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Overture on the Eldership.

AMONG the overtures presented to last General Assembly was one pointing to the system of "Term-Service," as it has been called, in which the Assembly was asked to consider the advisability of establishing a system "by means of which, elders shall be appointed to serve for a term of not more than five years, those serving said term being eligible for re-election, and to devise some plan to secure this end, it being understood that any such arrangement shall not affect those now in the eldership." Owing to the late stage at which this overture was introduced, it was decided that its consideration be deferred till next Assembly. There is every probability, therefore, of a lively discussion upon this subject at the forthcoming meeting in Hamilton, the birthplace of the overture. It is to be hoped that the "Ruling Elders," who have been or may yet be appointed commissioners, will in the meantime study up this subject, in which is involved the whole question of the status and functions of the order of Presbyters to which they belong, and that they will come prepared to take an intelligent part in a discussion that ought to be specially interesting to the laity.

The theory upon which nearly all Presbyterian Churches base their polity in this

regard is, that while the New Testament recognizes but one order of Presbyters, in it there are two degrees or classes, known as *Teaching Elders* and *Ruling Elders*. There are those who hold with Professor Witherow, of Londonderry,* that inasmuch as the terms "Overseer," or Bishop, "Presbyter" and "Elder," are used interchangeably in the New Testament, it is proper to concede to all Presbyters equal rights, to teach,—if they can—to rule, to administer the sacraments, to take part in the ordination of ministers, to preside in Church courts and generally to exercise all the functions of the ministry. But this is not claimed by the elders themselves as a class, and it is well, in considering this question, to recognize the position assigned to lay elders by the Churches of the present time, rather than to expend argument as to the nature of the office of "the Scriptural Elder." It is not difficult to account for the departure from the original use and want of the primitive Church. To be of any practical benefit, the overture should be regarded in the light of modern usage and with the single aim of increasing the usefulness of the class of office-bearers to which it refers. In the report on the

*THE NEW TESTAMENT ELDER, his position, powers and duties in the Christian Church. James Bain & Son, Toronto.

Eldership, submitted to the third General Council of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system, held in Belfast in 1884, is the following statement:—

Term of Service.—At the first, elders were elected in nearly all the Reformed Churches annually. In most Presbyterian Churches at the present time, however, the term of office is *ad vitam aut culpam*. "If they demit their office, the congregation should be very cautious in again calling them to exercise it." (*Canadian Book of Polity*, p. 45.) In the Reformed Church of the United States the term of office is determined by each congregation, but it is usually for two years, the parties being eligible for re-election. In the United Presbyterian Church of North America it is provided, (1) "That it is the imperative duty of the elder to resign whenever his influence is so impaired from any cause that he cannot exercise his office efficiently in the congregation in which he is installed;" (2) "That when it is evident that an elder has become unacceptable and inefficient in a congregation, it is the privilege of that congregation to ask him to resign; and if the end be not thereby accomplished, in conjunction with the Session, may lay the matter before the Presbytery for their action."

In the Presbyterian Church of the United States, North, it was enacted in 1875 as follows: "If any particular Church, by a vote of members in full communion, shall prefer to elect Ruling Elders for a limited time in the exercise of their functions, this may be done." But in this case the office is held to be perpetual though the exercise of its functions may cease. The elder whose term of office has expired is eligible for re-election. If not re-elected, he is still an elder. Such elders, by due appointment of the Session or Presbytery, may become members of any of the courts of the Church above the Session.—(*Hodge's Presbyterian Law*, p. 297.)

From this statement it appears that there is considerable diversity of practice in the several branches of the Presbyterian Church in regard to the tenure of office in the eldership, and that the question is therefore one which is not revolutionary in its nature, and is fairly entitled to be discussed on its merits.

Of course, it must be interesting to know how the "rotary" system works in the Churches that have adopted it. As it is not practised in any of the British Churches, so far as we know, we naturally look to the Presbyterian Churches of the United States. The Dutch Reformed Church in that country has incorporated the "Term-Service" as a part of its polity, and its ministers

speak approvingly of it. They find no more difficulty in electing or re-electing an elder every two years than in the case of electing a trustee or manager of a congregation for a like period. Some time ago we endeavoured to ascertain the mind of a number of leading ministers and elders of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America on this subject, and now submit a few extracts from the replies to our enquiries:—

I. *Cleveland, Ohio*, 18th May, 1885:—"The New School Body had generally adopted it before the Union, and its use has increased since then. Personally, I like it exceedingly. It has been in vogue in my own Church ever since its organization, forty years ago, and some men are in my session now who have had continuous service—or nearly so—as elders, ever since, being re-elected every three years. It need not make frequent changes, yet it gives opportunity for them if desirable, or if any of the Session cease to represent the Church."

II. *Philadelphia*, 18th May, 1885:—"We have found the "Term-Service" work to the satisfaction of our Congregation, and others speak well of it. There is, however, a difference of opinion among the brethren with regard to the matter."

III. *Washington*, 18th May, 1885:—"Term-Service" for the Eldership has been very extensively adopted in our Church, and so far as my knowledge extends it has been found decidedly advantageous. It has certainly increased the efficiency of many sessions, and I think that wherever it has been tried, its superior usefulness has been acknowledged.—(An Elder.)

IV. *New York*, 18th May, 1885:—"In none of the Presbyterian Churches of which I have any intimate knowledge here are the elders elected for a specified term. It is my impression that in the vast majority of congregations in the United States, elders are elected for life or during good behaviour. The plan of electing them for a limited term is an experiment, the result of which I will feel much interest in learning, as I think the idea is a good one.—(An Elder.)

V. *Cleveland*, 8th June, 1885:—"The "rotary" system prevails almost universally in this locality. The permanent system would not answer here at all. Practically, the old members of Session are almost without exception re-elected from time to time; at the same time an opportunity is afforded to correct any mistakes which may have been made in the election of undesirable elders.—(An Elder.)

VI. *Indianapolis*, May 20th, 1885:—"In some sections of the country the "Term-Service" is more common than in others; but it has not been generally adopted in any section or State. In some of the States there are very few Churches organized under this plan. In Kentucky, for example, I think there is no Church that has adopted "Term-Service." My judgment is that, as a rule, it is not desirable, but there are cases where it is a relief. I think it would be a mistake to prohibit it. My own experience as a pastor is that serious evils are easily to grow out of a yearly election of elders, and I think that is the judgment of the mass of our ministers.

VII. *Hartford*, 18th May, 1885:—"The Term-Service has been adopted by many of our Churches, especially in the New West and in feeble Churches. In the more settled parts of the country and in larger Churches it has not been used to any great degree. Personally, I dislike it, as being practically an injury to pastor and people, and theoretically, as contrary to the principles of our form of Government.

VIII. *Brooklyn*, 18th May, 1885:—"My impression is that the great majority of our Churches adhere to the plan of a permanent eldership. I think the "rotary" system is regarded as a new and shorter method for getting rid of an obnoxious elder. I have had no experience of its working. My Church has never adopted it. I can see no more reason why an elder should be elected for a limited time than there is for stated-supplyship to be a substitute for the pastorate.

IX. *Princeton*, 16th May, 1885:—"The Term-Service of the Eldership has not been extensively adopted in this Church, and the practical operation of it is, in most

cases, simply to provide a way of getting rid of unpopular persons. In most Congregations, the old elders are regularly re-elected.

X. *Philadelphia*, 18th May, 1885:—I was opposed to the "Term-Service" as wrong in principle, and contrary to our whole system. Those in the opposition yielded to a certain popular clamour that was gotten up for it. But it is scarcely heard of now.—(An Elder.)

XI. *Philadelphia*:—Better elect the right men and keep them.

We express no opinion in regard to the subject-matter of the overture. The testimony adduced is undoubtedly conflicting, but if it does nothing more than direct attention to the importance of the proposed change it may be of some service. We hope the overture when it comes again before the Assembly will get a patient hearing and we shall look for the issue of the discussion with lively interest.

Missionary Cabinet.

AUGUSTINE, AIDAN, AND CUTHBERT.

ALMOST every one has heard the story of Gregory the Great. Before his elevation to the see of Rome he had resolved to become a missionary, and England was the field selected for his labours. One day he observed three Yorkshire boys, with fair complexions and flaxen hair, exposed for sale in the slave market at Rome. Upon asking to what nation they belonged, he was told they were Angles. "Not Angles," said Gregory, "but Angels, if they were only Christianized." From the market place he went to the Bishop's palace and obtained permission to enter upon the work on which his heart was bent. He even set out on his journey and had travelled three days, when he was overtaken by messengers and peremptorily recalled to Rome on account of serious disturbances which had taken place in the city. Years rolled on, and Gregory became Bishop of Rome. But he had never forgotten the "Angles," nor ceased his long-ling desire for their conversion. At length circumstances seemed to favour his design, and Augustine, the Prior of his old convent of St. Andrew, was sent with forty monks to England, A.D. 596. They landed on the island of Thanet, off the coast of Kent. Ethelbert, the King of Kent, whose wife Bertha was already a Christian, received the messengers of the new faith gladly, and granted Augustine liberty to establish himself at Canterbury. It is told that on the 2nd of June, 597, the King was publicly

baptized, and that on the next Christmas Day upwards of 10,000 of his subjects were baptized also. As results from Augustine's mission, Canterbury, Rochester, and London at early dates became the seats of important bishoprics, and the first of them the metropolitan, Augustine himself, being consecrated the first Archbishop of Canterbury. Yet it is confessed that his mission, though in many respects successful, was in other respects a failure. Trouble soon arose from Augustine's determination to model English Christianity too strictly after the pattern of Rome. The northern Christians, who had been trained by the monks of Iona, resented "the foreign yoke," and as they came by degrees to meet and overlap the system introduced by Augustine, differing as it did in some important particulars from that to which they had been accustomed, a rupture sooner or later became inevitable. It came sooner than was expected. "The King of Northumbria, espousing the cause of the Scottish missionaries, marched upon Chester, made a great slaughter of the Britons, and mercilessly massacred many hundreds of monks who had come from Bangor to pray for their countrymen." About 1200 were said to have been killed in this first recorded battle for religious liberty in England. "But Rome," it is added, "by its superior organization, triumphed in the end, and although it introduced new and unscriptural elements into the Church, it helped at the same time to consolidate the outward framework against the assaults of paganism." The date of Augustine's death is variously stated 604, 607 and 614.

The nature of the opposition encountered by Augustine will be better understood in the light of LINDISFARNE. After the death of Columba, a number of learned and pious abbots carried on the work which he began at Iona. Missionaries were continually being sent forth, not only to Scotland and the north of England, but also to the continent. In the year 635, Oswald, King of Northumberland, who had recently been baptized in Scotland, applied to the monastery of Iona that preachers should be sent to instruct his people in Christianity. One of the brethren was accordingly sent, but he proved to be too austere, and, meeting with no success, he returned in discouragement. In his stead, an aged monk named AIDAN was deputed to go. A man of sim-

gular meekness, piety and good judgment, he was received with the greatest respect by all classes of the people, and Oswald gave him the island of Lindisfarne on which to found an institution similar to that on Iona. The island is only about two miles long and one broad, is situated about eight miles south from Berwick-upon-Tweed, and separated from the mainland by a strait of about two miles wide. Other Scotchmen were sent to assist Aidan, and Lindisfarne soon became a seat of learning and a centre of Christian activity from which missionaries went out in all directions. "Churches were built in several places; the people joyfully flocked together to hear the Word; money and lands were given of the King's bounty to build monasteries; the English, great and small, were by their Scotch masters instructed in the rules and observances of regular discipline, for most of them that came to preach were monks." Aidan, after having founded his mission college and superintended the affairs of the Church in Northumbria for sixteen years, died A.D. 651, and was buried on Lindisfarne. Cunningham, to whom we are mainly indebted for the materials of this sketch, follows the narrative of the venerable historian Bede, who speaks of Aidan as a perfect model of apostolic and episcopal purity. He was abstemious, generous to the poor, humble to all. He was wont to traverse town and country on foot, and invited every passer-by to embrace the faith. All in his company, whether "shaven monks or laymen," were kept diligently employed in reading the Scriptures and learning psalms. He was succeeded in Lindisfarne by Finan, also from Iona, and who proved himself a worthy successor of St. Aidan.

Another name inseparably connected with Lindisfarne is that of St. CUTHBERT. We first hear of him as a shepherd boy in Lauderdale, who became filled with religious zeal and attached himself to the small monastery of MULROSS,—not far from the present Melrose—of which in the course of time he rose to be prior. About the year 664 he was appointed Abbot of Lindisfarne. His chosen field of labour, for the office was no sinecure, lay among the Cheviot hills and the moors of Northumberland. No toil wearied him, no danger appalled him; and in recognition of his labours his name is still venerated as the patron saint of Durham

Cathedral and of many other churches in England and Scotland. "Cuthbert," says one of his eulogists, "excelled all his brethren in devotion; he gave himself so truly to the spirit of prayer and contemplation, that he appeared to others more like an angel than a man." The quarrel to which we have alluded betwixt the missionaries sent from Rome to England and those who came from Iona, began with disputes about the tonsure and the time of observing Easter, and ended in irreconcilable arguments respecting the authority of the Pope as the alleged successor of Peter. The result was the withdrawal of the Scottish missionaries into their own country and their abandonment of Lindisfarne, which fell into the hands of the disciples of Augustine.

Newfoundland.

LETTER FROM REV. L. G. MAONEIL.

THE MANSE, ST. JOHNS,

March 15th, 1886.

I cannot withstand a second dunning letter from your pen, the more especially as it is not "money" you want, but "copy." I am not afflicted with *cacoethes scribendi*, or you would hear from me oftener. The trouble is that Presbyterianism in Newfoundland is so small that I run the risk of blowing my own trumpet if I write about it. If I do not tell of the victories of St. Andrew's Church, I must sound my bugle in regard to Brother Logan of Harbor Grace; and if I told you how well he was liked, how diligently he was working, how he was causing Presbyterianism to be loved and honored in the Bay Capital, I might bring the blush to his modest face. In these poor times, he and his people have a hard struggle. Unless this summer's fishing is very different from last, our good folks in Harbor Grace will be much weakened, I fear, by emigration and other reasons. I wish we could carve off a slice of St. Andrew's Church and send it over to supplement our friend's weakness. Our growth is steady and sure, the best evidence of which is the fact that I baptize on an average one child a week. That we are a healthy people "goes without saying," for with the excep-

tion of a few colds, there has been no sickness this winter. Did I say *winter*? We had none before *March*. Ploughs were going near the city and butterflies were caught flitting about in February. We have never had it below zero—seldom below 7° above, and for weeks at a time between 30° and 50°. There was scarcely any snow before *March* and little since. Some months ago we had our new organ erected, which is one of the handsomest in America. It cost somewhere near \$4000. The singing is much improved, and, instead of losing any members by reason of its introduction, there is an improved attendance. The anti-organists accepted the situation in a spirit worthy of all praise. They are among the most regular and loyal of the friends of the church. Why are anti-organists elsewhere not always as wise and as Christian? Why will they persist in opposing the inevitable? For their comfort I may say that our experience of an organ is, so far, most satisfactory. Our Church Extension Committee are at work. They have not yet purchased a site, but have chosen several from which one is soon to be selected. In the city, there are by the last census about 1060 Presbyterians, but as they are somewhat scattered, we have not an average attendance of more than four hundred or five hundred. As you would learn from our published statistics, our income for all purposes last year nearly reached \$10,000, of which over \$2000 went towards the schemes of the Church. Our Sunday-school is in a state of efficiency, under the the Superintendency of Mr. George Archibald, who is an enthusiast. The school, together with a mission branch in the suburbs, has about 250 in attendance. We have almost forgotten the Union. No one ever thinks of the old separation. We have no time to get up any more quarrels, and I can hold up my congregation as a model in regard to its harmony and willingness to work together in any good work. This winter we held monthly "sociables" with advantage. They were free and easy meetings in the basement; with music, reading, and tea and cake handed round, and the manuscript newspaper, which I edited, and which was happily instrumental in hitting certain things that needed a rap, but not important enough to introduce into a sermon. Sociables properly conducted are useful. Like all

other good things they may easily be abused. Our Ladies' Zenana Society is still at work, actively as ever. They have lately organized the girls into a mission band, and each alternate Wednesday afternoon a visitor to the vestry would see a genuine little "Busy Bee," working for the little heathen. Although I have no brother Presbyterian minister nearer than Mr. Logan at Harbor Grace, my Methodist and Congregational brethren, are *brethren* indeed. We love each other as well as if we were members of one Presbytery. At the beginning of the year, we continued the union of prayer for a second week, with good results, and we have established a monthly united evangelistic service, in the churches alternately. Salvation Army folk are beginning to make quite a stir in our usually quiet city. They gather the excitable and ignorant classes, and there are a good many such here. They are doing some temporary good, but I fear, not a little harm. Their methods and buncombe I do not approve of, but I have taken counsel with Gamaliel and shall "refrain from these men and let them alone." Our cause at Bay of Islands still languishes. A few scattered families are all that are left of the flourishing station to which the late Mr. Creelman so diligently ministered. We send them a catechist in the summer, whom they treat kindly and support liberally. There are among them some true-blue sons of John Knox, and I am very sorry they are so far away, and that my hands are so tied here that I cannot pay them an occasional visit. I wish some ordained minister from Canada would take a summer run down to Bay of Islands and administer the Lord's Supper to those good people. It would be a pleasant trip for some Canadian parson in search of his health. He might get a passage on a schooner from Halifax easily.

JAPAN PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.—Under the title of the "United Church of Christ in Japan," three missionary organizations laboring in the empire—the American Presbyterian, the American Reformed, and the Scotch United Presbyterians—are banded together, and in November last held their third general assembly. The churches represented number forty-four, with a membership of over four thousand. The meeting was held at Tokio, sixty delegates being present, and at some of the sessions there was an audience of not far from one thousand. A native pastor was chosen moderator of the assembly.

Sowing and Reaping

MAY 9.

JOHN IV. : 27-42.

Golden Text, John 4 : 37.

WHILE Jesus sat resting by the well, his disciples had gone into the town of Sychar to purchase food, the opportunity was thus afforded for the quiet talk with the woman of Samaria. Just as the conversation had reached its climax by Christ's announcement of his Messiahship, the disciples returned from the city. V. 27. *They marvelled.* The relations of the sexes was very strict among the Jews. That a woman should be seen unveiled was deemed immodest. Talking with a woman in public was forbidden as "highly indecorous." But Jesus had come to convert this woman, and to make her an instrument for the conversion of many others, and neither the traditions of the Rabbis nor the prudish etiquette of Jewish society would prevent him. He had already honoured her with his confidence and by this act had elevated the sex to the position of social equality with man. V. 28. *The woman left.*—The presence of strangers made her feel that it was time for her to withdraw and, besides, so deeply impressed was she by the interview, she could not remain longer and was glad of the opportunity to hasten home as fast as she could and tell her friends what she had seen and heard. The living spring within her heart was already welling up and ready to overflow. V. 29. *Come, see Isa. 2 : 3 ; Num. 10 : 29.* The very form of expression used by Christ himself, Matt. 11 : 28. It is said that when travelling in the deserts one is sent in front of the caravan to look out for water, and that as soon as it is found he shouts aloud, "Come!" The one nearest to him repeats the word, "Come!" and then the next, until the wilderness echoes with the word. So in the Scriptures, Rev. 22 : 17. *Is not this the Christ?*—It seemed to her as almost too good news to be true; but, "Come and judge for yourselves." The missionary spirit in this woman deserves special notice. It is the natural impulse of an awakened and renewed soul to bring others under the same influence. Andrew findeth his own brother, and Philip his friend Nathaniel, ch. 1 : 41, 45. Do likewise, Heb. 13 : 16, James 5 : 20. V. 35—38. As Jesus saw the townspeople coming he points to them as the noblest harvest—a willing people come to hear words of eternal life. The disciples should reap the fruit of his sowing and not only He and they but all heaven shall rejoice. Luke 15 : 10. Vs. 39-42. Two precious days these to the Saviour! No miracle was wrought; but, convinced by his supernatural knowledge and his winning method of presenting the truth, many believed. Courage S. S. Teacher! Keep on sowing the good seed. In due time you shall reap, 2 Cor. 9 : 6 ; Gal. 6 : 9.

The Nobleman's Son

MAY 16.

JOHN IV. : 43-54.

Golden Text, John 4 : 50.

AFTER the two notable days near Shechem, Jesus passed on northward to Galilee. He would go by the way of Samaria, then a splendid city, and continuing his journey through the plain of Esdraelon, leaving Nazareth on the left hand, he came to Cana, the scene of his first miracle, ch. 2. *Galilee*, the most northern of the three provinces into which Palestine was then divided, was noted for beauty and fertility. Its population was dense, numbering between 2 and 3 millions. It had a mixed population. Jews were numerous, less strict, however, in their religious observances than those of Judea and, as we have seen, less bigoted. V. 44. *His own country*—probably refers to Nazareth, where he was brought up, Luke 4 : 16. V. 45. Many of the Galileans had attended the Passover feast at Jerusalem, ch. 2 : 12, 13 and would bring back wonderful accounts of what they had seen and heard about Jesus at that time; this, without implying that they had been converted, would account for the favourable reception which he now met with in the quiet village of Cana. V. 46. *A nobleman*—An officer in the service of Herod the Tetrarch, Math. 14 : 1, who had a palace at Tiberias on the sea of Galilee, a few miles south of Capernaum, which now became the headquarters of our Lord and the scene of many of his miracles and discourses, Matt. 9 : 1 ; 11 : 23. V. 47. Capernaum was over 20 miles from Cana, which shows that Christ's fame had spread over a wide area. The man's going so far evidenced some faith in Christ's power to heal his son. Vs. 48, 49. *Except ye see signs.*—This was a marked trait of the Jewish character which Christ often rebuked, Matt. 12 : 38, 39; and this remark may not now have been intended *especially* for the nobleman, but for the people generally. The nobleman shewed intense earnestness by repeating his request; Luke 11 : 9, 10. V. 50. *He believed*—This was a very high exercise of faith, such as few people in like circumstances would have reached. Suppose the case were your own, would that answer have fully satisfied you? Vs. 51-53. He was in no hurry to go home now. The next day he receives the joyful tidings,—*Thy son liveth*—it was more than a sudden recovery, corresponding to the very moment when Christ had spoken the word, it was a notable miracle, and the man knew it, but, best of all, not only himself, but his whole family also were brought to a saving knowledge of Christ, and all because they had been visited with sickness. Had that son not been at the point of death, none of the family might have "believed." Lam. 3 : 32, 33 ; Rom. 8 : 28.

Jesus at Bethesda.

MAY 23.

JOHN v. : 5-18.

Golden Text, John 5:6.

JESUS had been some months in Galilee and now, at the approach of one of the great feasts, he returned to Judea. It may have been the Passover, but that is uncertain. We find him in Jerusalem in the beginning of the second year of his ministry. The pool of Bethesda was a large reservoir, 165 feet long, 48 feet wide, and very deep, hewn out of the limestone rock and not far from the Temple enclosure. It is supposed to have been fed by an intermittent spring which occasionally bubbled up, raising the level of the pool a foot or more in a few minutes. It had long been believed to have medical properties, on which account it was largely resorted to by invalids. The last clause of v. 3 and the whole of the 4th verse of this chapter are omitted in the R. V. which does away with the miraculous moving of the water. V. 5. The man had *not lain* there for 38 years, perhaps only a short time. V. 6. *Wilt thou be made whole*—Words fitted to arouse the attention of one on the verge of despair. The promise of salvation is only to those who really desire to be saved, v. 40. Rev. 22:17. V. 7. Only one at a time could be healed in Bethesda, and that at long intervals, but, blessed be God, the fountain which He has opened is always available, and for all, Zech. 13:1; Rev. 21:6. V. 8. *Thy bed*—a light mattress or quilt. V. 9. *Immediately*—indicates the miraculous nature of the cure. V. 10. *The Sabbath*—began with the Jews at sunset, Friday, and ended sunset, Saturday, and was observed with utmost strictness. A Sabbath day's journey was limited to 2,000 cubits—about 1,000 yards. To kindle or extinguish a fire on Sabbath was a heinous offence; even to set a broken bone was forbidden. The punctilious hypocrites who were jealously watching Christ's movements found a pretext for condemning him in this behalf, and from that time forth sought every opportunity to destroy him. Bethesda is thus the turning point in the life of our Lord. V. 12. *What man?* The insolent question was made to apply to the breaking of the Sabbath, not to the miracle of healing. V. 13. *Wist not*—Knew not. He had never seen Jesus before, and now only for a few moments. V. 14. Notice that the man is soon found in the temple giving thanks to God. *Sin no more.* Sin is the cause of all our troubles, Rom. 5:12. *WILT THOU BE MADE WHOLE?* Make this an intensely personal matter. Jesus is as able and willing now, as when at Bethesda, to cleanse, pardon and save you. Do come to Him, Isa. 55:1; come now, 2 Cor. 6:2. He who converted the woman at the well, Zacchaeus in the sycamore tree, the thief on the cross, "The chief of sinners," Saul, on the road to Damascus, offers to save you. Do not reject Him.

Jesus Feeding Five Thousand.

MAY 30.

JOHN VI. : 1-21.

Golden Text, John 6:35.

COMPARE Matt. 14:13-33; Mark 6:30-52; Luke 9:10-17. This is the only miracle recorded by all the evangelists. It took place about a year after last lesson. A very busy year it had been. According to Matthew, there was the sermon on the mount, chs. 5-7; a leper cleansed; the Centurion's servant healed; the sea stilled, and devils cast out in ch. 8. Palsy cured; the issue of blood staunch-ed; blind receive sight; Jairus' daughter raised from the dead, ch. 9. The twelve were ordained and sent out to preach, ch. 10. Himself preaches and utters many striking parables, chs. 11, 12, 13; and now, in the midst of his busy ministrations at Capernaum, the murder of John the Baptist is announced, and as nothing could be expected from Herod but merciless persecution, Jesus deems it prudent to withdraw into retirement for a season. He crosses the sea of Galilee to a place near Bethsaida where he hoped to rest a while, Luke 9:10. V. 2. *The multitude*—did not follow in boats but, running round by the shore, they reached Bethsaida, some six miles, before the boat arrived. V. 3. Seeing such a crowd of people, Jesus could not lose the opportunity of addressing them. We read that he taught them many things, and healed their sick, Matt. 14:14; Mark 6:34. This accounts for time passing, and consequent hunger of the multitude. Vs. 5-7. *Whence shall we buy*—It was impossible to meet the emergency by any ordinary means. 200 *pennyworth*—Nominally \$30, but equal to five times that amount at present. Even that, if they had it, would only purchase a morsel for each. V. 9. Boys are sometimes useful; this little fellow was entrusted with the care of the provision basket, and he was on hand when wanted. V. 10. The order is worth noticing. Besides facilitating the distribution of the food it constituted, as it were, a social meal. V. 11. *Given thanks*—As was customary, 1 Sam. 9:13; Matt. 26:26; and as we should do, Phil. 4:6. V. 13. *Baskets*—The wallet which every Jew carried when on a journey. Each of the disciples would have one, which accounts for the number mentioned. "Waste not, want not." Vs. 14, 15. Convinced that Jesus was no ordinary prophet; imagining that he might be indeed the long-expected Messiah announced by the Baptist, the excited people would then and there have proclaimed him *King*. But this was far from our Lord's purpose. *He departed*—to pray alone. Vs. 16-20. Jesus had arranged to meet his disciples at Bethsaida, Mark 6:45, but a strong northeast wind carried them out into the middle of the lake, and towards Capernaum. *It is I*—We need fear no evil when He is with us. Ps. 23:4. The intention of this miracle appears in the Golden Text.

Our Own Church.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY meets this year in the city of Hamilton, and within St. Paul's Church there, on the 9th of June at 7.30 p.m. Clerks of Presbyteries and conveners of committees are requested to read the official notice of the Clerks in another column and to govern themselves accordingly. This will not be the first time that the good people of Hamilton have entertained Commissioners to the General Assembly. "We have been there and still would go." We have pleasant recollections of a cordial welcome and overflowing hospitality away back among the seventies. That the reception awaiting the Assembly this year will be equally agreeable need not be doubted. We have not yet learned who is to be master of ceremonies in the matter of accommodation, it will be safe, however, in the meantime, to address any enquiries in this behalf to Rev. R. J. Laidlaw, of St. Paul's Church.

THE SPECIAL MEETINGS of the Irish General Assembly and of the Synod of the Church of Ireland (Episcopal) held recently, remind us that our Irish friends have what the Presbyterian Church in Canada has not, that is, the power of convening meetings of the Supreme Court of the Church to meet special emergencies. Of course we all wish and hope that the occasion for such may never occur in our experience, but as the Assembly's committee on "The Book of Forms" is not discharged, waiting, apparently, "for something to turn up," it might not be unworthy of their notice to consider the propriety of suggesting that the power of calling a special meeting of Assembly might be conceded with proper safeguards.

THE BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZATION have appointed the *Rev. James McCaul*, late of Stanley Street Church, Montreal, to be their agent in Great Britain and Ireland for a year. We heartily commend Mr. McCaul and his mission to the kindly consideration and co-operation of all who take an interest in the work of the Board, and who have it in their power to give Mr. McCaul the material and moral support which he requires.

PERSONAL.—*Rev. W. J. Dey* has intimated his intention to resign the office of "Dean of Residence" in the Presbyterian College, Montreal, which he has filled for a number of years with marked efficiency. Mr. Dey will resume pastoral work. *Rev. W. R. Frame*, formerly of Mount Stewart, P. E. Island, has been appointed Editor of the "Protestant Union," published weekly at Charlottetown. *Rev. Joseph Hogg*, of Moncton, N.B., and the *Rev. William Donald*, of Pictou, have received leave of absence from their respective Presbyteries for some months, to enable them to recuperate health and strength for the discharge of their onerous duties. *Rev. John A. Snodgrass* and *Rev. W. J. Tomson*, ministers of the Church of Scotland, have been received by the Presbytery of Halifax as ministers of this Church. *Rev. J. Wallace*, late of Bermuda, has left Halifax for California, where he is to be engaged in the work of the ministry. More than one of our own congregations had an eye on Mr. Wallace and were preparing to call him. But his health demanded a milder and drier climate. *Rev. Kenneth F. Junor*, for some time missionary of our Church along with Dr. Mackay, in Formosa, but who was obliged to return on account of ill-health, has recently graduated in medicine at the University of New York. We trust it may not be necessary to say to Dr. Junor, "Physician heal thyself," but on the contrary, that he may soon go forth again into the great mission field with health fully restored, and in the fulness of the blessings of the Gospel, to minister more efficiently than ever before to the bodily as well as the spiritual wants of those to whom he shall go. We congratulate our friends, *Rev. John Thompson*, of Sarnia, and *Rev. James Middlemiss*, of Elora, upon the honours conferred upon them. Each is well entitled to be called "Doctor of Divinity:" it is a good degree. Long may they live to enjoy it, and to bring honour to it.

TRINIDAD.—We learn with deep regret that the health of *Rev. J. W. Macleod*, Trinidad, continues to fail. He is now in extreme weakness. He calmly awaits the Lord's will. The other missionaries and their families are well.

WOMAN'S WORK ; PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY, HALIFAX.—The first annual meeting of this Society was held in Fort Massey Church on the 16th of March. The Society has fifteen auxiliaries. During the past year the amount of \$785 was raised for Foreign Missions. The money has been devoted to the support of female teachers in Trinidad and India. The Society reported to the Presbytery of Halifax on the 16th, when, after encouraging remarks by several members, the following resolution was adopted :

"That the Presbytery hears with much pleasure and with feelings of gratitude to God, the Report of the year's operations of the Woman's Presbyterian Society. The members of Presbytery congratulate the Association upon the success which, by God's grace, has been achieved, and wish them continued and abundant success in the prosecution of their praiseworthy work, and promise them every possible aid and counsel, and pray that Almighty God may abundantly bless them in their work of faith, and labour of love."

The following are the officers for the ensuing year :—*President*, Mrs. Burns ; *Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. McMillan and Mrs. McPherson ; *Treasurer*, Mrs. Laing ; *Secretary*, Miss M. E. Weatherby.

CHINESE PENMANSHIP.—We have received from *Rev. Dr. G. L. Mackay*, Formosa, a beautifully executed monogram containing the Epistle of Paul to Titus, written upon Chinese paper and with Chinese pen and ink by one of his students in ordinary English characters. It is like copper-plate all the way through. Respecting the writer of it, *Dr. Mackay* says : "I baptized him ten years ago when quite a child. He never worshipped idols and he is now a student with me every day as the college is closed. I have fifty men who can write like this. I get them to write an Epistle in the Romanized colloquial and also in the Chinese characters ; then explain it from first to last, then preach upon passages given to be criticized. I taught this young man to read, and to write like this in a few months."

Verse 1 of the first chapter reads as follows :—

Siong-tè ê lô-pók Iá-so Ki-tok ê sù-to Pó-ló in-ûi thóau Siong-tè-Keng-soàu ê peh sù" so" sui ê to-di, ho' i bat Keng-ihian chin-li.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

EAST ST. PETER'S.—*P. E. Island* : Mr. J. W. McKenzie was ordained and inducted on the 15th of March.

ALEXANDRIA.—*Glengarry* : Mr. David MacLaren was ordained and inducted on the 29th of April.

CALLS.—Rev. A. B. Macleod, of West Cape, to Mount Stewart and West St. Peter's, *P. E. Island*. Rev. James Sieveight, to Huntville and Allansville, *Barrie*, accepted. Rev. J. MacMillan, late of Mount Forest, to East Williams, *Sarnia*. Mr. David MacLaren, to Alexandria, *Glengarry*, accepted. Rev. Donald Stewart, of Wallacetown, to Finch, *Glengarry*. Mr. A. H. Cameron, of Nova Scotia, has accepted a call to Whitelaw, New York, U.S. Rev. James Todd, of Burnside, to Minnedosa, *Manitoba*. Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Harriston, to Walkerton, *Bruce*. Rev. John Ross, of Brussels, Ont., to Knox Church, Scarborough, *Toronto*. Rev. Hugh Cameron, of Summerstown, *Glengarry*, to Hyndman and Osgoode, *Brockville*. Rev. W. Grant, of Long Creek, *P. E. Island*, to Cow Bay, *C.B.*

DEMISSIONS.—Rev. George Jamieson, of Aylmer, *Ottawa* ; Rev. J. MacNabb, of Lucknow, *Mailland* ; Rev. James McCaul, of Stanley Street Church, *Montreal* ; Rev. A. Brown, of New Dublin, *N.S.* ; Rev. Robert Rodgers, of Collingwood ; Rev. Joseph Allard, of French Church, *Quebec* ; Rev. H. Sinclair, of Uptergrove ; Rev. A. Dodson, of Ballinacree ; Rev. George Jamieson, of Aylmer, *Ottawa* ; Rev. Alexander Nicol, of North Luther, *Saugeen*.

NEW CHURCH.

A neat new church has been completed at Scotch Settlement, Parish of Moncton, *N.B.*, and opened free of debt. It is 38x18, and can seat about 200. It was dedicated on the last Sabbath of March, the pastor, Rev. J. D. Murray, and Rev. G. Bruce, of St. John, officiating on the occasion.

MANITOBA ITEMS.

Friends of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. King, of Manitoba College, sympathize deeply with them in their affliction. Mrs. King has been confined to bed for several months past, and Dr. King has after a hard session's work had a severe feverish attack. Rev. D. Stalker, of Gladstone, has been spending the winter in Britain and is now quite restored in health. At present he is upon the continent. Students from the various colleges are all reaching their fields for the summer's work. Manitoba College pro-

vides between fifteen and twenty students for the mission field this summer and thus saves the Church \$1,200 or \$1,500 in travelling expenses this year alone. Increased attention is being paid to Indian missions. The Dominion Government has consented to erect and maintain a Presbyterian Industrial School among the Indians in the Broadview Reserves. This is but justice to our claims as a church. The Indian Mission school-house at Piapot's Reserve, near Regina, is now under way. Difficulties have hitherto stood in the way of Miss Rose, the teacher, but they seem clearing away. The Presbyterian ladies of Portage la Prairie have taken pity upon the band of Sioux which has for twelve or fifteen years hovered about the Portage settlement. They are good workers but have hitherto been neglected. There are one hundred or a hundred and fifty of them, and they have upwards of thirty children of school age. The ladies have undertaken to erect a school-house and to guarantee \$150 per annum for teacher's salary. The Foreign Mission Committee expect to take hold of the matter. Poundmaker, the captive Cree chief, has been released. He had been under Roman Catholic influence before, but during his residence in Manitoba penitentiary he was baptized. He now professes to be thoroughly loyal. Closing fore and thumb together he says: "The ring of peace between me and the great mother has been broken, it will be my work in future to make it solid again." Rev. George Flett, the veteran Indian missionary of our Church, visited Winnipeg lately and assisted in the missionary services in Knox and St. Andrew's Churches. Mr. Flett is always appreciated by the whites as well as Indians. His visit led to a considerable increase of interest in the Indians. College examinations in Manitoba are the order of the day. Mr. Pringle, who has with acceptance lectured on Church History, has closed his lectures. A kind friend gives a special scholarship for Church History. The College Journal, originated and conducted by the students, has reached successfully its sixth number. It promises to be a financial success in its first year. Another friend of the College offered to make up any lack of funds, but his assistance is fortunately not likely to be required.—B.

The Colleges.

KNOX COLLEGE, TORONTO:—The close of the Session was attended with the customary observances on the afternoon and evening of the 8th of April. The proceedings were opened by Rev. Professor Gregg, who declared the results of the examinations and gave a suitable address. Dr. Wilson, of University College, gave an address, in which he spoke in favour of the idea of denominational colleges affiliating to one central university. Dr. Maclaren spoke of the past session as being one of the best in the history of the college. Fifty-nine students had pursued their theological studies, of whom nineteen were in the graduating class. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. John Thompson, of Sarnia, and Rev. James Middlemiss, of Elora. The following received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity: Rev. Peter Wright, of Stratford; Rev. W. M. Martin, of Exeter; Rev. C. D. Macdonald, of Thorold, and Rev. D. M. Ramsay, of Londesboro, Dr. Thompson and Rev. G. M. Milligan, of Toronto, addressed the graduating class. The former discountenanced the idea that there are too many theological colleges; the latter urged upon the graduates the scientific study of the Bible.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL:—A large assemblage met in the David Morrice Hall to witness the closing ceremonies of the Session on the evening of the 8th ultimo. The gold medalist of the year is Mr. J. H. Graham, B.A. The valedictory was delivered by Mr. A. Currie, B.A. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. Narayan Sheshadri, of Indapoor, India, a native missionary of the Free Church of Scotland, whose visit to Canada a few years ago is remembered with much interest by many who met him at that time. The names of the graduates of the year are as follows:—Messrs. T. J. Barron, A. Currie, J. H. Graham, D. H. Hodges, J. Maclaren, D. A. Maclean, A. Ogilvie, W. D. Roberts, and Murray Watson, nine in all. The total number of students on the roll was seventy-five. The whole number of graduates is now one hundred and twelve. It was announced that Mrs. McArthur, of Carleton Place, had endowed a scholarship

with a gift of \$900. The Rev. L. H. Jordan addressed the graduating class in eloquent terms. Dr. Macnish, whose lectures on "The language of Paradise" are greatly appreciated, gave an address in Gaelic. Principal Mac Vicar, in his closing remarks, spoke very hopefully of the prospects of the college.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

HALIFAX: *March 16*:—In consequence of a difficulty about a church site in Musquodoboit the Presbytery passed the following resolution: "That the Presbytery issue instructions to all the Sessions to consult the Presbytery in relation to the sites of new churches before any decisive steps are taken in the direction of building." Messrs. W. J. Thompson and J. A. Snodgrass having presented satisfactory papers from the Church of Scotland, were received as ministers of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Arrangements were made for the supply of vacant congregations during the summer, the Presbytery requiring the services of eight catechists. Mr. Laing presented a very satisfactory report from the Augmentation Committee. Commissioners to the General Assembly were elected. Reports on Sabbath schools and Temperance were submitted and approved. Leave of absence for a few months was granted to Mr. Anderson of Musquodoboit Harbor and Mr. Cairns of Upper Musquodoboit Harbor.—A. SIMPSON, *Clk.*

TRURO: *March 16*:—A memorial minute respecting Rev. J. L. Baxter was adopted. Application was made to the Home Mission Board for four catechists for the summer. Mr. Sinclair was appointed to visit Parrsboro, and Mr. Cumming, Coldstream, to determine the amount of supplement required for each. Reports on Temperance and Sabbath-schools were presented. Thirty-six schools reported 277 teachers, 2,373 scholars, with \$835 collected—\$298 for missions. 309 were added to the communion roll during the year from the Sabbath-schools. Arrangements were made for conferences with Sabbath schools, the Presbytery being divided into districts for that purpose. The consideration of remits of Assembly was postponed to the 20th April, as was also the appointment of Commissioners.—J. H. CHASE, *Clk.*

MIRAMICHI: *March 16*:—Messrs. Waits and McKay were appointed to make arrangements for the visit of Rev. Joseph Annand to the Presbytery, not earlier than June or July. Catechists were appointed to several stations and more were applied for, as the mission field of the Presbytery is large and increasing. The attempt to unite Douglastown and Nelson

has failed. Reports on the State of Religion and Sabbath-schools were submitted. Mr. Mackay was appointed a committee on Temperance.—E. W. WARREN, *Clk.*

P. E. ISLAND: *March 15*:—After the ordination and induction of Mr. W. Mackenzie at St. Peters, Mr. Carruthers presented a report from the committee appointed to confer with the directors of the *Protestant Union*. The report was satisfactory and Presbytery agreed to give its moral support to the paper. The Presbytery, in order to visit its congregations, divided the members into two committees: Eastern to embrace Charlottetown and all to the east of that city, with Mr. Cameron, convener; Western, embracing all west of Charlottetown, with Mr. McMillan, convener. The Presbytery applied to the H. M. Board for three catechists during summer. *April 1*:—Rev. Wm. Grant of Long Creek, accepted a call from Cow Bay, C.B. The following were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly:—Messrs. A. F. Carr, Alex. Raulston, R. Maclean, E. Gillies, Allan Maclean, and John Macleod, *ministers*; Messrs. Charles Craig, John Clay, William MacDonald, Ambrose Brown, John A. MacLaine, and Hon. Kenneth Henderson, *M.D.*—J. M. MACLEOD, *Clk.*

LUNenburg & SHELburne: *March 17*:—The Presbytery met at Bridgewater. The Temperance report, submitted by Mr. Crawford, showed that in towns and villages there is still a great deal of drinking. In Shelburne County the Scott Act is well enforced. "A prohibitory law with adequate provision for its enforcement would meet the support of our people." The report was approved and ordered to be sent to the Assembly's Committee. A resolution was adopted asking the Assembly's Committee to issue a constitution for societies in our congregations and Sabbath-schools. A report on the State of Religion was presented by Rev. E. D. Millar, and a conference on the subject followed. Applications for grants for the Augmentation were considered and passed. Commissioners to the Assembly were elected. Unification of the Foreign Mission Funds was approved; so was the remit on Assembly printing. The other remit was postponed till next meeting.—D. S. FRASER, *Clk.*

QUEBEC: *March 9*:—A very full and satisfactory S. S. report was presented by Mr. Sym. It was agreed to apply to the Assembly for leave to license Mr. James Sutherland, student of divinity and Mr. John McGregor, catechist. Mr. Allard was relieved from the charge of the French Church, Quebec, as he had accepted an appointment in Fall River, Mass. Revs. Dr. Mathews, Dr. Lamont, A. T. Love and F. M. Dewey, and Dr. Thompson, J. Whyte, M. P. P., Alex. Baptist and Wm. Morrison were appointed delegates to the Assembly. At an adjourned meeting held in Sherbrooke on the 25th March Mr. J. R. MacLeod read the report on the State of Religion. It showed progress in many things. A Presbyterian

visitation to the Gaelic speaking congregations was appointed. The grants for the current year were revised and recommendations made.—F. M. DEWEY, *Cik.*

MONTREAL: *March 16:*—The Presbytery agreed to the principle of uniting the Foreign Mission Schemes of the Church under one Board, and approved generally of the plan proposed in the remit of the General Assembly as a step towards the object in view. The remit on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund was approved; that on the supply of vacancies was disapproved on the ground that the supply of vacant congregations devolves properly on Presbyteries. *In re* the remit on printing Assembly minutes it was agreed to recommend that sessions be supplied with copies as hitherto, to be sent direct to the parties for whom they are intended, and not as heretofore, through the clerks of Presbyteries.—J. PATTERSON, *Cik.*

GLENGARRY: *March 9:*—Rev. John S. Burnet, of Martintown, was appointed Clerk, in room of Rev. W. A. Lang, deceased. Mr. Burnet was also appointed convener of Presbytery's Home Mission Committee. The following were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly:—Mr. W. Ferguson, J. K. Baillie, Dr. MacNish, and A. Matheson, *ministers*; Messrs. I. R. Ault, W. J. Scott, G. Elder, and Alex. McMillan, *elders*. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, was nominated as moderator of the next General Assembly.—J. S. BURNET, *Cik.*

KINGSTON: *March 15:*—The rule requiring licentiates to give six months service in the mission field was not regarded as satisfactory. The following were appointed commissioners to the Assembly: Messrs. J. Mackie, J. Cumberland, W. S. Smith, J. Robertson, M. W. Maclean, Principal Grant and Mr. H. Gracey, *ministers*; Messrs. J. Duff, G. Gillies, W. P. Hudson, M. P. P., A. F. Wood, M. P. P., W. Craig, A. G. Northrup and Rev. E. C. McLean, *elders*. Queen's College offered a large staff of labourers for the mission field. Twelve students of said College made application to be taken on trials for license. Steps are being taken to renovate Fredericksburg Church property. Mr. Cumberland submitted plans and an overture thereon. Rev. James K. Smith of Galt was nominated as Moderator of next Assembly. A public meeting was held on March 16th in the interest of the W. K. M. S. of the Presbytery.—T. S. CHAMBERS, *Cik.*

TORONTO: *April 6:*—Arrangements were made for the induction of Rev. Dr. Kellogg to the pastorate of St. James Square Church on the 20th instant. A movement was made towards church-extension in the north-west part of Toronto. A committee was appointed to prepare an overture to the General Assembly asking instructions regarding candidates for church membership, who, as railway employees or in other occupations, are compelled to work on the Sabbath. The trustees of Carleton Street congregation received author-

ity to dispose of their church property and discharge the liabilities. Sixteen students passed successful examinations for licensure. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell was nominated for the moderatorship of next General Assembly.—R. MONTEATH, *Cik.*

HAMILTON: *March 16:*—Steps were taken for the division of the charges of Oneida, &c., and Lynedoch, &c. It was agreed to consider (1) the formation of a Presbyterian Sabbath-School Association (2) the periodical visitation of congregations. The Home Mission applications were considered, and application is to be made for three students during the summer. Messrs. Edgar and W. C. Matthews were recommended as student catechists. Application is to be made for leave to take Mr. W. H. Simpson on trials for license. The following are the commissioners to the General Assembly:—G. Crombie, J. Wells, J. Hamilton, W. J. Bell, M. Fraser, J. Black, J. G. Murray, S. Lyle, R. J. Laidlaw, J. Charlton, R. McQueen, W. D. Beadle, J. Osborne, W. Henderson, R. Laurie, J. Gibson, W. R. Leckie, and A. J. Mackenzie. Rev. J. K. Smith, of Galt, was unanimously nominated for moderator of the General Assembly.—J. LANG, *Cik.*

BARRIE: *March 23:*—Call from Huntsville and Allansville to Mr. J. Sieveright, M.A., was accepted. Induction will take place after the railway is opened through the district in May or June as is expected. Mr. Rodgers resigned the pastoral charge of Collingwood to take effect on second Sabbath of June. The congregation will present him with a gift of at least \$1,200. Commissioners elected to the General Assembly:—Ministers, Messrs. G. Crow, R. Rodgers, Alex. Macdonald, Dr. W. Clarke, H. Currie, H. Knox, R. N. Grant, and D. D. McLeod. Elders, Messrs. A. Melville, T. Goodfellow, Rev. Messrs. T. McKee, W. McKee, and J. Gray, D.D., Messrs. W. Sturgeon, W. Ellison, and James A. Mather. An application was transmitted to the General Assembly with approval from Mr. J. Bryant, minister of Bradford, &c., asking that he be recognized as an Evangelist. Mr. Geddes' resignation as ordained missionary at Minesing, &c., was received. Mr. J. K. Smith, of Galt, was nominated moderator of next General Assembly.—R. MOODIE, *Cik.*

GUELPH: *March 16:*—It was agreed to appoint commissioners to the Assembly this year by rotation. The following are the names thus appointed:—Revs. Messrs. Angus Mackay, Hugh Rose, A. Blair, R. Torrance, D.D., James Middlemiss, D.D., and W. Millican. Mr. J. K. Smith was added by election, as he had been previously nominated to the moderatorship of the General Assembly. The following elders were appointed:—S. Hodgskin, C. Davidson, J. Cadwell, D. McMurchy, Colin McPhail, J. Maclean, and W. McCormick. The first report of the Presbytery's Women's Foreign Mission Society was read. The Presbytery expressed its satisfaction at the institu-

tion of the Society and the success that has followed its operations hitherto.—R. TORRANCE, *Cik.*

SAUGEEN: *March 16*:—Mr. Crozier was appointed moderator for six months. A minute anent Mr. Nicol's resignation was received and adopted. The Rev. J. K. Smith, of Galt, was nominated as moderator of the next General Assembly. The commissioners to the next General Assembly are: Dr. Campbell, Messrs. McLeod, Morrison and Wilson, ministers, and Messrs. McGregor, Murdock, McPherson and Inkster, elders. Leave was granted the people of Riverview to build a church. A call was read from Free St. John's, Walkerton, to Dr. Campbell.—S. YOUNG, *Cik.*

MAITLAND: *March 16*:—Records examined. Commissioners to General Assembly:—Messrs. Leask, McQuarrie, Murray, C. Cameron, Anderson and McFarlane, ministers. Messrs. N. McDonald, Strachan, Archibald, Maxwell, Pennabaker and Bennett, elders. Rev. John Laing, D.D., of Dundas, was nominated moderator of the next General Assembly. Mr. Anderson read the report on State of Religion, Mr. McRae on Sabbath-Schools, Mr. Murray on Temperance, and Mrs. Leask the Presbyterian Women's Foreign Missionary Report. Thanks and addresses were given in connection with these reports. Remit on Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund was approved. Remit on supply of vacancies was set aside, and the scheme of Dr. Reid with changes adopted. Rev. D. Cameron accepts the appointment to Manitowaning. Rev. J. Macnabb resigns his charge on account of infirm health.—R. LEASK, *Cik.*

Obituary.

REV. JAMES ROSS, D.D.—On March 15th, the venerable Dr. Ross, ex-Principal of Dalhousie College, Halifax, closed his long and useful career. He passed away in the seventy-fifth year of his age and the fifty-first of his ministry. Dr. Ross was born in Pictou county, Nova Scotia, his father being Rev. Duncan Ross, one of our pioneer ministers. He was educated in Pictou Academy under the late Dr. Thomas McCulloch. Having completed his course, he taught with success the High School at Sackville, New Brunswick. From this position he was called away to be his father's successor at West River, and was there ordained and inducted on the 7th Nov., 1835. The Synod of the "Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia" established in Pictou a seminary for the training of can-

didates for the ministry. Dr. Ross was appointed to give instruction in Biblical Literature. Afterwards it resolved to establish a literary institution, and Dr. Ross was appointed Classical Professor. Indeed for two years he was the whole Arts Faculty of the institution, and gave instruction in Latin, Greek, Natural Philosophy, Algebra, Mathematics, Chemistry, Mental and Moral Science and Logic! All this he did while in charge of the West River congregation. When the seminary was removed to Truro, Dr. Ross was continued at the head of it. At the union of 1860 this institution became the Arts College of the United Church, the Theological department being transferred to the Free Church College at Halifax, while the Arts department of the Halifax College was transferred to Truro. In 1864, Dalhousie College, Halifax, was revived; the Truro institution was consolidated with it, and Dr. Ross was appointed its Principal. This position, with the Chair of Ethics, he continued to occupy till his retirement last year. He was an educationist all his days, and few men did more for the higher education in the Maritime Provinces. But he was more than an educationist; he was, in his prime, a very able and acceptable preacher, and to the last, his discourses were remarkable for their instructive and solid character. He was a man of extensive reading, much and varied learning, immense industry, and sound judgment. Dr. Ross was struck with paralysis while on his knees engaged in private devotions before retiring to sleep. He survived a week, but never rallied sufficiently to regain the power of speech. The Synod of the Maritime Provinces still supports two professors in Dalhousie College; but she has intimated her intention not to appoint a successor to Dr. Ross,

REV. WILLIAM MURRAY died at Canning, Nova Scotia, on the 21st March, in the 61st year of his age. He was one of the earliest students of the Free Church in Nova Scotia, having been licensed by the Free Presbytery of Halifax on the 26th July, 1854. He was appointed to supply Dartmouth in the Presbytery of Halifax, and while thus engaged he edited the *Presbyterian Witness*. In 1855 he was appointed by the Free Synod their general agent. He was ordained with a view to this office on

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the 1st of August, 1855. He was remarkably successful in the work assigned to him. In the spring of 1857, Rev. Mr. Struthers, of Cornwallis, died. Mr. Murray was called to be his successor and he was inducted June 11th of that year. In this field his labours were crowned with much success. New churches were erected; the Presbyterian cause greatly revived; and three ministers were before long required in the Cornwallis valley. In 1866, in consequence of a very severe bronchial affection, Mr. Murray had to seek rest and change of air. In 1867, not having recovered his voice or his health, he resigned his charge in Canard, Cornwallis, and accepted an appointment to Jamaica under the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland. His health was greatly benefited by the change, and he laboured diligently and acceptably at Kingston and at Falmouth. Last summer he returned to Nova Scotia and sought rest and health; but though he regained strength for a time, the disease still clung to him, and he passed away in peace on Sabbath morning, the 21st March.

MR. GILBERT MACINTYRE, for twenty-three years an elder in the congregation of Hibbert, Ont., has been taken away in the midst of his usefulness. The Kirk session record that he was most faithful in the discharge of the duties of his office, and that by his consistency, gentleness and kindness he had endeared himself to all.

MR. RICHARD LOUCKS, an elder in St. Matthew's Church, Osnabruck, died on the 1st of April in the 83rd year of his age. Mr. Loucks was a son of one of the famous United Empire Loyalists and a worthy representative of his noble ancestry. He was ordained to the eldership by the late Rev. Dr. Isaac Purkis, of Osnabruck, in 1850, and during all these years has been a useful and much respected member of the Session. One of his daughters is married to Rev. D. G. Bayne, of Morrisburg.

MR. GEORGE SELLARS, who died at Lawrencetown, N.S., was one of the most venerable of our elders. He was 88 years of age, and had adorned the office of the eldership for thirty years. He was a standard-bearer, leading the congregation in all that was good, true and liberal. He left the following sums for the benefit of the church:—For stipend, \$100; repairs of the church, \$120; Home Missions, \$40; Foreign Missions, \$40.

THE PROPHEETS do not live forever. Every month brings us tidings of one and another of the leaders of religious thought, who have passed over the bourne to join the great majority. Dr. Trench, Formerly Archbishop of Dublin, and perhaps better known as the ripe scholar and brilliant writer, is dead. And Bishop Hannington, the missionary Bishop of the Church of England in Eastern equatorial Africa, has been enrolled in the noble army of martyrs. Like many other missionary heroes, he has fallen a victim to groundless heathen suspicion. Last July, he set out to visit the furthest mission under his charge, that of Uganda, at the northern extremity of Lake Victoria Nyanza, accompanied by Rev. W. Jones, a native African pastor and a party of voyageurs, fifty in number. The King of Uganda, a son of the late well-known Mtosa, fearing an invasion of strangers, had the party arrested at the south end of the lake. After a week's imprisonment they were led out to execution, only four escaping with their lives. Dr. Kalkar, who presided so ably at the Copenhagen meetings of the Evangelical Alliance, has also passed away full of years and of honours. The Free Church of Scotland, too, has lost one of its most prominent ministers, the Rev. Dr. McLaughlan, of St. Columba Gaelic Church, Edinburgh, who is said by his writings, and personal efforts otherwise, to have done more than any other for the welfare of the Scottish Highlanders. The congregation of the late Dr. Begg have placed a memorial tablet in their church, in which he ministered for fifty years. A handsome monument has also been erected at Dingwall to the memory of Dr. Kennedy, the famous leader of "The Highland Host." The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of England met in London on the 26th of April, Dr. David McEwan of Clapham Road Church, London, Moderator. The two great Scottish General Assemblies meet in Edinburgh on Thursday, the 20th of this month. The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church meets on the 4th instant. Disestablishment *versus* the connection between Church and State, is the burning question of the hour in Scotland at present. Our correspondent is, from special circumstances, well fitted to take an impartial view of the situation. We leave this most delicate and difficult subject in his hands. This is what he says:

SCOTLAND.—The Queen has been pleased to settle £200 (equal to \$1000) a year out of her own private purse upon the widow of Principal Tulloch. The Government also has granted her \$750 a year. Such are the newspaper statements. The Rev. Dr. MacGregor of St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh, has been appointed one of her Majesty's chaplains for Scotland, and Dr. J. Cameron Lees of St. Giles, a Dean of the Chapel Royal, and Dean of the "Order of the

Thistle" in room of the late Dr. Shairp. Dr. Donaldson of Aberdeen has been appointed to the Principalship of St. Leonard and St. Salvador, St. Andrew's. The appointment is a Government one, and has given rise to some discussion. Dr. Donaldson, however, is a man of European reputation, and politics may have stirred, in some instances, at all events, the critical spirit. The Bible Class of Parkhead Parish had a social meeting, presided over by their pastor, and had a very "enjoyable evening of dancing"! We heard of the congregational social of a church in, or near Glasgow also, whose workers "tripped it on the light fantastic toe" after the general meeting was over. Is that a phase of Scottish Church sociality? The Canadian Church draws the line much more distinctly. The collection in St. James' U. P. Church, Paisley, when Dr. Whyte of Edinburgh preached, a few Sabbaths ago, amounted to \$9000. Miss C. Wardlaw Bardner, of Dumfermline, has bequeathed \$30,000 to benevolent purposes. In spite of prevailing distress, the Sustainment Fund of the Church this year is, we understand, within \$300 of last year's receipts. Mr. Finlay's Bill to "declare the Constitution of the Church of Scotland" has met with very varied reception. The Church of Scotland receives it as simply declaratory, maintaining that all the powers mentioned in it, she has possessed for the last forty years, and consequently that it adds nothing to her privileges. The Free Church is divided into two sections on the subject, the "Constitutional Party" being fully satisfied with the Bill as giving them all that the Claim of Rights requires: the majority, however, headed by Dr. Rainy, J. Taylor Innes, W. S. and Professor Candlish are not satisfied by any means, contending that it does not meet all the demands of 1843; while the United Presbyterian Church is wholly left out in the cold. The Bill is for the Free Church and not the U. P's. With the latter, it is the claim of voluntarism as a New Testament principle as against the maintenance of a State endowed and privileged Church. With them the controversy is a much larger one, and many of the Free Church ministers have, in the course of a voluntary experience of some years duration, fallen in with their views, in which case, there may come a split among Free Churchmen, one section joining the Church Established, the other the United Presbyterian. Meantime Mr. Finlay's Bill has been rejected by a majority of twenty-three in the House of Commons. Among the people of Scotland there is a strong sentiment in favour of retaining the Established Church with all her traditions and ancient history, on the one hand, and on the other, a very steadfast belief that the Church is most effective for all really spiritual purposes, when, without any prestige, or patronage, she is made to realize her more entire dependence upon an Arm unseen. Financially, our country is still depressed. Trade continues dull, and foreign competition so

keen, that our manufacturers are in a state of continued alarm, while, since New Year, the weather has been such, and the frost so continuous that out-door labour has been at a stand-still. The suffering among the poor classes has been very great. With the return of spring there will certainly be some relief, but the revival of trade to any great extent is still matter of much anxiety. "The Lord reigneth: Let the people tremble. And the Lord reigneth: Let the earth rejoice." D.

CANADA.—Rev. Dr. Wilkes, the pastor *emeritus* of Zion Church, Montreal, now in his 80th year, sailed for London the middle of last month with a view of attending the jubilee of the Colonial Missionary Society of the Congregational Church in England. This society was formed fifty years ago, and Dr. Wilkes was one of the first, if not the very first missionary whom it sent forth. Coming to Canada at a time when a large portion of the Province of Ontario was an unbroken forest, Dr. Wilkes had his full share of the difficulties and hardships of pioneer missionary life. For many years one of the most active, popular, and successful ministers in Canada, he has reached a green old age with undiminished mental faculties—honoured by Christians of all denominations in Canada. The jubilee of the Telugu mission was celebrated at Nellore in Southern India, in February last. Dr. Day and his wife were the first missionaries to the Telugus, and Canada is specially interested in this celebration, because Dr. Day was a native of this country, and the Canadian Baptists have at present two mission boards, each represented by mission stations in the Telugu country, where there are now fifty-seven missionaries, two theological seminaries, and about 30,000 native communicants. Dr. George's Church, Montreal, has invited Dr. Campbell Fair, of Baltimore, U. S., to become assistant to Dean Carmichael. Rev. George H. Wells, the popular minister of the American Presbyterian Church, Montreal, goes to New York to attend the meetings of his Presbytery. On the other hand there are several pastors of congregations in the United States who are constituent members of Canadian Presbyteries: Might not a "fair exchange" in such cases be attended with advantage to all parties concerned? Or is it only in heathen countries that co-operation and fraternal intercourse should be advocated?

UNITED STATES.—The General Assembly meets in Minneapolis on the 20th of this month. Under the new regime, each Presbytery consisting of not more than twenty-four ministers is entitled to send one minister and one elder, and each Presbytery having more than twenty-four ministers may send one minister and one elder for each additional twenty-four ministers, "or for each additional fractional number of ministers not less than twelve"—

whatever that may mean. It is computed that the full number of commissioners will be about 530—nearly one hundred less than last year. The Presbyterian Church has lost one of its best loved ministers by the death of Dr. James Eells, Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology in Leno Seminary. While Moody and Sankey have been swaying the hearts of multitudes of every creed and colour in the Southern States, Sam Jones and Sam Small, two Methodist evangelists from the South, have been following up their work in Chicago. Impetuous, rugged, and outspoken, they are nevertheless popular. Upon being asked what he thought of their work in Chicago, the well-known Professor Swing is reported to have said: "From what I had read and heard of Sam Jones I did not like him and regretted that he had been brought to Chicago. I went to hear him, strongly prejudiced against him; but before five minutes I was listening with the deepest interest, and before fifteen minutes I was crying. He is a wonderful man." The Cumberland Presbyterians, who were received into the Alliance of the Reformed Churches at the meeting of the Belfast Council, are now negotiating terms of union with the Methodist Protestant Church in the United States. Arrangements have been made for a joint meeting of committees of these churches to be held this month at Nashville. The indications are that the union will be effected before long. On his return to London, "Missioner Aitken," whose work in New York and other American cities was so markedly successful, gave a very interesting account of his visit to the American Churches. He said that his reception everywhere had been most cordial. "I believe," he said, "that this mission has done one thing among many others that we shall be thankful for: it has tended to break down the barriers between our church and others."

IRELAND.—The excitement over the threatened Home Rule is still at fever heat, and the prospects of such a measure as some hope for and others dread, are discussed day by day. There is intense earnestness both on the one side and on the other. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in special meeting called for the purpose, declared with unanimous voice against it. Since then a deputation has been in London and had interviews with Messrs. Morley and Chamberlain. It is said that the Premier declined a conference with the brethren. Mr. Morley assured them that provision would be made for the protection of all religious bodies. There is not much hope at present of a very extensive measure of Home Rule being carried. Fort William Church, a congregation formed some time ago in a fashionable suburb of Belfast, has got a minister settled over it, the Rev. James Macdonaghie, late of Omagh. He has fully fulfilled the expectations that were formed of him

when at College. In the town of Omagh he made a good record for himself, and he now takes his place with the brethren of the Ulster metropolis with a well established fame. On a late Sabbath, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, the Earl of Aberdeen, together with the Countess, attended service in Rutland Square Presbyterian Church, Dublin. This is the church Dr. Hall preached in before he came to New York. The newspapers state that so far as known, this is the first time that a representative of Royalty in Dublin attended service in the Presbyterian Church. The Lord Lieutenant appears to be well liked. The Rev. Robert Ross of Londonderry is likely to be the next Moderator of Assembly. Evangelistic meetings of a very interesting kind and conducted in a fine spirit were held on the 17th March (St. Patrick's Day as it is called) in Belfast, Dublin and other places. They were union meetings, all Protestant denominations participating in them. H.

Home Mission Committee.

WESTERN SECTION.

THE Home Mission Committee, Western Section, met in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on Tuesday, 30th March, at 9 a.m., and continued in session till Thursday, 1st April, at 6 p.m. Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Brantford, *Convener*, and Rev. R. H. Warden, Montreal, *Secretary*. With one or two exceptions all the members were present and a large amount of business was transacted. Claims for services rendered in mission fields and augmented congregations during the past six months were considered and the following sums ordered to be paid:—*Mission fields*, \$11,377.15; *Augmented congregations*, \$14,643.45. The Treasurer presented a statement of the respective funds. The receipts for Home Missions are \$25,500, which, with the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, \$7,250, makes \$32,750. The total expenditure for the year is estimated at about \$32,000. The receipts for Augmentation are \$17,000. The requirements of this fund are \$36,000, including the amount borrowed from the Reserve fund last April. To end the year (April 30th) free from debt, about \$19,000 are still required. Judging from the receipts of April, 1885, probably \$7,000 will be got this month, leaving a deficit of about \$12,000. The Committee resolved to pay

the grants in full for the past six months and to draw on the Reserve fund for this purpose. It is earnestly hoped that by means of liberal contributions from congregations and special subscriptions from some of our wealthier members the estimated deficit may be greatly reduced before the end of April. It ought to be borne in mind that EIGHTEEN of our ministers in British Columbia, Manitoba and the North-West Territories are largely dependent on the Augmentation fund. The augmentation grants to the North-West amount to between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

The Committee revised the grants to all the Mission fields and augmented congregations for the year beginning 1st April, 1886. The regulations for the working of the augmentation scheme were codified and it was agreed to recommend to the General Assembly that hereafter, in October and April, supplements be paid up to within \$50 per annum of the full grant, and at the close of the financial year this \$50, or such portion of it as the state of the fund will admit, be paid.

The Home Mission Committee of the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West Territories submitted an estimate of the amounts required for the ensuing year for the efficient working of the fields in the several Presbyteries of the Synod. It was agreed to make the grants asked at the rate per Sabbath for the Sabbaths supplied during the year, the liability of the Assembly Committee to be limited to a sum not exceeding \$19,000 for mission work and \$2,000 for travelling and incidental expenses. Detailed arrangements were made as to the terms of payment, the furnishing of reports, &c. The total expenditure next year from the Home Mission and Augmentation funds for Manitoba and the North-West is estimated at \$28,000. The Committee resolved to put upon record its conviction that the time has arrived when the administration of Home Mission funds in the North-West should be brought into line with that of the Presbyteries in the older provinces, and agreed to recommend the Synod to consider this matter and to give their views as to the modification of existing regulations.

Interesting reports were received from a conference of the missionaries in British Columbia and from the Rev. D. M. Gordon, of Winnipeg, who, at the request of the Committee, had recently visited that province. In accordance with the recommendations in these reports, it was resolved to appoint four additional missionaries to British Columbia, their salaries to be \$1,000 per annum and travelling expenses to the province. The

Rev. D. McRae and the Rev. J. A. Jaffray were appointed for 3 years, the former to occupy meantime the Victoria District group and the latter the Spallumcheen group. The appointment of other two missionaries was left in the hands of the Executive. It was agreed to ask the General Assembly to erect a Presbytery in British Columbia to be called the Presbytery of Columbia, to be connected with the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West. The Committee passed a resolution cordially thanking Mr. Gordon for his valuable services and another, expressive of their appreciation of the services rendered to Presbyterianism in British Columbia by the Church of Scotland. Sympathy was expressed with the Rev. J. S. Mackay, who had been compelled, on account of ill-health, temporarily to withdraw from New Westminster, and arrangements were made as to the maintenance of Rev. S. J. Taylor, who supplies that field meantime.

Reports were received from the Rev. Jas. Robertson, Superintendent of North-West missions, and also from the Rev. A. Findlay, of their work for the past half year.

The list of students and others desiring mission work for the ensuing summer was submitted and appointments given them. The number of missionaries appointed was 147, twenty-five of whom go to the North-West. It was agreed to report to the General Assembly the names of the graduating students of the several colleges who, in accordance with the law of the Church, have applied to this Committee for mission work during the ensuing summer.

R. H. W.

Maritime Synod.

STATE OF THE FUNDS.

Received for Foreign missions.....	\$11,068 49
Expenditure, with adverse bal.	
from last year.....	15,122 30
	Bal. due Treasurer.....\$ 4,053 81
	“Day-Spring” and Mission Schools:
Received.....	\$ 3,778 96
Expenditure, with adverse bal. from	
last year.....	5,808 77
	Bal. due Treasurer.....\$ 2,029 81

The Home Mission Fund shows an adverse balance of \$3.70. The Augmentation Fund is in a satisfactory state, enabling the Committee to pay the first dividend, and affording the prospect of complete success for the year. Balance on hand from last year, \$4,546.19. Receipts, \$7,771.70, making a total of \$12,317.89. The payments April 1 amounted to \$4,003.02; and the balance on hand, \$8,314.87.

The College Fund shows receipts \$7,753.10. There was an adverse balance last year of several years' accumulation, amounting to \$5,636.21. The expenditure during the current year to date was \$9,877.07. The deficit at this moment amounts to \$7,760.18.

These figures will reach nearly all our readers before the actual closing of the accounts for the General Assembly. We beg to remind them that all the funds, with the exception of Augmentation and Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, make a worse appearance than they did at this date in 1885.

Halifax, April 1st, 1886.

Formosa.

Dr. Wardrope, the Convener of Foreign Mission Committees (West) writes as follows under date 5th April:—

I send herewith copy of letter from Dr. Mackay. The readers of the RECORD will be deeply interested in the accounts of the work in which he has recently been engaged. As to his appeal for aid in his great work, how glad I should be to be able at once to reply: "Give yourself no concern about the money; it will be forthcoming." And I think I should be warranted in saying so. I believe the friends of the mission will not allow it to languish for want of funds, especially in view of the state of things revealed in this telegram received last week:—

"Baptized eleven hundred more. Bought land. Send money. Mackay."

The appeal is urgent, and surely the wonderful intelligence by which it is prefaced will give force to it. I trust that many who, in past days, came forward readily to aid in the work in Formosa, will again contribute towards the furtherance of efforts which the Lord has been pleased to crown with such success. With our contributions let our prayers be offered. Let our hearts be filled with ardent longings for the coming day, when the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. The Lord hasten it in His time.

THOMAS WARDROPE.

TAMSUI, Feb. 5th, 1886.

I left this place Oct. 28th, 1885, and did not come out from the country till the 1st inst., so you see I have been *three* months away. During that time Mrs. Mackay and children spent five weeks inland amongst the converts. General Loo, influenced by my old mandarin friend, has never once doubted my word about the value of chapels destroyed; and gave me \$10,000 as damages. Thereupon I *thought* long and anxiously what best to do—build two dozen fragile churches, one dozen ordinary ones, or half a dozen *strong*, and at the same time *artistic* churches? I decided on the latter, set to work, and in less than three months *finished* three splendid churches of solid stone, with a stone wall around each. These are at *Bang-Kah, Sek-Khan* and *Sin-Tiam*. Shall I say it? yes, *magnificent* in appearance, with steeples overtowering temples and everything else, piercing *Teng-Shui* and pointing heavenwards; also with the British flag and "Burning Bush" fixed permanently in the masonry of the spire.

I judged aright whether you agree with me or no. For note the effect: hear what the *people* say:—(1) "We were fools to pull down his chapel; look now, we are ashamed of our temple." (2) "If we had not pulled the chapel down, it would have remained as it was; look now!" (3) "Must never touch this one, for nothing will stop him, and he will erect better than this if we do so." (4) "After this no one will be allowed to destroy it." (5) "The chapel is beautiful, we never saw the like, and this is a good affair; he is good-hearted." (6) "He can now do as he likes, build just as he likes. We *can't* stop him." etc., etc., etc.

Whilst superintending the work of 200 workmen, I also dispensed medicines to hundreds, preached the Gospel for hours at a time, taught the students at night, and in one three months travelled *upwards—upwards* I say—of 1,600 (one thousand six hundred) miles. I also *repaired* two other chapels which were nearly in ruins, and lastly opened a new preaching station in a large Chinese town—had the usual battle to fight, and must say gained the usual victory. I have never been *stopped* yet where I wished to establish a chapel. I don't believe in those cant phrases: "Trust in God and all will come right," unless the rest be added—"Trust in God," but cut the trees down; "Trust in God," but burn them; "Trust in God," but plough the soil; "Trust in God," but manure the field; "Trust in God," but dig the stones; "Trust in God," but sow the seed—sow it in tears. To gain our object—which is to win the world, to win beloved Formosa for our mighty Leader—I believe we should *think, plan, pray* and *toil* AS IF all depended on our work; excuse me, as if there were no God. But stop! at the same time *conscious* we cannot hold the pen even without the power of our great, loving and adorable Redeemer.

I have given you results only, not the battles

fought and won before having results. I have done my best, and before Almighty God I am ready to give an account of my stewardship. O for that moment to come! I wouldn't go through what I have done during the past three months for any society of men on earth. If in the service of our beloved Queen, rather than do it I would resign. But O for my Saviour, my Redeemer, my All in all! I rejoice in the toil and sleepless nights. O, how sweet, "There shall be no night there." That's good.

When churches stand in every town
In north Formosa's lovely land,
And Gospel seeds be widely sown,
On high I'd join the heavenly band.

I erected a new stone church at Kelung, repaired the partially destroyed chapel at another place, bought ground for chapels, erected *three large handsome and substantial* churches in Sek-Khan, Sin-Tiam und Bang-Kah, and in doing all these things used money out of the \$10,000, Divide that sum by 4, and you will see what we have for one stone church, etc.

Two more must be built at once on the sites where destroyed or near by. I will need over \$4,000 (four thousand dollars); but my strength is concentrated on this work now. It is *sore work*. I have done my best.

P. S.—All well. Mr. Jamieson *faithful* for two years at the language; not begun to preach yet.

Yours as ever,
G. L. MACKAY.

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We are prepared to offer special rates for the balance of the year to as many congregations as desire to make the experiment of issuing a *Local Supplement* along with the RECORD. This plan is extensively followed in the old country and is found to have many advantages. For one thing it creates an *esprit de corps* in a congregation that is of itself a power for good. Looking over the statistical list of the congregations, we are convinced that there are hundreds that could well afford to make the experiment, and who would find that it would pay them to do it by the increased interest which would be manifested in the welfare and prosperity of the congregation, and of the church at large and all its missionary and benevolent enterprizes. Only one congregation in all the church has as yet ventured upon the experiment. Who will be the next to follow, if only for six months to try it?

Official Announcements.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The twelfth session of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada will be opened in the city of Hamilton, and within St. Paul's Church there, on Wednesday, 9th June next, at 7.30 p.m.

Presbytery clerks will please forward *lists of Commissioners, so as to be in the hands of the Clerks of the General Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.*

Reports of ordinations, inductions, licences, deaths, demissions, depositions, within the several Synods, and all other official documents, should be sent so as to be in the hands of the Clerks of Assembly at least eight days before the meeting.

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

Lists of commissioners and other documents should be addressed to Rev. Dr. Reid, Toronto.

The Committee on business, consisting of the Clerks of Assembly, together with those of Synods and Presbyteries who may be Commissioners, will meet in St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, on Wednesday, 9th June, at 4.30 p.m.

WM. REID, D.D. } Clerks of
W. FRASER, D.D. } Gen. Assembly.

MEETINGS OF SYNODS.

TORONTO and KINGSTON, in Knox Ch., Galt, 4th May, at 7.30 p.m. JOHN GRAY, D.D., Orillia, Ont., *Clerk*.

MANITOBA and THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES, in Knox Church, Winnipeg, on the 18th May, at 7.30 p.m. D. B. WHIMSTER, *Clerk*.

Literature.

THE RELIGIOUS CONDITION OF CHRISTENDOM, from the office of the Evangelical Alliance, 7 Adam Street, Strand, London; price, \$1.50; *W. Drysdale & Co., Montreal*. This useful and instructive volume contains the official account of the Eighth General Conference of the Evangelical Alliance, held in Copenhagen, August 30th to September 8th, 1884, and the papers *in extenso* read upon that occasion. While this volume has a peculiar interest for those who attended these memorable meetings, it will be appreciated by many others, as containing a comprehensive review of the religious condition of Christendom at the present time by men who are eminently qualified to speak on this subject—such men as Provost Vahl and Professor Scharling of Copenhagen, Pastor Munch of Christiania, Dr. Dalton of St. Petersburg, Pastor Theodore Monod of Paris, Dr. Godet of Neuchatel, Professor Christlieb of Bonn, Principal Cairns, Dr. John Marshall Lang, and Dr. Murray Mitchell from Scotland, Rev. William Arthur, Dr. Sinclair Paterson and Prebendary Anderson from England, Dr. Hoge and Dr. Schaff from America, Principal MacVicar from Canada, and many other eminent theologians. Here one finds the cream of religious thought on the various problems that are occupying the attention of Christian philanthropists throughout the world, such as,—Family Religion, The Power of Prayer, Denominational Variety and Christian Unity, Religious Indifference, Modern Unbelief, Temperance, Home and Foreign Missions, etc.

THE PEOPLE'S BIBLE, vol. III; by *Rev. Joseph Parker, D.D.*, of London; *FUNK & WAGNALLS*, New York; pp. 360, price \$1.50. This volume contains some forty discourses on the books of Leviticus and Numbers, characterized by extraordinary freshness of style and skill in the handling of difficult passages. It combines the critical and expository method of treatment so as to give the work a place among the best commentaries that the age has produced. It is proposed to extend it to twenty-five volumes, and if the author lives to complete it, it will be worthy of a place alongside the "Institutes of Calvin."

THE WORLD AND THE LOGOS, by *Hugh Miller Thompson, LL.D.*, assistant Bishop of Mississippi. *Dawson Bros., Montreal*, price \$1.00. These two Bedell Lectures on the evidences of Religion contain the marrow of modern argument

against the materialistic tendencies of the age and give devout enquirers after truth solid ground to stand upon.

GOOD NEWS is the title of a volume of the sermons of *Sam Jones* and *Sam Small*, two very plain spoken American evangelists, who have been preaching to good purpose in Chicago and other western cities for some time past. *J. S. Ogilvie, New York*, publishers: 30 cents in paper covers.

THE STORY OF CHALDEA.—This is a continuation of "The Story of the Nations," beautifully got up, by *MESSRS. PUTNAM'S* of New York. *Dawson Bros., Montreal*. Price \$1.50.

THE MISSIONS' ATLAS, by *Rev. S. Vahl*, of Copenhagen, Part No. III., contains six well executed maps of America and the West Indies. The accompanying volume of 376 pages—descriptive, historical and statistical, from what we know of the author, must be very valuable, but, unfortunately for us, it is written in an unknown tongue. Both it and the maps, however, shall have a place of honor in the College Library.

FROM ACCADIA TO MACHPELAH, or "The Homes and Journeyings of Abraham," by *Rev. J. M. Thompson*; and FLOWER TALKS, by *Ella Rodman Church*, are two of the latest additions to the publications of the PRESBYTERIAN BOARD, PHILADELPHIA; both admirable books for the S. S. Library, price, \$1.15. For catalogues of the numerous valuable books of the Board, apply to *WM. DRYSDALE & Co., Montreal*. Also, *McGregor & McKnight, Halifax MAGAZINES*. The current number of *The British and Evangelical Review*, is a good one: *James Bain & Son, Toronto*; price, \$2 per annum. THE HOMILETIC REVIEW: *Funk & Wagnalls*, New York; and THE PULPIT TREASURY: *E. B. Treat, New York*. Both of these excellent monthlies have been received; and along with them a, to us, new candidate for public favor, THE ENGLISH PULPIT OF TO-DAY: a monthly magazine of sermons, by the best preachers in England: *Fords, Howard & Hulbert, New York*. Prices to clergymen, only \$1 per annum. Also, *Dr. Pentecost's* sprightly *Words and Weapons*; \$1.00 yearly.

WORKING FOR THE CHILDREN, by *Rev. James A. R. Dickson, B.A.*, of Galt. *Toronto: S. R. Briggs—The Willard Tract Depository*; price, 25 cents. This is an admirable manual for Parents and Teachers, and cannot but be helpful toward the right training of the young.

MISSIONARY work in Polynesia was only really begun about fifty or seventy years ago, and yet there are now 274 ordained ministers on these islands. In addition to the 274 ordained pastors there are 632 native unordained pastors, and there are 29,000 church members. These churches, instead of being a burden to the London Missionary Society, last year sent them £5,089.

A Page for the Young.

BE KIND.

An angry word, but faintly heard,
 May do a deal of harm;
 But thoughts refined and accents kind
 Will ever lend a charm.
 An angry deed can never breed
 But angry deeds again;
 But loving acts are telling facts,
 Which never prove in vain.

TOO LATE.

A story is told as authentic of a young man in the Highlands of Scotland who became a drunkard, a gambler, and in the expressive Scotch phrase, "a ne'er-do-weel." His father owned a small farm which had been in the family for two hundred years. But to save Jock from the consequences of his misdoing, he was obliged to mortgage it, far beyond the possibility of redemption.

The old man sank under the disgrace and misery, and died, leaving his wife, two or three children, and worthless Jock. But the shock of his death brought the boy to his senses. He forswore cards and whiskey, came home, and turned in to hard work. He toiled steadily for years. At last his mother was "struck with death."

Jock, now a middle-aged, grizzled farmer, stern and grave, was sent for in haste. He stood in silence by her death-bed a moment, and then broke forth:—

"Mither! mither! oor ye see feyther there, tell him the farm's oor ain agen. An' it's a recht wi' me!"

The story reminds us of Dr. Johnson, who came, when he was an old man of seventy, to stand in the market-place of Uttoxeter, his grey head bare to the pelting rain, in bitter remembrance of some act of disobedience to his father on that spot when he was a boy.

But of what avail are these tears or acts of atonement when the old father or mother whom we have hurt and slighted so cruelly is dead? Do they see? Do they forgive? Who can say?

"It is only," said a mother, lately, "since my own children speak to me with rudeness and contempt that I understand how great the debt was which I owed to my own mother, and how poorly I paid it."

Many a gay girl who reads these words, who treats her mother as a member of the family, who does the work of a servant without a servant's wages, or a lad who flings about the money which his old father is fast spending his feeble life to earn, will waken some day to utter their remorse in an exceedingly bitter cry, to which, alas, there can come no answer!

WHAT GOD SAYS OF MY SINS IF I TRUST IN JESUS.

Blotted out.....Isa. xliii. 25
 Borne by another.....1 Pet. ii. 24
 Cast behind God's back.....Isa. xxxviii. 17
 Cast into the depths of the sea.... Mic. vii. 19
 Covered.....Rom. iv. 7
 Finished.....Dan. ix. 24
 Forgiven.....Col. ii. 13
 Made an end of.....Dan. ix. 24
 Not beheld.....Num. xxiii. 21
 Not imputed.....Rom. iv. 8
 Not remembered.....Heb. viii. 12
 Pardoned.....Mic. vii. 18
 Passed away.....Zech. iii. 4
 Purged.....Heb. i. 3
 Put away.....Heb. ix. 26
 Remitted.....Acts x. 43
 Removed.....Psa. ciii. 12
 Subdued.....Mic. vii. 19
 Sought for and not found.....Jer. 50. 20
 Washed away with blood.....1 John i. 7
 Taken away.....Isa. vi. 7

HOW TO BECOME HAPPY.

Many young persons are ever thinking over some new way of adding to their pleasures. They always look for chances for more "fun," more joy.

Once there was a wealthy and powerful king, full of care and very unhappy. He heard of a man famed for his wisdom and piety, and found him in a cave on the borders of a wilderness.

"Holy man," said the king, "I come to learn how I may become happy."

Without making a reply, the wise man led the king over a rough path until he brought him to a high rock, on the top of which an eagle had built her nest.

"Why has the eagle built her nest yonder?"

"Doubtless," answered the king, "that it may be out of danger."

"Then imitate the bird," said the wise man. "Build thy home in heaven, and thou shalt have peace and happiness."

A SAFE COMPASS.

"Well, my boy, so you are going to try your fortune in the city," said a man to a neighbour's son. "I'll tell you it is a dangerous ocean to launch your bark upon!" "Yes, sir," answered the lad, taking a Bible out of his pocket; "But, you see, I've got a safe compass to steer by."

An eccentric minister, stepping one day into the shop of one of his parishioners, asked abruptly, without even waiting for a salutation, "Did you expect me?" "No!" was the reply. "What if I had been death?" he asked; and stepping out, was gone as suddenly as he came in.

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FOREIGN MISSION FUNDS.

Rec'd to 5th March, 1896, \$16459.25; Lucknow St Andrews, 5.00; Kintore, 8.00; Friend, Port Dover, 0.50; L. Marnoch, 2.00; Essa 1st ch, 8.00; Brucefield (Rev John Ross), 60.00; West Adelaide, 6.43; West Adelaide S S, 2.26; Arkona, 2.37; Arkona S S, 1.50; A Friend, Oxford, 5.00; Glenallen, 15.00; Galt Central, 110.00; Mt Pleasant Avenue and Lakevale, 15.00; Beaverton, 24.70; Brook, 5.60; Cornwall Knox, 10.00; Balaklava, 10.00; Innisfil 2d Ch, 30.00; Norwood, 20.00; Toronto, West Ch S S, 35.00; Toronto West Ch S S, 20.00; Scarboro, Chalmers Ch, 20.00; Balderson & Drummond, 35.00; Balderson & Drummond S S, 11.00; Eden Mills, 13.35; Eden Mills S S, 8.35; East Seneca, 5.00; Leaskdale, 8.00; Zephyr, 6.00; Roxborough, Knox Ch, 25.00; Cold Springs, 90.00; Guelph, Chalmers Ch S S, 30.00; Sarmia S S, 19.82; Thamesford, 66.50; Oro, Knox Ch, 2.00; Hamilton, Erskine Ch, 25.00; Westwood, 25.00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 3.00; Pinkerton, 5.00; London, St Andrews, 145.00; West Gwillimbury 2d Ch, 30.00; Doon, 4.25; Vernonville, 14.00; Richmond & Stittsville, 12.00; Neepawa, N W I, 5.00; Minesing, 5.00; East Oxford, St Andrews, 22.00; East Oxford, St

Andrews S S, N W Ind, 2.00; Tilbury East, 15.00; Colin Cameron, Iroquois, 30.00; Mrs D A Cameron, Iroquois, 10.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch, 30.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch S S, 15.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch S S, 15.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch, 3.00; Toronto, East Ch, 100.00; Oakville, 20.00; Berlin, St Andrews, 11.00; Dunganon and Port Albert, 15.00; George Williamson, Hagersville, 10.00; East Williams, St Andrews, 28.60; Camden & Tamworth, 5.00; A Friend, Pine River, 20.00; St Ann's, 4.75; Smithville, 2.00; A Friend, Greenbank, 5.00; Gravenhurst, 20.00; Poland & Caldwell's Mills, 8.00; Cardinal, 15.00; Mainsville, 5.00; Nissourai, South, 12.00; Nissourai, North, 6.00; Vaughan, Knox Ch, 42.00; Vaughan, Knox Ch S S, 13.00; Bolton, Cayen Ch, 42.00; Ridgerville, 68.00; Kingston, Chalmers Ch, 5.00; Ailsa Craig, 16.35; Carlisle, 18.58; Carleton & Franktown, 15.00; Moore Line, 20.00; Brookdale, 11.00; East Zorra, Burns Ch, 17.00; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 20.00; A Friend's first fruits, 2.60; Mt Pleasant Omscoe & Lakevale, 5.00; West Bentinck, 3.48; North Delaware, 3.25; South Delaware, 1.50; North Street Ch, 0.50; Blenheim, St Andrews, 14.00; Walkerton, 1.00; Saltfleet, Cheyne Ch, 20.00; Binbrook, 25.00; Ottawa, St Andrews S S, 20.00; Ottawa, St Andrews S S, 30.00; Moore, Knox Ch, 6.30; Sydenham, Knox Ch, 4.00; Lakefield S S, 40.00; Belgrave, 6.00; J H Moore, Mildmay, 2.00; Dunwich, Duff Ch, 20.00; Ripley, 9.00; Center Bruce, 3.50; West Winchester, 30.00; Townline, 2.00; Toronto, College St Ch S S, 20.00; Toronto, College St Ch S S, 25.45; Toronto, College St Ch S S, 25.00; Kincardine Twp Chalmers Ch S S, 1.35; L'Original, 4.50; Hawkesbury, 3.50; Hawkesbury S S, 3.50; Stayner, 10.00; Sunnidale, 3.00; Toronto, Erskine Ch, 100.00; South Mara, 6.75; Cambry, 3.00; Oakwood, 5.75; Hawkesville, 0.60; Linwood, 0.57; St Sylvester and Lower Leeds, 4.00; Colborne, 14.00; Rosemont and Mulmur, 14.00; Shelburne, 30.00; Primrose, 15.00; Lady Campbellville, 10.00; A Friend, Osgood Congr, Vernon, 5.00; Corunna, 5.08; Woodbridge, 20.00; Weston, 15.00; Jarvis, 40.00; Walpole, 20.00; Springville and Bethany, 5.80; Chatham, Tp Chalmers Ch, 15.00; Dunblane, 14.00; Alma, 11.00; Alma S S, 7.85; Berwick, 11.50; Cobourg, 25.00; Danville, 10.00; Tiverton, 17.50; N. M. Tiverton, an offering to the Lord, 2.50; Hibbert, 25.00; Baltimore, 35.50; Hampstead, 23.60; Palmerston, Knox Ch, S S, 20.00; Lansdowne, 2.95; Fairfax, 1.80; Sand Bay, 3.05; Mrs McMaster, Knox Ch, Palmerston, 10.00; Niagara, St Andrews, 7.25; Clinton, 34.00; Bethesda, 15.00; Missionary Mite Box, 5.00; Stouffville, 10.00; Normanby, Knox, 6.24; Zephyr, 4.00; Quebec, St Andrews, 35.00; Essex Centre, 2.50; Duart and Highgate, 5.00; Chiselhurst, 9.75; Mount Forest, 30.00; W Brant, 17.00; West Brant S S, 3.00; Brooklin, 15.00; Alnwick, S S; Lancaster, Knox Ch, 30.10; Hillsdale and Elmvale, 17.50; Gorrie, 5.25; Fordwich, 14.00; Fordwich S S, 5.00; Montreal St Paul's S S, 30.00; Edmondville, 20.00; West Flamboro, 20.00; Alliston, 6.00; Carluke, 5.00; Tavistock,

12.95; Latona, 15.00; Wroxeter S S, 16.00; Duntroon, 5.00; Duntroon S S, 2.21; West Church, 5.00; St Andrews Ch, 3.00; West King and Lasky, 28.00; Milton, 10.00; Midland, 12.50; Monkton, 9.10; Uptergrove, 5.00; Brockville 1st Ch, 48.55; Dresden, 10.00; Bequest of J T McRae, Corrwall, 110.25; Ethel, 4.00; Bequest of Miss Margaret Kerr, Montreal, 25.00; Kinross's Mills, 46.39; Montreal, St Joseph St S S, 25.00; Montreal, St Joseph St S S, 4.00; Huntingdon, St Andrews, 30.00; St Louis de Gonzague, 17.00; 1-10 of Young Man's Saving, English River, 1.24; South Mountain, 7.00; English River & Howick, 18.75; Montreal, Knox Ch S S, 50.00; Montreal, St Mark S S, 10.00; A Friend, Montreal, 2.00; Arnprior, 100.00; Cumberland, 24.00; Lobo & North Caradoc S S, 38.00; Amherst Island, 8.00; Watford, 20.00; Burlington, 22.25; Woodstock, Knox Ch, 75.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch S S, 30.00; Bradford, 35.00; Millbrook, 25.00; Millbrook S S, 9.00; Centreville, 30.00; Lakeport and Colborne, 5.00; Richmond Hill, 10.00; Thornhill, 10.00; Chatham, St Andrews, 25.00; Acton, 35.00; Brockville, St John's, 10.00; Utica, 3.00; Arr, Knox Ch, 92.45; Tottenham, Fraser Ch, 10.00; Caledon, Knox Ch, 10.00; Honeywood, 3.00; West Gwillimbury, 1st Ch, 25.00; Berne, 9.00; Leamington, 1.00; Campbell's Settlement, 1.50; Matilda, 2.00; London, 1st Ch S S, 50.00; South Gloucester, 30.00; North Bruce and St Andrews Saugeen, 42.80; Denham, 26.32; Heckston, 6.00; Port Dover, 18.00; Wendigo, 15.00; Dunville, Knox Ch, 6.00; Dunville, Knox Ch S S, 2.60; Dunn's Ch, 4.00; Arr, Stanly St Ch, 100.00; Belmont, 15.00; Bobcaygeon, 18.00; Port Perry, 20.00; Harriston Guthrie Ch, 5.00; Wallace town, 3.00; Milverton, 28.00; North Mornington, 25.38; Midhurst, 1.00; Craighurst, 2.00; Ridgerton, 8.00; A Friend, Kirkwall, 1.00; Mrs. A. Sutherland, Dorchester Sta, 4.00; Rocky Saugeen, 6.00; Wallaceburg & Calvin Ch, 16.00; John Footo, Weston, 20.00; South Kinloss, 10.00; Glencoe, 10.00; Wick, 40.00; Alton, 5.00; Glamis, 5.00; Campbellford, 20.00; Brockville, St John's, 10.00; Cannington, 7.00; Vittoria, 8.00; Fairbairn, 6.00; Foversham, 10.00; McIntyre, 3.00; Maxwell, 3.00; Alexandria, 10.00; Port Elgin, 39.00; Port Elgin S S, 2.00; Craigville, 10.00; Aylmer, 1.00; Aylmer S S, 7.16; Little Britain & Selkirk, 3.00; Price's Corners, 5.00; Kingsbury, 15.00; Hyndman, 7.00; Toronto, St Andrews, 25.00; Glenarm, 12.57; Hamilton, McNab St Ch, 145.00; Cedarville & Esplin, 7.00; Georgetown, 30.00; Limohouse, 15.00; Toronto, East Ch S S, 30.00; Dundee, 20.00; Princeton, 3.00; Meaford, 21.00; Markham, St John's, 22.00; Moore, Burns Ch, 20.00; North Gower & Wellington, 10.00; Cantley & Portland, 5.00; Port Dover S S, 10.00; Chater, N W Indians, 12.00; A Friend, London, 3.00; Innerkip, Formosa, 5.00; Dunwich, Chalmers Ch, 20.00; Kildonan, 15.00; Woodville, 50.86; Montreal, St Paul's, 620.00; Brandon, 24.00; Newmarket S S, 10.00. —Total, 22,491.08.

COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 5th Mar. '86, \$4784.93; Lucknow, St Andrew's, 5 00; Kintore, 4 00; Essa, 1st Ch, 8 00; West Adelaide, 5 00; Arkona, 2 00; Toronto, Collego et Ch B Class, 2 55; Glenallan, 9 00; Galt, Central Ch, 135 00; Mt Pleasant, Omameca and Lakowale, 10 00; Beaverton, 11 45; Innisfil, 2nd Ch, 25 00; Norwood, 14 00; Balderson and Drummond, 17 00; Balderson and Drummond S S, 6 00; East Seneca, 5 00; Leuskdale, 12 00; Zephyr, 4 00; Coldspings, 25 00; Thamesford, 25 15; Hamilton, Erskine Ch, 15 00; Mattawa, 4 00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 2 00; London, St Andrew's, 100 00; West Guilimbury, 2nd Ch, 15 00; Hamilton, Knox Ch, 35 00; Hamilton, Knox Ch SS, 13 00; Scarborough, St Andrew's, 16 00; Vernonville, 8 00; Essex Centre, 1 50; Richmond and Stutsville, 6 00; Minesing, 1 00; East Oxford, St Andrews, 8 00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch, 10 00; Toronto, East Ch, 25 00; Oakville, 20 00; Berlin, St Andrew's, 7 00; East William, St Andrew's, 1 10; A Friend, Greenbank, 2 00; Gravenhurst, 5 00; Cardinal, 10 00; Mainsville, 2 00; Nissouri South, 2 00; Nissouri North, 2 00; Vaughan, Knox Ch, 30 00; Bolton, Cayen Ch, 17 00; Carlisle, 5 19; Lakefield and North Smith, 15 00; Brooksdale, 4 00; East Zorra, Burns Ch, 6 00; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 10 00; North Delaware, 2 10; North St Ch, 0 25; Bleenheim, St Andrew's, 8 00; Saltfleet, Cheyne, 6 00; Binbrook, 7 00; Sydenham, Knox Ch, 4 00; North Normanby, 1 00; West Winchester, 15 00; Townline, 4 00; Stayner, 5 00; Sunnidale, 2 00; Kippew, St Andrv, 3 00; Toronto, Erskine Ch, 100 00; Hawkesville, 2 00; Linwood, 0 57; Pinkerton, 0 71; Colborne, 8 00; Rosemont and Mulmur, 7 00; Shelburne, 15 00; Primrose, 13 00; Dundas, 41 00; Woodbridge, 7 00; Jarvis, 12 00; Walpole, 8 00; Alma, 9 00; Cobourg, 35 00; Tiverton, 15 00; Baltimore, 15 00; Lansdowne, 0 75; Niagara, St Andrew's, 3 50; Stouffville, 4 00; Duart and Highgate, 5 00; Chishurst, 3 61; West Brant, 4 00; Hillsburg, 3 21; Hillsdale and Elmvalo, 16 50; Fordwich, 4 00; West Flamboro, 30 00; Amherstburg, 5 76; Alliston, 6 00; Carluke, 5 00; Peterborough, St Paul's, 53 00; Toronto, Old St Andrew's, 50 00; Tavistock, 3 00; Latona, 14 35; Midland, 5 00; Monkton, 2 00; Uptergrove, 3 00; Brockville, 1st Ch, 3 50; Osgoode, 5 69; Ethel, 3 00; Arnprior, 25 00; Burlington, 10 00; Woodstock, Knox Ch, 50 00; Bradford, 25 00; Millbrook, 8 00; Centreville, 10 00; Lakeport and Colborne, 2 00; Pa' merston, Knox Ch, 12 45; Chatham, St Andrew's, 25 00; Acton, 20 00; Caledonia, Knox Ch, 10 00; Utica, 2 25; Honeywood, 3 00; Blytheswood, 2 00; Campbell Settlement, 1 00; South Gloucester, 10 00; North Bruce and St Andrews, Saugeen, 10 55; Durham, 8 37; Port Dover, 15 00; Dunns Ch, 3 00; Belmont, 15 00; Pori Perry, 11 66; Harriston, Guthrie Ch, 5 00; Wallacetown, 2 00; Milverton, 10 50; North Mornington, 9 50; Craighurst, 1 00; Ridgetown, 14 00; Rocky Saugeen, 6 00; Wallaceburg, 16 00; South Kinloss, 3 50; Glencoe, 5 00; Altona, 5 00; Glamis, 4 00; Cambridgeford, 20 00; Cannington, 10 00; Vittoria, 6 00; Alexandria, 10 00;

Port Elgin, 6 00; Aylmer, 4 00; Price's Corners, 3 00; McKillop, Duff Ch, 10 00; Wintworth, Cayen Ch, 10 00; Hamilton, McNab st Ch, 100 00; Cedarville and Espin, 7 00; Toronto, East Ch S S, 22 00; Princeton, 3 00; Meaford, 7 00; Cantley and Portland, 10 00.—Total \$6,710 86.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Received to 5th Mar., 1886, \$2,533.30.—Lucknow, St Andrew's, 2 00; Z Marnoch, 1 00; Essa, 1st Ch, 3 00; Lion's Head and stations, 1 00; Glenallan, 3 50; Galt, Central Ch, 20 10; Beaverton, 9 54; Innisfil, 2nd Ch, 18 00; Norwood, 14 00; Toronto, West Ch S S, 15 00; Scarborough, Chalmers' Ch, 5 00; Balderson & Drummond, 4 00; Balderson and Drummond S S, 1 00; Glenarm, 4 00; Leaskdale, 3 00; Zephyr, 2 00; Coldspings, 10 00; Thamesford, 10 85; Hamalton, Erskine Ch, 8 00; Pino River, 5 00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 2 00; Caledonia, Sutherland st, 10 00; West Gwillimburg, 2nd Ch, 4 00; Vernonville, 4 00; Essex Centre, 3 00; Minesing, 3 00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch, 7 00; Toronto, East Ch, 10 00; Oakville, 8 00; Berlin, St Andrew's, 5 00; East Williams, St Andrew's, 9 85; A Friend, Greenbank, 1 00; Gravenhurst, 4 00; Poland and Caldwell's Mills, 2 10; Cardinal, 7 50; Mainsville, 1 50; Nissouri, South, 3 00; Nissouri, North, 2 00; Kingston, Chalmers' Ch, 36 50; Lakefield & North Smith, 15 00; Brooksdale, 6 00; East Zorra, Burns Ch, 4 00; Saltfleet Cheyne, 6 00; Binbrook, 7 00; Sydenham, Knox Ch, 3 00; N Normanby, 1 00; Belgrave, 3 00; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 5 00; West Bentinck, 0 22; North Delaware, 3 25; South Delaware, 1 50; North Street Ch, 0 50; Bayfield Road, 5 00; West Winchester, 10 00; Townline, 2 00; Kingsbury and Brampton, 7 00; Stayner, 4 00; Sunnidale, 1 00; South Mara, 2 75; Hawkesville, 0 60; Linwood, 0 57; Colborne, 4 50; Rosemont and Mulmur, 7 00; Shelburne, 5 00; Primrose, 3 00; Dundas, 10 00; Woodbridge, 3 00; Alma, 6 10; Cobourg, 15 00; Baltimore, 10 25; Lansdowne, 0 60; Fairfax, 0 55; Sand Bay, 1 33; Niagara, St Andrew's, 6 00; Bethesda, 6 48; Quebec, St Andrew's, 15 00; Duart and Highgate, 4 00; Mount Forest, 5 30; West Brant, 6 55; Aluwick, 2 00; Hastings, 6 60; Hillsburg, 2 00; Hillsdale and Elmvalo, 7 25; Fordwich, 2 00; Ermondville, 9 00; West Flamboro, 10 00; A Friend, 5 00; Carluke, 4 60; Midland, 2 00; Monkton, 2 00; Brockville, 1st Ch, 8 85; Osgoode, 2 00; English River and Howick, 6 00; Montreal, St Mark's Ch, 5 00; Amherst Island, 3 00; Watford, 7 56; Lakesborough, 2 00; Burlington, 5 00; Bradford, 6 10; Millbrook, 4 16; Centreville, 6 22; Lakeport and Colborne, 2 00; Richmond Hill, 3 00; Thornhill, 3 00; Chatham, St Andrew's, 8 00; Acton, 10 00; Caledonia, Knox Ch, 5 00; Honeywood, 2 00; Leamington, 1 00; Blytheswood, 1 00; South Gloucester, 4 00; North Bruce and St Andrew's, Saugeen, 6 73; Durham, 6 70; Ventnor, 7 00; Dunn's Ch, 2 00; Ayr, Stanley st Ch, 24 19; Belmont, 5 00; Harriston, Guthrie Ch, 1 15; Wallacetown, 4 00; Midhurst, 1 00; Craighurst, 79 00; Ridgetown, 8 00; Wallace-

burg and Calvin Ch, 7 00; Pinkerton, 1 90; Glencoe, 6 50; Wick, 8 00; Alton, 2 00; Cannington, 3 10; Feversham, 1 00; McIntyre, 1 00; Alexandria, 5 00; Port Elgin, 4 00; Craiguval, 10 00; Aylmer, 4 50; Little Britain and Selkirk, 2 00; Price's Corners, 3 00; Hendman, 2 50; Three Rivers, 3 00; Cedarville and Espin, 4 00; Georgetown, 4 00; Limahouse, 3 00; Princeton, 2 00; Meaford, 6 00; Chator, 5 00; Kildonan, 7 30; Vaughan, Knox Ch, 7 50; Bolton, Cayen Ch, 7 00.—Total, \$3,318 60.

Ministers' Taxes.—Received to 5th March, 1886, \$1,577 50.—Rova D L McCrae, 8 00; T Wilson, 10 00; T Fenwick, 8 00; D G Cameron, 8 00; W P Walker, 8 00; P Scout, 12 00; W Hodnett, 5 00; Andersn, 8 00; J Hastie, 5 00; J M Macalister, 8 00; Alex McLenan, 8 00; Thos Scouler, 8 00; R L Fraser, 2 yrs, 16 00; J R S Burnett, 8 00; Jas Cameron, 8 00; Wm McConnell, 8 00; John Ross, 5 00; Jas Gourlay, 8 00; W D Ballantyne, 2 yrs, 16 00; George Gray, 8 00.—Total, \$1,969 50.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

(Correction in last Record. Instead of \$100 read—Rev John Dunbar, Toronto, \$120.)

Received to 5th Mar, 1886, \$7,336.40.—Lucknow, St Andrew's, 5 00; Kintore, 4 25; Z Marnoch, 1 00; Essa, 1st Ch, 6 00; West Adelaide, 7 00; Arkona, 3 10; Lion's Head and Station, 4 00; Glenallan, 5 00; Galt, Central Ch, 20 00; Mount Pleasant, Omameca, and Lakowale, 12 00; Balaklava, 4 00; Innisfil, 2nd Ch, 12 00; Norwood, 10 00; Moore, Burns Ch, 10 00; Toronto, West Ch S S, 10 00; Scarborough, Chalmers' Ch, 5 00; Balderson & Drummond S S, 3 00; Balderson and Drummond S S, 3 00; Leaskdale, 10 00; Zephyr, 6 00; Roxborough, Knox Ch, 2 50; Coldspings, 20 00; Meis Road, Warwick, 5 00; Thamesford, 13 50; Oro, Knox Ch, 2 00; Hamilton, Erskine Ch, 7 00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 2 00; Caledonia, Sutherland st, 20 00; London, St Andrew's, 50 00; Lanark, St Andrew's, 10 00; West Gwillimbury, 2nd, 6 00; Vernonville, 6 00; Essex Centre, 5 50; Rev Thos Fenwick, 1 00; East Oxford, St Andrew's, 3 00; Tilbury, East, 7 10; Morrisburg, Knox Ch, 7 00; Toronto, East Ch, 15 01; Oakville, 14 00; Berlin, St Andrew's, 5 00; Minesing, 15 00; East William, St Andrew's, 22 46; St Ann's, 3 35; A Friend, Greenbank, 2 00; Gravenhurst, 15 00; Poland and Caldwell's Mills, 2 00; Cardinal, 7 50; Mainsville, 1 50; Nissouri, South, 2 00; Nissouri, North, 2 00; Hamilton, McNab street Ch, 46 48; Kingston, Chalmers' Ch, 36 25; West Gwillimbury, 1st Ch, 6 33; Carleton and Franktown, 5 00; Lakefield and North Smith, 20 00; Brooksdale, 2 00; East Zorra, Burns' Ch, 6 10; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 10 00; West Bentinck, 0 35; North Delaware, 2 00; North st Ch, 0 25; Bleenheim, St Andrew's, 2 00; Saltfleet, Cheyne, 6 00; Binbrook, 7 00; Sydenham, Knox Ch, 3 00; Boigrave, 2 50; West Winchester, 15 00; Townline, 10 00; Quebec, Chalmers' Ch, 50 00; Stayner, 10 00; Sunnidale, 4 00; Toronto, Erskine Ch, 50 00; South Mara, 2 75; Cambray, 4 00; Oakwood, 2 00; Hawkesville, 0 60; Linwood,

0.57; Pinkerton, 1.10; Colborne, 4.00; Rosemont and Mulmur, 7.00; Sholburn, 7.00; Primrose, 3.00; Moss, Burn's Ch., 8.00; Dundas, 10.00; Woodbridge, 5.00; Jarvis, 8.00; Walpole, 9.50; Springville, 4.00; Bethany, 9.50; Alma, 7.00; Cobourg, 15.00; A. Friend, per C Blacket Robinson, 20.00; Tiverton, 5.00; Baltimore, 10.50; Lansdowne, 9.50; Fairfax, 10.00; Sand Bay, 35.00; Niagara, St. Andrew's, 9.50; Bethesda, 6.00; Stouffville, 5.00; Quebec, St. Andrew's, 15.00; Duart and Highgate, 7.00; Mount Forest, 6.00; West Brant, 5.30; Alnwick, 2.00; Hastings, 10.00; Hillsburg, 2.50; Hillsdale and Elmvalc, 7.25; Gorrie, 2.75; Fordwich, 2.00; Egmondville, 20.00; West Flamboro, 10.00; Unover, 3.00; Alliston, 10.00; Carluke, 4.00; Duntroon, 3.00; West church, 7.00; St. Andrew's, 1.00; West King and Laskay, 7.00; Midland, 3.00; Monkton, 2.00; McGillivray, 3.00; Brockville, 1st Ch., 8.85; Osgoode, 4.00; Montreal, St. Joseph st S S, 10.00; St. Louis de Gonzague, 6.00; South Mountain, 2.00; English River and Howick, 4.00; Indian Lands, 10.00; Milton, Knox Ch., 5.00; Montreal, St. Mark's Ch., 6.00; Arnprior, 15.00; Amherst Island, 5.00; Watford, 11.60; Londesborough, 3.00; Burlington, 5.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch., 40.00; Bradford, 7.00; Millbrook, 7.60; Centreville, 8.00; Lakeport and Colborne, 2.00; Richmond Hill, 4.00; Thornhill, 4.00; Chatham, St. Andrew's, 10.00; Acton, 10.00; Caledon, Knox Ch., 10.00; Honeywood, 2.00; West Gwillimbury, 1st Ch., 3.98; Leamington, 1.00; Blytheswood, 1.00; Campbell Settlement, 1.00; Matilda, 4.00; London, 1st Ch. S S, 30.00; South Gloucester, 4.00; North Bruce and St. Andrew's, Saugeen, 12.05; Durham, 6.85; Ventnor, 7.00; Dunn's Ch., 4.00; Ayr, Stanley st Ch., 25.00; Belmont, 5.00; Port Perry, 15.00; Harrison, Guthrie Ch., 2.00; Wallace town, 4.00; Milverton, 3.00; Midhurst, 4.00; Craighurst, 5.00; Ridgetown, 8.00; Wallaceburg and Calvin Ch., 7.00; Finkerton, 3.10; Glencoe, 8.00; Wick, 8.00; Alton, 3.00; Campbellford, 12.00; Brockville, St. John's, 7.00; Cannington, 6.00; Feversham, 1.00; McIntyre, 1.00; Maxwell, 1.96; Port Elgin, 9.00; Craigvale, 10.00; Aylmer, 5.60; Little Britain and Seikur, 2.00; Price's Corners, 3.00; Kingsbury, 8.00; Hyndman, 2.50; Alexandria, 6.00; Toronto, St. Andrew's, 25.00; McKillop, Duff Ch., 8.00; Winthrop, Caven Ch., 8.00; Three Rivers, 3.00; Cedarville and Esplan, 5.00; Georgetown, 10.00; Limehouse, 5.00; North Gower and Wellington, 5.82; Dundee, 8.00; Princeton, 3.00; Meaford, 8.00; Rev John McFarlane, Pine River, 30.00; Chater, 4.00; Markham, St. Andrew's, 8.00.—Total, \$7,376.22.

Ministers' Rates.—Received to 5th March, 1886, \$1,671.30.—Revs D L McCrac, 4 yrs, 23.00; T Wilson, 3.50; D McLeod, 7.00; D B Cameron, 4.00; J M Munro, 4.00; J Ewing, 4.00; W P Walker, 3.50; T Wardrope, D D, 2 yrs, 14.00; P Scott, 4.00; W Hodnett, 4.00; Evan Macaulay, 3.75; John Stewart, 5 yrs, 10.00; J. Anderson, 4.00; J M Macalister, 4.00; Alex McLennan, 3.50; J A Murray, 10.00; R D Eraser, 2 yrs, 9.00; J R S Burnett,

3.75; James Patterson, 2 yrs, 10.00; James Cameron, 4.50; D B Moulac, 15.00; John Ross, 4.50; J Gourlay, 4.00; Wm McConnell, 2 yrs, 7.00; George Craw, 3.75; James Stuart, Prescott, 25.00; James McLroy, 4 yrs, 12.00.—Total, \$1,876.65.

STIPEND AUGMENTATION FUND.

Received to 5th March, 1886, \$12,054.03; Lucknow St. Andrew's Ch., 10.00; Kintore, 21.00; "Z," Mar-noch, 2.00; Leas Road, 4.27; Essa, 1st Church, 12.00; Lingwick, 13.00; Townline, 5.00; West Adelaide, 9.00; Arkona, 5.00; Clear Springs, 2.50; Plymton South, 7.50; Fort St. Andrew's Ch., 24.00; Toronto Col-lege-st Bible Class, 9.00; Glenallan, 15.00; Balaklava, 7.00; Streetsville, 80.00; Balderson and Drummond, 23.00; Balderson and Drummond S S, 9.00; East Seneca, 20.00; Leas-dale, 24.00; Zephyr, 15.00; Roxbor-ough, Knox Ch., 10.00; Coldsprings, 39.00; Brantford, Zion Ch., 200.00; Thamesford, 56.25; Ottawa, Bank-st. Ch., 74.00; East Gloucester, 35.00; Oro, Knox Ch., 10.00; Elma Centre, 8.00; Hamiton, Erskine Ch., 50.00; White Lake, 15.00; Nichol, Zion Ch., 2.00; Caledonia, Sutherland-st Ch., 10.00; London, St. Andrew's Church, 100.00; West Gwillimbury, 2nd Ch., 20.00; Beverly, 19.00; Hamilton, Knox Ch., 120.00; Hamilton, Knox Ch S S, 20.00; Fenelon Falls, 17.00; Springville and Bethany, 21.00; Wa-terdown, 15.00; Ernestown and Bath, 2.00; Grafton, 23.00; Leamington, 10.00; Blytheswood, 10.00; Campbell Settlement, 5.00; Essex Centre, 6.00; Lanside, 10.00; Richmond and Stittville, 16.00; Goderich, Knox Ch., 45.00; Neepawa, 25.00; Dungan-son and Port Albert, 30.00; East Oxford, St. Andrew's Ch., 9.00; Mar-ringhurst, &c., 10.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch., 49.00; Oakville, 30.00; Ber-lin, St. Andrew's Ch., 8.00; East Wil-iams, St. Andrew's Ch., 36.50; Cam-den and Tamworth, 35.00; Graven-hurst, 20.00; Poland and Caldwell's Mills, 4.00; Cardinal, 15.00; Mains-ville, 6.00; Nissouri South, 2.00; Nissouri North, 2.00; Hamilton, McNab-st Ch., 205.25; Belleville, St. Andrew's Ch., 80.60; Manchester, 5.00; Smith Hill, 5.00; Brookdale, 3.00; East Zorra, Burns Ch., 6.00; Beckwith, Knox Ch., 5.00; Mark-ham, St. John's Ch., 12.75; Pittsburg, St. John's Ch., 10.00; West Bentinck, 7.37; Saltcreek, 10.00; Binbrook, 10.00; Moore, Knox Ch., 4.00; Syd-ensham, 10.00; Belgrave, 27.00; A Friend, Woodford, 1.00; West Win-chester, 15.00; Townline, 7.60; Beachburg and Front Westmeath, 12.00; Quebec, Chalmers Ch., 1.25; Kingsbury and Brampton, 8.00; Stayner, 24.00; Sunnidale, 10.00; Toronto, Erskine Ch., 120.00; Cain-bray, 3.00; Admaston, 15.00; Lin-wood, 1.00; Stonewall, 3.10; Rock-wood, 3.15; Grassmere, 2.25; Mc-Intosh, 9.51; Belmore, 6.27; St. Syl-vester and Lower Leeds, 20.00; Col-borne, 13.00; Shelburne, 19.00; Cor-uma, 6.00; Dundas, 46.60; Scarboro-rough, St. Andrew's Church, 50.00; Weston, 10.00; Rosemont and Mulmur, 20.00; Jarvis, 24.00; Walpole, 20.00; Alma, 8.00; Toronto, Charles-st. Ch., 20.00; Cobourg, 100.55; Danville, 16.00; Oaklands, 8.00; Burnside,

25.35; Three Rivers, 30.00; Geor-getown, 30.00; Limehouse, 5.00; Lis-er-ton, 6.00; Baltimore, 25.00; Lan-sdowne, 10.00; Fairfax, 6.00; Sand Bay, 3.20; Clinton, 115.00; Stouff-ville, 15.00; Motia, 10.00; Quebec, St. Andrew's Ch., 125.00; Richmond, 21.00; Duart and Highgate, 12.00; Summerstown, 21.00; Carleton, 5.00; Mount Forest, 30.00; West Brant, 1.00; Alnwick, 2.00; Williamstown, St. Andrew's Ch., 56.00; Hillsburg, 3.64; Egmondville, 10.00; Cypress, Mission, 10.00; West Flamboro, 40.00; Harwich, 25.00; Ivy, 7.60; John Lindsay, Sr, Limehouse, 5.00; Alliston, 15.50; Carluke, 10.00; Tor-onto, Old St. Andrew's Ch., 600.00; Tavistock, 8.00; Park Hill, 11.00; Brucebridge, 15.00; Winslow, 7.00; West King and Laskay, 46.00; Mil-ton, Knox Ch., 25.40; Midland, 17.00; Monkton, 4.00; Uptergrove, 4.00; Brockville, 1st Ch., 33.42; Osgoode, 5.00; Ethel, 1.00; Huntugd-n, St. Andrew's Ch., 26.70; St. Hyacinthe, 7.00; Montreal, St. Joseph-st S S, 30.00; Rockburn and Gore, 4.00; Harrington and Arundel, 10.00; Grande Freniere, 25.00; Lachute, Henry's Ch., 6.00; Laguerre, 15.00; Garden Hill and Knoxville, 10.00; South Mountain, 2.00; English River and Howick, 13.00; New Glasgow, 3.00; Dundee, 70.00; Colquhoun, 20.00; Athelstane, 10.00; Montreal, St. Gabriel-st Ch., 87.00; M. n. reat, St. Mark's Ch., 30.00; McGillivray, 3.00; London, King-st. East, 13.00; St. Mary's, 1st Ch., 12.20; Arnprior, 100.00; Proof Lane, 8.00; Amherst Island, 10.00; Watford, 6.44; Tor-onto, Charles st Ch., 76.00; Wood-stock, Knox Ch., 131.72; Braddord, 18.00; Winterbourne, 2.00; Lake-pond and Colborne, 00; Richmond Hill, 20.00; Thornhill, 10.00; Regi-na, 10.00; Palmerston, Luox Ch., 13.00; Chatham, St. Andrew's Ch., 32.00; Tottenham, 15.00; Caledonia, Knox Ca., 13.00; Honeywood, 4.00; Martintown, St. Andrew's Ch., 12.00; West Gwillimbury, 1st Ch., 25.00; Leamington, 5.00; Blytheswood, 5.00; Campbell Settlement, 2.50; Matilda, 18.00; London, 1st Ch S S, 30.00; Bothwell, 5.00; North Bruce and St. Andrew's, Saugeen, 33.60; Durham, 3.78; Melrose, 25.00; Stay-ner, 1.00; Spencerville, 2.00; Vent-ner, 10.00; Heckston, 6.00; Dun-ville, 3.00; Dunn's Ch., 6.00; Ratho, 10.75; Port Perry, 19.40; Harrison, Guthrie Ch., 10.00; Milverton, 25.20; North Mornington, 22.50; Ridget-own, 40.00; Lion's Head, etc, 5.00; Wallaceburg and Caven Ch., 36.00; 10 per cent of Barrie masonry fields, 27.81; North Pelham, 5.00; South Kintess, 7.50; Campbellford, 30.00; Beckwith, St. John's Ch., 10.00; Cannington, 4.75; Fairbairn, 2.00; Greenbank, 1.05; Feversham, 11.00; McIntyre, 6.33; Maxwell, 2.00; Alexandria, 12.00; Port Elgin, 19.00; Craigvale, 5.00; Aylmer, 4.00; Price's Corners, 3.00; Hynd-man, 7.00; Toronto, St. Andrew's Ch., 100.00; Winthrop, 5.00; Cedar-ville and Esplan, 25.00; Princeton, 5.00; Meaford, 9.00; North Gower and Wellington, 20.00; Cantley and Portland, 3.00; Chater, 27.40; Pary Sound, 15.65; Cypress (Barrie), 1.42; Oxford Mills, 25.00; Innerkip, 1.50; Dunvich, Chalmers Church, 19.00; Vaughan, Knox Ch., 13.00; Bolton, Caven Ch., 24.00; Oak Lake, 7.00. Total, \$17,932.52.

KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

Received to 5th March, 1886, \$30,941.02: W Goodfellow, Albion, 8.00; Millbank, 23.00; Brussels, 78.00; John Woods, Chincagouey, 1st Ch, 24.00; James McCallum, Belgrave, 3.00; North Bruce, 100.50; East Adelaide, 12.00; Dover, 32.00; Hlibert, 29.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch, 20.00; Rev D Bain, Kingston, 4.00; Flamboro', 113.33; Elma Centre, 18.00; West Adelaide, 5.00; Tilbury East, 77.50; Ethel, 15.45; A Govinlock, McKillop, 3.50; Nassagaweya, 38.00; Warwick, 23.00; Bridgen, 24.00; W W Nixon, Walpole, 5.00; Csyuga, 20.00; Hagarsville, 10.00; Oneida, 77.73; Indiana, 4.00; Avonton, 118.50; Glenmorris, 231.00; Andrew Telfor, Toronto, 100.10; Cam-lachie, 19.50; Wm Adamson, Toronto, 25.00; Ravenswood, 73.00; Cranbrook, 28.34; Rev John Morrison, Presto, 5.00; Harwich, 20.00; Sutton, 20.50; Port Dover, 11.67; Bethesda, 15.00; J McCalla, St Catharines, 100.00; Delaware, 33.17; A L Gibson, Wroxeter, 5.00; B Fairly, Guelp, 10.00; Wendigo, 13.00; North Mornington, 10.00; Arkona, 18.73; Wm Muir, Burford, 2.00; Neil Currie, Toronto, 100.00; Woodstock, 5.31; Robert McLean, Toronto, 20.00; L M Livingston, Toronto, 100.00; Thos Bam, M P, Strabane, 50.00; Jas Gibson, Ottawa, 33.33; Wyoming, 3.33; Perth, 16.50; Rev Henry Norris, Glenallan, 5.00; Wendigo, 16.00; Park Hill, 18.50; Mosa, 73.00; Londesborough, 9.00; Fullarton and Avonbank, 6.00; Rev Robt Hamilton, Motherwell, 50.00; South Kintore, 60.00; Erin, 33.50; Vernonville, 17.00; Bethesda, 5.00; Dr Clark, Toronto, 33.33; Brussels, 14.50; Milverton, 18.00; Rev D L McCrae, Cobourg, 10.00; John Gelbert, Beverly, 5.00; Rev J H Ratcliffe, 34.00; Benr Creek, 68.12; Wick, 20.00; D S McFarlane, Clarendon, 16.00; Simcoe, 14.00; Galt, Knox Ch, 121.76; Rev W Cochrane, D D Brantford, 100.00; Port Elgin, 33.95; London, St Andrew's Church, 163.32; Napier, 31.66; Hillsburg, 5.00; Innerkip, 45.00; Ratho, 22.50; J M Clark, Smith's Falls, 50.00; Embro, 292.50; A T Crombie, Toronto, 16.76; Thames Road and Kirkton, 116.64; John Hume, Georgetown, 5.00; D McMurchy, Hillsburg, 10.00; Rothsay, 6.00; Ioloin, 11.00; North Bruce, 17.73; Paisley, 55.00; David Storton, Guelp, 32.66; Rev Dr Wardrope, Guelp, 50.00; Proof Line, 115.50; David Gray, Bridgen, 5.00; Thamesford, 47.00. Total, \$34,746.43.

MANTOBA COLLEGE FUND.

Received to 5th March, 1886, \$1828.70.—"Z" Marnoch, 1.00; Essa, 1st Ch, 2.00; Glenallan, 4.00; Scarborough, Chalmers Ch, 5.00; Balderson and Drummond, 4.00; Balderson and Drummond S S, 2.00; Glenallan, 5.00; Leaskdale, 5.00; Zephyr, 2.25; Roxborough, Knox Church, 6.00; Thamesford, 10.93; Hamilton, Erskine Ch, 10.00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 1.00; Caledonia, Sutherland St, 5.00; Vernonville, 4.00; Tilbury, East, 10.38; Toronto, East Ch, 10.00; Berlin, 2.00; Gravenhurst, 2.00; Toronto, College St Ch, B class, 1.00; Nissouri, South, 1.00; Nissouri, North, 1.00; Vaughan, Knox Ch,

11.00; Bolton, Cayon Ch, 7.00; Lakefield and North Smith, 9.00; Brooksdale, 4.00; East Zorra, Burns Ch, 3.00; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 5.00; West Bentinck, 2.50; Salfiect, Cheyne Ch, 2.00; Binbrook, 2.00; Belgrave, 1.50; West Winchester, 4.00; Townline, 2.00; Quebec, Chalmers Ch, 20.00; Stayner, 5.00; Sunnidale, 2.00; Birtle, 6.00; Hawkswille, 0.60; Colborne, 2.00; Shelburne, 5.00; Primrose, 8.00; Durdas, 10.00; Woodbridge, 4.00; Jarvis, 5.00; Walpole, 4.00; Alma, 2.00; Cobourg, 15.00; Tiverton, 5.00; Clinton, Willis Ch, 10.00; Hillsburg, 4.00; Egmondville, 5.00; West Flamboro, 20.00; Toronto, Old St Andrews, 38.00; Tavistock, 2.00; Midland, 2.00; Monkton, 1.00; Brockville, 1st Ch, 9.00; Arrprior, 15.00; Avonbank, 6.00; Fullarton, 7.00; Lakeport and Colburne, 1.00; Chatham, St Andrews, 10.00; Acton, 19.80; Honeywood, 2.50; North Bruce and St Andrews Saugeen, 6.80; Dunn's Ch, 1.00; Ridge-ton, 2.00; Cannington, 7.00; Kingsburg, 4.50; Hyndman, 2.50; McKillop, Duff Ch, 5.00; Port Elgin, 5.00; Price's Corners, 1.00; Hamilton, McNab St Ch, 20.00; Cedarville and Esplin, 4.00; West Bay, C B N S, 5.00; Georgetown, 5.00; Toronto, East Ch S S, 12.00; Lime-house, 4.00; Princeton, 2.00; Thames Road, 10.00; Kirkton, 10.00.—Total, \$2326.98.

KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Toronto, West Ch S S, \$10.00; Scarborough, Chalmers Ch, 15.00; Belgrave, 1.55; Hampstead, 2.50; Clinton, Willis Ch, 53.50; Bethesda, 10.00; Alnwick, 3.00; Egmondville, 16.50; Rev Robert Hamilton, Meth-erwell, 10.00; Andrew Wilson, Nelson, 5.00; T McCrae, Guelp, 20.00.

KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY DEBT.

John Henderson, Manitou, Man, \$15.00.

CHURCH AND MANSE BUILDING FUND.

William Davidson, Carlingford, \$5.00; Andrew Greenhill, Prescott, 5.00; James Fowler, Morrisburg, 3.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch S S, 15.00; Toronto, Erskine Ch S S, 30.00; Scarborough, St Andrews Ch, 55.00.

KNOX COLLEGE STUDENTS MISS SOC-
Innisfil, 2nd Ch, \$50.00; Toronto, West Ch S S, 15.00; Toronto, Col-lege St Ch S S, 15.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—EREMONGA.

Ottawa, St Andrews S S, \$20.00; Montreal, St Paul's S S, 10.00.

FOREIGN MISSION—NEW HERBIDES AND DAYSFRING.

Sarnia S S, Day Spring, \$35.00; Sarnia S S, New Herbides, 30.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch S S, 10.00; Forest S S, 5.00; Port Elgin S S, 2.00.

WELLAND MISSION.

Mrs J J S, Greenville, \$1.00.

BIBLE SOCIETY.

Hampstead, \$2.00.

REV. C. CHINQUY.

Eadie's Station, \$15 50; A Young Man, Beaverton, 1.00; E R Newmarket, 4.00.

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

Received by Rev. R. H. Warden, Treasurer of the Board, 198 St James St., Montreal, to 7th April, 1886:—

Already acknowledged, \$15,026.50 Per Rev A MacGillivray, 1,129.25 per Rev J Mattheu, 502.25; Brock, 5.00; Omeme, Mt Pleasant and Lakevale, 1.00; Guelp, Chalmers Ch, 20.00; East Seneca, 5.00; Balderson, 23.00; Balderson S Schools, 7.00; Hon D Wark, Fredricton, N B, 5.00; Cold Springs, Ont, 35.00 English River and Howick, 19.25; James McNairst, Buctouche, N B, 3.00; London, St And's, 60.00; Indian Land, 30.00; Kintore, 5.00; Essex Centre, 2.00; Oakville, 15.00; Danville, Q, 7.00; Mooreton, 5.90. Blackheath S S, 3.11; Bequest Miss Baxter, Ellangowan, Scotland, 2,416 6; Belgrave, Knox, 6.40. Brooksdale, 10.00; National Bible Soc of Scotland, 86.01; Jarvis, 24.00; Uptergrove, 3.00; Chatham, 4 ship, Chalmers Ch, 10.00; Tiverton, 13.00; Mrs A Paton, Tiverton, 2.00; Quebec, St Andrews, 40.00; John A Imrie, Toronto, 10.00; A Friend, Montreal, 1.00; Leaskdale, 10.00; Zephyr, 4.00; Athelstan, 10.00. Rev N Macphee, Dalkeith, 5.00; Fordwich, 14.00; Fordwich S S, 6.00; Gorrie, 4.00; Avonmore, 5.00; Lunenburg, 4.00; Kirkhill, 4.25; Tara, S S, 10.00; West Flamboro, 21.00; Montreal, St Marks, 10.00. Alexandria, 15.00; Brockville, St John's, 7.00; Aylmer, 2.00; Arrprior, 50.00; Milverton, 14.60. Mornington, 4.00; Acton, Knox 29.00; Delhousie Mills and Cote St George, 5.00; Baltimore S S, 45.00; Lachute, First, 4.00; Tavistock, 3.00; Clifford, 8.15; Wick, 16.00. Hillsdale and Elmvale, 20.00; Watford, 19.85; Price's Corners, Bethel Ch, 4.00; Dundee, Zion Ch, 16.00; Guelp, Chalmers Ch, 5.00; Innerkip S S, 17.00; Chater, Man, 11.05; Grimsby, 10.00; Muir's Settlement, 2.88; Scotstown, 2.93; Mimosa 5.00; G D Ferguson, Fergus, 200.00; Rochester, 5.00; Rochester S S, 6.00; "Z" Marnoch, 1.00; Essa, 1st Ch, 8.00; Toronto, College St Ch, B class, 2.00; Glenallan, 8.00; Galt Central Ch, 95.00; Cornwall, Knox Ch S S, 25.00; Balaklava, 53; Innisfil, 2d Ch, 20.00; Scarborough, Chalmers Ch, 15.00; Thamesford, 38.85; Hamilton, Erskine Ch, 20.00; Westwood, 25.00; Nichol, Zion Ch, 4.00; Caledonia, Sutherland St, 5.00; West Gwillimburg, 2d Ch, 17.00; Hamilton, Knox Ch, 20.00; Hamilton, Knox Ch S S, 10.00; Vernonville, 8.00; Minesing, 5.00; Dunganon and Port Albert, 15.00; East Oxford, St Andrews, 5.00; McGrisburg, Knox Ch, 10.00; Toronto, East Ch, 26.77; Berlin, St Andrews, 7.00; East Williams, St Andrews, 19.10; Gravenhurst, 5.00; Poland and Caldwell's Mills, 3.60; Cardinal, 10.00; Mainsville, 4.00; Nissouri, South, 7.00; Nissouri

North, 4 00; Vaughan, Knox Ch, 51.00; Bolton, Cayen Ch, 25.00; Beckwith, Knox Ch, 10.00; George Marshall sr, London, 10.00; West Bentinck, 0.23; North Delaware, 2.00; South Delaware, 1.00; North St Ch, 0.25; East Zorra, Burns Ch, 16.00; Bienheim, St Andrews, 7.00; Saltfist, 15.00; Dunbrook, 20.00; Sydenham, Knox Ch, 2.00; Lakefield S S, 25.00; Claremont (add'l) 1.00; West Winchester, 35.00; Townline, 2.00; Toronto, College St Ch S S, 17.00; Stayner, 10.00; Sunnidale, 2.00; Toronto, Erskine Ch, 50.00; Cambay, 3.00; Linwood, 1.00; Pinkerton, 1.10; Colborne, 3.00; Rosemont and Mulmur, 15.50; Shelburne, 15.00; Primrose, 15.00; A Friend, Oszode, 6.00; Woodbridge, 15.00; Weston, 15.00; Alma, 11.00; Walpole, 10.00; Cobourg, 30.00; Baltimore, 25.25; Fairfax, 0.25; Sand Bay, 0.75; Bethesda, 20.00; Stouffville, 5.00; E. R. Newmarket, 3.00; Duart and Hightate, 7.00; Mount Forest, 10.01; West Brant, 2.50; Aluwick, 8.00; Egmondville, 18.75; Alliston, 4.30; Carluke, 3.60; Toronto, Old St Andrews, 37.00; Duntroon, 5.00; West Ch, 4.00; St Andrews, 2.00; Milton, Knox Ch, 5.00; Midland, 11.00; Monkton, 5.10; Brockville, 1st Ch, 9.75; Ethel, 4.00; Burlington, 10.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch, 30.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch, B class, 14.00; Woodstock, Knox Ch, S S, 30.00; Bradford, 10.00; Toronto, Cookes Ch, 50.00; Lakeport and Colborne, 4.60; Richmond Hill, 15.00; Thornhill, 10.00; Chatham, St Andrews, 10.00; Utica, 4.00; Caledon, 1 Knox Ch, 15.00; Honeywood, 2.50; Blytheswood, 1.00; Matilda, 2.00; London, 1st Ch S S, 30.00; North Bruce and St Andrews Sangeen, 25.70; Durham, 8.87; Tottenham, 8.00; Port Dover, 14.00; Dunn's Ch, 2.00; Ayr, Stanley St Ch, 40.00; Belmont, 8.00; Harrison, Guthrie Ch, 5.00; Wallace town, 2.00; Midhurst, 2.00; Craighurst, 2.00; Ridgetown, 2.00; Wallaceburg and Calvin Ch, 13.00; Glenoe, 5.00; Alton, 4.00; Campbellford, 10.00; Cannington, 8.15; Vittoria, 4.50; Fairbairn, 4.00; Feversham, 6.00; McIntyre, 2.00; Maxwell, 2.00; Port Elgin, 10.55; Port Elgin S S, 3.00; Craigvale, 5.00; Little Britain and Selkirk, 3.00; Hyndman, 7.00; Hamilton, McNab St Ch, 80.00; Cedarville & Esplin, 3.00; Toronto, East Ch S S, 15.00; Princeton, 5.00; Meaford, Erskine, 10.14; Linchouse, 4.00; Kildonan, 10.00.

Per Miss H M MacGregor, Halifax—Charlottetown, Zion Ch, 10.00; A B R M, St Andrews, N B, 5.00; Halifax, Park St (add'l), 0.50; Leitch's Creek, 4.00; Glaco Bay, (add'l), 10.00; Friend, Springside, 2.00; Mt Stewart P E I, 10.10; Glenelg Cal and E R, St Mary's, 10.00; Bocabee and Waweig, 2.00; Charlo N Mills and Louison, 7.00; Bonshaw and Tryon, 4.00; R S Munn, Harbor Grace, 10.00; John Jillard, Harbor Grace, 5.00; Nashwaak and Stanley, 4.00; St Ann's and N Shore, 13.00; Grand River, 6.10; Halifax, St Andrews, 10.00; Sydney, St Andrews, (add'l), 30.00; Windsor, St John's, 21.71; Middle River, C B, 3.74; Fredericton, St Paul's, 10.00; Up Musquodoboit, Dean Sec, 0.25; Halifax, St John's, 30.00; Murray Harbour, P E I, 22.00.—Total, \$22,045.95.

POINTS-AUX-TREMBLES SCHOOLS.

Received by Rev. R. H. Warden, Treasurer, Montreal, to 7th April, 1886:—

Already acknow'edged, \$4,514.73: Grafton S S, 4.00; Roxborough: 6.00; Ceillie Righ S S, 1.50; Covey Hill S S, 13.50; Sarnia S S, 60.00; Three Ladies, Paris, Ont, 150.00; Brockville, St John's S S, 25.00; Danville, Que, 3.00; Ottawa, St Andrew's S S, 25.00; Thorold S S, 25.00; Montreal, Knox S S, 50.00; New Glasgow, N S, United Ch S S, class 12, 18.02; Forest S S, 5.00; Osawa S S, 12.50; Bristol Corners S S, 7.00; Grimsby S S, 12.68; Galt, Central Ch, 15.00; Hamilton, Knox Ch S S, 50.00; Morrisburg, Knox Ch S S, 15.00; Georgetown S S, 10.00; Mimosas, 2.00.—Total, \$5,954.93.

UNION COLLEGE FUND.

Rev. R. H. Warden, Montreal, Agent.

Already acknowledged, \$1,712.21; South Mountain, 5.00; English River and Howick, 15.30; Elgin, 10.00; Montreal, St Marks, 5.00; Buckingham, 8.00.—Total, \$1,755.51.

Received by Helen M. Macgregor, Agent of the Pres. Church in the Maritime Provinces, 130 Gottington St, to April 4th, 1886.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$9,865.65; Zion Ch, Charlottetown, 65.00; Leitch's Creek, C B, 5.00; O P Q, Pictou, 10.00; Glaco Bay, ad'l, 10.00; St Andrew's, Spring Hill, 52.25; Mt Stewart, P E I, 54.00; Friend, Stewiacke, ad'l, 1.00; Dinwoodie Family, Scotsburn, 10.00; Bocabee and Waweig, 8.00; Redbank, ad'l, 1.00; Charlo, N Mills, &c, 25.00; Belfast, 130.00; Fivo Islands, 6.75; Springside, Eastville, S C, 8.00; Rev D McLeod, Priceville, Ont, 2.00; Sherbrooke, 55.65; Bonshaw and Tryon, 6.00; Eltridge A Birker, Quoddy, 1.00; Shoal Bay, 1.00; Sheet Harbour, 3.30; Strathlorne Aux W F M S, 10.00; Yarmouth Aux W F M S, 25.00; Neal's Har W F M S, 4.00; "Helping Hands" M Band, 40.00; L Glaco Bay Aux W F M S, 11.00; United Ch, New Glasgow, W M S, 40.00; R S Munn, Harbor Grace, 10.00; Stanley S S, N B, (proc concert) 10.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 25.00; Friend, Stellarton, 2.00; St James Ch, Dartmouth, ad'l, 8.25; Grand River, C B, 10.00; Bridgewater, ad'l, 4.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 45.00; Princeton M and B Soc, P E I, 174.00; St Andrew's, Sydney, ad'l, 20.00; Shemoguo and Port Elgin, 4.62; St Matthew's, Pugwash and Oxford, 12.00; Int Geddie Mem Fd, 77.00; River Charlo S S, N B, 5.00; St John's Ch, Windsor, 60.10; East River, Pictou, 64.00; Kn-x S S, Shediac, 10.00; Calvin S S, 20.00; St John's, Dalhousie, N B, 22.00; Malcolm McMillin, Sydney Mines, 1.00; Ronald McKinnon, L Bras d'Or, 1.00; Middle River, C B, 6.03; St Paul's, Fredericton, 35.00; Dean Sec, Up Musquodoboit, 3.21; T C James, Ch town, 25.00; St John's Ch, Halifax, 100.00; Murray Harbour, P E I, 38.00.—Total, \$11,231.49.

DAYS PRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Acknowledged already, \$3,260.59.—Portapique S S, 8.59; A B R M, St Andrew's, N B, 5.00; Park st S S, Halifax, ad'l, 40.00; Mount Stewart, P E I, 6.00; Glenelg, Cal, and E R, St Mary's, 6.00; St Andrew's S S, Truro, 21.95; Bocabee and Waweig, 2.00; Shelburne, 17.00; Belfast, 20.00; Springside, 17.62; Harbor Grace, Ont, 35.00; Lunenburg S S, ad'l, 21.00; St Andrew's S S, Syd-ney Mines, 13.45; St Ann's and North Shore, 3.00; Clifton, 25.10; Little Harbour S S, 13.00; Cooke's S S, Kingston, 10.00; St Matthew's S S, Montreal, 25.00; Erskine J M S, Montreal, 50.00; Chalmers J M S, Montreal, 35.00; St Andrew's S S, Montreal, 23.00; Shemoguo and Port Sydney, 23.00; Shemoguo and Port Elgin, 3.49; Oxford S S, 11.23; Pugwash River, 11.10; St John's S S, St John (day box), 3.67; St John's S S, St John (Xmas offering), 7.47; Grove S S, Richmond, 30.02; East River, Pictou, 15.00; Isa Pres Cong, Truro, 20.13; Lake Anslie, ad'l, 1.00; St James's S S, Charlottetown, 30.00; St James and Union Ch, N B, 13.83; Lawrence town and Cow Bay, 16.00.—Total, \$3,538.81.

HOME MISSIONS.

Acknowledged already, \$3,489.89.—Zion Ch, Charlottetown, 25.00; Knox Ch, Pictou, 35.00; Park st, Halifax, ad'l, 1.00; Leitch's Creek, C B, 3.00; Glaco Bay, 20.00; Interest, 2.00; Mount Stewart, P E I, 4.00; Glenelg, Cal, and E R, St Mary's, 20.00; Bocabee and Waweig, 8.00; Charlo, N Mills, &c, 5.00; Springside, Newton M, S C, 9.00; Milford and Gay's River, 27.50; Bonshaw and Tryon, 4.00; Harbour Grace, 20.00; Nashwaak and Stanley, 4.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 16.00; Montague, 7.00; Grand River, 8.00; Bridgewater, 10.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 25.00; Princeton M & B Soc, P E I, 40.00; St And's, Sydney, 30.00; Pugwash and Oxford, 10.00; St John's Ch, Windsor, 29.75; Sherbrooke at Goldenville, 25.25; Middle River, C B, 3.00; St Paul's, Fredericton, 15.00; Dean Sec, Upper Musquodoboit, 1.42; St John's Ch, Halifax, 50.00; Murray Harbour, P E I, 14.00; Buctouche and Scotel Set, 4.00.—Total, \$3,965.87.

AUGMENTATION FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$10,058.44.—Zion Ch, Charlottetown, 30.00; Richmond Bay, West, 20.00; Park st Ch, Halifax, ad'l, 54.59; Leitch's Creek, 20.00; Antigonish, 100.00; St Stephen's Ch, St John, 140.00; West and Clyde Rivers and Brookfield, 60.00; Whalo Cove, Margaree, 5.00; Chipman, N B, 65.00; St Paul's, Woodstock, 25.00; Glenelg, Cal, and E R, St Mary's, 65.00; St James Ch, Charlottetown, 80.00; Kempt, ad'l, 7.00; Charlo, N Mills, &c, 10.00; Black River, N B, 2.00; Belfast, 70.00; Wolfville, 15.00; L Stewiacke, 23.00; Shubnacadie, 37.00; N Salem, 5.00; Knox Ch, Shediac, 12.00; St David's, Port Hastings, 15.00; Hamilton, Bermuda, 30.00; St Paul's, Truro, 75.00; Georgetown, 30.00; Barrington, 15.00; Lunenburg, 120.00; "Rocks", 5.00; Nashwaak and Stanley, 20.00; Valleyfield & Brown's Creek, 25.00.

St Ann's and North Shore, 30.00; St James' Ch, Dartmouth, 100.00; Woodville, Cal, and Sands, 23.00; Grand River, C B, 18.75; St Peter's, 6.25; Cove Head, P. E. I., 30.00; Spring Hill, 50.00; Malone Bay, 45.00; Bridgewater, 60.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 77.45; Princetown M & B Soc, P. E. I., 75.00; St Andrew's, Sydney, 30.00; St James & Union Ch, 31.00; Stellarton, 120.00; Shemogue and Port Elgin, 18.00; New Richmond, add'l, 29.00; Grove Ch, Richmond, add'l, 8.70; Canard, 40.00; East River, Pictou, 75.00; Calvin Ch, St John, 20.00; Middle River, C B, 12.50; St Paul's, Fredericton, 105.00; Lake Ainslie, 10.00; St Matthew's, Pugwash and Oxford, 50.00; Fishers' Grant, 10.00; Zion Ch, Charlottetown, add'l, 20.00; Lawrencectown and Cow Bay, add'l, 16.00; Strath Lorne, C B, 30.00. Total, \$12,393.89.

COLLEGE FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$7,233.99; Zion Church, Charlottetown, 15.00; Richmond Grove Ch, 9.20; Leitch's Creek, C B, 2.00; Glace Bay, 12.00; Mt Stewart, P. E. I., 10.00; Carleton and Chebogue, 1.20; Bocabec and Waweg, 4.00; Charlo, N Mills, etc. \$ 00; interest on 7,000, for half year, at 6 per cent, 210.01; Chalmers Ch, Halifax, 40.00; Harbour Grace, Nfld, 12.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 3.70; interest on \$2,000, 70.00; Bridgewater, 11.00; St Andrew's Ch, Halifax, 15.00; interest, \$ 13; Princetown M & B Society, 41.00; St Andrew's, Sydney, 6.00; St Matthew's, Pugwash and Oxford, 5.00; St John's Ch, Windsor, 7.00; Middle River, C B, 3.50; St Paul's, Fredericton, 20.00; Lawrencectown and Cow Bay, 5.25; St John's Ch, Halifax, 40.00. Total, \$7,795.33.

COLLEGE BURSARY FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$2,666.—Chalmers' Ch, Halifax, 15.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 2.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 10.00; St James' and Union Ch, 1.00.—Total, \$294.66.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$1,406.45. Zion Church, Charlottetown, 10.00; Leitch's Creek, 2.00; Glace Bay, 4.00; Glencol, Cal, and E R, St Mary's, 10.00; Bocabec and Waweg, 2.00; Charlo, N Mills, etc., 12.00; Bonshaw and Tryou, 3.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 6.00; Bridgewater, 8.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 10.00; St Andrew's, Sydney, 12.00; Pugwash and Oxford, 5.00; Interest, 30.00; St John's, Windsor, 10.25; Carleton and Chebogue, 2.00; East River, Pictou, 8.00; Middle River, C B, 4.39; St Paul's, Fredericton, 3.00; Lake Ainslie, 6.00; St James' and Union Ch, 3.00; Knox Ch, Wallace, 4.00; St John's Ch, Halifax, 10.14; Buatoche and Scotch Set, 6.00.

Ministers' Percentage.—Revs J D McGillivray, 1855, 3.75; D Sutherland, 1856 and 1857, 5.00; A McIntosh, 1855, 3.00; T Nicholson, 1855, 3.00; Jas Allan, 1877 to '85, with interest, 27.90.—Total, \$1,619.83.

SYNOD FUND.

Acknowledged already, \$48.78.—Leitch's Creek, 2.00; St Ann's and North Shore, 2.00; St Andrew's, Halifax, 5.00.—Total, \$57.78.

FOR REV. C. CHINIQUY.

Mrs Saml Lawrence, Margaree, S B, \$2.00; "A Springfield Presbyterian," 3.00; Mrs Duncanson, Halifax, 4.00; Lady friend, 2.00.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND. JAM. CROIL, TREASURER, MONTREAL.

London. St Andrew's, Rev J A Murray, \$20.00; Walpole, Rev John Walls, 5.00; Jarvis, do, 8.00; Cornwall, St John's, Rev Dr MacNish, 75.00; Stanley, N B, Rev J S Mullian, 4.00; Duntroon, Rev A Macdonald, West Ch, 5.00; Duntroon, 6.00; St Andrew Ch, 2.00; Amprior, Rev D J Maclean, 16.00; Sonya, Rev A Currie,

12.00; Dundee, Rev D McEachern, 16.00; Vaughan, Rev D Camelon, 12.00; Bocabridge, Rev J Macdonald, 9.00; Victoria, B C, Rev Donald Fraser, 15.00.

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

Received by D McArthur and Rev Dr King, to April 3rd.

For Debt.—Previously acknowledged, \$1,537.00; James McLennan, Q, Toronto, 50.00; A friend, 25.00.

For Ordinary Revenue.—Previously acknowledged, \$1,013.33; Three Rivers, Q, 3.00; The Presbyterian Church of Ireland 486.11; Williamson, Hephzibah Ch, per Rev R H Warden, 2.60; Montreal, Chalmers Ch, Juv. Miss Soc, do, 10.00; do Knox Ch, do, 100.00; do, Cote des Neiges, 5.01; Athelstane, Q, 10.00; Elgin, Q, 5.00; St Louis de Gonzague, 3.00. —\$1,663.04.

CONGREGATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF MANITOBA COLLEGE. Received by Rev D M Gordon.

High Bluff, \$35.00; Minnedosa, 25.00; Medicine Hat, 30.00; Edmonton, 15.75; Pilot Mound, 16.00; Rat Portage, 6.35; Collection in Rocky Mountains, per Rev D Staiker, 8.00; Oct, 1855, Regina, 20.00; Gladstone, 17.00; Neepawa, 22.00; Edmonton, 15.00; Rossburn, 4.00; Minnedosa (balance), 2.53; Roseland, 10.00; Chater, 20.00; Portage la Prairie, 165.00; St Andrew's Church Mission, Winnipeg, 5.80; Neepawa, 12.00; Burnside, 7.15; Burnside (add'l), Balmoral, 2.00; Millford, 10.00; St Paul's Ch, Port Arthur, 22.00; Indian Head and Qu'Appelle, 10.00; Killarney, 3.60; Cuthbert, 10.00; Clearsprings, 2.00; Marranguerst, 11.30; Auburn, 5.00; Edmonton, 20.00; St Andrew's Ch, Winnipeg, 123.25; Medicine Hat, 5.00; Little Britain and Selkirk, 5.00; 1st Presbyterian Ch, Brandon, 82.00; Roseland, 3.15; Rock Lake, 17.00.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Guelph, Chalmers' Church, 18th May, 10 a.m.
Sarnia, Sarnia, 29th June, 9 a.m.
Lan. & Renfrew, Carleton Pl., 24th May, 7 p.m.
P. E. Island, Summerside, 4th May.
Maitland, Kincardine, 13th July, 2 p.m.
Montreal, D. Morrice Hall, 6th July, 10 a.m.
Quebec, Sherbrooke, 6th July, 10 a.m.
Paris, Ingersoll, 11th May, 2 p.m.
St John, St. Andrew's Kirk, 4th May, 4 p.m.
Brookville, Cardinal, 6th July, 2 p.m.
Wallace, Oxford, 4th May, 4 p.m.
Winnipeg, Knox Church, 17th May, 7.30 p.m.
Peterborough, Port Hope, 6th July, 10 a.m.
Stratford, Knox Church, 11th May, 10 a.m.
Huron, Londesboro', 11 May, 10.30 a.m.
Lindsay Cannington, 25th May, 11 a.m.
Rock Lake, Manitou, 5th May, 7 p.m.
Chatham, 1st Pres. Church, 13 July, 10 a.m.
London, 1st Presb. Ch., 13th July, 2.30 p.m.
Bruce, Paisley, 12th July, 2 p.m.
Barrie, Barrie, 25th May, 11 a.m.
Kingston, Belleville, 11th May, 10 a.m.

Glengarry, Alexandria, 6th July, 11 a.m.
Toronto, St. Jas. Sq. Ch., 20th May, 10 a.m.
Hamilton, Central Ch., 18th May, 10 a.m.
Ottawa, Knox Ch., 4th May, 10 a.m.

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