. 9, *Hosanna*, a Syriac word, meaning, Save now; used as a joyful acclamation. *Son of David*—the Messiah. *Blessed is he*—Psalm 118: 26. The multitude evidently thought that the long expected kingdom of the Messiah was about to begin, Mark 11: 10. V. 10, *The city was moved*—much excited. V. 12, *Into the temple*—this only happened on the morrow, Mark 11: 12-15. On the day of his triumph, Jesus had only "looked around upon all things," and returned to Bethany in the evening, Mark 11: 11. *Cast out all them that sold*—The Jews had made a kind of market-place of the outer court of the temple, although it was the place set apart for the Gentiles who came to Jerusalem to worship. In purifying the temple, the Lord vindicates the rights of the Gentiles, the text quoted confirms this, Is. 56: 7. V. 13, *A den of thieves*—they cheated and robbed the poor, who had to buy victims from them for sacrifices. This was the second time that Christ had cleansed the temple, John 2: 13-17. V. 15, *The children*—the priests thought it highly improper that children should be heard praising Jesus in the temple, and appealed to him to stop them, as on the preceding day, some Pharisees had also desired him to reprove his disciples for the same thing, Luke 19: 39. V. 16, *The mouth of babes*—Jesus takes the children's part. He loves to hear them praising God, Matt. 19: 14, 18: 6. He wants our hearts to be pure and holy, as temples to God.

The Son Rejected.

MARCE 18. A. D. 30. MATT. 21: 33—46
Golden Text, John 1: 11.

COMP. Mark 12: 1-12, and Luke 20: 9-19.
The Scribes and chief priests were very angry at Jesus, when he had cast out the buyers and sellers from the temple. They sought how they might destroy him, Mark 11: 18. With this end in view, they came to him as he was walking in the temple, and asked him "By what authority he did these things." Jesus having answered them, told them also three parables. The second of these forms the subject of this lesson. V. 33, *A householder*—a master of a family—God, the Father of all His creatures. *A vineyard*—a field where vines are cultivated, the house of Israel, Is. 5: 7; *hedged it*—inclosed it with a fence of growing thorns; *digged a wine press*—a place for the large vat that received the juice of the grapes trodden or pressed above it; *built a tower*—for the watchman, who kept thieves and noxious animals away, Is. 5: 2. All these details are given to show that God gave His chosen people all the help and protection they needed, Rom. 9: 4. V. 34, *His servants*—the prophets; *the husbandmen*—those who had to cultivate the vineyard for the owner, the Jewish priests. V. 35, *beat one, etc.*—see Luke 13: 34. V. 37, *His son*—Mark says, His only son, well beloved, Mark 12: 6, Matt. 3: 17. Evidently Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, all men should honour, even as they honour the Father, John 5: 23. *Reverence*—treat with respect. V. 38, *the heir*—the sin of the Jewish priests was not one of ignorance. They knew that Jesus was the "heir," Psalms 2: 8, Heb. 1: 2. V. 39, *cast him out*—Jesus was taken out of Jerusalem to be crucified on Mount Calvary, Luke, 23: 33. V. 40, *What will he do*—by this question Jesus brings the Jews to condemn themselves, for they answer in v. 41. *He will miserably destroy, etc.* They did not yet understand that Jesus had been speaking of them. V. 42, *The stone*—representing the Lord Jesus who was "despised and rejected of men" Is. 53: 3; *the head of the corner*—the foundation of the Church, Eph. 2: 20, 1 Pet. 2: 6-8. *The Lord's doing*—out of his great love for the world, he gave His only Son, John 3: 16; *marvellous*—wonderful even to angels, 1 Pet. 1: 12, much more to men. V. 43, *The kingdom of God*—the Jews would soon cease to be the peculiar people of God. The salvation they despised was about to be sent to the Gentiles, Acts 28: 28; *the fruits thereof*—the righteousness that comes from a knowledge and fear of God. V. 44, *shall be broken*—the kingdom of Christ will grow in spite of all opposition. Those who reject him shall perish forever. God is long suffering, but if his warnings and calls are persistently resisted, he may withdraw, and leave men to eat the fruit of their own ways, Prov. 1: 29, 31; Heb. 4: 7.

The Marriage-Feast.

APRIL 1. A. D. 30. MATT. 22: 1—14
Golden Text, Rev. 19: 9.

JESUS on this day, the last of his public ministry, solemnly calls once more, the Jews who rejected him to repentance. He warns them of the awful consequences of that rejection. He knew that it would be in vain, for he had wept over Jerusalem not long before, Luke 19: 41-44. Yet by another parable he gives them an almost final warning. Soon there will be no remedy for them, see 2 Chron. 36: 15, 16, and the privileges they despised, will be given to others who will prize them better. This parable is found only in Matthew, although the one in Luke 14: 18-24, resembles it closely. V. 2, *The kingdom of heaven*—the dealings of God with men under the Gospel, His way of governing. He is represented by a *certain king*. *The marriage*—or rather the wedding feast, typifies the blessings of the Gospel, to which all are invited. V. 3, *his servants*—His messengers, prophets, apostles, and ministers; *them that were bidden*—His covenant people, the Jews. V. 4, *other servants*—the message was often repeated, 2 Chron. 24: 19, Matt. 23: 34; *fatlings*—fat animals, such as lambs or calves, 2 Sam. 6: 13; *all things are ready*—God has done all that could be done for sinners. But many are never ready to obey when He calls. V. 5, *made light of it*—deemed it unimportant, cared nothing for it. The very way in which many hearers of the Gospel are daily acting. *One to his farm*—Luke 14: 18-19; *merchandise*—traffic. Many work hard to make money and seldom, if ever, give a thought to treasure in heaven. V. 6, *spitefully*—the preaching of the Gospel awakens a bitter hostility in certain men. They assail God's servants with insults and abuse, and when they have had the power, they have often slain them. They do this because they hate God, John 16: 2, 3, Heb. 11: 35. V. 7, *destroyed these murderers*—In the siege of Jerusalem eleven hundred thousand people perished. (Josephus.) The city and temple were utterly destroyed, see Dan. 9: 26. V. 9, *In the highways*—among the Gentiles, Acts 28: 25-28. V. 10, *bad and good*—Christ can save the vilest sinner, as well as the man whom the world calls virtuous. All equally need His grace to be saved, Rom. 3: 23. V. 11, *a wedding garment*—long white robes were usually supplied to guests at wedding feasts. This man preferred his own apparel, a type of those who prefer their own righteousness to that of Christ, Is. 64: 6; 61: 10. It is not enough to be willing to be saved, if we do not consent to be so in God's own way, Col. 2: 18, 23. V. 13, *outer darkness*—image of future punishment, Matt. 8: 12. V. 14, *Few chosen*—not that God would not save all men, 1 Tim. 2: 4, but that many will not come to Christ to be saved, John 5: 40.

Eccelesiastical News.

SCOTLAND: On New Year's day, the new church of the "Quarrier Orphan Homes" Bridge of Weir was opened. A very handsome church, costing \$25,000, the gift of a lady, I understand, *in memoriam*. It is seated for 1000 persons, and was well filled by the children, the workers, and friends from the neighboring places. After service, conducted by your humble servant, the communion of the Lord's Supper was partaken of by all present who were willing to participate, on a simple profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. It was a most interesting occasion, and with all the surroundings, most helpful to our Christian faith. Mr. Quarrier's work is entirely a work for God, and for His children, who, on their reception into the house, were in utter destitution, but whose bright and cheery faces, now tell of the abundance provided by a Heavenly Father, in His attention to their every want. The Lord bless the worker and his work. Fidelity at the Homes in answer to prayer and faith! But among the poor Crofters in the Lewes much destitution and positive want. In a house with husband and wife and four children, there is one bed, with one blanket; the neighbours taking the children. Another mother has had no shoes for five years. One family has two barrels of potatoes, and no meal; another has a little meal, but no potatoes. I suppose butcher meat is never seen. Our poor fellow-countrymen are suffering severely; One household having had no food for a week, found a nest of eggs and lived on the proceeds for a week following. Another great temperance meeting has been held in Free Assembly Hall, Edinburgh, presided over by the Lord Provost, Sir J. Clarke, the first occasion on which the Lord Provost has taken so prominent a part: Sir Wilfred Lawson in his usual facetious humour, remarking that in Ireland the way to the House of Commons by an aspirant was through the jail: but in England the path to honours in the House of Lords was through the brewery! In our obituary we have a very heavy record for this year already. In the churches, two leaders have departed. In the established church there was Dr. Phin, who for twenty years has conducted the affairs of the Home Mission Board, with the most marked success and without fee or reward. A son of the manse, he was settled for some time in Galashiels, and remained in the church at the Disruption period. On receiving the appointment to the Home Mission, he resigned his charge, and ever since he has given himself up to the work of the church. His presence and voice will be much missed in the General Assembly, where his leadership as an evangelical and safe counsellor was greatly prized. The Free Church mourns the loss of Dr. Wm. Wil-

son, aged 80, senior clerk of the Assembly curator of the Sustentation Fund, convener of the committees on the principles of the Free Church, on Temperance, and on Home Missions. Dr. Wilson was a native of Berwickshire, was licensed in 1833, elected to the chair of the Moderator in 1866, became Junior Clerk in 1868, and Senior Clerk on the death of Sir Henry Moncrieff in 1883. He also will be much missed. There died during the same week, in Edinburgh, Robert Herdman R. S. A., also a son of the manse, and a brother of the Rev. A. W. Herdman, formerly of Pictou, N.S. and now minister of the parish of Rattray, Perthshire. Mr. Herdman was one of the most eminent portrait painters of the day; his works are strewn all over the country. One of his works—"After the battle," hangs in the National Gallery and is well known to all Edinburgh visitors, while "Prince Charles in the house of an adherent" enjoys a world-wide reputation. His death was quite sudden and unexpected. On the clerical side of the house, three members of the family have held Rattray manse in succession. But alongside of death is new life. Our snowdrops are up, and in more than one place, the rose, and rhododendron are in bloom. . . . The Rev. A. Marshall, Inveresk, formerly of Callander, has accepted a call to the Scots Church, Melbourne, Australia; Stipend £1200. D.

IRELAND—Of recent deaths in the ministry, the following may be mentioned:—The Rev. Robert Lockhart, of Hilltown, near Rathfriland, who was over 58 years in the ministry; the Rev. Robert Gamble, of Castledawson, County Derry, over 38 years in the ministry; and the Rev. Kingland Fisher, of Raffrey, County Down, 44 years in the ministry. The Rev. John Forbes, LL.D., has been ordained and inducted into the charge of Streaton Church, Newtonards, which was vacated at last Assembly, by the election of Professor Todd Martin to the chair of Christian Ethics. Another of the ministers has entered the field of authorship, the Rev. James Heron, of Dundela, a suburb of Belfast. The subject of the work is "The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles." Its bearing on Doctrine and Church Government is discussed at length. The notices of the work in papers and magazines are very flattering. The Rev. George Wilson, who for some years has been minister of Canonbury, near London, has been elected superintendent of a department in the Bible House of the British and Foreign Bible Society. He is a native of Ballymena, County Antrim, and is a nephew of Professor Killen. For years past he has been doing work for the Religious Tract Society. The Rev. William Wright, who is at the head of the editorial department of the Bible House, is also an Irishman. He is author of the "Empire of the Hittites." H.

CANADA.—*The Rev. Enoch Wood*, one of the fathers of the Methodist Church, has passed away at the patriarchal age of eighty-four. Mr. Wood entered the ministry in 1825, and was one of the early missionaries sent out to Canada by the Wesleyan Church. He was for many years secretary of the Mission Board, and was much esteemed. . . . *The Rev. Dr. Courtney* of St. Paul's Church, Boston, has been unanimously elected Bishop of Nova Scotia by the Anglican Synod. Dr. Courtney is an Englishman, ordained in 1865. He is still in the prime of life, and is said to be a highly accomplished and able minister, of moderate views in regard to church politics. He was incumbent of St. Jude's, Glasgow, for six years, and came to this country about twelve years ago. Dr. Courtney held high positions in New York and also in Chicago, before his removal to Boston. . . . The students of Queen's University, Kingston, have crowned the great effort that has been made to raise quarter of a million of dollars for the Jubilee Endowment Fund of that Institution, by contributing \$8,000 to complete the amount aimed at. This is not only a very important event in the history of that University, but it is probably a demonstration of devotion to *alma mater* not surpassed, if indeed ever equalled, by the alumni of any educational institution.

Our Own Church.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE THIRD SABBATH OF MARCH is the day appointed by the General Assembly for taking up collections for this fund. There are very few of our congregations now-a-days, who will be content to take up a plate-collection for this or for any of the schemes of the church. They have nearly all learned a more excellent way—some through the schedule system, others by local missionary associations, house-to-house visitation, and personal canvass. There is no one method suited to the varied circumstances of all. Each congregation must choose for itself that which best fits it; the main thing is that the support of our Missions should be based on some well-considered system. But it must be remembered that no system, however good it may seem in theory, or on paper, will avail unless it is faithfully and judiciously worked out in detail. It will not work *itself*. The schedule system requires business *tact*, and involves a good deal of cor-

respondence. The plan of visitation demands the co-operation of a staff of willing workers in each congregation. When the church as a whole is thoroughly educated on the great question of Christian Giving, the plate-collection may after all be as good a method as any—but not till then.

Detailed information respecting our foreign missions is easily within the reach of all. It may be found in the printed minutes of Assembly, or in the year book published by Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, Toronto, and sold by all booksellers; failing these, a pretty full resumé of our foreign mission work may be found in the September number of the RECORD. Let it suffice here to say that in seven foreign fields we have twenty-one ordained Canadian missionaries, and seven ordained native missionaries, five lady missionaries from Canada; some fifty un-ordained preachers and evangelists, at the least 175 native teachers and catechists—making a total number of about 220 labourers under the supervision of our Foreign Mission Committee. The number of native communicants in these fields is upwards of 3,000, with at least as many scholars receiving religious instruction in schools.

The estimated amount required from the Canadian Church for this work for the current year is \$79,000; not that this will cover the actual outlay, for a very considerable amount is annually contributed by the fields themselves, some of which are already looking forward to self-support and self-government in the near future.

REVIVAL.—At Saltsprings and neighbouring districts in Pictou County, N.S., there has been a remarkable revival of religion. At Saltsprings alone 217 persons were added to the communion, and sat at the Lord's table for the first time on the first day of the year. The work is still going on.

FURTHER UNION.—A proposal to unite with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, is now being earnestly supported by leading men connected with the "Kirk" congregations in Pictou county. The most amicable relations prevail between all parties. St. Andrew's church, New Glasgow, has led in the movement, and decided, *The Island Guardian* says, to seek admission to the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

PERSONAL.—A very serious accident has befallen Rev. Dr. Lyall, one of the Church's Professors in Dalhousie College, Halifax. Dr. Lyall fell on the ice and broke his arm, and dislocated and broke his thigh. Dr. Lyall being advanced in years, the accident is all the more serious. Our worthy Moderator, Dr. Burns, also fell and broke his wrist. *Mr. D. Bears*, a young man of great promise, who was engaged in missionary work at Indian Head, N.W.T. died there in January, after a very short illness, greatly lamented by the people to whom he ministered. *Rev. W. T. MacMullen* of Woodstock, has been nominated by several Presbyteries as Moderator of next General Assembly.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

BEAVERTON, Lindsay.—Rev. D. C. Johnson, of Oil Springs, was inducted to Knox Church on the 10th of January.

PAISLEY, Bruce.—Rev. T. Johnston, of Lobo and Caradoc, was inducted on February 21st.

QUEBENSVILLE, Toronto.—Rev. A. U. Campbell was inducted on the 4th of February.

Oro, Barrie.—Mr. A. F. McKenzie, was inducted on the 14th of February.

CALLS.—Rev. Dr. Jardine has accepted a call to Prince Albert, *Regina*. Rev. A. Gaudier, of St. Marks Mission, Toronto, son of Rev. Joseph Gaudier, of Fort Coulonge, *Lanark & Renfrew*, is called to succeed Dr. Archibald in St. Thomas, *London*. Rev. J. W. Cameron, late of Richmond Hill, to North Mornington, *Stratford*. Rev. James Blair to Greenfield, *St. John*. Rev. A. W. Dobson to Esson and Willis Churches, *Barrie*.

DEMISSIONS.—Rev. Dr. Smellie, of Fergus, and Rev. S. Mylne, of St. Andrew's Church, Smith's Falls, have intimated their intention of retiring from the active duties of the ministry. Rev. Ewan Macaulay resigns the charge of West Puslinch, *Queph*. Rev. Angus Macleod, of North Bruce and St. Andrews, *Saugeen, Bruce*. Rev. John McLeod, M.D., of Maxville, *Glenarry*.

CHURCH AND MANSE.

BURNS' CHURCH, Sarnia. was opened for worship on the 15th of January, by Rev. Dr. James, of Walkerton. The church is in the Norman-Gothic style, cruciform, seated for 300, and cost \$8,500.

MINNISKA, Manitoba.—A new church was recently opened here by Rev. Alexander McArthur, of Shoal Lake.

KAMLOOPS, Columbia.—The opening of the new church on the 1st of January, was a great event in the history of Kamloops. It is a fine building, cost \$5,000 and is designed to be the spiritual home of all denominations in the place. Rev. J. A. Chisholm seems to be the managing director.

CYPRESS RIVER, Manitoba.—Rev. Dr. Bryce opened a neat frame church on the 15th of January; it was erected entirely by volunteer labour, and, to show how they do things in the North-West, it is said that services were conducted in it only four days after the building was commenced!

GLENALLAN, Guelph.—On the 8th of January a handsome \$5,000 church was opened for worship. Principal Caven officiating in the morning and Rev. J. Campbell, of Listowell, in the evening.

STAYNER, Barrie.—A massive and beautiful church, in the Baronial-Romanesque style, has superseded the homely little edifice that has done duty for a generation. It was opened on the 15th of January, by Rev. D. D. McLeod, of Barrie, and Rev. G. W. Stevenson (Methodist).
CONBRETE, Huron.—A handsome brick church was opened on the 22nd of January, by Rev. Jas. Pritchard, of Forest, and Rev. J. S. Lochoad, of Parkhill. It is the first church ever built in this new district, and cost about \$2,000.

MARVO BAY, C.B.—A new church was dedicated on January 8th; Revs. D. McDonald and R. McLeod officiating. Seated for 300; cost about \$3,300.

New Churches have also been opened at Medonte, on the 11th of December, and at Penetanguishine, on the 8th of January.

Kingsbury, Quebec.—Rev. J. R. MacLeod and family have taken possession of a commodious and comfortable manse erected for them by the congregation, at a cost of \$2,100.

MANITOBA ITEMS.

Winnipeg has lost Mr. Pitblado. Six months ago, no one could have believed that our two strong churches, Knox and St. Andrew's, around which all the others rally, should to-day be pastorless. But so it is: Mr. Gordon gone to the Atlantic Coast, and Mr. Pitblado to the Pacific. Rev. James Fleck of Montreal, has received an absolutely unanimous and enthusiastic call to Knox Church. Should he accept, his sphere, though heavy, will be one of the most hopeful and satisfying in the whole church. It is too soon to speak of Mr. Pitblado's successor. An interesting church opening took place in January, at Cypress River, Presbytery of Brandon. Rev. Dr. Bryce of Manitoba College, conducted the services, and lectured on the "Story of the Earth" on the evening following. Rev. D. Stalker of Gladstone, has been called away hurriedly to Ontario, by the death of his father, the result of an accident. A considerable number of points throughout the Presbyteries of the Northwest, are supplied this winter by students from the Eastern Colleges who are lying over for the year. Among these are Messrs. Fortune at Elkhorn, Ross at Niverville, Lowry at Killarney, Mc Kerchar at Beulah, and so on. Two excellent young men from the U. P. Church in Scotland, Wilson at Douglas, and Miller at Boissevain, are doing good service for us at these points. Rev. Mr. Rogerson, who was received at last Assembly, continues to supply the vacant congregation of First Church, Brandon. The missionary spirit has taken strong hold of the Northwest. The C. P. R. being now the favourite line of travel to China and Japan, Winnipeg is favoured with many outgoing missionaries calling. On a single Sabbath lately, Mr. Goforth and three American missionaries going to Japan, took part in the services of Knox and St. Andrew's Churches, Winnipeg. The students of Manitoba College have raised a considerable amount of money for missionary purposes by holding concerts in the leading towns in Manitoba. The last was held in Winnipeg, on

8th of February. The Railway agitation in Manitoba, has resulted in the retirement of the Norquay Government and the accession of the Liberals to power. There will be a general election in a few months. Even now, there are fourteen Presbyterians in the Local House of 35 members, and a number of these are elders in the Kirk. We hope for much from them.

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Obituary.

REV. JOHN SMITH, minister of Erskine Church, Toronto, died very suddenly at his residence in that city, on the 20th of January. On the previous Sabbath, Mr. Smith preached, morning and evening, with his usual vigour and acceptance. On the evening preceding his decease, he attended the meeting to bid Rev. Jonathan Goforth farewell, apparently in his usual health and spirits. Shortly after reaching home, he was prostrated by a stroke of apoplexy, and died at 2.50 a.m. the next morning. Mr. Smith was an earnest and popular minister, a powerful preacher, and a man of broad sympathies, and will be greatly missed in Toronto, where he was universally respected. Mr. Smith was a native of County Armagh, Ireland, born in 1824. He came with his parents to Canada when three years of age. He studied for the ministry at Knox College, graduating in 1851, and was shortly afterwards ordained as minister of the Canada Presbyterian church at Bowmanville. In 1875 he was translated to Toronto. Under his energetic leadership, a handsome new church was erected, which became the centre of a large and influential congregation. Mr. Smith leaves a widow and four children to mourn their sudden bereavement.

REV. WILLIAM MILLEN, St. Andrew's New Brunswick. We regret to record the death, on the 30th January, of Rev. William Millen, late pastor of Bocabec and Waweig. Mr. Millen's health had been failing for two or three years, owing mainly to a very severe accident which befell him in falling out of his carriage. He obtained leave from last General Assembly to retire from the active duties of the ministry. Though his bodily strength was failing, his mind continued as clear and vigorous as ever; and his interest in the cause of Christ was

manifested to the very last. Mr. Millen was a native of Derry, Ireland, and came to New Brunswick in 1846. His ministry was exercised in Richmond, Bocabec, Waweig, Baillie, and other districts where the toil was severe and the need great. He was an earnest, faithful, self-sacrificing and devoted pastor—greatly beloved by his people.

REV. NEIL MCKINNON, of Mosa, London, died suddenly on the 8th of January. The deceased was a native of Tyree, Scotland, was educated for the ministry at Knox College, Toronto, and was successively minister of Wardsville and Belmont before entering on the charge of Mosa, in 1877. He was a most estimable and useful minister, and his death is a great loss to the church at large, as well as to a large circle of friends.

MR. THOMAS MCCREDIE, many years elder in the congregation of Chippawa, died in January, in the 72nd year of his age. He was among the last of the old residents who remembered the battles of Queenstown Heights and Lundy's Lane.

MR. JAMES DOUGAN, for over forty years an elder of Knox Church congregation, St. Catharines, Ontario, died on the 16th October last. He was a faithful elder, and a warm-hearted and devoted Sabbath-School teacher and superintendent.

New Hebrides and Trinidad.

SANTO ESPIRITU:—We have a note from our missionary to this island, *Rev. Joseph Annand*, intimating that he and his wife are well. Their new home is on a small island about a quarter of a mile from the main island. This islet is about a mile long and half a mile wide. There is a village on it, with some influential natives. The bay between it and Santo is a pretty sheet of water, forming a good harbour with a lovely sandy beach. The land on Santo rises gradually from the sea to a height of 6000 or 7000 feet, so the whole surroundings are beautiful. The "manse" is a comfortable weather-board building with galvanized iron roof, ceiled and lined throughout with layers of tarred paper. There are four rooms in the main building, and kitchen, bath-room and pantry besides. There is also "a prophet's chamber." The clearing in which it stands is carved out of the dense, tropical forest. Some magnificent banyan trees add to the beauty of the site, and a flower garden is in the preparatory stage. On the whole, Mr. Annand is favourably im-

pressed with the place and the people, and has strong hopes of being useful to them. There is a very large population, however, on Santo, and he says it would require at least three more missionaries to work the mission advantageously. In the meantime, the Annands are earnestly grappling with the language, which is quite different from that of Aneityum, where they were formerly. There is a fair prospect that the French will leave the New Hebrides very soon.

TRINIDAD:—Reports from our teachers in Trinidad indicate steady and rapid progress. The schools are well attended. All the teachers are in good health. Miss COPPLAND's school, San Fernando, had 160 pupils on the roll. One of her assistants, Joseph Benny, has returned to India with his parents and other members of his family. Joseph is but 14 years of age. He was a very big boy—weighing 200 lbs. His influence with the children was excellent. Jacob Corsbie was at Princetown, but is now again at San Fernando, and is very useful. The Sabbath school is progressing favourably. Miss SEMPLE reports that 232 children had been enrolled during the year at Princetown school. The monthly average did not exceed 150. Very beneficial results of teaching are apparent.

Mr. GIBSON, writing from Demerara, reports many inquirers after the truth. Many are convinced that Christianity is the more excellent way. Mohammedans are the most persistent and influential opponents of the truth.

Formosa.

LETTER FROM DR. MACKAY—Continued.

SUNDAY, 6th November.

SOME time long before cock-crowing, we made for *Tek-Chham*. I preached five times, but not five different sittings. When through, I asked them to disperse; they said that they would sit there till I spoke again. I immediately announced another subject, and had another service. Busy all day, because the preacher was in bed with fever. Slight attack though. Monday, 7th—Came back to *Tiong-tek*. Two mandarins were there, and all so friendly to me. Tuesday, 8th—Passed through *Tho-a-hng*; went into the hills to see a sick convert; hurried on to *Sin-ting* and *Bang-kah*; arrived just in time to take a steam launch to Tamsui. Since, I have been teaching in the college, shall I call the crowds I saw and addressed, the kindness, the welcomes, the apparent interest, etc., a great movement, an awakening, a revival? Not so. I have never yet seen here what would be called a "revival" in the West. I mean, in the common acceptation. And I have not seen fruits anywhere during all the past years without *hard, hard* work, and we have no business to look for

fruits unless *solid, real, hard, genuine* work go before. Taking all in all, I never saw such a willingness on the part of so many *Chinese* (they are not *Pi-po-koun*) as during this trip made down around *Sin-kang*, etc. I never received such a tremendous reception. Never had so many leave their fields and work to welcome me and attend services. Don't think all such, and a thousand times as much more, will carry me away. Different motives will be at work, and I claim, without any *sham modesty*, to know something about all these things, and also to take them into account. In one word, don't think they will be baptized in 1887 or 1888. At the same time it is a *glorious, a grand* opportunity. Two men came up for 300 hymnbooks. "Trust in God, but keep the powder dry." That's the idea in a nutshell. If anyone should be disappointed at results from all this, *I, for one, will not be*. I will see what I expect, and if God *exceeds* our expectations, so much the better, and at any rate will give Him all—all the praise and glory, for ever and ever.

This is the region travelled most by me, barefooted, many years ago, when going in amongst the savages. *Sin-kang* was one of our first stations.

Remember the missionaries here. I mean, very particularly, the native missionaries—the preachers. I often wonder at the Foreign Missionary, who comes abroad now-a-days on fine railways and steamers, being lifted up at once above his fellows and the native missionaries so little regarded. I, personally, taught nearly fifty natives, who are now preaching the everlasting gospel, and helping to build up the Church of Christ in this beloved isle. I ask the Canadian Church to keep that always in view. My colleague, Mr. Jamieson, is a most *faithful, willing, and devoted* worker, though not thoroughly acquainted with all departments of the work, and no man on earth could be all at once. It must be gradual. Not the least is the pleasantness of himself and Mrs. Jamieson. We all appreciate that as we do *willing* hearts.

"For Thine's the kingdom, and the pow'r,
And all the glory waits Thy name,
Let ev'ry saint Thy grace adore,
And sound in songs their loud Amen."

G. L. MACKAY.

LETTER FROM REV. JOHN JAMIESON.

TAMSUI, 20th December, 1887.

Dear Dr. Wardrope,—

In Canada you already know that much labour has been expended, and a great work accomplished here, but I think it important that the whole church should know that a definite plan of operation has been carried out from the beginning. Without this the amount of labour expended would be comparatively barren in results. Natives, who know the Chinese, although they often speak of Dr. Mackay's de-

votion and superior talents, attribute the success of this mission not only to these, but to the wisdom of his plan of working.

The aim from the beginning has been to have a church from among the people, controlled, taught, and supported by themselves. Without a number of natives being first trained, this could not be. Thus, Dr. Mackay, very soon after landing, began to follow out as far as possible, Christ's own method of working: in first training men and then sending them to teach others. Band after band of young men have been trained and sent into the field. The establishment of an independent native church, of course, cannot be accomplished in a day, the work must be gradual. All the native preachers, though in the field and at work, and although the first band have been 15 years under training, are still being taught.

You will see that this plan precludes the necessity of many foreign missionaries, hence they have not been called for. For the sake of economy, as well as to have the natives take more interest and feel their responsibility, the work as far as possible has been given into their hands. I have often thought that without a knowledge of facts, also without knowing Dr. Mackay's own judgment of what is best, many in Canada may suppose that if only more foreign missionaries were sent the work here would be still more prosperous. Such a course would be a great mistake. Any missionary sent would feel that he was awkwardly situated when he found that all the work he could hope to do, was being already done by natives. Also, on the point of economy, more foreign missionaries means more house accommodation, costing thousands of dollars, besides outfit and salary.

If natives are to train others they must themselves first be taught, and, it may be asked, if foreigners are not sent, who are to teach them? The fact is, the training of natives to teach others is already accomplished. There are at least half-a-dozen of the older preachers, who, if required, can enter Oxford College, and the Girls' School and teach efficiently any of the subjects needed to be taught. A graduate from a college or university in America or Canada coming here and beginning to equip himself to teach, preach, and heal, could not hope in ten years to be equal to one of these men. And with what they have now in their hands, and ever-increasing translations of the best English works, they would in these years be making still further progress. Therefore, it is almost needless to add that the native pastors and preachers have the same opinion about carrying on the work. They fail to see how any advantage could be derived from additional foreign labourers, either as regards economy or efficiency, and feel that they are quite able to take up any department of the work.

I have said that these preachers are still learning from Dr. Mackay. That is so, but it

is also true that many other preachers besides Chinese would like to learn from him, if they only had the chance.

We have listened to many of the preachers, old and young, and are convinced that many people in Canada have little idea of the position these men are able to take on the platform. In Canada you know that there are two ordained pastors here, but you must not forget that there are more than forty preachers acting as missionaries, who, though not all of equal ability, are yet doing faithful work in the field. The elder ones say that, with the exception of one, they do not fear to meet any man from Canada or elsewhere, in a fair trial in teaching, preaching, or debate. (The last is necessary here where Confucianism, Buddhism, etc., have to be met.) The exception, I need scarcely add, is their own honoured teacher.

China.

It has been the custom of late to disbelieve in the ancient estimates of the population of China, but the *North China Herald*, a well-informed journal, publishes statistics which strongly support them. It appears that the authorities at Peking have recently taken a census for taxing purposes, and that the village bailiffs, whose interest it is to underestimate the figures, return the population at 319,383,500. Five provinces are omitted, and their population, as recorded in the last census, brings the total up to 392,000,000. Even this figure is independent of the population of Tibet, Kashgar, Ili, and Corea, and the total number of souls ruled by the emperor of China, therefore, exceeds 400,000,000, and still displays a tendency to increase.

China has two or three times the population of Africa, one-and-a-half times the population of India, and ten times the population of Japan. It holds one-third of the entire heathen world, and about one-quarter of the whole world. Think of it, of all the men on this planet, one man in every four is a Chinaman! Try to realize it,—it cannot be realized. "A million a month in China are dying without God." A thousand million new graves every hundred years! The business of Christian women alone is to put a soul into two hundred millions of Chinese women. This vast population is essentially Chinese. For at the close of 1885 there were only 6898 foreigners resident in the open ports of China, and one-half of them resided at Shanghai. There were 919 Protestant foreign missionaries in China at the close of 1886.

There are among the different Protestant denominations seventy-nine persons who devote themselves chiefly to medical work. Twenty-seven are women. There has been issued by their Medical Missionary Association the first number of a medical journal,

whose columns contain valuable papers from native and foreign physicians of high standing. The articles by the Chinese doctors—themselves Christians—in the Chinese language will have a wide influence among their countrymen in removing the prejudice against foreign physicians.

The Christian population of China will not exceed 50,000. The latest statistics, and these not complete, give 28,000 communicants in the Protestant churches. Surely this is a vivid illustration of the Master's parable of the grain of mustard seed and of the leaven, with their perpetual lesson of faith. Do you say, "What are these among so great a multitude?" The Master answers, "Bring them to me." Great things have been done in China, in the face of tremendous obstacles, by the servants of Christ. Although Robert Morrison entered China as the first Protestant missionary, a representative of the London Missionary Society in 1807, China was practically closed to missionary effort until 1860, although several societies occupied their fields before that time. This fact should be kept in mind, as we consider the statistics. The following table, prepared by the Rev. C. C. Baldwin, D.D., of the American Board Mission, for forty years a missionary in China, speaks for itself:—

Years.	Stations and Out Stations.	Native Preachers.	Native Christians.
1846....		13	41
1853....	26	59	351
1863....	108	141	1,974
1864....	130	170	2,607
1868....	306	365	5,743
1877....	602	584	13,035
1886....	700 (?)	650 (?)	30,000 (?)

The statistics for 1886 are, of course, approximate, but they are believed to be below rather than above the facts. These figures ought to inspire each of us with strong hope for China. It is asserted that, if the present ratio of increase continues, the native Christians in China in the year 1900 will number 2,000,000.

A few suitable topics for prayer, in connection with China, are suggested :

1. For the missions of all branches of the Church.
2. For Christian nations in their dealings with the Chinese.
3. For the suppression of the opium trade, which China does not desire.
4. For the success of civilized inventions to open up the country for speedy evangelization.
5. For our own missionaries by name.

—*The Mission Field.*

HONAN, THE GARDEN OF CHINA.

This inland province, which has been selected as the site of the first Canadian College Mission, must henceforth be regarded with more than ordinary interest by all of us who

take an interest in the missionary work of the church. Honan, distant from Montreal about 10,000 miles, is 600 miles north-west of Formosa, in latitude, N. 32°36', and longitude, 122° E. It is bounded on the north by Shansi (nine millions), and by Chihli (twenty millions), in which is Peking, the capital of the Empire. The name signifies "south of the river," i.e. of the Hoang-ho or Yellow River, the greater part of the province being south of that stream.

The area of Honan is 65,104 square miles, its greatest length 350 miles, and its width about the same. It is estimated to contain about 15,000,000, or 230 to the square mile. The flooded area is as large as Ireland, which has but 169 to the square mile. The Yellow River rolls its turbid waters through the northern part of Honan down to the Gulf of Pechili. It is too shallow for steamers. The climate is said to resemble that of Canada in some respects. The province comprises some of the most fertile parts of China. All kinds of cereals are grown, coal is found in abundance. Cotton is grown extensively, and forms a principal article of export. Hemp, iron and silk are also produced. Railroads are the only thing required to make Honan a very important centre of trade. Owing to its low-lying situation, this part of China has been repeatedly devastated by floods. It has also suffered frequently from famine. No less than 800 famines have been recorded within a thousand years. Honan is said to be third in hostility to the foreigner. But this has not prevented the China Inland Mission from planting mission stations in different parts of the province. But at present there seems to be only three male missionaries of that society labouring among fifteen millions. Mrs. Goforth will have the high honour of being the first woman to bear news of salvation to our sisters in Honan.—*Knox College Journal for February.*

THE MARCH OF CHRISTIANITY.

The late Rev. Dr. W. Fleming Stevenson, one of the most able and enthusiastic advocates of missions in this missionary century, made use of the following statements in one of his popular Edinburgh lectures:—"An entire change has taken place in the way of looking at missions in the last eighty years. Instead of being regarded as something that demanded a man's imprisonment, as in Holland, or his restraint in a lunatic asylum, as in Germany, missions are now receiving the homage of the Christian Church, and of men of science. At the close of the last century there were just seven Protestant missionary societies; the seven have now grown to be seventy. There were 170 missionaries when the century began; there are now 2,400 from Europe and America, more than 1,000 native preachers, and more than 23,000 other native helpers. Eighty years ago the whole sum raised for

missionary enterprises was £50,000; now it is almost a million and a quarter. Eighty years ago there were not seventy mission schools; now there are 12,000, with 400,000 scholars. At the beginning of the century the Scriptures were translated into fifty languages, and the number of copies in circulation was 5,000,000; now the number of languages is over 300, and the number of copies 148 millions, and the translation and circulation are mainly owing to the enterprise of Protestant missionaries. And when all this had been done during a time when the church had not been stirred to its depths, but the work mainly left to be done by individuals, they could readily conceive what could be done now if the Church were only to put her whole strength into this enterprise, and simply go and do what Christ had commanded her."

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THE PRESBYTERIAN YEAR-BOOK: The Presbyterian Printing and Publishing Co., Toronto (C. Blackett Robinson); price, 25 cts. We are glad to see that this admirable manual, after a lapse of six years, has taken a new lease of life, and come out in very neat and convenient form. Every minister and office-bearer in the Church must have it. It is most useful.

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Quebec, Sherbrooke, Mar. 20th, 8 p.m.
London, 1st Presb. Ch., Mar. 13th, 2.30 p.m.
Sarnia, St. Andrew's Ch. Mar. 20th, 1 p.m.
Kingston, Cooke's Ch. Mar. 19th, 3 p.m.
Paris, Woodstock, April 10th.
Stratford, Knox Ch. Mar. 13th, 10.30 a.m.
Montreal, College Hall. Mar. 20th, 10 a.m.
Bruce, Paisley, Mar. 13th, 2 p.m.
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Huron, Egmondville, Mar. 13th, 11 a.m.
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Orangeville, Orangeville, Mar. 13th, 10.30 a.m.
Owen Sound, Owen Sound, Mar. 20th, 1.30 p.m.
Peterborough, Peterborough, Mar. 13th, 10 a.m.
Regina, Regina, Mar. 14th, 10.30 a.m.
Rock Lake, Manitou, Mar. 7th, 19 o'clock.
Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Mar. 13th, 7.30 p.m.
Whitby, Bowmanville, April 17th, 10.30 a.m.
Glengarry, Maxville, Mar. 13th, 11 a.m.
Barrie, Barrie, Mar. 27th.
Toronto, St. And's Lecture Hall, Mar. 6, 10 a.m.
Calgary, Medicine Hat, Mar. 6, 2 p.m.

SYNOD MEETING.

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 Hillsburg 5.00; Montreal, St. Paul's
 32.50; Glenmar 5.00; Larkark 4.00;
 Exeter 3.00; Watford 4.00; Egmond-
 ville 5.00; Glenmorris 6.00; Guelph
 St Andrew's 11.40; Pembroke 5.00;
 Alexandria 2.00; Dunbarton 3.00;
 Binbrook 2.00; Saltfleet 2.00; Wake-
 field & Masham 3.00; Cantley &
 Portland 2.00; East Wawanosh 3.00;
 Lindsay 7.30; Whitechurch 5.00;
 Green Hill 3.00; Picton, Prince
 St. 10.00; Westville & Middle River
 4.00; Hopewell Union Church 4.00;
 Union Centre & Lockhart 3.00;
 Woodville, Caledonia and Little
 Sands 5.00; Princeton 6.00; Cardi-
 nal & Dundas 4.00; St. Peter's Road
 4.25; Orwell 5.00; Charlottetown, St
 James 3.00; New Carlisle & Hopto-
 town 2.00; Newcastle 10.00; Chip-
 man 5.00; St. James & Union 3.00;
 Frederick 14.00; Glassville 2.00;
 Mosquidoubt Harbor 2.50; Law-
 rence town & Cow Bay 3.00; Nine
 Mile River 2.00; Newport 5.00;
 Milford & Gay's River 3.00; Sheet
 Harbor 2.00; Canard 3.00; West Bay
 3.50; Halifax Chalmor Ch 6.00; Mal-
 agawatch & Dennis River 2.00;
 Brookline 4.40; Onslow 4.00; Walter
 MacDonald, Mahon 1.00; Londes-
 borough 2.00; Walton 3.00; Alice &
 Petawawa, 4.00; Bowmanville St
 Paul's 9.00; P. rt Stanley 3.00; Cara-
 doe Cook's Ch 4.00; Guelph Chalmers
 Ch 11.40; Chesley 4.33; Elora, Knox
 Ch 7.20; Bayfield Road 5.00; Owen
 Sound Knox Ch 6.00; Duart & High-
 gate 2.00; Clinton 3.00; Guelph
 Knox Ch 9.12; Princeton 2.00;
 Cardinal 5.00; Midland 2.00; Beth-
 any 2.00; Blenheim, St Andrew's
 1.00; Martintown Burns' Ch 4.00;
 Westmeath 2.00; Beachburg 4.00;
 Barrie 10.00; Zorra, Burns' Ch 3.00;
 East Oxford, St Andrew's Ch 2.00;
 Acton 5.00; Perth, Knox Ch 15.00;
 Wallaceburg 5.12; Gravenhurst 2.00;
 West Brant 3.00; Drumbo 1.00; To-
 ronto, College St Ch 12.00; Beaverton
 8.05; East Williams, St Andrew's
 6.00; Chatham, St Andrew's 10.00;
 Keady 4.00; Smith's Falls, St An-
 drew's 6.00; Moosajaw 2.00; Castle-
 ford, Stewartville & Dewar 3.00;
 Cranbrook 3.00; Ospringe 3.00; Iro-
 quois 5.00; Thamesford 5.00; Mount
 Forest 6.71; Port Elgin 5.00; Doon
 2.04; Glenallan 3.60; Hollin 2.40;
 Hawkesville 1.20; Kingston Chal-
 mer's Ch 10.00; Kingsbury & Brompt-
 ton Gore 2.00; Belleville, John St Ch
 10.00; Brantford, Zion Ch 20.00;
 Montreal, Crescent St Ch 30.00;
 Beauharnois 3.00; Williamstown,
 Hephzibah 4.75; Montreal, Knox
 Ch 15.00; Total—1,333.22.

HOME MISSION FUND.

Received to 5th January. \$11,039.96
 Inverness 15.00
 Bowmanville, St Paul's 4.00
 Avr. Stanley St Ch 122.09
 Erin 20.90
 Erin S.S. 5.00
 Pricerville & Bunessan 12.00
 Emsdale 35.75

Novar 23.56
 Mc Nuirich Ch 10.91
 Sudbury 23.40
 Bethune 2.27
 Doe Lake 1.50
 Sault Ste. Marie 21.20
 Manitowaning 7.52
 Gore Bay 6.00
 Tarbutt 5.00
 Glenmorris 75.00
 West Brant 2.00
 West Brant S.S. 4.00
 Mado, St Columba and St
 Paul's 30.00
 Columbus 81.15
 Hagarville 22.35
 T & A Kirkpatrick, Thad-
 ford 25.00
 Chatham, 1st Ch 83.00
 Port William 28.00
 Shoal Lake 10.00
 Mimosa 10.0
 Kintyre 5.0
 Rockwood 16.00
 Rockwood S.S. 9.20
 Scarboro, St Andrew's S.S.
 Danford 20.00
 Hillsburg 20.00
 Paisley 4.00
 Montreal, St Paul's 1,000.00
 Chatsworth 40.00
 Chatsworth S.S. 15.00
 Uphill 1.25
 Avonbank 12.00
 Sebright 2.00
 Centre Scotch Line S.S. 4.00
 Newtonville 4.70
 Egmondville 23.00
 Pembroke 50.00
 Alexandria 5.00
 Dunbarton 12.40
 Scarboro, Melville Ch 35.00
 Durham 41.18
 Oshawa S.S. 2.02
 Binbrook 22.00
 Saltfleet 20.00
 Wakefield and Masham 29.00
 Cantley and Portland 15.00
 Whitechurch 16.00
 Lindsay 81.00
 Beaverton 2.00
 Beobaegon 33.00
 Brantford, Zion Ch S.S. 25.00
 J H Stewart, Australia 20.00
 Scarboro, Knox Ch S.S. 17.82
 Port Hope, 1st Ch 170.55
 Norval 40.00
 Pugwash 12.00
 Bathurst 21.70
 Toronto, Old St Andrew's,
 Seaforth, 1st Ch 240.00
 Tara 34.17
 Londesborough 8.90
 A Friend of Missions, NW 2.00
 Late J Fleming, Toronto 500.00
 Walton 32.00
 Sherbrooke 14.01
 Newmarket S.S. 14.40
 Winnipeg, Knox Ch S.S. 100.00
 Alice and Petawawa 10.00
 Caledonia S.S. 47.00
 Campbellville 75.00
 W R Norwood 1.00
 Brockville, 1st Ch and St
 John's 18.22
 St Catharines, 1st Ch 34.03
 St Catharines, 1st Ch S.S. 36.00
 Bowmanville, St Paul's 215.00
 Limhouse 20.00
 Port Stanley 25.00
 Carradoc, Cooke Ch 10.00
 Toronto, West Ch S.S. 54.00
 Silver Hill 59
 St Catharines, Knox Ch S.S. 50.00
 Late J Davidson, London 1,000.00
 Toronto, Old St Andrew's 202.00
 Toronto, St Andrew's S.S. 20.00
 Chesley 53.28
 Chesley S.S. 4.73

Windsor Mills 9.00
 Paisley, Knox Ch 6.00
 Elora, Knox Ch 24.00
 Gu- lnh St Andrew's Bible
 class (female) 17.00
 Newcastle 4.25
 Toronto, West Ch 65.00
 English Settlement S.S. 20.00
 A Friend, Muscom St'n 2.00
 Lynedoch 53.25
 Silver Hill 16.00
 Princeton 30.00
 May R. Newmarket 3.03
 Cardinal 28.00
 Midland 30.00
 Lancaster, Knox Ch 24.00
 Bethany 8.00
 Pine River 23.00
 Elmira 5.17
 Quebec Chalmers Ch 175.00
 Toronto, Charles St S.S. 45.00
 Friend of the Ch, Lindsay 10.00
 Blenheim, St Andrew's 27.00
 Rochester 7.00
 Rochester S.S. 5.00
 Walkerton, Knox Ch S.S. 10.00
 Goderich, Knox Ch 40.00
 Goderich, Tn Union Ch 8.00
 Crumlin 20.00
 Brucefield, Union Ch 41.00
 Prof Line 31.30
 Osgoode Line 3.00
 Tilbury, East 4.75
 Mrs H Dickinson, Woodstock 2.50
 Palmerston 3.00
 Park Hill 5.90
 Friend, Toronto W Ch 5.00
 Winnipeg, Knox Ch 225.00
 Kildonan 25.00
 Hawkesville 3.75
 Harrowsmith 22.57
 Glenvale 1.63
 Barrie 41.00
 Zorra, Burns' Ch 33.00
 Glencoe 30.00
 Montreal, Nazareth St Mis
 S.S. 50.00
 Beaverton 35.00
 Nasagaveya 40.00
 Prof Line 9.05
 East Oxford, St Andrew's 24.00
 Ingersoll, St Andrew's 41.65
 Acton 50.00
 Perth, Knox Ch 100.00
 Wallaceburg 20.00
 Gravenhurst 12.00
 West Brant 7.00
 Mount Pleasant 19.00
 Burford 6.00
 Elma Centre 44.00
 Smith's Falls, Union Ch 100.00
 Moore, Knox Ch 10.00
 Toronto, Central Ch 250.00
 Peterborough, St Paul's 280.00
 Chatham, 1st Ch, Class of
 five boys 8.00
 Wardsville 6.00
 Osgoode 1.50
 A Lady Friend, Osgoode 4.00
 Kenmore 4.00
 Wolland 15.00
 Drumbo 20.00
 Toronto, College St Ch 123.50
 Beaverton 3.90
 E Williams, St Andrew's 10.50
 Chatham, St Andrew's 20.00
 Keady 13.49
 Smith's Falls, St Andrew's 90.00
 Norwood 10.00
 Winnipeg, Augustina Ch 11.25
 Dover 12.10
 Chalmers' Ch 6.85
 Richmond 6.85
 Moose Jaw 44.00
 Angers 2.00
 Alex McTaggart, Sonya 2.00
 Castleford, Stewartville &
 Dewar 30.00

Rev Dr King, Winnipeg	50.00
Rev Andrew Crawford	24.20
Spencerville S S	25.00
Valons S S and B class	25.00
Cranbrook	15.00
Fullarton	20.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch	250.00
Osprings	10.00
Iroquois	20.00
Thamesford	65.00
Mount Forest	43.75
Fergus, St. Andrew's	21.00
Beverly	7.00
St Catherine's, Knox Ch	100.00
Kingston, Chalmers Ch	32.00
Kingston, Chalmers Ch S S	22.00
Cannington	32.00
Port Elgin	42.58
Port Elgin S S	5.14
Percy	2.45
McIntosh	38.77
Belmore	21.05
Whitby	60.00
Norval	15.10
Peterboro, St Pauls S S	85.00
Kingsbury & Brompton Gore	5.00
Kirkfield	3.16
Corunna	3.00
Grant from Free Ch of Scot-land, £200	966 67
Belleville John St Ch	100.00
Owen Sound Knox Ch	130.00
Ch. member, Harriston	9.00
North Dawn	4.00
Brantford Zion Ch	85.00
Montreal Erskine Ch	500.00
Montreal Knox Ch	100.00
Montreal Crescent St Ch	300.00
Beaubarnois	75.00
Chateauguay	15.00
Pleasant Valley	5.00
Masham French Ch	2.30
South Mountain	7.25
Ormstown	75.00
Elmsley	5.00
Richmond West	10.00
Total	\$22,652.34

STIPEND AUGMENTATION FUND.

Received to 5th January	\$2497.40
Inverness	15.00
Glenmorris	8.00
Woodville	20.00
Madoc, St Columba and St Paul	25.00
Columbus	8.50
Chatham 1st Ch	40.00
Shoal Lake	5.00
Mimos	3.00
Neepawa	37.00
Kintyro	25.00
Hillsburg	15.00
Montreal St Pauls	1000.00
Waddington	35.84
Chatsworth	20.00
Upbill	1.00
Sebright	1.50
Newtonville	9.30
Edmondville	15.00
Pembroke	35.00
Alexandria	5.00
Dunbarton	5.00
Dunham	31.05
Binbrook	14.00
Saltfleet	10.00
Wakefield and Masham	10.00
Cantley and Portland	10.00
Lindsay	55.00
Port Hope, 1st Ch	25.00
Toronto Old St Andrews	400.00
Tara	3.00
Londesborough	12.35
A Friend of Missions	50.00
Walton	19.00
Sherbrooke	17.60

Campbellville	16.00
St Catharines, 1st Ch	70.00
Bowmanville, St Paul's	200.00
Limehouse	10.00
Caradoc, Cooke Ch	10.00
Niagara, St Andrew's	10.00
Toronto, West Ch	100.00
Duart and Highgate	10.00
Lynedoch	27.25
Silver Hill	8.00
Chealey	13.03
Cardinal	24.00
Midland	20.00
Bothany	12.00
Pine River	13.00
Quebec, Chalmers Ch	150.00
Rochesterville	10.00
Rochesterville S S	6.79
Walkerton, Knox Ch SS	10.00
Edmonton	18.00
Colquhoun	6.00
Beachburg	13.60
Winnipeg, Knox Ch	252.70
Kildonan	15.00
Hawkesville	3.00
Harrowsmith	17.64
London, Park Av Aux W F M Society	8.30
Barrie	45.00
Zorra, Burns' Ch	8.00
Greenwood Group	14.40
Glencoe	30.00
Newbury	10.00
Berne	2.00
Bolsover	9.30
East Oxford, St Andrew's	14.00
Aceton	10.00
Perth, Knox Ch	50.00
Wallaceburg	30.00
Gravenhurst	30.00
Elphinstone	30.00
Elma Centre	14.40
Smith's Falls Union Ch	100.00
Moore, Knox Ch	10.00
Lowries and Kimburn	10.00
Toronto Central	211.48
Peterborough, St Paul's	150.00
Wardsville	6.00
Osgoode	16.00
Kenmore	4.00
Welland	15.00
Drumbo	10.00
Millbank	6.00
Toronto, College St Ch	123.50
East Williams, St Andrews	20.25
Chatham, St Andrews	15.00
Smith's Falls, St Andrews	80.00
Teeswater, Zion	10.00
Winnipeg, Augustine Ch	10.00
Dover	6.00
Chalmers' Ch	3.44
Richmond	8.45
Moose Jaw	10.00
Angers	2.00
Castleford, Stewartville & Dewars	25.00
Rev Dr King, Winnipeg	50.00
Cranbrook	10.00
Eadias	10.20
Hamilton, Knox Ch	250.00
Iroquois	20.00
Thamesford	31.00
Mount Forest	25.00
Fergus, St Andrew's	10.00
Bluevale	12.15
St Catherine's, Knox Ch	100.00
Kingston, Chalmers' Ch	1.50
Cannington	19.00
McIntosh	8.50
Belmore	10.35
Whitby	50.00
Annan	4.40
Port Elgin	38.00
Peterborough, St Paul's SS	25.00
Kingsbury and Brampton Gore	8.00
Kirkfield	8.00
Leith	3.73

Corunna	3.00
Belleville, John St Church	80.00
Owen Sound, Knox Church	55.00
North Dawn	7.00
Brantford, Zion Ch	250.00
Montreal, Erskine Ch	725.00
Montreal, Knox Ch	350.00
Montreal, Crescent St Ch	300.00
Beaubarnois	10.00
Chateauguay	5.00
Lachine, St Andrew's	61.00
Rockburn	6.50
Gore	2.11
Pleasant Valley	5.00
New Glasgow (addl)	1.45
Masham French Ch	2.20
Oak River	5.00
South Mountain	1.00
Westmeath	4.40
Ormstown	90.00
Elmsley	15.00
Laguette	25.00
Total	\$9374.81

FOREIGN MISSIONS FUND.

Received to 5th Jan'y	\$10329.09
Inverness	15.00
Mandaumia S S	5.50
Erin	21.00
Erin S S	5.00
Glenmorris	43.00
West Brant	2.00
West Brant S S	4.50
Madoc, St Columba & St Pauls	15.50
Columbus	53.75
A Friend, East Williams	50.00
Lonsdale, Knox Ch	37.77
Montreal, St. Pauls	500.00
Simshampton	3.51
Profits of "The Childrens Record"	50.00
A Friend, Dufferin	1.00
Hagerville	20.35
T & A Kirkpatrick, Thedford	15.00
Chatham 1st Ch	85.00
Harwich	22.00
Mimos	10.00
Thamesville S S	31.00
Kintyro S S	16.25
A Friend, California	1.00
J J Crowland	2.00
Rockwood	11.00
Hillsburg	10.00
Lancaster, Knox Ch S S	15.00
Perth, Knox Ch S S	40.00
Paisley	4.60
Montreal, St Pauls	500.00
Waddington	74.31
Thedford	30.70
Chatsworth	15.00
Chatsworth S S	10.00
Hempstead S S	2.60
Wattford	9.00
Manitou	10.00
Edmondville	20.00
Pembroke	35.00
Alexandria	5.00
Dunbarton	35.00
Dunbarton S S	16.40
Scarboro, Melville Ch	38.35
Durham	33.78
A Friend, Allanville	1.50
Binbrook	16.00
Saltfleet	15.00
Wakefield & Masham	10.00
Whitechurch	15.00
Lindsay	127.50
Beaverton	2.00
Seymour	10.50
Rylstone	2.50
Brantford, Zion Ch S S	15.00
Scarboro, Knox Ch S S	10.00
Port Hope 1st Ch	60.00
Esquesing, Union Ch S S	11.37
Dr McCulloch, Truro	2.00

Happy Workers, Baddeck	20.00
W F M Society, St James Ch Charlottetown	25.00
Busy Bees, St James Church Charlottetown	10.00
Tara S S	10.00
Tara	8.70
North Brant S S	10.00
Vernonville S S	4.00
Walton	50.00
Shorbrooke	17.01
St Ann's S S	19.00
Winnipeg Knox Ch S S	50.00
Alice & Petawawa	6.00
Hensall S S	35.55
Campbellville	15.00
Thecford	1.25
St Catharines 1st Ch	14.00
St Catharines 1st Ch S S	36.00
Bowmanville, St Pauls	25.00
Limehouse	13.29
Limehouse 6 S	6.80
Port Stanley	9.00
Miss Robertson, St George	3.00
Caradoc, Cooke Ch	6.00
Toronto West Ch SS	93.56
St Catharines Knox Ch SS	36.75
The late Janet Davidson, London	500.00
Kingston, Chalmers Ch	205.35
Toronto Old St Andrews S S	50.00
Toronto St Andrews S S	120.00
Chealey	76.88
Chealey S S	5.00
Holstein S S	2.53
Windsor Mills	4.00
Elora Knox Ch	25.00
Newcastle S S	10.00
Toronto West Ch	70.00
Duart & Highgate	4.00
A Eric, J, Kuscom Station	3.00
Lynedoch	35.75
Silver Hill	5.00
Princeton	6.00
May R, Newmarket	2.50
Cardinal	14.00
Midland	10.00
Lancaster Knox Ch	10.00
Miss Wallace	2.00
Bethany	4.00
C. McLaughan Sr, Balderson	25.00
Per Key J Goforth	509.61
Children Erskine Ch, Toronto	42.75
Boys Own Band, Toronto	18.00
Toronto Central Ch	327.75
Per Key J Goforth	203.00
Pine River	5.00
Quobe, Chalmers Ch	150.00
Toronto Charles St Ch S S	107.77
Thank offering, Brantford	30.00
Friend of the Ch, Lindsay	8.00
Blenheim, St Andrews	11.50
Rochesterville	6.00
Rochesterville S S	5.00
Crumlin	10.00
Brucefield Union Ch	31.00
Colquhoun	12.00
Pinkerton S S	7.22
Tilbury East	4.75
Mrs H. Dickenson, Woodstock	2.50
Benchburg S S	9.00
Winnipeg, Knox Ch	200.00
Headingley	4.80
Rev S Tunksaiciye	7.23
Kildonan	17.30
Hawkesville	3.00
Mrs Elizabeth Stewart, Hawkesville	5.00
Birthday offering Infant class Peterborough	3.25
Mrs F, Peterborough	1.75
Barrie	30.00
Zorra, Burns Ch	17.03
Sydenham 10 Line S S	10.00
Glencoe	10.00
Montreal, Nazareth St S S	50.00
Nassagawey	18.00
Frimrose S S	3.00

East Oxford, St Andrews	22.77
Ingersoll, St Andrews	33.60
Acton	51.00
Perth Knox Ch	50.00
Kippen S S	14.00
Wallaceburg	20.00
A Friend, East Oxford	10.00
Seaford 1st Ch S S	22.00
Gravenhurst	10.00
West Brant	7.70
Elma Centre	29.80
Smith's Falls Union Ch	50.00
Moore Knox Ch	7.05
Toronto Central Ch	200.00
Peterborough St Pauls	289.00
J F McCrae Eganville	10.00
Cornwall Knox Ch S S	11.69
Kenmore	4.00
Welland	5.00
Drumbo	10.00
Toronto College St Ch	77.00
East Williams, St Andrews	12.29
Chatham, St Andrews	20.00
Keady	10.00
Smiths Falls, St Andrews	55.00
Norwood	27.32
St Andrew's	14.00
T Lamb St Andrews	17.70
St Andrews S S	9.31
Winnipeg Augustine Ch	10.00
The Ridge S S	6.00
Castelford, Stewartville & Dewars	35.00
Per Teacher S S C, Iroquois	3.00
Spencerville S S	13.00
A Friend Kirkwall	1.00
Cranbrook	8.00
Hamilton Knox Ch	150.00
Hamilton Knox Ch S S	4.25
London St Andrews	450.00
Osprings	8.00
Iroquois	10.00
Colin Cameron, Iroquois	20.00
Castelford S S	13.00
Thamesford	88.00
Mount Forest	76.43
Fergus, St Andrews	3.77
St Catharines Knox Ch	48.00
Kingston Chalmers	10.00
Cannington	20.00
Port Elgin	58.50
McIntosh	62.73
Belmere	28.90
Whitby	25.00
Bothwell	3.00
Peterborough, St Pauls S S	110.00
Coganna	4.75
Belleville John St Ch	30.00
A Ch Member, Harriston	6.00
Glenarm	17.00
North Dawn	4.00
Friends in East Williams	20.00
Brantford Zion Ch	75.00
Montreal Erskine Ch	700.00
Montreal Knox Ch	100.00
Montreal Crescent St Ch	300.00
Pastors Bible Class	495.18
Beauharnois	45.00
Cheatenuary	8.00
Pleasant Valley	5.00
South Mountain	10.65
Ormsdown	65.00
Ormsdown Village S S	16.00
H Dohittle, Montreal	4.00

\$20,370.42

COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 5th Jan'y \$1,251.21.
Glenmorris 6.50; West Brant 1.00;
Singhampton 4.21; Mimosa 2.00;
Rockwood 10.00; Dunsford 2.00;
Hillsburg 10.00; Glenarm 12.00;
Chatsworth 8.00; Newtonville 9.00;
Pembroke 20.00; Alexandria 3.00;
Durham 8.47; Binbrook 6.00; Salt-
fleet 5.00; Cantley & Portland 5.00;
Lindsay 26.00; Ripley 7.25; Walton

9.00; Limehouse 12.00; Port Stanley
5.00; Chesley 20.43; Newcastle 14.00;
English Settlement 27.00; Cardinal
7.00; Midland 5.00; Bethany 2.00;
Pine River 4.00; Pinkerton SS 2.43;
Benchburg 14.00; Barrio 30.00; Zorra
Burns' Ch 4.00; Glencoe 15.00;
Perth Knox Ch 25.00; Gravenhurst
5.00; West Brant 1.00; Elma Centre
7.60; Smith's Falls Union Ch 50.00;
Toronto Central Ch 25.00; Drumbo
10.00; Beaverton 5.90; East Williams
St Andrew's 9.45; Chatham St An-
drew's 10.00; Keady 8.00; Dover,
Chalmers' Ch & Richmond 9.41;
Cranbrook, 5.00; Hamilton Knox
Ch 50.00; Iroquois 19.00; Thame-
sford 21.60; Port Elgin 12.00; Belle-
ville John St Ch 90.00; North Dawn
3.00; Total—\$1,951.45.

MANITOBA COLLEGE FUND.

Received to 5th Jan'y \$616.40.
Glenmorris 4.25; West Brant 0.60;
Chatham 1st Ch 20.00; Vaughan
Knox Ch 7.00; Bolton Caven Ch
8.50; Rockwood 4.40; Thecford 2.50;
Lanark 7.00; Fullarton 10.00; Avon-
bank 7.00; Egmondville 6.00; Pem-
broke 20.00; Alexandria 3.00; Mill-
bank 7.00; Tilbury East 5.92; Bin-
brook 3.00; Saltfleet 3.00; Lindsay
19.00; Hornby 3.00; Norval 4.43;
Thamesville 6.00; Tara 1.00; Walton
6.00; St Catharines 1st Ch 15.00; Bow-
manville St Pauls 40.00; Lime-
house 8.00; Port Stanley 3.00; Mil-
ton 10.00; Toronto Old St Andrew's
30.00; Chesley 6.80; Toronto West
Ch 25.00; Duart & Highgate 2.00;
Lynedoch 9.00; Silver Hill 1.00;
Rochesterville 8.00; Crumlin 10.00;
Martintown Burns' Ch 6.00; West-
meath 1.60; Barrie 5.00; Bea-hburg
8.40; Zorra Burns' Ch 3.00; Acton
8.77; Perth Knox Ch 20.00; Graven-
hurst 2.30; Ayr Knox Ch 28.88;
Mount Pleasant 7.50; Burford 3.00
Elma Centre 4.65; Smith's Falls;
Union Ch 10.00; Toronto Central Ch
100.00; Peterborough St Paul's
23.63; Drumbo 2.00; Toronto College
St Ch 15.00; East Williams St An-
drew's 10.00; Chatham St Andw'a
10.00; Keady 2.53; Smith's Falls
Union Ch 5.00; Leith 4.75; Dover,
Chalmers' Ch & Richmond 3.00;
Castelford Stewartville & Dewar
4.00; Beverly 6.00; Thamesford
10.00; Mount Forest 12.00; Fergus
St Andrew's 9.60; Port Elgin 7.25;
Norval 5.10; Kingsbury & Brompton
Gore 3.00; Brantford Zion Ch 15.00;
Total—\$1,297.14.

MANITOBA COLLEGE DEBT.

Kintyre	\$5.00
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KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 5th Jan \$540.66.
Ayr Stanley St Ch 40.00; Chatham 1st
Ch 30.00; Egmondville 12.00; Dun-
barton 5.65; Scarborough Melville 10.00
Beaverton 1.00; Norval 8.00; Tara
2.50; Rev R. Hamilton, Motherwell,
10.00; Newmarket 14.00; Campbell-
ville 20.00; St Catharines 1st Ch
20.00; Bowmanville St Paul's 25.00;
Caradoc Cooke Ch 3.00; Toronto
West Ch SS 10.00; Toronto West Ch
52.04; Duart & Highgate 4.00; Lynedoch
15.25; Silver Hill 3.00; Prince-
ton 6.00; Blenheim St Andrew's
9.00; East Oxford St Andrew's 5.00;
Acton 10.00; Wallaceburg 15.00;
Toronto Central Ch 75.00; Toror-

College St Ch 35.00; Mount Forest 12.00; St. Catharines Knox Ch 38.00; Cannington 10.00; Whitby St Andrew's 10.00; Norval 8.00; Brantford Zion Ch 100.00; Total \$1,159.10.

KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

Received to 5th Jan, \$6,803.20.
 Roseneath 12.00; Harrington 13.00; Honsall 96.33; Chiselhurst 4.50; Henry Michie, Fergus, 100.00; Aroh MaLaughlin, Harwich 0.50; Glencoe 144.00; Belmonte 10.00; Millbank 33.00; Exeter 40.50; Lucan 14.00; R Dack, Toronto, 20.00; D S Campbell, Mitchell, 10.00; Wroxeter 14.00; Annan 38.50; Geo Murray, Holland, 3.00; Tilbury East 24.00; the late J Fleming, Toronto, 500.00; St Marys 25.00; R Anderson, York Mills 2.50; David Fleming, Collingwood, 20.00; Jos Baxter, Stratford, 5.00; Duart 33.00; Clifford 21.00; Jas Mahone, Campbellford, 7.00; McIntosh 24.75; Hingarsville 17.00; Owen Sound 17.00; Leith 30.00; Blyth 94.00; Al-iston 23.00; Jas Black, Dundas, 5.00; Walpole 36.00; English Settlement 17.00; Cannington 15.00; E Tisdale, Linedoch, 10.00; Bayfield Road 37.00; Mrs Latham, Scarborough, 3.00; Latona 10.00; Dover 27.00; W Guilimbury, St Johns, 1.50; Onida 14.50; Kemble 14.00; John Ross, Beaverton, 5.00; Sutton 26.50; W Alexander, Moore 2.00; Rev G C Patterson, Canilwhack, 5.00; Tilbury East 18.00; Dundas 40.00; H Logan, Beaverton, 5.00; Chiselhurst 6.33; Brampton 81.00; Robert Tate, Grafton, 10.00; Jos Nelson, Toronto, 2.00; Thamesford 14.33; Beverly 26.00; Bradford 12.00; Geo Dickson, Toronto, 8.33; Windsor 227.5; Holstein 9.50; St Thomas 52.50; John Wilson, Kincardine, 3.00; Glencoe 20.00; Total—\$8,802.27.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Received to 5th Jan \$1,390.21.
 Inverness 7.00; Ayr Stanley St Ch 25.00; Glenmorris 6.75; West Brant 1.00; Chatham 1st Ch 10.00; Mimosa 2.00; A Friend, California, 1.00; Dunsford 3.00; Hillsburg 5.00; Montreal St. Paul's 150.00; Chatsworth 6.00; Exeter 4.00; Edmondville 5.00; Pembroke 15.00; Dunbar 5.00; Durham 9.95; Tilbury East 3.89; Binbrook 10.00; Saltfleet 8.00; Wakefield & Masham 2.00; Lindsay 9.50; Kilsyth 4.00; Tara 2.50; Walton 3.00; Sherrilcooke 6.35; Bowmanville St Paul's 25.00; Port Stanley 4.00; Caradoc Cook Ch 3.00; Toronto West Ch 55.15.00; Chesley 30.43; Elora Knox Ch 7.50; Newcastle 6.00; Duart & Hlightate 2.00; Lynedoch 14.50; Silver Hill 3.50; Cardinal 7.00; Midland 8.00; Lancaster Knox Ch 8.00; Pine River 5.00; Rochester 6.21; Martintown Burns' Ch 6.00; Beachburg 14.00; Winnipeg Knox Ch 50.00; Barrie 5.00; Zorra Burns' Ch 4.00; Glencoe 10.00; Sydenham St Paul's 16.00; Acton 6.00; Perth Knox Ch 25.00; Wallaceburg 7.00; Gravenhurst 5.00; West Brant 2.00; Elma Centre 12.00; Osgoode 5.00; Welland 5; Drumbo 1.00; Toronto College St Ch 5.00; Beaverton 9.70; East Williams St Andrew's 9.00; Chatham St Andrew's 10.00; Keady 3.00; Moosejaw 1.00; Castleford, Stewartville & Dewars 4.00; Cranbrook 3.00; Iro-

quois 10.00; Thamesford 8.00; Mount Forest 8.00; St Catharines Knox Ch 15.00; Kingston Chalmers' Ch 1.00; Cannington 2.00; Port Elgin 6.00; Whitby 10.00; Kingsbury & Brompton Gore 6.00; Belleville John St Ch 25.00; A Church Member, Harrison 3.00; Brantford Zion Ch 50.00; Montreal Erskine Ch 10.00; Montreal Knox Ch 25.00; Montreal Crescent St Ch 50.00; Beauharnois 8.00; Chuteauguay 8.00; South Mountain 1.25; Williamstown & Hepzibah 5.70; Hemmingford 10.00; Cambridge \$2.50. Total—\$2,197.34.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND. Ministers Rates.

Received to 5th Jan., \$1758.25;
 Rev P Fleming, 10; E H Sowers, 8; W G Hanna, 8; Jas Robertson, 25; S W Fisher, 8; H Crozier, 8; J G Murray, 8; K McDonald, 8; W M Roger, 8; H J McDiarmid, 8; W P Walker, 8; J McMechan, 8; D Findlay, 8; Alex. McLennan, 8; Jos. Alexander, 8; George Brown, 24; Arch Lee, 8; A Stevenson, 8; A W McConchey, 3 yrs, 24; W G Hanna, 8; A A Drummond, 8; Robert Montauath, 72; John McKenzie, 8; G Flett, 16; Stewart, 16; Alex McFarlane, 8; Wm Farquharson, 8; H H Macpherson, 8; Dr Caven, 8; Alex Gilray, 40; Robt Forlie 8; Wm Milligan, 8; Dr King, 8; R M Craig, 18; J W Cameron, 32; James Gourlay, 8; Robt Scott, 10; Dr Kellogg, 12. Total, \$2,263.25

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Received to 5th January, \$2,160.55;
 Downanville, St Paul's, 15.00; Glenmorris, 4.25; West Brant, 1; W & A Kirkpatrick, Theodford, 10; Chatham, 25; Kintyre, 25; A Friend, California, 1; Hillsburg, 5; Montreal, St Paul's, 150; Glenarrm, 3; Chatsworth, 7; Exeter, 4; Kempville, 6.50; Oxford Mills, 1.50; Edmondville, 15; Pembroke, 15; Dunbarton, 7.60; Durham, 7.55; Binbrook, 10; Saltfleet, 8; Wakefield and Masham, 3; Honeywood, 3; Horning's Mills, 2; Whitechurch, 2; Lindsay, 19; Ripley, 7.25; Hornby, 2; Toronto Old St Andrew's, 50; Thamesville, 15; Tara, 2.50; Walton, 6; Sherbrooke, 8.20; St Catharines, 1st Ch, 25; Bowmanville, St Paul's, 50; Lime house, 5; Port Stanley, 5; Caradoc, Cooke Ch, 5; Toronto, West Ch S S, 10; Chesley, 24.72; Elora, Knox Ch, 8; Owen Sound, Knox Ch, 20; Newcastle, 7.75; Toronto, West Ch, 40; Duart and Hlightate, 4; Dutton, 3; Lynedoch, 14.50; Silver Hill, 3; Princeton, 2; Cardinal, 7.35; Midland, 5; Pine River, 5; Blenheim, St Andrew's, 2; Rochester-ville, 7; Colquhoun, 5; Martintown, Burns' Ch, 6; Beachburg, 18; Winnipeg, Knox Ch, 50; Barrie, 10; Zorra, Burns' Ch, 5; Glencoe, 14; East Oxford, St Andrew's, 2; Acton, 10; Perth, Knox Ch, 30; Wallaceburg, 7; Gravenhurst, 10; West Brant, 2; Elma Centre, 8.95; Smith's Falls, Union Ch, 30; Toronto, Central Ch, 150; Osgoode, 4; Moore, Burns' Ch, 10; Drumbo, 5; Toronto, College St Ch, 12; Welland, 10; East Williams, St Andrew's, 25; Chatham, St Andrew's,

15; Keady, 4; Smith's Falls, St Andrew's, 25; Cambridge, 3.20; Moose Jaw, 1; Castleford, Stewartville and Dewars, 8; Cranbrook, 4; Hamilton, Knox Ch, 75; Iroquois, 10; Thamesford, 13; Mount Forest, 8; Forcus, St Andrew's, 42.15; St Catharines, Knox Ch; Cannington, 3; Port Elgin, 11; Whitby, 10; Bothwell, 2; Kingsbury and Brompton Gore, 6; Belleville, John St Ch, 25; A Church Member, Harrison, 3; Brantford, Zion Ch, 75. Total, \$3,641.38.

Ministers' Rates.

Received to 5th January, \$990.98.
 Rev P Fleming, 4; Rev E H Sowers, 5; Rev Jas Robertson, 25; Rev S W Fisher, 4; Rev C M MacKeracher, 3.75; Rev H Crozier, 3.75; Rev J G Murray, 2.50; Rev K McDonald, 5; Rev J McMillan, 3.80; Rev J B Duncan, 35; Rev W M Roger, 4.25; Rev A W Vaddell, 3.75; Rev H J McDiarmid, 3.75; Rev Alex Ross, 5; Rev J McMechan, 4.50; Rev W P Walker, 3.50; Rev D Findlay, 4; Rev Alex MacLennan, 3.50; Rev Alex Sutherland, 3.75; Rev Arch Lee, 5.50; Rev Robert Fowle, 4; Rev D Strachan, 5; Rev A H Scott, 10; Rev A A Drummond, 3.75; Rev John McKenzie, 3.75; Rev G Flett, 2 years, 4; Rev John Stewart, 3.50; Rev H Edmonson, 5; Rev Alex McFarlane, 3.50; Rev W Farquharson, 4; Rev J Gray, 6; Rev S Myne, 5; Rev Dr Caven, 11; Rev Wm Milligan, 4.25; Rev Dr King, 12.50; Rev J B Stewart, 8; Rev J W Cameron, 28; Rev James Gourlay, 4; Rev Robt Scott, 3.75; Rev Wm Forlong, 20; Montreal, Erskine Ch, 30; Montreal, Knox Ch, 26.43; Montreal, Crescent St Ch, 10; Beauharnois, 6; Chuteauguay, 2; South Mountain, 1; Williamstown, Hepzibah Ch, 5.05; Ormstown, 20. Total, \$3,531.86.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Knox College Band.
 Received to 5th Jan \$2347.42
 Grimsby..... 7.17
 Aurora..... 11.00
 East King..... 10.00
 Clinton..... 20.00
 East Oxford, St. Andrews... 2.23

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Queen's College Band.
 Received to 5th Jan \$744.15
 Smith's Falls, St Andrews. 15.00
 Colin Cameron, Iroquois ... 19.00

QUEEN'S COLLEGE ALUMNI

Owen Sound Knox Church... \$50.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Knox College Alumni Association.
 Received to 5th Jan \$978.12
 Per Mr A J McLeod 250.00
 Mount Forest 10.00

McALL MISSION.

Toronto, Old St Andrew's S S \$50.00
 Toronto Charles St Church S S..... 10.00

MISSIONS TO THE JEWS.

Paisley.....	\$ 4 00
Egmondville.....	1.00
Thank offering from Brantford.....	20.00

KNOX COLLEGE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Brantford, Zion Ch S S.....	\$10.00
Scarboro, Knox Ch S S.....	10.00
Toronto, West Ch S S.....	15.00
St Catharines, Knox S S.....	8.25
Toronto, Charles St Ch S S.....	10.00
Tilbury East.....	6 78
Toronto, College St Ch.....	10.00

TRINIDAD.

Mrs Burnfield's Y. Ladies' Class, Brockville, Rev Mr. McCrae's Princetown Mission.....	\$29.00
Mrs Burnfield's Y. Men's Class, Rev Mr. McCrae's Princetown Mission.....	10 00
Toronto, St Andrews S S.....	25.00
St Catharine's, Knox Ch S S.....	10.00

ERROMANGA.

Toronto Central Ch, specially for native teachers, in memorial of Perley McDonald.....	\$25.00
Molesworth Y P M Association Native Teachers, Rev. H A Robertson.....	25.00

NEW HEBRIDES—"DAY SPRING."

Dunbarton S S Day Spring St Catharine's, 1st Ch. S S.....	\$5.00
Toronto, Old St Andrew's S S.....	4.00
SS.....	50 00
Toronto, St. Andrews S S.....	50.00
May R., Newmarket.....	2.50
Beachburg.....	10.00
Cornwall, Knox Ch S S.....	15.00

CHINESE SUFFERERS, HONAN.

London, St James Ch S S.....	\$5.00
J Mariani, Seaforth.....	2.00
A Friend, Hullett.....	5.00
Collection Knox Ch, Toronto	\$398.64
Rev R Hamilton, Motherwell.....	5.00
Pastor of 1st Ch, Seaforth, Bible Class.....	15.50
Scarboro, Knox Ch.....	50.48
L W P.....	1.00

ONTARIO SABBATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Toronto, Old St Andrew's.....	\$15.00
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WELLAND MISSION.

Toronto, Charles St Ch S S.....	\$10.00
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PRINCE ALBERT SCHOOL.

Dr Burns, Halifax.....	\$25.00
Principal, Caven, Toronto.....	25 00
Brantford, Zion Ch.....	25.00

QUEEN'S COLLEGE FUND.

Bowmanville, St Paul's.....	\$25.00
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's.....	20.00
Whitby, St Andrew's.....	10.00

MONTREAL COLLEGE FUND.

Osgoode.....	\$10.00
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REV. C. CHINIQUEY.

A Friend, Toronto.....	\$1.50
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WALDENSIAN COLLEGE.

Wm. Elliot, Iroquois.....	\$10.00
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CHURCH AND MANSE BUILDING FUND.

George Good.....	\$15 00
W E Middleton.....	20.00
Miss Beith.....	5.00
H Beith.....	5.00
R Beith.....	5.00

Received for the month of January by Rev. P. M. Morrison, Agent at Halifax. P.O. Box 393, Office in Chalmer's Hall, Duke St.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$6861.67
Lower Musquodoboit.....	18.00
Brookfield Mis Soc.....	13.33
Ladies' Miss & Ben Soc	
Brookfield.....	4 23
Pleasant Valley SS.....	0.89
O P Q, Pictou.....	10 00
E Cummingier.....	4.00
A Follower of Christ.....	5.00
A W Lewis.....	5.00
Little Harbor & Fishers Grant	3.75
Grove Ch SS, Halifax.....	25.00
Sir Wm Dawson.....	20.00
Mira, Cape Breton.....	10.00
Dr Reid, Mr Gibson's salary	486.67
Free Church of Scotland.....	485.00
North Salem.....	7.00
Leitch's Creek.....	2.20
A Friend, Middle Ratodon.	2.00
New Mills, Charlo & Jacquet River.....	30.00
Rev Joseph Annand.....	15.66
"A Friend," for Bocabeo & Waweig.....	5.00
Tatamagouche.....	85.00
Tithe money, Sheet Harbor	5.00
H McKenzie, Sheet Harbor	2.00
Wm McCarty, ".....	1.00
Tangier.....	1.69

Ladies' Religious & Benevolent Society (St Andrew's, Truro, Jubilee offering.....	80.00
St Andrew's S S, Halifax.....	20.00
Stewincke, Ladies' central sewing Circle.....	6.00
Stewincke Ladies' Social North side River.....	10.00
Stewincke Sewing Circle, Halfway Brook.....	10.00
Stewincke Congregation.....	42.21
Do Mis Soc.....	12.00
J G Sterns, Souris.....	25.00
Mount Stewart.....	60.00
Woodville.....	40.00
East River, St Mary's.....	19.16
Wm Merson, Sable Island.....	2.00
Denn Settlement.....	2.55
James Church, New Glasgw Canard.....	148.35
Boulardene.....	26.00
Strathalbyn.....	8.00
D McMillan, Blacklands, NB.....	15.00
Antigonish.....	5.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	117.40
St Andrew's S S, Truro.....	19 10
St Andrew's St John's.....	10 00
St Andrew's St John's.....	24.00
Mis Soc.....	40.00
St Andrew's, Chatham, 2nd half year.....	20.00
Valleyfield, PEI.....	50.00
Glencle.....	15.00
Knox, Wallace.....	13.90
Newcastle.....	12.00
Glace Bay.....	25.00
River John.....	71.40
Dartmouth.....	90.00
Sussex.....	18 00

Valo Colliery, Sutherlands River

St John's, Halifax.....	102.00
Stewincke.....	115.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	15.03
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	19.00
St James, Charlottetown.....	16 00
Tignish, Montrose & Elmsdale.....	100.00
Summerside SS.....	57.00
D Stewart, Summerside.....	25.00
Alberton.....	25.00
Summerside.....	18.08
River Dennis.....	100.00
Malagawatch.....	15.32
Springside.....	17.02
Prudence Moser.....	14.87
Fort Massey.....	0.80
H McQuarrie, Hastings.....	150.00
Great Village.....	1.00
Mrs M Johnson, Springfield	42.00
North Sydney.....	5.00
	30.00

\$10,102.78

HOME MISSION FUND.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$2599.29
Lower Musquodoboit.....	11.00
Brookfield Missionary Soc.....	13.33
Ladies' Mis & Benevolent Soc, Brookfield.....	4.22
E Cummingier.....	4.00
Little Harbor & Fishers Grant.....	3.50
Mira, C B.....	10.00
Ladies' Sewing Circle, South side river, Mid Stewincke	8.20
La Have.....	3.00
Spring Hill.....	20.00
North-Salem.....	6.00
Leitch's Creek.....	2.20
A Friend, Middle Rawdon.....	2.00
New Mills, Charlo & River Jacquet.....	25.00
Rev Joseph Annand.....	8.00
Milford & Gavo River.....	37.04
"A Friend," Bocabeo & Waweig.....	5.00
Tatamagouche.....	37.55
Ladies' Soc, Tatamagouche.....	10.00
Parboro (reynym't).....	6.00
New Richmond.....	20.00
Middle Stewincke Mis Soc.....	12.00
Mis Soc for North West.....	7.20
Middle Stewincke Central S Circle.....	6.00
Mount Stewart.....	9.00
Woodville.....	20.00
East River, St Mary's.....	11.20
Wm Merson, Sable Island.....	2.00
Denn Settlement.....	1.30
James Church, New Glasgw Strathalbyn.....	63.70
Antigonish.....	5.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	163.00
St Andrew's, St John's Mis Society.....	9.75
St Andrew's, Chatham.....	25.00
Valleyfield.....	15.00
Glencle.....	65.60
Newcastle.....	12.82
Newcastle.....	28.85
Glace Bay.....	28.00
River John.....	18.80
Dartmouth.....	23.00
Sussex.....	17.00
Framboise (reynam't for '86)	20.00
St John's, Halifax.....	55.00
Stewincke.....	15.00
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	6.00
Tignish, Montrose & Elmsdale.....	12.00
Alberton.....	25.00
Colonial Committee Free Ch.	388.44
Summerside.....	40.00
Springside.....	10.00
D W Merchants' Bank.....	15.00
Fort Massey.....	80.00
Port Hastings.....	8.00

River Inhabitants.....	4.12
Great Village.....	15.00
Wine Harbor.....	4.00
North Sydney.....	25.00

\$4121.51

DAYS PRING AND MISSIONS SCHOOLS.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$1228.63
Lower Musquodoboit.....	6.00
Brookfield S S.....	5.25
Milford and Gay's Rvt, addl	0.50
Proceeds of Childran's Rec-	
ord for 1887.....	50.00
Village S S, Buctouche.....	3.00
Grove Ch S S, Halifax.....	22.31
Upper Salina S S.....	5.00
Pictou, Prince St S S.....	56.98
Baddeck S S.....	13.60
North Salem.....	4.90
Admiral Rock.....	3.10
Lower Stewiacke.....	9.00
Brookville Bible class.....	20.00
Leitch's Creek.....	2.20
Rev. Joseph Annand.....	5.00
Tatamagouche Village S S.....	15.00
French River S S.....	5.20
Carmel Ch S S, Westville.....	10.00
Carmel Ch B C, Westville.....	3.15
Middle River S S.....	1.75
St Andrew's S S, Halifax.....	80.00
Willing Workers' Mission	
Band, Stewiacke.....	28.00
Whycoomb S S.....	4.35
Mount Stewart.....	5.00
Woodville, Upper Bell Creek	
Little Sands.....	3.00
W Islands.....	2.50
East River, St Mary's.....	1.50
Sharon S S, Upper Musquod-	
oboit.....	2.75
Strathalbyn.....	5.34
Antigonish.....	3.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	20.00
St Paul's, Fredericton.....	21.03
St Andrew's S S, Truro.....	10.07
St Andrew's, St John's.....	10.00
Glassville.....	16.00
Greenock, St Andrew's.....	9.15
Bridgewater.....	25.00
Riversdale.....	16.82
Knox Wallace.....	25.22
Newcastle, Indiantown S S.....	22.00
Glaco Bay S S.....	4.00
River John, Salem S S, Mrs	
G Gordon's class.....	40.00
Do. Miss A Reid.....	5.75
Fort Massey S S, Halifax.....	1.25
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	108.84
Tignish, Montrose and Elms-	
dale S S.....	2.00
Summerside S S.....	18.00
Alberton.....	25.00
St John's S S, Dalhousie.....	16.00
Shubenacadie S S.....	20.10
Charlo S S.....	21.09
	9.42

\$2000.56

AUGMENTATION FUND.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$1635 87
Knox Wallace.....	27.00
Glassville.....	25.00
Mira.....	25.00
Union Ch, Hopewell.....	45.00
Ebenezer Ch, Salt Springs.....	12.00
Prince St, Pictou.....	135.00
Leitch's Creek.....	30.00
Friend, Middle Rawdon.....	0.50
New Mills, Charlo & River	
Jacquet.....	15.00
Rev Joseph Annand.....	7.00
Friend for Bocabee and	
Waveig.....	5.00
Tatamagouche.....	40.56
Sheet Harbor, addl.....	3.00
Westville and Middle River	
Hermion Ch.....	55.00
Mount Stewart.....	9.00
Woodville.....	15.00

East River, St Mary's.....	0.75
Cove Head.....	25.00
James Church, N G.....	108.00
Strathalbyn.....	18.00
St Andrew's, St John's.....	35.00
St Andrew's, Chatham, hf yr	
Valleyfield.....	45.00
Glencel.....	25.00
Glaco Bay.....	16.68
River John.....	15.00
Dartmouth.....	34.00
Sussex.....	50.00
Alberton.....	36.00
Dalhousie.....	45.00
Maple Green.....	14.70
Summerside.....	8.30
Fort Massey.....	60.00
Great Village.....	220.00
	20.00

\$3,079.28

COLLEGE FUND.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$6628.75
Lower Musquodoboit.....	13.00
E Cumming.....	2.00
Mira.....	5.00
La Have.....	4.00
Int Judge James.....	133.75
Leitch's Creek.....	2.20
Friend, Middle Rawdon.....	0.50
Rev J Annand.....	8.00
Tatamagouche.....	18.00
Coupons.....	163.47
Knox Wallace.....	10.00
Mt Stewart.....	10.00
Woodville, additional.....	4.00
East River, St Mary's.....	0.10
James Church, New Glasgow	
Strathalbyn.....	35.15
Antigonish.....	7.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	20.00
St Andrew's, Chatham, half	
year.....	1.90
Valleyfield.....	25.00
Glencel.....	20.00
Newcastle.....	1.00
Glaco Bay.....	10.00
River John.....	10.04
Dartmouth.....	10.00
Sussex.....	23.60
St John's, Halifax.....	3.00
Stewiacke.....	53.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	22.51
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	18.50
Tignish, Montrose & Co.....	3.00
Alberton.....	6.00
Summerside.....	10.00
Cardigan.....	20.00
Springside.....	5.30
Dividend B of N S.....	10.00
Fort Massey.....	322.00
Dividend Merchants' Bank.....	90.00
North Sydney.....	45.00
	6.50

\$7782.62

AGED MINISTERS' FUND.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$1,922.25
Lower Musquodoboit.....	2.00
Grove Ch, Richmond, Ilifx.....	10.00
Mira.....	5.00
United Ch, New Glasgow.....	20.00
Leitch's Creek.....	2.20
Blue Mountain.....	5.00
New Mills, Charlo &.....	5.12
Tatamagouche.....	5.00
Friend for Bocabee & Co.....	5.00
Coupon Ilifx debenture.....	14.57
New Richmond.....	12.00
Mount Stewart.....	5.00
Strathalbyn.....	12.00
Antigonish.....	5.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	5.00
St Andrew's, Chatham.....	1.90
Valleyfield.....	10.90
Glencel.....	7.00
Knox Wallace.....	2.66
River John.....	12.00
Dartmouth.....	2.00
	5.00

Sussex.....	2.00
St John's, Halifax.....	9.12
Stewiacke.....	5.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	78.05
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	3.00
Tignish, Montrose & Co.....	3.00
Alberton.....	5.00
Shubenacadie and Lower	
Stewiacke.....	8.00
Fort Massey, Halifax.....	30.00
Great Village.....	3.00
North Sydney.....	6.00

Ministers' Rates.

Rev E Grant.....	3.75
Rev W Maxwell.....	24.61
Rev J Annand.....	4.25
Rev J A P Sutherland.....	3.75
Rev J A Maclean.....	38.64
Rev T Sedgewick.....	3.50
Rev D McDonald.....	3.60
Rev S Rosborough.....	1.43
Rev Peter Lindsay.....	5.00
Rev Archibald Brown.....	10.48
Rev J F Forbes.....	5.00
Rev J A Forbes.....	8.00
Rev H H McPherson.....	7.00
Rev John Murray.....	8.00
Rev C S Lord.....	6.34
Rev D McDougall.....	20.00

\$2371.60

BURSARY FUND.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$140.01
Lower Musquodoboit.....	1.00
Coupons, St John debentures	
Mount Stewart.....	60.00
Woodville.....	4.00
St John's, Halifax.....	5.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	6.70
Summerside.....	32.60
Dividend Merchants' Bank.....	12.00
Fort Massey, Halifax.....	15.00
Great Village.....	25.00
	5.00

\$308.31

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$49.00
United Church, New Glas-	
gow.....	10.00
Strath Lorne.....	5.00
Friend, for Bocabee & Co.....	3.00
Tatamagouche.....	5.25
New Richmond.....	10.00
Ladies' Central Circle, Mid-	
dle Stewiacke.....	12.00
Woodville.....	5.00
Strathalbyn.....	5.00
Antigonish.....	5.00
Glaco Bay.....	5.00
Dartmouth.....	5.00
Sussex.....	3.00
St John's, Halifax.....	15.00
Springside.....	10.00
Fort Massey, Halifax.....	49.00
Great Village.....	5.00
North Sydney.....	5.00

\$191.25

BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZATION

Received by Rev R H Warden,	
Treasurer of the Board, 193 St	
James st, Montreal, to 6th Febr-	
uary, 1883.....	
Already acknowledged.....	\$ 9597.44
Kintyre.....	8.60
Lancaster, Knox Ch.....	10.00
West Winchester.....	25.83
Jas Black, Cartier, Que.....	2.00
Miss J Macdonald, Perth	
St Andrew's, Que.....	1.00
Oranstown Village S S.....	17.85
Island S S.....	16.31
A Friend, Dundas.....	3.00
Member of Knox Ch, Galt	
Mrs A Reid, Vittoria.....	5.00
	5.00

F D McLennan, Lancaster.	5.30
Botany S.S.	5.00
Montreal St Paul's Ch.	75.09
Pembroke, Calva Ch.	20.00
Robt Blackburn, Ottawa.	25.00
Beaubarnois	40.00
Chateauguay	8.00
Mill Creek SS	6.55
Saltsprings, NS	10.00
Richmond West, Ont.	7.50
Moose Jaw	4.00
Lindsay	85.00
Walton, Duff's Ch.	33.00
Jas Thompson, Perth.	10.00
Whitechurch	21.44
Colquhoun	4.00
Cornwall, Knox Ch & Y P	
Asoc.	11.50
Lancaster, Knox	8.00
Hullett, Burns' Ch.	29.00
SS.	5.00
Londesboro, Knox	14.00
Winnipeg, St Andrew's Ch.	50.00
John Cumming, Sherbrooke, NS.	1.00
South Mountain	10.00
D McMillan, Blacklands	2.00
Caradoc, Cook's Ch	5.00
Newmarket S.S.	14.00
Bristol SS	15.00
Lyn	5.00
Caintown	5.00
Robt Craig, Cornwall	5.00
English Settlement (add'l).	1.00
Avonmore SS	8.30
Clinton Mills Ch.	12.00
St John's, Nfld, St A's S.S.	11.75
Geo Barnet, Eden Mills	1.00
Innerkip.	15.00
Do SS	11.00
M E R, Newmarket.	3.00
Smith's Fall's St Andrew's	50.00
Winnipeg, Knox Ch	100.10
Montreal, Erskine Ch.	456.00
Mimosa	6.00
Mrs Elizabeth Stewart, Hawkeville	5.00
Rylstone	40.00
Smith's Falls Union Ch.	40.00
Newtonville SS	9.40
Montreal Knox Ch	100.00
Montreal, Crescent St Ch.	170.00
Elma Centre	15.55
Cornwall, Knox SS.	10.08
H Dolittle, Montreal	2.00
Keedy, Chalmers' Ch.	6.00
Rev Dr H Crosby, N Y.	5.00
Chatham, Ont, St Andrew's	10.00
Castleford, Stewartville and Dewars	20.00
N Farlinger, Dundas, Que	5.00
Craabrook, Knox Ch	10.00
Spencerville SS	13.00
Ornstown	36.00
Per Rev J McCaul.	242.50
Huntington, 2nd Ch.	40.00
Point aux Trembles Pupil's	
Mis Soc	25.00
Kirkfield.	6.00
Montreal, Taylor Ch.	10.00
Kenmore	5.00
Victoria, BC, Pandora St.	20.00

Per Rev. Dr. Reid:—

Ayr, Stanley St	68.44
West Brant	2.00
Chatham, First	40.09
Shoal Lake	5.00
Hillsburg	15.00
Paisley	4.00
Chatsworth	10.00
Watford SS	8.25
Egmondville	17.00
Alexandria	5.00
Dunbarton	6.00
Binbrook	12.25
Setstliffe	14.00

Wakefield & Masham	9.00
Durham	7.00
Scarboro, Knox SS	10.00
Port Hope, Ist.	40.00
Esquosing, Union Ch SS.	3.89
Notawasaga, SS	4.00
Tara	5.00
Alice & Petawawa.	5.00
Campbellville.	10.00
St Catherines, 1st Ch SS.	50.00
Bowmanville, St Paul's.	59.00
St Catherines, Knox SS	15.00
Chesley	32.18
SS.	2.42
Ovon Sound, Knox.	35.00
Newcastle S.S.	10.00
Toronto West Ch.	45.00
Duart & Highgate.	3.00
Lynedoch	19.00
Silver Hill.	2.60
Cardinal	6.00
Midland.	5.00
Pine River.	5.00
Toronto, Charles St Ch SS.	30.00
Blenheim, St Andrew's.	8.00
Pinkerton SS.	3.12
Barrie.	25.00
Zorra, Burns' Ch.	16.60
Glencoe	20.00
E Oxford, St Andrew's.	5.00
Ingersoll, St Andrew's.	24.75
Acton	53.90
Perth, Knox.	40.00
Wallaceburg	20.00
Gravenhurst.	4.00
West Brant	5.75
Toronto, Central	185.00
Peterboro, St Paul's.	150.00
Drumbo	4.00
Toronto, College St.	30.00
Hamilton, Knox	50.00
Osprings.	4.00
Thamesford	54.00
Mount Forest.	23.00
St Catherines, Knox.	24.00
Kingston, Chalmers.	7.50
Cannington	15.00
Port Elgin.	41.00
Port Elgin S.S.	4.00
Whitby	10.00
Belleville, John St.	20.00
Church Member, Harriston.	4.00
Brantford, Zion Ch	50.00

Per Rev P M Morrison:—

Lower Musquodoboit.	6.00
A W Lewis	5.00
Princeton	48.00
Richmond, Grove Ch.	10.00
Pictou, Prince St.	49.35
Mira, C.B.	5.00
La Have	7.00
Spring Hill	23.60
Leitch's Creek	2.20
New Mills, Charlo, etc.	10.00
Rev Jos Annand	5.00
H McKenzie, Sheet Harbor.	1.00
W McCarthy, Sheet Harbor	0.50
Mount Stewart	12.00
Woodville	9.00
East River, St Mary's	4.60
Dean Settlement	1.42
Strathalbyn	7.00
Antigonish	50.00
Middle Musquodoboit.	4.30
St John's, St And's Mis Soc.	10.00
Chatham, St And's (hf yr).	18.50
Valleyfield	30.00
Glencol	2.36
Newcastle	10.00
Glace Bay	25.00
River John	15.20
Dartmouth	10.00
Sussex	3.00
John Richmond	1.00
Halifax, St John's.	25.00
Stewiacke	10.00

Halifax, St Matthew's.	13.00
Musquodoboit Harbor	3.00
Tignish, Montrose & Co	15.00
Alberton	12.00
Summerside	53.00
Halifax, Fort Massey	40.00
Christian Young Lady	10.00
Great Village	15.00

\$14,217.67

Pointe aux Trembles Schools.

Rev R H Warden, Montreal, Treasurer to 6th February, 1888.	
Already acknowledged	\$3124.29
Galt, widow in Knox Ch.	50.00
Kintyre S.S.	24.40
Ornstown, Upper Con S.S.	25.00
Ornstown, Lower Con S.S.	25.00
Lucknow, Pres S.S.	25.00
Leith S.S.	8.18
Forest S.S.	20.00
Brooklin S.S.	10.00
Perth, Knox S.S.	50.00
St Louis de Gonzague B Cl.	3.00
Quebec, Chalmers' S.S.	50.09
Williamstown, St And's S.S.	50.03
Mrs Mary Kellie, Skye.	20.00
Oshawa S.S.	12.50
A D Fordyce, Fergus.	50.00
Fergus, St And's S.S., '86-7.	12.50
Fergus, St And's S.S.	25.00
Dalhousie, N B, S.S.	15.00
Colquhoun	4.00
East Wawanosh, Calvin Ch.	17.89
Stewarton S.S.	50.00
Toronto West S.S.	25.00
Lyn, Ladies of Pres Ch.	10.00
Montreal, Cross Mission S.S.	40.00
Toronto, St And's S.S.	25.00
Farrington S.S.	30.00
M E H, Newmarket	3.00
Galt Wom Miss Soc, Knox Ch	50.00
Montreal, Nazareth St S.S.	30.00
Smith's Falls, St And's S.S.	25.00
London, Park Ave S.S.	50.00
Pickering, St And's S.S.	11.00
Leeburn S.S.	4.60
West Winchester S.S.	50.00
Chatham, O, St Andrew's.	15.00
A Friend, Hopewell, N S.	5.00
Brucefield S.S.	36.60
Iroquois S.S.	3.00
Summerside S.S.	25.00
Dundas, Ont, Happy Workers' Mis Band	50.00
Bequest late Jno Drysdale, Ottawa	500.00
Stretsville S.S.	25.00
Ornstown	5.00
Peterboro, St Paul's S.S.	50.00
Scarboro, St And's S.S.	20.00
Mrs Geo Patton, Stratford	3.00
Bowmanville, St Paul's S.S.	25.00
West Brant	5.00
Paisley	4.00
A Friend, Toronto	1.50
Seymour S.S.	10.50
Rylston S.S.	2.50
Scarboro, Knox S.S.	10.00
Elora, Knox S.S.	25.00
Hensall S.S.	17.78
St Catherines, 1st Ch S.S.	10.00
Limehouse	6.80
Brucefield, Union Ch.	16.00
Toronto, Central S.S.	50.00
Morris Union S.S.	14.60
Hamilton, Knox S.S.	50.00
Port Elgin S.S.	4.00
Pictou, Prince St S.S.	50.00
Halifax, St Andrew's S.S.	50.00
Halifax, Fort Massey S.S.	50.00
Toro, St Andrew's S.S.	50.00
Boularderie	7.00

\$5277.04

POINTE AUX TREMBLES SCHOOLS.
Extension of buildings.

 Received by Rev R H Warden,
Montreal.

Already acknowledged.....	\$1844.68
River John.....	8.69
Montreal, Knox Ch.....	35.00
Montreal, Knox Ch B class.....	10.00
Bayfield Road.....	6.00
Pointe aux Trembles Pupils'	
Mis Soc.....	50.00
Per Rev J Goforth.....	10.00
Boularderie.....	2.00

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\$1966.28

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

 Received by Rev R H Warden,
Montreal.

Already Acknowledged....	\$ 26.00
Beauharnois.....	5.00
Chateauguay.....	3.00
Montreal, Erskine Ch.....	125.00
Montreal, Knox Ch.....	75.00
Williamstown, Hephzibah Ch.....	4.65
Elmsley.....	5.00
Ormsdown.....	5.00

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\$ 248.65

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

 To remove debt at Dr Reid's Office.
Received by Rev R H Warden,
Montreal.

Already acknowledged.....	\$316.00
Per Rev Dr Matthews, Que.	123.47

EROMANGA NATIVE TEACHERS.

 Received by Rev R H Warden,
Montreal.

Montreal, Nazareth St S.S.....	25.00
Ormsdown, Village S.S.....	25.00
Ormsdown, W & G Elliott.....	25.00

**MANITOBA COLLEGE—THEOLOGICAL
DEPARTMENT.**

Rev Dr Bryce, Treasurer.

 Already acknowledged (May '87 to
Jan 5th, '84) \$1,399.85.

 Virden 25.00; Newdale 15.00; Knox
Ch, Winnipeg, SS 60.00; Jumping
Creek, N W T 2.00; Wolsely 5.00;
Knox Ch, Winnipeg (add'l) 250.00;
Rat Portage (add'l) 5.07; Beulah
(in part) 12.15; Elkhorn 10.00; Au-
gustine Ch, Winnipeg 15.00; Knox
Ch, Winnipeg, Bible Class 44.00;
Moosa Jaw (add'l) 5.00; Burnside
40.08; Millbrook & Plympton 14.05;
Minnedosa (in part) 20.00; Pandora
St, Victoria, BC 30.00; Total—
\$1,942.05.

MISSION TO LUMBERMEN.

 Received by Rev Dr Armstrong,
Ottawa, Convener and Treasurer.

 St John's Ch, Almonte \$20.00; Zion
Ch, Carleton Place \$10.00; Bank St
Ch, Ottawa \$5.00.

 St John's, Almonte \$20.00; Zion
Ch Carleton Place 10.00; Bank St,
Ottawa; 15.00; Calvin Ch, Pembroke
10.00; Beachburg 6.00; St Paul's,
Ottawa 20.00; Erskine Ch, Montreal
25.00; Elmsley 5.00; St Andrew's,
Smith's Falls 10.00.

**WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND IN
CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF
SCOTLAND; JAMES CROLL, TREAS.,
MONTREAL.**

 Chatham, NB, Rev E Waits \$ 20.00
New Richmond, Quo, Rev P
Lindsay..... 12.00
Rev F Home, Scotland..... 12.00

Warton, Rev F P Sym....	12.00
Pergus, Rev J B Mullan....	24.00
Ormsdown, Rev D W Morison.....	12.00
St John's, Montreal.....	10.00
Victoria, BC, Rev D Fraser.....	15.00
St Andrew's, Toronto.....	105.00
Hyndman.....	6.00
Osgoode.....	6.00

**MINISTERS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS'
MARITIME PROVINCES, REV. GEO.
PATTERSON, D.D., Secretary.**

 For *Ministers' Rates*—Representatives
of late Rev Walter Thorburn,
\$17.00.

*Congregational collections and dona-
tions*—Lower Musquodoboit \$1.60;
Leitch's Creek 2.20; New Mills,
Charlo & 5.00; A Friend for Boca-
bec & 3.00; Mount Stewart 5.00;
Strathallan 5.00; Middle Musquod-
oboit 1.25; Valleyfield 5.00; Glace
Bay 3.50; River John 2.00; Su-sex
1.00; Shubenacadie 2.00; North
Sydney 5.00; St Matthew's, Halifax
12.00; Total—\$53.50.

UNION COLLEGE FUND.

 Received by Rev. R. H. Warden,
Montreal.

Already acknowledged....	\$ 136.30
Chateauguay.....	3.00
Hemmingford.....	7.25
South Mountain.....	3.50
Westmeath.....	3.00
Montreal, St Gabriel.....	20.00
Castledford, Stewartville and Dewar.....	8.00
Ormsdown.....	20.00

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\$261.05

ERRATA IN FEBRUARY LISTS—Sol. Plympton, for Home Missions, \$20, read \$22. For W. & O. Fund, Rev. W. Beattie, read Rev. W. Penttie.

—The command to begin at Jerusalem, implies a command to begin with Home Missions. If the church itself was a mission, there could be no jealousy between the Home and Foreign parts of it, and there could be no proof for the common, shallow saying that Foreign Missions stole away the hearts of the people from home work. The prophets were the seers of Foreign Missions, and yet they were grand Home Missionaries dealing with the sins of nations and pointing to their remedies. The result of Foreign Missions had been only to increase Home Missions. Missions to the heathen had been proved, instead of checking the Home Mission, to be the real parent of it and its supporter. The mission to the heathen had to struggle against the prejudices and open hostility of Christian people, but the Home Mission was welcomed with sympathy, because it pointed to evils everyone could see, and the sphere of it lay at their own doors, the interest in Foreign Missions was therefore never likely to encroach upon it.

Dr. W. Fleming Stevenson.

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The Foreign Mission Committee, (eastern division,) invites correspondence with ministers and licentiates of our church, with a view to obtaining a successor to Rev. J. K. Wright, Couva, Trinidad, resigned.

P. M. Morrison,
Halifax, N. S. 1 Nov. 1887. Secy.