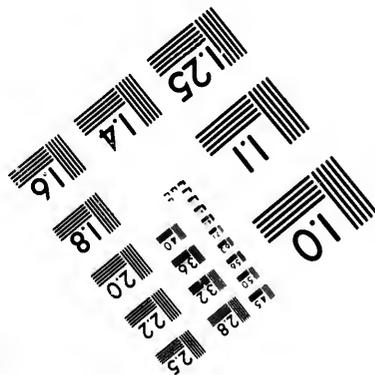
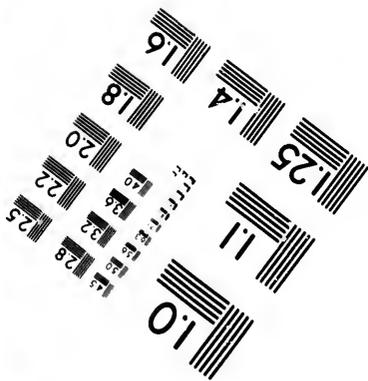
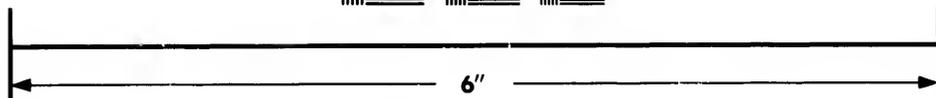
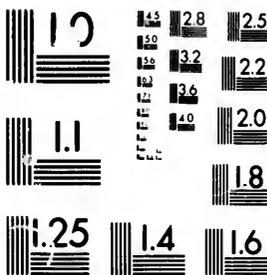


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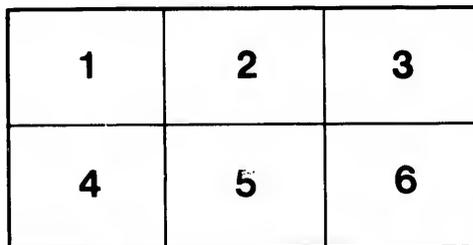
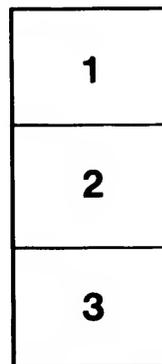
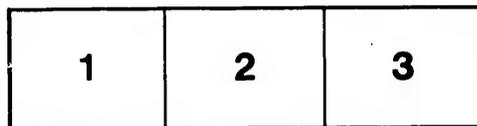
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FIRST SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Wednesday, the twelfth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met according to appointment. Owing to the absence of the retiring Moderator, the Rev. Dr. McLeod, of Sydney, Cape Breton, through sickness, Alexander Topp, D.D., Minister of Knox Church, Toronto, Moderator for the previous year, conducted Divine service, and preached a sermon from Colossians i. 27, 28, 29: "Christ in you, the hope of glory, whom we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; whereunto I also labour, striving according to His working, which worketh in me mightily."

Thereafter the General Assembly was constituted with prayer by the said Rev. Dr. Topp.

ROLL.

The Roll of the Assembly, composed of the Commissioners of the several Presbyteries of the Church, was called, and the attendance of members marked. The Roll is as follows, viz.:—

The names of those present are marked with an asterisk.

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*A. Farquharson.

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*T. C. Kerr.

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*Alex. McRae.

*D. McCurdy.
*Alex. Mitchell.

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*Kenneth McKay.	*J. McDonald, M.D.

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SYNOD OF MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.

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*J. S. Black.	*G. S. Spence.
*C. A. Doudiet.	*J. Middleton.

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CHANGES IN SYNOD ROLLS.

Reports as to the changes in the Rolls of the several Synods and the Presbytery of Manitoba, which had taken place during the past year, were given in. These will be found in the appendix. The Assembly ordered to be placed on record the following

notices of ministers who have been removed by death in the course of the year:—

REV. GEORGE CHEYNE, M.A.

This venerable Minister, whose labours in connection with the Presbyterian Church in this country were spread over the long period of nearly forty-seven years, was called to his rest and reward on the 1st April, 1878, in the 76th year of his age. Mr. Cheyne was a native of Aberdeenshire. He was educated at Marischal College, and was ordained by the Presbytery of Strathbogie, in 1831, "to the office of the Ministry in the British Provinces of North America, wherever Providence may cast his lot." He was settled first at Amherstburgh. Thence he removed to Saltfleet and Binbrook, in 1843, where the remainder of his life was spent. In 1844, he connected himself with the branch of the Church, which then took the name of the Presbyterian Church of Canada. He was a man of amiable disposition—a faithful and successful Minister of the Gospel. In his declining years he was wont to express his great satisfaction that he had lived to see the union of the churches. He was much respected and beloved.

REV. J. M. ROGER, M.A.

Mr. Roger was also one of the Fathers of the Canadian Church, and few men have left behind them a more honorable record. Mr. Roger was a son of the Manse, born in the Parish of Kincardine O'Neil in the year 1807. He was educated at Aberdeen University, where he graduated both in theology and medicine. He came to Canada in 1833, as an ordained Missionary, under the auspices of the Glasgow Colonial Society, and shortly after his arrival was settled at Peterborough, where he labored continuously, with more than ordinary diligence and success, for about forty-two years. Mr. Roger's labours were not confined to his own immediate neighborhood. In the early years of his Ministry they extended to the whole district of which Peterborough was the centre, and in which he was privileged to see a number of flourishing congregations established, in addition to the large and influential one which gathered around himself in the town of Peterborough, and is now known as St. Paul's Church. Mr. Roger retired from the active duties of the Ministry in 1876, retaining the rank of *pastor emeritus*. He died somewhat suddenly on the 8th January last, in the 71st year of his age. While his family were engaged in worship, he received the Masters' call. His personal religion was deep and fervent. He was blessed in his Ministry and, no doubt, much good seed sown by him will yet yield abundant fruit.

REV. JAMES ROSS.

The Rev. James Ross, of Grand River, Cape Breton, died on the 12th July, 1877. He was a native of Scotland, and came to this country a licentiate from the Free Church, in the year 1851. For a time he laboured with great faithfulness in the Presbytery of Pieton, and afterwards in the Island of Cape Breton, where he was ordained and inducted to the charge of Grand River congregation. During the twenty-three years of his pastorate, Mr. Ross was regular in his attendance upon the Church Courts, took an active part in their proceedings, and endeared himself to his brethren in the ministry, and the people under his charge, by his amiable and straightforward character.

REV. DAVID TAYLOR.

On Sabbath, 28th April, 1878, this esteemed minister died very suddenly as he was entering the hall in which he was about to preach. He had been in seemingly good health up to the very moment when he was summoned into the Master's presence. Had he been spared a little longer he would have preached from the text: "When the Son of Man shall come in His glory, with all the holy angels with Him," etc. Now, he being dead, speaketh to all of us from another text: "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh." Mr. Taylor came from Scotland about six years ago, when he was inducted to the charge of Spencerville, Ontario. He was one of the first ministers of our Church who resigned a charge in order to facilitate a redistribution of charges, for which the Union had opened the way. He had only been settled at Bass River, N.B., seven months, and was about fifty years of age at the time of his death, which was deeply regretted by his co-Presbyters and a much attached congregation.

REV. ANDREW DRYBURGH.

Mr. Dryburgh, minister of Hawkesville and Elmira, Ontario, died on the 6th May, last, in the 47th year of his age. He was a native of Pathhead, Kirkcaldy, Scotland, and prosecuted his classical studies at the Universities of St. Andrew's and Edinburgh. He received his theological training in the New College, Edinburgh, under Principal Cunningham. After being licensed, he was employed for a number of years in teaching. Although a man of vigorous mind and splendid scholarship, and, without earnestly desiring to serve Christ in the ministry of the Gospel, he never was inducted to a charge until he came to Canada, a short time ago. He was an honest and devout Christian, beloved by all who knew him.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

Nominations to the office of Moderator, sent up by certain Presbyteries, were produced and read. These were by the Presbyteries of Victoria and Richmond, Pictou, Truro, Halifax, Lunenburg and Yarmouth, Prince Edward Island, Glengarry, Owen Sound, Guelph and Hamilton, in favour of the Rev. John Jenkins, D.D.; by the Presbyteries of Wallace, St. John and Ottawa in favour of the Rev. Donald McLae, M.A.; by the Presbyteries of Miramichi and Brockville in favour of the Rev. Thomas Duncan; by the Presbyteries of Lindsay and Manitoba in favour of the Rev. Principal Grant, D.D.; by the Presbyteries of Paris and Stratford in favour of the Rev. William Cochrane, D.D.; and by the Presbytery of London in favour of the Rev. J. J. A. Proudfoot, D.D.

A letter from the Rev. Thomas Duncan, craving permission to decline to allow his name to be brought forward, was read. Mr. Duncan's request was granted.

It was moved by Mr. John Scott, (North Bruce) and seconded by Mr. D. Cameron, That William Cochrane, D.D., Minister of Zion Church, Brantford, be Moderator of this Assembly for the year. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. W. Bennet and seconded by Mr. M. W. Livingstone, That George M. Grant, D.D., Principal of the University of Queen's College be elected to the office of Moderator. It was further moved in amendment by Dr. Uro and seconded by Dr. Proudfoot, That John Jenkins, D.D., Minister of St. Paul's Church, Montreal, be appointed Moderator. It was also moved in amendment by Mr. Robert Campbell (Montreal) and seconded by Mr. Thomas Nicholson, That Mr. Donald McRae, M.A., Minister of St. Stephen's Church, St. John, N.B., be chosen to this office.

Principal Grant requested that his name be withdrawn. With the consent of the mover and seconder the House agreed to grant his request. The nomination of Mr. McLae was also allowed to be withdrawn in consequence of his absence. A vote having been taken between the two remaining names, the amendment was carried over the motion, and Dr. Jenkins was declared duly elected. On motion of Mr. John Scott, duly seconded, the election of Dr. Jenkins was, by a standing vote, made unanimous. Dr. Jenkins was conducted to the chair, and thanked the House for the honour conferred.

THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR.

It was moved by Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Principal Grant and passed unanimously, That the thanks of the General Assembly be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Topp for his kindness in preaching and presiding at the opening of the Court, in the absence of Dr. McLeod. Further, that the General Assembly express their deep regret that Dr. McLeod, the Moderator of last Assembly, has been prevented, by severe illness, from attending; return their cordial thanks for the efficient discharge of his duties during the year, and pray that he may soon be restored to such a measure of strength as shall enable him to serve the Church in the important field which he has occupied for so many years.

The Clerk was instructed to communicate the latter portion of this minute to Dr. M'Leod by telegraph.

COMMITTEE ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

The Moderator nominated the following members to constitute, in addition to the officials mentioned in Standing Order 2, the Committee on Bills and Overtures, and also on Business for the present session, viz.: Dr. Topp, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Wardrope, Messrs. Kenneth MacLennan, Robert Campbell (Montreal), William Moore, D. H. Fletcher, Alexander Young, William Masson; Hon. Alexander Morris, Hon. John McMurrich, Messrs. Robb, John MacLennan, Thomas McCrae, James Croil.

The Committee was instructed to meet at half-past nine o'clock to-morrow forenoon, and thereafter from time to time by adjournment.

COMMITTEE ON ROLL OF ASSEMBLY.

The Assembly appointed a Committee, consisting of Mr. William Ross, *Convener*; Dr. James, Messrs. T. Nicholson, Andrew Wilson, Professor Bryce; David McCurdy, Robert Cassels, A. McMurchy and D. W. McVicar, to examine and amend, if necessary, the Roll of Assembly, with instructions to report;—said Committee to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow forenoon.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at eleven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Thursday, the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the First Sederunt were read and, after amendment, were sustained.

REPORT ON ROLL OF ASSEMBLY.

Mr. William Ross, Convener of the Committee appointed to examine and, if necessary, amend the Roll of the Assembly, gave in and read a report, bearing that a commission had been received from the Presbytery of Miramichi in favour of Mr. W. S. Logie, Elder, as substitute for J. S. Benson, M.D., resigned. In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee, the Assembly agreed to place Mr. Logie's name on the Roll.

SPECIAL DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.

Devotional Services of a special character were engaged in, in accordance with the latter clause of Standing Order 1. These consisted of praise, reading portions of Scripture, and prayer, in which Principal Caven, Mr. Sedgwick, Dr. Cechrane and Dr. Bain, led.

Mr. Robert Torrance, Clerk of the Committee on Business, presented and read a report. The Assembly unanimously agreed to receive the same and adopt its recommendations as to the order of business for this Sederunt and a portion of the next.

HOURS OF MEETING.

The Assembly resolved to adopt the following hours of meeting for the present Session, viz.: In the forenoon, from ten o'clock until one; in the afternoon, from three o'clock until six; and in the evening, from half-past seven o'clock until ten.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The Assembly proceeded to appoint Committees for the following purposes, viz.:—

1. To draft Addresses to her Majesty the Queen and His Excellency the Governor-General:—Dr. Topp, *Convener*, Principal Grant, Dr. McGregor, Mr. D. M. Gordon; Hon. Alexander Morris, Messrs. Robert Bell, A. J. Grant, Thomas Dallas.

2. To consider applications for License:—Dr. Ure, *Convener*, Professor Gregg, Professor Bryce, Messrs. A. McLean Sinclair, Andrew Wilson, John Thompson, Donald McRae, J. Mackie, R. Hamilton, J. R. Battisby, J. S. Black, Peter Lindsay; A. D. Fordyce, A. C. Clark, John Hart, Thomas Gordon, W. Webster.

3. To consider applications for the admission of Ministers and Licentiates from other Churches:—Dr. Proudfoot, *Convener*, Principal Caven, Principal McVicar, Professor Macknight, Dr. Robb, Messrs. T. Sedgwick, J. Crombie, A. Simpson, Robert Campbell (Montreal), R. Moodie; Dr. Macdonald, Hon. John McMurrich, Messrs. J. I. Nicholson, A. J. Northrup, Robert Murray, J. B. Fairbairn.

4. To consider applications for leave to retire from the active duties of the Ministry, and to have names placed on Presbytery Rolls:—Mr. John Laing, *Convener*, Dr. Bain, Messrs. John Gray (Orillia), D. J. Macdonnell, J. K. Smith, James Anderson, Andrew Burrowes, Alexander Young, G. Cuthbertson, J. McCorechy; Hon. G. McMicken, James Croil, Charles Davidson, John Wilson, W. S. Logie, W. McWhinney, A. Macalister.

5. To revise the Records of the Assembly, of Synods, and the Presbytery of Manitoba:—Dr. Bell, *Convener*, Dr. Waters, Messrs. T. S. Chambers, J. H. Chase, James Patterson, Thos. Nicholson, A. Farquharson, W. Bennet, J. S. Burnet; W. Robb, J. Armour, Walter Mackenzie, A. N. Tupper, A. D. McNabb, R. Wilson, A. McTavish.

6. To examine and classify the Returns to Remits:—Mr. John Gray (Orillia) *Convener*, Dr. Maclise, Dr. James, Messrs. G. Smellie, Kenneth MacLennan, John Burton, J. A. Murray, J. A. McConnell, James Thompson, Donald McRae, James McLean, James Dick; John Duff, J. C. Thomson, W. B. McMurrich, T. W. Taylor, D. W. McVicar, John Renton, R. Cassels, E. McCoy.

It was moved by Dr. Robb, seconded by Principal Grant and carried by a majority of votes, That the Committee on Returns to Remits, now appointed, be added to the Committee, already nominated, to consider applications for leave to retire from the active duties of the Ministry, and to have names placed on Presbytery Rolls, so far as the Returns to the Remit anent the *status* of Retired Ministers are concerned.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Second Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON ROLL OF ASSEMBLY.

Mr. William Ross, Convener of the Committee on the roll of the Assembly, gave in a supplementary report, bearing that a commission had been received from the Presbytery of Kingston in favour of the Rev. Thomas G. Smith as a substitute for Dr. Robert Neill, resigned. In terms of the Committee's recommendation, the Assembly agreed to place Mr. Smith's name on the Roll.

RECEPTION OF DELEGATE FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Clerk produced and read a commission from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, dated May 23rd, appointing the Rev. Alfred Nevin, D.D., LL.D., to represent that Church at this meeting of Assembly.

Dr. Nevin addressed the Assembly in felicitous terms. Whereupon the following motion was proposed by Dr. Bell, seconded by Professor Gregg and carried with acclamation: Having heard the Rev. Dr. Nevin, Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, this Assembly record their thanks to Dr. Nevin for his excellent address, and request him to convey to his Assembly the cordial and brotherly greetings of this Church and the prayer that they and we may abound yet more fully in advancing the Lord's work. The Moderator conveyed to Dr. Nevin the thanks of the Assembly in appropriate terms.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE.

Application was made by the Presbytery of Toronto for leave to take Messrs. John Wilkie, M.A., Francis Ballantyne, M.A., Joseph McCoy, M.A., Francis R. Beattie, M.A., and John Johnston, Students of Divinity, on public probationary trials for License. A similar application was made by the Presbytery of Kingston in behalf of Messrs. Thos. S. Glassford, B.A., Alexander McLean, B.A., John Mordy, M.A., Alexander H. Scott, M.A., and Hugh Taylor;—by the Presbytery of Guelph in behalf of Mr. J. B. Hamilton, B.A.;—by the Presbytery of Owen Sound in behalf of Messrs. Alexander Leslie, M.A., and D. G. McKay;—by the Presbytery of Barrie in behalf of Mr. David Ross, M.A.;—by the Presbytery of Montreal in behalf of Messrs. Charles McKillop, B.A., J. R. McLeod, W. D. Russell, A. C. Cruchet, and F. Walker;—by the Presbytery of Glengarry in behalf of Mr. John Geddes;—by the Presbytery of Lindsay in behalf of Messrs. Alexander Fraser and William J. Smyth;—by the Presbytery of Saugeen in behalf of Mr. A. T. Colter;—by the Presbytery of Whitby in behalf of Mr. T. Atkinson;—by the Presbytery of Quebec in behalf of Mr. John Pringle, B.A.;—by the Presbytery of Manitoba in behalf of Messrs. James Duncan and Samuel Polson;—by the Presbytery of London in behalf of Mr. Wm. Galloway, whose case was under the consideration of last Assembly;—by the Presbytery of Paris in behalf of Mr. William Rothwell, the supervision of whose studies was remitted to that Presbytery by the Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church for 1875;—and by the Presbytery of Toronto in behalf of Mr. David Fotheringham, who, on the completion of the second year of his Theological course, was obliged to intermit his studies and had since occupied himself in the cause of education. These applications, with relative documents, were referred to the Committee already appointed for this purpose, with instructions to report at a subsequent Sederunt.

There was read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Lindsay, making application to receive, as an ordained Minister of this Church, Mr. B. J. Brown, whose case was under the consideration of the General Assembly of 1876. This application was referred for consideration to the Committee appointed to consider applications for License.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.

There was read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Truro, embodying an application of Mr. Alexander W. McLeod, M.A., who had graduated at Dalhousie College, and pursued his studies in Divinity at the Theological Seminary, Princeton, U.S., to be admitted as a Licentiate of this Church. A similar application was presented by the Presbytery of London in behalf of Mr. Malcolm Cameron, a Licentiate of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. There was read an application by the Presbytery of Paris in behalf of Mr. Robert Scrimgeour, formerly a Minister of the

Free Church of Scotland, and more recently of the Presbyterian Church in Victoria and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to be admitted as a Minister of this Church. A similar application was presented by the Presbytery of London in favour of Mr. Joseph H. Paradis, a Minister of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; by the Presbytery of Toronto in favour of Mr. Joshua Collins, M.D., for many years pastor of College Square North Church, Belfast, and a Minister of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland; by the Presbytery of Montreal in favour of Mr. Omer Camerle, whose case was before last General Assembly; and by the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth in behalf of Mr. E. Roberts, who was remitted to the care of that Presbytery by last Assembly. These applications, with accompanying papers, were referred to the Committee already appointed for this purpose, with instructions to report.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO RETIRE.

There was next read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Whitby, embodying an application from Mr. Alexander Kennedy, Minister of Dunbarton and Canton, for leave to retire from the active duties of the Ministry. A similar application was transmitted by the Presbytery of Bruce from Mr. William Graham, Minister of Pine River; and by the Presbytery of Glengarry from Mr. J. S. Mullan, recently Minister of Osnabruck. There was also presented an application from the Presbytery of Owen Sound for leave to retire on their roll the name of Mr. R. Dewar, who was permitted by last Assembly to retain from the active duties of the Ministry. A similar application was presented by the Presbytery of Pietou in behalf of Mr. George Walker, Pastor Emeritus of the Union Church, New Glasgow, N.S. These applications were received and referred to the Committee already appointed to consider such applications.

REPLIES TO ADDRESSES.

The Clerk produced and read a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor-General, intimating that the Address of last Assembly to the Queen "had been laid before her Majesty, who was pleased to receive it very graciously, and was much gratified by the expressions which it contained of loyalty and attachment to her Majesty's throne and person." There was also read a reply from His Excellency the Governor-General to the address presented to him by last Assembly.

CORRESPONDENCE ANENT THANKSGIVING-DAY.

The Clerk next read correspondence which had taken place between Dr. McLeod, the late Moderator, and the Government of the Dominion, regarding the appointment by the Lieutenant-Governors of the several Provinces of a uniform day of Thanksgiving, as a result of which the desire of the General Assembly of last year on this matter had been secured.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER CHURCHES.

The Assembly proceeded to consider a report which had been received from Dr. Snodgrass, formerly of Queen's College, now of Canonbie, Scotland, late Convener of the Committee on Correspondence with other Churches, referring to the meeting of the First General Council of Presbyterian Churches, held last summer at Edinburgh. A supplementary report was presented by Principal Caven, who, in virtue of his name being next on the list, assumed the Convener'ship of the Committee on the removal of Dr. Snodgrass to Scotland. Said report intimated that, although a formal meeting of the Committee had not been held, correspondence had been carried on with the members, as a result of which commissions had been granted to Mr. William Mitchell, Minister of St. Andrew's

Church, St. John, N.B., to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland; to Mr. John Forrest, Minister of St. John's Church, Halifax, as a representative to the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland; and to John C. Baxter, D.D., Minister of Stanley Street Church, Montreal, as a delegate to the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland.

Addresses were delivered by several of the delegates, who had attended the meeting of the General Council of Presbyterian Churches, giving an interesting account of the proceedings of said Conference. Whereupon it was moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Principal Grant and passed unanimously, That the Assembly has listened with much satisfaction to the report of the delegates appointed to attend the Presbyterian Council at Edinburgh, and commends the members of that delegation for their diligence. Further, that the report of the Committee on Correspondence with other Churches be received and its action approved.

INVITATIONS.

There was read a communication, which had been received from the Directors of the Mechanics' Institute, placing their rooms at the disposal of the members of the House during the sitting of the Assembly. The Assembly agreed to record their sense of the courtesy evinced in this communication.

The Clerk also communicated a request from the Ladies of the Central Church to the members to attend a social gathering, which it was proposed to have in the basement on the evening of Tuesday next, at nine o'clock. The House agreed to accept this invitation, and convey their cordial thanks to the ladies for the hospitality so kindly offered.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Third Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The annual report of the Committee on the State of Religion within the bounds, having been called for, was given in and read by Mr. J. W. Mitchell, a member of the Committee. A motion was proposed by Principal Caven, and seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson, the discussion on which continued up to the hour of adjournment. Mr. Thomas Duncan led the Assembly in prayer. The debate on the report was adjourned until a subsequent Sederunt.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Friday, the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. Donald McRae, M.A.

The Minutes of the Fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. Torrance, Clerk of the Committee on Business, presented and read a report. The Assembly unanimously agreed to receive the same and adopt its recommendations as to the order of business for this diet.

APPOINTMENT OF JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

In accordance with a recommendation of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, the Assembly unanimously resolved to appoint a Committee, to be known as "The Judicial Committee," to consider all causes that may come before the Court, with power to hear parties and prepare findings, and with instructions to report, it being understood that members of the Committee shall not take part in any cause or causes in which, as parties, they have an interest. Said Committee was constituted for the present session as follows:—Dr. Topp, *Convener*; Principal Caven, Principal McVicar, Principal Grant, Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Robb, Dr. Waters, Messrs. John Scott, Kenneth MacLennan, John Laing, Andrew Wilson, Alexander Young, Thomas Sedgwick; Hon. John McMurrich, Hon. Alexander Morris, Messrs. T. W. Taylor, James MacLennan, John Charlton, Thomas Gordon, George Laing.

JUDICIAL CAUSES.

The Clerk proceeded to read the papers in the several causes sent up to the Assembly. These were as follows, viz.:—

I. APPEAL:—PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY *vs.* THE SYNOD OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

Parties were called. Compeared Mr. A. Farquharson for the Presbytery; Mr. L. G. McNeill for the Synod; and Mr. John Murray, Minister of Falmouth Street Church, Sydney, for the Session of that congregation, as a party interested in the cause.

II. APPEAL:—ENEAS M'MASTER *vs.* THE SYNOD OF MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.

Parties were called. Mr. McMaster failed to appear. Explanations of his absence were offered by Messrs. Peter Lindsay and John Macdonald, members of the Presbytery of Quebec. Compeared Dr. McVicar and Mr. J. Patterson for the Synod. It was agreed to refer the papers in this cause to the Judicial Committee with power to act, so soon as they receive certification from Mr. McMaster that, owing to his absence through illness, he desires Mr. Lindsay to appear on his behalf.

III. DISSENT AND COMPLAINT:—MR. J. J. CAMERON *vs.* THE PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.

Parties were called. Compeared Mr. Cameron for himself; Messrs. Thomas MacPherson and Robert Hamilton for the Presbytery; Messrs. Watt, Callin, and Edrich for the congregation of Shakespeare.

IV. APPEAL:—MR. DONALD M'LELLAN *vs.* THE SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON.

Parties were called. Compeared Mr. McLellan for himself; Messrs. D. H. Fletcher, James Watson, and James Osborne for the Session of McNab Street Church, Hamilton; Dr. James and Mr. McGuire for the Presbytery of Hamilton; and Dr. Cochrane, Messrs. John Thompson and W. T. McMullen for the Synod.

V. REFERENCE FROM THE SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON ANENT THE CASE OF MR. ANDREW WATSON.

Dr. Cochrane appeared to state the reference.

On motion to that effect, the papers in all these causes were referred to the Judicial Committee, and parties were instructed to appear before that Committee.

SERVICES FOR SABBATH.

The Moderator intimated that the following Ministers had been appointed to conduct Divine service in this Church on Sabbath next, viz.:—

Professor McKnight, D.D., in the forenoon; Mr. Patrick M. McLeod, in the evening.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the report on the State of Religion, adjourned from last evening, and continued the debate until the hour of adjournment.

Permission was granted to the Committee on the Returns to Remits to sit during the afternoon Sederunt.

INVITATION.

There was read an invitation from the young men of Knox Church of this city to the members of the House to join them in an excursion on Burlington Bay to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. Thanks were accorded for this invitation.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SIXTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon :—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Fifth Sederunt were read and, after amendment, were sustained.

It was agreed to add the names of Dr. McKnight and Mr. Donald McRae to the Judicial Committee.

REPORT ON ROLL OF ASSEMBLY.

Mr. William Ross, Convener of the Committee on the Roll of Assembly, presented and read a supplementary report, bearing that Mr. John McLean, minister of Broad Cove, Cape Breton, who had been appointed alternate for Mr. Murdoch Stewart, was present, Mr. Stewart being unable to attend. In terms of the recommendation of the Committee, the Assembly agreed to place Mr. McLean's name on the Roll.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the report on the State of Religion. Principal Caven having craved and obtained the permission of the House to hold his motion in abeyance, it was moved by Dr. Ure, seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith and passed unan-

ously, That the report be sent back to the Committee with instructions to amend the same in accordance with the suggestions made on the floor of the Assembly and report at a subsequent Sederunt.

The Roll was called.

COMMITTEE TO SELECT COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Moderator, in accordance with a recommendation of the Committee on Business adopted by the House, appointed a Committee, consisting of Dr. McGregor, *Convener*; Dr. Wardrope, Messrs. Robert Campbell (Montreal), John Laing; Hon. Gilbert McMicken, Messrs. H. B. Webster, R. Cassels, Thomas McRae, William Buntin, James Croil, to select a Committee for the purpose of nominating Standing Committees.

REPORT ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS (WESTERN SECTION).

Mr. Robert Torrance, *Convener*, presented and read the annual report on the distribution of Probationers for the Western Section of the Church, whereupon the following motion was proposed by Mr. John Laing and seconded by Mr. G. Cuthbertson: Thank the Committee, and especially the *Convener*; receive the report, and refer it to a Committee to consider what changes in the present scheme can be made with a view to remedying the evils referred to in the report, or to suggest some other mode of distribution better calculated to secure the speedy settlement of vacancies by Probationers. To this it was moved in amendment by Principal Caven and seconded by Mr. M. W. Livingstone, That the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Committee, and especially to the *Convener*; and that it be remitted to consider in what way the difficulties contained in the report can be best obviated. A vote having been taken, the motion was carried over the amendment, and the Moderator declared accordingly. The following members were appointed a Committee in terms of the above motion, viz.: Mr. T. G. Smith, *Convener*; Principal Grant, Principal Caven, Dr. Bain, Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Waters, Messrs. John Laing, D. J. Macdonnell, Robert Torrance, Robert Campbell (Montreal), Tolmie, A. McLean; Thomas McCrae, T. W. Taylor, John MacLennan, A. Matheson.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Sixth Sederunt were read and sustained.

DELEGATE FROM THE FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

There was read a commission from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland, appointing the Rev. William Ross, Minister of Rothesay, their delegate to this Assembly, expressing the satisfaction with which they have heard of the efforts of this Church to supply the religious wants of those who have emigrated to this Dominion, and stating their readiness to assist us in our Mission work to the extent of their ability.

Mr. Ross, being present, was introduced to the Moderator, and invited to a seat on the platform.

REPORTS ON HOME MISSIONS.

The General Assembly called for the reports of the sub-Committees on Home Missions. That for the Western Section of the Church was presented by Dr. Cochrane, *Convener*, and that for the Maritime Provinces by Dr. McGregor, *Secretary*. The report of the Committee on Supplements in the Maritime Provinces was read by Mr. Thomas Sedgwick, *Convener*. Whereupon it was moved by Mr. R. N. Grant, seconded by Mr. Allan Simpson and passed unanimously, That the Reports now read be received, and the thanks of the Assembly tendered to the Home Mission sub-Committees, and especially to the Conveners, for their diligence. Further, the Assembly expresses its gratitude for the many encouraging tokens of God's blessing on the Home Mission work of the Church during the past year, and refers the reports for consideration to a Committee, consisting of Dr. Waters, *Convener*, Principal Grant, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Cochrane, Messrs. D. M. Gordon, Allan Simpson, R. N. Grant, D. H. Fletcher, John M'Kinnon, Thomas Sedgwick, John Scott, T. G. Smith, John Gray, George Cuthbertson, A. Currie; Hon. John McMurrich, Hon. Alexander Morris, Messrs. Thomas M'Crae, John Hardie, John MacLennan, Matthew Lindsay, John W. Robson, Alexander Leask, with instructions to report at a future Sederunt.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Saturday, the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted, with praise and prayer, by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev William Masson.

The Minutes of the Seventh Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON ROLL OF ASSEMBLY.

Mr. William Ross, on behalf of the Committee on the Roll of Assembly, reported:—

"1. That a Commission had been received from the Presbytery of Miramichi in favour of Mr. George Black, Elder, of Hamilton, in room of Dr. Duncan, resigned.

2. That having enquired, as directed by the Assembly, why the list of representatives of the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth, as sent up, contained the names of three Elders and only two Ministers, they found that the Clerk of that Presbytery had omitted to enter the name of the Rev. William Robertson."

In terms of the Committee's recommendations the Assembly agreed to place on its Roll the names of Mr. George Black, Elder, and Mr. William Robertson, Minister.

ASSOCIATE PARTIES *in re* APPEAL OF SYDNEY PRESBYTERY.

Mr. A. Farquharson, on behalf of the Presbytery of Sydney, craved leave from the Assembly to have Messrs. Thomas Sedgwick and Robert Murray, who, as members of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, had dissented from the finding of the Synod complained of, associated with him in the conduct of the cause before the Judicial Committee, inasmuch as Dr. McLeod and Mr. D. Sutherland, the other representatives of that Presbytery, were unable to be present. The leave craved was granted.

A similar request from Mr. L. G. McNeill, the only member present of those who had been appointed to appear in this cause on behalf of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, to have Dr. Waters associated with him in presenting the matter before the aforesaid Committee, was granted.

ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS.

There were read Extract Minutes—

(1.) Of the Presbytery of Sydney, transmitting an application of the Rev. Hugh McLeod, D.D., Minister of Sydney, for permission to retire from the active duties of the Ministry, so soon as he may feel himself constrained to do so.

(2.) Of the Presbytery of Chatham, applying for leave to take Mr. Donald Currie, Student of Divinity, on public probationary trials for License.

(3.) Of the Presbytery of Toronto, embodying an application of Mr. Samuel R. Warrender, a Licentiate of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to be admitted as a Licentiate of this Church.

These applications were referred to the Committees already appointed for these respective purposes.

OVERTURES ANENT A HYMN BOOK.

The Overture from the Presbytery of Ottawa, adopted by the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, anent the preparation of a Hymn Book, laid over from last meeting of Assembly, was next read.

This Overture was supported by Mr. William Armstrong.

In connection with this there was produced an Overture from the Presbytery of Hamilton to the same effect. Said Overture is as follows, viz. :—

“Whereas it belongs to the Supreme Court of the Church to deal with matters of common concern to the Church respecting worship, and particularly respecting the service of praise; whereas at the time of the Union it was resolved ‘That further action’ in this matter ‘should be left to the Legislation of the United Church’; whereas also a great variety of collections of Hymns are in use in the several congregations and sabbath-schools, and some of these contain Hymns of an objectionable character; whereas, further, it is expedient and dutiful that an effort be made to secure uniformity in the service of praise as far as possible, and to have only such Hymns used as the Church can approve: the Assembly is therefore respectfully overtured to consider the best way for providing a Hymn Book for the use of such congregations as may see fit to use Hymns; at the same time taking order that no other collection than that so provided shall be hereafter introduced in the service of praise in the congregations and sabbath-schools of the Church.”

This Overture was supported by Mr. John Laing.

Overtures of a similar purport from the Presbytery of Miramichi, the Presbytery of Paris, the Synod of Hamilton and London, and the Presbytery of Whitby were read.

The last mentioned three were supported by Messrs. W. T. McMullen, Mungo Fraser and Walter M. Roger respectively.

The debate on these Overtures continued until near the hour of adjournment. The further consideration of them was deferred until Monday forenoon.

Mr. Chiniquy addressed the House on the claims of the French Canadian Evangelization Scheme to sympathy and liberal support on the part of the Church.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place on Monday forenoon at eleven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

NINTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Monday, the seventeenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Mitchell, M.A.

The Minutes of the Eighth Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. Torrance, on behalf of the Committee on Business, presented and read a report. Its recommendations as to the order of business for to-day and to-morrow were adopted.

APPLICATIONS ANENT STUDENTS.

There were read Extract Minutes—

I. Of the Presbytery of Montreal, making application :

(a.) To have M. Antonio Internoscia, an Italian ex-Priest of the Church of Rome—who has been under the care of the Board of French Canadian Evangelization for several months, and has attended classes in the Presbyterian College, Montreal—received as a Student of Divinity of the third year, with a view to his having accorded to him the full status of a Minister of this Church by the Assembly of 1879, in the event of his examinations being sustained.

(b.) To have M. George Bernard Tanguay, an ex-Ecclesiastic of the Church of Rome—who has attended lectures in the Presbyterian College, Montreal, during the past year—placed under the care of the said Presbytery of Montreal, and the Senate of the said College, with a view to his further attendance on classes.

II. Of the Presbytery of Chatham, applying for leave to take Mr. Cairns, Catechist, under their care, with a view to superintend his studies so as eventually to license him as a Minister of the Gospel, in consideration of his advanced age, his theological attainments, and his successful labours in the Mission field during the past three years.

III. Of the Presbytery of Ottawa, craving permission to continue the superintendence of the studies of Mr. James Robertson, and to have accorded to him the position of a student who has finished his second year in the Literary course.

IV. Of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, making application on behalf of Mr. E. Gillies that he be admitted to the Divinity Hall; it being understood that he shall take, in addition to his theological studies, such classes in Dalhousie College as the Senate of the Theological Hall at Halifax may deem expedient.

These several applications were referred to the Committee, already appointed, to consider applications for License.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION.

The Clerk produced and read a Memorial from the Rev. George Coull, M.A., recently Minister of St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, N.S., in the Presbytery of Pictou, in connection with the Church of Scotland, applying to be received as a Minister of this Church. This application was referred to the Committee on applications for the admission of Ministers and Licentiates of other Churches.

REPORT ON THE CONTINUOUS SUPPLY OF MISSION STATIONS.

Dr. Cochrane, Convener of the Committee appointed by last Assembly to mature detailed scheme for the continuous supply of Mission Stations, presented and read

report. This Report was referred to the Committee already appointed to consider the reports on Home Missions.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES.

Dr. McGregor, Convener, presented a report from the Committee for the selection of a Committee to nominate Standing Committees. In accordance with its recommendation the following members were appointed such Nominating Committee, viz.: Dr. Reid, Dr. McGregor, Dr. McVicar, Dr. Bell, Dr. Waters, Professor Mackerras, Professor Bryce, Messrs. Robert Campbell (Montreal), Thomas Duncan, D. M. Gordon, R. Torrance, A. McL. Sinclair, D. H. Fletcher; Hon. Gilbert McMicken, Messrs. Charles Davidson, Duncan W. McVicar, David Morrice, T. W. Taylor, J. Charlton, J. Croil,—Mr. Croil to be *Convener*.

OVERTURES ANENT A HYMN BOOK.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the Overtures anent the preparation of a Hymn-book, deferred from Saturday's diet. The debate continued until the hour of adjournment.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Ninth Sederunt were read and sustained.

OVERTURES ANENT A HYMN BOOK.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the Overtures anent the preparation of a Hymn-book, and continued the same until the hour of four o'clock, when, by previous arrangement, the debate was suspended to enable the Assembly to decide as to the time and place of next General Assembly.

NEXT MEETING OF ASSEMBLY.

On motion of Mr. John Laing, seconded by Mr. Croil, it was unanimously agreed, That the next meeting of Assembly be held in the city of Ottawa, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the second Wednesday of June, 1879, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

Thereafter the debate on Hymnology was resumed. At this point it was resolved, by a majority of 185 to 5, to limit the speeches during the remainder of the discussion of this subject to ten minutes each.

The motions, which were brought to a division, were as follows, viz.:

Moved by Mr. John Laing and seconded by Dr. James, That the Overtures be received and be referred to a Committee for consideration, with instructions to prepare a deliverance, which may give effect to the prayer of the Overtures in their general tenor.

Moved in amendment by Principal Caven and seconded by Mr. J. S. Black, The General Assembly—recognizing the great importance of the subject brought before it in the Overtures, now submitted, as well as the evils involved in the use of so great a variety of Hymn-books as are at present found in our Church; and earnestly desirous to have the service of praise regulated and conducted within the Church in the way that shall best promote the glory of God and the edification of the brotherhood—appoints a Committee to prepare a remit on this subject, to be submitted to the General Assembly at an early Sederunt, to be, by the Assembly, sent down to the Presbyteries in terms of the Barrier Act, and also to Sessions, in order that the mind of the Church may be fully ascertained on this highly important matter, and reported to the next General Assembly. Further, the Assembly sends the Overtures, now read, to said Committee.

A further amendment was moved by Mr. John Charlton and seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson, (Kingston): Receive the Overtures and, inasmuch as the remedy therein proposed for the evil to which they refer appears to be doubtful, if not unsafe, allow them for the present to lie on the table.

A vote having been taken, the amendment of Principal Caven was carried over that of Mr. Charlton, and the motion of Mr. Laing over the amendment of Principal Caven. Mr. Laing's motion was then adopted as the judgment of the House, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

From this decision Dr. Robb dissented for the following reason, reserving leave to give in additional reasons, viz.: Because, to appoint a committee to give effect to Overtures proposing to alter and regulate the worship of the Church, when the principle underlying such Overtures has never been affirmed by the Church, is subversive of the provisions of the Barrier Act and destructive of the just and constitutional rights and liberties of minorities.

To this dissent there adhered the following members, viz.: Messrs. James Thompson, Andrew Wilson, (Kingston); John Charlton, James Elliot, William Coltart, Alexander McTavish, A. McGill, Alexander Stewart, A. McDiarmid.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Tenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

ADDRESS OF DELEGATE FROM THE FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

Mr. Ross, Delegate from the Free Church of Scotland, addressed the Assembly in able and inspiring terms. Whereupon it was moved by Dr. Topp, seconded by Professor Gregg and carried with acclamation, The General Assembly welcomes, with much pleasure, the presence of the Rev. William Ross, of Rothesay, bearing a commission from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland, with which this Church rejoices to hold close fraternal relations. Further, the Assembly, having heard with great satisfaction the interesting address which he has delivered regarding the condition and work of the Church, requests him to convey to the Colonial Committee the cordial thanks of the Assembly for the generous aid which the Committee has afforded to the Home Mission Committee of this Church in furtherance of its work in the North-West Territory of Canada.

The Moderator conveyed to Mr. Ross the thanks of the House for his presence and address.

REPORTS ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Assembly called for the reports on Foreign Missions. That for the Eastern Section of the Church was presented and read by Dr. McGregor, Secretary, and that for the Western Section by Professor McLaren, Convener. The consideration of these was continued until ten o'clock, when the debate was adjourned.

COMMITTEE ON HYMNOLOGY.

The Moderator named the following as members of the Committee on Hymnology in terms of the Assembly's finding at the afternoon Sederunt, viz.: Mr. D. M. Gordon, Convener, Professor Gregg, Dr. Bennet, Messrs. John Laing, D. J. Macdonnell, J. S. Black, J. A. F. McBain; A. I. Mackenzie, W. Adamson, Robert Murray, Robert Bell.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWELFTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Tuesday, the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. J. S. Burnet.

The Minutes of the Eleventh Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORTS ON COLLEGES.

The reports of the Board of Management, of the Senate and of the Board of Examiners of Knox College, together with the Financial Statement, having been called for, were given in and read by Dr. Topp, Principal Caven and Dr. Reid, respectively.

Principal Grant presented and read the annual report of the Board of Trustees of Queen's University and College. This was accompanied by the Treasurer's Financial Statement and the Calendar for 1878-79.

The reports of the Board of Management, of the Senate and of the Board of Examiners of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, were given in and read by Mr. D. Morrice, Chairman of the Board of Management.

The Annual Report of the Theological Hall, Halifax, was given in and read by Dr. McGregor.

Professor Bryce presented and read the reports of the Board of Management and Senate of Manitoba College.

It was moved by Principal Caven, seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson (Kingston,) and passed unanimously, That the reports of the several Colleges, now read, be received and referred to a Committee, consisting of Dr. Robb, Convener, Principal Caven, Principal McVicar, Principal Grant, Professor McKnight, Professor Mackerras, Professor Gregg, Professor Bryce, Dr. Topp, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Reid, Dr. Cochrane, Dr. McNish, Dr. Waters, Messrs. Andrew Wilson, Thomas Sedgwick, A. Simpson, J. S. Black, D. M. Gordon, William Moore, D. H. Fletcher, D. J. McDonnell, J. K. Smith, A. McL. Sinclair, Thomas Duncan, John Mackinnon, John Thompson, H. H. Macpherson, I. G.

McNeill; Hon. Alexander Morris, Hon. John McMurrieh, Hon. Gilbert McMeiken, Dr. Macdonald, Messrs. David Morrice, John Hardie, Robert Cassels, James Maclellan, T. W. Taylor, A. I. MacKenzie, Robert Murray, W. B. McMurrieh, John Charlton, Thomas Fotheringham, D. W. McVicar, Colin Macdougall, with instructions to consider them carefully and report at as early a Sederunt as possible.

REPORT ON THE RECORDS.

The report of the Committee, appointed to revise the Records of the Assembly, of the several Synods and of the Presbytery of Manitoba, was given in and read. On motion to that effect, the report was received and adopted, and, in terms thereof, the Assembly ordered the Record of the Assembly and the Records of the Synods of Montreal and Ottawa, Toronto and Kingston, Hamilton and London, and of the Presbytery of Manitoba, to be attested as carefully and correctly kept, and the Record of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces to be attested *cum hac nota*, the Rolls of Presbyteries are appended to instead of being inserted in the Minutes.

TRANSFERENCE OF CERTAIN MISSION STATIONS.

The Clerk produced and read an Extract Minute of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston, transmitting Extract Minutes of the Presbyteries of Owen Sound and Barrie, craving the transference of Parry Sound Mission and Collingwood Mountain Station from the former to the latter Presbytery. The transference was unanimously agreed to.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon :—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Twelfth Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON YOUNG LADIES' COLLEGE, BRANTFORD.

Dr. Cochrane, President of the Faculty of the Young Ladies' College at Brantford, Ont., gave in the annual report of the Directors of that Institution. It was moved by Mr. Robert Torrance, seconded by Mr. R. N. Grant and passed unanimously, The General Assembly receive the report; express their gratification at the success that continues to attend the College and the efforts put forth by the Directors to raise the Institution to the highest state of efficiency. Further, the Assembly commend the College to the generous confidence and patronage of the Church at large; and, in terms of the application contained in the report, nominate the following shareholders as Directors for the ensuing year, viz.: Messrs. Alexander Robertson, William Watt, Thomas McLean, Robert Henry, Adam Spence, William Grant, C. B. Heyd, William McIntosh, John Sutherland, Robert Russell, Dr. William Nichol and Dr. Cochrane.

REPORT ON THE LICENSE OF STUDENTS.

Mr. Donald McRae, on behalf of the Committee on the Licensure of Students of Divinity, presented and read a report. The report was received and, in terms of its

recommendations, the Assembly agreed to grant leave to the Presbytery of Toronto to take Messrs. John Wilkie, M.A., Francis Pallantyne, M.A., Joseph McCoy, M.A., Francis R. Beattie, M.A., and John Johnston on probationary trials for License. Similar leave was accorded to the Presbytery of Kingston, with respect to Messrs. Alexander H. Scott, M.A., John Mordy, M.A., T. S. Glassford, B.A., Alexander McLean, B.A., and Hugh Taylor. To the Presbytery of Guelph, with respect to Mr. J. B. Hamilton, B.A. To the Presbytery of Lindsay, with respect to Messrs. Alexander Fraser and William J. Smyth. To the Presbytery of Barrie, with respect to Mr. David Ross, M.A. To the Presbytery of Owen Sound, with respect to Messrs. Alexander Leslie, M.A., and D. G. Mackay. To the Presbytery of Whitby, with respect to Mr. T. Atkinson. To the Presbytery of Manitoba, with respect to Messrs. James Duncan, and Samuel Polson. To the Presbytery of Montreal, with respect to Messrs. Charles McKillop, B.A., J. R. McLeod, W. D. Russell, A. C. Cruchet and F. Walker. To the Presbytery of Quebec, with respect to Mr. John Pringle, B.A. To the Presbytery of Saugeen, with respect to Mr. A. T. Colter. To the Presbytery of Glengarry, with respect to Mr. John Geddes. And to the Presbytery of Chatham, with respect to Mr. Donald Currie.

Further, in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee regarding the special cases which had been submitted to them, the Assembly agreed to grant the prayer of the petition—

- (1.) Of the Presbytery of Toronto, with respect to Mr. D. Fotheringham.
- (2.) Of the Presbytery of Paris, with respect to Mr. William Rothwell.
- (3.) Of the Presbytery of London, with respect to Mr. W. Galloway.
- (4.) Of the Presbytery of Montreal, with respect to Messrs. Antonio Internoscia and George Bernard Tanguay.
- (5.) Of the Presbytery of Ottawa, with respect to Mr. James Robertson.
- (6.) Of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, with respect to Mr. E. Gillies.
- (7.) Of the Presbytery of Chatham, with respect to Mr. John Cairns, with instructions to the Presbytery to make a report on his case to the next General Assembly.

PROPOSED NEW PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND.

There was read an Extract Minute of the Synod of Hamilton and London, transmitting the petition of certain members of the Presbyteries of Huron and Bruce, requesting the formation of a new Presbytery, to be composed of the following congregations at present in connection with the aforesaid Presbyteries, viz.: Ashfield, Dungannon and Port Albert, St. Helen's and Whitechurch, Wingham, Belgrave, Bluevale and Eadie's, Melville Church Brussels, Knox Church Brussels, Cranbrook and Ethel. East Ashfield Mission Station, Wroxeter and Fordwich, St. Andrew's Church Lueknow, South Kinloss and Lueknow, Langside, Knox Church Ripley, Huron, Pine River, Knox Church Kincairdine, St. Andrew's Church Kincairdine, Chalmers' Church Kincairdine Township. Accompanying this petition, were Minutes of the Presbyteries of Huron and Bruce with reference thereto—the latter Presbytery recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted in the meantime.

Messrs. G. Brown, Hugh Cameron and Duncan Cameron, were heard in support of the petition.

It was moved by Dr. Reid and seconded by Mr. Dick, That the petition lie on the table until next meeting of Assembly, and that the Presbyteries interested, viz.: those of Huron, Bruce, Stratford and Saugeen, be instructed to transmit to next Assembly their judgment as to the proposed new Presbytery. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. James Pringle and seconded by Mr. Alexander Stewart, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted. It was further moved in amendment by Mr. Thomas McCae and duly seconded, That a Committee of this Assembly be appointed to consider the subject

matter of this petition and report to next Assembly. A vote having been taken, the amendment of Mr. Pringle was carried over that of Mr. McCrae, and the motion of Dr. Reid over the amendment of Mr. Pringle. Dr. Reid's motion thus became the judgment of the House and the Moderator declared accordingly.

ADDITION TO THE NEW PRESBYTERY OF LANARK AND RENFREW.

The Clerk produced and read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Ottawa memorializing the Assembly to detach the congregations within the bounds of the county of Pontiac, and annex them to the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew, which the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa had agreed to constitute and establish, as it was empowered to do by last Assembly. It was unanimously agreed to grant the prayer of the memorial.

OVERTURE ANENT TRAINING A NATIVE MINISTRY FOR INDIAN TRIBES.

The Assembly next took up an Overture from the Presbytery of Manitoba, viz.:

"Whereas the Presbytery of Manitoba has become deeply impressed with the importance of raising a body of native Missionaries for the effective prosecution of Christian work among the Indian tribes of this Province and the neighbouring Territories; whereas, it is necessary for this end that young men and boys, whose gifts and character would point them out as suitable for Christian work as Teachers, Interpreters, Catechists, or Ministers, should be sought out and properly educated:—it is, therefore humbly overtured that instructions be given to Missionaries to select and encourage promising young men and boys that they may prepare and qualify for carrying on Christian work among their own people (and the case of two young boys under the care of the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, and maintained, at the expense of the Church, at Prince Albert Mission, is respectfully recommended to the consideration of the General Assembly); and, further, that the General Assembly devise some means by which such young men and boys may be properly educated and prepared for the successful prosecution of the work of the Lord."

On motion of Dr. Reid, seconded by Professor Bryce, it was unanimously agreed to receive the Overture and refer it for consideration to the Western Section of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

REPORTS ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the reports on Foreign Missions, deferred from last evening's Sederunt, and continued the debate on the same until the hour of adjournment.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTEENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Thirteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ON FRENCH CANADIAN EVANGELIZATION.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Board of French Canadian Evangelization, which was presented and read by Principal McVicar, Chairman. It was moved by Mr.

Thomas Duncan, seconded by Dr. James and passed unanimously, That the Report be received and referred to a Committee, consisting of Mr. McLennan, *Convener*, Dr. Ure, Dr. Wardrope, Dr. Robb, Dr. James, Dr. Bain, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Gregg, Messrs. James Patterson, Camelon, W. Masson, J. S. Black, W. M. Roger, W. Ross, Andrew Wilson, T. G. Smith, Robert Campbell (Montreal), J. Sieveright, W. Armstrong, J. McNabb, Thomas Duncan, E. A. McCurdy, C. A. Doudiet; Hon. Gilbert McMicken, Messrs. Thos. McCrae, W. Coverdale, A. D. Fordyce, J. Hutcheson, Malcolm Macpherson, J. B. Fairbairn, with instructions to report; that the thanks of the Assembly be tendered to the Board, and especially to the Convener and the Secretary; and, further, that the Assembly express their satisfaction with the present encouraging state of this important Scheme, and their devout gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the large measure of success vouchsafed during the past year.

Mr. Doudiet, one of the Missionaries of the Board, addressed the House.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow afternoon, at half-past two o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Wednesday, the nineteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Fourteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORTS ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the reports on Foreign Missions. It was moved by Mr. John Thompson and seconded by Mr. Thomas Duncan, That the reports, now read, be received, and sent to a Committee, to be named by the Moderator, to bring in a deliverance on them; that the thanks of this Assembly be given to the Foreign Mission Committee, and especially to the Conveners, for their diligence and the very able and encouraging reports now submitted; and, further, that this Assembly desire to express their profound gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the success which He has been pleased to vouchsafe to the labours of our Missionaries during the year in the various fields occupied by them. To this it was moved in amendment by Principal Grant and seconded by Mr. Burton, That the report of the Western section of the Church, now read, be remitted to the Committee with instructions to strike out the section referring to the Juvenile Mission of this Church. A vote having been taken, the motion was carried over the amendment by a majority of 76 to 36, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

From this decision, Mr. Burton, in his own name and in the name of all who may adhere to him, craved leave to dissent for the following reason, viz.: Because the Assembly, in rejecting the amendment, has virtually endorsed action on the part of the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee, which has been wanting in due consideration towards a co-operating Committee of the Church.

The following members adhered to this dissent, and concurred in the above reason, viz.: Principal Grant, Dr. Ure, Professor Maekerras, Messrs. Sieveright, D. J. Macdonnell, H. Cameron, W. T. Canning; H. B. Webster.

The question having been put, "Shall the motion finally pass?" it was moved in

amendment thereto by Mr. Moodie and seconded by Mr. Croil, That the report of the Western section of the Foreign Mission Committee be remitted to that Committee, with instructions to amend the same so as to inform the General Assembly of the present relation of the Rev. J. B. Fraser, M.D., to the Mission work of our Church.

A vote having been taken, the amendment was carried over the motion by a majority of 99 to 6, and the Moderator declared the same to be the judgment of the House.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools was given in and read by Mr. John McEwen, Convener. The consideration of the same was continued until the hour of adjournment.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SIXTEENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Fifteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

MISSION TO THE LUMBERMEN.

The annual report of the Committee, entrusted with the management of the Mission to the Lumbermen in the valley of the Ottawa and its tributaries, was presented and read by Mr. D. M. Gordon, Convener. It was moved by Dr. Wardrope, seconded by Mr. William Ross and passed unanimously, That the report be received and approved; that the thanks of the Assembly be conveyed to the Committee, and especially to the Convener; and that the object of the Mission be specially commended to the congregations within the bounds of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Assembly resumed the debate on the report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools. The following motion was proposed by Dr. Bell, seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith and passed unanimously: Receive the report; thank the Convener for his diligence in the matter; empower the Committee to issue schedules for the purpose of eliciting information, and urge on all Ministers and Sessions diligence in replying thereto; appoint the Moderator, in his pastoral letter on the state of religion, to press the recommendations of the report on the attention of the Church; instruct Presbyteries to give diligent attention to the oversight of Sabbath school work within their bounds; and, where practicable, to hold Presbyterial Sabbath-school Conferences, and to encourage the formation of classes for training Sabbath-school Teachers; and authorize the Conveners of the Committees of the several Synods to act as a Committee, if they see fit, to inquire into and report on the subject of Sabbath-school literature.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS (WESTERN SECTION).

Professor McLaren, Convener, presented the report of the Western Section of the Foreign Mission Committee, amended in accordance with the instructions of the Assem-

bly at this afternoon's Sederunt, and stating the present relation of the Rev. J. B. Fraser, M.D., to the Mission Work of the Church. The report, thus amended, was received, and in terms of Mr. John Thompson's motion, was, with the report of the Eastern Section, referred for consideration to a Committee, consisting of Dr. Wardrope, *Convener*, Dr. Topp, Dr. Robb, Dr. Bain, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Fraser, Dr. Gregg, Professor Bryce, Messrs. John Burton, James Watson, E. A. McCurdy, Thomas Duncan, William Moore, T. G. Smith, J. Leiper, John Mackinnon, Thomas Sedgwick, J. B. Mullan, William Robertson, J. K. Smith, James Hastie, James Little (Bowmanville) George Burson, Mungo Fraser, Robert Wallace, R. C. Moffat; Colin Macdougall, W. B. McMurrich, George Hattie, James Lillie, Charles Davidson, William Adamson, James Croil, Thomas Fotheringham, J. S. Potter, Thomas Wilson, G. F. Burns, John W. Robson, J. C. Gilchrist, Donald Gilchrist, W. T. Root, Alexander Bartlett, Alexander Macalister, David Morrice, Isaac McCurdy.

REPORT ANENT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Professor Bryce, on behalf of the Committee appointed to nominate Standing Committees for the year, gave in and read a report. This report was ordered to be printed and placed in the hands of members to-morrow, with a view to consideration at as early a Sederunt as possible.

REPORT ON MODE OF APPOINTING COMMITTEES.

Mr. John Laing, Convener of the Committee appointed by last Assembly to prepare a recommendation as to the whole mode of appointing Committees of Assembly, presented and read a report. It was moved by Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, seconded by Mr. Thomas Sedgwick and passed unanimously, That the portion of the report, which deals with the matter entrusted to the Committee, viz.: the mode of appointing Committees of Assembly, be received and referred to the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure, hereafter to be appointed, and that the thanks of the Assembly be accorded to the Convener for his diligence.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

SEVENTEENTH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Thursday, the twentieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. T. Sedgwick.

The Minutes of the Sixteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. Torrance, on behalf of the Committee on Business, presented and read a report. Its recommendations as to the order of business for this Diet were, after amendment, adopted.

ADDRESS FROM AGENT OF THE FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Rev. W. Williams, Agent of the French Canadian Missionary Society, addressed the House on the work and claims of that Society. It was moved by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Peter Lindsay and passed unanimously, That the Assembly has heard

with pleasure the statements of Mr. Williams, and express its continued sympathy with the work of the French Canadian Missionary Society. Nevertheless, as this Church is fully committed to the work of French Evangelization, the Assembly does not feel justified in doing more than generally commending the work of the Society to the sympathy of the Christian Church.

REPORT ON THE JUVENILE MISSION.

The report on the Juvenile Mission having been given in and read, the following deliverance was proposed by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. William Ross and passed unanimously. That the Assembly receive the report; thank the Committee, and especially the Secretary-Treasurer, for their diligence; and refer the report for consideration to the Committee already appointed to consider the reports of the Foreign Mission Committee.

DELIVERANCE ON HOME MISSION REPORTS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee charged with the consideration of the reports of the Home Mission sub-Committees. This was presented and read by Dr. Waters. It was agreed to receive the same and consider its recommendations *seriatim*.

In accordance with its tenor, the General Assembly decreed as follows, viz.:—

1. The warm thanks of the Assembly are hereby accorded to the Church of Scotland, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and the Free Church of Scotland, for their liberal contributions in aid of the Home Mission work of the Church.

2. Thanks are hereby given to the Home Mission Committee, the Committee on Supplements for the Maritime Provinces, and especially to Dr. Cochrane, Convener, and Mr. Warden, Secretary of the Western Section; and to Dr. Grant, late Convener, and Dr. McGregor, Secretary of the Eastern sub-Committee; and also to Mr. Sedgwick, Convener of the Committee on Supplements for the Maritime Provinces.

3. The sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) is hereby granted to Dr. Cochrane, the Convener of the Western sub-Committee, as an acknowledgment of his services, as well as to enable him to meet necessary expenses, and pay for assistance during the past year.

4. The Assembly re-appoint Dr. Cochrane to the Convenership of the Western Section of the Home Mission Committee, and grant to him for the future an allowance of six hundred dollars (\$600) per annum, so that he may be enabled to employ such aid as he may require in the discharge of his duties as Convener of said sub-Committee.

5. The congregation in British Columbia under Mr. Jamieson's care is hereby instructed to furnish regularly to the Home Mission Committee a statement of its affairs, either directly through the pastor, or through the Presbytery of which he is a member.

6. The existing arrangements regarding the payment of Missionaries in Manitoba are continued, viz.:—That a salary of nine hundred (\$900) and seven hundred dollars (\$700) be paid to married and unmarried Missionaries respectively, irrespective of other sources of income.

7. Presbyteries are earnestly recommended to see that Missionary Associations are formed in each congregation under their care.

8. In regard to localities, where assistance may be needed from the Board of French Evangelization and the Home Mission Committee, arrangements shall be made for a joint meeting of sub-Committees of the Board of French Evangelization and the Home Mission Committee, in order to secure the necessary co-operation.

9. Presbyteries are recommended to use due diligence in making a thorough investigation of every new application, which may be presented to the Home Mission Committee, for support.

10. The Assembly express approval generally of the scheme for the continuous supply of Mission Stations for the Western Section, sanction action in accordance with its provisions as far as practicable, under the approval of the Home Mission Committee, and re-appoint the Committee of last General Assembly with the addition of the following names, viz.: Dr. McGregor, Dr. McVicar, and Dr. Caven, with instructions to perfect the same, and report to next Assembly;—Mr. Bruce to be Convener.

11. Congregations, collecting their contributions to the Mission Schemes by monthly or quarterly subscriptions, are recommended to send forward their contributions to the Treasurers of the Church without unnecessary delay.

12. All congregations and Mission Stations are hereby enjoined to contribute to the Home Mission funds of the Church.

13. The Assembly, in recognizing the important services rendered by the Students' Missionary Associations, renew the advice tendered to such Associations by the General Assembly of 1876.

14. The Assembly refer to the Committee on Statistics for consideration the recommendation of the Committee on Supplements anent the opening of a new column in the Statistical Tables for contributions to the Supplementing Scheme of the Synod of the Maritime Provinces.

15. The Assembly continue the Committee on Supplements in the Maritime Provinces, and earnestly commend the Scheme to the increased liberality of the Church in that Section.

16. The Assembly express their gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the large measure of success which has been accorded to the Home Missionary operations of the Church during the year.

Mr. Laing craved and obtained leave to dissent from the finding of the Assembly, expressed in paragraph 6, fixing the amount of the salaries of Missionaries, irrespective of other sources of income.

REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

Dr. Topp, Convener of the Judicial Committee, presented and read a report. In accordance with its recommendations, the Assembly adopted the following as their deliverances in the several causes referred to.

I. The Presbytery of Sydney *vs.* the Synod of the Maritime Provinces.

Sustain the appeal; and, inasmuch as the Presbytery of Sydney, in erecting the Stations of Victoria and Lingan, and continuing them as such, acted in accordance with its constitutional rights, hereby confirm the said action of that Presbytery.

II. Mr. J. J. Cameron *vs.* the Presbytery of Stratford.

Dismiss the dissent and complaint, and confirm the judgment of the Presbytery.

III. Mr. Donald McLellan *vs.* the Synod of Hamilton and London.

Dismiss the appeal, inasmuch as the Kirk Session of McNab Street Church, Hamilton, acted in the exercise of a constitutional right in seeking an expression of the views of the congregation as to the use of additional hymns.

IV. Reference from the Synod of Hamilton and London anent the reception of Mr. Andrew Watson, as a Minister of this Church, by the Presbytery of London.

Sustain the Reference and declare the action of the Presbytery to be null and void, inasmuch as the Presbytery received Mr. Watson as a Licentiate and Minister of this Church without a certificate of Licensure and Ordination, and without referring the case to the General Assembly.

Parties were called in all these causes and judgment was intimated.

In regard to the Appeal:—Eneas McMaster *vs.* the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, inasmuch as new papers in the cause have been received by the Clerk, the absence of which hitherto was satisfactorily explained, the Assembly agreed to remit this cause to

the Committee, as these papers may form an element in coming to a judgment on the matter.

REPORT ANENT HYMNOLOGY.

Mr. D. M. Gordon, Convener of the Committee appointed to consider the Overtures on Hymnology, gave in and read a report. Consideration of this was deferred until the afternoon.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

EIGHTEENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at four o'clock in the afternoon:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Seventeenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORT ANENT HYMNOLOGY.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the report of the Committee on the Overtures anent Hymnology. It was agreed to receive the report and consider its paragraphs *seriatim*.

A debate arose on the first clause of the preamble: "Whereas the use of hymns was allowed in each of the four Churches, that now comprise the Presbyterian Church in Canada, prior to Union." It was moved by Dr. Robb and seconded by Mr. Thomas Sedgwick, That this clause be omitted. A vote having been taken, the motion was lost. From this decision Mr. John Scott dissented in his own name and in the name of those who may adhere to him for the following reason, viz.: "That the expression 'allowed in each of the four Churches that now compose the Presbyterian Church in Canada, prior to Union,' is in my judgment not in accordance with fact." Mr. Andrew Wilson (Kingston) adhered to this dissent and concurred in this reason. Dr. Robb also dissented.

The remaining clauses of the preamble were adopted.

In regard to the first clause of the resolution recommended by the Committee, it was moved by Dr. McKnight and duly seconded, That the word "chiefly" be inserted before the words "from the four Hymn books already mentioned." A vote having been taken, the motion was lost.

With reference to the concluding clause: "And to publish the same as a Book of Praise allowed by the General Assembly for use in the congregations of the Church," it was moved by Principal Caven and seconded by Dr. Proudfoot, That this clause be omitted and the following inserted in room thereof, viz.: "And to send down the Book compiled by them to Presbyteries in order to be examined by them, and reported on to the next General Assembly, so that the collection may be made as acceptable as possible to the Church." A vote having been taken, Principal Caven's motion was carried by a majority of 63 to 54.

Mr. D. M. Gordon having moved the adoption of the report, thus amended, as a whole, it was moved by Mr. John Laing, seconded by Dr. Gregg and carried by a majority of votes, That the report be adopted with the insertion in the resolution of the word "chiefly" before the words "from the four Hymn-books already mentioned."

The report, as finally amended and adopted, is as follows, viz. :—

"Whereas the use of hymns was allowed in each of the four Churches, that now compose the Presbyterian Church in Canada, prior to Union; and whereas several Hymn books, especially 'The English Presbyterian Hymn Book,' 'The Scottish Hymnal,' 'The United Presbyterian Hymn Book,' and 'The Free Church Hymn Book,' are in use in congregations of this Church; and whereas the variety of Hymn-books now in use tends to impair that uniformity in worship which the Overtures recognize as desirable; and whereas the prayer of the Overtures is that steps be taken to provide one Hymn book, which may be allowed by the Assembly for such congregations as desire the use of a Hymn book in their service of praise; and whereas the Overtures do not contemplate restricting the liberty of congregations now using Hymn-books, but consider it practicable to make a selection which may commend itself for general adoption: the Assembly, therefore, resolve to appoint a Committee to provide a selection chiefly from the four Hymn-books already mentioned, and to send down the Book compiled by them to Presbyteries in order to be examined by them, and reported on to the next General Assembly, so that the collection may be made as acceptable as possible to the Church."

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Mr. W. T. McMullen, one of the Joint Conveners of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, gave in and read a report. The following motion was proposed by Mr. Robert Torrance, seconded by Mr. Lowry and passed unanimously, Receive the report; thank the Committee, and especially the Conveners, for the great labour they have taken in connection with the duties assigned to them; express gratification at the success attending their efforts to secure a better observance of the Lord's Day throughout the Dominion; adopt the recommendations contained in the report and refer them to the Standing Committee on Sabbath Observance, with instructions to take such measures as they may judge best to have these recommendations carried into effect.

RETURNS TO REMITS.

Mr. T. W. Taylor, on behalf of the Committee appointed to examine and classify the Returns from Presbyteries to the Remits sent down for consideration, gave in and read a report. The Assembly resolved to receive the report and consider the Remits *seriatim*.

I. Regulations anent Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

As a majority of Presbyteries have reported favourably, these regulations were adopted. They are as follows, viz. :—

REGULATIONS ANENT MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

1. That one Fund be created for the whole Church.
2. That the terms of the Act of the Province of Quebec, 38 Victoria, chapter lxi., relating to the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the late Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, providing that, in the event of the amalgamation of that Fund with the Funds of the other Churches that were parties to the recent Union, "no widow or orphan of a minister, who had formerly belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, shall receive less annuities from the Fund of the United Church, than would have pertained to them in terms of the scale in force by this Board at the date of Union, if the said Churches had not united," be accepted, and an amalgamation of the four Funds effected.
3. That, in addition to the revenue derived from the capital sum formed by the uniting of the four Funds presently existing, the Fund shall be maintained by an annual contribution from each minister and congregation, and the interest of such donations and bequests as shall from time to time accrue.
4. That the rate of ministerial contributions shall be as follows: Ministers at present connected with the Funds in Ontario and Quebec shall continue to pay the same rates as hitherto, and those connected with the Funds in the Maritime Provinces a uniform rate of eight dollars per annum. Ministers of this Church at present not connected with any Fund, and any ministers, who after this date shall

be admitted to participate in the benefits of this Fund, under thirty-five years of age, shall pay into the Fund annually eight dollars (\$8); such as are between thirty-five and forty years of age, ten dollars (\$10); those, who are between forty and fifty years of age, shall pay twelve dollars (\$12) per annum. The application of any minister, over fifty years of age, to be admitted to the benefits of the Fund, shall be made the subject of special consideration.

5. That the allowances to widows, from the common Fund, be equal; the case of the widows of the ministers formerly belonging to the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, as already provided for, only excepted; provided also that no widow, at present receiving an annuity from any of the Funds, nor the widow of any minister of the United Church, who had formerly belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, shall receive a less allowance than one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) a year.

6. That the following be the scale of annuities payable to widows and orphans:—Each widow shall receive one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) per annum. If a widow have children, she shall receive, in addition to her own annuity, for one child, twenty dollars (\$20) per annum; for two children thirty-six dollars (\$36) per annum; for three children fifty dollars (\$50) per annum; and ten dollars (\$10) per annum for each additional child; but she shall not receive anything from the Fund for children over eighteen years of age. The claim of the widow shall date from the beginning of the half-year in which the death of her husband occurred, and the annuity shall cease at the end of the half-year following her death or re-marriage. In the event of her re-marriage the children's claims shall continue.

7. In the event of the decease of both parents, if there be only one orphan the Board shall pay for the benefit of such orphan one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150); if there are two orphans twenty dollars (\$20) shall be added to the allowance made for one; if there are three orphans, sixteen dollars (\$16) more shall be paid on their behalf; and if there are four orphans, fourteen dollars (\$14) shall be added to the allowance; and ten dollars (\$10) shall be given for each additional orphan; but no allowance shall be made for children over eighteen years of age.

8. That on behalf of Professors, Foreign Missionaries, Missionaries under the French Evangelization Committee, Ministers on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, and the Agents of the Church, the sum of eight dollars shall, in addition to the personal rate, after the amalgamation of the Funds, be paid to this Fund by the Boards or Committees with which they are respectively connected. Ministers, who have retired from active duty with permission of the Church, and for whom no aid is sought from the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers, shall pay the sum of eight dollars annually, in addition to the rates previously paid by them.

9. Any minister withdrawing from the Church shall continue to enjoy his rights in this Fund, on condition of his paying annually into the Fund twelve dollars, in addition to the rate previously paid by him.

10. That it be an instruction to Presbyteries to use their utmost endeavours to secure that every minister, when he is inducted into a charge, shall become connected with the Fund.

11. That any minister, who may, at the time of his induction, decline to join the Fund, may be allowed to do so within four years from the date of his induction, on condition of his contributing a sum equivalent to the total payments he should have made, provided he had connected himself with the Fund at his induction, together with an addition of one dollar a year for each year he has declined to contribute to the Fund after his induction.

12. The rates of payments may be revised once in every five years.

13. That an actuary be employed to examine the Funds presently existing, and report as to the most equitable way in which the amalgamation can be effected, and that the Treasurers of the several Funds be instructed to furnish the data which such actuary may require.

II. Shall an agent be appointed for the purpose of promoting the scheme of Home Missions in connection with the other General Schemes of the Church?

As a majority of Presbyteries have reported disapproval of this proposal, the Assembly resolved not to entertain it.

III. Shall there be a Common Fund for the maintenance of the Theological Colleges in Montreal, Kingston and Toronto, to be apportioned among them in a way just to the claims and necessities of each?

As a majority of Presbyteries either express disapproval or decline to consider the question, the Assembly refused to adopt the same.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which publ's intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Eighteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

MEMORIAL OF THE REV. J. GAULD.

There was read a Memorial from the Rev. John Gauld, at one time Minister of Mooretown, craving the Assembly to use means to have paid to him certain moneys alleged to be due to him by Mooretown, Cornma and Bear Creek, for Ministerial services rendered from June, 1856 to August, 1860. As this matter was adjudicated on by the Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church for 1870, the Moderator ruled that it was incompetent to entertain the Memorial.

RETURNS TO REMITS.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the report of the Committee appointed to classify the Returns from Presbyteries to Remits.

IV. Shall the names of retired Ministers be retained on Presbytery Rolls?

On this point ten Presbyteries report approval *simpliciter*; six approve on condition that leave be first obtained from the General Assembly; four approve, provided these reside within the bounds of their respective Presbyteries; six recommend that they be retained as corresponding members; three report disapproval, and four send no report.

It was moved by Mr. John Laing and seconded by Dr. Waters, That all Ministers, who, through age or infirmity, have retired from the active duties of the Ministry with leave of the Assembly, and so long as they reside within the bounds of the Presbytery to which they had belonged, have their names retained on the Roll of their Presbyteries. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. Thomas Sedgwick and seconded by Mr. Burrows, That, in accordance with the terms of the Remit, the names of Ministers, who, through age and infirmity, have retired from the active duties of the Ministry with leave of the Assembly, shall not be retained on the Roll of their Presbyteries. A further amendment was proposed by Mr. Croil and seconded by Mr. Adamson, The names of Ministers, who have received leave from the Assembly to retire, shall be retained on the Roll of their Presbyteries, with the understanding that they have liberty to take part in the deliberations of the Court, but not to vote. A vote having been taken, Mr. Croil's amendment was carried over that of Mr. Sedgwick by a majority of 61 to 5, and over the motion of Mr. Laing by 66 to 55. The yeas and nays having been called for, Mr. Croil's amendment was adopted as the judgment of the House by a vote of 67 to 50, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

V. Shall the names of Ordained Missionaries employed for one year or a longer period

by Presbyteries in particular Mission districts, with the sanction of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee, be placed on the Roll of the Presbytery within whose bounds they labour?

As an affirmative answer was returned by a large majority of Presbyteries, the proposal embodied in the Remit was adopted.

VI. Questions proposed to be put to office-bearers, and formula to be subscribed by them.

These were adopted, inasmuch as a large majority of Presbyteries have reported approval.

VII. Remit from the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure.

Eight Presbyteries approve of the whole document sent down; eighteen approve generally with modifications and amendments, while seven send no returns.

As the modifications and amendments suggested are both long and numerous, but do not affect the principle of the work, the Assembly resolved to send the papers containing these to the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure, hereafter to be appointed, for their consideration; and adopt *ad interim* such portion of the work on Ecclesiastical Procedure as has been prepared by said Committee as a useful guide to the office-bearers of the Church.

REPORT ON DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee appointed to consider the report on the Distribution of Probationers for the Western section of the Church, which was given in and read. It was agreed to receive the same and consider its recommendations *seriatim*.

The several paragraphs down to 2 (2) were adopted. A debate arose on this, which reads as follows, viz.: "That Ministers, resigning their charge for the first time, be allowed two years on the Roll, and Ministers, who have resigned their charge more than once, one year." On motion of Mr. Laing, seconded by Dr. McGregor, the Assembly agreed to send the recommendation back to the Committee, with instructions to amend it, so as to provide for allowing Ministers, who resign their charge, to continue on the Roll for two years after each resignation.

A discussion arose on the next paragraph also, 2 (3), which was as follows, viz.: "That Ordained Ministers coming from other Churches be allowed one year on the Roll." It was moved by Principal McVicar, duly seconded and resolved to re-commit this sub-section, with instructions to frame such a regulation on this subject as shall be equitable to all parties affected thereby. The Assembly, in re-committing, further agreed to instruct the Committee with regard to paragraph 4 (3): "That Students be not appointed to vacancies," to insert "save in exceptional cases" after the word "appointed;" and with respect to the first clause of paragraph 4 (6): "That hereafter employment be given to none," to insert the words "by the Committee" after the word "given." A debate took place on paragraph 4 (7): "That Presbyteries be instructed to report to this Committee the names of all Ministers without charge and Licentiates seeking appointments within their bounds, and that no appointments be given to such unless by authority of this Committee." It was duly moved and seconded, that this recommendation be adopted. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. Laing and seconded by Dr. McVicar, that the paragraph be deleted. A further amendment was proposed by Dr. Proudfoot and seconded by Mr. Tolmie, that the paragraph be amended so as to read thus: "That Presbyteries be instructed to report to this Committee the names of all Ministers without charge and Licentiates, who are entitled to have their names on the Roll, seeking appointments within their bounds, and that no appointments be given to such unless by the authority of this Committee." A vote having been taken, the amendment of Mr. Laing carried over the amendment of Dr. Proudfoot and the original motion, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

It was agreed to instruct the Committee so to amend their recommendation anent the claim of Mr. West as to remit said claim to the Presbytery of Quebec, to be dealt with by that Presbytery as they may deem best after due consideration of the case.

The report, as a whole, was remitted to the Committee to be amended in accordance with the above instructions.

COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A HYMN-BOOK.

The Assembly appointed the following as their Committee to prepare a Hymn-book in terms of the deliverance adopted this afternoon, viz.: Dr. Jenkins and Dr. Gregg, *Joint Conveners*, Professor Mowat, Dr. James, Messrs. Donald McRae, John Thomson (Ayr), D. J. Macdonnell, J. S. Black; Robert Murray, W. B. McMurrich.

The General Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow forenoon at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTIETH SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there; Friday, the twenty-first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years:—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by Mr. Patrick M. McLeod. The Minutes of the Nineteenth Sederunt were read and sustained.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE LATE MODERATOR.

The Clerk produced and read a telegraphic despatch which he had received from Dr. M. Leod, Sydney, C. B., in reply to the message sent to him at the opening of this Session of the Assembly, warmly thanking the Assembly for their affectionate sympathy and expressing his fervent hope and prayer that the Master's presence may be with the House.

RETENTION OF NAMES ON ROLL OF NEWFOUNDLAND PRESBYTERY.

There was read a communication from Mr. Alex. Ross, Minister of Harbour Grace and Clerk of the Presbytery of Newfoundland, craving the Assembly for permission to retain the names of the Rev. M. Harvey and the Rev. James D. Paterson on the Roll of that Presbytery, so long as they are resident within the bounds of the Presbytery, inasmuch as said Presbytery consisted of the Ministers of only three congregations together with their representative elders, and, as two of these congregations have united to form one pastoral charge, which is now vacant, the Presbytery would otherwise become extinct. The leave craved was granted.

MEMORIAL FROM BROOKSDALE, ZORRA.

The Assembly took up a Memorial from certain petitioners, representing that previous to the Union they were members of the Presbyterian Church in Zorra in connection with the Church of Scotland—that they were organized by the Presbytery of London many years ago—that, believing themselves to be placed by the arrangements made at the time of the Union under the care of the Presbytery of Stratford, they applied to that Presbytery for supply of religious ordinances, but that the Presbytery of London claims that they are within its jurisdiction. The petitioners prayed the Assembly definitely to enact that the Brooksdale congregation, to which they belong, be placed under the juris-

diction of the Stratford Presbytery. In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, this Memorial was referred for consideration to the Judicial Committee, with instructions to report thereon.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The list of Standing Committees, proposed by the Committee of selection, having been printed, as ordered by the House, and being in the hands of members, the Assembly proceeded to consider the same. The recommendations of the Committee were, after amendment, adopted. The full list of Standing Committees for the year is as follows, viz. :—

I. KNOX COLLEGE.

I. BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

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VII. HOME MISSIONS.

I. FOR THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE CHURCH.

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II. FOR THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

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IX. DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.

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X. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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II. FOR THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

Mr. George Walker, Convener ; Dr. McGregor, Secretary ; Dr. McCulloch, Messrs. James Thompson, A. McLean, D. B. Blair, Thos. Duncan, A. McL. Sinclair, E. A. McCurdy, John McKinnon, D. McRae, W. Stuart, Ministers ; Messrs. John Miller, Duncan McDonald, Jr., Harvey Graham.

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XII. FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

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The members residing in Montreal to form an Executive Committee.

XIII. MISSION TO THE LUMBERMEN.

Mr. D. M. Gordon, Convener ; Dr. Bain, Messrs. S. Mylne, W. Burns, W. Moore, R. Campbell (Montreal), R. Campbell (Macnab and Horton), W. D. Ballantyne, Walter Ross

(Beckwith), J. Bennet, C. I. Cameron, Ministers ; Hon. Geo. Bryson, Messrs. Andrew Drummond, George Hay, A. Garrioch, R. Croskery, S. S. M. Hunter.

XIV. ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

Mr. T. Duncan, Convener ; Dr. McKnight, Dr. McLeod, Dr. James, Messrs. D. Morrison, P. M. Morrison, E. A. McCurdy, Walter M. Roger, P. M. McLeod, W. Burns, J. Smith, J. W. Mitchell, J. Scott (Emerson), Ministers ; Messrs. J. S. McLean, J. C. Thomson, H. Hay, W. Kerr, A. Bartlett, M. Lindsay, R. Cruickshank.

XV. ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. John McEwen, Convener ; Dr. Bell, Dr. James, Dr. Isaac Murray, Dr. McLise, Messrs. J. M. Cameron, J. Burton, T. G. Smith, G. Burnfield, W. Moore, J. S. Black, Alex. Campbell (Manitoba), J. R. Battisby, James Sinclair, J. Hastie, J. Crombie, J. Rennie, J. R. Laidlaw, M. Fraser, J. A. F. McBain, J. Henry, W. Mitchell, T. Goldsmith, Ministers ; Hon. Alex. Morris, Messrs. S. S. M. Hunter, D. Morrice, W. Adamson, M. Lindsay, P. Marshall, J. Murray Smith, J. B. Fairbairn, Colin Macdougall, J. W. Robson, G. F. Burns, H. B. Webster, R. Munro, W. Kerr, D. McCurdy, James Massie, John Charlton.

XVI. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Messrs. R. Laird and W. T. McMullen, Joint Conveners ; Dr. McCulloch, Dr. Black, Dr. Bain, Messrs. Andrew Wilson, R. Wallace, J. Hogg (Moncton), J. Fleck, W. King, W. Armstrong, D. D. McLeod, J. Murray (Sydney), S. Lyle, Ministers ; Dr. Christie, Messrs. J. Charlton, A. Mutchmore, Robert Murray.

XVII. ON "THE PRESBYTERIAN RECORD."

Dr. Jenkins, Convener ; Professor Campbell, Dr. Baxter, Messrs. Robert Campbell (Montreal), J. S. Black, and the Editor.

XVIII. WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

I. OF THE LATE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Messrs. W. Alexander and T. W. Taylor Joint Conveners ; Dr. Reid, Dr. Fraser, Messrs. James Dick, J. Pringle, G. Burson, Ministers ; Messrs. James Brown, J. K. Macdonald, J. Osborne, S. Gordon, A. Hutchison, James Bethune, Warden King.

II. OF THE LATE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES.

Mr. D. B. Blair, Convener ; Dr. Patterson, Secretary ; Dr. McLeod, Dr. McCulloch, Dr. Bennet, Messrs. John Stewart, A. Ross, W. Maxwell, T. Sedgwick, A. L. Wyllie, James Law, John Mackinnon, E. A. McCurdy, Ministers ; Messrs. Donald McNeill, Howard Primrose, George Hattie, J. S. McLean, J. D. McGregor.

III. OF THE LATE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

Mr. J. J. Bremner, Convener ; George Mitchell, Treasurer ; Dr. Pollok, Messrs. Alexander McLean, James Anderson, D. M. Sutherland, Ministers ; Messrs. George McLean, D. Nicholson, James S. Macdonald.

XIX. AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

I. FOR THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE CHURCH.

Mr. James Middlemiss, Convener ; Messrs. J. Scott (North Bruce), R. Bentley, H.

McQuarrie, R. Leask, D. McGillivray, M. Fraser, Ministers; Messrs. W. Walker, Alex. Macpherson, Thomas McCrae, G. Hadden, G. Laing.

II. FOR THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

Mr. A. McLean Sinclair, Convener; Dr. Patterson, Dr. McKnight, Messrs. A. Ross, John Mackinnon, H. B. Mackay, J. A. F. McBain, George Roddick, R. Cumming, J. H. Chase, A. McLean, R. Laing, A. Farquharson, Ministers; Messrs. Howard Primrose, George Underwood, Harvey Graham, Dr. George Murray.

XX. ON FINANCE.

I. TORONTO SECTION.

Hon. John McMurrich, Convener; Dr. Reid, Messrs. Charles Davidson, T. W. Taylor, J. I. Blaikie, James Maclellan, James Brown, William Mitchell.

II. MONTREAL SECTION.

Mr. Warden King, Convener; Messrs. Robert Campbell, R. H. Warden, Ministers; P. S. Ross, D. Morrice, J. Stirling, Alex. Macpherson.

III. HALIFAX SECTION.

Mr. J. S. McLean, Convener; Judge James, Messrs. J. J. Bremner, J. W. Carmichael.

XXI. STATISTICS.

Mr. Robert Torrance Convener; Dr. McKnight, Messrs. S. Houston, D. Fraser, H. H. Macpherson, Ministers; Messrs. A. D. Fordyce, Thomas McCrae, James Croil.

XXII. ON THE PROTECTION OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Mr. James Maclellan, Convener; Dr. Bell, Dr. Reid, Dr. Ure, Professor Mackerras, Mr. Thomas Macpherson, Ministers; Hon. Alex. Morris, Messrs. D. B. Maclellan, Jas. Cowan, W. M. Clark, G. M. Macdonell, James Croil, J. F. Bain (Manitoba).

XXIII. BUXTON FINANCE.

Mr. John Scott (North Bruce), Convener; Messrs. J. R. Battisby, W. King, W. Walker, R. H. Warden, Ministers; K. Urquhart, E. Taylor, D. McVicar.

AMENDED REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Mr. J. W. Mitchell, on behalf of the Committee on the State of Religion, gave in the report as amended in accordance with the instructions of the Assembly. Consideration of the same was continued until the hour of adjournment.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-FIRST SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Twentieth Sederunt were read and sustained.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

The Assembly resolved to appoint the following members a Standing Committee on Obituary Notices for next year, viz.:—Dr. Reid, Convener; Dr. Fraser, Dr. McGregor, Professor Mackerras, and Mr. Croil.

AMENDED REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the amended report on the State of Religion within the bounds. It was moved by Principal Caven, seconded by Mr. Croil, and passed unanimously, "That the Assembly receive the report thus amended; adopt its recommendations; thank the Committee, and especially the Convener; express their gratitude to Almighty God for the many encouraging facts which the report reveals, especially for the increasing interest shown by the Presbyterians in this great scheme of the Church, for the times of refreshing vouchsafed to many congregations, and the signs of spiritual life observed around us; and in reference to the complaints, such as neglect of family worship—the small share of labour rendered to the Church by many from whom good service might be expected—the prevalence of sin in various forms—the large number living without God, the General Assembly deplore the same, and urge that supplication be made for a larger measure of the Holy Spirit.

REPORT ANENT GENERAL SUSTENTATION FUND.

Dr. Topp, Convener of the Committee, appointed by last Assembly to consider the question of a General Sustentation Fund, presented and read a report. Said report is of the following tenor, viz.:—

"The Committee having fully considered the best means of accomplishing the object of their appointment—the increase of the stipends of all the Ministers of the Church, who have not the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) yearly, to that amount—are of opinion that it would not be advisable to attempt this object by a General Sustentation Fund. The only method, by which it appears that the object, for which the Committee has been appointed, can be attained, is that of establishing a Supplemental Fund separate and distinct from the Home Mission Fund.

"The Committee, accordingly, recommend that the Assembly should separate the two Funds hitherto united, and set up a separate Supplemental Fund, to be distributed in conjunction with the Presbyteries of the Church in such a way and in such terms as may be agreed on, and appoint a Committee to mature a scheme for the aforesaid purpose and report to next Assembly."

It was moved by Dr. Topp and seconded by Mr. John Laing, That the report be received and adopted. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. William Bennet and seconded by Mr. W. T. Canning, That the report be received; that no change in the meantime be adopted in the matter of the increase of ministers' salaries; and that the Overtures on Sustentation and Supplement, submitted at last Assembly, be sent down as a remit to Presbyteries. A further amendment was proposed by Dr. Waters and seconded by Mr. Robert Wallace, Receive the Report; thank the Committee, and especially the Convener; and send down the report with its recommendations to Presbyteries for their consideration. A vote having been taken, the amendment of Dr. Waters was carried over that of Mr. Bennet by a majority of forty to seven, and over the original motion by thirty-seven to twenty-nine. Dr. Waters' amendment thus became the judgment of the House, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

Dr. Topp, Convener of the Judicial Committee, presented and read a supplementary report. In terms of its recommendation, the Assembly adopted the following as their deliverance in the

Appeal—McMaster *vs.* the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa.

Considering that it has not been shown that the congregation of Hampden, as such, was liable for any part of the arrears of stipend due to Mr. Macdonald, the General Assembly dismiss the appeal; find that the Presbytery of Quebec erred in directing Mr. Macdonald to retain in his hands moneys held by him as a Trustee for the benefit of said congregation; and consequently confirm the action of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa in reversing the decision of said Presbytery.

Parties were called and the judgment was intimated.

STATISTICS.

Mr. Robert Terrance, Convener, presented and read the annual report of the Committee on Statistics—whereupon the following motion was proposed by Dr. Waters, seconded by Dr. Proudfoot, and passed unanimously, Receive the report; adopt its recommendations; commend the diligence of the Committee, and especially of the Convener; and further grant the usual allowance of one hundred dollars (\$100) to the Convener of the Committee as an acknowledgment of his diligence in preparing these Statistics.

REPORTS ON WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUNDS.

There were produced and read reports from the Committees entrusted with the management of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Funds of the late Canada Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Province, and the Presbyterian Church of the Maritime Provinces in connection with the Church of Scotland. It was agreed

1. That the reports, now read, be received; that thanks be accorded to the Committees, and especially to the Conveners, Secretaries, and Treasurers; and that the Assembly express gratification at the satisfactory condition of these several Funds.

2. That a Committee, consisting of Dr. Reid, Convener; Professor MacKerras, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Patterson, Mr. Robert Campbell (Montreal); Messrs. T. W. Taylor, W. Alexander, James Creil, and J. J. Bremner, be appointed to consider and report as to the amalgamation of the several Widows' Funds, and that in the meantime Ministers, who shall be inducted during the year, be recommended to connect themselves with one or other of the Funds at present in operation.

In connection with the above matter there was submitted a petition from the Presbytery of London, praying the General Assembly to place as an annuitant on the Fund of the late Canada Presbyterian Church, the widow of the late Rev. Robert Scott, formerly of Camlachie, Ont., and more recently of New York. On motion of Dr. Topp, seconded by Dr. Proudfoot, it was agreed to grant the prayer of the petition.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this evening at half-past seven o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-SECOND SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening:—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the twenty-first Sederunt were read and sustained.

REPORTS ON AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUNDS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee for managing the Aged and

Infirm Ministers' Fund of the Western Section of the Church, which was given in and read by Mr. Middlemiss, Convener. The report was received and its paragraphs were considered *seriatim*.

On motion to that effect, duly seconded, it was agreed, That the Assembly adopt the report; thank the Committee, and especially the Convener; instruct the Committee to make no further reduction of the capital, and to add thereto all donations and bequests, except when otherwise ordered by the donors; authorize the Committee to make a special appeal to congregations to increase their contributions to this Fund in order to equalize revenue and expenditure; and commend this scheme specially to the liberality of those whom Providence has blessed with abundant means.

Further, the Assembly agree to record their sense of the value of the services rendered by the Rev. John McTavish, formerly of Woodstock, now of Inverness, Scotland, to this Church in connection with this Scheme; and at the same time agree to accord to Mr. McTavish the privilege of an interest in the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, on condition of the yearly payment on his part of the rate required to be paid by Ministers, and of the sum of twenty dollars (\$20) as an equivalent for a congregational collection.

There was next read the report of the Committee for managing the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund of the Eastern Section of the Church. The Assembly unanimously agreed to receive and adopt the report.

In connection with this matter there was read an Overture from the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, craving the Assembly to change the third regulation relating to the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Funds so that every Minister, allowed by the General Assembly to retire, shall receive an annuity of two hundred dollars (\$200).

Mr. A. McLean Sinclair was heard in support of the Overture.

On motion of Principal Caven, duly seconded, it was agreed, That the Overture be referred to the Committee on the Funds for Aged and Infirm Ministers, to be reported on by them to the next General Assembly.

REPORT ON "THE PRESBYTERIAN RECORD."

Dr. Jenkins, Convener of the Publication Committee of "The Presbyterian Record," presented and read a report. It was moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Professor Mackerras and passed unanimously, That the report be received; that thanks be rendered to the Committee, and especially the Convener; and that the Assembly record their satisfaction that Mr. Croil has, in accordance with the expressed desire of last Assembly, consented to act as Editor.

COLLEGES.

The report of the Committee, appointed to consider the reports on the several Colleges and Halls of the Church, was given in and read by Dr. Robb, Convener. It was agreed to receive the same and consider its recommendations *seriatim*.

These were adopted with the exception of the following, viz.:—"That the salary of each of the Theological Professors in the Hall at Halifax be two thousand dollars (£2,000) per annum." In regard to this, it was moved by Dr. Robb and seconded by Dr. Topp, That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. To this it was moved in amendment by Mr. E. A. McCurdy, and seconded by Mr. James McLean, That this recommendation lie on the table, to be further considered at the next meeting of the Assembly. A vote having been taken, the amendment was carried over the motion by a majority of fifty-four to seventeen, and the Moderator declared accordingly. From this decision, Dr. Waters, Dr. Caven, Dr. Topp, Dr. Robb, Messrs. Kenneth MacLennan, J. A. Murray, James Pringle; James MacLennan, craved and obtained leave to enter their dissent.

In accordance with the recommendations of the report, the Assembly decreed as follows, viz.:—

KNOX COLLEGE.

1. The Assembly re-appoint the Committee of last year for raising funds to liquidate the debt on the ordinary revenue.
2. The Assembly express their thanks to Dr. Topp, Dr. Robb and Mr. J. M. King for the services they have rendered in raising funds to liquidate the debt on the ordinary revenue.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

1. The Assembly express their sincere gratification with the success which has attended the efforts to increase the endowment of Queen's College, and recommend to the friends of the College the completion of the whole so successfully begun.
2. The Assembly sanction the institution of a Preparatory Department in connection with the Theological work of the College. In doing so, the Assembly renew a former recommendation to the Colleges to use all legitimate means to induce students preparing for Theological studies to take the regular Arts' course in some approved University.
3. The Assembly, learning from the report of this Institution, that Principal Snodgrass has removed from the University and Church, with which he was for many years connected, record their sense of the high value of the services rendered by him, whether as Principal and Professor of Divinity in Queen's College or as a Minister of this Church. For a period of thirteen years the College enjoyed the great advantage of having at its head one possessed of eminent judgment and prudence, as well as great capacity for business, and whose high talents were ever faithfully applied to the promotion of its interests. The same qualities, which so well fitted him for his place in the University, proved of the highest value in the general business of the Church, and especially in the work of the Assembly. The Assembly hereby express their earnest wishes and prayers for the comfort and success of Dr. Snodgrass in the work of the Ministry in his native land, to which he has now returned, and for his continued and increasing usefulness in the exercise of all those high endowments, the benefit of which this Church in the good providence of God was permitted to enjoy so many years.

THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

1. The Assembly hereby re-appoint the Rev. J. Scrimger, M.A., as Lecturer in Old and New Testament Exegesis, at a salary of five hundred dollars (\$500) per annum, and the Rev. B. Ouriere, Lecturer in Sacred Rhetoric and Homiletics (French), at a salary of six hundred dollars (\$600) per annum.
2. The Assembly instruct the Treasurer of the Western Section of the Church to pay the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) to the Treasurer of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, from the fund contributed by the territory assigned for the support of Queen's and Knox Colleges.

THE THEOLOGICAL HALL, HALIFAX.

1. The Assembly authorize the Committee of Superintendence to obtain such legislation as may be necessary to have the name of "The Educational Board for the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces" changed, and to amalgamate the said Board and the Committee of Superintendence.
2. The Assembly sanction an effort to increase the number of Bursaries and Scholarships by inducing congregations, Sabbath-Schools, and wealthy members of the Church to found such.
3. The Assembly resolve to have a Principal for the Theological Hall, Halifax, and hereby appoint the Rev. Alexander McKnight, D.D., Professor of Systematic Theology, to be such Principal.

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

1. The Assembly express their settled conviction that the maintenance of Manitoba College and in increased efficiency is of essential importance, not only to the interests of our Church in the North-West, but to the future welfare of that vast country.

2. The Assembly believe, from the success, which, through the blessing of God, has attended the Institution in the past, and the prospects opening of increased usefulness as well as the present state of its finances, that the time has come when an earnest effort should be made for its more thorough equipment.

3. To provide the requisite buildings, apparatus, library and endowments, a sum of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) would be required.

4. The Assembly, believing that an obligation fairly rests upon the Christian people of the mother country to share in the work of founding Christian Institutions in that vast territory, now being opened up to British civilization, resolve to appoint an Agent, and hereby authorize and instruct such Agent to present the claims of that field before the Churches of Great Britain and Ireland, and especially to appeal to them on behalf of the Fund now proposed to be raised for Manitoba College, with instructions to report to next Assembly.

5. The Assembly hereby appoint the Rev. George Patterson, D.D., their Agent for the purpose stated in the above resolution, and instruct the Clerk to furnish him with extracts of the foregoing resolutions anent Manitoba College.

7. The Assembly appoint the remuneration of the Agent, above referred to, to be at the rate of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per annum together with travelling expenses, to be paid out of the moneys raised under the foregoing resolutions.

7. The Assembly agree to pay towards the support of Manitoba College for the current year, the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) from the Fund of the Western Section, and five hundred dollars (\$500) from that of the Eastern Section of the Home Mission Committee.

8. The Assembly re-appoint the Committee of the last two years with additional names, with authority to raise such portion of the annual revenue required for the maintenance of Manitoba College as may not be covered by the grants from the Funds of the Home Mission Committee above referred to. Said Committee is constituted as follows, viz. :—Mr. D. H. Fletcher, Convener ; Dr. Reid, Dr. Grant, Messrs. William Moore, D. J. Macdonnell ; Hon. Alex. Morris, Hon. John McMurrich, Messrs. Donald McLellan and James Croil.

ENDOWMENT.

The Assembly again express a strong opinion in favour of largely increasing the endowments of the Theological Colleges, and, with a view to attain these ends, instruct the Boards of the several Colleges to use such means as in their judgment may seem proper to develop within the several College constituencies a sentiment in favour of endowment.

Dr. McKnight thanked the Assembly for the honour conferred on him in his appointment to the Principalship of the Theological Hall, Halifax.

Mr. John Laing craved and obtained leave to enter his dissent from the seventh paragraph relating to Manitoba College.

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION AND DEGREES.

Principal Caven, on behalf of the Committee appointed by last Assembly with reference to Theological Education, gave in and read a report, stating that the Committee had held several meetings and had proceeded a certain length in the matters entrusted to them, but had not yet prepared a plan sufficiently matured to lay before this Assembly. The Assembly resolved to re-appoint the Committee with additional names, so that the

Committee for the ensuing year shall be constituted as follows, viz. :—Principal Caven, Convener ; Principal Cook, Principal McKnight, Principal McVicar, Principal Grant, Professor Maclaren, Professor Mackerras, Professor Campbell, Professor Pollok, Dr. Topp, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Robb, Dr. Waters, Messrs. J. M. King, William Moore, J. Scrimger ; Hon. Alex. Morris, Messrs. Colin Maedougall, T. W. Taylor, David Morrice, J. B. Fairbairn, George Hay. The Assembly further resolved to modify the instructions given to the Committee by last Assembly touching the matter of Degrees in Divinity so that they shall read thus : The Assembly refer to this Committee the matter of granting Degrees in Divinity, with instructions to consider it in relation to the several Colleges of the Church and to mature a scheme in accordance with which such Degrees may be conferred, to report to next General Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-THIRD SEDERUNT.

At Hamilton, and within the Central Church there ; Saturday, the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight years :—

Which day the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. D. Cannelon.

The Minutes of the Twenty-second Sederunt were read and, after amendment, were sustained.

REPORT ANENT BROOKSDALE.

Dr. Topp, Convener of the Judicial Committee, presented and read a report regarding the Memorial from Brooksdale, Zorra. In terms of its recommendations, the Assembly decreed as follows, viz. :—

Receive the Memorial ; appoint a Commission, with Assembly powers to issue it, to meet at Stratford at an early date, and summon to appear for their respective interests the Petitioners, the Presbyteries of London and Stratford, the congregations of Harrington, Embro, Thamesford and Burns' Church, East Zorra, said Commission to be constituted as follows, viz. : Dr. Topp, Convener ; Principal Caven, Dr. Robb, Dr. Wardrope, Mr. D. J. Macdonnell ; Hon. John McMurrich, Mr. James MacLennan.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Dr. Reid, on behalf of the Committee on Finance for the Toronto Section, gave in and read a report. The Assembly resolved to receive the report ; adopt its recommendations ; instruct Presbyteries to remit promptly before the end of the month of September an amount equal to five cents per member, taking order that all the congregations bear their proportion of the amount ; and require that those Committees, which have funds, print their annual reports in sufficient number to be bound up with the Minutes or be charged a proportionate amount for the printing of these in the appendix to the Minutes.

The report on Finance of the Halifax Section was presented by Dr. McGregor, read and received.

REPORT ON PROTECTION OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Clerk read the report of the Committee for protection of Church Property. On

motion to that effect, duly seconded, the Assembly resolved to receive the report; thank the Committee, and especially the Convener; and, in regard to cases in which the titles of Church property are in an unsatisfactory position owing to the death of Trustees and defective provisions for the appointment of successors and other causes, the Assembly are of opinion that all such cases should receive attention, and that appropriate remedies should be applied.

Further, the Assembly resolved that authority be given to this Committee to resist in the Assembly's name, by petition or otherwise, any application to Parliament for legislation that might injuriously affect the interests of this Church as legally identical with the several Churches now known as "The Presbyterian Church in Canada."

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION SCHEME.

Mr. Kenneth MacLennan, Convener of the Committee appointed to consider the report of the French Evangelization Scheme, gave in and read a report. In terms of its recommendations, the Assembly agreed

1. To renew the expression of their gratitude to God for the large measure of success with which He continues to bless this department of the Church's work, and again to commend the same to the confidence and general support of all their congregations.

2. To express high appreciation of Mr. Chiniqy's past services in connection with this Mission; sympathize with him in the impaired condition of his health, which has led him to apply for leave of absence; hope that a season of relaxation from exhausting labours may enable him to resume his work with renewed vigour; and agree to grant to him leave of absence, as craved, referring all necessary arrangements connected therewith to the Board of French Evangelization.

3. To enjoin anew that all moneys contributed to the support of French Evangelization (including the Rev. C. Chiniqy's work) be sent direct to the Treasurer, the Rev. R. H. Warden, 210 St. James' Street, Montreal.

FOREIGN AND JUVENILE MISSIONS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee appointed to consider the reports of the Foreign Mission and Juvenile Mission Committees, which was given in and read by Dr. Wardrope, Convener.

It was agreed to receive the same and consider its recommendations *seriatim*.

The several paragraphs were adopted down to 3—that relating to Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies—on which a debate arose. It was moved by Dr. Wardrope and duly seconded, That the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. To this it was moved in amendment by Dr. McGregor and seconded by Mr. Burton, In reference to the subject of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, as remitted to the Foreign Mission Committee, the Assembly express gratification at their work and progress during the past year, and, believing them to be beneficial to the women engaged in them and to the cause of the Missions, commend them to the aid and support of Presbyteries and Sessions, wherever they may find a suitable place for their existence and work in connection with the Missions of the Church. A vote having been taken, the motion was carried over the amendment by a majority of twenty-nine to twenty-one, and the Moderator declared accordingly. From this decision, Mr. E. A. McCurdy, in his own name and in the name of those who may adhere to him, craved leave to dissent in so far as the resolution just adopted relates to the approval of the proposed Constitution for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. To this dissent there adhered Dr. Grant, Professor Mackerras, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, A. McL. Sinclair.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Committee, the Assembly decreed as follows, viz. :—

1. The Assembly authorize the Sub-Committee of the Western Section to proceed with the erection of buildings for residence of Missionaries at Indore ; enjoin Ministers to lay the urgent need of such buildings before their congregations, as part of the ordinary requirements of the Fund ; and at the same time empower the Committee to lay this work before such well-known friends of Missions as they may think proper to address, and in such manner as in their judgment may seem wise.

2. The Assembly appoint a Committee to consider in what manner the Foreign Mission Committee and the Juvenile Mission Committee may most harmoniously and efficiently prosecute their work ;—said Committee to consist of Dr. Wardrope, Convener ; Principal Grant, Professor McLaren, Messrs. John Smith, T. G. Smith ; W. B. McMurrich, and A. Macalister, with instructions to report to next General Assembly.

3. The Assembly thankfully recognize the important service rendered by the various Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies in raising funds for the support of work among the women and children of heathen lands, and in stimulating the Missionary zeal of the Church at home ; and, further, the Assembly, having had submitted the Constitution of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (Western Section)" record their general approval of the same, and cordially recommend the formation of Branch Societies in Presbyteries and congregations in the manner provided for in its Constitution, with the consent and authority of Ministers and Sessions.

4. The Assembly authorize the Eastern Section of the Foreign Mission Committee to take such steps as they may deem necessary to send a fourth Missionary to Trinidad.

5. The Assembly refer the subject of granting aid to Missionaries, who may find it necessary to send their children home for education, to the sub-Committees to mature a scheme to be submitted to next General Assembly ; and authorize the Eastern Section to make such provision in the meantime to meet such cases as have emerged or may emerge during the year, as they see to be just to all parties.

6. The Assembly express gratification at the continued energy and usefulness of the Juvenile Mission, and recommend it to the hearty support of the Sabbath-Schools of the Church.

REPORT ON ECCLESIASTICAL PROCEDURE.

Dr. Bell, Convener of the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure, reported that the continuation of the work of the Committee within six months following the rising of last Assembly, as contemplated, became impracticable (1) owing to the absence of several members of the Committee attending the General Presbyterian Council in Edinburgh, and (2) owing to the engagements of several members in the Colleges ; that, notwithstanding this delay in preparing additional portions of the work, the Presbyteries had had before them a sufficient amount for the year. The following motion was proposed by Principal Caven and seconded by Principal McKnight, Receive the Report ; re-appoint the Committee with the substitution of the name of Dr. Jenkins for Dr. Snodgrass, and Mr. T. Sedgwick for Dr. Patterson, and the addition of the names of Dr. Robb, Messrs. James Maclellan, and T. W. Taylor, with instructions to avail themselves of the suggestions of Presbyteries for the purpose of making the Book of Forms as complete as possible ; and direct the Committee to publish the Book, thus amended, as a useful guide to the office-bearers of the Church. It was moved in amendment to the concluding clause of this motion by Mr. James Maclellan, and seconded by Dr. Robb, That the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure be invested with Assembly powers to prepare and complete a Book of Polity and to issue the same, and that this Book, when so issued, shall possess the same authority as if adopted by this Assembly. A vote having been taken, the motion was carried over the amendment by a majority of twenty-seven to eighteen, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

The Assembly adjourned to meet in this place this afternoon, at three o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-FOURTH SEDERUNT.

At the same place and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon :—

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the Twenty-third Sederunt were read and sustained.

DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee appointed to consider the report on the Distribution of Probationers, which was given in as amended in accordance with the instructions of the Assembly. In terms of its recommendations, the Assembly decreed as follows, viz. :—

I. Probationers and Ministers now on the Roll.

(1) The names of Probationers and Ministers on the Roll for the past four years shall be continued on said Roll for three months longer—thereafter, if not settled, to be removed from the Roll.

(2) Those on the Roll for the past three years shall be continued six months longer—thereafter, if not settled, to be removed from the Roll.

(3) Those on the Roll for two years shall be continued for another year and then removed.

II. Probationers and Ministers hereafter to be placed on the Roll.

(1) Probationers shall be allowed three years on the Roll.

(2) Ministers, who resign their charges, shall be allowed two years on the Roll after each resignation.

(3) The above regulations, so far as they can be applied, shall refer to Ministers and Licentiates, who come from the Presbyterian Churches in Great Britain and Ireland.

(4) Ordained Ministers, who have been received from other Churches, with leave of the Assembly, shall be placed on the Roll for one year.

III. Probationer's Salary.

Presbyteries are hereby recommended to induce congregations to pay Probationers as liberally as possible—it being understood that the minimum be eight dollars (\$8.00) per week, with board.

IV. Supply of Vacancies.

(1) Presbyteries are hereby instructed to regard Probationers as having a prior claim to be heard in vacancies and to secure such hearing for them.

(2) Presbyteries are hereby instructed to consider the propriety of appointing Probationers to vacancies for not less than two weeks, in order that the duties of the pastoral office may be attended to by them, as laid down in Minutes of Assembly, 1876, pp. 59, clause 8.

(3) Students shall not be appointed to vacancies save in exceptional cases.

(4) Presbyteries are enjoined not to report as a vacancy any congregation not prepared to call.

(5) Presbyteries are instructed to place all their vacant congregations prepared to call on the list of vacancies, and congregations are allowed to procure their own supply through the Presbytery for half the time, when they so desire.

(6) Employment shall hereafter be given by the Committee to none but those whose names are transmitted to this Committee through some Presbytery of the Church.

The Assembly remit the cases of Mr. McQueen and Mr. West to the Presbyteries of Brockville and Quebec respectively, to be dealt with as these Presbyteries may deem best.

Further, the Assembly grant the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) to Mr. Robert Torrance for expenses incurred as Convener of the Committee on the Distribution of Probationers for the Western Section.

ADMISSION OF MINISTERS FROM OTHER CHURCHES.

The Assembly took up consideration of the report of the Committee on the reception of Ministers and Licentiates from other Churches, which was given in and read. The report was received and its paragraphs were considered *seriatim*.

In terms of its recommendations, the Assembly resolved,

1. To admit Messrs. George Coull, M.A., Joshua Collins, M.D., Joseph H. Paradis, E. Roberts, B. J. Brown, Robert Scringecour, and O. Camerle, as Ministers of this Church.
2. To admit Messrs. Malcolm Cameron, Alexander W. McLeod, Samuel T. Warrender, as Licentiates of this Church.

3. To refer to the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure certain recommendations contained in the report, to be considered by that Committee in framing an enactment on the admission of Ministers and Licentiates from other Churches.

Mr. Laing dissented from the reception of Mr. Camerle as an ordained minister.

ADDRESSES TO THE QUEEN AND GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Draft addresses to Her Majesty the Queen and His Excellency the Governor-General were read, adopted and ordered to be transmitted through the proper channel.

MEMORIAL ON TEMPERANCE.

The Clerk submitted a Memorial, which he had received on the subject of Temperance. On motion of Dr. James, duly seconded, it was in terms of its suggestions resolved as follows, viz:—

1. The General Assembly is devoutly thankful to God for the advance made in the direction of Temperance reform in this and other countries and commends the practice of total abstinence to the prayerful consideration of all connected with its congregations, especially the office-bearers thereof.
2. The Assembly expresses its desire to co-operate in all well-directed efforts to mitigate or remove, if possible, the evils of intemperance and prays the Great Head of the Church to bless and prosper all such efforts.

LEAVE TO RETIRE FROM THE ACTIVE DUTIES OF THE MINISTRY.

The report of the Committee, charged with the consideration of the applications of Ministers for leave to retire from the active duties of the Ministry and those relating to the retention of certain names on Presbytery Rolls, was given in by Mr. John Laing, read and received.

In accordance with its recommendations, the Assembly resolved—

1. To grant leave to Rev. Hugh McLeod, D.D., William Graham and Alexander Kennedy to retire from the active duties of the Ministry in terms of their application.
2. To decline to grant such leave to Mr. J. S. Mullan, as the Presbytery of Glengarry, in recommending his application, did not state a reason for his retirement.
3. To allow the Presbytery of Pietou to retain on their Roll the name of Mr. George Walker, who remains connected as Pastor Emeritus with the congregation of Union Church, New Glasgow, N.S.
4. To lay on the table the application of the Owen Sound Presbytery in favour of retaining on their Roll the name of Mr. R. Dewar, owing to the action taken by this Assembly on the general question of the status of Retired Ministers.

5. To refer to the Committee on Ecclesiastical Procedure for their consideration the recommendation that Presbyteries be reminded that all applications for retirement should contain a statement of the reasons on which such applications are based and their judgment thereon.

OVERTURE ANENT TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF COMMISSIONERS.

The Clerk produced and read an Overture anent a mode of providing payment of the travelling expenses of Commissioners to the General Assembly, submitted by a number of Elders, representatives at the present meeting. On motion to that effect, it was resolved to refer the same for consideration to the Finance Committee (Toronto section), with instructions to report thereon to next meeting of Assembly.

ROMAN CATHOLIC ORDINATION,

Mr. Laing, Convener of the Committee appointed by last Assembly to consider the general question of Roman Catholic ordination in view of the applications made by those who have been priests of that denomination, for admission to the Ministry of this Church, presented a report. It was moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Dr. James and unanimously agreed to, That the report be received and held as read; that the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Committee and especially to the Convener; that the report be printed in the appendix to the Minutes; and that the Committee be reappointed, with a recommendation to the next Assembly to take up this subject at an early Sederunt.

OVERTURE ANENT AIDING THE CHURCH OF THE WALDENSES.

There was next submitted an Overture from the Presbytery of Ottawa, adopted by the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, anent providing means of assistance to the Church of the Waldenses in their financial difficulties. It was moved by Dr. Robb, duly seconded and agreed to, That the Overture be received and its object commended to the generous sympathy of our people.

PETITION FROM ST. JAMES' CHURCH, LONDON.

There was read a Petition from the Session and members of St. James' Church, London, Ont., craving the Assembly to commend the case of their congregation to the sympathies and liberality of the Church, as the strength of that charge had been very seriously impaired in consequence of the Union in 1875, and they were themselves unable to liquidate a heavy debt resting on their Church property. On motion of Mr. Macdonnell, seconded by Mr. D. H. Fletcher, it was agreed cordially to grant the prayer of the petitioners and commend the case to the Church at large as one calling for peculiar sympathy and aid.

OVERTURE ANENT MODE OF WORSHIP AT MEETINGS OF CHURCH COURTS.

The Assembly next took up an Overture from Dr. Robb anent so conducting Divine worship at meetings of the Superior and Supreme Courts of this Church as that no offence shall be given to the conscience of any member of these Courts. Dr. Robb was heard in support of his Overture and, after hearing the sentiments of members thereon, withdrew it, believing that he had secured the end sought for in its presentation.

OVERTURE ANENT CHURCH-BUILDING FUND FOR MANITOBA.

The Clerk produced and read an Overture from the Presbytery of Manitoba of the following tenor, viz;—

“Whereas the Presbytery of Manitoba has to provide the ordinances of grace for large numbers of settlers, who have lately come to the Province of Manitoba and its adjoining Territories; and whereas these settlers have assisted in the erection of many Church buildings in the older Provinces of the Dominion and, having to begin anew in the world, are not in a position to contribute to any great extent

for church-building in addition to doing their share in supporting the ordinances of grace; and whereas it is desirable that moderate sums of money should be granted to assist new settlers in erecting places of worship:—it is hereby overtured that the attention of the Church be called to the importance of forming a Fund of say one thousand dollars (\$1,000), from moneys at the disposal of the General Assembly or from such funds as may be collected for this purpose."

It was moved by Dr. Reid, duly seconded and passed unanimously, That the Assembly receive the Overture; express general approval of its prayer; and commend the matter to the notice of those desiring to advance the interests of our Church in the more recently settled districts of the Dominion.

PETITION FROM FRENCH RIVER ANENT SUPPLEMENT.

An application from French River, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Picton, craving a supplemental grant during the ensuing year at the rate of two dollars for one on whatever sum the congregation may raise above one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150), the total supplement not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100), was referred to the Committee on Supplements for the Eastern Section of the Church.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

A report from "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Kingston" was read and received, and the Society was encouraged to prosecute its work.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER CHURCHES.

The Assembly re-appointed the Committee on Correspondence with other Churches with additional names. The Committee for the ensuing year consists of Principal Caven, Convener; Principal Grant, Dr. Topp, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. McGregor, Dr. Reid, Dr. Fraser, Professor McLaren, Professor Mackerras; Mr. T. W. Taylor.

PAPERS LAID OVER UNTIL NEXT ASSEMBLY.

The following papers were allowed to lie over until next meeting of Assembly, viz. :—

1. A communication from the Synod of Hamilton and London, anent the Registration Act of the Province of Ontario.
2. A communication from the same Synod regarding the use of the Bible in the public schools of the Dominion.

MEMORIAL ANENT A DIVORCE COURT.

There was next read a Memorial and Petition from Mr. Duncan Sinclair, a member in full communion of Knox Church, Winnipeg, craving the Assembly to memorialize the Dominion Parliament to establish in the several Provinces of Canada Divorce Courts, in order that relief from marriage relations entailing great hardship may not be exclusively within reach of the opulent, as at present, owing to the heavy expense connected with the obtaining of a special Act of Parliament for each individual case. The Petition was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DELEGATES OF OTHER CHURCHES.

There were submitted to the House communications from the Rev. S. D. Yates, who had been appointed by the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, and from the Rev. C. Van Santvoord, who had been appointed by the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, delegates to this Assembly, expressing regret at their inability to be present at this meeting, and conveying the fraternal salutations of their respective Churches. These communications were referred to the Committee on correspondence with other Churches to be suitably answered.

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS.

The Assembly proceeded to consider the mode in which moneys should be provided to meet the wants of the Several Schemes of the Church during the year. On motion to

that effect, it was unanimously resolved, That in Congregations, in which there are not Missionary Associations, collections for the several Schemes shall be taken up as follows. viz. :—

- I. French Evangelization..... Third Sabbath of July.
- II. Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, and }
Widows' and Orphan's Fund } Third Sabbath of August.
- III. Assembly Fund Last Sabbath of September.
- IV. Fund for Colleges..... First Sabbath of December.
- V. Home Mission Fund..... Fourth Sabbath of January.
- VI. Foreign Mission Fund..... Third Sabbath of March.

or on such other days as may be most convenient for the congregations.

VOTES OF THANKS.

It was duly moved, seconded and passed with acclamation. That the thanks of the Assembly are due and are hereby given—

1. To the Christian friends in the city of Hamilton, for their generous hospitality, as well as to James Walker, Esq., and the other members of the Committee of Arrangements, for the attention and care with which they have discharged their onerous duties.
2. To the Minister and Trustees of the Central Church, for the accommodation afforded this meeting of Assembly.
3. To the several Railway and Steamboat Companies, for their kindness in granting reduced fares.
4. To the Press generally, for their reports of the proceedings of this Assembly.
5. To the Postmaster of Hamilton, for his kindness in regard to postal conveniences furnished to the members of Assembly during this Session.

The Assembly also resolved to record their thanks to the Rev. Patrick M. McLeod for the manner in which he led the Psalmody during the Session.

The Minutes of this Sederunt were read and sustained.

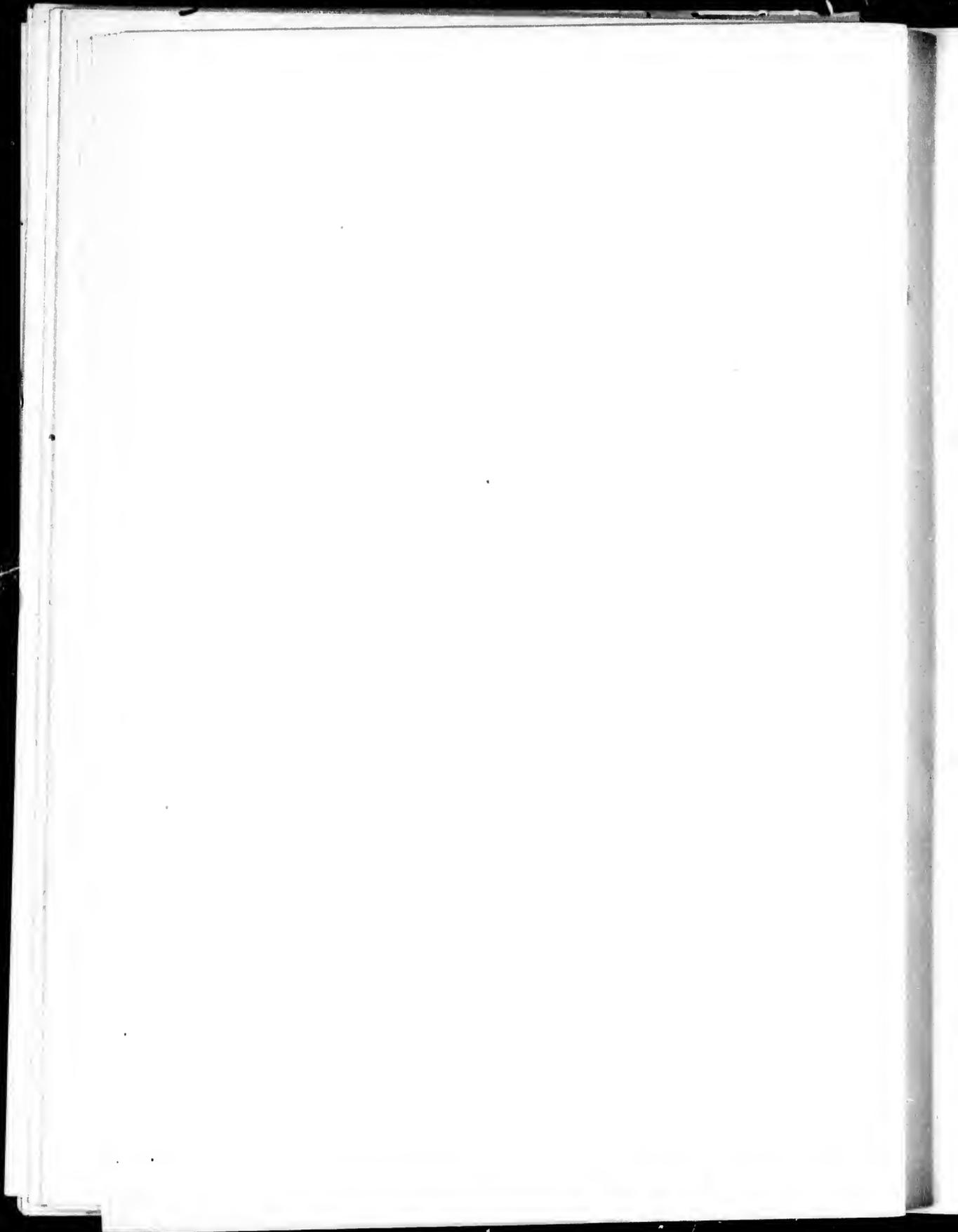
CLOSING OF SESSION.

The Moderator then addressed the Assembly. After prayer, in which Dr. Robb led, and singing Psalm cxxii. 6-9, the Moderator said—

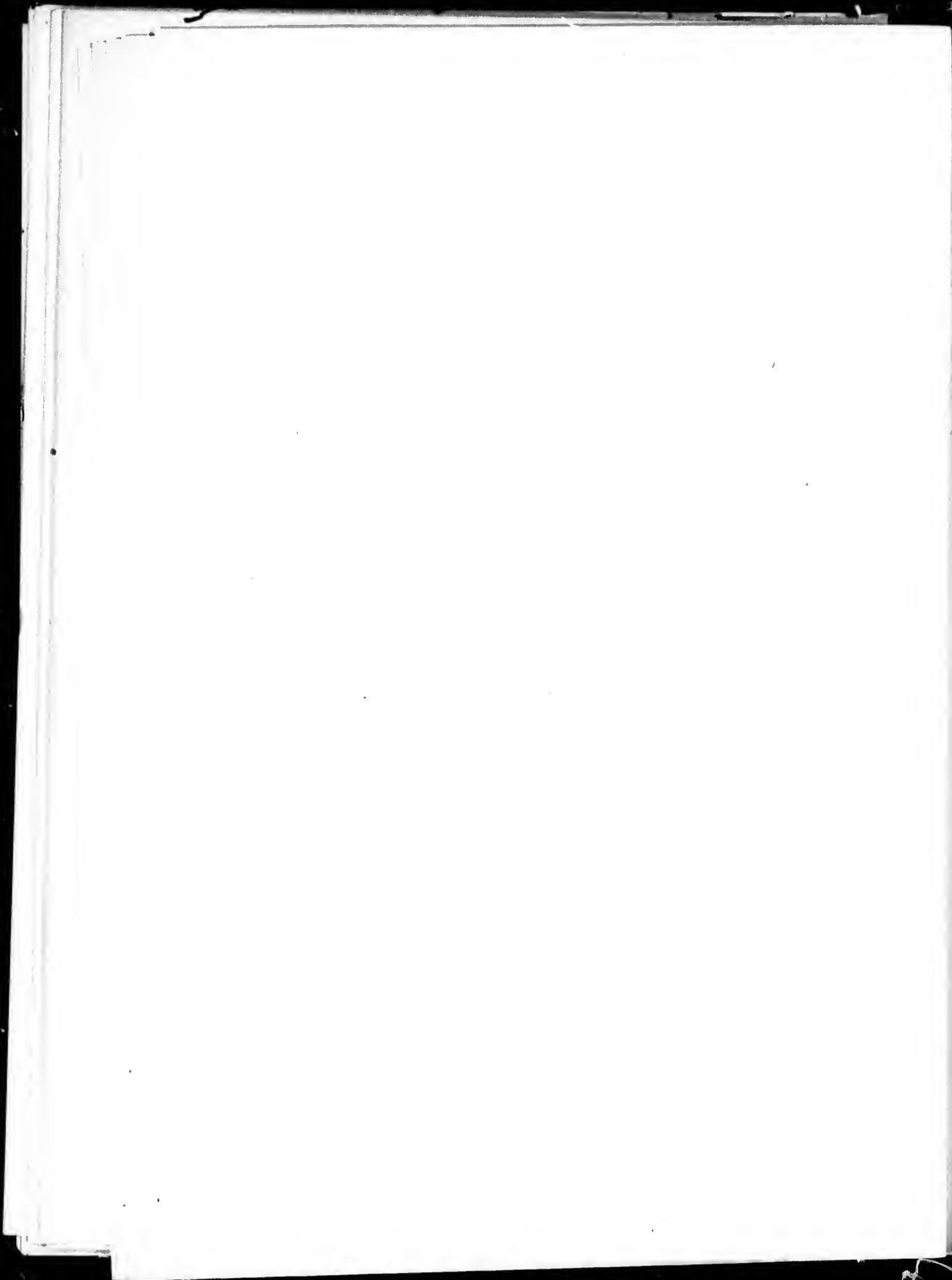
In the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the KING and ONLY HEAD of this Church, and by authority of this Assembly, I dissolve this meeting, and appoint the next annual meeting of Assembly to convene in the City of Ottawa, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the second Wednesday of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine years, at half-past seven o'clock p.m.

(SIGNED,)

JOHN JENKINS, D.D., *Moderator.*



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(WESTERN SECTION.)
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The Home Mission Committee, in presenting their Annual Report to the General Assembly record their gratitude to the great King and Head of the Church for the success which has crowned their labors during the year. Many new fields have been entered, while old and important districts have been strengthened by additional laborers. The health of our missionaries has also been such as to enable them with undiminished earnestness and zeal to prosecute their arduous work.

Although the harvest of 1877 was more than an average one, the country has not yet recovered from the financial depression which for a long time has prevailed. Many liberal givers have been necessitated to curtail their annual contributions for Home Missions, and the working classes in many of our towns and cities have been only partially employed during a considerable portion of the year. In such circumstances it is not surprising that our receipts are not equal to our disbursements, and that our operations have been somewhat restricted.

The following sketch of our more important mission fields is submitted to the Assembly indicating the progress made during the year:

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The congregation of New Westminster, British Columbia, having transmitted to the Committee a minute, agreeing to guarantee \$800 per annum towards Mr. Jamieson's salary, the Committee have continued the grant of \$1200, as instructed by the Assembly. No report has been received by the Committee during the past year from Mr. Jamieson or the congregation, beyond the minute referred to.

MANITOBA AND THE NORTH WEST.

With gratitude to God for sparing mercy and for the prosperity with which He has blessed His own work, the Presbytery of Manitoba begs leave to set forth the main features of such work for the year 1877-8. During the past year the Home Mission operations of the Presbytery have extended from parallel 95° W. lon., to parallel 109° W., i. e., from Rat Portage (Kooeyadin) to Battleford on the Saskatchewan, points 750 miles apart; and from Pembina, on parallel 49° N. lat., to Battleford 53° N., points on parallel of lat. 275 miles apart. Over this immense quadrilateral the operations of the Presbytery have been spread, involving no little hardship to the missionaries engaged. This work has upon the whole been accomplished with great cheer,

fulness and zeal by the mission agents employed, and the health of those employed has during the past year been as a general thing good. The demands of the Presbytery are increasing with great rapidity from year to year. The first statistical Report of the Presbytery of Manitoba was made to the General Assembly in 1871. There were then 1 self-sustaining congregation and 8 preaching stations, with 1 settled pastor and 4 missionaries, including the Foreign missionary at Prince Albert; the whole amount for all purposes raised in the Presbytery being \$1756.62. In seven years this work has grown to be 2 self-sustaining congregations, 11 preaching stations, which include 3 supplemented charges and a number more preparing for settlement, with 21 ordained ministers and several catechists; while the whole amount contributed from local sources amounted during the past year to some \$8,000 or \$10,000.

The operations of the Presbytery may be divided according to territory into four divisions

1. Northwest Territories.
2. Western Manitoba.
3. Southern Manitoba.
4. N. E. Manitoba and Keewaydin.

NORTHWESTERN TERRITORIES.

This district includes the vast and fertile Saskatchewan valley. It is coming into notice as a field for immigration, though the wide expanse of fertile, unsettled territory intervening between it and Red River, and the difficulties in reaching it, will retard settlement in the more remote district on a very extensive scale for some years. Its largest settlement is

PRINCE ALBERT.

This settlement has only during the past year come under the direction of the Home Mission Committee of the Church. It is a settlement of some 600 people; there are two commodious churches erected; and preaching is maintained in all at 5 points. It is greatly to be regretted that the Home Mission Committee has been unable to find a missionary for this field after the departure of Rev. A. Stewart in July last. The whole work has been thrown on Rev. D. C. Johnston, who is under the direction of the Foreign Mission Committee, and who as having the school as his first duty, could only give partial attention to the Home Mission work. The Presbytery is decidedly of opinion that unless some more successful mode of obtaining missionaries for these isolated points is got, not only individuals but whole communities will be lost to the Presbyterian Church.

BATTLEFORD.

This point is the present capital of the Northwest Territories; the importance of occupying the new centres of population in their beginning cannot be overestimated. Rev. Peter Straith, B. A., reached Battleford in the early part of November last, and has been accommodated for the present in Government House. He holds a service at Government House once a day, and a service in the village in the evening. He has also been usefully engaged in giving the rudiments of education in the absence of any school in the new capital. It is said houses are being erected to a considerable extent, though there are not wanting reports that some other site may yet be chosen as capital for the new District of Saskatchewan.

LITTLE SASKATCHEWAN REGION.

Much nearer to Manitoba, only some 50 miles from its western boundary, i.e., about 150 miles west of Winnipeg, is the Little Saskatchewan, a small stream running southward into the Assiniboine. Upon its banks settlement during last summer proceeded rapidly, and in the region drained by this stream there are now many families of Canadians settled. The Presbytery has until this season been unable to supply the very urgent demand of the people there for service. Rev. George Platt, an Indian missionary at Okanase in Riding Mountains, a few miles to the northwestward, has given occasional service; also the Rev. J. S. Stewart, of Palestine, and Rev. H. McKellar, have by appointment of Presbytery, visited and preached among the people in this secluded locality. A few weeks ago a Mr. A. McLeod, a catechist formerly employed by the Presbytery of Lindsay, arrived in this Province in company with several hundreds of settlers going to the Little Saskatchewan. He was employed to labor in the field under the direction of the regular minister the Presbytery was expecting to go to that region. The lately appointed missionaries having lately arrived, the Home Mission of the Presbytery have recommended that the Rev. A. Smith be sent to this region, whose settlements now extend over 60 miles, and have the catechist work in conjunction with him. The tide of immigration is still flowing strongly to the Little Saskatchewan. On the western boundary of the Province a settlement has for two

years been forming at Beautiful Plains. The people are very anxious to have the ordinances of grace. Lately a catechist, a student of Knox College, a Mr. Willert, has arrived, and the Home Mission Committee have recommended him to be employed in this locality under the direction of the Rev. J. S. Stewart, of Palestine.

WESTERN MANITOBA.

Into Western Manitoba a large number of the most enterprising of our Canadian farmers, who have immigrated to this Province have gone. The large proportion of Presbyterians among them is shown by our having now four missionaries laboring in this district. The good harvest of the past year, although accompanied by a poor market in consequence of the isolated position of the Province, has resulted in steps towards advancement being made in the coming year, for which estimates are now being formed.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

This the western business centre of the Province, and its accompanying station of Burnside, have received the continued attention of the Rev. Mr. Bell, the resident pastor. The amount contributed during the past year—\$300—the Presbytery now deem to be inadequate for the strength of the congregation for another year, and a considerable increase is confidently looked for.

PALESTINE, &C.

This very wide field has been under the care of the Rev. J. S. Stewart. The people in this district have on the return of prosperity doubled their contributions for this year, but the Presbytery expect a still further increase during the coming year, by which the amount of the \$300 minimum will be raised at least.

HIGH BLUFF & PORTAGE CREEK.

During the past year this congregation, having subscribed the minimum amount required, called the Rev. John McNabb, of Beaverton, Ont. Though they had high hopes of his acceptance, yet the circumstances of Mr. McNabb did not permit him to accept the call. The only resort of the Presbytery was to give such supply as could be afforded by Revs. Messrs Bell and Donaldson, who, having stations of their own to attend to, could give but partial assistance. The possession of Gaelic is a great advantage for the minister of this congregation. Lately the congregation has with much zeal and spirit promised the annual amount of \$100, and called the Rev. H. McKellar, whose induction took place on the 8th of May. Service is to be held about 1½ miles east of the present meeting place in a Hall offered in the village, and a useful future seems before minister and people.

WOODLANDS, POPLAR POINT, AND BAIE ST. PAUL.

This group has been as last year supplied by Rev. Mr. Donaldson. In this particular locality a failure of the crops, through the wet season, prevented the people doing what they had a great desire in the matter of raising funds. Some re-arrangement may take place in this locality by which a larger amount will be contributed to the salary of the missionary. The Rev. Mr. Donaldson, who has for above five years labored assiduously in the Presbytery, was granted a few months leave to visit Ireland, his native country.

HEADINGS AND RIVIERE SALE.

These stations have been supplied by the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee from Winnipeg. They are both weak stations, but an influx of Canadian settlers is to be expected in the reserved land in their neighborhood, which may strengthen them. A vigorous effort will be made by the Presbytery to supply these stations fully during the coming year.

SOUTHERN MANITOBA.

This region contains at present three groups of stations, having each a regular minister, and a fourth group which has received occasional supply, but loudly calls for a resident minister. These may be mentioned in detail:

EMERSON, PEMBINA, U. S., AND ROSSEAU.

The Rev. John Scott labours here with marked success. The most strenuous efforts are being made to complete the commodious church begun a year ago in Emerson. The completion

of the Pembina Branch Railway, and the continued influx of settlers, will assist the Kansas group very much. Two points, River Mouth Settlement and Starzgle's Point, require occasional visits of the missionary, though the three points mentioned fully occupy the time of our missionary.

LOWER PEMBINA MOUNTAINS GROUP.

(Belmont, S. Clarkville, and Nelsonville.)

During the past year the Presbytery was compelled to listen to the earnest appeals of the Rev. Mr. Bordwick, who was doing his best to occupy some 23 townships (the whole Pembina Mountains and Boyne District), with their scattered settlers. The immigration for the past year tended largely toward this region, and in consequence, on the arrival of Rev. Mr. Ross, the Presbytery decided to send him here temporarily. Efforts toward creating churches are being made through the whole group, which will require no less than six churches at present. On the arrival of Mr. Ross the northern part of the District was assigned him. At the last meeting it was decided to divide the field into two portions, each of them raising the minimum of \$300.

UPPER PEMBINA MOUNTAINS GROUP.

(Upper Boyne, Lower Boyne, Tobacco Creek.)

Rev. Mr. Ross has during the greater part of the winter labored in this group. Two churches, plain but substantial, have been got under way, and should the requisite amount be raised toward sundry, a comfortable charge may in due time be looked for.

MORRIS, UNION POINT, AND RIVIERE SALE.

This is a new region of settlement visited by the missionaries during the past year, and lies between Emerson and Winnipeg, along Red River. There is plenty of spare to be overtaken, and a considerable number of people to be ministered to. The Presbytery's Home Mission Committee has recommended that the Rev. Mr. Douglas be stationed here. It will be noticed that it is proposed to group Riviere Sale with this new group, and detach it from Hettlingly, with which has hitherto been joined.

NORTH EASTERN MANITOBA AND KEEWAYDIN.

This portion of the Province and adjoining Territory may be taken as the oldest settled part of the country. Yet almost all of the old settlements were along the river, and a large number of new settlements have sprung up along the settlement belt.

ROCKWOOD, GRASSMERE, GREENWOOD AND DUNDAS.

This group of stations lies west of Red River, and the northern side of it is crossed by the line of the projected Canadian Pacific Railway. The Rev. A. Campbell was sent to this field on his arrival last year. Immediate steps were taken towards fuller organization and obtaining the minimum amount required. The field is prospering under the faithful ministrations of Mr. Campbell. A church finished and in use in Grassmere, and one partially finished in Rockwood, are all as yet undertaken in these townships.

SPRINGFIELD, SUNNYSIDE, PLYMPTON, MILLBROOK, CALEDONIA, POINT DE CHIENES,
AND CLEAR SPRINGS.

This wide and important field lies east of Red River. Its extreme points are about 10 miles apart. A year ago it subscribed \$150 per annum to have the services of one missionary. The missionary in charge, Mr. McKellar—and for a couple of months during Mr. McKellar's absence in the west, Mr. Ross—in a most laborious undertaking in giving such supply as he was able. The Presbytery's Home Mission Committee gave such supply also as could be afforded. The Presbytery at its last meeting decided to divide this field into two groups, Eastern and Western, giving each a minister, on condition of each portion raising the minimum amount of \$300. This it is believed will be accomplished, and the two missionaries to overtake the work will be required. This field is strongly, almost entirely Presbyterian.

LITTLE BRYAN, SELKIRK, AND PARK'S CREEK.

The first of these, next to Killarney, the oldest station in the Province, has progressed slowly but steadily during the past few years. Rev. Mr. Matheson has diligently overtaken the work. During the past year, besides being responsible for the \$300—a larger amount than the group

has before contributed—progress has been made in other respects. Notice was taken in last year's Report of the Little Britain congregation having made an effort and reduced their debt from \$1000 to \$750; we are glad to be able to state that during the year they have subscribed for the whole amount, to be paid within two years. The people are highly to be commended for their liberal and courageous action in this matter. SASKIAT, which has received service every Sabbath for the last eight months, is a hamlet of 150 inhabitants on the west bank of Red River, at the future crossing place of the C. P. R. The handful of Presbyterian people there are energetic and earnest. They contributed their share to Mr. Matheson's support, bought a building as a temporary place of worship, and made a successful beginning towards erecting a church. PARK'S CREEK received a considerable part of its supply from the Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery. Nettley Creek and St. Peter's had the occasional visits of the missionary of this group.

CONTRACT 15, C. P. R.

The rock work on this part of the C. P. R., lying about 100 miles to the east of Winnipeg, is of a stupendous character, and about 1000 men have been working during the winter within about 20 miles of line. Rev. Mr. Robertson visited them in October, when they agreed to pay \$70 a month to a minister, and the contractor offered board and accommodation to the missionary. Representations of the most earnest kind have been made during the whole winter, but ineffectually. The Presbytery is glad to hear of the appointment having been made recently of Mr. Cameron. Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Rockwood, paid an interesting and useful visit of three weeks to the Railway, accompanied by the co-pastor of the Manitoba Bible Society.

SUPPLY.

The welcome increase during the past year of four missionaries, viz., Messrs. McKellar, Campbell, Ross and Straith, has greatly assisted our work. Yet the development of the country has more than equalled the increase made. The Professors of the College, and the pastors of Winnipeg and Kildonan, have during the past year done a large amount of Home Mission work; while Messrs. Duncan and Polson, students at Manitoba College, have given assistance as catechists. The arrival of four or five more labourers, with the above mentioned young men, who have now nearly finished their studies, will just overtake the points indicated to the Home Mission Committee of the Assembly in March last. The immigration of the present summer which is set down by competent judges as 10,000, will call loudly for more men.

ORGANIZATION.

The sparse settlement of the country, arising from the ease with which the prairie can be settled, is a serious difficulty with which the Presbytery has to contend. A body whose members are, from the character of their work, from the continued arrival of new people, and from the necessity for inaugurating all the institutions of older and more advanced communities, kept at the high pressure standard continually, cannot accomplish what seems a comparatively easy thing in a more limited sphere and in older states of society. The great expense incurred also in making missionary and presbyterial visits, is a serious obstacle, and the Presbytery would earnestly urge the Assembly's H. M. Committee to make a thoughtful and considerate allowance for the failure in obtaining prompt and full statistics twice a year, and in obtaining from a sparse population those immediate guarantees and contributions which are sometimes necessarily dilatory, or at times altogether wanting. The Presbytery is as anxious to get the several groups of stations as they rise to the status of self-sustaining congregations, as the H. M. Committee can be. The Presbytery trusts to a fair and generous recognition of its efforts to meet the wishes of the Committee.

UNOCCUPIED POINTS.

1. FORT FRANCIS.
2. FORT McLEOD.

The Presbytery note with satisfaction the large grants given by the Churches of Scotland and Ireland for Mission work, and trust the Canadian Church, with the help of these good friends, will set herself to meet the necessities of the population flowing with even increase rapidly and in volume to the great vacant prairies of the North West.

In addition to the foregoing Report of Missionary operations in the North West, your Committee have to state, that with three exceptions, all the groups of stations under the care of the Presbytery of Manitoba, have raised the amounts promised, towards the salaries of their respective

missionaries. In order to bring these supplemented congregations and Mission stations into conformity with the regulations of the Home Mission Committee, the last General Assembly passed the following resolutions :

"(1.) The Assembly require each Station, or group of Stations, hereafter to guarantee a certain sum per annum, or for each Sabbath's supply, according to the ability of the people.

"(2.) The Assembly instruct the Presbytery of Manitoba to forward, before the 1st October in each year, to the Home Mission Committee, a statement of the amount which each station has agreed to pay, and which, in the opinion of the Presbytery, is an equitable sum to be contributed by each Station."

In connection with these regulations of the Assembly, the Committee adopted the following resolution :

"That the Convener be instructed to honour the drafts of the Manitoba Presbytery each quarter, for the salaries of the Missionaries, deducting therefrom the proportion of the salaries promised by the several stations, and that at the end of each year, should it be found that any of the Stations has failed to implement its engagements, as to the salary of the Missionary, the Presbytery of Manitoba be and is hereby instructed to deal with such stations, with a view to having their engagement implemented.

"The Committee, at each of their half-yearly meetings, require from the Presbytery of Manitoba a full report, on the schedules provided for the purpose, of work done and money paid in each station, or group of stations, for the six months ending the preceeding 30th June and 31st December respectively."

The Committee would call attention to the large amount expended upon Mission work in Manitoba during the past year, and the absolute necessity for increased liberality, if our work in that distant Province is to keep pace with the emigration that is now going on. In spite of additional laborers sent during the last few months, the demand has not been met. That many new settlements will be formed during the present year, cannot for a moment be doubted; but unless the Committee is sustained in its efforts to provide the means of grace, for the members of our Presbyterian Church, who are daily entering the Province, the work of church extension must cease, and the pressing calls remain unheeded. In many parts of Ontario our backwardness to enter and possess the field, has lost the denomination thousands of members, who are now identified with other churches. The same result will occur, unless we follow up what has already been attained in this interesting and promising field.

The difficulty of securing suitable men for such important positions as the Canada Pacific Railway and the Prince Albert Mission, has been to the Committee a source of deep regret. The utmost diligence has been used during this year to secure approved laborers for these fields. The appointment of Mr. Cameron to the Railway Mission elsewhere reported, will it is hoped soon be followed by an appointment to the Prince Albert Mission.

The Committee have in obedience to the instructions of last Assembly, paid \$2,000.00 towards the indebtedness of Manitoba College. They again earnestly insist, that provision may otherwise be made for the support of that College, in order that the entire funds at the disposal of the Home Mission Committee be devoted to Mission work.

SAULT STE. MARIE.

The Rev. W. Stuart, our Missionary at Sault Ste. Marie, having completed his engagement of two years at this station on the 1st of May, has been succeeded by Mr. J. R. McLeod, a graduate of the Montreal College. This station has failed to come up to the amount promised by them towards the support of the Missionary to the extent of \$122.50. A balance of \$199 is still due Mr. Stuart for his services in the field, payment of which has been temporarily delayed, in the hope that at least a portion of the amount will yet be raised by the station.

PRINCE ARTHUR'S LANDING. THUNDER BAY.

The Rev. D. McKeracher stills labors with acceptance at this important point. Steps are being taken by the Committee, in conjunction with the Presbytery of Bruce, to have Mr. McKeracher settled as regular pastor, the people guaranteeing \$500 per annum towards his stipend.

The efforts of the people, and the diligence and earnestness which the missionary has shown in the prosecution of his arduous labors in this district, deserve all commendation.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT.

In addition to the numerous communications published during the year, regarding the progress of our work in this field, your Committee extract the following from a recent report of Mr. Findlay:

"Twenty-two missionary meetings were held between Jan. 15th and March 1st. The attendance at all these meetings, with one or two exceptions, owing to unfavorable weather, was excellent. In some instances the friends, in anticipation of our meeting, had practised music suitable for the occasion, and this did much to increase the interest of the proceedings. This was especially noticeable at Baysville, Huntsville, and Maguatawan, where also we had our largest meetings. At Gravenhurst and Bracebridge the meetings were addressed by Revs. J. Carmichael, of King, and D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, who gave much interesting information on the mission work of the church, both Home and Foreign.

"At five of these meetings I had the assistance of Mr. J. P. Grant, student, and at sixteen the assistance of Rev. Jas. Andrew, of Huntsville. The collections at these meetings amounted to about \$48, which has been paid to Dr. Reid on behalf of the H. M. Fund.

"The Missionary Meeting we hold to be a desirable institution under any circumstances, but situated as a large portion of our mission field in these districts still is, it is an absolute necessity. Left for six or seven months of the year without supply of the means of grace at the hand of that church which many of the settlers love so well, and surrounded by influences which tend to draw them aside from their allegiance to that church, these meetings break in upon the otherwise dreary solitude; and while they tend to arouse the interest of our people in the church and her work, they also show that they are not forgotten—that the church is interested in them.

"The time has come when as a church we must look the issue squarely in the face—whether we shall supply our own people in this portion of our Mission field more fully with the ordinances of the gospel, or whether we shall continue to act as hindrance to other denominations, causing our missionaries in the summer to prepare the way for a successful gathering from the scene of their labors into other folds."

MANITOULIN ISLAND.

The number of Mission Stations at which services have been held during the past winter is 15. On the north side, Little Current, Shequandah, Kagawong, Billings, Ice Lake, Gore Bay. On the South side, Bidwell, Manitowaning, Hilly Grove, Green Bush, Sunfield, Michael's Bay, Providence Bay, Mindannoor, Kagawong South. The average attendance each Sabbath has been about 48, with an average Sabbath School attendance of 20. At Gore Bay a church is in process of erection, to be finished in July, capable of holding 300, and to cost \$700. The number of Presbyterian families at this point, is 25. At Manitowaning, it is also proposed to build a church during the present summer. About \$300 has been already subscribed by the people towards this object. Many settlers are coming into the Island and the number of Presbyterian families may be readily estimated in all, at 150.

The state of religion on the Island is far from encouraging. Boats call at the docks on Sabbaths as on week days, and stores and saloons are open. There is, however, evidence of a change for the better. On the 3rd of March, the Sacrament was dispensed at Manitowaning, when 17 sat at the Lord's table, three of these for the first time. The number would have been larger, but for the state of the roads and the stormy weather. Others are under deep impressions. One woman walked 20 miles, to attend the services, and was present during the entire period of 5 days, over which they extended. Tokens for good are also met with at nearly all the other stations. The Sacrament has also been dispensed during the year at Providence Bay, where there are 11 members, and at Gore Bay, where there are 27 members. There has been seventy baptisms during the year, 30 of whom were adults.

OWEN SOUND PRESBYTERY.

The two principal fields under the care of this Presbytery are the Indian Peninsula and the Parry Sound District.

The Peninsula is an extensive field 80 miles long, and 10 miles broad. The population are very poor, and can do exceedingly little for the support of ordinances. In the Parry Sound dis-

trict, there are 26 Townships, of which 13 are being rapidly filled with settlers. Parry Sound itself is a rising village, and demands the services of an active able missionary. There are three large lumber mills here, and a large number of operatives. During the past year, the Presbyterians have built a neat church, and are prepared to do their utmost to support a minister among them.

The Presbyteries of Barric and Owen Sound have under consideration the propriety of placing the Parry Sound and Muskoka field under one Presbytery. In this way they could be wrought to better purpose than under the present arrangement. Another proposal is to erect this large field into a distinct Missionary Presbytery or territory, under the direct care of the Home Mission Committee.

HAMILTON PRESBYTERY.

The report received from this Presbytery thus speaks of the Niagara District under its care. "The whole district is in some sense peculiar. Spiritual deadness is the characteristic generally of the people, with individual exceptions. Along with this, there is an almost utter ignorance of the truth and of church ordinances, so that the ground has to be ploughed up into which seed may be sown. The cause of this state of matters dates far back. A generation seems to have grown up without the knowledge of God in their head or the fear of God in their heart. It is a problem painful to contemplate and hard to solve. Only God's grace can do the work that is needed. The people are largely descendants of U. E. Loyalists, who have come into possession of property easily, and have not been stimulated to activity, as is necessary in other circumstances. The section seems to have been overrun at some time by Universalism, which has left it loose and slime, now grown into a hard incrustation over the hearts of the people. In these circumstances, our mission stations in this particular district have languished. But in the Western part of the Presbytery different conditions prevail." The report goes on to state that unless *continuous* supply can be given to such destitute and peculiar fields as the Niagara district, little will be accomplished. The summer supply system is an almost total failure. Years of earnest prayerful work, and the training of the young children in the Sabbath Schools, accompanied by an extraordinary manifestation of the Holy Spirit seems the only hope of rescuing such fields from practical heathenism.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

Two new congregations have been formed during this year; one at Ballinafad, with a communicant's roll of 61, and another at Leslieville, or in the eastern limits of the city of Toronto. The prospects of this congregation are very encouraging. Three new churches are in process of erection within the mission field of the Presbytery, viz., at Queen'sville, Ballinafad, and Leslieville, while a church has been purchased for a moderate sum at a fourth point. Horning's Mills, Newmarket, from being a mission station, receiving much needed assistance, has become a self-sustaining congregation, giving a salary of \$800 to the lately inducted minister, Mr. Frizzel. The services of Mr. Bruce and Mr. Batisby, in this field, so well known throughout the church, have largely contributed to this result. The contributions of the congregations and Sabbath Schools of the Presbytery to the H. M. F. fund exceed those of the last or any previous year by over \$200.

HASTINGS ROAD.

The Stations on the Hastings Road, under the care of the Presbytery of Kingston, have been visited during the year by the Rev. Mr. Wishart of Madoc. From his most interesting report, which has been published in full elsewhere, we extract the following:

"In twelve days I walked over sixty miles, went in a cutter thirty, and in a jumper 160 more; preached thirteen times, baptized thirteen children, visited several sick and dying, and swept thirteen entire townships. In these townships 1,000 settlers or 2,000 of a population are now living. The unoccupied land is sufficient for four times that number, where from 1,000 to 1,500 lumbermen are hewing out wealth for others. A missionary should be employed among these alone during the winter months. The watershed of the Ottawa ought to have four or five. Besides the mission field around St. John's, Huntingdon, there is urgent need to make St. Paul's and St. Columba's, Madoc, the *nuclei* of two distinct charges. The one has the township of Marmora in the west to operate on, and the other that of Elziver in the east.

In addition to these there are the following stations in the back country, urgently demanding Home Mission work.

1. The Jordan, sixteen miles north of St. Peter's. Three townships are represented, Taylor, Lake, and Grimsthorp. There are seventeen members and fifteen families around the centre a one. Sixteen years ago I tried in vain to get up a church; one acre of ground still lies for our use. The people are demoralized by three taverns.

Thanet and the Ridge, thirty and thirty-five miles away. Mr. McKillean's house at Thanet is scarcely any more available for service, and the school has been refused us. The time has come to build a log church. The land for it is in my hands. Supposing it would cost \$400, the people would be good for \$200. At the Ridge, four or five families have put up a log church this last year, but they urgently require outside help to enable them to plaster and seat it. These two stations represent Woolaston and Limerick.

3. L'Amble, forty-five miles north. The two stations of York River and Brownson's Farm are attached. They represent Faraday and Dungannon. A fine glebe of seventeen acres is at my disposal. The Montreal Students' Missionary Society is laboring to assist the settlers to build a \$1,200 church this coming summer.

4 and 5. Maynooth occupies the corners of the fourth townships, Herschell, Montcaul, McLaure, and Wicklow, and is sixty-five miles north. It has one station twelve miles to the west, a second seven miles to the north, and a third five miles to the east. I urged the people to arise and build in another year; and this must be done. Through the liberality of James Ross Esq., of Quebec, a lot, though not properly secured as yet, has been obtained for the furtherance of the cause. Whilst here I learned that there were settlements fifteen miles north and seven miles beyond that on the bank of the Mudawaska where several of our people had located. Want of time prevented me exploring this district.

6. Kaminhar's, in Montcaul Valley, should be attached to Bangor township, where two large occupations have been made.

7. I spent two days in Carlow trying to lift the debt off the church, which is twenty-five miles north-east of L'Amble. \$150 of old and new subscriptions were taken, but such is the scarcity of money that only \$5 in cash was received. \$50 are expected from the outside; \$1,000 have already been paid. The trustees now hold a church costing \$1,400, and a fine glebe of twenty-seven acres paid for.

8. Mayo ought to be erected into a distinct mission field with two stations; one at Dodd's Corners, and another six miles south-east, on the Snow Road and bordering Ashley in Frontenac county. Several very respectable settlers have taken up land there this winter.

I visited two or three shanties and preached in Buck's to seventy men. The order in which the last is kept reflects great credit on its chief. Several extensive lumber firms have large interests in this who's region, yet none of them, save James Ross, of Quebec, have rendered us any assistance. L'Amble, Maynooth, and Carlow, should have ordained missionaries; eleven laborers altogether are required. I have prayed and toiled many years now to place the North Riding of Hastings at the disposal of our Church. Will it at last rise and say, "We shall fully occupy it for Christ?"

OTTAWA.

The work within our bounds progresses favorably, and is still being extended. New stations have been opened in connection with congregations hitherto supplemented, and readjustments have been made in the course of the year that will give the congregations concerned additional strength, and make them independent of aid from the Home Mission Fund.

CLIMBERLAND, settled since our last report, is a case in point. Previous to the union there were two congregations in the village, one of which was weak and struggling and needing aid, but now there is only one, under the pastoral oversight of Mr. McPhoyden.

ADMOSTON, for some time a supplemented congregation, but now through the addition of Barr's Settlement, a new station and formerly a portion of the pastoral charge of Mr. Campbell, of Redfrew, will no longer require supplement, in the event of settlement. Through the indefatigable labors of Mr. Wilkie, last summer, counselled and aided occasionally by neighboring ministers, the membership of the three stations—Admoston, Douglas, and Barr's Settlement—was so increased that the communion roll now numbers two hundred and eighty.

CATTLEFORD, receiving aid for some years, has, in the course of the year, had added to it the new station of Dewar's Settlement. The addition of this new station will enable the mission field to meet the expenses of the student missionary in full.

EGANVILLE has also received the addition of a new station, through the re-arrangement of stations connected with Admoston. This will give to the Wilberforce Mission field, of which Eganville is the chief station, a fresh accession of strength. At Eganville the erection of a new church has been commenced. Mr. John Mordy, student missionary stationed in this field last

summer, inaugurated this work. His labors in the congregation were greatly blest. On the occasion of the Lord's Supper being dispensed before he left the field, eighty communicants sat down at the Lord's Table, forty of whom were there for the first time. This field is large and needy, and in the face of many discouragements still makes progress. His crying want is an ordained Missionary or settled Pastor.

In ROCHESTERVILLE, a suburb of the city of Ottawa, a new church capable of seating about three hundred, has been built during the year. It occupies a position central to two other villages, lying contiguous to it, viz., Mount Sherwood and Mechanicsville. There have been added during the year thirty-one names to the communion roll, bringing the number on the roll up to about seventy, independent of removals that have taken place. The progress, financially, has been slow, owing to the general depression in business. The congregation is composed almost wholly of those who directly or indirectly are dependent upon the prosperity of the lumbering interests, many of them working in the mills during the summer, and going to the woods in the winter. And yet, nevertheless in the hard times, they have contributed, in one way and another, during the year, for the support of religious ordinances, building purposes, &c., about one thousand dollars. There is still a few hundred dollars of debt upon the building, besides payments on the lot, that require to be met annually, to clear off which will tax the energies of this young congregation for some time to come. In a year or two they expect to be able to wipe out the debt altogether. Recently, Rochesterville has been raised to the status of a supplemented congregation, and is now under the care of the Rev. Joseph White as its settled pastor.

HULL. We have to report a small increase of membership during the year. Twelve names were added to the roll of communicants, but owing to the fluctuating character of the population, only the half of this number remain with us to express the measure of our increase during the past year. The Presbytery has succeeded in aiding the congregation to liquidate in part a debt that was pressing heavily upon it. The congregation has punctually met its obligation for the support of ordinances. This field is to be continued under the care of the pastor of Rochesterville at present.

CHALK RIVER mission field embraces four stations, and lies between Pembroke & Des Joachims, the farthest up and most important station of the four. The field is thinly settled, and much in need of gospel ordinances.

MATTAWA is a station central to a large lumbering district, and almost fifty miles further up the Ottawa river than Des Joachims. It is a rising village, and affords an excellent centre for mission work both in summer and in winter. The friends of our cause here contemplate the erection of a church this summer, and they have promised one hundred dollars per annum, in the event of an ordained missionary being appointed to the field. Others will also aid, it is thought, when a missionary is on the field.

Mention might be made of Aylwin, with three stations; of Desert & Six Portages, with two stations; of Cantly & Portland, with four stations, ranging over a distance of twenty-five miles; of Chelsea & East Templeton, wrought unitedly at the present time; of Plantagenet, with its three stations, in a very backward part of the country, about forty miles down the river from Ottawa city; of Bearbrook and Cambridge, about twenty miles to the south east of the city of Ottawa, in a section of country very needy of gospel ordinances, and comparatively new: of Huntly and Kinburn, wrought very successfully by Mr. James Robertson, student catechist. But space will not permit us to enter into details of difficulties to be met with in these fields, or of the success that has attended the labors of our missionaries in them. Suffice it to say that our great want is men and money—men to go in as ordained missionaries or settled pastors, and money to supplement what the people can do to enable the missionary to live. And when these are all filled, we shall have no lack of new fields in which to commence fresh work. It will be soon enough to name these, when we are prepared to enter them.

During the past summer the Convener, Dr. Cochrane, visited the Parry Sound district, on occasion of the opening of the new church in Parry Sound. He has also during the winter addressed meetings on the subject of Home Missions in Montreal, Kingston, Peterboro', Toronto, Woodstock, Embro, St. Marys, London, and elsewhere. It is, however, utterly impossible for any settled minister to take such superintendence, and at the same time carry on the extensive correspondence demanded by the Home Mission work of the church.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

KNOX COLLEGE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR 1877.

The main object of the Society is to carry the Gospel to the more recently settled portions of the country. During the summer months missionaries are sent to these districts, by whom stations are established and cared for until strong enough to take their place among the regular mission stations of the Church. They then pass into the charge of the Presbytery within whose bounds they are situated, and the Society's missionaries are again sent forward to new fields. The work is thus largely of a pioneer kind. A considerable number of fields first occupied by the Society are now healthy mission stations or pastoral charges. In the County of Essex a new church has just been completed in a field occupied until last year by the Society.

In the Parry Sound District an ordained missionary now labors, where a few years ago our missionaries were breaking ground.

At Prince Arthur's Landing a pastor is now settled where he first labored as our missionary.

In Manitoulin Island an ordained missionary has now the oversight of fields which owe their origin to our Society.

Fields have also in past years been occupied in the Ottawa Presbytery, in Lambton and Simcoe Counties, at Sault Ste. Marie, Silver Islet and as far west as Manitoba. Supplies are sometimes given to fields in which there is little prospect of establishing permanent stations—the prosperity of the districts depending almost wholly on lumbering or mining operations. In most cases, however, the stations become permanent. New fields are asking for supply every year, but the work can be extended only as the funds will permit. The expenses in connection with the work are defrayed by contributions obtained by missionaries in their respective fields, and by donations from friends throughout the Church. The fields generally contribute well, but the very fact that they are handed over to Presbyteries so soon as they become self-sustaining, and that the Society then goes forward to fields that are not self-sustaining, may indicate how essential to the progress of our work is the liberality of friends outside of the fields. The attention of friends of the Society is invited to the nature of our work, as worthy of a generous support. The following fields have been occupied during the past year, viz., North Hastings, Waubesaene, Nipissing, Rossca, Coboconk, Manitoulin North, Manitoulin South, and Maganetanawan. The following special items may be noted:

MANITOULIN ISLAND.—A few years ago the Society was in much doubt as to sending a missionary to this field. Happily, however, one was sent, and the result has been such as leads us to thank God and take courage. Soon two missionaries were sent, one to the north and the other to the south side of the Island. Each district extends over a tract of country at least fifty miles in length, and there are not less than ten regular preaching stations. The growth has been rapid. There are considerable tracts of good land in the Island, and the progress will likely be not less substantial than it has been rapid. The North field has now passed from our hands. Rev. Hugh McKay, who formerly supplied the field for the Society, has been sent there as ordained missionary. An urgent request was sent from the South field for supply during the winter. A student was ready to go, but owing to lack of funds, the request could not be complied with.

COCOONK FIELD.—This is not a newly settled district, but it came into the care of the Society for the first time during the past year. The results have been very gratifying. The field is about forty-five miles in length. Four stations received regular fortnightly supply, and two others were opened by the missionary, where occasional services were held. Sixteen members were added to the church during the summer.

NIPISSING FIELD.—Some years ago one of our missionaries sent to the Upper Ottawa, penetrated westward as far as Lake Nipissing, and through him a request was sent for one who could both teach school and preach the gospel. Nothing could be done at that time. A year ago the district was again visited by our Missionary from the Maganetawan, and during the past summer preaching stations were established. The field is an encouraging one. There is a considerable portion of moderately good land, and the district is settling rapidly. The desire of the people to have religious service is evinced by the fact that before our missionary arrived, they were wont to assemble every Sabbath, and after Sabbath School, which they regularly carried on, a sermon was read by one of their number. It is more convenient to work than most of our fields, being about twenty-five miles in length, with four stations in prospect for the coming summer.

MAGANETAWAN FIELD.—This field has been occupied for two summers. It is already so large as to be quite beyond the power of one missionary to work properly. During the past summer, services were held fortnightly in six stations, Bible class in three, and prayer-meeting in one. Three Sabbath Schools were also carried on. The missionary reports "not a few, especially among the young, have been brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus—upwards of 1,000 tracts in English and German have been distributed—three new congregations have been organized, one in Beggsboro', one in Spence, one in Maganetawan, forty-two new members have been added to the Church, nine by profession of faith and thirty-three by certificate."

The congregations were organized, and the sacrament dispensed by the Rev. Allan Findlay who visited the district during the summer. Our missionary adds: "In regard to the future working of the field, it is evident that it must be divided, not so much to lessen the field as to extend it." This recommendation has been adopted, and two missionaries will be sent during the coming summer.

ROSSEAU.—A new church has been built during the past year, though not quite finished yet. Friends in Toronto and Barrie, in the Severn Field, and in Glasgow, Scotland, gave liberal assistance, and the church has been opened free of debt. The regular work has been carried on with vigor in this, and in the Waubashene and Hastings fields as well. These have been in the care of the Society for some years, and being better known do not require any special items to be reported this year.

An idea of the work done in all our fields during the year, and of the strength of each, may be gathered from the statistical table subjoined to this report.

In reference to work during the Session of 1877-78, but a word need be said. Assistance has been given to those engaged in christian work at the Jail and Central Prison. Day report has been regularly supplied on Sabbath evenings, the student also teaching Bible class in the afternoon. Brockton has received regular supply both morning and evening, the students also teaching the Bible class. Work has also been begun in Leslieville, a Sabbath School has been organized, the Bible class is taught by the students, and supply is given every Sabbath evening.

SUMMARY.

Fields, 8; Missionaries, 8; Preaching Stations, 34; Communicants, 254; Bible Classes, 6; Sabbath Schools, 17; Revenue from Society's Fields, \$656.62; Revenue from other sources, \$619.91; Total Revenue, \$1276.53; Number of Missionaries for 1878, 9.

A new field is to be occupied this summer on the C. P. R., west of Prince Arthur's Landing. In conclusion, sincere thanks are tendered to the friends who by their contributions have enabled the Society to carry on its work. While God has been pleased to own and bless our labours, we are not forgetful of the fact that our whole work, in the Mission Fields and in our Monthly meetings, is a valuable means of fostering the missionary spirit, and quickening religious life among us. Our prayer is that the Great Head of the Church may grant blessings still more abundant in years to come.

A. LESLIE, M. A.,
RECORDING SECRETARY.
Knox College, April 1st, 1878.

F. BALLANTYNE, M. A.,
PRESIDENT.

FIELDS OCCUPIED BY KNOX COLLEGE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, REFERRED TO ON PRECEDING PAGE.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

FIELDS.	STATIONS.	Number of Services.	Average Attendance	Other Meetings.	Average Attendance	Members.	CONTRIBUTIONS.
1. Maganetawan	1. McMurrich.....	F.	18	....	..	11	\$3 50
	2. Doe Lake.....	F.	85	{ B.*	16	..	10 00
	3. North Seg in.....	F.	22	{ S. S.*	25	20	.....
	4. Spence	F.	50	{ B.	26	..	8 35
				{ S. S.	23	12	20 00
				{ S. S.	30	12	.....
2. Manitoulin Island... (North Side).....	5. Maganetawan.....	F.	75	{ B.	11	..	23 35
	6. Chapman.....	F.	33	{ P.	22	..	.....
	1. Little Current.....	F.	20	P.*	10	..	12 00
	2. Sheguiandah.....	F.	23	S. S.	12	..	8 75
	3. Gore Bay.....	F.	60	S. S.	45	25	20 25
	4. Kagavong.....	F.	45	....	..	..	14 25
3. Manitoulin Island... (South Side).....	1. Manitowaning.....	O.*	60	....	..	..	} 32 50
	2. South Bay.....	O.	25	....	..	..
	3. Green Bush.....	O.	60	P.	30	..	17 12
	4. Michael's Bay.....	O.	35	P.	..	..	.....
	5. Providence Bay.....	O.	35	....	..	..	} 33 28
	6. Mindemoiya.....	O.	35	....	..	..
4. Coboconek.....	1. Coboconek.....	F.	90	{ B.	14	..	.....
	2. Head Lake.....	F.	55	{ S. S.	45	30	46 29
	3. Digby.....	F.	60	S. S.	20	9	18 00
	4. Carden.....	F.	70	S. S.	40	17	45 00
	5. Mud Lake.....	O.	..	....	..	..	15 00
5. Rosseau.....	1. Rosseau.....	W*	60	B.	10	26	} 54 83
	2. Miserhammers.....	F.	40	....	..	..
	3. Turtle Lake.....	F.	40	16	
6. Nipissing.....	1. Nippisingan.....	W	30	S. S.	15	..	25 00
	2. Commanda.....	W	35	S. S.	25	..	11 25
	3. Commanda L.....	O.	16	....	..	..	.....
	4. Meeum ma.....	O.	20	S. S.	..	..	.....
7. Hastings.....	1. Carlow.....	W	100	{ S. S.	30	30	.....
	2. Vandusen.....	F.	40	{ B.	..	..	26 25
	3. Dodd's Settlement....	F.	25	S. S.	2	25	1 50
8. Wanbashiene.....	1. Wanbashiene.....	W	115	S. S.	..	..	} 129 05
	2. Port Severn.....	W	45	S. S.	..	..
	3. Sturgeon Bay.....	W	25	S. S.	

* Note.—W., Weekly; F., Fortnightly; O., Occasional; B., Bible-class; P., Prayer meeting.

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SIDENT.

REPORT OF
QUEEN'S COLLEGE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION
FOR 1877-78.

This Association came into existence in the year eighteen hundred and fifty, and since that time it has been in active operation. Overcoming step by step the difficulties against which an infant Association had to contend, it stands at the present time, in point of efficiency, in the number of its members, in the zeal displayed in the work of the Lord, and in the apparent success resulting from the labours of its members, in a higher condition than at any time before.

The object of the Association, as stated in the Constitution, is the promotion of Divine truth. It aims at fostering a missionary spirit among its members, and it lends assistance and affords encouragement to young men who have the ministry of the gospel in view. Its officers consist of President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and Tract-distributor, all of whom are elected annually.

The Association is composed of all the students of the Theological Faculty of Queen's University, the students of the Arts department who have the ministry in view, together with those who, although aspiring to places in professions or in spheres of activity other than the ministerial, acknowledge the prime importance of the work sought to be accomplished by this Society, and desire to have their names enrolled as members.

The regular meetings of the Association are held in the Divinity Hall every alternate Saturday during the Session. At these meetings are discussed the means which members deem most suitable for the advancement of the fields in which they have oversight. Plans for developing old stations are advanced. New spheres of operation in and about the city are sought for. Reports of work are given by those who have performed missionary labors during the previous summer, and interrogations and remarks thereon are freely put forth by the other members in attendance.

The Association during the summer months has no stations under its immediate supervision, because the church has found work for its members, and because the Association is of opinion that the direct responsibility for the supply of services in neglected portions of the country, and in new fields, falls upon the church, not upon the Association.

During the College Session, the Association furnished supply for the following stations:—Consecon, until the Christmas vacation; Camden; Wolfe Island; Morton; Mill Haven; Hinchinbroke, and Portsmouth. The House of Industry was visited every Sabbath morning by one of the members, who conducted Divine service. The inmates of the Kingston General Hospital receive attention from the Association, and a service is conducted on Sabbath among these poor, afflicted, and sorrowing ones. In the hospital and elsewhere good is accomplished by the little missives which the Tract distributor scatters round.

During the Christmas vacation six destitute fields were visited by members of the Association. All the families in these fields were called upon. Divine service was held on the three Sabbaths. Special evangelistic meetings were held, when the workers were revived, and many were brought to enter upon a new life.

There is a prayer meeting held in the University buildings every Sabbath morning, which is conducted and attended by members of the Association. From the Association, too, go forth men, who lend aid in furthering the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, and who hold Cottage Prayer Meetings in different sections of the city.

Lectures are delivered during the College Session before the Association, on invitation of the members, by men who have prominently identified themselves with mission work in the

past. The Rev. Andrew Wilson, of Brock Street Church, delivered the annual address this year, taking as his subject, Missions, Home and Foreign. Under the auspices of the Association, the Rev. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, delivered a lecture in Chalmers Church, on the restoration views of a future state. The Association was further favored by most excellent and interesting lectures from the Rev. Mr. Millengen, returned missionary from Constantinople, on the work carried on there, and from the Rev. Principal Jardine D. Se, on the result of missions in India. The above lectures and addresses were much appreciated by the members of the Association, and they created an increased interest both in Home and Foreign Missions.

At the close of the present session there went forth from the Association thirty-four young men to engage in the work of the Master in different portions of his vineyard. Eight of these are laboring in the Maritime Provinces, the remaining twenty-six in Ontario and Quebec.

The members of the Association, though conscious of having come short of the full performance of what duty demanded, are deeply grateful for the success with which the Lord has been pleased to bless their labors. Through their instrumentality during the past summer many souls have been comforted, cheered and strengthened. Many have been brought into the church. In some fields ten, in some twelve, in others more than thirty have been added to the communion roll.

The Association here expresses its thankfulness to its many friends for the encouragement and aid which they have rendered; it rejoices in the success which has in the past attended the labors of its members; it now sends out another band of workers with fresh activity and determined zeal into the mission fields of the church; it prays that they may be worthy servants of Christ their Lord; and it is sure of the accomplishment of good, knowing that its members have given themselves to be instruments in the hands of an Allwise Power, and are willing to be guided at every step by a superintending God.

A. H. SCOTT, M. A.

PRESIDENT.

May 21st, 1878.

JAMES CUMBERLAND, B. A.,

SECRETARY.

STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

Report for 1877-78.

MISSIONARIES FOR SUMMER OF 1878.

A. ANDERSON,	-	"	-	Cantley and Portland.
J. MITCHELL,	-	"	-	Chalk River and Mattawa.
M. H. SCOTT, B. A.,	-	"	-	Massawippi and Coaticooke.
J. MUNRO, B. A.,	-	"	-	L'Amable and York River.
J. MACFARLAND,	-	"	-	Thanet and the Ridge.

This Society has been in existence since 1869. It consists of all students in connection with the College. During the summer months, several students are sustained in fields selected by the Society. During College session, its members engage in Mission work in the city, as opportunity offers.

The Annual Report shows that the work of the Society in the various mission fields has been greatly prospered and owned of the Lord. The members of the Society raise the necessary funds, partly by subscription in the fields occupied during the summer, and partly by the aid of christian friends in the city and elsewhere.

MISSION FIELDS 1877-78.

CANTLEY AND PORTLAND.—This field is within the bounds of the Ottawa Presbytery, and is situated between the Gatineau and Lievre Rivers. Our late lamented missionary, Mr. J. G. Donaldson, labored in this extensive district during last summer, with much acceptance. At Portland, the people are actively engaged in the erection of a church. Mr. A. Anderson will continue the work this summer. Services were held at four stations. Upper Cantley, average attendance, 50; Lower Cantley, 60; Wakefield, 55; Portland, 45. Amount collected, \$92.60.

CHALK RIVER.—This is a new field, also within the bounds of the Ottawa Presbytery, in the neighborhood of Pembroke. Mr. W. Shearer labored here last summer. Services were held at three stations. Chalk River, average attendance, 50; Fort William, 12; Point Alexander, 20; Des Joachims, 20. Amount collected, \$59.55. Mr. J. Mitchell has been appointed to this field, and will open a station at Mattawa, a village on the Ottawa.

COATIOCOKE AND RICHEY.—Our missionaries have labored with great success in this field, Mr. Nelson returned with a very encouraging report of last summer's work. Services were held at three stations. Coaticooke, average attendance, 40; North Coaticooke, 60; Rieiby, 70. Amount collected, \$126.25. Mr. M. H. Scott has been appointed to labor in this field in connection with Massawippi.

MASSAWIPPI.—This is a new field, distant about twelve miles from Coaticooke. When Mr. W. D. Russell began his work here, last summer, there were no Presbyterians in the place; before he left, a church of about twenty members was organized. During last winter, members of our Society supplied Massawippi, Rieiby and Coaticooke with Sabbath services. Mr. Russell held services at five stations: Massawippi, average attendance, morning, 100; evening, 50; North Hately, 30; Ayer's Flat, 50; King's Corner, 25; Abbott's School House, 25. Amount collected, \$131.50.

L'AMBLE.—This field has been worked by the Society for several years. Mr. J. T. Donald was missionary last summer, and did a good work. The erection of a church is to be commenced at L'Amble this summer. Services were held at THREE stations. L'Amble, average attendance, 67; York River, 51; Egan Farm, 25. Mr. J. Munro will continue the work during the coming summer. Amount collected, \$91.00.

THANET AND THE RIDGE.—Mr. J. Munro labored in this field last summer. The people at the Ridge have nearly completed their church. Services were held at THREE stations. The Ridge, average attendance, 50; Thanet, 35; Beaver Creek, 30. Amount collected, \$79.00. Mr. J. MacFarland will prosecute the work this summer.

Rev. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, at the request of the Society, delivered two lectures this spring in Erskine Church. The first on the evening of March 7th, subject, "Annihilation and Restoration Theories;" the second, March 22nd, subject, "Our Modern Theatre." Dr. Burns received the hearty thanks of the audience on both occasions. The proceeds were devoted to the funds of the Society.

EXPENDITURE.

1876-77—\$1075.37

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The members of the Society take this opportunity of thanking the many friends who have assisted them by contributions of money, books and papers, and would bespeak a continuance of their liberality. They would record their gratitude to Almighty God, who has so greatly blessed their humble efforts to extend the knowledge of the Gospel, and pray that His favor may still be continued to them.

J. MUNRO, B. A.,
RECORDING Sec'y.

J. ALLAN, B. A.,
PRESIDENT.

Presbyterian College, Montreal,)
April 4th, 1878.]

Home Mission Fund, Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1877-78.

PRESBYTERY.	Contributions of Congregations.	Contributions of Sabbath Schools.	Total Contributions.	Expenditure.
Balance 1st May 1878, \$851,59 less amt twice credited in account \$59			\$795 59	
Quebec.....	\$651 20		651 20	\$1234 50
Montreal.....	2132 91	\$190 00	2622 91	2710 75
Ottawa.....	1410 21	5 00	1415 21	2032 24
Glengarry.....	434 52		434 52	300 00
Brockville.....	849 94	15 00	864 94	1372 25
Kingston.....	1219 87	2 50	1222 37	2900 82
Peterboro.....	1211 50	61 00	1272 50	841 75
Whitby.....	398 59	109 75	508 34	
Lindsay.....	496 81		496 81	820 75
Toronto.....	3706 97	389 98	4096 95	1011 00
Barrie.....	696 26	8 20	704 46	1908 00
Owen Sound.....	256 56		256 56	791 67
Saugeen.....	304 76	13 22	317 98	667 88
Guelph.....	1308 18	109 95	1418 13	328 00
Hamilton.....	2244 16	291 26	2538 42	1061 33
Paris.....	1039 09	122 68	1161 77	137 50
London.....	1320 80	194 26	1515 06	2178 79
Chatham.....	425 53		425 53	1028 95
Stratford.....	817 52	5 00	852 52	100 00
Huron.....	925 22	1 76	929 98	611 33
Bruce.....	430 13		430 13	500 00
Manitoba.....	235 88		235 88	9018 93
British Columbia.....				1200 00
Lake Superior.....				1057 00
Grants from other Churches.....			3398 88	
Donations.....			1888 10	
Expenses of Committee.....				795 10
Printing and Advertising.....				137 70
Interest.....				400 00
General Expenses.....				350 00
Salary of Agent.....				500 00
Balance.....			\$5867 46	
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It is to be noted, that in addition to the claims for the year 1877-78, the following sums have been paid: But for these obligations, the receipts of the fund would have been equal to the expenditure.

Amount paid on account of preceding year.....	\$3,680 99
“ “ “ “ “ current year 1878-79.....	680 00
“ “ “ “ “ Manitoba College.....	2,000 00
Total.....	\$6,360 99

SPECIAL GRANTS.

In response to a request from the Presbytery of Manitoba, the Committee agreed to grant the sum of \$200 to Mr. D. C. Johnson, the teacher at Prince Albert Mission, for services rendered the Committee at this Station during the past year, in the absence of a missionary. The Committee also voted \$100 to the Rev. A. Findlay, the missionary at Muskoka, to assist in defraying his travelling expenses over the wide district in which he labors. At the last meeting of the Committee, Mr. Findlay was present, and gave a clear and comprehensive sketch of this field and its pressing wants.

The Committee resolved to record the satisfaction with which they have heard Mr. Findlay's statement, their high appreciation of his valuable and self-denying labors, and their sense of the importance of the wide district of which he has the supervision.

The Committee further agreed to endeavor to secure the services of a second ordained Missionary for the district, with Maganetawan as his head-quarters, to begin work in the end of September, the field being occupied by several student missionaries during the summer months.

NEW MISSIONARIES TO MANITOBA AND THE NORTH WEST.

During the past year, your Committee have appointed the following ministers to Manitoba: The Rev. P. Struth, Probationer; Rev. W. R. Ross, of Pickering; Rev. Alex. Campbell, of Montreal; Rev. J. Douglas, of Port Perry; and the Rev. A. H. Cameron, of North Gower. Mr. Cameron is appointed to the Canada Pacific Railway Mission, and the support of the Missionary will be met by the men working on the Railway, without drawing upon the funds of the funds of the Church.

The Committee would again urge upon Presbyteries the necessity of dealing with such congregations as make no contributions to the Home Mission Fund or such as fall far below their ability. It is also greatly to be desired that Presbyteries make a thorough investigation of every new application. Only thus can the confidence of the Church be retained in the wise apportionment of the Home Mission Fund.

It will be observed that \$100 has been paid as interest on borrowed money during the year, to enable the Committee to meet its regularly recurring obligations. To some extent at least, this would be rendered unnecessary, if congregations whose contributions are systematically collected, transmitted from time to time the funds lying idle in their hands. It is not a satisfactory state of things to end and begin the year in debt, and for nine months in each year to be dependent upon borrowed money to pay our Missionaries.

In conclusion, your committee commend anew to the sympathies, prayers and benevolence of our Christian people, the great work of Home Missions. As this cause prospers, the church at large prospers. The history of Home Missions in connection with the Presbyterian churches of Canada that are now united, is most interesting and encouraging. "The day" alone can declare the numerous instances of sacrifice and devotion, which marked the earlier stages of the work. But for the sufferings and perils and privations of our pioneer missionaries, the church in Canada would not to-day occupy the place she does. And yet what has been accomplished, is but an earnest of greater triumphs in the future! These infant churches scattered over Ontario and Quebec, and on the plains of the Prairie Province, are destined ere many years elapse to become centres of moral and spiritual influence beyond our most sanguine expectations. Let us as Christians, Patriots, and Presbyterians see to it, that a church which has already done so much to evangelize the land, retains a potential position in hastening that blessed time, when the nation shall be saved for Christ, and the final triumphs of christianity have been won. If we are faithful to our high commission, He is faithful who has promised. "Surely His salvation is nigh them that fear Him; that glory may dwell in our land. Truth shall spring out of the earth and righteousness shall look down from heaven. Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase; righteousness shall go before Him and shall set us in the way of his steps."

"This land, O God, which thou hast kept,
A large dominion, wild and free,
Which, through the ages past, has slept,
With all its stores, from sea to sea—

Make it an Empire, all thine own,
With glory of the latter days;
Here may Immanuel build his throne,
And fill the forest with his praise."

In name of the Committee.

BRANTFORD, ONT., June 12th, 1878.

WILLIAM COCHRANE,
CONVENER.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
APPOINTED TO PREPARE A
Scheme for the Continuous Supply of Mission Stations.

Page 34, Minutes of Assembly, 1877.

In drafting the following scheme, the Committee have had in view the continuous supply of Mission Stations in order to secure their more rapid development into congregations, and their early settlement as pastoral charges.

And in presenting their Report, this Committee would respectfully call the attention of the Assembly to the serious loss the church is sustaining in connection with the working of her Mission field under the present system, according to which a large number of the stations are left virtually without supply during one-half of the year.

The result of this is painfully manifest in the weak and discouraged condition of many stations which would have become vigorous, self-sustaining congregations under a system of supply, such as that contemplated by the Assembly in the appointment of this Committee.

The scheme herewith presented, embraces the following points:

I.--MISSION DISTRICTS. II.--MISSIONARIES. III.--FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

On these points the Committee respectfully submit the following provisions, as, in their opinion, necessary to the working of the scheme, and practicable.

I.--Mission Districts.

1st.—Mission Districts, in connection with this scheme, shall be such as Presbyteries have formed in new or necessitous localities, where there is a reasonable prospect of the formation of pastoral charges at an early date.

2d.—When a Presbytery desires any Mission District to be connected with this scheme they shall apply, for this purpose, to the H. M. C. and shall accompany the application with detailed information as to the extent, population, resources and religious condition of the field.

II.--Missionaries.

1st.—The Missionaries employed in such Districts shall be:—

- (1) Ordained Ministers;
- (2) Licentiates;
- (3) Students of Theology, who are willing to engage in this work.
- (4) Laymen, whose gifts for edification have been ascertained to the satisfaction of the Presbytery within whose bounds they are to be employed.

2d.—It shall be the duty of the H. M. C. to call the Missionaries to the work, and to appoint them to their several fields with the consent of the Presbyteries.

- (1) At the close of each College year, the H. M. C. shall secure the services of as many students as may be, by them, deemed necessary for the work.
- (2) Students who have finished their theological studies, may, when employed under this scheme, be ordained by their Presbyteries as soon as convenient after leave has been obtained from the Superior Court.
- (3) Missionaries shall be appointed for a term of not less than two years, and the appointment may be renewed.

III.--Financial Arrangements.

1st.—The salaries of Missionaries shall be as follows, viz:—

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| (1) The Ordained Missionaries, who are married, not less than \$700 per annum. | 700 |
| For married men, not less than | 600 " " |
| (2) For Licentiates, | 550 " " |
| (3) For Students, | 150 " " |
| (4) The salary of Laymen shall be determined in each case by the H. M. Committee. | |

The above amounts shall be held to cover board, house rent, and all other expenses. 2nd.—The Mission field shall contribute towards the salary of the Missionary according to its ability, and the amount to be contributed shall be fixed by the H. M. C. in conjunction with the Presbytery.

3rd.—When the contributions from any District exceed the amount premised by that District, the Home Mission Committee may augment the salary of the Missionary if the circumstances seem to them to make such action advisable to the extent of one half the amount of such excess, but the total increase of salary shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. BRUCE,
ACTING CONVENOR.

COCHRANE,
CONVENOR.

APPENDICES
TO THE
**Report of the Home Mission Committee,
Presbyterian Church in Canada,**
(WESTERN SECTION,)

FOR 1877-78.

ROBT. H. WARDEN, MONTREAL, WM. COCHRANE, D.D., BRANTFORD,
Secretary. *Convener.*

APPENDIX I.—MISSION STATIONS.
 Report for the Year ending 31st March, 1878.

PRESBYTERIES.	MISSION FIELDS.	Is Aid Required?	Is there a Church?	No. of Preaching Stations.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Families connected with Miss'n Field.	Communicants.	No. Sabbaths supplied during year.	Amount per Sabbath promised by Stations.		Amount paid by Stations for Supplies (including board).		Amount paid for Building during the year.	Home Mission Grant per Sabbath for the year.	Total amount received from H. M. Committee during the year.
									\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.			
I.—QUEBEC.	1. Kennebec Road	1	1	3	90	35	25	52	3 25	120 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	159 00
	2. Valcartier	1	1	3	80	52	65	27	5 00	132 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	89 50
	3. Metis	1	1	4	80	41	49	47	3 00	129 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00
	4. Massawippi	..	1	2	100	12	22	35	9 00	325 00	110 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	5. Coaticook and Richby*	..	1	3	170	20	36	46	5 00	360 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	6. Lake Megantic	1	1	1	170	60	32	25	6 00	154 70	341 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total	4	6	16	690	220	229	232	31 25	1161 10	451 00	.....	.....	6 00	383 50
II.—MONTREAL.	1. The Tanneries	1	..	1	35	13	..	53	2 00	69 00	.....	.....	.....	4 00	212 00
	2. St. Hyacinthe	1	..	1	45	21	29	53	4 00	185 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	78 00
	3. Orleansburg	1	..	2	85	41	..	33	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	78 00
	4. Taylor Church, Montreal	1	..	1	65	33	48	53	4 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00	237 00
	5. Arundel and De Salaberry	1	1	3	60	28	27	53	3 00	126 70	.....	.....	.....	6 00	312 00
	6. Avoca, Harrington &c	1	2	3	130	51	47	28	4 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	4 00	109 50
	7. St. Lambert's	1	..	1	40	7	..	19	4 00	78 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	38 00
	8. Hochelaga	1	1	1	25	..	..	20	3 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	4 00	80 00
	9. Laprairie	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Travelling Expenses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Total	9	4	14	475	194	151	315	24 00	723 70	.....	.....	.....	32 00	1157 50	

* Supplied gratuitously by Montreal College Students' Missionary Association during the winter months.

Travelling Expenses.....	9	4	14	475	194	151	315	24 00	723 70	32 00	1157 50
Total.....											

* Supplied gratuitously by Montreal College Students' Missionary Association during the winter months.

								\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
III.—GLENGARRY.											
1. East Hawkesbury	1	1	80	40	50	34	6 00	263 00	2 00	12 00	
2. South Finch	1	1	150	25	40	31	8 00	230 00	4 00	88 00	
3. Summerstown	1	1	150	56	56	26	2 00	200 00			
Total.....	2	3	380	121	146	91	16 00	693 00	6 00	100 00	
IV.—BROCKVILLE.											
1. Bathurst and S. Sherbrooke	1	1	140	38	24	24	4 00	132 00	2 00	48 00	
2. Darling	1	1	130	62	36	24	4 00	108 00	2 00	48 00	
3. Lavanu	1	1	100	59	56	22	4 00	103 00	2 00	44 00	
4. Palmerston	1	1	300	50	33	33	3 00	165 00	3 00	99 00	
5. N. Williamsburg	1	1	200	40	34	34	5 00	272 00	1 00	32 00	
6. Kitley	1	1									
7. Balderson and Drummond	1	1									
Travelling Expenses of Missionaries to the Field											29 25
Total.....	5	4	890	249	92	137	20 00	780 00	10 00	300 25	
V.—OTTAWA.											
1. Bearbrook and Cambridge	1	1	100	30	32	23	2 00	96 65	4 00	79 35	
2. East Templeton	1	1	70	18	14	14		44 00	2 00	28 00	
3. Castleford and Dewar's Settlement	1	1	150	45	50	32	5 00	156 00	1 00	26 00	
4. Wilberforce	1	1	195	50	43	38	4 00	299 00	2 00	76 00	
5. Hull	1	1	40	23	26	52	3 00	156 00	3 00	130 00	
6. Rochesterville	1	1	100	50	70	52	6 00	312 00	7 00	338 00	
7. Chalk River and Des-Joachims	1	1	100	17	10	50		75 00	3 00	60 00	
8. Desert and Six Portages	1	1	40	17	22	26	4 00	98 50	3 00	78 00	
9. Aylwin	1	1	150	36	89	24	6 00	179 00	3 00	30 00	
10. Cantly and Portland	1	1	120	60	26	26		90 00	4 00	30 00	
11. Plantagenet	1	1	100	59	40	26	3 50	128 00	2 50	78 00	
12. Handy and Kinburn	1	1	160	80	69	52	10 50	451 00	3 00	78 00	
13. Chelsea	1	1	70	27	45	17		66 00			
Travelling Expenses of Missionaries to the Field											26 10
Total	11	11	1395	512	496	432	44 00	2151 45	37 50	1027 45	

APPENDIX I.—MISSION STATIONS—Continued.

MISSION FIELDS.	Is Aid required?	Is there a Church?	No. of Preaching Stations.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Families connected with Miss'n Field.	Commandants.	No. Sabbaths supplied during year.	Amount per Sabbath promised by Stations.		Amount paid by Stations for Supplies (including board).	Amount paid for Building during the year.		Home Mission Grant per Sabbath for the year.	Total amount received from H. M. Committee during the year.
								\$	c.		\$	c.		
VI.—KINGSTON.														
1. Hinchinbrook and Bedford	1	..	4	60	34	18	25	3 50	..	..	..	..	2 50	62 50
2. Wolfe Island	1	1	3	65	36	22	48	3 00	101 00	..	..	..	3 00	144 00
3. Fredericksburg and Mill Haven	1	1	3	75	80	..	52	3 00	110 00	..	..	..	2 00	109 00
4. West Huntingdon	1	1	2	80	29	41	52	4 00	184 00	..	..	..	2 00	96 00
5. Rawdon and Marmora	1	..	2	..	44	50	52	3 00	..	..	..	..	3 00	133 00
6. Maynooth	1	..	9	30	115	25	37	2 00	58 00	..	..	..	4 00	128 00
7. Moton and Seely's Bay	1	1	3	75	38	21	44	3 00	..	..	..	..	3 00	132 00
8. Consecon	1	..	3	150	29	22	33	4 00	132 00	..	..	..	2 00	66 00
Traveling Expenses of Missionaries.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	44 14
Total	8	4	29	535	405	199	343	25 50	585 00	..	..	..	21 50	925 64
VII.—PETERBORO'.														
1. Chandos and Burleigh	1	2	6	80	30	40	24	2 70	48 00	..	..	..	3 50	92 50
2. Harvey	1	..	3	80	20	27	21	2 50	60 00	..	..	..	3 50	70 00
3. Minden	1	3	4	140	63	80	51	8 00	270 00	..	..	..	5 00	221 00
4. Haliburton	1	1	2	62	30	45	15	3 50	52 50	..	..	..	2 50	46 50
Total	4	6	15	362	143	192	111	16 50	430 50	..	..	..	14 50	430 00
VIII.—WHITBY.														
No Mission Stations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
IX.—LANDSAY.														
1. Cobocok and Head Lake	1	1	2	175	34	39	26	..	165 00	..	..	..	..	45 00
2. Digby and Carden	1	..	2	104	38	27	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	2	1	4	275	72	66	52	..	165 00	..	..	..	..	45 00

APPENDIX I.—MISSION STATIONS—Continued.

PRESBYTERIES.	MISSION FIELDS.	Is Aid required?	Is there a Church?	No. of Preaching Stations.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Families connected with Miss'n Field.	Communitants.	No. Sabbaths supplied during year.	Amount paid by Stations.		Amount paid for Supplies (including board) during the year.		Amount paid for Building during the year.		Home Mission Grant per Sabbath for the year.		Total amount received from H.M. Committee during the year.
									\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	
XIII.—SAL GREEN.	1. Dundalk and Fraser's Settlement.....	1	1	2	75	30	45	32	4 50	186 00	200 00	1 50	52 50				
	2. Waldemar and Bowling Green.....	1	..	2	70	18	30	35	4 50	130 00	52 00	2 50	87 50				
	3. Little Toronto.....	..	1	2	100	30	..	30	10 00	400 00	252 00	..	..		
	4. Cotswold.....	..	1	1	90	35	62	46	6 00	258 55	..	..	..	
	5. Rocky Saugeen.....	..	1	2	180	47	76	24	6 00	204 00	60 00	..	..		
	Total.....		2	4	9	515	190	213	167	31 00	1198 55	564 00	4 00	140 00			
XIV.—QUEBEC.	1. Preston (German).....	1	1	1	25	14	25	19	2 40	125 00	..	..	3 50	91 00	
	2. Eden Mills.....	1	1	1	100	21	56	52	4 50	354 90	..	..	1 50	78 00	
	Travelling Expenses of Missionary to the Field.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4 00
	Total.....	2	2	2	125	35	81	71	6 90	479 90	..	..	5 00	173 00	
XV.—HAMILTON.	1. Fort Erie and Ridgeway.....	1	1	2	75	56	43	26	5 00	135 63	..	..	3 00	78 00	
	2. Delhi.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39 00
	3. Stevensville and Kennedy's Settlement.....	1	1	2	43	6	4	19	3 00	53 80	..	..	4 00	97 00	
	4. Louth.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	3	2	4	118	62	47	45	8 00	189 43	..	..	7 00	214 00		
XVI.—PARIS.	1. Sweabourge, Beachville and E. Oxford.....	1	1	3	100	50	..	40	6 00	250 00	..	..	2 00	..	
	2. Brantford West Mission.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	1	1	3	100	50	..	40	6 00	250 00	..	..	2 00	..	

XVI.—PARIS.

1. Sweatbourg, Beachville and E. Oxford.....	1	1	3	100	50	40	6 00	250 00	.....	2 00	.....
2. Brautfort West Mission.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	1	1	3	100	50	40	6 00	250 00	.....	2 00	.....

XVII.—LONDON.

1. Corunna and Mooretown	1	1	2	69	30	45	7 00	380 00	.....	2 00	106 00
2. London East	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	.....	4 00	212 00
3. Port Burwell.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	3 00	69 00
4. Hyae Park	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	3 00	81 00
5. Springfield	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	2 00	54 00
6. Lucan	1	1	1	11	30	27	2 00	81 00	.....	3 00	81 00
7. Oldsprings	1	1	2	50	21	15	5 00	..	.....	2 00	36 00
Travelling Expenses of Missionaries, &c.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	32 00
Total.....	7	4	6	119	62	90	15 00	461 00	.....	19 00	671 00

XVIII.—CHATHAM.

1. Sombra	1	1	3	50	51	45	4 00	156 00	.....	2 00	60 00
2. Tilbury W. and Comber.....	1	1	2	150	40	80	4 00	170 40	.....	1 50	70 00
3. Mersca	1	1	3	50	37	50	5 30	254 20	.....	2 50	115 00
4. Maidstone .....	..	1	2	40	12	24	3 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....
5. Wallaceburg .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	3	4	10	290	140	199	16 30	730 60	1631 00	6 00	245 00

XIX.—STRATFORD.

No Mission Stations.....
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XX.—BUCC.

1. Pinkerton	1	1	200	40	130	120 00
2. Salern	1	1	150	35	43
3. Riversdale and Emmiskillen	1	1	100	32	26
4. Manitoulin Island	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....
Total.....	1	3	3	450	107	199	..	..	120 00	.....	.....

XXI.—Huron.

1. Goderich (Gaelic).....	1	1	1	140	45	24	6 00	215 65	.....	2 00	106 00
2. Chiselhurst .....	..	1	1	150	..	25	..	..	.....	..	..
3. E. Ashfield.....	1	1	1	70	30	20	4 00	58 00	.....	2 00	17 50
Travelling Expenses of Missionary to the Field.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	4 00
Tota!	2	2	3	360	75	44	10 00	273 65	.....	4 00	127 50

25. Mont. College	142	123	114	355	15345	5009	4717	4925	467 60	20147 83	67222 19	235 11	19940 77
Total													

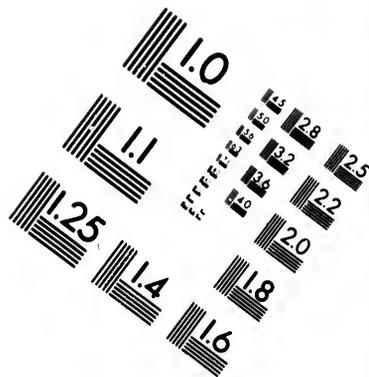
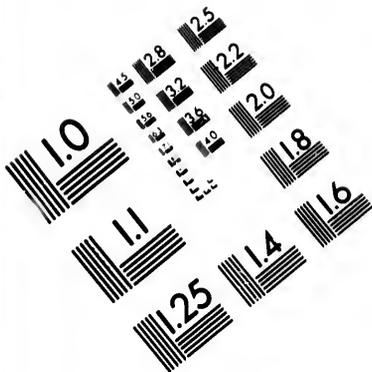
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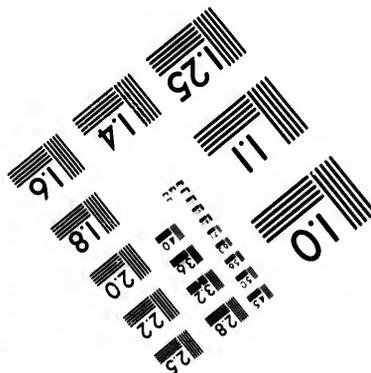
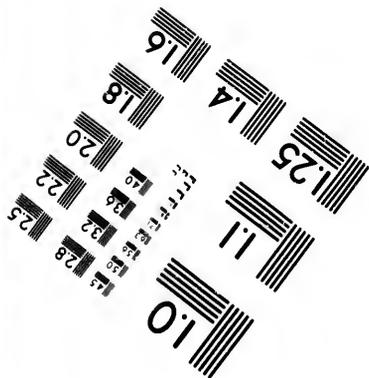
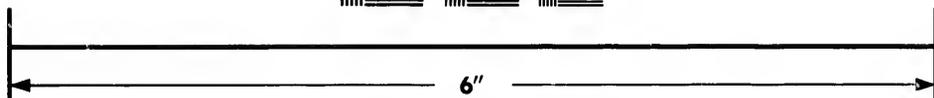
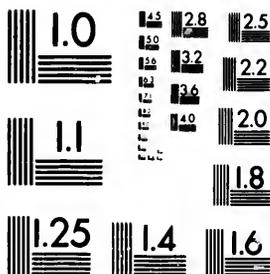
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PRESBYTERIES.	CONGREGATIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS.										Is there a Church?	Is there a Manse?	Families connected with Congregation.	Communicants.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Distance from nearest 1700s. Church.	Amount of Salary contributed by Congregation during the year.	Total supplement received from H. M. Com. during the year.	Amounts of Stipend due by Congregation.	Amount contributed to the scheme of the Church during the year.	
I.—QUEBEC.	1. St. Sylvester	James Hamran	1	1	38	66	100	6	310 00	290 00	60 00	32 50										
	2. Danville, &c.	M. F. Boudreau	1	1	30	41	120	12	400 00	300 00	—	44 93										
	3. Scotstown	John McDonald	1	1	40	35	80	12	500 00	150 00	—	57 88										
	4. Hampden	John McKenzie	1	1	60	40	225	6	440 00	100 00	60 00	32 40										
		Total	3	1	168	182	555	—	1650 00	650 00	60 00	197 51										
II.—MONTREAL.	1. Mille Isles	John Irvine	1	1	44	56	150	16	334 50	990 00	50 00	48 80										
	2. Farnham Centre	Yecant	1	1	24	38	75	30	250 00	200 00	—	19 25										
	3. Valleyfield	J. S. Lochend	1	1	35	57	130	11	450 00	225 00	—	—										
	4. La Guerre	George McKay	1	1	20	42	80	8	250 00	120 00	200 00	—										
	5. Joliette	L. Dionne	1	1	14	18	50	34	80 00	75 00	—	—										
	6. New Glasgow	Vacant	1	1	38	49	100	16	200 00	129 00	—	59 00										
	Total	6	3	180	280	585	—	1864 50	979 00	250 00	195 35											
III.—GLENHARRY.	1. Alexandria	D. H. MacLennan, M.A.	1	1	26	29	120	9	400 00	200 00	—	68 00										
IV.—BROCKVILLE.	1. S. Gower and Mountain	John Leishman	2	1	54	100	160	24	418 00	150 00	—	75 80										
	2. Dalhousie and N. Sherbro	Robert McKenzie	1	1	66	130	200	9	450 00	150 00	—	73 38										
	3. North Augusta and Fairlie	Elias Mullan	2	1	30	50	100	12	400 00	200 00	—	33 35										
	4. Edwardsburg, &c.	W. M. McKibbin, B.A.	2	2	74	113	200	6	500 00	150 00	—	47 39										
	5. Duabur and Colquhoun's	J. W. Chesnut	2	1	48	250	6	311 00	100 00	337 67	—	—										
	6. Newboro and Westport	J. J. Richards	1	1	45	61	150	20	400 00	153 00	—	56 38										
	7. Morrisburg	Vacant	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	7 50	—	—										
	Total	10	4	319	522	1120	—	2479 00	910 50	357 67	286 30											





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PRESBYTERIES.	CONGREGATIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS	Is there a Church?	Is there a Manse?	Families connected with Congregation.	Communicants.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Distance from nearest Pys. Church.	Amount of Salary contributed by Congregation during the year.	Total amount received from H. Com. during the year.	Amounts of Stipend due by Congregation.	Amount Contributed to the Schemes of the Church during the year.
V.—OTTAWA.	1. Alice and Petawawa	Robert Hughes	1	1	60	80	150	6	200 00	200 00	.....	53 10
	2. Ayres	James Curwell	1	1	16	43	65	8	500 00	200 00	.....	10 00
	3. Metcalf	Thomas Muir	1	1	55	91	130	4	600 00	150 00	.....	22 35
	4. Richmond	A. M. McClelland	1	1	70	60	100	6	500 00	50 00	.....	15 00
		Total		3	201	274	445	.....	1850 00	600 00	.....	100 50
VI.—KINGSTON.	1. St. John's, Pittsburg	John Gallaher	1	1	48	50	150	10	500 00	150 00	.....	.....
	2. St. Columba and St. Paul	Vacant	2	1	35	40	150	8	400 00	102 00	.....	.....
	3. Melrose and Louisa	John Turnbull	1	1	30	95	160	6	400 00	200 00	.....	146 00
	4. Demorestville	J. M. Boyd	1	1	40	35	100	9	400 00	200 00	.....	85 00
	5. Camden and Sheffield	Vacant	1	1	57	63	160	9	400 00	129 00	.....	.....
	6. Genale, Ee	Jas. Cormack	3	1	50	53	180	10	500 00	158 33	.....	60 00
	7. Reith and Thurrow	Donald Kelso	2	1	50	77	150	11	500 00	175 00	.....	87 00
	8. Abner Island	H. Steele	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	9. Lansdowne and Fairfax	A. B. Nicholson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	211 50	.....	.....
	Total		12	310	413	1050	.....	3100 00	1375 83	.....	398 00	
VII.—PETERBORO'.	1. Robygaon and Dunsford	Vacant	2	1	58	100	300	12	350 00	87 50	.....	.....
	2. Warsaw and Dunnet	Wm. White	2	1	32	30	120	15	500 00	100 00	.....	9 00
	Total		4	90	130	420	.....	850 00	187 50	.....	9 00	
VIII.—WHITEY.	No Supplemented Congregations.											
IX.—LENDSEY.	1. North Mara and Longford	Dugald McGregor	1	1	50	92	160	6	475 00	150 00	.....	57 12
	2. Kirkfield and Victoriaville	D. D. McLennan	1	1	57	36	70	6	500 00	150 00	.....	40 00
	3. Bolslover	J. T. Paul	1	1	35	44	80	5	150 00	100 00	.....	20 00
	4. Fenelon Falls and Somerville	Wm. Lochead	1	1	61	95	200	10	405 00	125 00	.....	44 25
	5. Sunderland and Vroomanton	Vacant	1	1	20	30	100	4	275 00	113 00	.....	25 20
	Total		5	223	297	610	.....	1806 00	638 00	200 00	.....	180 57

Appendix II.—CONGREGATIONS RECEIVING SUPPLEMENT.—Continued.

PRESBYTERIES.	CONGREGATIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS.	Is there a Church?	Is there a Manse?	Families connected with Congregation.	Communicants.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Distance from nearest Pres. Church.	Amount of Salary contributed by Congregation during the year.	Total supplement received from H. M. Com. during the year.	Arrears of stipend due by congregation.	Amount Contributed to the Schemes of the Church during the year.
									£	£	£	£
XVII.—LONDON.	1. Wardsville	Jas. Donaldson	1	1	30	80	.....	6	276 50	100 00	123 50	17 24
	2. Alvinston	James Ferguson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	100 00	.....	.....
	3. Point Edward	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145 00	.....	.....	.....
	4. New Glasgow	John M. Munro	3	1	52	90	200	4	400 00	100 00	.....	.....
	5. Port Stanley	Vacant	1	1	30	36	130	6	400 00	178 00	.....	24 60
	6. Hyde Park	Alex. Henderson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420 00	100 00	.....	.....
	7. Springfield and Aylmer	Vacant	1	1	45	80	130	3	450 00	125 00	.....	15 00
	8. Delaware	P. C. Goldie	2	1	45	29	150	5	400 00	75 00	.....	29 66
	9. W. Williams	F. McKee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
	10. Camlachie	J. M. Goodwillie	8	4	202	315	630	.....	2346 50	1023 00	123 50	86 50
	Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
XVIII.—CHATHAM.	1. Buxton	Wm. King	1	1	19	41	40	9	91 35	100 00	95 45	92 10
	2. Amherstburg	Frederick Smith	1	1	34	39	125	18	326 46	250 00	.....	34 88
	3. Florence and Dawn	Wm. C. Armstrong	1	1	62	97	170	8	400 00	200 00	.....	53 00
	4. Dresden	John A. McAlmon	1	1	35	24	65	12	.....	70 00	.....	.....
	Total	.....	4	148	201	400	.....	.....	817 81	620 00	95 45	114 98
XIX.—STRATFORD.	1. Molesworth and Trowbridge	T. T. Johnston	1	.....	90	89	.....	54	450 00	100 00	.....	54 00
XX.—BRUCE.	1. Kinloss and Bervie	A. G. Forbes	1	1	40	65	125	74	400 00	200 00	.....	.....
	2. Jangside	D. Davidson	1	1	55	43	209	74	400 00	100 00	.....	51 50
	3. Pique River	W. Graham	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....
	Total	.....	2	95	109	325	.....	.....	800 00	400 00	.....	51 50
XXI.—HURON.	1. Cranbrook and Ethel	D. B. MacRae	1	1	56	122	300	5	570 00	140 00	.....	55 00
	2. Stephen	D. MacRae	1	1	33	60	190	12	400 00	144 33	.....	10 78
	3. Bayfield and Bethany	N. Patterson	1	1	43	52	260	3	538 00	111 00	.....	.....
	Total	3	132	234	620	1506 00	395 33	65 78

1. Cranbrook and Ethel
 2. Stephen
 3. Bayfield and Bethany.....

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APPENDIX II.—SUMMARY OF CONGREGATIONS RECEIVING SUPPLEMENT.

PRESBYTERIES.	Congregations.	Churches.	Manse.	Families connected with Congregations.	Communicants.	Average Sabbath Attendance.	Amount of Salary Contributed by Congregations during the year.		Total Supplements received from H. Miss. Committee during the year.		Arrears of Stipends due by Congregations.		Amounts contributed to the Schemes of the Church during the year.	
							\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
1. Quebec.....	4	3	1	168	182	555	1650 00	650 00	650 00	60 00	197 51			
2. Montreal.....	6	6	3	180	280	585	1364 50	979 00	250 00	250 00	195 35			
3. Glengarry.....	1	1	1	26	29	120	400 00	200 00	200 00	337 67	68 00			
4. Brockville.....	7	10	4	319	522	1120	2479 00	910 50	910 50	.....	286 30		
5. Ottawa.....	4	3	2	201	274	445	1850 00	600 00	600 00	.....	100 50		
6. Kingston.....	9	12	6	310	413	1050	3100 00	1375 83	1375 83	.....	328 00		
7. Peterboro'.....	2	4	2	90	139	420	850 00	187 50	187 50	.....	9 00		
8. Whitby.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9. Lindsay.....	5	5	2	223	297	610	1896 00	638 00	638 00	200 00	189 57			
10. Toronto.....	3	5	1	125	245	405	1108 00	425 00	425 00	.....	222 35		
11. Barrie.....	1	1	..	50	87	..	600 00	100 00	100 00	.....	72 00		
12. Owen Sound.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	196 67	196 67	.....	..	
13. Saugeen.....	5	9	1	231	426	680	2085 00	402 88	402 88	278 00	122 14			
14. Guelph.....	3	4	..	61	148	330	611 00	180 00	180 00	.....	100 08		
15. Hamilton.....	6	6	1	202	365	660	1940 75	658 33	658 33	150 00	213 90			
16. Paris.....	2	2	..	44	81	100	450 00	137 50	137 50	.....	55 26		
17. London.....	10	8	4	202	315	630	2346 50	1023 00	1023 00	123 50	86 50			
18. Chatham.....	4	4	1	148	201	400	817 81	620 00	620 00	95 45	114 98			
19. Stratford.....	1	1	..	90	89	..	450 00	100 00	100 00	.....	54 00		
20. Bruce.....	3	2	2	95	109	325	800 00	400 00	400 00	.....	51 50		
21. Huron.....	3	3	1	132	234	620	1506 00	395 33	395 33	.....	65 78		
Totals.....	80	89	32	2897	4436	9055	26504 56	16179 54	16179 54	1514 62	2532 73			

APPENDIX III.—CURRENT GRANTS.

The following is a complete list of the Supplemented Congregations and Mission Stations of the Church (Western Section) with the *Current Grants* to each as revised by the Committee in March, 1878:—

SUPPLEMENTED CONGREGATIONS.

(Those marked * are conditional upon settlement.)

PRESBYTERIES:

I. QUEBEC—

St. Sylvester	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Danville	" 200
Scotstown	" 150
Hampden	" 150

II. MONTREAL—

Mille Isles	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Farnham Centre	" 200
Valleyfield	" 200
Laguerre	" 150
Joliette	" 150
New Glasgow	" 150

III. GLENGARRY—

Alexandria	Grant of \$200 per annum.
*Summerstown	" 200

IV. OTTAWA—

Rochesterville	Grant of \$300 per annum.
Alice and Pettawawa	" 200
Metcalfe	" 150
Aylmer	" 200
Richmond	" 100
*Ross	" 50
*Wilberforce (a)	" 200

(a) For Settled Minister or Ordained Missionary; and \$2 per Sabbath while vacant.

V. BROCKVILLE—

South Gower and Mountain	Grant of \$150 per annum.
Dalhousie and N. Sherbrooke	" 150
North Augusta and Fairfield	" 200
Edwardsburg and Mainsville	" 150
Dunbar and Colquhoun's Settlement	" 100
Newboro' and Westport	" 150

VI. KINGSTON—

Lansdowne and Fairfax	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Camden and Sheffield	" 150
St. John's, Pittsburg	" 150
Melrose, Lonsdale, &c.	" 200
Glenvale, Harrowsmith, &c.	" 150
Roslin and Thurlow	" 150
St. Columba and St. Paul, Madoc	" 150
Demorestville	" 200
*Mill Point	" 100

VII. PETERBOROUGH—

*Bobcaygeon, &c.	Grant of \$100 per annum.
Warsaw and Dummer	" 100

VIII. WHITBY—

*Enniskillen	Grant of \$150 per annum.
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IX. LINDSAY—

North Mara and Longford	Grant of \$150 per annum.
Bolsover	" 100
Kirkfield and Victoriaville	" 150
Penelon Falls and Somerville	" 125
*Sunderland and Vroomanton (a)	" 200

(a) And \$2 per Sabbath while vacant.

X. TORONTO—

York Mills and Fisherville	Grant of \$100 per annum
Mono Centre and Camilla	" 50
Aurora	" 300
*King and Laskey	" 100

XI. BARRIE—

Town Line and Ivy	Grant of \$50 for 6 months.
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XII. OWEN SOUND—

*N. Keppel and Sarawak (a)	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Kilsyth	" 200

(a) And \$2 per Sabbath while vacant.

XIII. SAUGEEN—

Proton	Grant of \$100 per annum
*N. Luther and Ross	" 200
Hanover and W. Bentinck	" 150
Osprey	" 150
Orchardville and Middle Station	" 75

XIV. GUELPH—

*Elmira and Hawksville	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Hillsburgh and Price's Corners	" 100

XV. HAMILTON—

Vittoria	Grant of \$200 per annum.
North Pelham, &c.	" 150
Dunnville	" 100
*Port Colborne	" 100
Welland and Crowland	" 100
Port Dalhousie	" 200

XVI. PARIS—

Mount Pleasant and Burford	Grant of \$100 per annum.
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XVII. LONDON—

Wardsville	Grant of \$100 per annum.
Alvinston	" 100
Point Edward	" 100
New Glasgow	" 100
*Port Stanley (a)	" 200
Hyde Park	" 200
Springfield and Aylmer	" 250
Delaware	" 150
West Williams	" 150

(a) And \$3 per Sabbath while vacant.

XVIII. CHATHAM—

Buxton	Grant of \$100 per annum.
Amherstburg	" 250
Florence and Dawn	" 200
Dresden	" 200
*Dover and Oliver's Settlement	" 150

XIX. STRATFORD—

Molesworth and Trowbridge	Grant of \$100 per annum.
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XX. BRUCE—

Kinloss and Bervie	Grant of \$200 per annum.
Pine River	" 100
Langside	" 100

XXI. HURON—

Bayfield and Bethany	Grant of \$150 per annum.
Cranbrook and Ethel	" 100
Stephen	" 200

MISSION STATIONS.

PRESBYTERIES:

I. QUEBEC—

Kennebec Road	Grant of \$3.00 per Sabbath.
Valcartier	" 3.00
Lake Megantic	" 3.00
Metis	" 3.25
Massawippi	No grant.
Coaticook and Richby	"

II. MONTREAL—

The Tanneries	Grant of \$4.00 per Sabbath.
St. Hyacinthe	" 3.00
Ogdensburg	" 3.00
Taylor Church, Montreal	" 6.00
Arundel and De Salaberry	" 4.00
Avoca, Harrington, &c	" 4.00
Laprairie	" 3.00
St. Lambert's	" 2.00

III. GLENGARRY—

East Hawkesbury	Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
South Finch	No grant.

IV. OTTAWA—

Bearbrook and Cambridge	Grant of \$4.00 per Sabbath.
Chelsea and E. Templeton	" 4.00
Hull	" 2.00
Cantly and Portland	" 3.00
Plantagenet	" 2.50
Desert and Six Portages (a)	" 3.36
Aylwin (b)	No grant.
Castleford and Dewars	"
Chalk River	"
Huntly and Kinburn	"
Admaston	"

(a) and (b) If these two Fields worked by one Missionary (Ordained) the Grant to be \$6 per Sabbath.

V. BROCKVILLE—

Bathurst and South Sherbrooke	Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
Darling	" 3.00
Lavant	" 3.00
Palmerston	" 3.00
North Williamsburg	" 3.00
Kitley (a)	" 1.00
Balderson and Drummond	No grant.

(a) And \$200 per annum, conditional on Settlement.

VI. KINGSTON—

Rawdon and Marmora	Grant of \$3.00 per Sabbath.
Hinchinbrook and Bedford	" 2.50
Wolfe Island	" 3.00
Morton	" 3.00
Fredericksburg and Mill Haven	" 2.00
West Huntingdon	" 2.00
Consecon	" 2.00
Maynooth Group, N. Hastings	" 4.00

VII. PETERBOROUGH—

Minden (a)	Grant of \$3.00 per Sabbath.
Chandos and Burleigh	" 3.50
Harvey	" 3.50
Haliburton	" 2.50

(a) And \$5.00 per Sabbath if ordained missionary is got.

VIII. WHITBY—

No Mission Stations.

IX. LINDSAY—

Coboconk, Head Lake, &c. No Grant.

X. TORONTO—

Mount Albert and Ballantrae (a) Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
 Sandhill and Caledon East " 3.00
 Alton and Caledon (Melville Church) " 1.00
 Queensville, Ravenshoe, &c. (b) " 2.00
 Sutton " 2.00
 Brockton " 3.00
 Horning's Mills " 2.00
 Stouffville " 5.00

(a) And \$200 per annum, conditional on settlement.
 (b) And \$200 " " " "

XI. BARRIE—

Bracebridge Grant of \$250 for 6 months.
 Penetanguishene, Tay, and Medonte " 200 per annum.
 Allansville, &c. " 3.00 per Sabbath.
 Stisted, Town Line, and Port Sydney " 3.00
 Raymond, Port Carling, &c. " 3.00
 Gravenhurst, Washago, and Severn Bridge (a) " 2.00
 Ardrea, Uthoff, and N. Orillia " 2.00
 Baysville, Drake, and Hamilton " 3.00
 Burns' Church and Dunn's Settlement " 1.50
 Rosseau and Turtle Lake No Grant.
 Waubashene, &c. " "
 Beggsboro, &c. " "
 McKee's Settlement, Hunter's Settlement, and Minesing " "

(a) And \$300 per annum, conditional on settlement.

XII. OWEN SOUND—

Indian Peninsula (a) Grant of \$300 per annum.
 Parry Sound (b) " 350
 Johnston and Ninth Line " 2.00 per Sabbath.
 Euphrasia and Holland " 1.50
 Collingwood Mountain and Ravenna No grant.

(a) For Ordaigned Missionary and an additional Grant of \$4 per Sabbath for Student during Summer.
 (b) For Ordaigned Missionary and an additional Grant of \$3 per Sabbath for Student during Summer.

XIII. SAUGEEN—

Dundalk and Fraser's Settlement Grant of \$1.50 per Sabbath.
 Little Toronto No grant.
 Cotswold " "
 Rocky Saugeen " "

XIV. GUELPH—

Eden Mills Grant of \$1.50 per Sabbath.
 New Hamburg No grant.
 Drayton " "

XV. HAMILTON—

Fort Erie and Ridgeway Grant of \$3.00 per Sabbath.
 Stevensville " 3.00
 Louth " 2.00
 Kennedy's Settlement " 2.00
 Delhi No grant.

XVI. PARIS—

Sweabourg, Beachville and E. Oxford Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
 West Brantford No grant.

XVII. LONDON—

Corunna and Mooretown Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
 London East " 4.00
 Oil City and Oil Springs " 3.00
 Lucan " 3.00
 North East Adelaide " 3.00

XVIII. CHATHAM—

Sombra	Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
Tilbury West and Comber.....	" 1.00
Mersen.....	" 1.50
Maidstone	No grant.
Wallaceburg	"

XIX. STRATFORD—

No Mission Stations.

XX. BRUCE—

Manitoulin Island.....	Grant of \$700 per annum, less amount paid by people.
Riversdale and Enniskillen.....	No Grant.
Pinkerton.....	"
Salen	"

XXI. HURON—

Goderich, (Gaelic).....	Grant of \$2.00 per Sabbath.
East Ashfield.....	" 2.00

XXII. MANITOBA—

Married Missionaries, each \$900 per annum, less amount paid by stations.
 Unmarried " " 700 " " " " " "

XXIII. UNDER HOME MISSION COMMITTEE—

New Westminster, B.C.....	Grant of \$1,200 per annum.
Thunder Bay.....	" 900 " less amount paid by stations
Sault Ste Marie.....	" 800 " " " " "

SUMMARY OF APPENDIX III.

CURRENT GRANTS.

PRESBYTERIES.	SUPPLEMENTED CONGREGATIONS.		MISSION STATIONS.				Estimated total amounts required for the ensuing year for supplemented Congregations and Mission Stations.
	No. of Congregations.	Total Grants per Annum.	No. of Fields.	Total Grants per Sabbath.	Average No. of Sabbaths supplied during the year.	Estimated amounts required for the ensuing year.	
		\$ c.		\$ c.		\$ c.	\$ c.
1. Quebec	4	700 00	6	12 25	40	490 00	1190 00
2. Montreal	6	1050 00	8	29 00	42	1220 00	2270 00
3. Glengarry	2	400 00	2	2 00	30	60 00	460 00
4. Ottawa	7	1200 00	11	18 86	32	600 00	1800 00
5. Brockville	6	900 00	7	15 00	30	450 00	1350 00
6. Kingston	9	1450 00	8	21 50	35	750 00	2200 00
7. Peterboro'	2	200 00	4	12 50	40	500 00	700 00
8. Whitby	1	150 00	..	.....	..	.....	150 00
9. Lindsay	5	725 00	1	.....	..	.....	725 00
10. Toronto	4	550 00	8	20 00	42	840 00	1390 00
11. Barrie	1	50 00	13	31 50	38	1200 00	1250 00
12. Owen Sound	2	400 00	5	20 00	46	920 00	1320 00
13. Saugcon	5	675 00	4	1 50	35	52 50	727 50
14. Guelph	2	300 00	3	1 50	40	60 00	360 00
15. Hamilton	6	850 00	5	10 00	30	300 00	1150 00
16. Paris	1	100 00	2	2 00	35	70 00	170 00
17. London	9	1350 00	5	15 00	40	600 00	1950 00
18. Chatham	5	900 00	5	4 50	35	160 00	1060 00
19. Stratford	1	100 00	..	.....	..	.....	100 00
20. Bruce	3	400 00	1	.....	..	500 00	900 00
21. Huron	3	450 00	2	4 00	45	180 00	630 00
22. Manitoba .....	..	.....	14	.....	..	7000 00	7000 00
23. Under Home Mission Committee..	..	.....	3	..	..	2200 00	2200 00
Totals	84	\$12900 00	120	\$221 00	..	\$18152 50	\$31052 50

APPENDIX IV.

MISSIONARIES—APRIL, 1878.

- I. **MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES.**—MESSRS. D. McKerracher, A. Bell, J. Scott, A. Mathieson, S. Donaldson, H. J. Borthwick, H. McKellar, W. R. Ross, A. Campbell, A. Smith, J. Douglas, A. H. Cameron, P. Straith, J. Hume, T. Fenwick, J. McKutcheon, A. Findlay, R. Scott, J. Stewart, J. Jones, R. Wilson, H. Gibson, E. B. Rodgers, Wm. Reeve, H. McKay, S. C. Fraser, R. Jamieson, G. Jamieson—28.
- II. **THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.**—MESSRS. David Ross, M.A., D. G. McKay, J. Wilkie, M.A., F. Bal-lantyne, M.A., J. C. Watt, B. J. Brown, A. Leslie, M.A., A. T. Colter, W. J. Smith, D. Currie, A. Fraser, John Johnston, T. Atkinson, J. B. Hamilton, M.A., F. R. Beattie, M.A., S. H. Eastman, B.A., Don. Tait, B.A., D. M. Beattie, B.A., A. W. Marling, Jas. Smith, B.A., Wm. Fitzimmons, D. Finlay, B.A., John Ross, B.A., John K. Wright, J. C. Tibb, B.A., W. A. Hunter, B.A., J. Abraham, A. B. Baird, B.A., W. Galloway, Jos. Brown, Chas. H. Cook, Wm. McKay, Jas. Ross, G. D. McKay, M. H. Scott, B.A., C. McKillop, B.A., J. R. McLeod, A. B. Cruetlet, F. G. Walker, W. D. Russell, J. Matheson, B.A., J. W. Penman, J. T. Donald, B.A., C. E. Amaron, B.A., A. York, Chas. McLean, J. K. Baillie, G. D. Bayne, R. McKibbin, T. A. Nelson, J. A. Anderson, J. Munro, B.A., M. D. M. Blakely, J. F. McLaren, D. L. McCrae, John Mordy, B.A., John Ferguson, B.A., Hugh Cameron, B.A., G. C. Patterson, Jas. Cumberland, B.A., T. G. McLellan, Chas. Thom—61.
- III. **STUDENT CATECHISTS.**—MESSRS. M. McGregor, Jas. Farquharson, John A. Turnbull, John Neill, A. G. McLachlin, R. Y. Thomson, E. Hutt, Thos. Seouler, David James, And. Wilson, John Jamieson, Wm. McKinley, Richard Hyde, Jas. Mitchell, W. Shearer, Jas. Bennett, G. Thos. Bayne, John Henry, R. McNabb, Jas. Dow, V. Knechtel, P. R. Ross, J. B. Grant, Malcolm Oxley, Jas. Ross, John Chisholm, G. M. Thompson, Geo. McArthur, John Fitzpatrick, John A. Morrison, L. W. Thom, J. Somerville, Jos. Builder, W. S. Smith, Alex. Maetavish, D. A. McLean, Jas. Brownell, Peter Pollock, Jas. Murray, Wm. Robertson, W. P. H. Fishburn—41.
- V. **LAY CATECHISTS.**—MESSRS. W. Amos, Jas. Robertson, David Kellock, J. K. Andrews, C. B. Hennings, Hy. Miller, Jas. Miller, J. Cairns, D. Russell, A. McLeod, A. McGilvray, S. Armstrong, J. Lawrence—13.

Total Missionaries, 143.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS (MARITIME PROVINCES) FOR 1877-78.

The Committee in charge of Home Mission work in the Maritime Provinces are grateful to God that during a year of great financial embarrassment, and, in truth, of unprecedented depression in all branches of business, the effects of which have been severely felt, the work under their charge has made steady progress, so that the year now past will bear comparison with any previous season in the amount of seed sown and of harvest gathered. New fields have opened and have been occupied, agents have been provided beyond expectation, and our people have provided the means of support, so that we can close the year with the balance, though small, on the right side.

The subjoined statement will not touch upon that department of our Home work which dealt with the encouraging and strengthening by pecuniary aid of the weaker congregations of the body. It will include the distribution of Probationers, the supply of Presbyteries with labourers, and the sending forth and supporting of the Sons of the Prophets from our Theological Seminaries into districts containing a Presbyterian population too numerous to be neglected, and yet not sufficiently strong in numbers and resources, to command a pastor's services from the beginning to the end of the year.

PREACHERS AND VACANCIES.

In 1876 our report shewed thirty-five vacant charges with only thirteen preachers to supply them; in 1877, thirty-one vacancies and seventeen preachers; and last year but twenty-six vacant charges with thirteen preachers. Of the seventeen preachers reported in last year's statement, three have withdrawn to other fields, one has been an invalid, two remain on the list, and eleven have been inducted as pastors, or located in missionary centres.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Of late years the greater part of our missionary work has been done by the young men from our theological schools, with a few lay evangelists, under direction of the Presbyteries. During the summer of 1875 twenty-one were employed; in 1876, thirty-two; in 1877, twenty-six; and now, in 1878, thirty-nine, employed as follows:—In St. John Presbytery, twelve; in Miramichi, five; in Wallace, four; in Truro, three; in Halifax, five; in Pietou, one; in Prince Edward, three; in Sydney, three; and in Victoria and Richmond, three.

The sequel will outline, by selection, the work of both of these classes of agents for the past year; and the notices following are not chosen with the design of giving prominence to any of the persons employed, or to hint that they excelled others, but to show the Church how varied, as well as large, is the field, how clamant is the demand for constant cultivation, and how strong the obligations constraining us to urge forward the great work of home evangelization.

We notice first a few special fields occupied by ministers, turning first to that great northern island, which is between us and Britain, whose people have not yet been induced to come within the Dominion.

MISSION STATIONS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.—BAY OF ISLANDS.—REV. D. F. CREELMAN.

The second year of Mr. Creelman's work will soon be completed. At the close of the half year ending September 30th, his semi-annual report embraced the following particulars:—

Regular preaching places, three: Corner Brook, Pleasant Cove, and Benoit's Cove.

Attendance—Corner Brook, thirty; Pleasant Cove, fifty; Benoit's Cove, twelve.

Other nameless places, audiences from ten to forty.

A Church building in Pleasant Cove; the other places, school-houses and private houses.

Four hundred dollars subscribed for the year ending September 30th.

Collections for Church Schemes arranged.

Under "General Remarks," Mr. Creelman expresses the opinion that the station will not become a self-sustaining charge for a long time, but placed among the supplemented congregations, that the burthen on general Church funds would soon be sensibly reduced.

Another period of six months has elapsed, but these months have not merely been a season of hard times, but, on the part of many, of scarcity, bordering very closely on famine. Lumbering and fishing are the employments of the people generally, but both signally failed last fall, and the whole community feels the effect; the more industrious and careful having, in great measure, to provide for those of less foresight. "Still," Mr. Creelman writes, "I am not discouraged. Our little church is finished and paid for, and the congregation has decided to build a manse during the summer.

Respecting ministerial support he says, "I had expected materially to diminish our draft on your funds this year, but now I fear that between the almost famine times of this spring, and our

manse effort during summer, we will have to ask for the full amount now granted; but I will reduce it some by asking aid to the Schemes of the Church. I inclose \$10, and hope to send more soon."

Mr. Creelman's salary is at the rate of \$800 per annum, including all travelling expenses. From October 1st, 1876, to June 30, 1878, the amount in all payable is \$1,400. Amount paid, \$1,075, in the following proportions:—

By People	\$450 00
By Presbytery of Newfoundland	150 00
By Church Funds	475 00
Total	\$1075 00
Balance due	\$325 00

BETTS' COVE.—REV. W. R. CRUICKSHANK.

While Bay of Islands is on the Western Coast, and looks toward the Gulf of St. Lawrence, Betts' Cove is in the East, and opens to the Atlantic. Fish and lumber are exported from the former, copper ore from the latter. The mines are chiefly owned and conducted by Mr. Ellershouse, a gentleman of great enterprise and capacity, not only for business, but for the management of men. The community, though recently gathered, and from many places, and chiefly made up of the rougher side of humanity, is well ordered. The Wesleyans and Episcopalians were both before us in efforts to provide for the religious wants of the people. It was at the earnest request of the Presbytery of Newfoundland that the Committee tried last summer to secure a missionary for the Presbyterians there, and such others as might accept his services. Mr. Cruickshank at once responded to the Committee's request, and declared himself ready to go at their time, be it in a month or a week. After about a month's notice Mr. Cruickshank sailed in the middle of October for Halifax, and having made a short stay in St. John's, proceeded to the Cove, where he was most cordially received.

For a time he preached in a hall, while a new church was in course of being erected by Mr. Ellershouse, not to be owned by Presbyterians, but which was offered to their use in common with others.

By mid-winter it was opened, and our missionary writes: "We are comfortably accommodated in our new Church, which would be an ornament to any town, much more to the naked rocks of Betts' Cove. It was opened on the 10th February. I had a large and most attentive congregation. Mr. Bond, Wesleyan, and Mr. Hewit preached also, at different hours. I had 'baptisms' also, so that 'Christ Church' was really dedicated for all sacred purposes."

A Sabbath School and Bible-class are in operation, the *morale* of the place improves, social life and progress are being developed, the mines are increasingly productive, the smelting of the copper ore and the shipping of the metal are going on, and should the present missionary return, his place should be supplied with a good man without delay. The one-half of the salary has been assumed by the Presbyterians at the Cove, and as our congregations in Newfoundland are deeply interested in the movement, the demand on our funds will not be large. Mr. Cruickshank has himself taken a census with the following result:

Men	1086	Roman Catholics	1070
Women	335	Protestants	790
Children	439	Total	1860
Total	1860		

NEW KINCARDINE, VICTORIA COUNTY, NEW BRUNSWICK.—REV. P. MELVILLE.

The news from the new colony is favourable, and shows decided progress. We reported last year the finishing and occupation of four commodious school-houses. This year we can report the finishing of the church, which was opened with appropriate services, conducted by Rev. Mr. Melville, assisted by Rev. Dr. McLise, of St. John, N.B., and with great interest on the part of the people, many of whom shed tears of joy that they were privileged once more to worship God in their "ain Kirk." Mr. M. writes that "the church is well built, and is a model of comely good taste, and properly deeded in connection with this Body.—Better still, it is free of debt!" The Colonial Committee of the Kirk of Scotland remitted £100, sterling, in aid, so that with some help which this Committee managed to impart by slightly straining their rules, the building has been opened, and is occupied without incumbrance. The Colonial Committee of the Free Church has voted Fifty Pounds sterling, per annum, for three years, for the maintenance of religious ordinances. These are deeds of kindness which will cheer the hearts of our Scottish brethren away up the great St. John river, while they claim the grateful thanks of this Committee and of the General Assembly.

"In other respects," Mr. M. writes, "I am happy to inform you that our labours have been crowned with success. The Colony is now more united and courageous than ever, and with its commodious church, and four schools in regular operation, its farms improving, its industrious

population steadily increasing by emigration from Scotland, and its well-educated and compactly Presbyterian people, cordially loyal to the United Church, and thoroughly organized as a congregation, we have good reason to look for a bright history before them with God's blessing."

The Committee, looking back on the dark days and trying times of the Colony, have great pleasure in submitting this brighter aspect of things, and to state that \$30 have just been received from them as a thank-offering to the Lord.

MISSION STATIONS.—SUPPLIED BY STUDENTS IN ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of St. John contains twenty-one ministers scattered over an immense extent of territory, and embracing about two-thirds of the whole Province of New Brunswick. Besides the ordained ministers there were ten Student Catechists labouring in Mission Districts. In some of these districts are organized congregations, preferring the regular summer supply by zealous active students to the more desultory supply of Probationers for only a few weeks at a time. Quaco, Pisarinceo, and St. George, far removed from each other, are all important points to be occupied on the Bay of Fundy coast, and the first and last of these three have made gratifying progress within the year, and will soon, it is hoped, take their places as congregations presided over by resident pastors. From Baillie, near the American line, we hear tidings of a decided increase of interest, attendance, and effort, and were it not for the long winter vacancy, the fruit would be more abundant. There are features worthy of notice in the report of work from nearly all the Stations, and in some the light and shadow strangely intermingle. One labourer reports as follows: "Stations 1, 2, and 3, take very little interest in religion or religious matters, but would like to have an occasional service, if it cost them nothing. They seem utterly dead and careless, and it is scarcely possible to do anything with them, but it would be well to try them for another term; 4, 5, and 6 must not be neglected, as the people take great interest in religion, and are willing to do all in their power to help themselves. They crave a Catechist in spring; the people in 7 and 8 wish, and will pay, for one monthly. One should be sent here if possible, for there is a great number of people in this place."

Here we have the likeness of the whole. Some are indifferent and dead. Do they not need the Gospel? Does not their very stolidity and deadness appeal to us, as standing between the living and the dead, to haste to their rescue? Others are longing for the joyful sound. Shall we not send them the messengers of salvation for whom they are crying aloud?

At the St. John River we have tidings of progress. At Nashwaak and Stanley considerable religious interest has been manifested, and has issued in a call to our New Kincardine Missionary. At Central Glassville the same earnest spirit appears,—a church has been completed and occupied, and this congregation also desires a good pastor without delay. Thus we have a chain of spiritual forts extending up this great river to Grand Falls, and to the New Kincardine Colony.

IN THE PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

Next to the Presbytery of St. John in size, and perhaps in missionary interest, comes that of Miramichi, covering the north and east of the Province of New Brunswick. This Presbytery has been making great efforts not only to supply its vacant charges, but to overtake the outfield, somewhat neglected for a time, from want of a sufficient agency.

Black Brook, Kouchibouguac, and Kouchibouguacis, were well attended to by one of our young evangelists for the summer months. Much spiritual destitution was met and supplied, and a good congregation will in after years reward the persevering toil of earnest workers. The people attended well, contributed fairly, and will yet do better as they come to understand the blessedness of regular and liberal giving.

In Gloucester County, under the direction of Rev. S. Houston, of Bathurst, quite a number of new stations have sprung into notice,—Caraquet and Tracadie, in the midst of French Roman Catholic settlements, and New Brandon, Clifton, and Janeville, in nearer proximity to Bathurst.

Another important group of stations lies near the Intercolonial, on, and near, the line between the Provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec. First Metapedia and Flat Lands, the latter being connected with the congregation of Campbellton, though likely soon to form part of the new congregation of Metapedia, which will include also Decside and Upsalquitch. Here our Missionary did good service. The people were deeply interested. The Spirit of God blessed the Word to the saving of sinners. The new church was finished and opened by Rev. Dr. Burns, in one of his many educational and evangelistic tours. The people paid for church building \$407, and to their young preacher for a little over four months of service, \$242.87. When it is added that the majority of the people are Presbyterians, that they are supplied by no other Protestant body, and that the people look to us for the Gospel, sufficient reasons are shewn for providing them with a faithful zealous preacher all the year round.

Eseuminac and Point le Gard.—These Stations are in the Province of Quebec, and lie between Metapedia and the St. Lawrence Gulf, at a distance of about thirty miles. In 1876 one missionary supplied the whole group. Last year, Mr. J. W. Mason, from Queen's College, Kingston, was appointed to Metapedia, and Mr. W. H. Gray, from Montreal College, to Eseuminac and Point le Gard. Mr. Gray reports that the people are anxious to learn the way of life, that they showed unmeasured kindness to himself, contributed liberally to his support, and craved continued supply of the means of grace.

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IN OTHER PRESBYTERIES.

In the Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth the stations of previous years have become settled congregations; in Halifax and Pietou Presbyteries very promising work has been done on the Atlantic Coast, from Tanjier to Country Harbour, by Messrs. C. D. McLaren and T. C. Jack, which will be followed up until congregations are fully organized, and new churches built and occupied at the most central and populous settlements along the whole shore. In a secluded portion of Halifax County a Catechist has taught school for five days of the week and held service at two places five miles apart every Lord's Day, with such good results that he has been sent back to continue the same course for the summer of 1878.

TABULAR STATEMENTS.

Lists are appended of vacant charges, and probable salaries of Ministers, Theological Students, and lay Catechists employed at date, May 1st, 1878. The information furnished is not so full as the Committee intended to furnish, their intentions having been frustrated by the omission of some of the Clerks of Presbyteries in furnishing the Missionaries with proper blank forms to be filled up. The full returns furnished by some Presbyteries remain unpublished on account of the deficiencies of others, but it is hoped that in future such omissions will not occur.

FINANCES.

Balance on hand at the commencement of the year	\$507 65
One-half of Grant from Colonial Committee of Free Church for Home Missions	485 00
From the same Committee for Theological Education of a Gaelic Catechist from Scotland	290 50
From other sources	3736 31
Total to Credit	5019 46
Expenditure in Maritime Provinces	\$4348 70
Do. Manitoba	500 00
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Balance to Credit	\$170 76

Our net Receipts have been \$4511 80
 Expenditure 4848 70

Excess of Expenditure over Income.... \$336 89, thus reducing the balance in our favor from \$507.65 at the beginning of the year, to \$170.76 at its end.

The Home Missions of the Maritime Provinces have shared largely in the liberality of the Parent Churches; but, as the funds thus received were by mutual consent applied mainly to the supplementing of the weaker charges, the fuller acknowledgment of this grace is left to the report of the Committee in charge of that department.

In compliance with the direction of the General Assembly, the Committee paid over to Rev. Dr. Reid Five Hundred Dollars for the liquidation of the debt on the College of Manitoba.

In closing, the Committee would record their sense of loss sustained by the appointment of their Chairman to be Principal of Queen's College, which deprived them of the advantage of his presidency and counsel. The Committee had found both of these to be very valuable. By his skill and energy in conducting the business, much precious time was saved, and practical results speedily reached. They knew that his counsels were the outcome of deep thought about, and thorough devotion to, the great cause of Home Missions, which he at least regarded as of paramount importance, alike to our church and country. The Committee desire to endorse this view, and if they are reconciled to the loss of their Chairman, it is because that they know the whole church and country will still enjoy to the full the benefit of his enthusiastic devotion to this special work. The form may be different, but the work is one; and the Committee venture to hope that in the patriotic and blessed enterprise of Christianizing the people of this great land, he will not only have many followers but many equals,—men who know the times, and discern the Church's duty and their own, men of high resolve and great strength, who prefer the good of Jerusalem to their own, and whose love of country and native land is consecrated by love to Jesus and trust in God. May our Church and Dominion flourish through the preaching of the Word!

Respectfully submitted,

HALIFAX, May, 1878.

C. B. PITBLADO, *Chairman, pro tem.*
 P. G. MCGREGOR, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSION FUND, LATE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES
IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.*In Account with George Mitchell, Treasurer, Dr.*

1877.			
June 28th.	To Paid Rev. Dr. McGregor for Supplementing Fund.....	\$418 50	
	" Jas. Carruthers, six months supplement from Colonial Committee to 30th inst., £25 stg.....	121 65	
Aug. 9th.	" Geo. Lawson Gordon, six months supplement from Colonial Committee to 30th inst., £15 stg.....	72 99	
	" Rev. Dr. McGregor, Dividends received from investment "Geo. Kerr" legacy	21 00	
Nov. 1st.	" Alex. Stewart, six months supplement from Colonial Committee to 30th June, £30 stg.....	145 98	
Dec. 14th.	" Rev. Dr. McGregor, for Supplementing Fund.....	416 58	
" 27th.	" Jas. Carruthers, six months supplement from Colonial Committee to 31st inst., £25 stg.....	121 10	
	" Alex. Stewart, six months' supplement from Colonial Committee to 31st inst., £30 stg.....	145 31	
	" Geo. Lawson Gordon, six months' supplement from Colonial Committee to 31st inst., £15 stg.....	72 66	
1878	Feb. 11th.	" Rev. Dr. McGregor, dividends received from investment "Geo. Kerr" legacy	24 00
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1877.			
June 28th.	By proceeds of Sterling Bill drawn by Rev. G. M. Grant on Secretary Colonial Committee, Edinburgh, £156.....	\$759 12	
Aug. 13th.	" Dividend from Merchants' (\$15.75) and Union Banks (\$5.25) of Halifax, being investment of "Geo. Kerr" legacy.....	21 00	
Dec. 14th.	" Proceeds of Sterling Bill drawn by Rev. G. M. Grant on Secretary Colonial Committee, Edinburgh, £156.....	755 65	
1878.	Feb. 11th.	" Dividends from Merchants' (\$18) and Union Banks (\$6) of Halifax, being investment of "Geo. Kerr" legacy	24 00
			<u>\$1559 77</u>

HALIFAX, N.S., *June 4, 1878.*

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APPENDIX I.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

Under appointment for the whole or part of year 1877-78.

NAME.	Date of Commencement.	Length of Service.	Whether Employed, Removed, or Settled.
Rev. P. Melville.....	May 1st, 1877	To May 1st, 1878	Located in New Kincardine.
" J. R. Keau.....	" "	" Aug.31st,1877	Removed to Scotland.
" S. Boyd.....	" "	" May 1st, 1878	Employed.
" J. Wallace.....	" "	" July 31st,1877	Settled in Lunenburg.
" J. K. Bearisto.....	" "	" May 1st, 1878	Located—Hamilton, Ber.
" D. Taylor.....	" "	" Oct. 31st,1877	Settled—Bass River, N.B.
" D. F. Creelman.....	" "	" May 1st, 1878	Located—Bay of Islands, N'fld.
" A. McLean.....	" "	" Oct. 31st, 1877	Settled—Glace Bay.
" W. R. Cruickshank....	Aug. 14th, "	" May 1st, 1878	Located—Bett's Cove, N'fld.
" J. Robertson.....	" 1st, "	" Nov.30th,1877	Settled.
" Wm. Robertson.....	" " "	" " "	Settled—Bridgewater.
" Wm. Fogo.....	May " "	" " "	Settled—Tabusintae.
" S. Russel.....	Dec. " "	" May 1st, 1878	Employed.
" W. P. Archibald.....	" " "	" Feb.28th,1878	Settled—Cavendish.
" E. Roberts.....	Oct. " "	" May 1st, 1878	Employed.
Mr. F. W. George.....	May " "	" " "	Employed.
" Jas. Fitzpatrick.....	" " "	" " "	Located—St. John, N'fld.
" D. S. Fraser.....	" " "	" Nov.30th,1877	Settled—Mahone Bay.
" Donald McLeod.....	" " "	" " "	Removed to Ontario.
" J. A. McLean.....	June " "	" July30th,1877	Settled—Broad Cove.
" Henry Hoyt.....	July " "	" Aug.31st,1877	Removed to United States.
" John Logan.....	May " "	" July31st, 1877	Settled—Acadia Mines.

APPENDIX II.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS AND PREACHERS IN THE MISSION FIELD,
MAY, 1878.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Rev. P. Melville, New Kincardine.
- " D. F. Creelman, Bay of Islands, Newfoundland.
- " R. W. Cruickshank, Bett's Cove, "
- " J. K. Bearisto, Hamilton, Bermuda.
- " Samuel Boyd.
- " Samuel Russel.
- " E. Roberts.

PROBATIONERS.

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| Mr. F. W. George, | Mr. J. C. Carruthers. |
| " James Fitzpatrick, | " Alexander Stewart. |
| " A. W. McLeod. | " J. R. McKeard. |

Mr. Archibald Gunn.

APPENDIX III.

LIST OF CATECHISTS—1877.

Shewing their place of labour and the Institutions from which they have come.

PRESBYTERY.	NAME.	INSTITUTION.
ST. JOHN—		
St. James	A. McDougall	Halifax Theological Hall.
Baillie	H. B. Frissell	Union, New York.
Quaco	A. A. McKenzie	Queen's, Kingston.
Hopewell	J. S. Taylor	Montreal.
Salisbury, Pedicodiac, etc.	W. S. Whittier	Halifax Theological Hall.
Black River	J. H. Judson	Union, New York.
Campbell Settlement, etc.	Edward Thorp	Halifax Theological Hall.
Hammond River, etc.	J. F. Blair	
St. George	Joseph White	Queen's, Kingston.
Jerusalem and Nerepis	J. J. Rankin	Montreal Presbyterian College.
Littleton	C. W. Bryden	Halifax Theological Hall.
Andover	Wm. Dawson	Lay Catechist.
MIRAMICHI—		
Metapedia	— Pollok	Queen's, Kingston.
Escuminac	— Love	Do. do.
New Bandon	W. E. D'Argent	Do. do.
Douglastown	— Stewart	Do. do.
Kouchibouguac	J. H. Trussell	Union, New York.
WALLACE—		
Earltown	Ewan Gillies	Halifax Theological Hall.
Wentworth	J. A. McLean	Do. do.
New Annan	J. W. Mason	Queen's, Kingston.
Shemogue	R. Logan	Halifax Theological Hall.
TRURO—		
North River	Andrew Gray	Halifax Theological Hall.
Parrsboro.	Robert Nairn	Queen's, Kingston.
Itinerant	George McMillan	Do. do.
HALIFAX—		
Eastern Shore	C. D. McLaren	Dalhousie College.
Cornwallis, West	T. C. Jack	Halifax Theological Hall.
Digby Stations	A. R. Stevenson	Union, New York.
Beaver Bank	R. W. Archibald	Dalhousie College.
Kempt and Walton	F. W. Archibald	Princeton.
PICTOU—		
Eastern Shore	J. McD. Scott	Halifax Theological Hall.
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—		
Bonshaw and Tryon	J. W. McLeod	Princeton.
Eastern Section	Angus McMillan	Dalhousie (Gaelic)
Middle Section	Malcolm Campbell	Do. do.
SYDNEY—		
Leitch's Creek	G. L. Gordon	Halifax Theological Hall.
Louisburg and other Stations ..	Lewis Jordan	Princeton.
Sydney Stations	Duncan McMillan	Dalhousie College.
VICTORIA AND RICHMOND—		
West Bay	M. MacGregor	Halifax Theological Hall.
Malagawatch	A. B. McLeod	Dalhousie (Gaelic.)
N. E. Margaree	Robert Rose	Do. do.

APPENDIX IV.

LIST OF VACANT CHARGES—1878.

PRESBYTERIANS.	NAMES OF CONGREGATIONS.	Ability to Support.		Supplement.
		\$	c.	\$ c.
HALIFAX	West Cornwallis	400	00	.....
	Kempt	500	00	.....
	Elmsdale and Nine Mile River	800	00	.....
	Annapolis and Bridgetown	650	00	150 00
TRURO	Parrsboro	400	00	100 00
	Coldstream	600	00	100 00
	Springside	800	00	.....
WALLACE	Earltown	700	00	.....
	New Annan	600	00	.....
	Wallace (Free)	400	00	.....
PICTOU	Prince Street	1400	00	.....
	United Church, N. Glasgow	1200	00	.....
LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH	Yarmonth	700	00	.....
VICTORIA & RICHMOND. SYDNEY	Clyde River and Barrington	700	00	.....
	West Bay	700	00	.....
PRINCE EDWARD ISL'D	Grand River	600	00	.....
	Leitch's Creek	400	00	130 00
MIRAMICHI	Belfast	1000	00	.....
	Dundas	500	00	.....
	Tryon and Bonshaw	450	00	150 00
ST. JOHN	Richbucto	1000	00	.....
	New Richmond	800	00	.....
	St. Paul's, Fredericton	1400	00	.....
	Harvey	700	00	.....
	Glassville	450	00	150 00
	St. James	550	00	.....
	Nashwaak and Stanley	400	00	200 00

APPENDIX V.

CONTRIBUTIONS BY PRESBYTERIES FOR THREE YEARS.

PRESBYTERIES.	No. of Con- grega- tions Con- tributing.	Amount, 1876.	No. of Con- grega- tions Con- tributing.	Amount, 1877.	No. of Con- grega- tions Con- tributing.	Amount, 1878.
		\$ c.		\$ c.		\$ c.
Halifax	23	682 76	23	654 42	.....	601 98
Pictou	23	607 86	15	487 41	.....	574 13
Prince Edward Island	23	443 04	15	330 27	.....	574 78
Truro	20	339 47	12	347 17	.....	431 98
St. John	13	208 09	17	341 64	.....	297 96
Miramichi	8	88 58	7	82 05	.....	225 65
Lunenburg and Yarmouth ..	6	89 98	2	41 00	.....	154 32
Sydney	6	72 00	8	96 75	.....	104 25
Victoria and Richmond	4	44 49	5	60 37	.....	78 84
Wallace	5	61 28	5	74 07	.....	54 31
Newfoundland	1	54 00	0	00 00	.....	237 93
Total .....	.....	2692 00	.....	2515 15	.....	3336 13

SUMMARY FOR 1878.

Contributions by Congregations	\$3336 13
Young Man of Newfoundland	100 00
Other Individuals	96 78
Money Returned	70 00
Interest	133 40
Half of Grant from Colonial Committee of Free Church	135 00
For a Gaelic Catechist from Colonial Committee of Free Church	290 50
Balance on hand at beginning of year	507 65
Whole amount of Credit side of account	<u>\$5019 46</u>

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS, 1877-78—(WESTERN SECTION).

To the Venerable the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada:—

Your Committee have had four stated meetings in the course of the year, for the transaction of business falling under their management, namely, in July, September and December, 1877, and in March of the current year.

At their meeting in July, they had before them the names of thirty Probationers, and fifty-four vacancies; in September, twenty-nine Probationers, and sixty vacancies, but the names of three Probationers were shortly afterwards received; in December, thirty-one Probationers, with three who reported their names some time after, and sixty-two vacancies; and in March last, thirty-six Probationers, with two subsequently added, and for whom only partial employment could be procured, and fifty-one vacancies.

Altogether, throughout the year, one hundred and thirty-eight vacancies have been reported by the different Presbyteries in Ontario and Quebec to your Committee, some of these of long standing. Of these, three have been reduced to Mission Stations, one in the Presbytery of Quebec; one in the Presbytery of Chatham, and one in that of Bruce, while one in the Presbytery of Stratford is reported as sometimes a vacancy, and sometimes a Mission Station. One in the Presbytery of Kingston has been placed under an Ordained Missionary, and two have been united under the pastorate of one Minister in the Presbytery of Glengarry.

Fifty-nine settlements have taken place during the year, of which, only eleven were by men from the Roll of Probationers.

Forty-nine Probationers placed their services at the disposal of your Committee. One of these has left the Denomination; one has taken an appointment to Manitoba; four have withdrawn their names, and, at the date of preparing this Report, thirty-two were still in the public active service of the Church. To the case of one of these, who was received by a Presbytery without leave, asked and obtained, and whose name was sent forward to the Committee, the attention of the Assembly is respectfully called. Ignorant of the irregularity on the part of the Presbytery appointments were given him, but your Committee are sorry to have to state that it is with great difficulty they have prevailed on some of the Presbyteries to receive him; and that, from all the information in their possession, they cannot hold out any probability of his being acceptable to congregations. Your Committee understand that the action of the Presbytery in receiving him will come up from another quarter for review. Should the conduct of the Presbytery be approved the Committee on Distribution will have a most delicate and difficult task imposed upon them in procuring work for him.

Your Committee feel bound to state that in giving "eleven" as the number of persons settled from the Roll of Probationers, they are not quite certain of being correct as they are of opinion that two or three are marked in Appendix II. to this Report, as "still on" who have accepted Calls or taken Missionary appointments; and some marked among those as "withdrawn" have been settled in charges, but, in their notes to the Committee, have omitted to state the reason of their withdrawal; and neither Presbyteries nor Probationers in all cases comply with the request to furnish information as to their settlement.

In several instances, Probationers have made application to the Committee for remuneration for services which they have rendered, or for Sabbaths on which they have been disappointed of work in the Presbyteries to which they were assigned. In all such cases, correspondence has been opened with the Presbyteries interested, and your Committee are glad to say, in most cases with success. There are three claims, however, which are not satisfied, and which must be reported to this Assembly for their advice and action. One of these is by Mr. Robert Stevenson, for thirteen dollars—in another statement from him it is for nine—nine from the congregation of Richmond, and four from that of Windsor Mills, in the Presbytery of Quebec. These appointments, Mr.

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104	25
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Stevenson must have fulfilled in September and October, 1876. In a letter received from these congregations, it is stated that Mr. Stevenson was paid and gave receipt—in one of them—in full; and that the books of the Treasurer of the other, show that he was paid fully with the exception of five dollars, which were ready for him. As Mr. Stevenson has not been for some time receiving appointments from your Committee, they are ignorant of his present address, and have been unable to communicate with him on the discrepancy between the amount of his claim and the acknowledgment of the congregation.

Mr. John McQueen has presented a claim against the Presbytery of Brockville for two Sabbaths that he was out of employment. The reason assigned by the Convener of the Committee in that Presbytery was that the vacancy, the only one in the bounds, was supplied by a student. The Committee could not see that this was a sufficient reason to decline the Probationary supply. In a letter from the Clerk of that Presbytery, however, the reason why a student was obtained is clearly stated. Had the same reason been before your Committee when they met for distribution, in all probability its force would have been acknowledged. Looking at all the circumstances your Committee would recommend that the Presbytery be exonerated, and that Mr. McQueen's claim be met from the funds of the Church. He also presses a claim against the Presbytery of Quebec for three Sabbaths, for which he was refused appointment; the reason assigned, being that there was no work in consequence of the filling up of vacancies through the settlement of pastors. Your Committee cannot but think that there is a valid claim against the Presbytery in favour of Mr. McQueen.

Mr. West presents a claim against the Presbytery of Brockville, for the 15th July last, which that Presbytery refuse to acknowledge; one against the Presbytery of Glengarry, for 12th August, and one against the Presbytery of Quebec, for the three Sabbaths, 9th, 16th, and 23rd September. The reason assigned by this Presbytery for refusing to acknowledge this claim, as well as that of Mr. McQueen's, is, that their vacancies were filled up before the date of these appointments, and that, therefore, there was no work. Efforts were made to procure openings elsewhere, but without success. In view of all the facts, your Committee are of opinion that the Presbytery of Quebec should discharge these claims, as has been done by other Presbyteries in similar circumstances.

The subject of proportionate remuneration to Probationers has been brought before previous Assemblies through the reports of your Committee on Distribution. Last year the Assembly, at Halifax, remitted it for consideration to the Home Mission Committee. It has been learned that they have not had the matter up at their meetings, and that they expect this Committee to be prepared with a scheme. It is accordingly suggested that congregations that have been paying, or one prepared to pay \$600 to a settled Pastor, should be required to remunerate the Probationer at the rate of \$8 per Sabbath, and that for every additional \$100 of salary, the Probationer receive at the rate of \$1 per Sabbath.

Some trouble and disappointment have been entailed through strict fulfilment of the Regulation "that as soon as a Preacher is licensed, the Presbytery shall report the fact to the Committee on Distribution, to whom is entrusted the distribution of Probationers among the Presbyteries of the Church." Names of such, and names of ministers received by Presbyteries have been sent by the Committee who gave them appointments, but the parties declined to accept them. There is no good, but there is injury, from reporting the names of any who are not prepared for Probationary labour under the direction of your Committee.

Your Committee have no means of knowing whether Presbyteries require Probationers to discharge all the duties prescribed them in the Regulation of the General Assembly as laid down on page 59, clause 8, of the Minutes of their proceedings in 1876, and which are copied on the printed scheme of Quarterly Distributions. In the circular issued to Presbyteries, one of the questions is "Have Probationers fulfilled their appointments in your bounds? If not, specify instances and give details." But it will be seen that the question has not been framed so as to embrace all the particulars in the Regulation. Your Committee are of opinion that not only this should be done, but that Presbyteries should require from Probationers written reports of their labours, and that upon learning that the services of any are not acceptable they should communicate the information to the Committee.

In the Regulations under which they act, it is provided that "The Roll of Probationers, etc., shall consist of preachers who have been licensed not less than five years and ministers who have been loosed from their charges, or who have been receiving appointments from the Committee, less than four years, reckoning in both cases from the date of their admission to the Roll. As this was framed on the understanding that Probationers would be sent in regular course to the Presbyteries in the Eastern Provinces, the periods of five and four years were thought only proper, but as this is not carried out, your Committee would suggest that they are too long, and that they should be reduced to three and two years respectively. This will be quite sufficient to allow them to see all the vacancies in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

It is further provided that "Probationers concerning whom complaints of inefficiency have been received from their Presbyteries by the Committee may have their appointments withdrawn, till a decision of the Assembly shall be given in the case." Although no such complaints have been formally made during the year, yet in two instances, perhaps it should be stated, intimation has been sent not to re-appoint certain ones to the Presbyteries, as congregations were unwilling to receive them, and would not pay for supply by them. One of these Presbyteries was careful to explain that their objection was not because of the inefficiency, or unacceptableness of the person, but of the fact that he was so well acquainted with the field, that as no Call had been given him

he was not likely to receive one. It is desirable that the Assembly give definite and precise instructions how to act in such cases.

Your Committee would recommend that it be an instruction to Presbyteries to proceed very carefully in entertaining and bringing before the Supreme Court, applications for admission by ministers of other Churches. Some have been admitted whose names have been for a considerable length of time on the Roll, and there seems little prospect of their being called to congregations.

Your Committee would further recommend that Presbyteries be enjoined to report as vacancies only such congregations as are so in reality; and not Mission Stations, put on the list of vacancies one-half of the year when there is not the opportunity to procure supply by students, and removed from it the other half when there is such opportunity.

They would also call attention to the practice in several Presbyteries of supplying vacancies by students during the summer, and thus keeping Probationers out of their rights. And, also, to the practice of some of allowing certain congregations to procure their own supply, thus again, inflicting an injustice upon those who faithfully, honourably, and publicly give themselves to the work of the Church, as distinguished from others who hold back their names and work for themselves either directly or through friends. Let it be an injunction of the Assembly that Presbyteries report ALL their vacancies for their proportion of supply, and the rule be adopted that when congregations refuse the appointments given them, they be responsible for the Probationer's remuneration. While the number of vacancies reported for the last Quarter is 31, and for the previous one, 62, the report on statistics give them as 79.

Appendix I. contains the Roll of Probationers for the year, and the changes on the same; and No. II. shows the Vacancies. Respectfully submitted.

GUELPH, 9th June, 1878.

ROBERT TORRANCE, *Convener.*

APPENDIX I.

VACANCIES AND SETTLEMENTS.

*Those marked with an * are supplied by Students during summer.*

Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Put on List.	Settled.	Name of Minister.	Still on Roll.
QUEBEC.....	Richmond and Windsor Mills	July 1876	Aug. 9, '77	Finlay M. Dewey.....	...
	Danville	Oct. " "	" 8, "	Moses F. Boudreau.....	...
	Valcartier (a)	April 1877	Jan. 23, '78	William Mathieson.....	...
	Winslow Chalmers' Church, Quebec.....	Oct. " "	" " "	" " "	1
MONTREAL.....	Cote St. Church, Montreal (b)	April 1875	" " "	" " "	1
	Dundee	April 1876	Aug. 29, '76	J. C. Cattanach .....	...
	Chatham and Grenville.....	Jan. 1877	Oct. 9, '77	J. Fraser .....	...
	Farnham Centre..... Valleyfield	April " " " 1878	" " "	" " "	1 1
GLENGARRY.....	Kenyon.....	July 1874	Sept. 27, '77	H. MacLennan.....	...
	Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George.....	" 1875	" " "	" " "	...
	Dalhousie Mills, Knox Church.....	Oct. " "	Sep. 28, "	Hugh Lamont, D.D. ....	...
	Williamstown, St. Andrew's Church	" 1876	Sept. 21, "	A. McGillivray.....	...
	Lunenburg and Avonmore.....	Jan. 1877	March 6, '78	W. Lanzer .....	...
	Gordon's Church, Indian Lands.....	Oct. " "	" 5, "	John T. Lazer .....	...
	St. Luke's Church, Finch	" " "	" " "	" " "	...
Summerstown & Summerstown Station St. Matthew's, Osnabruck	Jan. 1878 May " "	" " "	" " "	...	
BROCKVILLE.....	Kitley	July 1875	May 7, '78	George Porteous.....	...
	Morrisburg and Iroquois.....	Oct. " "	" " "	" " "	1
OTTAWA.....	Carleton Place.....	Oct. 1874	Feb. 21, '78	A. A. Scott .....	...
	Cumberland	Jan. 1876	Jan. 11, '77	Hugh McPhayden.....	...
	*Admaston, Douglas & Barr's Settlement	April " "	" " "	" " "	1
	Buckingham and Lochaber	Jan. 1877	" " "	" " "	1
	Aylwin	" " "	" " "	" " "	1
	Westmeath	April " "	Oct. 11, '77	Wm. Christie, A.M. ....	...
	North Gower	Oct. " "	April 9, '78	A. C. Morton .....	...
Litchfield	Jan. 1878	" " "	" " "	1	
*Ross.....	May " "	" " "	" " "	1	

(a) Reduced to Mission Station.
(b) Now called Crescent street Church.

VACANCIES AND SETTLEMENTS—Continued.

Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Put on Inst.	Settled.	Name of Minister.	Still occ.
KINGSTON	Lansdowne and Fairfax	April 1876	Sept. 11, '77	A. B. Nicholson, B.A.	1
	Rawdon and Marmora (a)	Oct. "	"	"	1
	Chalmers' Church, Kingaton	Jan. 1877	July 26, '77	Finlay McCuaig	1
	St. Columba and St. Paul, Madoc	May "	"	"	1
	Camden and Sheffield	Oct. "	"	"	1
	St. Andrew's Church, Gananoque	" "	May 2, '78	Henry Gracey	1
PETERBORO'	Amherst Island	May 1878	"	"	1
	Bobcaygeon and Dunsford	Jan. 1878	"	"	1
	Baltimore and Cold Springs	May "	"	"	1
WHITBY	*Newtonville and Kendal	Oct. 1876	"	"	1
LINDSAY	*Scott and Uxbridge	Jan. 1877	"	"	1
	Wick and Greenbank	July "	Oct. 4, '77	S. Acheson	1
	*Sunderland and Vroomanton	Oct. "	"	"	1
TORONTO	Scarborough and Highland Creek	July 1876	Oct. 10, '77	R. Mackay	1
	King and Laskey	" "	"	"	1
	Georgetown and Limehouse	" "	"	"	1
	Mono Mills, Mono East and Caledon	" 1877	May 28, '78	Alex. Tait	1
	Zion Church, Orangeville	Oct. "	Jan. 17, "	J. McIntyre	1
	West King	May 1878	"	"	1
BARBIE	Tossorontio	Jan. 1877	Mar. 14, '78	Henry Sinclair	1
	South Line Osprey and Honeywood	Oct. "	May 21, "	E. B. N. Millard	1
	Knox Church, Oro	" "	"	"	1
	Burns' and Dunn's Churches	May 1878	"	"	1
	Gravenhurst, Washago & Severn Bridge	" "	"	"	1
OWEN SOUND	Leith and Johnstone	Jan. 1877	"	"	1
	Lake Shore and Leith	July "	Mar. 20, '78	Wm. Forest	1
	Thornbury and Heathcote	Oct. "	"	"	1
	North Keppel and Sarawak	" "	"	"	1
	Kilsyth and North Derby	" "	Mar. 6, '78	Alex. Mackenzie	1
SAUGEEN	North Luther and Ross	April 1876	"	"	1
	Priceville and Durham Road	" "	"	"	1
	St. Andrew's Church, Mount Forest	July "	June 27, '77	D. Fraser	1
	Palmerston	" "	" 6, "	D. W. Cameron	1
	Priceville, St. Andrew's Church	Oct. "	"	"	1
	Clifford and Balaklava	" "	Oct. 24, '77	J. McClung	1
	McIntosh and Belmore	" "	July 25, "	A. C. Stewart	1
	South Luther and Little Toronto	April 1877	"	"	1
	Clifford	" "	Nov. 7, '77	S. Young	1
	Markdale, etc.	Jan. 1878	"	"	1
	Ayton, etc.	" "	"	"	1
GUELPH	Knox Church, Harriston	" "	"	"	1
	Hanover and West Bentinek	" "	"	"	1
	Hillsburgh and Price's Corners	April 1876	Oct. 25, '77	Robert Fowle	1
	Erin	July "	" 24, "	D. J. McInnes	1
HAMILTON	St. Andrew's Church, Guelph	April 1877	July 11, "	J. C. Smith	1
	Erinosa First Church	July "	Oct. 26, "	D. Smyth	1
	Welland	July 1875	"	"	1
PARIS	Central Church, Hamilton	" 1876	Feb. 12, '78	S. Lyle	1
	Kilbride and Nelson	" "	"	"	1
	Thorold and Merittou	Oct. "	Oct. 4, '77	C. D. McDonald	1
	Strabane	April 1877	Sept. 11, "	J. L. Robertson	1
	Waterdown and Nelson	" "	"	"	1
	Port Colborne	" "	"	"	1
	St. John's Church, Hamilton	Oct. "	Jan. 8, '78	Thos. Goldsmith	1
	St. Paul's	" "	Mar. 12, "	Robert J. Laidlaw	1
	Simcoe	" "	"	"	1
	Drummondville	Jan. 1878	"	"	1
	Beamsville	April "	"	"	1
LONDON	Princeton and Drumbo	April 1877	July 24, '77	James Little	1
	Chalmers' Church, Woodstock	Oct. "	May 7, '78	W. A. Mackay	1
LONDON	East Nissouri	Jan. 1876	May 7, '78	John M. Muuro	1
	Lobo and Caradoc	April "	April 3, "	John Ferguson, B.A.	1
	West Williams	" "	Jan. 3, "	Farquhar McCrae	1
	Incan and Biddulph	Oct. "	"	"	1
	East Williams	" "	July 24, '77	John Wells	1
	Delaware	" "	Nov. 15, "	P. C. Goldie	1
	North Dorchester	" "	"	"	1
Dorchester Station and Crumlin	Jan. 1877	"	"	1	

(a) Rev. David Beattie employed as Ordained Missionary, May, 1877.

VACANCIES AND SETTLEMENTS—Continued.

Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Put on List.	Settled.	Name of Minister.	Still on.
LONDON—Cont...	Parkhill, St. Andrew's and Knox Church	April 1877			1
	North and South Westminster	" "			1
	Moss	" "	May, '77		1
	Napier	" "	Sept. 4, "	Donald McDonald	
	Melbourne and Stations	" "	Nov. 13, "	A. Fraser	
	English Settlement and Proof Line	Oct. "			1
	Mandaamin and Moore Line	" "			1
	Point Edward	" "			1
	Port Stanley	" "			1
	Belmont	" "			1
	Springfield and Aylmer	" "			1
	*Alvinston, Euphemia and Brooke	Jan. 1878			1
	Burns' Church and Bear Creek	May "			1
New Glasgow and Rodney	" "			1	
*London East	" "			1	
CHATHAM	Elmira, Ill.	Oct. 1873			1
	Wallaceburg and Sydenham (a)	July 1875			1
	Dover and Oliver's Section	" "			1
	St. Andrew's Church, Chatham	April 1876	Sept. 20, '77	John R. Battisby	
	First Presbyterian Church, St. Anne, Ill.	" 1877			1
Tilbury East	Oct. "			1	
STRATFORD	Burns' Church, East Zorra (b)	Oct. 1874			1
	Molesworth and Trowbridge	April 1876	Oct. 31, '77	T. T. Johnston	
	Shakespeare and Hampstead	Oct. "	Nov. 6, "	R. Watt	
	Knox Church, Stratford	July 1877	Jan. 30, '78	P. McF. McLeod	
	Burns' Church, Milverton & N. Mornington	Oct. "			1
BRUCE	Pinkerton (c)	Jan. 1878			1
	Knox Church, Kincardine	April "			1
HURON	Bayfield and Bethany	Oct. 1875	Jan. 30, '78	N. Paterson	
	Walton	April 1877	July 24, '77	A. McNaughton	
	McKillop and Winthrop	" "	Sept. 26, "	Peter Musgrave	
	Bolgrave and Duff's Church	" "	April 3, '78	W. F. Wilkins	
	Egmondville	Oct. "			1
	Clinton	" "			1
	Hullet and Londesborough	Jan. 1878	Mar. 21, '78	John S. Lochead	
	Manchester and Smith's Hill	" "	Apr. 17, "	James Pritchard	
	Seaforth	April "			1
	Bluevale and Eddie	May "			1
Thames Road and Kirkton	" "			1	

- (a) Reduced to a Mission Station, 25th Sept., 1877.
- (b) Sometimes a Vacancy—sometimes a Mission Station.
- (c) Now a Mission Station.

APPENDIX II.

LIST OF PROBATIONERS—1877-78.

NAME.	Put on List.	Settled.	With-drawn.	Still on.	Remarks.
1. *Neil Currie	Oct. 1873			1	
2. Wm. M. Christie	April 1874	Westmeath, 11th Oct., 1877			
3. Walter Wright	" "			1	
4. Alexander Burr	Oct. 1875			1	
5. Joshua Fraser	Nov. "		Jan. 1878		
6. John Marples	Feb. 1876				Left the Church.
7. Alex. Frazer	July "	Melbourne and Stations, Nov. 13, 1877			
8. Wm. Hawthorne	" "		Jan. 1878	1	Replaced, April, 1878.
9. Robt. Stevenson	" "			1	
10. J. D. West	" "			1	
11. Robert Watt	" "	Shakespeare & Hampstead, Nov. 6, 1877			
12. *John McQueen	Oct. "			1	
13. Nathl. Paterson	Nov. "	Bayfield, 30th Jan., 1878			
14. E. N. B. Millard	Jan. 1877	Singhaptou, etc., 21st May, 1878			6 M. German Mission Replaced, Jan. 1878

LIST OF PROBATIONERS—Continued.

NAME.	Put on List.	Settled.	With-drawn.	Still on.	Remarks.
15. John Logie	Jan. 1877	.....	April 1878	1	3 Months off List.
16. A. MacLennan.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
17. J. S. Fackib.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
18. D. Munro.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
19. Frederick Home .....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
20. John Wells	" "	East Williams, 24th July, 1877.....	.....	1	.....
21. A. McNaughton.....	April "	.....	.....	1	.....
22. D. C. MacIntyre.....	" "	.....	.....	1	3 Months off List.
23. John McFarlane .....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
24. Henry Sinclair.....	June "	.....	Oct. 1877	1	.....
25. John McClung.....	July "	Clifford and Balaklava, 24th Oct., 1877.....	.....	1	.....
26. Alex. Smith.....	" "	.....	.....	1	Manitoba.
27. Thos. T. Johnston	" "	Molesworth & Trowbridge, Oct. 31, 1877.....	.....	1	.....
28. D. P. Niven.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
29. John Dunbar.....	" "	.....	Oct. 1877	1	Replaced, April, 1878.
30. A. Beumer.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
31. D. McNaughton.....	" "	.....	April 1878	1	.....
32. Alex. McFarlane.....	Oct. "	.....	.....	1	.....
33. Donald McLeod.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
34. Alex. Nicol.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
35. J. W. Nelson.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
36. John McAlmon.....	" "	Dresden, 7th Nov., 1877.....	.....	1	.....
37. C. Fletcher, A. M.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
38. Hugh Thomson.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
39. Alex. Mackenzie.....	" "	Kilsyth and North Derby, March 6, '78.....	.....	1	.....
40. J. Campbell, A. M.....	Nov. "	.....	.....	1	.....
41. A. Watson, B. A.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
42. J. B. Scott.....	Jan. 1878	.....	.....	1	.....
43. Alex. Stewart.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
44. Alexander Tait.....	" "	Mono Mills, etc., 28th May, 1878.....	.....	1	.....
45. Robert Harkness.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
46. W. A. Wilson, A. M.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
47. J. S. Mullian.....	April "	.....	.....	1	.....
48. Robert Ewing.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....
49. Alex. H. Kippan.....	" "	.....	.....	1	.....

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLEMENTS—MARITIME PROVINCES.

The following statements of facts are respectfully submitted to the General Assembly.

During the past year forty-nine Congregations were placed on the list for aid, and a grant was voted and paid to one additional, though not admitted to a place on the list, and therefore not to be continued. The number was the same as during the year preceding, and as the same proportion, one-fifth, remained all the year without a Pastor, only forty received aid, but that means nearly every fourth Congregation in the Lower Provinces.

The expenditure was \$5,353.32, of which sum the amount of \$4,986.57 was applied directly to the object, and \$366.75 used in expenses including proportion of Agent's salary, interest, travelling expenses of members, printing and Secretaryship of the preceding year.

Our income amounted to \$5,060.58, leaving a balance on the year against us of \$292.74, augmented by last year's adverse balance to \$366.31.

The sources of our income were—

From our own people	\$3255 50	
“ the British Churches	1805 08	\$5060 58

More particularly

From one hundred and eleven Congregations.....	\$3116 00	
“ Young man in St. John's, Newfoundland.....	50 00	
“ Other individuals	49 50	
“ Bequest of Miss Nancy Brownrigg of Loch Broom	40 00	
“ Colonial Com. of Church of Scotland.....	835 08	
“ “ “ Free Church.....	485 00	
“ An equal sum having been applied to Home Missions		
From Presbyterian Church of Ireland	485 00	\$5060 58

The subjoined tabular statement shows the number of congregations in each Presbytery, and how many contributed, what each Presbytery paid, and what it received from the fund. The congregations supporting the movement, and some of them gave two collections, were one hundred and eleven out of one hundred and sixty-two congregations—the non-contributors being fifty-two. The Presbytery of Newfoundland neither contributed to, nor made any drafts on the funds. The average contribution of the 111 contributing congregations was \$28.07. Though the average seems rather small yet many of the contributions were liberal as the following figures will show:—

Dartmouth, \$90; St. Davids, St. John, \$100; St. Andrews, St. John, \$100; Truro first Congregation \$108.90; United Ch. N. G., \$124; St. Matthews, Halifax, \$200; Fort Massey, Halifax, \$580. This it must be remembered is the appropriation of the Congregations to but one department of our Home Mission work. If the two were placed together their contributions would be nearly doubled.

PRESBYTERIES.	No. of Congregations.	Amount Contributed 1877-8.	Amount Received 1877-8.
		\$ c.	\$ c.
PICTOU	21		
"	14	395 72	100 00
HALIFAX	28		
"	26	1,093 21	930 00
TRURO	15		
"	14	514 24	140 00
ST. JOHN	20		
"	12	346 01	1,162 50
MIRAMICHI	14		
"	4	64 76	317 50
WALLACE	8		
"	6	124 86	530 00
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	24		
"	13	241 08	488 50
SYDNEY	13		
"	8	108 90	425 00
VICTORIA AND RICHMOND	7		
"	5	60 60	355 00
LUNenburg AND YARMOUTH	10		
"	9	166 61	522 00
NEWFOUNDLAND	3		
"	0		
		\$3,116 00	\$4,970 57

When the Committee met on the 17th of May, they had applications from Presbyteries to the extent of \$6,515, of which however \$1,470 were contingent on settlements of Pastors occurring within the year. Still the requests were for larger grants than had been given during any former year. The Committee finding a balance against the fund to the extent already reported, and liabilities coming due on July 1st, amounting to nearly three thousand dollars, were constrained to decide against increase, unless in circumstances special and extraordinary.

From this resolution, reluctantly taken, they did not swerve, the only increase, and that for a single year, being granted to one of our smallest congregations, farther weakened by the burning of mills, involving not merely heavy loss by the conflagration, but from the fact that contributors to the Pastor's support were thrown out of employment.

Instead of increase, the Committee considered that *the time had arrived when reduction must commence*, but being conscious that this movement should originate with Presbyteries, or better still with congregations who may possibly be able to become self-sustaining, gracefully withdrawing from the list, decided for one year more, to make as few changes as possible. The following grants from July 1878, to July 1879, are therefore after full consideration submitted for the Assembly's approval.

I. PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI—

New Carlisle	\$200
Tabusintac	180
Redbank	100
Black River	100
Bathurst in fulfilment of contract made prior to Union	80
	\$660

II. PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN—

Sussex	\$100
Springfield	150
Bocabee	125
Carleton	200
Buctouche	125
Chipman	125
St. Andrews	200

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PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN—*Continued.*
 Prince William 100 } with notice of re-
 Woodstock 200 } duction.

\$1325

Conditional on Settlement of a Pastor.

Glassville \$150
 Nashuaak 150
 Quaco 200
 St. James 150

\$650

Definite \$1325
 Conditional 650

\$1975

III. PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—

Bay Fortune and Souris \$80
 West Cape 150
 Cove Head 100

\$330

Conditional on Settlement of Pastor.

Dundas \$100
 Tryon 100

\$200

Definite \$330
 Conditional 200

\$530

IV. PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX—

Noel \$100
 Richmond 200
 Lawrencetown 140
 St. Croix 140
 Musquodoboit Harbour 200

\$740

Conditional on Settlement.

Annapolis \$150
 Kempt, etc 120
 Cornwallis, West 200

\$470

Definite \$740
 Conditional 470

\$1210

V. PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YAR-
 MOUTH—

Riversdale \$200
 New Dublin 200
 Carleton for one year, owing to calamity
 by fire 200

\$600

VI. PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY—

Gabarus \$200
 Cape North 150
 Little Glace Bay, from Dec. 3rd 1877 100

\$450

VII. PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND—

Lake Ainslie \$100
 Mabou 100
 Broad Cove 100
 Port Hastings 80

\$380

VIII. PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE—

Amherst \$125
 Pugwash 200
 Wallace 125

\$450

IX. PRESBYTERY OF TRURO—

Acadia \$100

Conditional on Settlement.

Coldstream \$100
 Parrsboro 100

\$200

Definite \$100
 Conditional 200

\$300

X. PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU—

French River.

SUMMARY.

PRESBYTERIES.	Definite.	Conditional.
Miramichi Presbytery	\$660	.....
St. John "	1325	\$650
Prince Edward Island Presbytery	330	200
Halifax "	740	470
Lunenburg and Yarmouth Presbytery	600	.....
Sydney "	450	.....
Victoria and Richmond "	380	.....
Wallace "	450	.....
Truro "	100	200
Pictou " . . . . .	.....	.....
Total	\$5035	\$1520

Missionary.	Location.	Church Supporting.
Rev. Joseph Copeland.....	Futuna.....	Free Church of Scotland.
Rev. Thomas Neilson.....	Tanna.....	
Rev. J. W. Mackenzie.....	Efate.....	
Rev. Joseph Annand, M.A.....	Aneityum..	Presbyterian Church in Canada.
Rev. H. A. Robertson.....	Eromanga.)	
Rev. John G. Paton.....	Aniwa.....	Presbyterian Church in Victoria.
Rev. D. Macdonald.....	Efate.....	
Rev. Peter Milne.....	Nguna.....	Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland.
Rev. William Watt.....	Tanna.....	Presbyterian Church in New Zealand.

The third of the working force, it will be seen, are the missionaries of this Church. Eight islands are occupied, while others not in the list given enjoy the services of native teachers.

One hundred teachers are employed in the group: fifty-one either giving their services free, or receiving some small return from the natives taught, and thirty-nine drawing aid from the Teachers' Fund, at a rate varying from £1 6s. stg. to £6 a year. One—a Rarotongan, of seven years' standing—receives £10. Of the remaining thirty-eight, three are under Mr. Milne, three with Mr. Macdonald, eight under Mr. Mackenzie, sixteen under Mr. Robertson, two with Mr. Paton, two each with Mr. Neilson and Mr. Watt, and two on Futuna. Of these thirty-eight teachers, eleven are Efatese, eleven are Aneityumese, and sixteen are Eromangans.

This mission has entered on its fourth decade. More than thirty years have passed since its inception by the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, with Dr. Geddie as its first missionary. The first decade had its dark and its bright portion, its time of trial and peril, when the work was one purely of faith and patience and hope, followed by the dawn of a better day, and the gathering in of the first fruits of a coming harvest. The second was a time of marked success and great progress, more especially on the Island of Aneityum. The third was a time of persistent conflict with the powers of darkness on the surrounding islands, of efforts in great measure baffled, not by unaided heathenism, but by a system of iniquity which quickly developed into gigantic proportions and extending its influence to the whole group, has proved Satan's grand barrier against Christianity. The labour traffic has been and still is carried on under the flags of Christian nations, our own among the number. The death of the devoted Bishop Patteson and of Commodore Goodenough by the exasperated natives in retaliation for the wrongs inflicted by traders has led to the prohibition of the kidnapping part of the business and the employment of armed cruisers to enforce the law; but as these recognise the right of the trader to carry off all whom he can induce to go, it gives him a permit to carry off the wife, child and subject who may incline to depart from husband, parent and chief. The terrible wrongs which have thus been committed against the people of all these islands during the last ten years have come from those who speak the language and profess the religion of the missionaries, and have done more to hinder the work of missions in the New Hebrides and other Polynesian groups than fifty missionaries could undo in double the time. It is against this horrible system, demoralizing to the natives, destructive to social order and purity, and tending to convert each of those isles of the sea into a miniature pandemonium, that our missionaries have been contending; and the work done has been accomplished against fearful odds—Satanic influences in heathendom itself, and the virulent hostility of the off-scouring of Christendom, sustained and rewarded by unrighteous Mammon.

THE PRESENT STATE OF THE MISSION

may be gathered from the minute of the Missionary Synod, held in May last, at Havannah Harbour. "The reports read show that the good work is progressing steadily at nearly all the stations, and where advance has not been recorded, even there the fort has been firmly held; that no visible retrogression has taken place even at the temporarily vacant posts; that good health has been enjoyed by all the mission families; therefore the Synod records its gratitude to God for His favours, and urges upon its members greater hopefulness and confidence in Him who alone gives the victory."

Portions of the Scriptures were published within the year. These were Parables of our Lord, by Mr. Milne, Nguna; Gospel of Luke, by Mr. McDonald of Efate; Acts of Apostles, revised by Mr. Robertson; and the Gospels of Matthew and Mark by Mr. Paton, Aniwa.

ISLANDS OCCUPIED BY OUR OWN MISSIONARIES.

I. ANEITYUM.—ANELGAUHAT STATION, REV. JOSEPH ANNAND.

The following facts are from the pen of Rev. J. McDonald, and corroborate Mr. Annand's returns:—Mr. and Mrs. Annand made their annual visitation of the schools in October, and took a new census of the Anelgauhah side of the Island, of which the total population was found to be 604. Of these 375 were males and 229 females. There were 136 married couples. The

church members number 266. During the thirteen months ending October 1st, there were 42 deaths and 11 births. There are 22 schools at the present time on the Anelghahat side, and 28 on the Aname side. The statistics of Aname were in April last as follows: total population, 675; males, 417; females, 258; married couples, 164."

Partly in consequence of the Aname side of the island being left without a Pastor, and partly from the intrusion of a trader, enticing and corrupting the unwary with rum, Mr. Annand reported in a letter published in the March "Record," the relapse of some church members into the revelries of heathenism, and it has been said that such facts may prove damaging to the mission, and ought to be suppressed, more especially as they may destroy the confidence of the Church in previous reports. On the other hand, it is replied, first, that very rarely should facts be suppressed, and secondly, that there is nothing in the relapse reported which conflicts with previous representations. Are there no relapses following revivals and large accessions to the Church in our own land? Are there not melancholy instances of mingling in unfruitful works of darkness by church members, not so far away, and who have enjoyed a thousand times more instruction and higher privileges than the poor Ancitymese?

They have never seen heathenism as it was on their island, and now is on other islands, and is it surprising that when met by the temptations of civilized seducers, some should fall into the snare? Further, if a still larger number should be found wanting in the fervour of the preceding generation, it is only what the history of nearly every heathen mission has shewn, what Dr. Geddie feared, and the beginning of which his watchful eye discerned. In these circumstances, the proper course is not concealment but candour, so that the Church, knowing the facts, may by prayer and counsel, hold up the hands of the missionary, and help him to strengthen the things which remain and which are ready to die. The Ancitymese have not forsaken their Sabbath Schools, prayer meetings and public worship, although in that valley of vision are dry bones, many and very dry. While the prophets prophesy, "O ye dry bones hear ye the word of the Lord," let the many thousands of our people cry mightily, "Come from the four winds O breath and breathe on these slain that they may live!"

II. EROMANGA, REV. H. A. ROBERTSON.

This island, on which Mr. Robertson labours alone, is about 60 miles north of Ancityum. During about half the year the missionary and his family was absent in Australia, with consent of the Mission Council; and while absent was furthering the interests of the mission by addressing congregations on Sabbath Schools in New South Wales, and by superintending the printing of Mr. Gordon's translation of the Acts of the Apostles, after a careful revision.

Mr. Robertson has furnished us full statistics, which of themselves constitute a condensed report of the state of the Mission on his island, as well as of the work of the past season.

EROMANGAN STATISTICS, FROM DEC. 1876 TO DEC. 1877.

Adults baptized, none; Infants baptized, 4; Teachers suspended from their office and from the Church, 3, and 1 Church member, not a teacher, all for violation of seventh commandment; Church members in full communion, 43; Teachers placed out, 20; Candidates' class for Church membership, 10; Teachers' class, 5; Births at Dillon's Bay, 2; Deaths at Dillon's Bay, 2; Attendance, Sabbath morning and noon services, and at afternoon Sabbath School, the whole population, numbering about 70; Weekly prayer meeting, 30; Morning school, 40; Evening class for young men during the summer months only, average attendance 12, lowest 10, highest 17; Sewing classes 2, viz., 1 for the more advanced, and a second class each two forenoons each week, from January 1st to April 1st; Bible class Sabbath evening, attended by all the Church members, male and female, in Dillon's Bay; Sacrament of the Supper dispensed once (Dillon's Bay) during the year (ending July), over 200 present; Christian marriages for the whole island, 4; New villages opened during the year, 10; Teachers settled during the year, 4; Deaths among teachers and Church members, none; Principal stations 2, one each at Dillon's Bay and Cook's Bay; entire number for the whole island who attend Church on Sabbath more or less regularly when at home, 600; Number of pure heathens, 2,000; Number of professedly Christians and heathen natives in Queensland, Fiji, and New Caledonia, 350 (or thereabout, living or dead); two-thirds of the island visited by the missionary in July and August, in part in the "Dayspring" and in part on foot.

Native made school houses erected 10, without any assistance from the missionary.

The following events are noted by Mr. Robertson as worthy of record:—First: A voyage by the "Dayspring" around the island, which enabled Mr. Robertson to visit many districts otherwise beyond his reach, and to gather in the outlying teachers to the Lord's Supper at Dillon's Bay. On landing, the teachers and chiefs welcomed the vessel and missionary with presents of pigs, fowls and yams, and with a contribution, towards the printing of the Acts in Eromangan, of money, arrowroot, clubs, bows and arrows, pigs, fowls, yams and sandal wood. Received within the year for this object, £23 stg.

Secondly: An inland journey to visit districts which could not be reached from the "Dayspring." Mr. Robertson, accompanied by a band of friends, who were in fact a body-guard, accomplished his aim partially, full success being prevented by the prejudices and fears of the natives of contact with the missionary and his people.

Thirdly: A fearful hurricane and flood on the 4th of April, which left the mission premises a wreck and spread desolation over the island, destroying native houses and food to a fearful

extent, destroying the mission cottage at Cook's Bay, and giving Mr. Robertson six months of hard work in repairing his shattered premises.

The hurricane having destroyed the church at Dillon's Bay, the project has been revived of building there, where Williams, Harris and the elder Gordon were slain, a martyrs' memorial church. About £50 stg. are on hand in Australia, and the friends of missions are asked to provide £150 more, so that the work may go on at once. As we are represented among the martyred missionaries, so we should be in the memorial church to be erected to perpetuate their name, and help on their work.

Mr. Robertson names as discouragements the devastations of the storm, the ingratitude generally of the people, and specially the difficulty of mastering the language. Among the encouragements, he speaks of the Master's presence, the real gratitude of some among the people. He speaks thus of his fellow-labourers:—

"The missionaries, too, have sought to encourage us by their kind letters, and kind words, and their *prayers*. Rev. Mr. Paton at one time printed a hymn book for me without charge. Rev. Mr. Watt printed a second edition of the same book, and is now printing a third, also a free gift. Rev. Mr. Inglis supplied us with an excellent cook, and both he and Mrs. Inglis aided us in a variety of ways, and it is pleasing to have co-workers from one's own church like the missionaries and their wives of Eraker and Anulganbat."

And yet more encouraging still is the fact that a great change for the better appears among the people on the Dillon's Bay side of the island. Their determined hostility to the Word and to the name of Christianity is melting away, and the prospect of progress greatly brighter than in the past. The whole population of Dillon's Bay, where Harris, Williams and the elder Gordon were murdered, attend church regularly, and two-thirds of the island is open to teachers.

ERAKER—REV. J. W. M'KENZIE.

Another degree, or about sixty miles, from Eromanga, is Efate, an island of about the same size, on which two missionaries labour—Rev. D. McDonald, a son-in-law of Dr. Geddie, and Mr. McKenzie, who as a missionary is senior to Messrs. Robertson and Annand.

Mr. McKenzie's house and chief station are at Eraker, but the following report of his work shews that his labours are varied and extensive:—

"The Gospel has been preached regularly at five villages on our side of the island, Efate, during the year, viz.: at Eraker, Pango, Eratap, Fila and Bufa. The first three are professedly Christian. At each of these a daily morning school was held, also a weekly prayer-meeting, attended more or less regularly by the whole population. At Eraker we had a consolidated class on Wednesdays, and on Saturdays I met with the teachers, who were engaged on the Sabbath at the different villages, to assist them in their preparation. From December to April we had an afternoon school on Mondays and Thursdays, principally for those who moved here from heathen villages. During the same months we had a teachers' class on Tuesdays."

Mr. McKenzie's statistics are as follows:—

STATISTICS.

Population of Eraker, 130; Pango, 102; Eratap, 68; Fila, not less than 160; Bufa, 53. Total population, 353; males, 186; females, 167. Communicants, 76. Accessions to church during year, 7. Attending teachers' class, 18. Attending candidates' class, 16. Christian marriages during year, 7. Births at Christian villages, 13. Deaths, 19.

The professedly Christian population of nearly 300 are chiefly in the two older stations of Eraker and Pango; but Eratap is also a kind of Christian village, and at last communion four were admitted from that village, and eleven attend a candidates' class. Fila and Bufa are heathen villages, and for years have refused to welcome and sometimes even to hear the Word. During the past year many have heard the Gospel in both villages; and some in Bufa have decided so far that they have left their home, where Satan's seat is, and taken up their residence in Eratap, where the standard of the Prince of Peace has been raised. Although the casting away of heathen customs is not exactly the putting off of the old nature, still it is a step which marks a great change, the commencement of better things, and its frequent occurrence of late has gladdened the hearts of our missionary and of his wife. In . . . nineteen have removed from Bufa to the Christian village of Eratap.

Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie have had like experience with Mr. and Mrs. Robertson from earthquakes and hurricanes, but as the accounts of these have been already published, we leave these painful experiences to record the more cheering facts that

TWO SUBSTANTIAL LIME CHURCHES

have been built during the year, one at Pango and the other at Eraker, and the joy of such works completed is even greater than that of ministers and people at home when the finished building is, with sermon, praise and prayer dedicated to the Lord. Unquestionably, therefore, the past year has been at the stations in Efate a year of progress, and our missionary brother and sister there may join in saying, "The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad."

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

Shall we increase our staff of missionaries? The Committee feel that the least they can do is to let the appeals of the missionaries reach the General Assembly. Mr. McKenzie, after returning from the exploratory voyage referred to, writes: "Oh, it is sad, unspeakably sad, to

think that we have no missionaries to settle at some of the fine openings we saw on some of these islands. The northern part of the group seemed to me a more favourable field than the southern."

Mr. Robertson asks how it is you in Canada, and the Free Church in Scotland, do not send us one or two more missionaries? It cannot be want of funds alone, for you send them to China, India and Trinidad; but none from Canada for the New Hebrides since Mr. Annand, and none from Scotland since Mr. Milne, nine years ago. The Mission Synod appeals to all the co-operating churches for more men, next to consider whether missionaries might not go for a series of ten or twenty years, with the prospect of relief at the close of such term; and, finally, they ask the co-operating bodies to send well qualified laymen, their agent suggesting that Canada might send eight, since Pastor Harris' congregation at Hermannsburg could and did send out that number annually, and Mr. Milne adds, "I could station them all in my own districts where they could all speak the same language, and where each man would have an island all to himself, some of them with a population of more than a thousand souls."

In this connection the Committee feel constrained to make mention of the proposal to the Pan-Presbyterian Council, of the late venerable and lamented Dr. Duff, "that in order to manifest our substantial unity and harmony in doctrine, discipline and government before the whole world, the Council, without interfering with any existing missions, should recommend to the churches of which they are the accredited delegates, the establishment by a united co-operative effort, of a well organized mission in some distinctly defined territory of the vast realm of still unreclaimed heathenism," and the Apostolic missionary proposed the New Hebrides as a suitable and inviting field for such a combined experiment.

The Committee would refer the whole subject to the General Assembly, praying that it may be guided by the Great Head of the Church to a wise decision. The Committee have to report that, in reply to the suggestion for missionaries for a limited time, and for laymen, they adopted and now recommend to the Assembly for approval, the following resolution: "That while the Committee see no objection on principle to either of the proposals, that our great distance from the field, and the consequent expense of sending agents so far, render both, so far as this Church is concerned, impracticable."

THE "DAYSRING."

This messenger of peace has done a great deal of work during the year, and has done it well. She is a very superior vessel, a very fast sailer, with excellent accommodations, ably managed and kept in first-rate order. Our contribution to her maintenance is the sum of £250 stg., \$1216, annually paid over to the Managing Board at Sydney, and provided by the willing contributions of our Sabbath Schools.

Her voyages during the past year were eight in number.

No. 1. To New Zealand, carrying Mr. and Mrs. Inglis, *en route* for Scotland, and Mr. and Mrs. Watt. For three months the "Dayspring" remained in New Zealand, visiting the chief seaports and greatly interesting the Sabbath School children.

No. 2. Returning from New Zealand she called at all the stations, landing passengers, mails, stores and materials for a wooden church at Tanna.

No. 3. Around the group, gathering all the missionaries to Synod at Efate.

No. 4. Conveyed Messrs. McKenzie and McDonald, a deputation to visit the northern islands of Api Ambrim, Mallicollo, St. Bartholomew and Santo.

No. 5. Circumnavigated Eromanga, calling at Bunkill, Cook's and Portinia Bays.

No. 6. Revisitation of all the Stations.

No. 7. A voyage to Sydney, returning with Mr. and Mrs. Paton.

No. 8. Round the islands, landing passengers and supplies.

No. 9. Return to Sydney with Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. McDonald.

This is a record of which the managers, missionaries and captain need not be ashamed, and every Sabbath School and every child contributing to the support of this noble craft, as well as this venerable Assembly, may see cause for profound gratitude to God, that no evil has befallen our vessel or any one on board during all her voyages, and that no mission family has by her absence been exposed to either want or peril.

MISSION TO THE COOLIES OF TRINIDAD.

This mission has entered the second decade, and a brief review may not be out of place. In the fall of 1867, Rev. J. Morton sailed for Trinidad, opened a school for children, and began to study the language of the Hindoos. In 1870 he was followed by Rev. K. J. Grant, and in 1873 by Rev. T. M. Christie.

For a time the prospect was disheartening, partly from the persistent opposition of the Orientals and partly from the apathy, and doubt of residents generally, and years passed before one convert was baptized. Our Missionaries were prepared to meet difficulties; they went to labour for those whom they knew to be hostile to Christianity, and they sowed the good seed in faith and hope and waited for fruit. Nor have they waited in vain, for during the past year seventy adults and twenty-five children have been baptized. Five converts devote their whole time to make known the Saviour to their fellow-countrymen, and others are employed as instructors of the young.

With these general remarks indicative of encouraging progress, it will be proper now to present briefly the work of the year in each of the three districts—

I. SAVANNA GRANDE.

Rev. John Morton, Missionary; Joseph Annajee, Evangelist; Miss Annie L. Blackadder, Teacher; Arthur Tejab, Teacher at Fairfield Estate, Hindustani; John Kuntoo, Teacher at Jordan Hill, Mount Stewart, English and Hindustani.

In all the schools religious instruction is imparted daily. In this district the numbers enrolled were 174, and the average attendance 122. Miss Blackadder, who succeeded Mr. J. A. McDonald at Mission Village, has given valuable service; and Mr. Morton regards the schools as a most efficient and indispensable part of their evangelistic agency.

Sabbath-schools have been maintained at the three principal stations, Mission Village, Jordan Hill, and Mount Stewart, the Fairfield children attending at "The Mission," where the average attendance is one hundred. Mr. Morton has regular service at these three stations.

Joseph Annajee assists by teaching Hindustani in the Central School, by teaching adults who come at night to learn to read, by taking charge of the regular service at Mission Village when Mr. Morton is absent, by going out to preach on Sabbath afternoons and often during the week. Baptisms during the year, fourteen, all being adults except one. Two Church members died.

MR. MORTON'S ABSENCE.

Mrs. Morton's prolonged illness rendered it necessary for Mr. Morton to return with her and family to Nova Scotia. During about four months Mr. Christie took charge, and Miss Blackadder, given up by Mr. Grant, removed from San Fernando to Mission Village and took charge of the school, thus relieving the Evangelist for other work. In these circumstances the prosperity of the Stations affords cause for thankfulness, and further cause may be found in the steady improvement in Mrs. Morton's health, giving every prospect of an early return. Thus has the Lord made darkness to be light before his servants. "He has given the oil of joy for mourning, and the garments of praise for the spirit of heaviness.

II. SAN FERNANDO DISTRICT.

Rev. Kenneth J. Grant, Missionary, Evangelists Lal Bahari, Jaipargaslal, and Sadaphal.

Mr. Grant's seventh year has been his happiest and best, being a season of uninterrupted devotion to his work, with no hindrance from ill-health or affliction. His labours, too, have been richly blessed, as seen in the progress of every part of the work. The work, as usual, has been carried on by schools, by visitation of estates and families, by preaching by the Missionary, and by his assistant catechists.

At the close of the year he had six schools, 373 on Roll, daily attendance 236. Baptisms seventy-four—adults forty-nine, children twenty-five. In reference to this increase, Mr. Grant states that on some of the estates—Pictou and Wellington—the Gospel had been preached for six years without a convert, but on these sixteen were baptized in 1877, and there are now thirty candidates for baptism. The following

EVIDENCES OF SINCERITY

noted in Mr. Grant's report are here reproduced because they are most convincing in themselves, and applicable to the converts at all the districts:—

- (1). All attend service, most of them every Sabbath. Some walk three miles regularly.
- (2). A considerable portion of the adults are learning to read the Bible.
- (3). Formerly many used rum, ganja, and opium, but have since abandoned them.
- (4). Generally speaking they manifest becoming zeal in seeking the conversion of their countrymen.
- (5). In confessing Christ all are subjected to reproaches, insults, and curses, and some to bruises and wounds. Of the latter we had an illustration this week.
- (6). All contribute to Christ's cause. Some give liberally. Lal Bahari's weekly offerings amount to \$50, which is much augmented in his gifts of charity. Soudeen \$37. These are our largest contributors. Total in my district from Coolies, \$611.83.

Mr. Grant is encouraged by the zeal and fidelity of his assistants, whose work the Lord is blessing, and concludes his report in these words, which we also adopt: "Encouraged by the past, but above all by the promises of him who cannot lie, we look forward with large expectations."

III. COUVA DISTRICT.

Rev. Thomas Christie, Missionary; Benjamin Balam, Evangelist.

Mr. Christie has completed his fourth year at Couva, which is the newest field of the three. During four months of the year his services were divided between his own district and Mr. Morton's, and his preaching confined chiefly to the Lord's day in both places. His testimony concerning his earnest and excellent catechist is that he has been working faithfully, spending not only the Sabbath, but usually five afternoons in the week, in evangelistic services. Three teachers in this work visit the hospitals on the estates near them. The attendance on and interest in Divine services are reported to be encouraging, especially on Exchange and Perseverance estates. On the former, worship is conducted in an excellent school room; on the latter, under a tamarind tree; but, chiefly by the exertion of three Coolies, a grass-covered house to accommo-

date seventy has been put up, at a cost of \$13 in money, but at an expenditure of a large amount of work by the Christians.

Coolie contributions for religious purposes, \$65.40. Baptisms, five adults and two children. Schools—On the roll, 147; average attendance, 83. Teaching, more elementary than the missionary could wish, the children being as a rule withdrawn so soon as they can work.

Training School for the Instruction of Teachers.—Mr. Christie reports:—"For the first six months of the year I had an interesting class of nine young men, five of them teachers, who met regularly on three afternoons of the week, some of them coming more than two miles after a hard day's work in school. Besides reading lessons in the advanced reader, I gave them lessons in geography, grammar, ancient history and in the Bible. I expect to resume this class on the coming week."

Since making up his annual report, Mr. Christie has had the joy of opening a new church in his district, which he confidently believes will conduce greatly to the furtherance of the cause.

FINANCES OF TRINIDAD MISSION.

The several missionaries have submitted full details of receipts and expenditure in their respective fields, as regards schools, catechists and buildings; and the Committee having remitted these for examination by a sub-committee, the following exhibit has been prepared, from which the extent of support by proprietors of estates, by Coolies, by congregations and by the general funds of the Church, may be easily gathered:—

EXPENDITURE IN TRINIDAD.		
For Missionaries' Salaries	£750	0 0
" Catechists	239	4 9½
" Schools	533	9 1
" Buildings.....	611	6 10½
" Miscellaneous.....	19	9 10
	<u>£2,153</u>	<u>10 7</u>
		\$10,477 93

RECEIPTS.		
From Proprietors of Estates.....	£530	0 6
Special Contributions of Home Church.....	273	0 9
Various Contributions in Trinidad.....	236	7 8
Balance from General Fund	1114	2 2
	<u>£2,153</u>	<u>10 7</u>
		\$10,477 93

STATISTICS OF SCHOOLS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1877.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	ON ROLL.			AVERAGE DAILY.			REMARKS.
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	
MR. GRANT'S SCHOOLS—							
San Fernando.....	80	20	100	44	12	56	.....
Marabella.....	36	12	48	26	6	32	30 per cent. Creoles.
Concord (Guar.).....	24	8	32	20	4	24	.....
Picton.....	50	25	75	38	14	52	25 per cent. Creoles.
Wellington.....							
Canaan, Central.....	48	25	73	33	46	46	16 " "
La Fortuné.....	34	11	45	21	5	26	20 " "
	<u>272</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>236</u>	
MR. MORTON'S SCHOOLS—							
Jordan Hill.....	24	10	34	19	7	26	12 " "
Mount Stewart.....	27	9	36	19	5	24	.....
Mission.....	74	10	84	51	5	56	.....
Fairfield.....	14	6	20	12	4	16	.....
	<u>139</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>174</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>122</u>	
MR. CHRISTIE'S SCHOOLS—							
Esperanza.....	36	6	42	17	3	20	.....
Sevilla.....	13	16	29	9	9	18	.....
Exchange.....	26	8	34	12	5	17	15 per cent. Creoles.
Perseverance.....	14	4	18	11	2	13	.....
Spring.....	20	4	24	12	3	15	.....
	<u>109</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>83</u>	

Totals on Roll—Boys, 520; Girls, 174 = 694. Average daily—Boys, 344; Girls, 97 = 441.

MISSIONARY WANTED.

The Trinidad Mission Conference has for years been calling, and lately calling loudly, for a fourth Missionary. The Committee has been hindered in responding, by want of funds, not merely by the want of a good balance after payment of salaries due, but by the incubus of debt, after the congregations have been fully informed that the Committee could not go forward unless the rate of contribution were raised. And yet on the other hand it is no time to pause. Unless we go forward to give the Gospel to the Coolies, we should give notice that we can not or will not, so that some other body might come forward and supply our lack of service. There are, indeed, good reasons for believing that the work to be done can be best conducted as one, and under one management; and, therefore, the first step should be to see what hinders the supply of the means needful for advancing. And this is the more urgently called for because at the present time the Conference is asking for two men, one to occupy the fourth district, and another to be applied chiefly as a theological tutor to train native evangelists, in the expectation that these native preachers might be so prepared, that no further call for Canadian ministers might be required, save to supply vacancies, caused by death, infirmity, and withdrawal, from whatever cause.

And already this kind of work has been commenced. Shortly after the Mission Conference at the close of 1877, the Catechists from the different stations, with the concurrence of their missionaries, met at "the Mission" to receive some systematic instruction, the commencement of a theological training from the senior missionary, and were so employed for a month, and with great profit to themselves. They studied with great diligence, deep interest, and marked success.

The Committee has not, by any act or resolution, committed itself to the setting apart of a man to this work, but they are persuaded that some step in that direction, if not a necessity, is highly desirable; and that at present the least that we can do is to secure without delay one efficient man to reinforce the mission band, which might then find itself in a position to employ one of their number for part of his time in such work.

It follows that the question of finance must be fairly looked at, as all progress seems barred by want of funds. Of the ability of the Church to extend her missions there can be no doubt. Even now if the zeal and liberality of a part were characteristic of all, our revenues would be far more than doubled; and it was in view of the fact that our giving was not at all commensurate with our ability, that this Committee respectfully asked the General Assembly last year to appoint a Committee on Systematic Beneficence, who through the press and pulpit should shew to the membership of the whole Church, old and young, the high privilege, as well as the bounden duty, of sharing with the Lord all that He, as the Great Proprietor, gives us to hold as His stewards.

The General Assembly took no action on this request, which was designed as a preparation for congregational organization for missionary objects, but submitted the question of the desirability of recommending "the formation of Woman's Foreign Mission Societies in each presbytery of the Church, with branch societies in the several congregations in the presbytery." Now this Committee highly approves of "woman's work for woman," and recognizes the fitness of special interest, as manifested by our Christian women in Zenana work and in the support of our missionary women abroad. And the Committee gladly avails itself of the opportunity of recording gratefully the valuable aid of the Halifax Woman's Society in relieving the general fund, by assuming the support of Miss Blackadder, teacher at Savanna Grande during the past year;* and in doing so, would wish God speed to all similar efforts and societies where there is a suitable field for them. Still, the Committee holds the opinion that such organizations do not fully meet the wants of the mission field. What is now hindering the work, at least as conducted by the Committee, is not want of support for catechists, teachers or monitors, but the want of such large-hearted liberal support of the central force as would warrant the Committee in extending its staff, as Providence opens the way. And this want, in the opinion of this Committee, will not be fully met by the organization of a small proportion of our people, whether men or women, however praiseworthy such societies may be in their object and beneficial to their members. The desideratum as it appears to this Committee, is giving by *all*, giving *frequently*, and giving *as the Lord has prospered us*, and as a means to this end, *congregational organization* such as will secure the end.

Ample room will still remain for woman's work in the great field; and where women can advantageously unite for the advancement of missions, let us cheer them on, and rejoice in their progress and success. While doing this we may press forward a fuller organization of our whole people in congregational societies.

Commercial depression having diminished our receipts, and the expenditure for India missions being eighteen hundred dollars, our finances are deficient, as appears from the subjoined exhibit:

EXPENDITURE.	
On the first account, which is mainly for salaries.....	\$9,528 78
" second, which is mainly for "Dayspring," Evangelistic and Mission Schools.....	4,146 72
" third, which is the Crerar Reserve for Buildings.....	1,537 51
	\$15,213 01

* They have also to acknowledge the sum of \$84 from the Woman's Society of Truro, and remits for two years from the Ladies of St. John's, Newfoundland, for Zenana Missions, amounting to \$332.

EXPENSE OF DIFFERENT MISSIONS.	
New Hebrides Mission.....	\$4,601 68
Trinidad Mission.....	7,925 29
India Mission, as represented by Rev. J. F. Campbell.....	1,836 78
Agency, interest and all other expenses.....	849 26
	15,213 01
OUR RECEIPTS HAVE BEEN,	
On first account.....	\$6,486 35
On second ".....	3,435 91
On third " drawn from Crerar Reserve, for Buildings.....	1,926 84
Balance.....	3,363 91
	\$15,213 01
Balance against us in addition to the Draft for Buildings on reserved fund.....	\$3,363 91
Adverse balance of last year in 2nd account.....	\$777 92
Less by balance in favour in 1st account.....	148 35
	629 57
Debt at date.....	\$3,993 48

The Committee have as an offset the sum of two thousand dollars in stock in the Reserve Fund, by which one-half of the debt might be paid, but they prefer keeping that sum for the objects for which they some time ago, by resolution, set it apart, viz., to meet extra demands for buildings when required. They would further report, in addition to the receipts as per account amounting to \$15,213.01, that they have received within the year \$362 35 for Zenana work, which, with \$258.76 formerly in hand, amounts to \$621.11, which they have agreed to hand over to the Western Committee.

While this debt was accumulating, the Committee sounded a note of warning, but they could not send out deputations to stir up the people as the General Assembly authorized and our Western did with so much success. In the Lower Provinces, deputies were abroad raising funds for College buildings and endowment, and so many congregations did but little, supposing that others were rich and would furnish funds, and that all would be well by the close of the year. The result has been "Four thousand dollars in debt!"

Still the Committee are not discouraged. They have laid the facts before the people fully by circular, and have asked first, that the debt be paid, and secondly, for a higher rate of giving, and a more equable diffusion and enjoyment of this privilege of contribution. The Committee remembers when we had money and no men, and in response to earnest prayer, men were provided, and the same Lord, if prayerfully sought, will open the hearts and purses of his people, so that his treasury will be filled.

In conclusion, the Committee would respectfully ask,

First—That the instructions of the General Assembly given last year, authorizing the sending of a fourth missionary to Trinidad be continued in force.

Secondly—That the Foreign Mission Committees be instructed to carry out the directions of Assembly already given in reference to Wall Maps of the mission fields, with articles to be published in the *Record* on the history and condition of our several missions.

Thirdly—That the General Assembly should adopt some general measure for aiding missionaries abroad, who may from the state of society where they labour, or from climatic causes, be under the necessity of sending their children from their home for education, such aid to be for a limited time, and to be administered with due care and economy.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WALKER, *Chairman*.
P. G. MCGREGOR, *Secretary*.

NEW GLASGOW, *May 31st, 1878.*

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE, WESTERN SECTION, 1877-8.

In submitting to the General Assembly the Annual Report of the Foreign Mission work of the Western Section of the Church, your Committee rejoice that they can present a statement which has in it so many elements fitted to give encouragement. During the year, trials and disappointments have been encountered, but solid progress has been made in the work, and a growing interest has been manifested in it throughout the Church. And if the state of the treasury is not what could be desired, it will be seen that this arises from causes which do not threaten permanent embarrassment.

\$15,213 01

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to \$332.

The work assigned to the care of the Western Committee is embraced in three departments:—

I.—MISSION TO THE INDIANS IN THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

At Prince Albert, on the Saskatchewan, Rev. D. C. Johnson has continued to teach with efficiency and success the Mission School, and since the return of Rev. Alex. Stewart to Ontario, last autumn, he has taken the general oversight of the whole Mission. Owing to the scattered nature of the settlement, and to the fact that another denomination has recently established a school within three miles of Prince Albert, the attendance has not averaged more than thirty, while, at certain seasons, it has fallen below that figure. The pupils have received instruction in the ordinary branches of a sound English education. "The Bible is read daily at the opening of the school, and in addition there are two daily scripture lessons, one for the more advanced pupils and the other for the younger children. The Shorter Catechism also is taught daily to the more advanced, and a smaller catechism to beginners. The school has been conducted as a distinctively Mission School, and it is hoped that as the young are thus brought in daily contact with the truth, they may in God's own time be brought under its saving power." The majority of those who attend the school are native children, whose education has been much neglected. But Mr. Johnson remarks, "My experience in dealing with the Indian children has led me to know that the Indian mind is not incapable of a fair degree of culture, and that with patient and kind, yet firm, treatment, reasonable success may be obtained." The Presbytery of Manitoba bears very satisfactory testimony that this reasonable success has crowned the labours of Mr. Johnson in this department.

In addition to his work in the school, Mr. Johnson has rendered important service in supplying the Mission stations in that growing settlement. The English work at Prince Albert was transferred by last Assembly to the care of the Home Mission Committee. But the Home Mission Committee having failed to find a minister to take charge of the work, Mr. Johnson did what he could to keep up a regular supply of preaching in all the stations. In winter, however, he was forced to confine himself to Prince Albert. For these gratuitous labours the Church is deeply indebted to Mr. Johnson. It is to be hoped that an able minister will without delay be secured to take charge of the English work in this rising community. It cannot be too strongly impressed on the Assembly that every day's delay is fraught with danger to the best interests of our cause in that region.

In his work among the Indians, Mr. Johnson was assisted by Mr. John Mackay as interpreter and missionary catechist. Mr. Mackay has been connected with the Mission from the beginning, and his familiarity with the Cree language and his high personal character, have enabled him to exert a very wide influence for good over the Indians on the Saskatchewan.

In 1876, the General Assembly gave permission to the Presbytery of Manitoba to ordain Mr. Mackay as a missionary. After considerable hesitation and delay, he saw his way to comply with the desire of the Presbytery, and on the 8th May he was ordained to the holy ministry. Hereafter it is expected that the charge of the work among the Cree Indians in the neighbourhood of Prince Albert will devolve specially upon him.

At Okanase, a reserve set apart for the Indians, 160 miles north-west of Winnipeg, Rev. Geo. Flett has been labouring with zeal and success. He is said to minister to four or five hundred Indians at the various points which he visits. As his annual report has not yet come to hand, the details which might be desirable, cannot be given. Very favourable reports concerning his work and the influence which he exerts, have been received through the Presbytery of Manitoba. Mr. Flett has also been able to do something to meet the wants of the white settlers who are rapidly filling up the surrounding townships.

The school established among the Indians on the Roseau Reserve near Pembina, has been continued with a measure of success, but from a variety of causes, the attendance did not average more than twelve and a half during the year. The Government grant which was originally expected to be \$250 per annum, has been reduced to a sum equal to about \$150. Should the attendance not increase or some more economical method of conducting the school not be discovered, it may become a question whether it should not be discontinued.

During the year, a very encouraging commencement was made near Fort Elliee, of a mission to the Sioux or Dakota Indians, who, some years ago, fled from the United States to British territory. They are among the most intelligent, as well as the most warlike and vigorous of the Indian races. Rev. Solomon Tunkansuleye, an ordained missionary of the Presbyterian Church, U.S., himself a Sioux, was secured to labour among this branch of his tribe. He arrived in November last, and was well received by the Indians at the Sioux Reserve. The brethren who have met with him have been very favourably impressed with his character and ability. It is too soon to look for fruit, but from the promising auspices under which this mission has begun, we may hope that many of those savages who, goaded on by the wicked treatment of evil men, become a terror to their civilized neighbours, will, under different treatment, listen to the gospel message, and in due time be found sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in their right mind.

II.—MISSION TO CHINA.

In this field, while trials and disappointments have been encountered, steady and marked progress has been made during the year. The work done has been greatly blessed. Indeed it is seldom that such abundant fruit has been gathered so early in the history of a mission. Early in October last, Rev. J. B. Fraser, M.D., after having reached that stage in his preparatory studies

when he seemed to be ready to engage more successfully in the great work before him, was forced by the lamented death of his excellent wife, to return to Canada with his young children. In his sore bereavement, your Committee feel assured that Dr. Fraser has had the cordial sympathy of the entire Church. His unexpected return to this country might have deranged the work much more seriously than it did, had not Dr. Ringer, the resident English medical man, who has rendered such valuable gratuitous service to the Mission in the past, kindly undertaken the charge of the hospital at Tamsui. For this timely aid so generously rendered, the Church and the Mission are deeply indebted to Dr. Ringer. From a printed report of the work done in the hospital in 1877, which has been issued by Dr. Ringer and Rev. G. L. Mackay, it appears that the number of cases treated has been rather more numerous than the previous year. During the year, 1,410 new and 770 old patients were seen at the Tamsui Mission Hospital, and 77 cases were treated in the house. The medical work of the hospital gives but a very imperfect idea of the extent to which the healing art is made tributary to the gospel in Northern Formosa.

Mr. Mackay says:—"I still continue to dispense medicines in the country when travelling. During the past year, I attended to 2,896 patients, besides extracting 913 teeth. My helpers, also, at the different stations, used the simpler drugs and dispensed to 1,230 suffering natives. Prejudices are thus removed, and the way paved for the reception of the everlasting gospel. *Indeed, the comparative friendly feeling shown towards myself, helpers and work, I attribute to the fact, that from the beginning, when travelling amongst the people, I invariably tried to relieve bodily suffering.*"

But while Mr. Mackay has done much by his medical skill to gain the good will of the people for himself and his message, he has devoted himself specially to the preaching of the gospel throughout Northern Formosa, the training of native helpers and the general superintendence of the various agencies employed. During the year he has been greatly blessed in his abounding labours, and if among many difficulties he has often had to go forth weeping, bearing precious seed, he has been privileged to come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. It is, perhaps, impossible to give a better idea at once of the success which has crowned the work, and the method in which it has been carried on than by quoting from a letter recently received. It is dated Sin-tiam, March 11th, 1878. Mr. Mackay writes:—"I am just reminded that six years ago, last Saturday, I landed at Tamsui, without friends, without a knowledge of the Chinese language or a house to live in. Yes, without converts, helpers, or a hospital. Yesterday I baptized *thirty-two* persons in the presence of two hundred hearers. So that to-day there are *two hundred and fourteen* names on the communion roll. There are also *thirteen* chapels with a trained native preacher in each, *six* students, *five* elders, and *two* deacons, *two* Bible women, and *seven* schools with about *one hundred* children in all. The schools never seemed so prosperous as to-day. Taking for granted that nothing could be done without the constant aid of the Great Head of the Church, allow me to state the mode of operation here, which I consider brought about the above grand results.

First—*Travelling and dispensing medicines.*—Although the hospital did much in the way of removing prejudices, I am convinced that far more was accomplished in the country, travelling as I did from town to town, from village to village, and in many instances from door to door, endeavouring to heal the sick. Foolish and absurd ideas of foreigners, with innumerable prejudices, were thus actually swept away during the past six years.

Second—*Travelling and preaching the gospel.*—I generally visited a place several times, giving medicines to the people, before saying much about the gospel. When the way was somewhat paved, I went from street to street, from household to household, and often from individual to individual, making known the gospel of salvation. As I thus travelled through town and city, over hill and valley, even into the woods where the savages roamed, I was sneered at as *the crazy barbarian*. Pioneer work in Northern Formosa is finished, as I have preached the everlasting gospel throughout its length and breadth many times.

Third—*Travelling and training young men.*—Wherever I proceeded the young men accompanied me, and received almost daily instruction, whether travelling on the road, wandering at the sea-side, or sitting in a chapel. They, too, told the story of redeeming love wherever we chanced to take our stand.

Fourth—*Travelling and appointing a trained helper to take charge of a chapel wherever opened.*—Whenever people in any locality desired further instruction, a native helper was sent to them to follow up the work already accomplished. In this way every step gained was held, and in due time another station was established, and so on until to-day there are *thirteen*.

Had I remained in the port of Tamsui, had I gone out only occasionally into the country, had I, in short, pursued any other course, I feel confident there would not be to-day more than two or three chapels, if even that. There never was a greater mistake than to suppose that the above results were accomplished *without labour*. There has not been what people would call a revival since I landed here, but there has been *hard work*, and as a reward *steady progress* up to this day. No man in Formosa or out of it, has a full conception of the labour bestowed on the field since the 9th March, 1872."

The last letter received from Mr. Mackay of ten days later date, brings the pleasing intelligence that on the previous Sabbath he had baptized *sixteen* converts, and had ordained *three* elders and *three* deacons. The Mission Church in Northern Formosa has now *two hundred and thirty* communicants and a staff of *nine* elders and *four* deacons. Last year there were seventy-five communicants; it is surely a matter for profound gratitude to God that this year your Committee are able to report an increase of *one hundred and fifty-five* members.

It will be in the memory of the members of the Assembly that very serious rioting took place at Bang-kah, the chief city of Formosa, where a chapel which Mr. McKay was about to open, was levelled to the ground by a mob. It would appear that these disturbances were occasioned rather by dislike to foreigners than by any special antagonism to Christianity or to the Missionary personally. It is believed that a chapel will soon be opened in this important centre. The rioters had been ordered by the Mandarins to re-build the chapel on the same site. It is considered a great point gained that the old site has been secured, or, at least, that the Mandarins now raise no objection to it. It may also be stated that steps have been taken to utilize the noble gift of \$1,200 by Mrs. McKay, of Windsor, Ontario, to erect a permanent Mission building in Formosa, as a memorial of her late husband. It is proposed to employ it for the erection of an hospital in Tamsui. A splendid site has been purchased by Mr. Mackay, and when certain difficulties raised by the Mandarins have been removed, it is expected that the building will be proceeded with. Before the return of Dr. Fraser, steps had been taken to secure a third Missionary for Northern Formosa, and Rev. K. F. Junor, of Bermuda, had accepted a Call extended to him to occupy that position. Steps were taken to hasten his departure, and re-enforce Mr. Mackay, as quickly as possible. Upon the 27th February, Mr. Junor was publicly designated to his work in St. Andrew's Church, London, where in infancy he had been dedicated by parental faith to the Lord in Baptism. Shortly after he took his departure for San Francisco, from whence he sailed on the 1st April with his wife and child for China. Intelligence has been received of their safe arrival, after an unusually stormy voyage, at Yokohama, and it is hoped that by this time they have reached the scene of their future labours.

Your Committee, in obedience to the instructions of the General Assembly, have to state that owing to circumstances which it is unnecessary to detail in this report, Dr. Fraser, while his relation to the Committee has not definitively terminated, is no longer in their employment or in the receipt of salary from them. It may suffice to say that a letter was received from Rev. G. L. Mackay, dated Tamsui, 28th February, 1878, setting forth, at length, reasons why Dr. Fraser should not return to labour in Formosa. This document was supported by a translation of a letter from the native helpers and students. These documents having been placed in Dr. Fraser's hands, he gave in to your Committee a detailed reply.

It is due to Dr. Fraser to say that the reasons adduced against his return are not of a kind affecting his moral character or ministerial standing. It was found to be impossible to arrive at an entirely satisfactory judgment upon the matter without entering upon a lengthened correspondence with parties in China, which was not likely in the end to remove the obstacles to Dr. Fraser's return to Formosa; and your Committee, after careful deliberation, agreed to the following resolution, which sets forth the relation in which Dr. Fraser now stands to the Mission work of the Church:—

June 13, 1878, 9 a.m.

That the Committee having respect to Dr. Fraser's views, as expressed to them, and the apparent improbability that he and Mr. Mackay can work harmoniously in the future, do, without expressing any judgment upon the reasons assigned by Mr. Mackay, and the counter-statement by Dr. Fraser, find that it is inexpedient to send Dr. Fraser back to labour in Formosa; but, in coming to this resolution the Committee desire to state expressly that they do not withdraw their confidence from Dr. Fraser as a Christian gentleman or as an efficient missionary.

And further considering that Dr. Fraser has already such a knowledge of the language and experience in mission work, as to fit him for immediate usefulness, and considering that this Committee does not see its way to commence a new Mission in China, resolve to recommend him to the Boards of Missions of the English Presbyterian Church, and of the Reformed Church of America, and that the Convener be instructed to make application on his behalf in terms of this resolution.

III.—MISSION TO CENTRAL INDIA.

This Mission has been greatly strengthened during the year. When the last Foreign Mission Report was presented to the General Assembly, Rev. J. M. Douglas and Misses Rodger and Fairweather constituted its entire staff. There are now two ordained Missionaries and four ladies, besides native agents, regularly employed in this field. In the month of July last, Rev. J. F. Campbell who had been sent to Madras under the auspices of the Eastern Committee removed to Central India, and joined Mr. Douglas in his work. This step taken, as it was, with the full sanction of the last Assembly, will, it is hoped, secure greater unity and vigour in the prosecution of the work in India. In the month of December, Rev. J. M. Douglas was cheered by the arrival of his wife and three of his children from Canada; and the Mission received a valuable accession to its strength in the persons of Misses Forrester and McGregor, who reached India by the same steamer as Mrs. Douglas.

When Rev. J. F. Campbell removed to Central India, Mr. Douglas, guided by the advice of those in whose judgment he had confidence, deemed it inexpedient for both Missionaries to remain at Indore. It was supposed that too great display of force at first would stir up opposition. It was therefore considered better for Mr. Campbell to occupy Mhow, a city thirteen miles distant, where there are a large body of British troops, and a native population of 20,000, and where he will be within easy reach of the other Missionary.

As Indore is now said to have a population not of 70,000, as at first reported, but of nearly

200,000, it seemed a pity that the entire Mission staff could not remain in such an important centre. In matters of this kind, your Committee feel that much respect must always be paid to the views of the Missionaries upon the ground. Yet they have felt it necessary to ask more specific information respecting the grounds for those apprehensions which have led to this course, and they are not without hopes that with due regard to the interests of the work, it may soon be found possible to concentrate the Mission staff at Indore.

After the arrival of Misses Forrester and McGregor, it was decided, largely owing to the difficulty of securing suitable accommodation for all the ladies at Indore, to send Misses Rodger and Forrester to Mhow, while Misses Fairweather and McGregor remained in the Holkar's capital. By this distribution of labourers, one lady fully acquainted with the languages of the natives was secured to each station.

The work at Indore is prospering, and a very cheering measure of success has attended its initial stages. Mr. Douglas is much encouraged by the abundant openings presented for making known the truth. His Sabbath services and Thursday evening lectures have been attended by audiences composed of nearly all classes of Europeans, Eurasians, Hindoos and Mussulmans. He speaks of the work in his own Bungalow as often intensely interesting. "For months," he says, "Our afternoons and evenings have been occupied in reading the Scriptures and conversing with native gentlemen on religious subjects. Although many debate the claims of Christianity, yet nearly all who visit us, seem to have lost confidence in their own systems. Many are deeply interested, and are studying the Bible in private. The caste influence is the great barrier in the way of all. The educated classes feel it to be a clog to their social and national progress. They acknowledge their bondage and are longing to be free. In this work we have been greatly aided by our lady assistants, who, after returning home, jaded with the toil of the day, have in the presence of these enquirers, renewed their strength and borne witness to the truth as it is in Christ Jesus." Something has been accomplished in the way of instructing the young, and requests have come from two Brahmin villages to open schools. They offer to provide accommodation and allow such books as the Missionary desires to be used. The villages which have been visited are spoken of as presenting a very hopeful field of labour. "The people are simple minded, willing to hear and always courteous." The Printing Press also has been made tributary to the good work. It has already sent forth 6120 Gospel tracts and leaflets, a large proportion of which have been already distributed. It is pleasing to learn that Mr. Douglas has been early privileged to gather in the first fruits of what will yet, it is hoped, prove an abundant harvest. On the 7th March, two Brahmins from the Court in Indore were admitted by him into the Church of Christ by Baptism. This step was not taken by them without trials well fitted to test the reality of their faith. "On the day fixed for their Baptism here," says Mr. Douglas, "they were seized by the authorities and afterwards brought before His Highness Holkar. He threatened them with gaol, and demanded security, which we are sorry to say, was given. They afterwards escaped to Bombay, thence to Baroda State, and we baptized them in the Irish Presbyterian Church at Borsud, Gujerat. They have literally "left all and followed Jesus." Sookanundon is twenty-three years of age, and has had a fair education, and speaks English freely. His cousin, Narayan Sing, is a promising youth of nineteen years. Just when a cloud resting on our Mission House, and our three boys and Miss McGregor were prostrate with small pox, the Lord thus kindly mingled light with darkness, and gave us these first fruits of our Mission labour.

Rev. J. F. Campbell has also been cheered during his brief labours at Mhow, by several applications for baptism. But while he has not yet seen his way to admit any of these applicants into the Church, he speaks of one of them in very favourable terms.

The work of the ladies is advancing in a most satisfactory manner. It is evident that there are abundant openings for such labourers in Central India. Miss Fairweather reports that she has visited *seventy-seven* Zenanas, fifty-two of which still remain open. She also superintended one school, and visited at various times during the year, eight villages. At Indore, Miss Rodger appears to have concentrated her attention upon twelve Zenanas, all of which remain open. Since her removal to Mhow, she has not only continued the work of visiting Zenanas, but has taught an interesting school for Marathi girls. Misses Forrester and McGregor are in the meantime chiefly occupied, it is presumed, with study of the languages, but the latter has already been able to render some service in the way of visiting Zenanas along with a Bible woman.

Both Messrs. Douglas and Campbell urge the importance of securing suitable buildings for the Missionaries, the latter very generously offering to waive the claim of Mhow in favour of Indore, if suitable buildings cannot be secured at once for both places. Mr. Douglas says, "Buildings are our first and great want. We are reluctant to press this upon the Church at this early stage in our history. But our circumstances demand that something be done, and that soon, not only for the health and comfort of the Church's agency, but for the actual continuance of the work."

Your Committee deeply impressed with the importance of securing suitable buildings for the Missionaries, have endeavoured to obtain approximate estimates of the probable cost. And they are of opinion that a special effort should be made under the sanction of the Assembly to raise a sum of say, \$8,000, to purchase or erect buildings at Indore, and also at Mhow, should it be decided to occupy that field permanently.

In this connection, your Committee deem it necessary to call the attention of the General Assembly to the action of the Juvenile Mission Committee in issuing, during the past winter, an appeal to the Sabbath Schools of the Church for funds to erect Mission buildings at Indore, and

for other departments of work already entrusted to the care of the Foreign Mission Committees. Your Committee gladly recognize the zeal for the salvation of the heathen, and for the extension of Christ's kingdom which prompted this step, but, at the same time, they feel that it was fitted to embarrass them in their work and introduce unnecessary confusion, when another Committee thus stepped into their place, and undertook a portion of their duties. Your Committee therefore trust that the General Assembly will give such directions in reference to this matter, as will in future prevent anything which may interfere with the orderly prosecution of the Foreign Mission work.

Your Committee beg to call the special attention of the Assembly to the following statement of the Receipts and Payments for the year :

FOREIGN MISSION.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year.....	\$174 66
Receipts from Congregations, Sabbath Schools, Donations, &c., including \$102.49 from Rev. G. L. Mackay; Medicines sold, \$20.38, and contributions by Foreign community, \$207.....	17,376 74
Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, viz. :—	
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Presbyterian Church in Canada (Western).....	\$1,870 00
Kingston.....	250 00
Hamilton.....	150 00
	2,270 00
Juvenile Mission per Miss Machar, for Zenana Teachers and Schools.....	360 00
Mrs. Mackay, per Rev. J. Gray, Windsor, for building, \$1,200 American currency.....	1,164 00
Balance.....	1,008 83
	<u>\$22,651 23</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Salaries, Rent of Buildings, and all expenses connected with Mission in India.....	\$7,700 28
Outfit and passage money of Mrs. Douglas and family, Miss Forrester, and Miss McGregor, (balance to be accounted for as salary).....	2,886 27
China—Salaries and Expenses, and Salaries of Native Helpers, Teachers, Students, &c.....	4,633 92
Travelling Expenses of Dr. Fraser in returning.....	1,290 54
Outfit and Travelling Expenses of Rev. K. F. Junor, with salary in Canada.....	1,831 51
Paid Rev. K. F. Junor on account of salary, and expenses from Hong Kong to Formosa.....	600 00
Paid on Account of North-West :—	
Rev. G. Flett.....	\$711 12
" J. McKay.....	951 66
" D. C. Johnson.....	175 00
Outfit of Indian Missionary.....	39 00
Indian School.....	187 00
Orphan Children.....	202 00
General Expenses of Mission.....	175 00
	2,440 78
Sundry Expenses of Committee and Deputations.....	370 93
Interest.....	300 00
Proportion of General Expenses.....	200 00
" Salary.....	400 00
	<u>\$22,651 23</u>

From this statement, it is apparent, that in a year of unusual commercial depression, a marked advance has been made in the Foreign Mission revenue. Last year the total receipts from all sources were \$15,039.18, this year they are \$21,170.74, or an increase of \$6,131.56. It is true, that of this sum, \$1,164 are a donation for a special object, and \$360 will probably appear also in the financial statement of another Committee, but after deducting these items there is an increase from ordinary sources, including the Women's Foreign Missionary Societies, of \$1,607.54.

It may seem strange that notwithstanding this largely augmented revenue, your Committee are under the disagreeable necessity of reporting at the commencement of another year, a debt of \$1,008.83, but this arises from the large amount expended upon the outfit and travelling expenses of missionaries and their families. This item may in future be expected to figure annually in the Foreign Mission Reports, but during the past year \$6,008.32 were thus expended in connection with the Missions to India and China, a sum so exceptionally large, that it may be hoped there will not be reported for some years to come.

The last Assembly having "authorized the Foreign Mission Committee to send deputations to visit the congregations of the Church," with the view of evoking increased liberality, your Committee took steps to do so. A large number of ministers and prominent laymen responded cordially to the invitation to act on these deputations, and the Presbyteries, with few exceptions, made suitable arrangements for their reception. And your Committee cannot doubt that the marked increase in the income of the year is largely due to their successful labours.

The last Assembly referred to your Committee for consideration the subject matter of the following recommendation, viz.: "The Committee suggest to the General Assembly that it would be desirable to recommend the formation of Woman's Foreign Mission Societies in each Presbytery of the Church, with branch societies in the several congregations of the Presbytery, and that the Presbyterial Societies should, if they see fit, send their reports to the Conveners of the sub-Committees on Foreign Missions, and their contributions to the Treasurers of the Foreign Mission Funds."

The Halifax Assembly, while expressing no opinion on the merits of this proposal, having deemed it of sufficient importance to remit it for consideration, your Committee have weighed it carefully, and they are unanimously of opinion that its adoption would prove injurious to the interests of Foreign Missions, and interfere seriously with the efficient working of those societies which it is designed to promote. They are of opinion that the Constitution of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada," adopted, as it was, at the suggestion of the Foreign Mission Committee, and duly sanctioned by the General Assembly of 1876, is, with certain slight modifications, in every way adapted to promote the best interests of the work. The alterations which seemed desirable were, during the year, suggested by your Committee to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and were cordially adopted by them. A copy of the Constitution thus amended is appended to this Report, and will, it is believed, meet the cordial approval of the General Assembly. It will be seen that the Constitution provides for one General Society for the Western Section, with provision for Presbyterial Societies, having branches in the several congregations of the Church. This arrangement securing the unity of the whole with full freedom for local effort, is, your Committee believes, best fitted to secure both the immediate and the ultimate success of these Societies.

Your Committee cannot close this Report without adverting to the marked success which has crowned the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, established a little more than two years ago at the suggestion of your Committee. It has already done enough to show that it is fitted to accomplish a great work for the women and children of heathen lands. Last year it paid into the Foreign Mission Treasury for this purpose \$1,000. This year it has raised upwards of two thousand dollars and handed over \$1,870. Last year it had seventeen branches, and this year it has twenty-nine and six Mission bands. In addition to the General Society, there are two other Societies organized on a different plan, one in Kingston and the other in Hamilton, which have sent liberal contributions. The Kingston Society has sent \$250, and the Hamilton Society has given \$150, as an instalment towards the salary of Miss McGregor. It will thus be seen that a total of \$2,270, or within \$130 of what is sufficient to pay the salaries of the four ladies now labouring as missionaries in India, has come from the liberality of the Christian women of the Western Section of the Church.

Your Committee feel that a work so full of promise, deserves the warmest encouragement from the General Assembly. All of which is respectfully submitted, by

WM. McLAREN, *Convener.*

TORONTO, 10th June, 1878.

P.S.—Since the foregoing Report was drawn up, intimation has been received that \$621 contributed by the Halifax Woman's Foreign Mission Society for Zenana work, will be handed over to your Committee, and that the Hamilton Ladies' Society has on hand in addition to the \$150 above acknowledged, the sum of \$324, which will in due time be paid towards the salary of Miss McGregor. These sums will require to appear in the Financial Statement of next year. But it is pleasing to know that in reality the various Woman's Societies have during the past year contributed no less than \$3,215 in support of the work of the Western Committee in India.—WM. McL.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA—WESTERN SECTION.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1.—This Society shall be called "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada," (Western Section) and its central point of operations shall be the City of Toronto.

Article 2.—Its object shall be to aid the Foreign Missionary Committee or Board of Missions, by promoting its work among the women and children of heathen lands, and for this purpose it shall receive and disburse all money which shall be contributed to the Society, subject to the action of that Committee or Board, in the appointment of Missionaries supported by the Society

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Article 3.—Each person paying one dollar annually, through an Auxiliary, or direct to the treasury, shall become a member of this Society. The payment of twenty-five dollars, by one person, at one time, shall constitute a life membership.

Article 4.—The business of the Society shall be conducted by a Board of thirty-six managers, including the President, four Vice-Presidents, a Recording-Secretary, two Corresponding-Secretaries, and a Treasurer. They shall be elected from the members of the Society annually, by the members who are present at the annual meeting. They shall have power to elect non-resident Vice-Presidents, and of appointing corresponding members when the objects of the Society shall be promoted thereby; they shall also have authority to fill vacancies occurring in their body during the year.

Article 5.—There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers, and four other managers, to be elected annually. This Committee shall have power to transact such business as may require attention in the intervals between the stated meetings of the Board. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Article 6.—The Annual Meeting shall be held in Toronto, or elsewhere, as the Society shall from year to year determine, on the second Tuesday in April, when the Board of Managers shall give in their Annual Report, and the officers and managers for the ensuing year shall be elected. The Board may, however, for special reasons, postpone the Annual Meeting.

Article 7.—A Special Meeting of the Society may be called at any time by the President, upon the request of the Managers.

Article 8.—This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; notice in writing of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

Article 1.—The Board of Managers shall hold its stated meetings on the first Tuesday of each month, at three o'clock p.m., at such place as it shall appoint. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Article 2.—The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and perform such other duties as are incident to the office. She shall call special meetings upon the request of three members, and shall be *ex-officio* a member of all standing committees. She shall sign all drafts upon the treasury before they are paid.

Article 3.—The Senior Vice-President present, shall, in the absence of the President, perform all the duties of her office.

Article 4.—The Treasurer shall receive, and hold, and keep an account of all money given to this Society, and shall disburse it as the Board of Managers shall direct. She shall report the state of the treasury at each regular meeting. Her Annual Report shall be examined by an auditor appointed by the Board.

Article 5.—The Recording-Secretary shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Board, and give proper notice of special and stated meetings.

Article 6.—It shall be the duty of the Corresponding-Secretary for the Foreign Field, to conduct the official correspondence with the Foreign Mission Committee or Board, and also with the missionaries, teachers, and Bible readers, supported by this Society. She shall in conjunction with the other Secretaries prepare the Annual Report of the Board of Managers. Missionaries supported by this Society shall be required to make regular reports to her.

Article 7.—The Corresponding Secretary for the Home Field shall correspond with Churches and individuals, in localities where it is possible to awaken an interest in the branch of missionary work for which this society was formed. It shall be her duty to extend information on the subject in all proper directions. She shall organize Auxiliary Societies wherever it is practicable.

Article 8.—Auxiliary Societies shall be required to make an annual Report to the Board on or before the first Tuesday in March.

Article 9.—Any manager who shall be absent from three successive meetings of the Board, without notifying the same of the reason of her absence, shall forfeit her position, and her place may be filled.

Article 10.—The Society shall meet with the Board of Managers on the first Tuesday of each month, for three-quarters of an hour, for devotional exercises, and the reception of Missionary intelligence, after which the Board shall, by itself, proceed to the transaction of its business.

Article 11.—These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, but notice of any proposed amendment must be given in writing at the meeting preceding such vote.

CONSTITUTION FOR AN AUXILIARY TO THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Article 1.—This Society shall be called the _____ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (Western Section).

Article 2.—Its object shall be to aid the General Society in sending to foreign fields and

sustaining female missionaries, Bible-readers, and teachers, who shall labor among heathen women and children.

Article 3.—Any person may become a member of this Society by the payment of \$—— annually.

Article 4.—The Officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Article 5.—The President shall preside at all meetings, and have a general oversight of the work.

Article 6.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of the Society, give notice of meetings, and prepare the Annual Report. She must also keep the general Society informed of the condition of the Auxiliary, and forward a list of officers with the Report and the Treasurer's statement.

Article 7.—The Treasurer's duty shall be to report the state of the treasury at every meeting, and remit the funds yearly to the Treasurer of the General Society, on or before the first Tuesday in March.

Article 8.—This Society shall hold regular stated meetings, when all suitable measures shall be adopted to promote interest in this branch of missionary work, also an annual meeting to elect officers and hear the Annual Report.

Article 9.—An Auxiliary Society, raising sufficient means, may have the privilege of designating a missionary whom they would wish to support.

MEMORANDUM.—Any rules relating to the local affairs of the Society may be adopted, provided they do not conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the General Society.

NOTE.—Do not interfere with other organizations. Make no appeal that shall conflict with duties church members owe to any other benevolent work.

DIRECTIONS FOR FORMING MISSION BANDS.

I.—An Association of young ladies banded together to aid the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church shall be called a Mission Band, auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church in which it is formed, or to the Parent Society (Western Section).

II.—Each Band shall be responsible for not less than \$20 a year.

III.—Any one may become a member of a Mission Band by the annual payment of twenty-five cents.

IV.—The officers of a Band shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

V.—The duty of the President shall be to preside at all stated meetings, and to have a general oversight of the work of the Band.

VI.—The duty of the secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the Band and make an Annual Report to the Missionary Society to which it is auxiliary, or to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Western Section.

VII.—The Treasurer shall receive and hold all funds, paying the same annually to the Treasurer of the auxiliary of the church in which the Band is formed, or to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Western Section).

VIII.—Each Mission Band must select an appropriate name, not already in use, and report the same to the Society to which its money is sent.

Letters concerning the organization of Societies, and all matters pertaining to home work, are to be addressed to Miss Torr, 31 Peter Street, Toronto.

Letters asking information about missionaries, or any questions concerning the foreign field, as to Bible readers, teachers, or children in the various mission schools, should be addressed to Mrs. HARVIE, 354 Front Street, Toronto.

Letters containing remittances of money, for the W.F.M.S., may be addressed to Mrs. J. M. KING, Treasurer, 357 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

CONSTITUTION OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY.

Article 1.—This Society shall be called "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of ——."

Article 2.—Its officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer—all to be elected annually, and to hold office until their successors are appointed.

Article 3.—The Presidents of the Local Societies shall be Managers in the Presbyterial Society.

Article 4.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the formation of auxiliaries to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in all the congregations of the Presbytery, to diffuse intelligence and excite missionary interest, among the women and children of the Church.

Article 5.—This Society shall be Auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, (Western Section).

Article 6.—The Presbyterial Society shall hold its annual meeting at —— meeting of the Presbytery ——.

Article 7.—The President and Secretary of the Presbyterial Society, with the President of the

local Society where Presbytery is held, shall be a Committee of arrangements, selecting topics for discussion, and devising means to make the meeting interesting and profitable.

Article 8.—Reports shall be sent to this meeting from the Secretary of each local Society.

Article 9.—A short abstract of these reports shall be sent to the Presbytery in session, to be read, if approved, at their public meeting, to be followed, it is hoped, by at least one address upon this branch of work.

Article 10.—Contributions from the Congregational Auxiliaries shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Presbyterial Society, who shall forward it to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board, Toronto, though, when it is preferred, the Auxiliary may remit direct to Toronto, and report the same to the Treasurer of the Presbyterial Society.

Article 11.—The voting members of the Presbyterial Society shall consist of the officers of the various Auxiliaries. All members of Auxiliaries who have paid one dollar shall have the right of discussion, but not of voting. Five of the voting members, representing different congregations, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article 12.—The counsel and co-operation of the pastors of the churches, shall at all times be sought for, when circumstances may require.

Article 13.—This constitution may be altered at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice in writing of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MISSION TO THE LUMBERMEN IN THE VALLEY OF THE OTTAWA.

The Committee on the mission to the Lumbermen in the Valley of the Ottawa, in submitting their Annual Report to the General Assembly, desire to record their thanks to the great Head of the Church for the encouragement given them in this branch of Home Mission Work.

They have endeavoured to prosecute the work of the Mission as fully as the means at their disposal would allow, both in regard to the preaching of the gospel, and the distribution of appropriate literature among the Shantymen: the literature consisting of tracts in English and French, with interesting papers such as the "British Workman," "Cottager and Artisan," "L'Ouvrier Francais," "L'Ami de la Maison," etc., in both languages, besides a number of bound volumes.

They had hoped to have three ordained Missionaries in the field during the past season, as they had during the season immediately preceding, but they were able to secure the services of one only, the Rev. J. Gandier, of Fort Colonge, who visited, as in former years, the lumbering districts on both sides of the Ottawa, from Pembroke downwards, as far as his time would permit. To supplement Mr. Gandier's labours, the Committee availed themselves of the services of some of the Colporteurs of the Ottawa Bible Society, who while visiting a large number of shanties in the interests of that Society were most willing to distribute the literature furnished by your Committee. In this way the work of the Mission was promoted by Mr. McOrmond, in the shanties of the Gatineau and neighbouring districts, by Mr. Hughes in those of the Bonchere and neighbourhood, and by Mr. Stewart in those of the Upper Ottawa beyond Pembroke, as well as those on Lakes Kippaire, Beauchane, and Temiscamingue. The Committee were also greatly assisted in their work by the Rev. David Wishart, of Madoc, who visited a number of shanties on tributaries of the Ottawa in some of the remoter townships of the counties of Hastings and Renfrew, preaching the Gospel to the men as well as distributing among them large quantities of literature.

The Reports presented by those who have thus carried on the work of the Mission contain much that is interesting and encouraging, as may be seen from the following extracts:—

Thus Rev. Mr. Gandier reports:—"My work has been cut far short of my expectations by the mildness of the season and the lack of snow; eight weeks being the whole of the time thus occupied. I visited nearly all the places on the Black River, the Schegan, the Colonge and the Pickanock, numbering 35 shanties, 13 stopping places, 8 depots, and 24 families, making in all 80 visits, preaching 75 times, finding access to 1,160 persons. Everywhere the gospel was received with great attention, and the literature, as usual, was hailed with delight. I sent parcels of it to 12 other shanties and gave a large quantity to Mr. Day, Colporteur of the Ottawa Bible Society for distribution. Thus the literature would be read, or heard read, by about 2,000 persons. Much of it is taken by the men to their homes in the spring and summer, and thus it reaches perhaps as many more. A few appreciated the visits very highly. This was especially the case with some French families in Leslie who, a few years ago, became Protestant."

Mr. McOrmond, Colporteur, reports:—"I have visited 29 shanties, and 24 depots, containing as far as I could ascertain, 800 men. These establishments belong to Messrs. Gilmour & Co., Messrs. G. B. Hall & Co., Messrs. Hamilton Bros., and others. The literature which you entrusted to me was welcome everywhere. The French seemed especially delighted to receive papers in their own language. I was gratified to observe how careful some of them had been of the books and tracts presented to them last year: they had both used and preserved them; and I found that in many places there was an eager expectation of your annual donation of literature."

Mr. Hughes, Colporteur, reports:—"I think the publications distributed by me will reach upwards of 500 people. At the Basin Depot I went with a young man who had been converted through M. Chiniquy; he was very much pleased to get the tracts not only for himself, but to read them to others. Before I left he was reading them to other French Roman Catholics."

Mr. Stewart, Colporteur, reports:—"I visited the shanties on the north branch of the Petta-wawa, Bisset's Creek, Magnasippi, Kippaie, Temiscamingue and Beauclaire,—31 shanties, and 11 depots,—distributing papers and books to 1,100 men. With a very few exceptions, the papers were received with gratitude and apparently read with interest."

The Rev. Mr. Wishart was only able to make a short visit of twelve days to shanties in the York Branch and in the neighbouring districts, but was able to forward literature to many whom he could not visit,—in all to about 500 men.

It will thus be seen that not only has the Gospel been preached to a large number of shanty-men, but also that appropriate literature provided by the Committee has been distributed by those from whom reports have been received, among 4,900 persons, and these persons are for the most part cut off from the influence of the Gospel, except in so far as it is brought to bear upon them through the work of this mission. In addition to this, large quantities have been forwarded by some of the lumberers to shanties not visited by any Missionary or Colporteur, and, as appears from two of the reports, many of the men preserve the books and papers, etc., for distribution in summer among their families and friends.

While therefore the Committee regret that they could not secure the services of Missionaries who could undertake in other districts the work performed by Mr. Gandier in the districts visited by him, yet they are glad to be able to report a greater and more widespread distribution of suitable literature than during any previous season.

The Committee have good reason to believe that, though the contributions of the Shantymen towards the funds of the Mission have been small, on account of the reduced wages at which they have been working during the past two years, yet they very heartily appreciate both the preaching of the Word and the publications which are so extensively distributed by the Committee. They trust that their labours, though not such as to bear fruit directly in the formation of congregations or the erection of churches, may yet yield, in due time, a rich return in the improvement of the men, and may indirectly assist, in no small degree, the work of Home Mission and of French Evangelization.

The Committee greatly acknowledge their indebtedness to those Congregations and individuals who have supported the Mission, also to the Religious Tract Society, of London, the publishers of the "British Workman," and the French Canadian Missionary Society, for free grants of the publications issued by them, while furnishing large quantities below the ordinary prices. The Religious Tract Society has very signally aided the work of the Mission in this respect.

The Committee entertained the hope that, on the recommendation of last General Assembly, the congregations in the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa would contribute more generally to the support of the Mission. They trust that as the nature and requirements of the Mission become more widely known, increased contributions will be given to secure the greater efficiency of this important branch of Home Mission Work.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DANIEL M. GORDON, B.D., *Conteuer.*

MISSION TO THE LUMBERMEN IN ACCOUNT WITH ANDREW DRUMMOND, Esq.,
TREASURER.

1877.		RECEIPTS.		
Dec.	13.	Contribution from Allan Gilmour, Esq., Ottawa.....		\$50 00
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March.		" " Bronsons & Weston, "		20 00
		" " J. R. Booth, Esq., "		20 00
		" " Levi Young, Esq., "		15 00
		" " James Gordon, Esq., "		5 00
		" " Hon. George Bryson, Fort Colonge		20 00
		" " Calvin Church, Pembroke		27 50
		" " Bank St. Chure' Ottawa		50 00
		" " St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa		50 00
		" " St. Andrew's Church, Perth		10 00
		" " Second Presbyterian Church, Huntingdon.....		10 00
		" " Union Church, Smith's Falls.....		10 00
		" " St. Paul's Church, Montreal.....		50 00
		" " Shantymen, per Mr. R. McOrmond.....		6 50
		" " Shanty of J. Findlay, Esq., per Rev. J. Gandier.		12 00
		" " McCoshen & Co., " " ..		8 50
		" " D. Lunam, Esq. " " ..		5 00
		" " Caldwell & Co. " " ..		8 00
		" " Others.....		5 75

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1877.		EXPENDITURE.	
June	12.	Balance due Treasurer as per Published Report.....	\$15 22
Aug.	13.	Freight on Published Reports.....	0 70
"	28.	Postage Stamps and Stationery.....	1 57
Dec.	14.	Publications of "British Workman" Office.....	49 90
"	"	Duty and Freight on do.....	12 34
"	31.	Publications of Religious Tract Society, London.....	47 78
"	"	Duty and Freight on do.....	12 50
		Publications of French Canadian Missionary Society.....	50 00
		Freight on do.....	1 45
1878.			
Feb.	20.	Packing and carriage of parcels of literature.....	5 15
March	19.	Duty and freight on additional tracts from London.....	1 45
		Rev. M. Turnbull, credited with contributions unpaid in 1877.....	10 00
		Rev. T. Brouillette, balance of services in 1877.....	16 67
		Rev. J. Gandier, salary and expenses, eight weeks, 1878.....	156 00
		Balance on hand.....	2 52
			\$333 25

REPORT OF THE JUVENILE MISSION SCHEME FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31st, 1878.

The Committee of the Juvenile Mission Scheme have much pleasure in reporting an increase of interest in this Scheme among the children of the Church, and also a considerable increase of contributions, notwithstanding the pressure of the present financial depression. Owing to the circumstance that the number of orphans maintained by the school has very much diminished, and that there seems to be considerable difficulty in procuring others to take their place, while at the same time, the Missions directly undertaken by our own Church are increasing in interest, usefulness and claims on our contributions,—the Committee at the beginning of this year, resolved to endeavour to direct the future contributions of the children as far as possible into channels more especially connected with our own Missions. They were confirmed in this resolution by the earnest representations of some of our Missionaries on the field, and more especially by an application from the Rev. James M. Douglas at Indore, for a grant to support two Zenana teachers employed under his supervision. This request was at once complied with, the Bible Class of St. Andrew's Church, Quebec willingly undertaking the support of both. In January, the Secretary, by order of the Committee issued circulars to all Sabbath Schools, Superintendents and Ministers in Ontario and Quebec, announcing the increased number of objects offered to our Sunday Schools for their contributions,—these being chiefly subsidiary work in Indore and Trinidad, with an invitation to contribute also to the support of the "Day Spring," the Missionary vessel employed to sail among the New Hebrides group of islands, and largely maintained by the Sunday Schools of the Maritime Provinces.

To these circulars the Secretary has received a considerable number of cordial responses, though these have not been so general as could be desired. This arises partly from the circumstance that some Sunday Schools contribute directly to the Foreign Schemes of the Church, and with these the Committee has no desire to interfere; and partly from the great lack of interest in Foreign Missions that exists in many of our schools. It is hoped, however, that this Scheme may be in the future, as it has been in the past, a means of making this interest deeper and wider.

As the Committee had determined on continuing to fulfil the obligations previously undertaken by the Sunday Schools on their list, a small number of orphans—about fifteen—are still supported; though it is not intended that any new ones shall be assigned. Besides this, the four high-caste schools undertaken in the vicinity of Calcutta are still maintained by the Sunday Schools formerly supporting them. These schools are, respectively, the Canadian School, long supported by this Scheme; the Badoor Bagan School, and that at Dhôba pārâh, consisting of two divisions. In addition, as *new* work, the two Zenana teachers applied for by Mr. Douglas, who were trained in the orphanages of Poona, are both maintained by the Bible Class of St. Andrew's, Quebec. Three other schools, Sarnia, Pembroke and Lancaster, have applied for Zenana teachers, and the applications have been duly sent on to Mr. Douglas. The sum of three hundred dollars has also been remitted to Mr. Douglas to be used at his discretion, for the schools which he is anxious to open at Indore; and he has also been requested to procure at the expense of this Scheme, the fonts of Hindi and Urdu type which he is anxious to obtain for his printing press. Fifty dollars have also been sent by two schools for the support of the "Dayspring," which sum has been remitted to Dr. McGregor.

In conclusion, the Committee commend the Scheme to the sympathy and co-operation of the Church, in the hope that, under God's blessing, it may prove not the least useful of our organizations in training the children of the Church to be earnest lovers of Missions and helpers to the Church in the various branches of her Foreign Mission work.

All which is respectfully submitted.

AGNES MAULE MACHAR, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

JUVENILE MISSION SCHEME.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

BY WHOM CONTRIBUTED.	PLACE.	OBJECT OR ORPHAN.	ORPHAN-AGE OR PLACE.	For Orphans.		For Schools.		For Zenana Teachers.	
				Rs.	Cs.	Rs.	Cs.	Rs.	Cs.
St. Andrew's Sabbath School	Ottawa	Helen	Calcutta	20	00				
"	"	Christina	"	20	00				
"	Kingston	Dorothea	Poona	20	00				
"	"	School	Indore			20	00		
"	"	Canadian School	Calcutta			10	00		
"	Toronto	Badoor Bagan S.	"			50	00		
"	Perth	Canadian School	"			25	00		
"	Seymour	School	Indore			23	00		
"	Amprior	"	"			20	00		
"	Fergus	Anna Multoo	Poona	20	00				
"	"	Zenana teacher	"					10	00
"	"	Martintown School	Indore			20	00		
"	"	Sarnia Biblewoman	"					60	00
"	"	Quebec	"					60	00
"	Bible Class Sabbath School	Lachine School	"			20	00		
St. Gabriel Street	Montreal	Dhoba Parah Sch.	Calcutta			60	00		
St. Matthew's	"	School	Indore			20	00		
Victoria Mission	"	Victoria Rachael	Sealkote	20	00				
St. Paul's	Montreal	Esther School	Calcutta	20	00				
"	"	"	Indore			100	00		
St. James	Charlottetown, P.E.I.	"	"			20	00		
Sunday School and Infant Class	Lanark	Canadian School	Calcutta			13	50		
Sabbath School	S. Georgetown	Badoor Bagan S.	"			20	00		
Chalmers' Church S. School	Kingston	School	Indore			25	00		
Barrie-Field and Portsmouth S.S.	"	Frances	Calcutta	10	00				
Sabbath School	Almonte	Zenana teacher or School	Indore			25	00		
"	King	Canadian School	Calcutta			13	00		
St. Andrew's Sabbath School	St. John, N. B.	Pharos School	Sealkote	20	00				
"	Huntingdon	"	Indore			20	00		
Juvenile Association	Montreal	Dhoba Parah Sch.	Calcutta			70	00		
Sabbath School	Bond Head	School	Indore			9	32		
"	Blair	"	"			3	00		
"	Kippon	"	"			16	66		
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"	"	Canadian School	Calcutta			15	00		
W. U. Miss. Association	Sherbrooke	Zenana Mission	Indore					20	00
Knox Church Sabbath School	Goderich	"	"					25	00
Sabbath School	Smith's Falls	"	"					2	00
"	P. Arthur's Landing	"	"					4	00
Knox Church Sabbath School	Milton	"	"					5	00
Sabbath School	Brucefield	"	"					2	00
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David Ross	Leith	School or Zenana Mission	"			20	00		
Mrs. Ross	Lancaster	Zenana Mission	"					2	00
Miss McLeod	Halifax	Seta	Calcutta	20	00				
First Pres. Ch. Sabbath School	St. Catharines	School	Indore			30	00		
Rev. Dr. Kemp	Brantford	"	"			2	00		
George Davidson	Berlin	"	"			5	00		
				Rs.	170	00	Rs.	679	48
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In addition to the above received for the "Dayspring"—

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 " Central Presbyterian Sabbath School, Toronto 25 00

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“ First Church Sabbath School, West Gwillimbury.....	25 00
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Total Receipts during the year.....	<u>\$1174 48</u>

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE PAST YEAR.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Received as above for Orphans.....	\$170 00	Remittances to Scotland.....	\$591 50
“ “ Schools.....	679 48	“ Rev. Dr. Reid for Indoro Mission.....	360 00
“ “ Zenana Mission.....	275 00	Remittances to Rev. Dr. McGregor for “Dayspring”.....	50 00
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May 31, 1878.

Examined and found correct.

D. FRASER, *Manager Merchants' Bank of Canada, Kingston.*

AGNES M. MACHAR, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KNOX COLLEGE FOR 1877-8.

It is the duty of the Board of Management to present an annual report to the Venerable the General Assembly of the Church, and they have now the pleasure of doing so for the past year, as follows:—

The work of the College has been prosecuted during the past Session without any events to call for special notice here. The different departments have been conducted with their wonted order and efficiency. Nothing has occurred to interfere in any way with the ordinary arrangements of the Institution.

Although the increase or diminution of students in our colleges and universities in any one year compared with another may arise from causes unconnected with these institutions, yet it is gratifying to observe, amidst the complaints by other churches that they have fewer candidates for the ministry, that the number of those who are now studying, or preparing to study, in Knox College, is fully above the average.

From the report of the Senate, it will be seen that in the Theological department, there have been forty in attendance, viz.: twelve in the first year's course, thirteen in the second, and fifteen in the third. In the Literary department there have been twenty-seven students, viz.: ten in the first year's course, eight in the second, and nine in the third. It is matter of congratulation, that an increasing number of young men, having the ministry in view, are acting in accordance with the encouragement given them by the Senate, by taking a full course of study at one of our universities, before entering on their Theological course. There are about thirty such in the University of Toronto, so that there are this year nearly one hundred looking forward to the ministry.

The Board would invite attention to the accompanying reports of the Senate and Board of Examiners for full and satisfactory statements regarding the subjects of study, and the progress of the students in the different departments.

Ordinary Revenue.—The amount of congregational contributions from the territory assigned to Knox College, and to Queen's College Theological department has been \$9,432.49, being a slight increase over that of last year. From this amount the sum of \$1,260.94 proportionately belonging to Queen's College, and that of \$750, ordered by the Assembly to be paid to Montreal College, have to be deducted. There is thus left the sum of \$7,385.55. When to this are added, of interest from the Endowment Fund, \$1,315.10, and \$690 from the House Fund, and \$102 from Matriculation fees, there is found the sum of \$12,402.65 as the available amount for the support of the College. The necessary expenditure is \$13,426, so that there is a deficiency of about \$1000.

It will be remembered that, as stated in last year's report, there was then an accumulated debt upon the ordinary revenue of \$13,477.85. This heavy burden, if allowed to remain, could not fail to affect seriously the comfortable working of the affairs of the College. Accordingly, the Assembly appointed a committee to devise means to liquidate the debt. Satisfactory progress has

been made toward this object, and the confident hope is entertained that by the end of this year, the whole amount will, with such efficient aid as has hitherto been given by the ministers of the Church, be raised. The Board recommend the re-appointment of the Committee for that purpose.

But, whilst it is confidently expected that the Committee will be enabled to accomplish the end that is sought, it must be evident that such a process cannot be repeated. The Board, therefore, express the hope that the congregations which form the constituency of the College will endeavour during the year, and in subsequent years, to make up the deficiency of \$1000, already referred to, so that no more debt may be incurred. It is not fair, or right, that some congregations should be giving largely for an institution in which all ought to be deeply interested, as intimately bearing upon the welfare and advancement of the Church, whilst others are doing comparatively little for it. Let all strive to do what they can, with an intelligent apprehension of what is needed. And indeed, if each congregation were only to transmit to the Treasurer the amount given last year, and not less than \$5 more, the necessary revenue would be attained. And surely, to say the least, that is not an unreasonable request, considering the importance of the cause.

Endowment Fund.—It is pleasing to have to report that in addition to the amount of \$16,292.10, mentioned last year, there has been paid this year, by his executors, a legacy of \$5,000 from the late Mr. John McCulloch, of Niagara; also, a legacy of \$200 from the late Rev. George Cheyne, of Saltfleet. There has also been bequeathed by the late Mr. John McBean of Toronto, property of considerable value which will, in due time, be available for the benefit of the College. The Endowment Fund now amounts to \$51,492.10.

Bursary Fund.—There have been paid in bursaries and scholarships, during the last year, \$1,450. A bequest of \$500 has been made by the late Miss Galbraith, of Princeton, Ontario, and another of \$500 by the late Rev. George Cheyne. The sum of \$700, besides, has been invested. The donors of scholarships will likely continue to provide the same as before, for the encouragement of deserving students.

Building Fund.—The amount of subscriptions paid during the year has been \$8,115.24. The whole amount paid has been \$92,566.87, and the balance is \$38,433.61. Several congregations have not yet been visited in connection with the Building Fund. But arrangements are made for visiting them very soon. The Board recommend that, as soon as convenient, steps should be taken to endeavour to collect the outstanding subscriptions.

Library.—The Library has received a considerable addition this year in the gift by the late Rev. George Cheyne of his library. And the Board would take the opportunity in this their annual report of calling the attention of friends, throughout the Church, to the desirableness and necessity of furnishing more fully this valuable appendage to the work of the College.

Boarding House.—At the close of the session a petition was presented to the Board, signed by almost all the students residing in the College, to the effect that they might be allowed the privilege of the accommodation provided in the College rooms, if any of them chose to avail themselves of it, whilst they boarded elsewhere. After carefully considering the whole matter, the Board have deemed it proper to grant the request in the meantime, on condition that the students so acting should pay a reasonable sum, to be agreed on, for such accommodation in the College.

All which is respectfully reported.

ALEXANDER TOPP, *Chairman of Board.*

TORONTO, 11th June, 1878.

REPORT OF THE SENATE OF KNOX COLLEGE—SESSION 1877-8.

The Senate of Knox College have to report to the General Assembly that the number of the Students enrolled in the *Theological Department* of the College during last Session was forty. The number of those who have completed the curriculum of study, and on whose behalf application will be made to take them on trial for License, is fifteen. It is hoped that these will prove a valuable accession to the ranks of the church's labourers in preaching the Gospel.

The lists of the several years are as follows:—

First year—Andrew Baird, B.A.; Joseph Brown; Charles H. Cooke; James Craigie, B.A.; William Galloway; W. A. Hunter, B.A.; R. W. Kennedy, B.A.; G. D. McKay; William McKay; James Ross; J. C. Tibb, B.A.; J. K. Wright.

Second year—R. H. Abraham, B.A.; Daniel M. Beattie, B.A.; B. J. Brown; S. H. Eastman, B.A.; David Findlay, B.A.; Andrew Henderson; William Fitzsimmons; J. R. Johnston; A. W. Marling; D. I. Munro, B.A.; John Ross, B.A.; James Smith, M.A.; Donald Tait, B.A.

Third Year—Thomas Atkinson; F. Ballantyne, M.A.; F. R. Beattie, M.A.; A. T. Colter; Donald Currie; Alex. Fraser; J. B. Hamilton, M.A.; John Johnston; Alex. Leslie, M.A.; Joseph McCoy, M.A.; D. G. McKay; David Ross, M.A.; W. J. Smith; J. C. Watt; John Wilkie, M.A.

Joseph Brown, whose name was before the General Assembly some years ago, as seeking permission to enter the study of Theology under special conditions, was sent to the classes by the Presbytery of London; his case has been reported upon to that Presbytery by the Senate.

A most excellent young man, D. C. Mackenzie, B.A., whose name would have appeared in the second year, died in the College before the day of enrollment came. Mr. Mackenzie was possessed of excellent talents; his standing, both in the University and in Theology, was highly honourable; his services in the mission field were greatly appreciated, both by the stations in which he laboured, and by the Presbyteries under whose inspection he was, and all who knew him will bear testimony to his single-hearted earnestness in the service of Christ.

The following is an abstract of the several class reports:—

Dr. Cazen had three classes under his care,—the senior and the junior Exegetical Classes, and the class in Biblical Criticism.

In the Senior Exegetical Class lectures were given on the Epistle to the Romans, chapters vi.—ix.; and on Messianic selections from the books of Genesis, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Second Samuel, Psalms, Ezekiel, and Zechariah. The students of the third year prepared each a Critical exercise. As far as time would permit these “exercises” were criticised in the class. The Junior Exegetical Class read critically the first four chapters of the Gospel of Luke, and the first nine chapters of Genesis. A course of Lectures on the Principles of Interpretation was given in this class. The class in Biblical Criticism went over the ground embraced in the Elements of that study, with somewhat careful reference to the main passages in the New Testament of which the genuineness is disputed, or in which important various readings are found.

Professor Gregg reports that he conducted the classes in Apologetics, Ecclesiastical History, and Biblical History.

In the Apologetical Class the subjects of Natural Theology and the Evidences of Supernatural Revelation were discussed. In the class of Ecclesiastical History the events and customs of the first seven centuries were reviewed. In the class of Biblical History—attended by the students of all the years—the history of the Kingdom of Judah was reviewed. Professor Gregg examined the Homilies and the Latin Discourses; the subjects of the Homilies being, for the most part, connected with Apologetics, and those of the Latin Discourses with Theological questions.

Professor McLaren reports that he taught two classes in Systematic Theology. The Senior Class consisting of the second and third years’ students, had their attention directed to the following topics: viz.—Sanctification, Adoption, the Moral Law, State of the Soul after Death, the Second Advent, the General Judgment, Future Punishments, and the Sacraments.

The Junior Class (first years’ students) were occupied with the Subjects of Inspiration, the Rule of Faith, the Attributes of God, the Trinity, and the Decrees of God.

The classes, as in former years, were conducted by means of lectures and free conversations, in which the students were encouraged to state their difficulties. It is believed that this method of instruction has many advantages.

The senior class met five times weekly, and the junior four times.

Dr. Proudfoot taught the class in Church Government and Pastoral Theology, attended by the students of the second and third years. Forty-three lectures were delivered on Church Government, making an exhaustive examination of the New Testament passages relating to this subject. The testimony of the Fathers was also carefully examined, especially those preceding the middle of the third century.

Ten lectures on Pastoral Theology were given. All that could here be aimed at was to discuss general principles and salient points. The questions of Revivals of Religion and of the attitude of the Church towards benevolent societies outside of it, were carefully discussed. Thirty-six sermons and lectures were heard and criticised in presence of the class.

All the Professors speak of the attendance of the students as regular, and express satisfaction with their diligence and general deportment.

In the *Preparatory Department* Mr. F. R. Beattie, M.A., was re-engaged as Greek Tutor, and Mr. Donald Tait, B.A., was engaged as Latin Tutor.

The following is the list of Students in the Literary Course:

First Year—A. K. Caswell; George Greig; James S. Henderson; Thomas Nixon; Angus Robertson; Robert B. Smith; Alexander Urquhart; John B. Urquhart; John Willert; Kenneth McKenzie.

Second Year—William McKinley; D. B. McDonald; David Bickell; Samuel Carruthers; John Jamieson; James Reid; Edward Snyder; J. M. Rogers.

Third Year—Thomas Scouler; John Currie; Abraham Dobson; Andrew Henderson; David James; Angus McKay; Peter McLean; John Mowat; Andrew Wilson.

A. Urquhart and J. Willert left at the end of the first term, proposing to prepare for Matriculation in the University of Toronto. Owing to ill health J. B. Urquhart left early in the session. E. Snyder left in order to join the work of the University. James Reid has taken up the work of the second year in the University.

The Senate has repeatedly reported that every legitimate encouragement is given to Students in the Preparatory Department, to aim, wherever possible, at completing the regular University Curriculum; and it is gratifying to observe that many students who begin with the Knox College Preparatory Course pass over, in their first or second years of study, to the position of regular students of the University.

Mr. Beattie reports that the Senior Greek Class read Homer, Odyssey B. xxi., Demosthenes, Philippic I., and the first two chapters of the Acts of the Apostles. The class met once a week for Grammar.

The Junior Greek Class read Xenophon, Anabasis B. v. chapters v.-viii, and joined with the Senior Class in reading in the Acts of the Apostles. This class also met weekly for Grammar. Mr. Beattie would recommend that the examinations held before Christmas should have value in determining the standing of the student at the close of the session.

Mr. Tait reports that the Senior Latin Class read Livy B. xxi., chapters 1-25, and Horace, Odes B. ii. Grammar was reviewed, with particular attention to Syntax. Considerable attention was given to prose composition.

The Junior Latin Class read Cicero, In Catalinam, and Pro Ligurio. The class went carefully over the Latin Grammar, and the first twelve exercises in Arnold's Latin Prose.

The Tutors report regularity of attendance, diligence and propriety of deportment on the part of their students.

Prof. Gregg again charged himself with the duty of giving instruction in Mathematics to the students of the first Literary year.

The *Students' Metaphysical and Literary Society*, as in past years, prosecuted its aim with great energy and zeal, and it claims to be regarded as an important agency in training the students for their future work, is gladly recognized by the Senate. The College Hall was crowded on occasion of the public meetings held by this Society. The interest thus evinced by the members of our church in the city, is gratefully recognized as an encouragement to an important Society, embracing nearly all the students of the College.

The *Reading Room* is still under the exclusive control of the students, and continues to be well supplied with Newspapers, Magazines, and Reviews.

The *Students' Missionary Society*, the Senate is thankful to report, continues to flourish. All the Students are members of it, and great interest is taken in its affairs and proceedings. In addition to work done by labourers sent out by the Society to its distant and necessitous fields, much valuable service has been rendered during the Session, in the extension of our church in Toronto, and in various religious work in the Jail, Central Prison, Hospital, etc.

The Students hold a Weekly Prayer Meeting in the College, and the Students and Professors hold a Monthly Prayer Meeting.

The Senate would record their grateful appreciation of the interest shewn in the College by the congregations and members of our church, who so generously sustain the *Scholarship Scheme* in its two Departments.

During the past year an excellent lady, recently deceased, Miss T. Galbraith, of Princeton, Ont., has bequeathed to the College the sum of \$500 towards founding a scholarship for the benefit of necessitous and worthy students. Such an act is of the greater service to the College that it has not hitherto had any fund, regularly available, for the important purpose referred to.

The following is the List of Scholarships awarded in connection with the University Scholarships' Scheme, viz.:—

First Year.

GOULD STREET CHURCH, TORONTO, SCHOLARSHIP, \$60: W. G. Hanna.
LONDON (I.) SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$50: J. S. McKay.
BURNS SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$40: ——— Conboy.

Second Year.

ALEXANDER (I.) SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$60: R. Y. Thomson.
KNOX CHURCH, HAMILTON, SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$50: John Mutch.

Third Year.

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO, SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$60: John Gibson.
A. F. SKINNER, SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$50: J. W. Cameron.
CHARLES STREET, TORONTO, SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$40: Joseph Builder.

The following Scholarships were awarded in the Theological Department:—

BAYNE SCHOLARSHIP,..... \$50: for proficiency in Hebrew: entrance examination. Awarded to J. K. Wright.
ALEXANDER SCHOLARSHIP (I.):..... \$50: General Proficiency: closing examination. Andrew Baird, B.A.
GILLIES SCHOLARSHIP (I.)..... \$50: Systematic Theology: closing examination. James Ross.
GOLDIE SCHOLARSHIP..... \$50: Exegetics: closing examination. W. A. Hunter, B.A.
DUNBAR SCHOLARSHIP..... \$50: Apologetics: closing examination. James Craigie, B.A.
DOUGLAS SCHOLARSHIP..... \$40: (2nd) Apologetics: closing examination. William McKay.
GILLIES (II.) SCHOLARSHIP..... \$40: Church History: closing examination. G. D. McKay.
ESSON SCHOLARSHIP (I.)..... \$40: Biblical History: closing examination. J. C. Tibb, B.A.
HERON SCHOLARSHIP..... \$40: Biblical Criticism: closing examination. R. W. Kennedy, B.A.

Second Year.

J. A. CAMERON SCHOLARSHIP	\$60: General Proficiency: closing examination.	Donald Tait, B.A.
LOGHRIE SCHOLARSHIP	\$50: Systematic Theology: closing examination.	Daniel M. Beattie, B.A.
ALEXANDER SCHOLARSHIP (II.)	\$50: Exegetics: closing examination.	A. W. Marling.
BONAR SCHOLARSHIP	\$40: Church History: closing examination.	S. H. Eastman, B.A.
ESSON SCHOLARSHIP (II.)	\$40: Biblical History: closing examination.	Andrew Henderson.

Third Year.

HAMILTON CENTRAL CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP	\$60: General Proficiency: closing examination.	John Wilkie, M.A.
FISHER SCHOLARSHIP (I.)	\$60: Systematic Theology: closing examination.	Joseph McCoy, M.A.
FISHER SCHOLARSHIP (II.)	\$60: Exegetics: closing examination.	A. T. Colter.
ESSON SCHOLARSHIP (III.)	\$40: Biblical History: closing examination.	W. J. Smyth.

Second and Third Years.

BOYD SCHOLARSHIP	\$40: Homiletics: closing examination.	Alexander Leslie, M.A.
SMITH SCHOLARSHIP	\$50: Essay on "The Teaching of the Confession of Faith in relation to the Son of God."	J. R. Johnston.

First, Second and Third Years.

CLARK PRIZE (I.) (Lange's Commentary):	for New Testament Greek. Special Examination at close of Session.	James Craigie, B.A.
CLARK PRIZE (II.) (Lange's Commentary):	for Biblical Hebrew. Special Examination at close of Session.	D. M. Beattie, B.A.
SCHOLARSHIP OF \$10	for Proficiency in the Gaelic Language.	Alexander Fraser.
THE PRINCE OF WALES' PRIZE	\$60: was held this year by F. R. Beattie, M.A., whose standing would otherwise have entitled him to the Scholarship for General Proficiency in the Third Year.	

The Medals bestowed by His Excellency, the Governor-General, have been awarded as follows:

THE SILVER MEDAL..... for best Examination in Classics of 3rd Preparatory Year. Abraham Dobson.

THE BRONZE MEDAL..... for second best Examination in Classics of 3rd Preparatory Year. David James.

The Librarian reports that the number of books given out during the session was 574, and the number returned 424. The numbers embrace the books returned from the distribution at the close of the previous session, and the books given out at the close of this session.

The consulting department of the Library has been in continual use.

The opening Lecture of the Colloge session was given by Principal Caven, and the closing Lecture by Professor Gregg.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. CAVEN, *Chairman of Senate.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS—KNOX COLLEGE.

The Board begs to submit the following statement of its operations during the year. These have had respect to three classes of students in course of preparation for the ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

I.—MATRICULATED STUDENTS ATTENDING UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

Nine students entered on the competition for the scholarships, ranging in value from \$60 to \$40, offered by the Board to young men taking a full course of study at University College, with the view of entering the ministry of the Presbyterian Church.

The following were the successful competitors :

In the third year,—

John Gibson.

J. W. Cameron.

Joseph Buihler.

In the second year,—

Robert V. Thompson.

In the second year,—

John Mitch.

In the first year,—

William G. Hanna.

J. S. McKay.

— Conboy.

The scholarships were given by the congregations of Cooke's Church, Charles Street, and Gould Street, Toronto; of Knox Church, Hamilton; and of St. Andrew's Church, London. This scheme has shared also in the proceeds of the Alexander bequest. The Board would bespeak the continued support of the congregations named for this important scheme, and would invite other congregations equally able to lend it their assistance.

II.—STUDENTS IN THE PREPARATORY CLASSES OF KNOX COLLEGE.

Thirteen students appeared before the Board in October, with a view of entering the preparatory classes of Knox College. All of them had appeared before the Presbytery of their bounds, and were certified to the Board as in former years. The Board found the attainments of the candidates for entrance very varied. In one or two cases it could only give to them a standing, conditional on the results of the closing examination. It would emphasize the importance of a good elementary knowledge of classics and of the English language, before application for entrance is made. Two students were admitted, in consequence of very superior attainments, to the standing of the second year, and one who had studied for some time in a College in the United States, to the standing of the third year.

The names of those admitted to the standing of the first year are, John B. Urquhart, John Willert, Thomas Nixon, Robert B. Smith, Alexander Urquhart, R. McCosh, George Greig, James S. Henderson, Angus Robertson, Kenneth McKenzie. The names of those admitted to the standing of the second year are David Bickell and Edward Snyder, and to that of the third year, David James.

James Reid, a student of Theology, from the Union College, New York, was instructed to attend the classes for Latin and Greek in Knox College, and for Philosophy, in University College; his standing in the preparatory course to be determined by the results of the final examination.

At the close of the College Session, the Board, in conjunction with the Senate, examined in Latin and Greek the students of all the years, and in Mathematics, those of the first year. Certificates were presented from the Professors of University College by the students of the various years, attesting regularity of attendance on the prescribed classes, and in the case of most, satisfactory acquaintance with the subjects of study. The standing of one student was not allowed, and he was recommended not to prosecute his studies for the Ministry. Several students who did not pass a satisfactory examination in Dr. Wilson's English Literature Class, were instructed to take this class again next session. The Board has pleasure in testifying to the satisfactory indications furnished by the closing examinations of diligent and successful study during the Session, especially in the departments of Latin, Greek, and Mathematics, taught within the College.

As the names of the students who passed in the successive years, have already been read in the Report of the Senate, they are not repeated here.

Six students having completed their studies in the preparatory course will be entitled to enter on the study of Theology next session. Their names are A. Dobson, D. James, T. Scouler, A. Wilson, Angus Mackay, John Mowat. The first named obtained the Silver Medal bestowed by His Excellency, the Governor-General; and the second named, the Bronze Medal.

III.—STUDENTS IN THE THEOLOGICAL COURSE.

Eleven students appeared before the Board seeking admission to the Theological Classes. Of these, four were graduates of the University of Toronto, viz. : Andrew Browning Baird, B.A., James Craigie, B.A., Robert William Kennedy, B.A., John Campbell Tibb, B.A. Three had completed the preparatory course of Knox College; John Knox Wright, James Ross and G. D. Mackay. William Mackay had completed so much of his University Course, as in the opinion of the Board to entitle him to enter on the study of Theology. William Galloway, a Licentiate of the Baptist Church, was admitted in virtue of the deliverance of last General Assembly in his case. R. H. Abraham, B.A., of Toronto University, having completed one year's attendance in the Theological Classes in Allegheny College, and Andrew Henderson having given also one year's attendance in the same classes in Columbia College, South Carolina, were admitted to the standing of second year's students in Knox College.

The closing examinations in the Theological Course were conducted as in former years by the Board and Senate, acting in conjunction. These testified to much diligent and successful study in the various departments brought under review. The Board would congratulate the General Assembly on the number and the high standing of the students who this year have finished the prescribed course of study in this Institution. It is not necessary that the names of those who passed in their respective years, and of those who, in addition, gained Scholarships, should be given here, as they have already been presented in the Report of the Senate.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. KING, *Chairman of Board of Examiners.*

TORONTO, June, 1878.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE.—THIRTY-SEVENTH SESSION.

To the Venerable the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada

The Trustees of Queen's University and College respectfully submit the following report for the year 1877-78 :

Since the year 1811, when the Institution was founded by Royal Charter, no Session has been more fruitful and more promising than the one which closed yesterday. This is all the more cheering because a very short time previous to the commencement of the Session the friends of the College were thrown into despondency by the resignation of the Principal, the Rev. Dr. Snodgrass. It is not necessary for us to dilate to the Assembly on the many and weighty services rendered to the Church and the College by Dr. Snodgrass. His claims to the gratitude and respect of all Canadian Presbyterians are well-known to every member of your Venerable House; but all may not know the obligations we feel under towards him for his services to Queen's College, for his devotion and unflinching firmness in her days of deepest darkness. The unexpected removal from the Institution of such a head was calculated to infuse fears and doubts into the minds of many friends. Had the Trustees not been in a position to take immediate action in the matter of appointing a successor, the consequences would have been most injurious to the Institution. They met at once, and unanimously appointed the Rev. G. M. Grant, A.M., D.D., Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, N.S., to the position of Principal and Primarius Professor of Divinity. They feel that it is a matter of congratulation that they had not to go outside the ranks of their own Canadian Church for a successor to Dr. Snodgrass; and that they were able to secure one who, as Moderator of one of the four bodies which united three years ago to constitute the Presbyterian Church in Canada, must be supposed to have the confidence of the whole Church. Mr. Grant not being in a position to take his place till a month after the commencement of the Theological Session, the Rev. Dr. Bell of Walkerton was appointed to give, during that month, a course of lectures on the relations of Science and Religion similar to that which he had given to the students of Queen's College four years previously. This duty the Assembly will readily believe Dr. Bell discharged to the full satisfaction of the Senate, the Trustees, and the Students. The installation of the new Principal took place on the 4th of December, amid a display of enthusiasm on the part of the alumni and the community generally, most gratifying to the Board. No part of the proceedings gave greater pleasure than the presence and the addresses of the Principals of Knox College and Montreal Presbyterian College, for, as the various Institutions of the Church are doing common work, it must be felt very desirable that the utmost cordiality should ever be maintained between them.

II. ATTENDANCE.

In our first report to the Assembly, two years ago, the number of students registered in Arts and Theology was given as sixty-nine. In our second report, submitted last year, we were able to state that the number had risen to eighty-five. And in this, our third report, it is our pleasing duty to state that the number registered as actually attending last session was one hundred and six. Of this number forty-five are studying for the Ministry of our Church.

Five students of Theology, viz.: Thomas S. Glassford, B.A., of Beaverton, Ont.; Alexander McLean, B.A., of Belfast, P.E.I.; John Mordy, M.A., of Renfrew County, Ont.; Alexander H. Scott, M.A., of Martintown; and Hugh Taylor, Scotland, have completed their curriculum and are under trials for license from the Presbytery of Kingston. All these gentlemen have taken the full University and Theological courses except Mr. Taylor, who entered upon a special course five years ago, sanctioned by the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland.

Two undergraduates studying for the ministry, Hugh McIntosh in his second year, and Robert Nairn in his fourth year, were obliged to leave college in the middle of the session on account of illness. We trust that they may soon be restored, in God's good providence, to health, and enabled to resume their duties. With these exceptions, the health enjoyed by the students was excellent, and the general average of attendance at classes was, as usual, very high. Of the undergraduates twenty-one completed their examinations, and obtained the degree of Bachelor of Arts. This is the largest graduating class the college has ever had. Four Bachelors sent theses to the Senate that led to the degree of Master of Arts being conferred on them.

We would refer members of Assembly to the calendar for 1878-79, copies of which are herewith submitted, for the names, addresses, and standing of the students in both Faculties, as well as for all details connected with our educational system, classes, subjects of examination and regulations.

III. PRIZES, MEDALS, BURSARIES, NOMINATIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Calendar contains full information also with regard to pass and honour lists, and the names of the successful competitors for class and University prizes, and for nominations and scholarships. The report of the Bursary Fund, which consists of collections from a few congregations and bequests, is also submitted. Our thanks are due to these congregations that remember the claims of this fund from year to year. We would take this opportunity of respectfully request-

ing that other congregations should remember the Bursary Fund, which is specially intended for deserving students for the ministry, whose own means are insufficient to enable them to prosecute their studies, and also of earnestly recommending that contributions be forwarded as early in the Session as possible.

Our warmest thanks are due to the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, and to those congregations and liberal benefactors that enable us to offer so many valuable Scholarships and University prizes. Also to those gentlemen who give nominations to a full course in Arts, free of class fees. Nine of these nominations are thrown open to competition next Session.

We announced last year that John Carruthers, Esq., of Kingston, had offered two gold medals for competition. In the course of the Session, John McIntyre, Esq., Mayor of Kingston, and a graduate of the university, offered a third gold medal to be known as "The Mayor's Gold Medal," and which, it is hoped, will be continued by succeeding Mayors. It will be seen from the Calendar that six gold medals are offered for competition next Session. One is offered for honour work in Greek, another for honours in Mathematics, the third for honours in Mental Philosophy, the fourth for honours in Natural Philosophy, the fifth for honours in Chemistry, and the sixth for honours in Political Economy. The liberal University prizes that are offered for essays are inducements to students to prosecute, during the summer, special courses of reading with an object in view. These essays must be given in to the Senate soon after the beginning of the Session. Altogether, under this heading of prizes, etc., Queen's College may be considered fairly well supplied. We desire to hold out prospects of aid to students as rewards of merits, rather than that indiscriminate eleemosynary aid which is apt to destroy independence of character; and also to have in view different kinds of talent, scholarship and merit.

IV. THEOLOGICAL STUDIES.

In one of the departments of the Theological Faculty the fifth and sixth books of Hill's lectures in divinity were studied. These deal with Soteriology and Ecclesiology. Introductory to Book V. lectures were given on the relations of Philosophy to Theology, on the sources of Theology, on modern non-Biblical conceptions of God, and on the Biblical view of God given in the first pages of Revelation. To explain and set in order the various terms used in Scripture, to express the restoration of the soul from death to life, lectures were given on the Agency of the Holy Spirit. In connection with Book VI. lectures were given on the theories of Romanism and Protestantism respectively, as to the Church, Church Government, and the relation of the Church to Civil Society.

One hour each day was devoted to the above subjects. Another hour was devoted to Evidences, Paley and Butler being the text books for the Session.

In connection with this department the Rev. Dr. Jenkins of St. Paul's Church, Montreal, gave a course of lectures and conversations to the students on Pastoral Theology and Homiletics similar to that which he had given in Queen's College four years ago. These lectures—the outcome of a ripe and varied experience—proved most instructive and were highly appreciated. Also the Rev. Dr. Jardine, late Principal of the Church of Scotland's Institution, Calcutta, and a distinguished alumnus of Queen's College, kindly repeated the course of lectures on Comparative Religion from a missionary standpoint, which he had previously given to the students of the Scottish Universities. Neither of these courses was made a charge on the ordinary revenue of the College. Dr. Jardine's lectures were largely attended, not only by the Divinity, but by many of the Arts Students, and by leading citizens of Kingston. His lectures and also the addresses of the Rev. Mr. Millengen from Constantinople, and the Rev. Dr. Fraser of our Formosa Mission, have had the good effects of turning the attention of the students to the claims of the great mission field, outside of Christendom.

In the other department of the Theological Faculty the subjects were—In Hebrew: Junior Class—Wolfe's Grammar, Genesis I. xi.—xiii., Psalms xxxi.—xxxiii. Senior Class, Gesenius Grammar, Exodus vii.—xii., Isaiah xl.—l., Daniel ii. In Biblical Criticism—Ephesians and Phillipians in Greek. Introduction to Old Testament books, Biblical Antiquities. In Church History—Centuries xiii.—xviii.

V. THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL, COLLEGE JOURNAL, COLLEGE SOCIETIES.

All continue to manifest a healthy and increasingly vigorous life. The election of seven members to the University Council, for the term of five years, to take the place of the seven who retired on March 15, according to rotation, showed a general interest on the part of registered graduates and alumni that is very gratifying. The Council is a most important element in the constitution of the University. We have sorrowfully to record the unexpected death of one who was re-elected to the Council, John Bell, Esq., M.A., M.D., Montreal, a gentleman universally respected for his Christian worth, and whose loyalty to the Church and the College was of the truest kind.

The *Journal* is managed by a Committee of the Alma Mater Society, and by its circulation among old and new friends stimulates their interest in the College. The Trustees can not avoid expressing their admiration of the ability with which it is conducted, its manliness of tone, and general high literary standard. It is well to state again that the *Journal* is in no sense the organ of the Senate or Trustees. The Editors and Managing Committee are alone responsible for its utterances, and the success of five years has vindicated the wisdom of trusting to their discretion and sense of propriety.

The College Societies have all been well sustained during the past session, though the Elocution Association suffered in consequence of Professor MacKerras' illness during part of the session. Professor MacKerras has always taken a lively interest in this Association. Every one now acknowledges the great importance of practical training for young men who are to be public speakers. Thanks to the John Watkins foundation, we have a permanent lectureship of Elocution and sacred Rhetoric established, and the members of the Association and the students generally will profit by this. Mr. Alexander Melville Bell was to have commenced his course last year, but his time was so much occupied in connection with his son's invention of the telephone that his brother, Mr. D. C. Bell, took his place, and did his work in a most efficient manner.

The meetings of the Missionary Society, held on Saturday morning, are always of a profitable kind. Reports of missionary labour and practical questions connected therewith are considered. During the past session the annual address to the Society was given by the Rev. A. Wilson, of Kingston. Addresses were given at other times by the Rev. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, and by the Principal. Thirty-four members of the Society are engaged this summer in the Church's mission field. During the winter the Society co-operates with the Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee in supplying stations and vacancies in the neighbourhood of Kingston. The prayer-meeting on Sunday mornings is also well sustained.

VI. LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

The Library now consists of 11,000 volumes. Every year valuable additions are made to it and to the Museum, partly by purchases, but chiefly by presentations generously forwarded by friends and former alumni. We are, however, greatly hampered for lack of accommodation.

VII. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

The Treasurer's financial statements, duly audited, are herewith submitted. They leave nothing to be desiderated on the score of clearness. It will be seen at a glance not only that the general financial condition of the College is sound, but that our estimated revenue and expenditure is, as usual, justified by the result, except in the one item of the amount received from the Church. Statement No. 1. shows our deficiency of revenue this year to be \$1930. The explanation is that the Church for the past two years has given us less than half the moderate sum we asked for. The sum required from the Church for those years was, in round numbers \$4900. The amount received has been about \$2000, or an average of \$1000 a year. Had the sum the College asked for been given, the Treasurer would have been able to show a respectable balance to credit. In connection with this, it may not be out of place to call attention to the severe economy which is practised in connection with the administration of the College, but for which we would have to ask for a very much larger sum. For example, it seems to be generally conceded now that young men studying for the Church should be in residence, and the money value of that advantage to the student is set down at six dollars per month. If we gave that monetary equivalent to the young men who come to Kingston to study for the Church, we would by one item alone add about \$2000 to our annual expenditure. Without going into details, however, we submit that it is only necessary to consider thoughtfully the detailed expenditure in a College with a staff of eleven instructors, and an hundred and six students, to see that it is impossible for economy to be carried farther. Much of the credit for this is due to the late Principal. His cardinal rule was never to sanction expenditure unless he knew where the money to meet it was to come from. Money given or left for any special object or for endowments was kept sacred for that purpose, so that the donor's name might be preserved forever in connection with the University. And though his economy was sometimes considered too severe, to it the present sound financial condition of the College is owing.

Another reason of the apparently inadequate sum required by us in the past has been the great liberality of the Church of Scotland. Its annual grant of £550 sterling, given to aid in training a native ministry, has always been considered to belong specially to the Theological department of the College. This liberal appropriation we have no right to expect to be long continued. The Union implied that the Canadian Church had attained its majority, that henceforth it ought to maintain its own Institutions, and that help should be sought from the motherland only for Church extension in newly settled districts, especially in Manitoba and the great Northwest.

Another explanation of the small amount hitherto asked from the Church is that the much needed third Professorship in Divinity has not been instituted until adequate financial provision has been made for the chair. We are still limited to two Professors in the Faculty of Theology.

Another reason is that we have not had hitherto in connection with our Divinity hall tutors to train those students who are unable to take a regular course in Arts. It has always been felt by us that encouragement should not be given to young men to enter on their Theological studies till they had received the full benefit of University training; but we are willing to submit to the judgment of the Church in the matter. And as the Church has decided that there is a large class of young men for whom such special provision should still be made, and as "Preparatory Departments" are kept up by the Church, alongside the High Schools and Universities of Toronto and Montreal, it is only reasonable that the same provision be made in connection with the University of Queen's College, Kingston. At present these young men must go to Montreal or Toronto, though local convenience, cheapness of living, and other reasons might cause them to

prefer Kingston. That the Preparatory Departments attract a large number of young men to study for the ministry is manifest; and desiring to be guided in the matter, by the judgment of the Church, we are prepared to institute a "Preparatory Department" next Session.

VIII. ENDOWMENT.

The Assembly has already recognized the desirableness of Queen's College appointing an additional Professor in Theology, and has "recommended the friends of the College to exercise all possible liberality in the way of increasing the endowment so that such appointment may be made without unnecessary delay." While considering this at its meeting on April 24th, the Board could not shut its eyes to other imperative financial necessities of the College, some of which emerged since the meeting of the Assembly; and the whole question was brought before it in a lucid and comprehensive manner by an influential deputation from the University Council, who pointed out that, in order to have three Professorships in Theology endowed, the sum of at least \$60,000 was required, in addition to the amount now asked from the Church as part of our ordinary revenue; that the sum of \$10,000 was needed for buildings; and \$50,000 for the Arts Faculty. The Board appointed a joint-committee of the University Council and Trustees to consider carefully the whole matter. Next day the joint-committee reported, and after earnest deliberation the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That the Board receive the recommendation of the University Council, relative to the proposed additional endowment of the University; that they endorse the opinion of the Council that an additional endowment, to the extent of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, is essential to the adequate equipment and efficiency of the University; that they take the earliest opportunity, through individual members, of consulting the benefactors and friends of the University regarding the best method of securing this amount; and appoint a Committee, consisting of Principal Grant, Rev. Dr. Jenkins, Rev. Dr. Wardrope, Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., Hon. Alex. Morris, J. Michie, Esq., and James Maclellan, Esq., Q.C., to take such measures as may seem to them most suitable for this purpose, especially in connection with the approaching meetings of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston in the City of Kingston, and of the General Assembly in the City of Hamilton."

The duty of this Committee is to develop among the friends of the College a sentiment in favour of its adequate endowment, and the best way of developing such a sentiment is by getting subscriptions from congregations or individuals for the object. Friends in one quarter may prefer to give for the buildings; others for the Theological department; and others for the Arts Faculty. The sum asked for is large, but Queen's has many friends in every quarter of the Dominion, and we have little doubt that in a short time the whole sum required shall be subscribed, though it is not proposed that it should be paid at once but in four or five annual instalments. It is possible that by the time the Assembly meets, the Committee may have received information or developed plans that the Principal in presenting this report may be able to communicate to the Assembly. It is not intended that there should be organization for general and energetic action unless sufficient encouragement is given. In this proposed work, the Trustees are assured that they are travelling in the line of the Assembly's expressed sentiments, and that they shall receive the cordial God-speed of the Assembly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, *April 25th, 1878.*

No. 1.—ORDINARY REVENUE.

1878.	REVENUE.	
April 10.	Grant from Col. Committee of Church of Scotland.....	\$2427 78
	Temporalities' Board.....	2000 00
	Kingston Observatory.....	500 00
	Fees—Class and Graduation.....	484 50
	Interest on Mortgages, Government Securities, Debentures and Bank Deposits.....	7096 16
	The Principal and Professors, beneficiaries of the Temporalities' Fund, amount of their allowance for year ending 31st December, 1877.....	1850 00
	Rev. Dr. Reid—	
	Proportion of funds collected for Queen's and Knox	
	Colleges—Balance 1876-77.....	\$229 53
	On acct. of 1877-78.....	675 62
		905 15
	Balance—Deficiency.....	1930 37
		<u>\$17193 96</u>

1878.

April 10.

		EXPENDITURE.	
Salaries—The Principal.....			\$2500 00
Professor Williamson.....			2000 00
Professor Mowat.....			2000 00
Professor Mackerras.....			1800 00
Professor Dupuis.....			1800 00
Professor Ferguson.....			2000 00
Professor Watson.....			2000 00
Rev. Geo. Bell, Lectures Divinity Hall.....			250 00
D. C. Bell, Lectures on Elocution.....			300 00
Secretary and Treasurer.....			600 00
Registrar and Secretary to Senate.....			50 00
Librarian.....			80 00
Janitor.....			375 00
			\$15755 00
Insurance.....			\$145 00
Repairs.....			187 39
Travelling Expenses.....			218 50
Advertising.....			37 61
Printing and Stationery.....			331 52
Prize Books.....			73 03
Observatory Repairs.....			5 79
Fuel.....			258 08
Water Rent.....			29 15
Rent Janitor's House.....			66 00
Cleaning Class Rooms and Principal's House.....			22 50
Postage and Telegrams.....			4 97
Tinsmith's work.....			9 89
Diplomas.....			45 00
City Hall Messenger—Observatory Lectures.....			3 00
Sundry small items.....			1 53
			\$1438 96
			\$17193 96

No. 2.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

1878.

RECEIPTS.

April 10.	Balance of College funds in Merchants' Bank on 10th April, 1877, as per statement.....	\$21140 14	
	Balance of College Funds in hands of Macdonnell & Mudie for investment, on 10th April, 1877, as per statement.....	1736 04	
			\$22876 18
	Grant from Col. Com. Church of Scotland.....	\$2427 78	
	Temporalities Board.....	2000 00	
	Fees—Registration, Class and Graduation.....	\$942 50	
	Less unpaid.....	28 50	
			914 00
	Scholarships and Prize Essays as per Statement No. 4.....	1888 67	
	Debentures paid—County of Drummond Debentures for \$2000 sold at 92½.....	1850 00	
	Observatory—Grant from Government.....	500 00	
	The Principal and Professors, beneficiaries of the Temporalities' Board Fund, amount of their allowance for year ending 31st Dec., 1877.....	1850 00	
	Rev. Dr. Reid for balance 1876-77 of proportion of funds collected for Queen's and Knox Colleges.....	229 53	
	On account of 1877-78.....	675 62	
	Estate late A. Ferguson, arrears.....	210 00	
	R. Hay, arrears.....	35 00	
	Mortgages paid.....	8825 00	
	Profit and Loss—Profit on Mortgage G. Keys.....	65 00	
	Interest account.....	\$7339 25	
	Less unpaid.....	\$588 26	
	Less transferred to Scholarships.....	188 00	
		776 26	
	W. Ireland, cash.....	6562 99	
		0 65	
			28034 24
			\$50910 42

APPENDIX.

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1878.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
April 10.	Salaries as per Statement No. 1.....	\$15755 00	
	Disbursements as per Statement No. 1.....	1438 96	
			\$17193 96
	Fees—Registration, paid Treasurer of Library.....	\$320 00	
	Apparatus, paid Professor of Natural Philosophy.....	69 00	
	“ “ “ Chemistry.....	69 00	
			458 00
	Scholarships and Prize Essays as per Statement No. 4.....		1622 00
	Interest—Paid interest due on Mortgages when purchased, etc.....		55 09
	Furniture—Chandeliers, Grate, Stove and Cooking Range, Rev. Dr. Snodgrass.....		173 70
	Investments.....		25212 00
	Merchants' Bank of Canada, Funds for investment.....	\$6045 67	
	“ “ “ General account.....	150 00	
			6195 67
			<u>\$50910 42</u>

No. 3.—ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

1878.		Dr.	
April 10.	Royal Charter, cost of.....	\$3107 37	
	Class apparatus.....	3633 92	
	Library, expenditure on.....	3399 68	
	Furniture account.....	1635 89	
	College Premises.....	41955 11	
	Debentures.....	24500 00	
	Canada Dominion Stock.....	12900 00	
	Montreal Property Stock.....	10010 00	
	Bills receivable.....	500 00	
	Estate of the late A. Ferguson.....	160 26	
	Lands.....	600 00	
	Bursary Endowment—Deposit in Bank of Montreal—		
	Toronto Ladies' Scholarship.....	\$319 00	
	Kingston Ladies' Scholarship.....	239 25	
			558 25
	Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons.....	28 50	
	J. H. Cole.....	350 00	
	W. Ross.....	24 50	
	B. T. Davidson.....	28 00	
	Geo. Michie.....	144 00	
	Geo. Carscallen.....	220 00	
	Jno. McKeown.....	36 00	
	Merchants' Bank of Canada.....	\$150 00	
	“ “ “ funds for investment.....	6045 67	
			6195 67
	Mortgages.....	69498 55	
			<u>\$179485 70</u>

1878.		Cr.	
April 10.	Endowment New Chair in Theology.....	\$1163 22	
	Michie Bequest.....	2000 00	
	Henry Glass, Memorial Scholarship.....	500 00	
	McIntyre “ “.....	400 00	
	Lewis “ “.....	400 00	
	Buchan “ “.....	3000 00	
	Dominion “ “.....	1000 00	
	Dow “ “.....	1500 00	
	Watkins “ “.....	1300 00	
	Bursary Endowments.....	2218 96	
	Leitch Memorial Fund.....	2462 03	
	Students in Arts studying for the Ministry.....	110 00	
	W. Ireland.....	0 65	
	Watkins Bequest.....	4000 00	
	Scholarships and Prize Essays as per Statement No. 4.....	1559 11	
	Profit and Loss.....	157871 73	
			<u>\$179485 70</u>

\$15755 00

\$1438 96

\$17193 96

\$22876 18

28034 24

\$50910 42

No. 4.—SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZE ESSAYS.

1878.		RECEIPTS.		
April 10.	Balance on hand 10th April, 1877, as per statement.....			\$1292 44
	Prize Essays.....		\$150 00	
	St. Paul's Scholarship.....		60 00	
	Leitch Memorial " No. 1.....		57 60	
	" " " 2.....		86 40	
	St. Andrew's, Scotland ".....		48 22	
	Kingston Ladies ".....		10 26	
	Toronto Ladies ".....		131 66	
	Henry Glass Memo. ".....		40 00	
	Dominion ".....		80 00	
	Mowat ".....		57 75	
	Watkins ".....		80 00	
	Prince of Wales ".....		56 00	
	McIntyre ".....		16 00	
	Reekie ".....		50 00	
	Lewis ".....		32 00	
	Buchan ".....		240 00	
	Senate ".....		70 00	
	Cataraqui ".....		50 00	
	Dow ".....		120 00	
	Church " No. 1.....		70 00	
	Church " No. 2.....		70 00	
	Church " No. 3.....		70 00	
	Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, grant of £50 stg.		242 78	
				<u>\$1888 67</u>
				<u>\$3181 11</u>
1878.		DISBURSEMENTS.		
April 10.	Prize Essays—			
	McBean Prize.....	J. R. Lavell.....	\$25 00	
	McLennan ".....	A. A. McKenzie.....	25 00	
	Graham ".....	".....	25 00	
	Lewis ".....	J. Ferguson.....	25 00	
	Alma Mater ".....	".....	25 00	
	Tassie ".....	A. R. Linton.....	25 00	
	St. Paul's Scholarship.....	A. R. Linton.....	60 00	
	Leitch Memorial " No. 1.....	J. P. Hume.....	57 00	
	" " " 2.....	A. A. McKenzie.....	80 00	
	Kingston Ladies ".....	J. V. Anglin.....	35 00	
	Toronto Ladies ".....	M. Mackay.....	50 00	
	Henry Glass Memorial ".....	H. McMillan.....	35 00	
	Dominion ".....	G. C. Patterson.....	80 00	
	Mowat ".....	W. J. McCuaig.....	50 00	
	Watkins ".....	H. H. T. Shibley.....	80 00	
	Prince of Wales ".....	J. R. Lavell.....	60 00	
	Montreal ".....	F. M. McLennan.....	50 00	
	Reekie ".....	{ D. A. Givens and } { Geo. McDonald... }	50 00	
	Lewis Scholarship transferred to Prize Essays.....		25 00	
	Buchan No. 2 Scholarship.....	J. Cumberland.....	80 00	
	Senate ".....	W. Briden.....	70 00	
	McNab and Horton ".....	D. McTavish.....	50 00	
	Cataraqui ".....	J. Awde.....	50 00	
	Ch. of Scotland No. 1 ".....	A. H. Scott.....	70 00	
	Ch. of Scotland No. 2 ".....	J. Ferguson.....	70 00	
	Ch. of Scotland No. 3 ".....	H. Cameron.....	60 00	
	Dow ".....	J. F. White.....	100 00	
	Church No. 1 ".....	H. McIntosh.....	70 00	
	Church No. 2 ".....	D. McConnell.....	70 00	
	Church No. 3 ".....	J. Ross.....	70 00	
	Balance.....			1622 00
				1568 11
				<u>\$3181 11</u>

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, Kingston, 22nd April, 1878.

W. IRELAND, Sec.-Treas.

Certified correct as per separate statement.

KINGSTON, 22nd April, 1878.

JOHN KERR.
JOHN CREIGHTON. } Auditors.

BURSARY FUND—SESSION 1877-78.

\$1292 44

		RECEIPTS.	
1877.			
May		Balance in hand.....	\$242 34
"	12.	Kingston, St. Andrew's Church (1876-77).....	75 00
"	14.	St. Paul's, Montreal (for 1876).....	60 00
July	10.	Portsmouth.....	40 00
		Martintown (Rev. J. S. Burnet).....	16 00
		Searboro' and Markham (Rev. M. MacGillivray).....	25 00
Dec.	20.	Guelph (Rev. J. C. Smith).....	30 00
		Perth.....	10 00
		L'Original and Hawkesbury.....	6 00
		Pakenham.....	4 00
		Smith's Falls.....	12 00
		Hamilton (St. Paul's Church).....	20 00
		Ottawa.....	50 00
		East Nottawasaga.....	10 00
		Renfrew.....	40 00
		St. Paul's, Montreal.....	60 00
		St. Andrew's, Kingston (for 1877-78).....	75 00
		Interest.....	6 30
			\$741 64
		EXPENDITURE.	
1878.			
May		Dr. Snodgrass (for a student).....	\$70 00
Oct.	11.	Wm. Ireland (for Church Scholarships).....	200 00
Nov.	12.	Five bursaries of forty dollars each.....	200 00
		Stationery, Postage and Printing.....	5 45
		Loaned to a student.....	25 00
			\$500 05
Balance in hand.....			241 59
			\$741 64

\$1888 67

\$3181 11

Received since closing the account, from St. Gabriel Church, Montreal, \$25.

GEO. D. FERGUSON, *Treasurer Bursary Fund.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL, FOR 1877-8.

The Board of Management of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, herewith transmits to the Venerable the General Assembly the Reports of the Senate, and Board of Examiners, the Calendar for 1878-9 and the Treasurer's statement.

From these reports it will be seen that there have been during the past Session seventy-two students enrolled in the various classes in the College, thirty-three of these being in Theology, and thirty-nine in the literary department. Six students have completed their course of study and are now ready to apply for license. The number of French students has been sixteen. Of these one has completed his course and will make an additional ordained minister for the work of French Evangelization.

From the Treasurer's statement it will appear that the financial position of the College is somewhat more favourable than at the time of the last Annual Report, though still far from being satisfactory.

By the most strenuous efforts to increase the contributions from all available sources, by the aid of the annual grant of seven hundred and fifty dollars from the western constituency ordered by the last General Assembly and by the practice of rigid economy in every possible direction, the ordinary revenue has at length been made to barely cover the expenditure for the year. The Board would fain hope that this favourable result might be attained for the future as well; but it cannot ignore the fact that, from some sources, less is likely to be derived next year than this, and unless further provision is made by way of endowment it will be difficult to maintain the ordinary revenue even at the present point.

As authorized by the General Assembly last year, the Board took steps to liquidate the debt of \$7,383.07, which had accumulated against the ordinary fund during previous years. As far as possible a canvass was made of the congregations within the constituency, except those in the City of Montreal, and one or two other districts yet to be canvassed. By this effort the sum of \$1,383.55 has been raised and the debt diminished by that amount. The thanks of the Board

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are due to the following gentlemen for their services in the work : Rev. Messrs. Wright, Boudreau, R. Campbell, Nicholls, Bennet, D. H. McLennan, F. McLennan, and Mr. D. Morrice ; also to Rev. Messrs. Whillans, McKibbin, Dey, and Hughes, who are still engaged in prosecuting the canvass in their respective districts.

The small debt on the scholarships fund has been extinguished, and that on the library fund somewhat reduced.

The Board regret that they have not been able to increase by any considerable sum the amount of their endowment during the year. They would again, however, desire to give expression to the opinion that an increased endowment is the only thing which will place the College on a proper financial basis, and venture the hope that ere long its friends will come to its aid in this way.

The Board would submit the following recommendations for the ensuing year :—

1. That the Rev. John Springer, M.A., be re-appointed Lecturer in Greek and Hebrew Exegesis, at a salary as before of \$500.

2. That the Rev. B. Ouriere be re-appointed French Lecturer at a salary as before of \$600.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID MORRICE, *Chairman.*

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL, *May 27th, 1878.*

REPORT OF THE SENATE OF THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL, SESSION 1877-8.

The Senate beg to report that the number of Students enrolled in the College is seventy-two; thirty-three in Theological classes, and thirty-nine pursuing the regular University curriculum in Arts or the special course prescribed as preparatory to the study of Theology.

The report of the Board of Examiners, herewith transmitted, contains the names of all Students, the standing accorded them and the Scholarships, prizes and other distinctions awarded during the session. Six students have completed their Theological curriculum and are ready to proceed to license. The work of the session was carried on in accordance with the order laid down in the Calendar ; and the Professors, Lecturers and Tutors report conscientious diligence and highly satisfactory progress on the part of students in their various departments of study. The classes in systematic Theology, Homiletics and Church government were conducted by the Rev. Principal MacVicar, LL.D.; in Church History and Apologetics by the Rev. Professor Campbell, M.A.; in Biblical Criticism and Exegesis by Rev. John Springer, M.A.; in Sacred Rhetoric and Homiletics (French) by the Rev. Benjamin Ouriere; in Hebrew by Prof. DeSola, LL.D., of McGill College; in Sacred Rhetoric and Elocution by the Rev. J. C. Baxter, D.D.; and in Sacred Music by John McLaren, Esq.

The Senate report with pleasure that two special courses of Lectures were delivered during the session, the first by Principal Dawson, LL.D., F.R.S., etc., of McGill University, on "The Geology of Western Asia as illustrative of the Bible," and the second by A. C. Hutchison, Esq., on Ecclesiastical Architecture. Both these courses as well as the Lectures on Sacred Rhetoric and Elocution and the instruction given in Sacred music were attended with no expense to the College and are believed to have been of great advantage to the students.

The Senate puts on record its grateful appreciation of the liberality of Congregations and members of the Church, who have founded Scholarships or contributed such annually in connection with University and Theological training. These have been awarded in every case after keen and earnest competition, the preparation for which involved much mental discipline and the acquisition of very valuable knowledge on the part of competitors. As this is the only form in which students can gain assistance while at College prosecuting the long and expensive course of study enjoined by the Church, it is hoped that still more ample provision may be made for extending such competitions into departments hitherto overlooked. The names of the donors of Scholarships appear in the Calendar.

The Students' Literary and Philosophical Society was sustained in a high state of efficiency, and its private and public meetings did much to promote the general culture of its members. Prizes were offered for competition in connection with it for proficiency in public speaking, reading and essay writing both in English and French.

The Senate recognizing the great importance of developing an earnest missionary spirit in all the young men under its care cordially approve of the efforts of the students' Missionary Society. These are believed to be helpful in many ways to the students themselves and to be largely beneficial to the Home Mission fields, both French and English, in which they are put forth.

The Monday afternoon devotional meetings, presided over by Professors and Lecturers, were largely attended and characterized by special interest. They were addressed on several occasions by distinguished visitors from abroad among whom were Major Malan of the United Presbyterian Missions in South Africa, Rev. Alex. J. Campbell of Geelong, Australia, and Rev. A. B. MacKay, Brighton, England.

The reading room was supplied, as in former years, with daily papers, Missionary periodicals and the leading Literary and Theological Reviews. An invaluable addition was made to the Library by the presentation by Alexander H., Emperor of Russia, of a *fac simile* copy of the *Codex Sinaiticus*. The imperial gift came to the College through the intervention of Rev. A. B. MacKay, Brighton, Engand, and His Excellency, Count Schouvaloff, Russian Ambassador to Britain.

Other works sent to the Library have been duly acknowledged, and, as will be seen by the Treasurer's statements, the debt resting upon it for several years has been partly removed. It is most desirable that the entire debt should be paid, and means provided for the purchase of recent works.

The Senate would humbly recognize the hand of God in providence in the removal by death during the session of one of the students, Mr. J. G. Donaldson, a young man of earnest piety and ardent zeal in the Master's service.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MacVICAR, *Principal*.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL, *May 2nd*, 1878.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL,—1877-8.

The Board of Examiners beg to report that the usual examinations were held at the commencement and at the close of the Session.

At the examination in October, 1877, the following students were admitted:—

To the first year's Literary course—D. G. Cameron, J. Dow, R. Gamble, W. Hay, J. Hitchcock, V. Knechtel, T. Saindon.

To the second year's Literary course—A. Ogilvie.

To the third year's Literary course—J. Mitchell.

To the first year in Theology—J. K. Baillie, J. F. McLaren, T. Nelson, L. F. Richard, A. York, G. D. Bayne, W. Shearer, R. McKibbin, P. R. Ross.

To the second year in Theology—M. H. Scott, B.A., D. L. McCrae.

At the examinations held in the end of March, the following students were certified as having satisfactorily completed the studies of their respective years:—

Third year in Theology—J. Allan, B.A., A. B. Cruchet, C. McKillop, B.A., J. R. McLeod, W. D. Russel, G. F. Walker.

Second year in Theology—C. E. Amaron, B.A., D. Bannerman, J. Matheson, B.A., D. L. McCrae, J. Munro, B.A., J. W. Penman, M. H. Scott, B.A., S. J. Taylor, B.A.

First year in Theology—J. Anderson, B.A., J. K. Baillie, T. Bouehard, T. Holiday, C. McLean, G. M. Mossean, T. Nelson, J. F. McLaren, L. F. Richard, A. F. Rivard, P. R. Ross, W. Shearer, A. York.

Third year's Literary course—J. Allard, A. Anderson, J. Bennett, I. Bruneau, S. Carriere, A. L. Guertin, J. Henry, R. Hyde, J. Mitchell, J. Morin.

Second year's Literary course—S. T. Ami, A. Blouin, A. P. Blouin, G. T. Bayne, D. Currie, W. M. Geddes, J. McFarland, W. McKenzie, R. McNabb, A. Ogilvie, G. Pelletier.

First year's Literary course—A. C. Cruchet, J. Dow, J. Grant, W. Hay, G. Hitchcock, V. Knechtel, T. Saindon, G. Vaughan, R. Gamble.

The following students of Theology who (under conditions of affiliation with McGill University) have not completed the work of their respective years are as yet unclassified:—G. D. Bayne, W. D. M. Blakely, B.A., J. T. Donald, B.A., R. McKibbin, A. Macfarlane, J. Lefebvre.

The following Literary students are unclassified:—J. C. Alguire, R. B. Arthur, R. Grant, L. Gobeille, D. Morrison, G. B. Tanguay, J. A. Townsend, W. Mullins, D. G. Cameron.

The following are the awards of scholarships and prizes made in accordance with the results of special examinations:—

I. THIRD YEAR THEOLOGY.

Gold Medal C. McKillop, B.A.
Mackay Scholarship (sixty dollars) C. McKillop, B.A.

II. SECOND YEAR THEOLOGY.

First Scholarship (one hundred dollars) J. Munro, B.A.
Second Scholarship (seventy dollars) C. E. Amaron, B.A.
Anderson Scholarship (fifty dollars) J. W. Penman.

III. FIRST YEAR THEOLOGY.

<i>First Scholarship</i> (one hundred dollars)	J. F. McLaren.
<i>Second Scholarship</i> (seventy dollars)	J. A. Anderson, B.A.

IV. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.

<i>Fourth year</i> (fifty dollars)	W. D. M. Blakely, B.A.
<i>Third year</i> " "	R. McKibbin.
<i>Second year</i> " "	{ D. Currie,
<i>First year</i> " "	{ W. A. McKenzie.
	R. Gamble.

V. FRENCH SCHOLARSHIPS.

<i>First</i> (forty dollars)	A. B. Cruchet.
<i>Second</i> " "	C. E. Amaron, B.A.
<i>Third</i> " "	T. Bouchard.
<i>Fourth</i> " "	J. Allard.

VI. GAELIC SCHOLARSHIP.

<i>Scholarship</i> (forty dollars)	{ J. Matheson, B.A.
	{ C. McLean.

VII. GAELIC PRIZE.

Ten dollars in books	{ J. Matheson, B.A.
	{ C. McLean.

VIII. SACRED RHETORIC AND ELOCUTION.

<i>First prize</i> (fifteen dollars in books)	C. E. Amaron, B.A.
<i>Second prize</i> (ten dollars in books)	A. B. Cruchet.
<i>First special prize</i> , by Lecturer,	M. H. Scott, B.A.
<i>Second</i> " " "	A. B. Cruchet.

IX. ECCLESIASTICAL ARCHITECTURE.

<i>First prize</i> (ten dollars in books)	M. H. Scott, B.A.
<i>Second prize</i> (five dollars in books)	J. Mitchell.

X. SACRED MUSIC.

<i>First prize</i> (ten dollars in books)	M. H. Scott, B.A.
<i>Second prize</i> (five dollars in books)	C. E. Amaron, B.A.
<i>Special prize</i> , by Lecturer,	J. Mitchell.

XI. PRINCIPAL DAWSON'S COURSE.

<i>Special prize</i> , by Lecturer,	M. H. Scott, B.A.
<i>Second special prize</i> , by Lecturer	J. Mitchell.

XII. PHILOSOPHICAL AND LITERARY SOCIETY'S PRIZES.

1. Contributed by Senate.

<i>Public speaking</i> (ten dollars in books)	G. F. Walker.
<i>English Essay</i> " "	M. H. Scott, B.A.
<i>French Essay</i> " "	A. B. Cruchet.
<i>English Reading</i> " "	W. Shearer.
<i>French Reading</i> " "	C. E. Amaron, B.A.

2. Contributed by Society.

<i>English Essay</i>	G. Hitchcock.
<i>English Reading</i>	W. H. Geddes.

In connection with the above awards the Board desire to express their gratification in view of the high standard of excellence exhibited not only in the papers of the successful candidates but of the competitors generally. The results of examination in the ordinary work of the classes were also extremely satisfactory.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN CAMPBELL, *Chairman, Board of Examiners of the Pres. Col., Montreal.*

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE OF MONTREAL, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV.
R. H. WARDEN, TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1ST MAY,
1878.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, 1st June, 1877.....	\$10165 32	
Contributions as per lists	525 00	
Interest from Mortgages, Stocks and Bank	1747 36	
“ “ Loan to Scholarship Fund.....	30 30	
“ “ “ Library “	24 60	
		<u>\$12792 58</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Credited to Ordinary Revenue.....	\$1790 56	
Commission of Peterboro' Agents collecting interest.....	11 70	
Balance on hand.....	40990 32	
		<u>\$12972 58</u>

ORDINARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Cash from Congregations.....	\$2817 17	
“ “ Western Section per Rev. Dr. Reid.....	750 00	
“ “ Rev. Principal MacVicar (proportion of Taxes).....	74 00	
“ Special contributions for Theological Chair.....	3020 00	
“ Interest from Endowment Fund.....	1790 56	
		<u>\$8451 73</u>
“ Contributions towards Deficit.....	\$1507 39	
Deduct expenses of Canvass.....	123 81	
		<u>1383 55</u>
Balance at Dr.....	5993 07	
		<u>\$15828 35</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at Dr., 1st June, 1877.....	\$7383 07	
Salaries of Professors, Lecturers, etc	\$6156 24	
Fuel, \$389.37; Gas, \$289.49	678 86	
Taxes, \$339.50; Water, \$71.25; Insurance, \$131.33.....	512 08	
Stationery, Periodicals, Printing and advertising	261 88	
Repairs, Plumbing and Glazing	117 99	
Furnishings.....	173 72	
Sundries.....	214 50	
		<u>\$8445 28</u>
		<u>\$15828 35</u>

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 1st June, 1877	\$924 00	
Interest from Investment	56 00	
		<u>\$980 00</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Credited to Scholarship Ordinary Fund.....	\$56 00	
Balance on hand.....	924 00	
		<u>\$980 00</u>

SCHOLARSHIP ORDINARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions as per Lists.....	\$1431 34	
Interest from Scholarship Endowment	56 00	
		<u>\$1487 34</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at Dr., 1st June, 1877.....	\$432 60	
Interest on Loan from College Endowment Fund.....	30 30	
Scholarships and Prizes paid.....	1022 00	
Balance.....	2 44	
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LIBRARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions as per Lists.....	\$167 00	
Balance at Dr.....	209 36	\$376 36

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at Dr. 1st June, 1877.....	\$351 76	
Interest on Loan from College Endowment Fund.....	21 60	\$376 36

BUILDING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions as per Lists.....	\$976 75	
Balance at Dr.....	8546 39	\$9523 14

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at Dr., 1st June, 1877.....	\$9523 14	
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BALANCE SHEET.

25TH MAY, 1878.

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College Endowment Fund.....		\$40990 32
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Scholarship Endowment Fund.....		924 00
Scholarship Ordinary Fund.....		2 41
Library Fund.....	209 36	
Building Fund.....	8546 39	
Balance.....	27167 94	
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The above balance is made up as follows:

City of Montreal Stock.....	\$6076 25	
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New City Gas Company Stock.....	512 00	
Canada Landed Credit Company Stock.....	3356 25	
Mortgage.....	4000 00	
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Cash in Merchants' Bank.....	3241 29	
		<u>\$27167 94</u>

We hereby certify that we have examined the Books and Accounts of the Rev. R. H. Warden, as Treasurer of the Presbyterian College of Montreal, and find the same carefully kept and correctly vouched. The total balance in the Treasurer's hands at date is twenty-seven thousand one hundred and sixty-seven dollars, and ninety four cents, invested as per statement.

MONTREAL, 25th May, 1878.

 ARCH. MCGOUN, }
 A. MACPHERSON, } *Auditors.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE OF THE THEOLOGICAL HALL, HALIFAX, 1877-8.

The Board begs to submit the following Report of its operations during the year to the General Assembly, gratefully recognizing the good hand of God in the measure of success with which these have been attended.

I. OPENING AND CLOSING EXERCISES.

The session was opened on Wednesday evening, the 7th November, 1877, in St. Matthew's Church. Professor McKnight, D.D., lectured on our Confession of Faith, and addresses were delivered by the Rev. Bishop Fallows of the Reformed Episcopal Church, who was providentially present, and the Rev. G. M. Grant, D.D., who was on the eve of departure for his new and important field of labour.

The closing exercises were held in Chalmers' Church on Wednesday evening the 21th April.

The Professors gave the customary narrative of the course of study pursued in their respective classes. Thereafter, the Rev. A. J. Mowatt, of Windsor, spoke on an "Educated Ministry," and the Rev. T. McMillan, of Frasco, on "Scholarships and other aids to Students." The Students' Valedictory was given by Mr. Archibald Gunn, and "Parting Counsels" were addressed specially to the young men by the Rev. R. Laing of St. Matthew's, Halifax. The presentation of an address and testimonial to Dr. McKnight, from his students and others, formed a pleasant interlude.

II. LIST OF STUDENTS.

Eighteen Students were enrolled—eight for the first year, six for the second and four for the third. The numbers in the Session of 1875-6 and in 1876-7 were thirteen and sixteen respectively, showing a steady increase. Six completed their course last year, and four this year.

The names of the Students are as follows:

First Year—John McD. Scott, Richmond Logan, Murdoch McGregor, Edward Thorpe, William A. Mason, Ewen Gillies, John A. McDonald, Wm. Scott Whittier.

Second Year—James Alexander MacLean, Archibald McDougall, Charles W. Brydom, Thomas C. Jack, Andrew Gray, George L. Gordon.

Third Year—Archibald Gunn, Jas. C. Carruthers, Alexander Stewart, W. H. Grey.

The rule with our Students is to pursue an Arts' course at Dalhousie College (three of whose Professor's are supported by our Church) prior to entering the Hall.

III. PRIZES.

We have again to return cordial thanks to the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland for the sum of £30 stg., and to the Committee of the Established Church for £20 stg., which amounts together with \$120 from the Hunter Fund, have been appropriated to Prizes in the following order:

Third Year—Arch. Gunn, \$50; J. S. Carruthers, \$31.

Second Year—Arch. McDougall, \$50; G. L. Gordon, \$40; J. A. McLean, \$31.

First Year—Richmond Logan, \$50; Murdoch McGregor, \$43; Edward Thorpe, \$37; Wm. A. Mason, \$31.

Total amount of Prizes \$363.

The principle followed in allocating the above, was, according to the general average of marks gained in all three Departments, taken together, the result of written examinations held periodically by the three Professors. These Prizes were presented to the successful competitors at the closing meeting by the Chairman of the Board.

IV. PROFESSORS' REPORTS.

The work of Professors and Students during the Session will best be learned from the usual Professorial Reports which are herewith subjoined in full.

I. REPORT OF PROFESSOR M'KNIGHT, THEOLOGICAL CLASS 1877-8.

The Session extended from the 7th November till the 21th April. There were four students of the third year, six of the second, and eight (including a private student) of the first year: eighteen in all.

The work of my class embraced three departments:—lectures, exercise on text-book and exegetical reading of Greek Testament. The subject of lecture throughout the session was Christology:—the revelation of the doctrine in the New Testament, and the apprehension and expression of it by Church Teachers down to the Council of Nicea. The text-book was the third volume of Hodge's Systematic Theology. We were unable to get through the whole volume, but reviewed the greater part of it. In Greek we read the first five chapters of the Epistle to the Hebrews.

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Hall discourses were read and criticised as usual; but the process of mutual criticism had to be kept within narrow limits, from want of time. This I rather regretted, as the exercise is a useful one. If senior students would prepare their discourses in summer, and give them in early in the session, the work of hearing them might be more equally distributed throughout the winter, and there would be less pressure for time at the close.

I have pleasure in testifying to the diligence of the students, and the propriety of their department. In several instances work was interrupted for a time, from sickness or family affliction; but attendance was resumed as speedily as practicable, and we reached the close with undiminished numbers.—ALEX. MCKNIGHT, S.T.P.

II. PROFESSOR CURRIE'S REPORT.

During the term which has just elapsed I conducted three classes, a Junior Hebrew, a Senior Hebrew, and an Exegetical. The Hebrew classes met every day, and the class of Exegetics thrice a week. The Junior Hebrew class attended by students of the first year, studied Green's Elementary Grammar and Reader, a hand book which gives a good view of grammatical forms and constructions, and contains a strictly progressive system of exercises in Hebrew reading and composition. The Seniors, that is the students of the second and third years, reviewed Green's large Grammar, and read thirty chapters, many of which were selected from the more difficult books. On an average about once a fortnight they prepared an exercise in Hebrew composition. In Chaldee they read a few chapters of Ezra and Daniel, and selections from the Targums of Onkelos and Jonathan. During the latter part of this session this class gave some attention to Arabic. That part of Bagster's handbook which contains the elements of this language was studied, and a few lessons were given in analysis and translation.

In conducting these classes, on the one hand I have fairly set before them the fact that no reliance whatever can be placed upon such methods as promise "a mastery of Hebrew in Twelve Lessons," as success can be attained only by severe and protracted study; and on the other, I have endeavored to inspire them with a love for the language, and to impress upon them the necessity of studying it with zeal, not only that they may be able to read for themselves this part of the sacred oracles in the tongue in which it was originally penned, but also in view of the prominence recently assigned Old Testament investigations, which bid fair to become the grand battle ground between Christianity and unbelief.

To the class in Exegesis which was attended by all the students I lectured once a week. The subject discussed was the criticism of the Old Testament text. After a few preliminary lectures on the Semitic languages and the relative position to be assigned the Hebrew, the following topics were taken up in order: the history of the transmission of the Old Testament text, the sources of critical emendation, such as manuscripts, versions, etc., and the legitimate use to be made of these sources. On another day of the week this class read Greek exegesis. The epistle to the Philippians was translated, and its last two chapters were subjected to a careful analysis. Only a few verses formed the subject of a reading, as the object aimed at was not so much to gain a knowledge of an extensive portion of the word as to familiarize the students with the use of the canons of interpretation. On a third day of the week this class underwent an examination in Barrow's Biblical Geography and Archaeology, a work which gives a full outline of these important studies. My esteemed colleagues, as on former occasions, kindly relieved me of the conduct of this class during the two remaining days of the week.

Students of the first year prepared each a Greek critical exercise, and those of the third a Hebrew critical exercise. These papers were read and criticised in class. During the term five written examinations were held. As this monthly system, inaugurated last year, is found to entail a large amount of extra labor upon both professors and students, it may be advisable to modify it somewhat, so that the strain may be eased and yet the object originally contemplated be attained.

As on previous occasions I have pleasure in testifying to the Christian deportment and commendable diligence of the students.—Respectfully submitted, JOHN CURRIE, *Professor of Hebrew and Exegetics*. Halifax, 24th April, 1878.

III. WORK OF REV. DR. POLLOK.

Dr. Pollok's Chair includes Pastoral Theology and Church History, and at the closing meeting his report was submitted and subsequently handed to the Secretary, by whom it was mislaid; and, unfortunately, owing to the Dr.'s absence in Britain, cannot be reproduced. Instead of attempting in these circumstances to furnish any outline of the course over which he led his students, it has been considered better simply to state that his work last year, as during former Sessions, deeply interested and occupied his classes, and commanded the cordial approval of the College authorities.

V. THE LIBRARY.

The Library, which is a valuable one, contains over seven thousand volumes, and will find suitable accommodation in the main Central Room of the new premises. There is a vaulted safe in the office for manuscript volumes and papers of value. The principal addition to the Library during the year was made by Mrs. Ross, widow of the Rev. James Ross, of Grand River, C.B., a member of last General Assembly, who died immediately thereafter. Following out the known wishes of the lamented deceased, she presented several costly standard works of sterling value. An old finely bound copy of Shakespeare, in seven vols, was presented by Robt. Romans, Esq. The

Rev. J. Morton, of Trinidad, gave a copy of Charles Leckie's Discussions, which had belonged to Hugh Miller. James Thomson, Sr., presented a copy of "Clarke's Commentary," which belonged to the late Rev. Henry Pope.

VI. BURSARY FUND.

The Sub-Committee, appointed to administer this Fund, in reporting to the Board, beg to submit the following brief statement of receipts and expenditure, together with a few necessary explanations:—

I. RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the year were:	
(1) Amount received from Congregations.....	\$237 23
(2) Amount received from Investments.....	179 63
(3) Amount received from Donations, etc.....	259 33
(4) Amount of Note of Hand taken up.....	156 00
Balance at beginning of year.....	70 62
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II. EXPENDITURE.

The expenditure of the year was \$868.50, as follows:	
(1) Paid to Students as Bursaries.....	\$445 00
(2) Paid to Senate for Prizes.....	363 00
(3) Loaned on Note of Hand.....	60 00
(4) Commissions on St. John Coupons.....	0 50
Balance in hand, therefore, on 1st May.....	34 31
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	\$902 81

III. REMARKS.

1st. *On Receipts.*—Last year *eighteen* congregations contributed \$354.97; this year collections were received from only *thirteen* congregations. The Committee trust that a greater interest will be taken in this scheme by the Church generally, and that next year the receipts will be largely increased. They rejoice to believe that several congregations will speedily follow the example of the Sabbath School of St. David's Church, St. John, and contribute Scholarships; and surely they may confidently expect to receive collections from all the *other* congregations to enable them to assist and encourage deserving students by means of Bursaries and Prizes. The receipts from Investments are \$129.61 less than the preceding year, but the interest of the \$2000 bequest of the late C. D. Hunter was not paid in when the Treasurer closed his account. The investments remain the same as last year, with the exception of a slight difference in the amounts loaned on notes of hand.

The donations include £20 stg. received from the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland for prizes; £39 stg. from the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland for the same purpose; \$10 from Prof. McDonald; \$5 from Mr. D. McGregor, and \$2 from a friend in Sheet Harbour. The receipts from donations are \$216.24 less than the preceding year, and the total receipts \$463.59 less.

2nd. *Expenditure.*—Nineteen Bursaries, ranging from \$10 to \$60, were granted during the year. The total amount thus expended was \$451 less than last year. The Committee have had much pleasure in thus assisting young men, who, if spared, will they believe be most faithful and successful ministers; and their only regret has been that the amount at their disposal did not enable them to make larger grants. Last year \$230 were paid for prizes; this year the Committee greatly increased the amount to \$363, and they trust that in future by the increasing liberality of the Church to this fund they will be enabled to promote the efficiency of the College and to encourage the Students more and more.

IV. RECOMMENDATION.

The Committee, at the request of the present Treasurer, to whom thanks are due for the attention he has given to this scheme, beg to recommend that Rev. Dr. McGregor be appointed Treasurer in his stead. All which is respectfully submitted.—JOHN McMILLAN, *Chairman Sub-Com.*

VII. ENDOWMENT AND BUILDING FUND.

The effort to raise one hundred thousand dollars—\$30,000 for new College premises, and \$70,000 to increase our existing endowment—commenced in January 1877. Nine months thereafter at the Synod meeting in Charlottetown, in October, the Board reported in substance as follows:—

In Halifax Presbytery 15 congregations have been visited, and 15 remain yet to be visited. In the Presbytery of Sydney all the congregations have been visited except St. Ann's and Cape North. In the Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond 5 have been visited and 4 not. In Pictou all have been visited. In Truro Presbytery 3 have been visited and 5 not. In the Presbytery of St. John the city congregations were very partially visited; Moncton and Fredericton were visited also; and 23 congregations and stations remain to be visited. In the Presbytery of Miramichi 6 have

been visited and 9 not. In the Presbytery of Wallace 4 have been visited and 6 not. In Newfoundland all have been visited. In P. E. Island 16 have been visited, some of them partially, leaving about as many more to be visited. The total subscription is \$88,450.

Since Synod over \$2,000 have been subscribed within the Presbytery of Wallace, leaving some congregations yet to be visited.

About \$1,000 has also been added to the \$6,629 previously subscribed in Cape Breton.

VIII.—COLLEGE BUILDINGS.

The Synod's deliverance empowered the Board to expend \$30,000 on College Buildings. Difficultly was experienced in deciding upon a site. Various places were examined and meetings held—which issued in the selecting and securing a spot deemed suitable for the sum of \$5,500. Thereafter plans with specifications were obtained, and tenders from different parties received for the work. As it appeared, however, that even with material modifications and abridgments the cost was likely to reach \$40,000, the Board felt embarrassed as to what course to pursue. At this juncture, what is known as the Alboro' property, at Pine Hill on the North West Arm, unexpectedly came into the market—and was brought under the notice of the Board. After the fullest consideration, and an opportunity being given to all the members to express their views personally or by letter, eliciting a large measure of unanimity, this property was purchased for the sum of \$25,000—about a third of its original cost. The operations of the Building Committee were thus suspended, and hearty thanks tendered to its members, especially the Convener (J. S. Maclean, Esq.) for their untiring efforts. The property obtained on such easy terms is probably the finest in the immediate vicinity of Halifax. The purchase includes ten acres of land in a high state of cultivation—extending to the water side. The building is new, and in the best possible repair. It is large enough to accommodate the classes, one resident Professor, and about twenty resident students. The terraces, walks, and the grounds generally are in beautiful order. There are several buildings on the lot that can, at moderate expenditure, be utilized for College purposes—one building especially—which, with certain alterations and additions, could make houses for two of the Professors. Dr. McKnight occupies the main building and has kindly consented for the present, at least, to supervise the boarding arrangements for the students—which will be of the most complete and comfortable, and at the same time, economical description. The spacious conservatory, with such portion of the grounds as is not required for College purposes, have been leased for three years to an experienced gardener for \$300 a year.

The Buildings on Gerrish street and at Truro, together with the lot no longer needed, on Robey street, will be disposed of, in due course whenever a good opportunity presents itself.

IX. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The shortcoming in the Ordinary Fund is the only discouraging feature in our report. In 1876 our people contributed \$3,068, *i.e.* over and above the interest yielded by our investments. In 1877 \$2,316 were reported, and now we have come down to \$1,484. Two Presbyteries are total blanks; one Presbytery is down for \$8.76; and three Presbyteries have contributed but \$16, \$19 and \$50 respectively. The deficiency, amounting to \$1,161.95, is larger than we ever had before. It is doubtless mainly owing to the special effort that has been so successfully prosecuted in behalf of the \$10,000 Fund, and the erroneous impression thereby created that we could at once dispense with the annual Congregational collections. It should be remembered that but an inconsiderable portion of that Fund has been actually paid in—and that *that* has been largely drawn upon for Buildings, etc., so that it has increased the endowment as yet to a very limited degree. We desire therefore all our Congregations distinctly to understand (and especially the more than one-half who have contributed nothing during the past year, for but 69 have sent anything) that we must keep up the usual collections vigorously and unitedly, at least for the present year—it may be longer—to clear off the Debt already incurred and to meet our increasing financial responsibilities, present and prospective.

The financial statement is as follows:—

COLLEGE FUND.

Presbyteries.	SUMMARY.	
	No. of Congregations Contributing.	
Halifax.....	15	\$517 47
Truro.....	5	111 93
Pictou.....	11	210 79
P. E. Island.....	9	237 00
Lunenburg and Yarmouth.....	5	50 00
Victoria and Richmond.....	3	8 74
Sydney.....	6	46 00
Miramichi.....	6	49 20
St. John.....	9	188 05
Wallace.....	0	00 00
Newfoundland.....	0	00 00
	69	\$1419 18

69 Congregations—average, \$20.56 each.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1419 18
Donations by individuals		20 00
Collections at opening and closing of Theological Hall.....		45 00
Interest and Dividends.....		4643 05
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Whole receipts.....		\$6127 23
Balance due Treasurer		1161 95
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		\$7289 18
Deduct adverse Balance May 1st, 1877.....		163 29
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Expenditure for the year		\$7125 89
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Receipts for the year.....	\$6127 23	
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts.....	998 66	
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		\$7125 89

X. RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Board beg leave to recommend to the General Assembly as follows:

- I. That the salaries of the Theological Professors be \$2,000 per annum.
- II. That the College Board and the Educational Board for the late Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces be amalgamated.
- III. That an effort be made to increase the number of our Bursaries and Scholarships, by inducing Congregations or Sabbath Schools, or wealthy members of the Church to found such.
- IV. That Dr Macgregor be appointed Treasurer of the Bursary Fund in room of W. P. Knight, Esq., who wishes to retire, and to whom thanks are due for his faithful services.

XI. CONCLUSION.

In concluding this Report the Board cannot but regard the business of the past year—especially the virtual realization of the Hundred Thousand dollar Fund, and the removal to such comfortable and commodious premises—as marking an epoch in the history of our Institution. We feel devoutly thankful for the unanimity and heartiness wherewith this enterprise so essential to its being and well-being, has been conducted to such a favourable issue.

We are grateful that in addition to the material aid obtained, the visits to the churches which this scheme has necessitated, have intensified the interest in our College in the hearts of our people, and will eventuate, we trust, in securing *more men* as well as more money. We should have at least thirty students and a dozen graduating every year for some time to come, to meet the increasing demands upon us. We are right glad of the arrival of new comers from beloved Fatherland, but these now are so few and far between that we cannot rely on them as a permanent source of supply, and what are these among so many? There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed, and if we, associated with the other sections of the sacramental host, are to go up to possess the land for Him whose right it is, we must have, in increasing measure, a ministry formed and fostered on our own soil. Piety, patriotism and sound policy unite in demanding it. Let us therefore rally with greater loyalty and love than ever around our honoured collegiate institutions, and, having increased regard to the annual season of united prayer for colleges, under a deepening conviction that the harvest truly is plenteous whilst the labourers are few, let us pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send forth more labourers into the whitening harvest.

ROBERT FERRIER BURNS, *Chairman*.
P. GORDON MACGREGOR, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF MANITOBA COLLEGE
FOR THE YEAR 1877-8.

The Board of Management begs leave to make its Annual Report. The work of the College has progressed favourably during the past year. There has been a larger number of students, and a more successful adhesion to the curriculum than ever before. During the past year the University of Manitoba laid down a course, and instituted annual examinations which are having the effect of elevating the standard of education in the country, and of greatly assisting the Colleges to do their work. No one of the three Colleges is in a position to be more benefited by this educational movement than Manitoba College, and accordingly during this, the first year, seven students have been prepared by our College, and have gone forward to the University Examinations,—six of them to the *Preliminary*, and one to the *Previous Examination*. One other—a promising student for the ministry, would have accompanied these seven, but was prevented by ill

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health in the latter part of the session. The number in attendance at the College for this year was 42:—in the Senior department 24; in the Junior 18.

The ordinary revenue from local sources has increased somewhat during the year, and a portion of the amount due the Local Treasurer has been repaid. The amount of mortgage on the building has been somewhat reduced by the collections from various congregations, but there remains \$858.24 of the \$3,560 promised by the Assembly still unpaid.

On this the Board has to pay a high rate of interest, and the Board would respectfully urge the Assembly to provide through the assistance of some of the wealthier members of the Church, or from funds at the disposal of the Assembly for the liquidation of this amount, which was promised in the year of the Union.

The Board would note with pleasure the receipt of certain sums from Great Britain, viz., of £50 stg. from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, obtained through representations made to that church and kindly vouched for by Rev. Dr. Robb, of Toronto, on his visit to Britain at the time of the Presbyterian Council; and also a gift from a former official of the Red River settlement, and an "Honorary fellow of St. John's College" of £60 stg., which was obtained through the medium of Rev. Dr. Black, of Kildonan. The Board is of opinion that it would be in harmony with the wishes of the donor that the latter donation should be utilized for establishing a permanent Bursary.

The Board has to thank the Assembly for their generous support of the College, as well as of the other work in the North-West. The support of the College would unduly press a weak Presbytery like that of Manitoba, having so few even self-sustaining congregations, in which congregations the frequent demands for help for the newer settlements add a heavy burden. The Board would respectfully represent to the General Assembly its opinion that the amount required could be chiefly met by a more organized effort to gain the assistance of the several British Churches and Societies, for the work of the Church in the North-West. No part of Canada has been so closely identified with the mother country through the Hudson's Bay Co., and no part possesses more the sympathy of England and Scotland. The late donation of a second £300 stg., by the Free Church of Scotland for this year to the Home Mission work of the Church, of which in the North-West the College has been an important factor, shows the interest taken in the work of progress going on in the Dominion.

The amount received during the past year from local sources was: Fees and Board \$2,013.42; Collections \$117.55; Sundry donations \$175.00; Total \$2,305.97. The amount expended by the local treasurer, including the balance in his favour from last year was \$2,402.36½.

The following are nominated as members of the Board of Management for the year 1878-9.

By Presbytery of Manitoba.—Rev. James Robertson, Rev. John Scott, Rev. Alexander Campbell, B.A., G. McMicken, and A. W. Ross, M.A.

By Knox Church, Winnipeg.—Hon. A. G. B. Bannatyne, M.P., D. Macarthur, and D. Sinclair.

By Kildonan.—Rev. John Black, Hon. Wm. Fraser, and J. Sutherland, M.P.P.

By Little Britain.—Rev. A. Matheson.

By Portage La Prairie.—K. McKenzie.

Ex-officio.—Rev. Prof. Bryce, M.A., and Rev. Prof. Hart, M.A.

A. G. B. Bannatyne, Chairman.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. G. B. BANNATYNE, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE SENATE OF MANITOBA COLLEGE FOR THE YEAR 1877-8.

STAFF OF INSTRUCTORS.

The Rev. George Bryce, M.A., Professor of Science and Literature; the Rev. Thomas Hart, M.A., Professor of Classics and French; the Rev. James Robertson, Lecturer on Systematic Theology; the Rev. John Black, D.D., Lecturer on Biblical criticism, etc.; Mr. Alexander Ferguson, Elementary Tutor.

NAMES OF STUDENTS.

Senior Department.—S. Polson, J. Duncan, W. R. Gunn, W. Omand, C. Stewart, L. McPhillips, A. McPhillips, A. Ferguson, J. B. Polworth, R. McLean, J. Ferguson, H. McLean, D. R. Sinclair, J. W. Cunningham, J. Newcomb, J. Fulton, T. R. Corrigan, J. M. Sutherland, R. R. Sutherland, H. Stevenson, J. Kennedy, G. McLeod, A. A. Thompson, O. H. Clark,—24.

Elementary Department.—W. Luxton, H. Herchmer, H. Luxton, J. Peach, J. Street, A. Besant, W. Street, K. McPhillips, M. Davies, Robt. Strang, H. Davies, Reg. Strang, W. Romanus, H. McGregor, R. Bannatyne, L. Herchmer, N. Sinclair, R. Morcraft.—18. Total number of students, 42.

The Senior Department consists of the students in the regular forms. The instruction in Theology authorized by the General Assembly was duly imparted as heretofore.

EXAMINATIONS.

The usual examinations were held at the close of each term of the session, with highly satisfactory results. Messrs. Polson and Duncan, students in Theology under the care of the Presbytery of Manitoba, have, in a satisfactory manner, completed the course of study prescribed for them by the General Assembly. A detailed report of the special subjects studied and the work performed by these students was made to the Presbytery, and it has agreed to make application to the General Assembly for leave to take them on trials for license at the next regular meeting. Messrs. Duncan and Polson are, in the meantime, occupying important points in the mission field.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting was held this session in the college at the December meeting of the Presbytery of Manitoba when a large number of the ministers were present. Interesting and instructive addresses on special subjects were made by Messrs. Borthwick, Scott, Campbell and others.

MEALS, BURSARIES, ETC.

The medals gained previously were this session presented to the successful competitors, viz.: R. G. McBeath, and R. C. Francis, accompanied by a letter of congratulation and encouragement from His Excellency, the Governor-General, to each of the medalists. The bursaries offered by the Senate last session, were gained by John Fulton, J. Kennedy, and H. Stevenson. These bursaries, of the respective values of \$25, \$20, and \$15, are again offered to candidates from the Elementary Department of the College, and the public schools of the Province passing the first, second and third best examinations in certain specified subjects, with the intention of entering on the regular College course the ensuing session.

The University of Manitoba, established last year, is now organized, and seven students of Manitoba College are at the present time undergoing the first University examinations ever held in the North-West.

It is the pleasing duty of the Senate to report that a valuable donation of £60 stg. has been made to the College by "An Honorary Fellow of St. John's College, Manitoba," a former resident of this country, now living in London, England. It is intended to invest this handsome gift, and to apply the interest to the formation of a permanent College bursary. It is earnestly hoped that other friends of our Church, either as individuals or as congregations, will follow the good example of this generous donor. In no other way can our cause in Manitoba and the North-West be more effectively aided than by the establishment of such bursaries for the encouragement of deserving students preparing for future usefulness in this, the most important, promising and needy mission field of our Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE BRYCE, *Chairman.*

TREASURER IN ACCOUNT WITH MANITOBA COLLEGE.

Dr.		
To cash received, Fees and Board.....		\$2013 42
" " Collections		117 55
" " Sun by donations		175 00
Balance vs. College Local Fund.....		95 39½
		\$2102 36½
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Balance vs. College from last year		\$327 43
By amount paid for Household Expenses.....		1514 58½
" " Interest		100 00
" " Insurance		46 50
" " Printing		66 20
" " Taxes		49 40
" " Bursaries		17 50
" " Repairs		39 10
" " Fuel.....		181 65
		\$2102 36½

D. MACARTHUR, *Treas. Man. Col.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

Perhaps no department of the Church's work is encompassed with greater difficulties, and assuredly none requires more thorough supervision than that committed to the Board of French Evangelization. Carried on in the interests of a people who speak a different language and of a temperament widely different from those under the care of the Home Mission Committee, a people as superstitious and at least as firmly wedded to a corrupted form of faith as those ministered to by the Foreign Mission Committee, it needs great prudence as well as great faith on the part of those whom the Church has honored with its administration.

The Board are painfully sensible how far short they have come in the discharge of their important trust, yet they cannot fail to acknowledge the hand of a merciful God in the marked success which has crowned their efforts during the past year, not only in the providential opening up of many new fields of labor and the gathering in of new converts in those heretofore occupied, but in drawing out in an increasing measure the liberality and sympathy of the congregations and Christian people of our Church in the Dominion and elsewhere on behalf of this most important scheme.

INCREASE OF STAFF.

One gratifying feature of the work has reference to the increased number of missionaries whose services have been placed at the disposal of the Board. The Rev. Messrs. B. Ouriere and R. P. Duclos,—the former a gentleman of marked ability and with special qualifications for the work, and the latter an honored missionary for many years of the French Canadian Missionary Society, and, more recently, President of the late "Synode des Eglises Evangéliques,"—were received by the General Assembly last June as Ministers of the Church, and have since rendered efficient service in the work. The Rev. Messrs. M. F. Boudreau and R. Hamilton, graduates of the Montreal Presbyterian College last spring, have, during the year, been ordained in French fields. The Rev. Messrs. L. Dionne and Jos. Vessott, both tried men and with considerable experience of French Evangelistic work, have since last meeting of Assembly connected themselves with the Board, while more recently Messrs. L. LeClair, A. Internoscia, and O. Camerle, have been added to the staff of laborers, and an application is at present on the table of the Montreal Presbytery from a French Missionary, a graduate of Knox College, Toronto,—Rev. W. Groulx—who desires to be received as a Minister of the Church with a view to labor in connection with the Board.

EX-PRIESTS.

During the year applications were received from a number of ex-Priests of the Church of Rome, and much time and anxious thought were given to the consideration of these cases. A Committee of the Board met frequently with several of the applicants and carefully examined them as to their doctrinal views and their religious convictions, and recommended the Senate of the Montreal Presbyterian College to permit three of them—Messrs. Camerle, Internoscia, and Tanguay, the last named an ex-Ecclesiastic from Quebec City,—to attend lectures during the College Session. This they did, and at the close of the Session they appeared before the Presbytery of Montreal, by whom they were examined, and to two of their number employment has been given by the Board during the present summer. The standing of these three gentlemen comes before the General Assembly in another connection. One great difficulty the Board felt in regard to them was how to provide a maintenance for them during their period of probation. Taking all the circumstances into consideration, it was resolved to issue a special appeal on their behalf. This the Convener did, and most generously has the appeal thus far been responded to, as the accompanying financial statement of the Treasurer will show. Among other applications from ex-Priests, was one from a gentleman in Messina, Sicily, who, for many years, has been a Protestant Missionary, and concerning whose Christian character and peculiar adaptation for the work, the highest testimony was borne by well-known Ministers of the Church of Scotland. The Board, owing to the state of the funds and the large sum necessary to bring this gentleman and his family to Canada, were most reluctantly compelled to decline the application. Were some of the wealthy friends of the mission to provide the amount required—about \$1000—the Board would at once secure his services, believing that in this ex-Priest they would have a valuable acquisition to their Staff of Missionaries.

MEN AND MONEY WANTED.

Notwithstanding the additions made during the year to the number of labourers, and the increased contributions of the Church, the Board urgently require for the furtherance and extension of the work, more men and more money. There are at present many doors of entrance open, into which, without delay, missionaries, teachers, and colporteurs, should be sent. The Board have reason to believe that, were the requisite means provided, the men would be forthcoming,—men baptized with the Spirit of Christ, men with earnest zeal combined with knowledge,—for only such can hope for success in this work.

Instead of \$23,500,—the revenue of the past year,—at least \$40,000 are required to take possession of fields now known to be open and to carry on the work with vigor and efficiency throughout

the ensuing year. When it is borne in mind that within our own Dominion, and in some of the most densely peopled districts of the land, there are not only townships and counties, but vast stretches of country extending in some instances upwards of a hundred miles, where the voice of a Protestant missionary is never heard,—when this fact is borne in mind it surely is not necessary to urge the ministers and office-bearers and members of our Church, liberally to support by their contributions and their prayers, that scheme whose object it is to plant the missionary, and to scatter broadcast the Seed of the Kingdom in these priest-ridden districts of the land.

In many of the fields occupied by the missionaries of the Board there is no other Protestant Church for miles around, and, in some instances, the missionary toils on at his discouraging work from month to month separated by scores of miles from any fellow-laborer in the vineyard of his Master, as much isolated from the companionship and sympathy of kindred Christian spirits as many of the missionaries who labour in purely heathen lands. These men claim the sympathy and prayers, as well as the financial support, of the church whose honored servants they are.

MONTHLY REPORTS

The Board are most desirous, as far as possible, to systematize the work, and to obtain the most accurate statistics from the respective fields. Each missionary is required to report monthly on forms provided for the purpose, of which the following is a copy :

BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

Report of the Missionary labor of
in _____ *for the Month of* _____ *187*

To be carefully filled up and sent to REV. R. H. WARDEN, 210 St. James Street, Montreal, IMMEDIATELY ON THE CLOSE OF THE MONTH.

(The salary of the Missionary will be paid only when these monthly reports are filled up and promptly forwarded to the Secretary of the Board.)

MONTH OF	No. Present at sabbath Morning Service.	Of these how many were Rom. Catholics?	No. at Sabbath Evening Service.	Of these how many were Rom. Catholics?	No. at Sabbath School (including Bible-Class)	Of these how many were Rom. Catholics?	No. present at Prayer Meeting on week Evening	Families visited during the week.		If there is a Mission Day School, state the average daily attendance per week.	Amount of the Collection for Sabbath Morning.	Amount of the Collection for Sabbath Evening.	State what amount (if any) is contributed by the people for the salary of the Missionary in addition to the Sabbath Collections.	Total amount contributed by the people during each of the weeks in the month.
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1st Week.....											% c.	% c.	% c.	% c.
2nd Week....														
3rd Week....														
4th Week....														
5th Week....														

* These amounts are to be retained by the Missionary, and will be deducted from his salary each month.

REMARKS

(State here your views of the field generally, and any incidents of the month worthy of special notice.)

For Colporteurs and Missionary Teachers a different form is provided, with columns for the daily attendance at school, the daily number of visits paid and of books distributed, etc., etc. In addition to these Monthly Reports an *Annual* one is received from each field, containing a resumé of the year's work.

In the *Annual Reports* for the year just ended the name of every convert and of every family connected with the Mission, the circumstances of the family, the number of children, etc., etc., is given, so that the Board possess the most minute details connected with every one of the fields occupied.

No one can rise from the perusal of the Monthly and Annual Reports of the Missionaries of the Board for the past year without being impressed with a sense of the vastness and importance of the work, and the very marked success achieved by the Blessing of God. From these Reports the following details are chiefly taken :

REPORTS CONCERNING FIELDS.

I.—PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Under the direction of the Prince Edward Island Auxiliary Bible Society, one of the Colporteurs of the Board labored for four months last summer in several of the French Settlements of the Island. The French Catholic population is large, and very thoroughly under the control of the Priests. We feel and hope as the number of their laborers increases, to have at least one energetic Colporteur permanently employed among the French speaking people of the Island.

II. GRAND FALLS, NEW BRUNSWICK.

For the last four years the Rev. M. R. Paradis has labored here with untiring zeal and fidelity. Through his instrumentality, a neat substantial Church edifice, to accommodate 225, has been erected, free of debt, at a cost of \$3,000. Here services are conducted every Lord's Day, both in French and English. When Mr. Paradis entered the field there was not a single member of our Church in the District. During his ministry, seventeen English speaking persons have publicly professed their faith in Christ, and twenty-five French Catholics have severed their connexion with the Church of Rome, all of whom, with three exceptions, have continued steadfast in the faith. One of the great drawbacks in connection with the Missionary's labours heretofore has arisen from the ignorance of the people, not more than one in ten being able to read. The new school law, however, promises to effect an improvement in this respect, there now being two Public Schools in the Village of Grand Falls taught by Protestant teachers, and attended, among others, by upwards of twenty of the French children. Though the average attendance at Mr. Paradis' French service on the Lord's Day is small, (the Roman Catholics fearing to be present,) he yet finds many opportunities among this class to sow the seed of the Kingdom. A part of every day is devoted to visiting from house to house. In a recent report, Mr. Paradis says,—“The Roman Catholics I sometimes visit merely as a friend without speaking on religion, in order not to excite their prejudices too much, but most frequently I read passages appropriate to their circumstances, or to the subject brought up in conversation. This generally leads to controversy, and I often spend two or three hours with the family reading and speaking on religious subjects. Twenty-two families are favorably disposed both towards me and my work; thirty-two receive me well, and there are a few others I can visit.” The *average* attendance at the Sabbath School is thirty-five, and at the weekly Prayer-Meeting, seventeen. The *average* number of Protestant families visited per month is thirty-two, and of Roman Catholics, eighteen.

Twelve miles distant from Grand Falls, in one direction, is Limestone, and about the same distance in another direction is Van Buren, both of which places are supplied fortnightly by Mr. Paradis, on alternate Sabbaths. At the former there are about fifty families, of whom ten are French Catholics. Six of these ten are well disposed to Mr. Paradis. In the house of one of them he recently spent a whole week, being most warmly received and kindly treated. The attendance at the Sabbath Service at Limestone is about fifty, including a number of Catholics, to whom the Missionary gives a short address in French at the close of the English Service. Thus frequently Mr. Paradis preaches four times, twice in English and twice in French, on the same Sabbath, besides driving the long distance between the Stations. Though the people in Mr. Paradis' field generally are poor, they have contributed \$106.24 towards his Salary during the past year.

III.—VIOLET BROOK, NEW BRUNSWICK.

This field, twelve miles distant from Grand Falls, is under the supervision of the Rev. M. R. Paradis, assisted in the summer half-year by a French Student from the Presbyterian College of Montreal. The Parish is thickly settled by Roman Catholics, a few of whom are Irish, but the vast majority French. In the village there are eight Protestant families, the average attendance at the Sabbath Service being only fifteen. The work of the Missionary is chiefly that of Colportage. Mr. I. P. Bruneau, who labored in this field the last two summers, reports a favourable change in the disposition of the people to receive the Missionary's visits. An idea of his work may be had from the following extract from his report for September last: *Families visited*, one hundred and forty, of whom seventy-five were Roman Catholics; *Books, etc., distributed*, two Bibles, one New Testament, six portions of the Gospel, and about two hundred Tracts.

Mr. Joseph Allard is the Missionary here this summer. His last report is most hopeful, for while he speaks of great difficulties and discouragements, he expresses himself as strengthened and cheered by the favourable reception he meets from many. He writes, "Out of the last eight families visited, only two insulted me; the others seemed delighted to hear the Gospel read and explained, and one man named —, who had never seen a Protestant Missionary before, urged me to return soon and bring him some good books and tracts. I left him a New Testament. He thanked me for it and promised to read it." Referring to Madame Paradis, Mr. Allard says "She is worth two Ministers. In houses to which neither Mr. Paradis nor I can have access, she is welcomed, and is permitted to read and pray, because though some people don't care to insult a man, they have respect for a woman, and she is always well received."

IV.—ST. FRANCIS, NEW BRUNSWICK.

As reported to last Assembly the Board appointed Mr. S. T. Ami to labor in this district with a view to test its capabilities. After spending three months in the field, Mr. Ami returned on account of ill-health. He reports that the people, who are chiefly on the American side of the line are almost all English speaking, and that those who have French, understand English equally well. The Board did not therefore feel justified in sending another Missionary, and have since learned that an English speaking Protestant Minister is now laboring in the field.

V. STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA.

This field, which is within the bounds of the Presbytery of Pictou, was ministered to by the Rev. E. D. Pelletier, for several years. On the removal of Mr. Pelletier to Ste. Anne, last fall, the Rev. T. Brouillette was appointed to succeed him. Leaving the field, Mr. Pelletier furnished the Board with a brief resume of his work. The following is an extract: "When the French people came to this district they were all Roman Catholics; now the large majority are Protestants. When they came, not one had a Bible; now a Bible can be found in almost every house. Some of the families who were with us are now in the County of Ottawa, at Namur (where the Board has a prosperous Mission). They are not only good Protestants, but I am confident true Christians. The same may be said of others gone to the Western States and others returned to France. These people will carry the good seed where they go. Is there not reason for joy and thankfulness to think that those who were so recently in the dark can now enjoy it freely?"

The French settlers in this field are all Miners, and heretofore have been dependent for support on the Coal Mines in the District. Owing to the depression of business, most of the mines have been closed, and many of the settlers have had to look elsewhere for work. The population in this way has been considerably diminished. Many are, however, expected to return when business revives. Partly through the efforts of our present Missionary and on petition of fifteen French families, the Local Government has granted, free of charge, two thousand acres of good land, within easy reach of the mines. Mr. Brouillette reports, "Our little flock at present consists of 149 converts, viz.: 68 Parents, 75 Children, and six unmarried men. There are 18 Roman Catholic families, one-half of whom are favorably disposed towards myself and the Gospel."

Two Services are held each Sabbath—the Morning one in the Albion Company's School House, the Evening one in the Rev. Mr. Bruce's Church at Vale Colliery. There is a Sabbath School at Stellarton—"a living school"—taught and superintended by earnest converts, also a Bible Class, conducted by a talented convert, who has had a Collegiate Education, and who desires to consecrate himself to the work of French Evangelization. In Mr. Brouillette's report for the month of November, the following is related: "Two whole families I verily believe have been born to God. They seem to *live* upon the Scriptures, and of them, it may truly be said, 'Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law do they meditate day and night.' I called on one of those families last week, early in the evening, and found the father, not black with coal dust as I expected to find him at that hour, but clean, Bible in hand, sitting by the fire dictating verses to his four children, who were writing them down on books for that purpose and committing them to memory. This is their daily practice."

VI.—ANTIGONISH COUNTY, NOVA SCOTIA.

At the solicitation of the Presbytery of Pictou the Board, last November, sent a colporteur—Mr. Calvin Cruchet—to explore the French settlements in this county. He made his headquarters at Afton, in the vicinity of which are Tracadie, Little Tracadie, Pomquet Forks and Harbor Bouche, districts containing a large French population. The field is a most difficult one—one requiring the services of an experienced colporteur of more than ordinary prudence and patience and Christian zeal. Mr. Cruchet has labored for six months apparently without success. The Rev. T. Brouillette visited the field and spent two weeks with Mr. Cruchet in January. In referring to his visit he thus writes:—"This is a most difficult field. We have met with decided opposition, and the results are anything but cheering. Think of two of us walking yesterday ten miles, calling at twelve houses, and only permitted to hold a conversation in one of them." He sums up the fortnight's work with this remark:—"In *one* house we had the privilege of presenting some truths in a manner acceptable and, let us hope, profitable to our five or six hearers, and that fact alone is refreshing."

VII.—POINTE-AUX-BOULEAUX AND PORT AU PERSIL, QUE.

These stations, which are about twenty-one miles apart, lie on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, between the two well-known summer resorts, Tadoussac and Murray Bay. To a considerable extent this section of country was originally settled by Scotch, the Government giving free grants of land to some Highland regiments of soldiers who had completed their term of service. Had a Protestant missionary accompanied them to their new home, it is difficult to estimate what the result, under God, might have been in that and the wide districts of country surrounding. Their spiritual interests, however, were entirely neglected by the Church of their fathers, and as a consequence they became lukewarm and indifferent, intermarried with French Catholics, had their children baptized and brought up in connection with the Church of Rome, and to-day the saddening spectacle is there witnessed of the descendants of Scotch Presbyterians—men bearing the names of Macneill, Maclean, Macdonald, Macdavis, etc.—not only unable to speak a word of English, but, what is unspeakably more saddening, utterly ignorant of the Protestant faith.

For the last three or four years the Board has had a missionary in this field during the summer months, his time being equally divided between the two stations. In addition to the Sabbath services the missionary has taught a Mission Day School for three months at Port au Persil and three months at Pointe-aux-Bouleaux. The number of children at the latter place being much greater than at the former, the missionary this summer—Mr. Alf. Blouin—will teach the whole six months at Pointe-aux-Bouleaux, dividing his Sabbath work between the two stations. The attendance at the day school is twenty, and the Sabbath attendance from twenty-five to thirty in each place. With one solitary exception (a French missionary at Chicoutimi) Mr. Blouin is the only missionary of any Protestant denomination on the north side of the St. Lawrence River in that wide stretch of country from the Quebec District to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, a distance of several hundred miles.

At Chicoutimi there is a Protestant congregation, composed of French and English-speaking people, organized by the French Canadian Missionary Society. Recently, overtures were made to the Board to receive the mission, but owing to a dispute between certain parties and the congregation as to the Church property, the Board deemed it inexpedient to take any action in the meantime. There is a prospect of the mission coming into our hands before long.

VIII.—QUEBEC CITY.

As stated in last year's Report, the Rev. B. Ouriere, French Lecturer in the Montreal Presbyterian College, temporarily supplied the French congregation in this city during the whole of last summer. His services were highly appreciated, and deep regret was expressed at the necessity for his leaving the field in September to resume his college duties. The Board, however, were fortunate in being able at this important juncture to secure the services of an experienced missionary in the person of Rev. R. P. Duclou. At considerable personal sacrifice, Mr. Duclou consented to move from St. Hyacinthe to Quebec, where he has labored since October with some measure of success.

Services are held by him regularly every Sabbath morning and evening in the commodious French Church erected by the Qu-*bec* friends last year. The attendance varies from 40 to 120; the average number present at the morning service being 42, and at the evening one upwards of 60. At the latter several Roman Catholics invariably are present, as many as thirty having on more than one occasion been in attendance. During the winter Mr. Duclou delivered a number of lectures on week evenings, the attendance at which was good and the interest encouraging.

In a recent report he gives the names of all the families connected with the Church. Of these, 24 persons (including young and old) were added during the year just ended. Concerning the temporal circumstances of the congregation, Mr. Duclou says that while none are rich, none but two are in very poor circumstances. He adds:—"The work in Quebec is evidently difficult; nevertheless it has grown slowly and steadily, and I believe the future has days of triumph in store for the work of French evangelization in this city. Those days would be much hastened if Protestant employers would only give the preference to converts, provided they were as capable for the work as other applicants."

The English-speaking friends in Quebec have during the year implemented their engagement with the Board by contributing \$600 towards the salary of the missionary, for which thanks are due and are hereby cordially expressed.

IX.—ST. PAUL DE CHESTER.

One of the student missionaries of the Board occupied this field last summer. Owing partly to the poverty of the soil and partly to persecution, several of the few French Protestants here have left and taken up land for themselves and their families in the neighbouring township of Wotton, where the Board have opened a new station this summer to be worked in connection with Chester.

X.—WOTTON, QUE.

As stated above this is a new Mission field, hereafter to be worked in connection with St. Paul de Chester, from which it is distant about ten or twelve miles. A few French Protestant families have very recently settled here. The missionary of the Board, Mr. A. L. Guertin, has

opened a School in one of their houses with somewhat hopeful prospects, and is encouraged to believe that several of the Roman Catholic families will attend it as well as his Sabbath services. One of the French converts offers gratuitously a site on which to erect mission premises. The Board will, however, await the result of the summer's work before taking action in the way of erecting a church.

XI. DANVILLE, QUE.

In September last the Rev. M. F. Boudreau, one of the French-speaking graduates of the Montreal Presbyterian College, was ordained and inducted to the pastorate of the congregation here. He preaches in English every Sabbath morning in Danville, in Kingsey Falls in the afternoon, and conducts a French service in Danville in the evening. His French Bible-class is well attended, and has been a means of strengthening the faith of some of the converts, and of conveying instruction to the Roman Catholics who occasionally attend. Mr. Boudreau takes a general supervision of the French missions at Wotton and Chester, and occasionally visits other districts in the neighborhood in the interests of French Evangelization. His reports during the year give interesting details of his work, and afford evidence that his instructions in public and also in private conversations with enquirers are already beginning to bear fruit, several Roman Catholics during the year having severed their connection with the Church of Rome and professed their faith in Christ.

One of the student missionaries of the Board is at present engaged, under the auspices of the Quebec Bible Society, in colporting among the French along the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Danville and Point Levis. He reports encouraging success in his work.

XII.—ST. HYACINTHE, QUE.

The French Protestant Congregation in this city was a little over a year ago taken under the care of the Board, and its pastor, the Rev. R. P. Duclou was duly received by last General Assembly as a minister of our Church. The congregation then worshipped in the Chapel of the Ladies' French Protestant College, an institution established by Mr. Duclou several years ago. In the providence of God the College Building was destroyed by fire last September. With commendable zeal the congregation at once secured the use of the Town Hall for the Sabbath Services, in which place they have since been held. Circumstances prevented the re-building of the College, and Mr. Duclou on the appointment of the Board consented to assume charge of the French Church in Quebec. During the winter months St. Hyacinthe was regularly supplied every Sabbath by French Theological Students from the Montreal Presbyterian College, and the services were well maintained. At the close of the College Session Mr. C. E. Amaron was appointed to labour in this field for the summer. He reports increasing interest and increased attendance at the Sabbath Services, five additional French Protestant families having recently moved into St. Hyacinthe. Feeling very much the want of a Church edifice, the Board encouraged the congregation to build. An eligible Lot has been purchased for \$1,200 and the contract has just been let for the erection of a commodious brick Church, 56 x 37 feet in size, to cost a little over \$5,000. The people themselves subscribed about \$1,100, most of which has already been paid. The Board made a grant of \$500, and the Presbytery of Montreal \$100, in aid of the building, and an appeal is at present being made to friends of the Mission for assistance. The basement of the Church is to be occupied as a Day School for the education of the children connected with the Mission. Notwithstanding the heavy burden upon them in connection with the Church building, the people have themselves assumed the entire expense of the Teacher's salary, besides contributing a considerable portion of the salary of the Missionary. They have recently adopted the weekly offering system, which promises to be most successful. Mr. Amaron preaches twice each Sabbath, one of the services being conducted in English for the benefit of the few English-speaking families in the city. The services are well attended notwithstanding the somewhat unsuitable building in which they are at present held, and the Board cherish the hope that on the completion of the Church and the settlement of a faithful pastor the congregation will rapidly increase, and ere the lapse of many years become self-supporting. St. Hyacinthe is the centre of a large and prosperous section of country, and had the Board sufficient men and money at their disposal they would at once open several Stations in its vicinity with, they are assured, the most encouraging prospects of success.

XIII.—ST. VALEBIEN, QUE.

This is a new field to which the Board has sent a Missionary, Mr. S. T. Ami, for the first time this spring. It is situated about twelve miles from St. Hyacinthe in the midst of a well-to-do agricultural community. There are here six French and one English-speaking Protestant families to whom Mr. Ami ministers every Lord's Day, besides visiting the homes of Roman Catholics and instructing the children of the Protestants. He reports visiting a village, Egypt de Milton, four miles from St. Valerien, where he found three French families nominally Protestant. The Board trust that the result of Mr. Ami's labours this summer will be the gathering in of some of the Roman Catholics of the district and the establishment of a permanent Mission of the Church in this field.

XIV.—ST. ANTOINE ABBE, QUE.

As stated in last year's Report, Mr. S. Patis, one of the farmers of the district, gratuitously decided an acre of ground to the Board for the erection of Mission premises. For several reasons the erection of the building has been delayed, but the Board are now glad to report that the work

approaches completion, and the building will be ready for occupation this month. It is a frame structure, on a stone foundation, neat, but comfortable, and well adapted for the purposes of the mission. Here the Mission Day and Sabbath Schools will meet, and the Sabbath Services be held. The Missionary Teacher during the present summer is Mr. T. Saindon, one of the Montreal Presbyterian College Students. Till the new building is ready for occupation he has the use of a room in Mr. Pettis' house, where the School and Services are conducted.

XV. ST. JEAN CHRYSOSTOM, QUE.

Last summer Mr. Joseph Morin labored in this and the St. Antoine Abbe field. The missionary this summer is Mr. W. Mullins, one of the most devoted Colporteurs of the Board. Mr. Mullins having resolved to consecrate his life to the work of French Evangelization, for which he seems well qualified, entered the Montreal College last fall with the view of becoming one of the regular Missionaries of the Board. In a recent report he gives the names of all the French Protestants in this field, numbering eighty, some of whom are widely scattered from each other. He estimates the number of French Catholics in the district at about two thousand, a few of whom appear to be well disposed, but the large majority bitterly opposed to his work. Among the French Protestants are found some very poor, others in comfortable circumstances and one or two considered wealthy. Mr. Mullins expects they will contribute a fair proportion of his salary. He preaches in the morning of every Sabbath in French at St. Antoine Abbe,—average attendance from twenty-five to thirty—and in the afternoon alternately in French and English at St. Jean Chrysostom, to an audience of about forty. At St. Isidore, where there are five French Protestant families, he gives occasional service on Sabbath evening.

There is a Protestant Day School at St. Jean Chrysostom with an attendance of twenty, of whom five are the children of Roman Catholics. Mr. Mullins is an earnest, indefatigable worker, visiting on an average from fifteen to twenty families weekly, with some of whom he spends hours "reading (to use his own word-) the New Testament and teaching the doctrine of salvation by grace in contradistinction to dead works, avoiding controversy as much as possible."

Mr. Mullins closes his report as follows: "Several of the older French Protestants in this field have suffered bitter persecution, their lives have been frequently threatened, and their property injured, but in the midst of all they have sternly clung to their Protestant principles and to the Bible. The old people are fast passing away and it behooves us to care for the young, and lead them to Jesus. I believe, if this field is thoroughly worked, that the day is not far distant when it will become a flourishing and, to a considerable extent, a self-supporting mission. However this may be it is ours to be faithful to present duty, leaving results with Him who does not despise the day of small things and who has said, 'My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.'"

XVI.—LA TORTUE, QUE.

The Board having only recently (in April) sent a missionary to this field are unable to report fully as to its prospects. The missionary, Mr. T. A. Bouchard, owing to the disagreeable weather and the almost impassable roads this spring, had not been able at the date of his last report to thoroughly canvass the district. He has, however, already met with six families of French Protestants with whom he has held services attended by nineteen persons. La Tortue is in the county of Laprairie, about six miles distant from the village of that name, where we have a Home Mission Station. That station is so very weak and the field so circumscribed, that it has received no supply for nearly two years from the Presbytery of Montreal. Mr. Bouchard being able to conduct services both in English and French, it is hoped that the English-speaking station at Laprairie may be revived, and that in connection with it there may grow up a strong French Mission at La Tortue.

XVII.—JOLIETTE, QUE.

In last year's report reference was made to the fact that the French Protestant Congregation of Joliette had asked to be received into connection with our Church, and that negotiations were then in progress towards the accomplishment of that end. These negotiations were satisfactorily completed, and the congregation has been under the care of the Board since last July. The Rev. L. Dionne was immediately appointed to supply the field. After laboring there for three months the congregation, encouraged by the Board, applied to the Presbytery for a moderation in a call, and on the eighteenth of October last Mr. Dionne was, by the Presbytery of Montreal, ordained and inducted as pastor of this French charge.

Here we have a large substantial brick church, with pastor's residence in the upper flat, though the latter is not yet finished for occupation. A Mission day school with twenty-four pupils is held in one part of the church building. It is conducted by Miss Yessott, the daughter of one of our missionaries, her salary being entirely paid by the congregation. This is the *only Protestant Church and the only Protestant school* in Joliette, a town of nearly 4000 inhabitants. In addition to the French there are a few English-speaking Protestants for whose benefit Mr. Dionne preaches in English once every Lord's day. At the French services there are almost invariably a few Roman Catholics present. On the Sabbath School roll there are twenty-five names. Some of the French Catholics recently told our missionary that *there were more Protestants in Joliette than he imagined*, the fear of persecution keeping them from openly renouncing Romanism. Not only in Joliette but in many other parts of Quebec, there are, it is believed, not a few of the Lord's hidden ones. May the day soon come when grace will be given to enable many such publicly to avow themselves on the Lord's side.

XVIII.—LAKE MASKINONGE, QUE.

In the neighborhood of this Lake, which is situated in the county of Berthier, one of the missionaries of the Board has been colporting since the end of April, meeting with a cordial welcome at the hands of a few French Protestant families in the district, and gaining access to the homes of several French Catholics. The Board have just learned that a petition is being signed by several families at St. Gabriel, Lake Maskinonge, and De Ramsay, ten miles distant from St. Gabriel, and midway between it and Joliette, praying that a missionary be sent and regular preaching stations opened at these places. The distance from Joliette to the city of Quebec is about 150 miles, a district thickly settled almost entirely by French. In that whole district there is not on the north side of the St. Lawrence a single congregation or mission station of our Church with the solitary exception of Three Rivers.

XIX.—NEW GLASGOW, QUE.

There is no incident of any importance to report in connection with this field. Mr. C. E. Amaron labored here last summer, and Mr. A. B. Cruchet is the present missionary, services being held in French and English every Sabbath. During the winter months service was kept up every Sabbath by means of students from the Montreal Presbyterian College. The congregation are at present taking steps to call a pastor, one able to minister to the people in both languages, and there is a prospect of a desirable settlement during the present summer.

XX.—ST. MARTIN AND ST. DOROTHEE, QUE.

These places are situated in the county of Laval (Isle Jesu) about fifteen miles from Montreal. Learning that there were several French Protestant families in these districts, the Board appointed Mr. Joseph L. Morin to labor there for the present summer. He reports six French Protestant families in the field, with an attendance of eighteen at his Sabbath service and ten at the Sabbath School. Mr. Morin speaks of the field as a very difficult, and, in some respects, a discouraging one. He says:—"In the earlier days of French Evangelization many missionaries have trodden all about Isle Jesu, and there is perhaps not a house where the gospel has not been offered, and yet the people seem more fanatical, more bigoted than those who have never had the opportunity to receive the truth. The few Protestants here are very sincere and good Christians."

XXI.—BELLE RIVIERE, QUE.

At Belle Riviere, about fifteen or sixteen miles distant from St. Martin, there is a French Protestant congregation, formerly connected with the French Canadian Missionary Society, with a good church property. The congregation desire to be taken under the care of the Board, and their present missionary, Rev. W. Groulx, a graduate of Knox College, Toronto, has recently applied to the Presbytery of Montreal to be received as a minister of our Church.

XXII.—GRENVILLE, QUE.

This field has enjoyed the faithful services of the Rev. R. Hamilton during the whole year. Mr. Hamilton was licensed in July last and in the month of October was ordained by the Montreal Presbytery as Missionary in this district. He conducts service in French every Sabbath morning, the average attendance for the year being a little over thirty, some Roman Catholics being present at almost every service; indeed, every Roman Catholic family in the district, Mr. Hamilton reports, has during the year been represented at some of the meetings. The average number present at the Thursday Evening Prayer Meeting, which is held from house to house, is twenty. The Sabbath School has nearly forty names on its roll. It is conducted very much as other Presbyterian Sabbath Schools are, the Shorter Catechism (in French) being in regular use. Mr. Hamilton is most assiduous in his efforts to advance the temporal and spiritual interests of the people. He is looked upon as a friend in almost every home in the district, the Roman Catholics equally with the Protestants warmly receiving him and permitting him to pray and read with them. The people generally are poor, and being dependent to some extent upon the lumbering interest, the depression in that business for the last two or three years has deprived them of this means of obtaining a livelihood. Added to this the crops last year were very light and in some instances an entire failure. Most of the French Protestants are able to read. Mr. Hamilton cites the following illustration of the desire of the people for instruction:—"The old couple where I stay learned to read after their conversion, frequently sitting up whole nights and sometimes forgetting their meals in their anxiety to learn to read the Gospel. They both knew the letters to begin with. This was the extent of their early education or rather all that they remembered of it. They first learned a verse or two of a hymn by heart and upon that foundation they set to work and learned to read. The old lady has often said to me that she cannot understand how any one can be a real Protestant and not read the Gospel."

The need of a suitable place in which to meet for public worship being greatly felt, it was resolved to make an effort to obtain a Church. One of the congregation gave a site, others took logs to the mill and had them sawn, and Mr. Hamilton personally canvassed friends in Montreal and other places for subscriptions, securing sufficient to warrant the congregation going forward with the work. The building, which is of frame on stone foundation, 33 x 23, is nearly completed and will be consecrated to the worship of God early next month. Sufficient lumber has been obtained

for the erection of a manse on the adjoining lot, and Mr. Hamilton expects to have his family in the new house before many months pass by. A mission day school is much required in this field, there being at present no Protestant school in the whole district. Two small French Protestant colonies have gone out from Grenville, one of seven or eight families to Lac Vert, fifteen miles distant, and the other numbering twelve families to Arundel, a distance of twenty miles. The spiritual interests of these are not altogether neglected by the Board as will appear in another part of the Report. Rev. Mr. Chiniqny visited Grenville last fall and was attentively listened to by an audience of 150, including many Roman Catholics. In addition to the French work, Mr. Hamilton has opened two English stations in the immediate vicinity, to which he gives supply on alternate Sabbath afternoons.

XXIII.—NAMUR, QUE.

As mentioned in last year's Report, on the 15th of May, 1876, three French Protestant families from Montreal, recent converts of Mr. Chiniqny's, accompanied by a devoted missionary of the Board—Mr. G. C. Mousseau—arrived at Namur, in the Township of Suffolk, a township lately opened for settlement, about 25 miles to the north-west of Grenville. They found but ten other families in the settlement, all of whom were French Catholics. These were regularly visited by the priest, who came to celebrate mass monthly.

At the end of the first month after Mr. Mousseau's arrival three of these families renounced Romanism. At the end of the second month the priest ceased his visits, only two of the ten families being able to hold out against the truth.

Through the columns of the French press Mr. Mousseau made known the existence of the colony and the terms on which land could be obtained from the Government, and invited French Protestants to join the little band already there. In response to his invitation a large number of families have taken up land in the district, and the soil being very fertile it is confidently hoped that in this French Protestant settlement there will ere long be at least one large, self supporting congregation in connection with our Church.

Mr. Mousseau worked zealously here during the year teaching the Mission Day School and conducting the Sabbath services. His health, however, broke down with his incessant labors, and in April it became necessary to change his field. Amid the tearful regrets of the whole settlement Mr. Mousseau left Namur, his place being supplied by Messrs. Camerle and Richard. The former acts as missionary and the latter as teacher of the day school—both, however, co-operating with each other in visiting and generally in advancing the interests of the mission. Mr. Camerle preaches in French twice every Sabbath, in the new church erected by the Board in Namur last year, and in addition holds occasional week-day services and visits the French Protestant colony from Grenville, settled at Lac Vert, some few miles distant from Namur. He reports an attendance of seventy at the Sabbath services, twenty-five at the Sabbath school, and about the same number at the day school. He expects these numbers to be considerably increased as the roads improve after the spring rains. There are at present fifty Protestant families connected with the mission.

The Board are much indebted to the Rev. C. A. Dondict, who visited this field during the year, a report of which visit appeared in the February number of the Church "Record."

XXIV.—OTTAWA CITY, ONT.

Few places in the Dominion have felt more severely the long continued commercial depression than Ottawa, and it will not be a matter of surprise to any one to learn that our French congregation in the city has suffered much on this account, no less than twenty members requiring during the year to seek elsewhere the means of subsistence for themselves and their families. The time and strength of the missionary—Rev. M. Ami—have been much taxed in endeavouring to procure employment for those connected with the Church and in relieving the more pressing wants of the unemployed. He gratefully acknowledges valuable assistance given him in ministering to the poor by the Ladies' Aid Societies of the other Presbyterian congregations of the city.

During the year a few persons have abjured Romanism, and though twenty members have left the bounds their places have to a large extent been filled by others, seventeen additions having been made to the congregation in the past twelve months. Concerning the admission of new members, Mr. Ami thus writes:—"As it is my principle never to receive those who have left Romanism until they have given evident proofs of a change of heart, I have postponed the request of three of our people to join us as communicants. I prefer to have a smaller number of members and have them faithful to their Christian profession, honoring the Gospel by their daily walk."

The attendance at the Sabbath services and at the weekly meetings for prayer, and also at the Bible Class and Sabbath School, continues about the same as during the preceding year.

The annual meeting of the congregation in March was an occasion of much interest. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Armstrong, Gordon, Farries, Moore and Ami, by Rev. J. J. Cameron of New Edinburgh, and one or two others.

The congregation still worships in a rented hall, inconveniently located and far from attractive, the state of business preventing any effort being yet made in the way of church erection.

The Board again express the earnest hope that the English speaking Protestants of Ottawa will ere long set on foot a scheme for the purchase or erection of a suitable house of worship for our French Presbyterian congregation—the only French Protestant congregation in the Capital.

XXV.—OTTAWA CITY—WEST END.

Mr. Joseph Allard, Student Missionary, assisted Rev. M. Ami last summer. A Sabbath Evening Service was conducted by him in the Duke Street School House, and since his departure last fall, the service has been regularly maintained by Mr. Ami with much evident interest and encouragement. The expense connected with the rental, heating and lighting of the school-house has been borne by Mrs. Bronson, a benevolent friend of the cause. Instead of sending a French Student to this field for the present summer, the Board, at the earnest solicitation of the Presbytery of Ottawa, have recently appointed Mr. L. LeClaine, a former Colporteur of the French Canadian Missionary Society, to labor in the city in conjunction with the Rev. M. Ami.

XXVI.—RIVER DESERT, QUE.

The Rev. T. Brouillette was engaged to supply this field for one year, from 1st of September, 1876, his salary being met in equal proportions by the Home Mission Committee, the Lumberman's Mission Committee, and the Board of French Evangelization. At the expiry of his term of engagement Mr. Brouillette was removed to Stellarton, N. S., since which time the Board have had no missionary in the field.

XXVII.—GLENGARRY, ETC., ONT.

Messrs. W. Mullens and G. H. Allard, two of the Colporteurs of the Board spent the whole of the last summer in the counties of Russell, Stormont and Glengarry. They distributed a large number of tracts, Bibles and Testaments among the 8000 French Catholics in these counties, and report many encouraging incidents in connection with their work. The Board hope to secure the services of an earnest colporteur for the ensuing summer months.

XXVIII.—DRYSDALE AND GRAND BEND, HURON CO., ONT.

The English-speaking Presbyterians in this district now enjoy the services of a settled pastor. Among the French Protestants, of whom there are thirty-five families, the Rev. J. Vessott labored during a considerable portion of the year, being preceded for two months by Mr. Z. Lefebvre, another of the missionaries of the Board. Mr. Vessott's report for February may be taken as a fair illustration of the work done in the field during the year. Families visited during the month, seventy-six Protestant and twenty-two Roman Catholic; average Sabbath attendance at Grand Bend, sixty-seven, of whom five were Roman Catholics, and at Drysdale, fifty-two, of whom three were Roman Catholics; average attendance at the prayer meeting, fifty-five. Mr. Vessott was generally well received in the houses of the Roman Catholics, who expressed pleasure with his visits and with the religious instruction imparted. Mr. G. C. Mousseau succeeds Mr. Vessott in this important and encouraging field.

XXIX.—ESSEX COUNTY, ONT.

The missionary who occupied this field last summer devoted a considerable portion of his time to the English-speaking people hoping thereby to get a better footing among the French. The missionary of the present summer, Mr. L. P. Bruneau, has instructions to confine his labors exclusively among the French, of whom there are upwards of ten thousand in the county. His headquarters are at Comber, in Tilbury West. Mr. Bruneau has been about two months in the field and, thus far, has only met one French Protestant family. He has found a cess to the homes of many of the Roman Catholics and speaks encouragingly of the impression made by him on a few families. In Mr. Bruneau the Board have a most conscientious, faithful missionary, just the kind of man for the difficult field in which he is at present laboring.

XXX.—STE. ANNE, KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Since the removal of the Rev. C. Chiniqny from this field to Montreal no regular pastor has been settled at Ste. Anne, the Rev. C. Lafontaine, the Principal of the Mission School, conducting the Sabbath services most of the time. The work, however, being too onerous for Mr. Lafontaine, and the interests of the congregation requiring the full and undivided services of a missionary, the Board, in October last, appointed the Rev. E. D. Pelletier to take charge of the field, in the hope that his salary would be entirely met by the congregation. Mr. Pelletier has labored with great diligence and zeal. He conducts three public services weekly in Ste. Anne—two on Sabbath and one on Wednesday evening. The morning service on the Lord's Day has averaged during the winter about 200; the evening one, a little over 100. Since the roads, which have been almost impassable all winter, have become better, the attendance has increased by about 50 at each service.

There is a most interesting Sabbath School in connection with the Church. It was organized two years ago by Mrs. Thomas, an active Christian lady, and has upon its roll nearly 200 names, with an average attendance throughout the year of upwards of 100.

Mr. Pelletier has recently opened a preaching station in Papineau, a village about four miles distant from Ste. Anne. The Roman Catholics here lately notified their priest that his services were no longer required. Mr. Pelletier's meetings are held every Thursday evening in a commodious hall, and are attended by large numbers, including many of those who have been known as the most prominent Roman Catholics of the district.

The Mission Day School at Ste. Anne, connected with the Board, is still under the efficient supervision of the Rev. C. Lafontaine, assisted by two, and part of the year by three, most competent teachers. During the year 180 pupils have been enrolled. There are two departments in the school: the junior, taught in French by Miss L. Barsejou, and the senior, by Rev. C. Lafontaine, and both taught in English by Mrs. Thomas. Owing to ill health, Mrs. Thomas' place has been filled for the last two months by Mr. F. Brooks.

Particular attention is given to the moral and religious training of the young. The Word of God is daily read and the Westminster Assembly's shorter catechism is regularly taught, both in French and English, in all the classes of the senior department. The teaching is thorough, the progress satisfactory, and the order maintained highly commendable.

In this school many of the French missionaries and students of the Church received their preparatory training. Several young men have been studying there during the year with a view to the ministry, and last fall one of their number entered the Presbyterian College of Montreal.

XXXI.—MONTREAL, CANNING STREET CHURCH.

This church is well known as that in which the venerable Father Chiniquy, with a zeal undiminished by growing years and a courage undaunted by persecution, fearlessly exposes the errors of Rome, and faithfully proclaims the truth as it is in Jesus. During the past year, in addition to the Sabbath services and the regular Thursday evening prayer meeting, Mr. Chiniquy has addressed meetings in the church, frequently three times a week during the winter months, to audiences numbering from fifty to one hundred and fifty, and sometimes two hundred, enquirers from Rome. He reports being visited during the past twelve months by upwards of 2,000 French Catholics, of whom 529 have publicly renounced the errors of Popery. He has distributed about 100 Bibles, 300 portions of the Gospels, and 5,000 smaller publications, tracts, etc.

He thus writes:—"Though I have often been insulted by abusing words on the streets, I have not been attacked a single time with stones or sticks as in former years, and our Church services have not been disturbed. . . . I am confirmed in the assurance that the church of Rome has lost more than the half of the power, prestige and confidence she enjoyed five years ago in Lower Canada. Many letters received from priests in the United States make me sure that there, as well as here, there are multitudes who long for the day of their emancipation from the Papal yoke. The Lord is evidently with us, for such a glorious work is the Lord's work. Let us bless Him and give to Him alone the praise and the glory."

Of those who abjured Romanism during the year, 73 were received by Mr. Chiniquy into the fellowship of the Church. At the dispensation of the Lord's Supper in March, 133 Communicants sat at the table. Mr. Chiniquy, himself an ex-priest, was assisted on that occasion by Rev. Messrs. Internoseia and Camerle, two ex-priests of Rome.

The Sabbath School has, on the whole, been well maintained during the year, the Rev. B. Oriere taking charge of the Bible Class. The Teachers included several of the Student Missionaries and Miss Fluhmann, the French Teacher of the Protestant Girls' High School of the city, who, with commendable self-denial, cheerfully gave her services to the work.

The Mission Day School was taught by Mr. L. F. Richard, till the end of December. Since then it has been taught by Miss Clark, under the supervision of the Ladies' French Evangelization Society.

XXXII.—MONTREAL, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (RUSSELL HALL).

It is gratifying to the Board to be able to report that the Rev. C. A. Doudiet, who has been connected with this church for the past two years, was in October last duly called by the congregation and inducted as their pastor. The congregation has suffered losses during the year from various causes. Some professed converts of former years have returned to the church of Rome, the strict measures adopted for the detection of impostors, and the withdrawal of material assistance from such, having led to this. Others had not sufficiently counted the cost, and because of persecution, fell away, while quite a number of true converts, unable to obtain work in the city owing to the depressed state of business, found it necessary to seek elsewhere the means of subsistence for themselves and families.

It is exceedingly encouraging to be able to report that notwithstanding these losses the membership of the congregation is larger now than twelve months ago. While 39 names have been removed from the roll 55 have been added to it, 25 by certificate from other congregations, and 30 by Profession of Faith, an actual net gain of 16,—the number of communicants now being 104. About 120 families are connected with the church, of whom, not more than 14 upon an average received help last winter from the Protestant House of Refuge. The ladies of the congregation are about to organize a Doreas Society for the purpose of aiding the poor of the church.

The Sabbath School is in a much more healthy condition than it was a year ago, the number on the roll during the winter being 74, the attendance some days reaching as high as 46. Mr. Doudiet personally acts as superintendent, assisted by a good staff of teachers drawn from the membership of the church. During the year, Mr. Doudiet has officiated at 13 Marriages, 30 Baptisms, and 9 Funerals. Since his induction the congregation has met all current expenses, such as fuel, light, caretaker's salary, &c., besides contributing to several of the schemes of the church.

Did space permit many interesting extracts might be given from Mr. Doudiet's Annual Report. This is, however, the less necessary, as the Board purpose publishing in the Church "Record" his and other Reports in full at an early date.

XXXIII.—MONTREAL, ITALIAN MISSION.

Mr. Internoscia, one of the ex-priests taken under the care of the Board, being an Italian, and naturally feeling a deep interest in the moral and spiritual welfare of his countrymen, of whom there are upwards of 200 in the city, is at present endeavouring to reach them by means of visitation from house to house, and by classes on week evenings, and an Italian service in Russell Hall on the Sabbath afternoon. The attendance at the latter thus far averages about 20. The vast majority of this nationality in Montreal are Roman Catholics, to some of whom Mr. Internoscia has already gained access, and by his quiet, unassuming, kindly manner, has exercised a good influence over them and induced them to attend his service. What may be the result of this new undertaking on the part of the Board the report of next year may be able to state.

LADIES' FRENCH EVANGELIZATION SOCIETY.

This Society, an auxiliary of the Board, under the Presidency of Mrs. Dr. Jenkins, conducts weekly sewing classes in both the Eastern and Western sections of the city for French Canadian mothers, at which religious instruction is given. These have accomplished much in fostering a spirit of self-reliance among the converts, an illustration of which is found in the fact that steps are now being taken by the Russell Hall congregation to organize a self-supporting Dorcas Society to provide for their own poor. The Society also conducts sewing classes every Saturday afternoon in both sections of the city for French Canadian girls. These have been well maintained, and have been a means of blessing, it is believed, to not a few of the young. In addition to the personal services of its members in connection with these classes, and in other ways, the Society employs a number of paid labourers. One of these, Miss Bean, besides visiting the homes of the converts giving religious instruction, and enquiring into and relieving extreme cases of poverty, etc., spends much time in obtaining work for those desiring it and in procuring situations for the unemployed. Another, a Bible woman, devotes her time to visiting, chiefly with a view to gathering recruits for the Society's Day and Sabbath Schools and the other classes for religious instruction. Last autumn, the Society opened two Mission Day Schools, one in connection with the Russell Hall Congregation and the other in the Canning Street Church. These are taught by lady teachers, supported entirely by the funds of the Society.

The following are two interesting incidents compiled from the reports of the Society's visitors:—

Here is a man who has been frequently asked by one of the Bible women as she met him in her visits to the home of his family to look to Jesus, the *only* Mediator between God and man, but he appears not only callous but angry and rude, scarce permitting her to read and pray with his wife who has left the Church of Rome, and is beginning to attend the Sabbath service. Sick at heart she leaves that home time and again, feeling deep solicitude and anxiety as to the perseverance in the right path of the wife with such an unsympathetic husband. With artless simplicity she tells us, the tears run down her cheeks as one Sabbath evening she observes him stealthily enter the Church in company with his wife and listen with rapt attention to the words of everlasting truth.

A woman—one of the converts—lies sick in the barracks. During her illness she is frequently visited by the Society's Matron, who rejoices to hear from her own lips that all her trust and dependence are upon the blessed Saviour. After a few days' absence the Matron returns to learn that the woman is dead and has been buried in the Catholic cemetery, and in accordance with the rites of the Church of Rome, a priest having been with her in the closing hours of life. She learns, however, that the priest came not at the woman's own bidding, but at the solicitation of Romish friends, and her heart is cheered on hearing the testimony of a Roman Catholic neighbour that the woman died, calling on Jesus.

These are but illustrations of the quiet unobtrusive work carried on from week to week.

The result of the self-denying labours of the Society's workers the great day alone will reveal, but there is good reason to believe that their work has proved a very great blessing to many of the French people of the city.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES, ETC.

The following is a complete list of the missionaries, etc., at present in the service of the Board, with their respective fields of labor:—

Rev. C. CHINQUY, Canning St. Church, Montreal.
 Rev. C. A. D'OUDET, St. John's Church, Montreal.
 Rev. B. OUBIERE, Montreal.
 Rev. MARC AMI, Ottawa.
 Rev. L. DIONNE, Joliette.
 Rev. K. HAMILTON, Grenville.
 Rev. M. F. ROUDREAU, Danville.
 Rev. E. D. PELLETTIER, Ste. Anne.
 Rev. C. LAFONTAINE, Principal Ste. Anne School.
 Rev. R. P. DUCLOS, Quebec.
 Rev. M. R. PARADIS, Grand Falls, N.B.
 Rev. T. BROUILLETTE, Stellarton, N.S.
 Rev. O. CAMERLE, Namur.
 Rev. JOS. VESSOTT, St. Gabriel.
 Rev. A. INTERNOSCIA, Italian Miss'y, Montreal.
 Mr. F. BROOKS, Ste. Anne.
 Mrs. THOMAS, Ste. Anne.
 Mlle. BARSELOU, Ste. Anne.

Mr. I. P. BRUNEAU, Essex.
 Mr. G. C. MOUSSEAU, Huron.
 Mr. L. LECLAINÉ, Ottawa.
 Mr. ALFRED BLOUIN, Port au Persil.
 Mr. Z. LEFEBRE, Glengarry.
 Mr. L. F. RICHARD, Namur.
 Mr. A. B. CRUCHET, New Glasgow.
 Mr. G. B. TANGUAY, New Glasgow.
 Mr. JOSEPH MORIN, St. Martin.
 Mr. A. P. BLOUIN, Co porteur, Quebec.
 Mr. S. CARRIERE, Visitor, Moureal.
 Mr. T. A. BOUCHARD, La Tortue.
 Mr. W. MULLINS, St. Jean Chrysostom.
 Mr. T. SAINDON, St. Antoine Abbe.
 Mr. C. F. AMARON, B.A., St. Hyacinthe.
 Mr. S. T. AML, St. Valerieu.
 Mr. A. L. GUERTIN, Wotton.
 Mr. GEO. PELLETTIER, Montreal.

Mr. JOS. ALLARD, Vanburen.
 Mr. A. C. CHUCHET.
 Miss BEAN, Bible Woman, Montreal.
 Miss COUSINEAU, Bible Woman, Montreal.

Miss R. COUSINEAU, Russell Hall School Teacher,
 Montreal.
 Miss CLARK, Canning St. School Teacher, Montreal.

Making a total, including the British Agent and the Secretary, of 44 laborers at present actually engaged in the service of the Board, besides a number of others giving partial service.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM FIELDS.

The Board are most anxious to impress upon the converts the duty and privilege of contributing, as God may prosper them, for the support of Gospel ordinances, and are glad to report a decided improvement in this respect during the past year.

There are not a few obstacles in the way of attaining the desired end. In new fields it is often both inexpedient and unwise to at once ask the people for money, lest the work be hindered or marred thereby. In some of the older fields many of the converts are poor, and very frequently the public renunciation of Romanism is at once followed by dismissal from employment, and in such years of depression as the past two or three, it has been difficult, and sometimes impossible, to obtain other work. From such causes as these many of the converts, who otherwise would gladly contribute, are unable to do so.

All the missionaries have instructions to see that collections are taken up at every Sabbath service, no matter how poor the people or how small the attendance; and the Board leave no means untried to cultivate among the people the grace of Christian liberality. It is encouraging to note that *all* the congregations under the care of the Board have done something during the year. Several have contributed a considerable amount, and there is good reason to believe that on the return of business prosperity some of them will ere long become self-sustaining.

CHURCH BUILDING.

During the year mission premises have been erected at St. Antoine Abbe, and at Grenville. At St. Hyacinthe a site has been purchased, and the contract let for the erection of a commodious brick church and school-house, which, with the site, will cost upwards of \$4200. There are now places of worship in the following fields under the care of the Board:—Canning St., Montreal; St. John's (Russell Hall), Montreal; Dorchester St., Montreal; Quebec; Namur; Grenville; Joliette; New Glasgow; St. Antoine Abbe; Drysdale; Ste. Anne, Ill.; Danville; and Grand Falls, N.B.;—thirteen in all, or including the one in course of erection at St. Hyacinthe, *fourteen*.

BRITISH AGENCY.

As stated in last year's Report, the Rev. R. Campbell, M.A., of St. Gabriel Church, Montreal, was then in Britain, having agreed, at the request of the Board, to devote five or six months in bringing the claims of the mission before the Christian people there. Mr. Campbell's visit proved most successful, not simply on account of its immediate financial result, (over \$5000 having been collected by him) but also by reason of the interest excited in the work in many parts of Scotland and Ireland by means of his addresses. To Mr. Campbell the cordial thanks of the Board and of the Church are due for his valuable services. In November the Board accepted the offer of the Rev. Thomas Stevenson, a former minister of our Canadian Church, now resident in Scotland, to act as their agent in Britain.

As will be seen from the Financial Statement appended to this Report, Mr. Stevenson has already forwarded \$1572.55 to the Treasurer.

FINANCES.

From the accompanying Financial Report of the Treasurer it will be observed that the Receipts for the past year from all sources, including the balance on hand on 1st May, 1877, amount to \$21,150.90, and the Expenditure to \$23,677.42, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$803.48. The actual receipts of the year were \$23,459.48. Deducting the \$10,000.00 received from the estate of the late Mr. W. Hall, of Peterboro', in the year 1876-77, the revenue of the year just closed exceeded that of the preceding one by \$2,880.69. During the year \$561.36 were received by the Treasurer for Building purposes. This is in addition to considerable sums contributed by the people themselves, in fields where Churches have been built or are now in course of erection. The thanks of the Board are due to the Church of Scotland for the renewal of their annual grant of £200 *sterling*, and to the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland for a donation of £50 *sterling*. As indicative of the interest manifested by the young of the Church in the work of Foreign Evangelization, contributions amounting to \$1,966.39 have, in the past year, been received from 155 Sabbath Schools. To these schools, including their superintendents and teachers, the Board are much indebted, and would bespeak their continuing interest, as also the co-operation of the other Sabbath Schools throughout the Church. Among the receipts of the year is a bequest of \$1600 from the late Mr. James Casswell, of Tecumseth Province of Ontario, received through the Rev. Dr. Fraser, of Bondhead. The Board express the hope that many of the other friends of the mission will remember it in a similar way and that hereafter a considerable revenue will be derived from this source. The balance on hand on the 1st of May, when the books closed, had already been expended, leaving the Treasurer without funds to meet the salaries of missionaries, etc. The present expenditure of the Board exceeds \$2000 per month.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$21,423 34
To Expenses of Deputations, and Board Meetings		151 90
Printing and Postage (including 5000 Reports) and Stationery.....		475 76
Fuel, Repairs and Sundries.....		420 17
Grant to Ladies' F. E. Society.....		100 00
Montreal College, French Department, Salary of Lecturer, &c.....		1,083 25
Balance on hand 1st May, 1878		803 48
		<u>21,460 90</u>

MONTREAL, 25th May, 1878.

BUILDING FUND.

Presbyterian Church in Canada, in account with Rev. R. H. Warden, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.	
By Balance on hand 1st May, 1877.....	\$282 67
Contributions as per following Lists.....	\$561 36
Amount Transferred from Ordinary Fund.....	500 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.	
To Paid on account of Erection of St. Hyacinthe Church.....	\$500 00
" " " Namur	134 18
" " " St. Antoine Abbe Church	200 00
" " " Greenville	257 86
Balance on hand, 1st May, 1878	251 99
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MONTREAL, 25th May, 1878.

BALANCE SHEET, 1st May, 1878.

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Ordinary Fund.....		\$803 48
Building Fund.....		251 99
Cash in Bank of Toronto	\$1,055 47	
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We certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Rev. R. H. WARDEN, as Treasurer of the Board of French Evangelization for the year just closed, and find the same correctly vouched and kept in most excellent order, the balances being as stated above.

ALEX. MOFFAT, }
A. MACPHERSON, } *Auditors.*

MONTREAL, 27th May, 1878.

LIABILITIES OF THE BOARD ON 1st MAY, 1878.

Mortgages on Russell Hall Property, Montreal	\$16,006 00
Mortgages on Canning Street Property, "	4,400 00
Mortgages on Dorchester Street Church, "	2,147 12
Churches and Mission Premises in course of erection	2,100 00
	<u>\$18,647 12</u>

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1878-9.

The Expenditure of the ensuing year in consequence of the growth of the work, the opening of new Fields and the increased number of Missionaries employed, will be considerably in excess of the year just closed. From a careful estimate made, the Board will require for *current expenditure* during the year 1878-79, the sum of \$27,500, of which \$12,000 will be needed *prior to 1st October next*, to meet the Salaries of Missionaries then due. Next year one of the Mortgages on the Canning Street Church Property, amounting to \$2400 falls due, and will require to be met.

All contributions to be sent direct to the Treasurer, Rev. R. H. WARDEN, 210 St. James Street, Montreal, from whom copies of the Report, with detailed Statement of all Receipts during the year, may be obtained.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Assembly's Committee on Sabbath Schools met in Guelph, Oct. 11th, 1877, and after lengthened conference on this department of the Church's work committed to their care, it was resolved to issue a circular addressed to all the Presbyteries. The subject matter of this circular set forth,—

I. The importance of Sabbath School work, because of the repeatedly enjoined duty in the care of the child by the parent and the Church, and that this importance was increased by the fact that there was no corporate or practical union between public education and instruction in Bible truth, and that, therefore, this Church should give careful attention to this department of her work.

II. Your Committee submitted the following points as worthy of special attention, namely:— How parents and Sabbath School teachers could best co-operate in the upbringing of a godly seed. Farther. How to organize our work in this respect into some well-defined line of action, and that this course of effort receive the approval and cordial support of the General Assembly. Also, What means Sessions, Presbyteries, and Synods could adopt to further the above objects. The following means were suggested for consideration:—

1. That Presbyteries make this work a special care, within their bounds, by Presbyterial Conferences, by meetings held in some central place—at least annually—with the view of helping and encouraging parents and teachers in their work.

2. The holding of classes for a lengthened period in cities and towns, and for a shorter period in rural districts, having special regard to the equipment and guidance of Sabbath School teachers.

3. That ministers, elders, and others interested in this work, be appointed to visit the schools within the bounds and report.

This circular was mailed to the Clerk of every Presbytery of the Church, East and West. Fourteen Presbyteries have reported. The Presbyteries of Toronto, Guelph, Ottawa, Bruce, and Brockville, have given special attention to the suggestions of your Committee.

Toronto approved and acted on the main points submitted, by sermons on the subject, and interchange of pulpits generally. A list of important questions was drawn up and appointments made to visit all the schools within the bounds, with answers to the questions reported on. This Presbytery also recommended the formation of classes in every congregation for the training of teachers to the better discharge of their duties, and for enlisting others with the view of their becoming teachers in the family or the Sabbath School. The report given indicates thoroughness in the work done.

The Presbyteries of Guelph, Bruce, and Brockville have held important and prolonged meetings with parents and teachers, discussed in conference many aspects of the work, drawn up important resolutions embodying wise counsel and instruction, and in a printed form circulated them among the schools.

The Presbytery of Ottawa appears to have given lengthened consideration to the matter of teacher training; special papers were read on the subject, and much discussion closed by motion, recognizing the necessity of such work. The congregations of our Church in that city have given practical evidence of their interest in this matter by forming a union training class.

The Presbytery of Paris has had the matter under discussion, and has appointed a committee to mature methods of work, and in the meantime has incorporated a list of questions on Sabbath School work, to be put in Presbyterial visitation, on which they are about to enter.

The Presbyteries of Barrie, Montreal, Lindsay, Peterborough, Hamilton, and Whitby have acknowledged the receipt of the circular. In the order of the foregoing enumeration we place the seal of their interest, and the promise to give increased attention to the subjects of the circular during the summer.

Passing from Presbyteries, your Committee further report on the action of Synods. The Synod of Hamilton and London appointed a Committee at its meeting in Woodstock in 1877; that Committee reported at its last meeting. After discussion on the matter of the report, it was by motion agreed to recommend—"That the section of the report on the State of Religion bearing on Sabbath Schools be given to the special care of the Assembly's Sabbath School Committee, or the facts stated therein transferred to it."

The Synod of Toronto and Kingston had the subject before them at its last meeting, and appointed a committee to take charge of the work and report next year.

The Synod of Montreal and Ottawa gave lengthened consideration to the matter of teacher training, and recorded the following motion—"That Presbyteries be instructed to take such steps as may seem to them most suitable for securing well trained Sabbath School teachers, and efficient organization of Sabbath Schools within their respective bounds."

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces has a committee on the work.

As collateral with these facts, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, it may be stated that all the Supreme Courts of the Presbyterian Churches of the world give increasing and continued attention to this department of church work. The American Assembly of the North is reported to have spent two sessions in discussion and careful deliberation on the nature, tendencies, methods, and objects of Sabbath School work.

The Assemblies in Scotland last year had before them carefully tabulated facts and statistics, and spent much time in scrutinizing the forces and dangers of this work in relation to the present and future of Christ's cause.

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The English Presbyterian Synod is overtured this year by the London Presbytery to have a chapter in their new directory of worship on Sabbath School work and how to carry it on.

All sections of the Christian Church, whatever their polity and doctrine, are equally concerned, and in their corporate capacity deliberate about how we can get and keep for our future power, the present generation of children; and your committee would respectfully commend the subject to the immediate deliberation of this Assembly. "God is turning the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to the fathers, lest he come and smite the earth with a curse."

We beg leave to enumerate some central points on this important department of work that seem worthy of immediate consideration. Behind the facts already submitted, condensed to the utmost degree, there is a widely diffused interest, anxiety, and hope concerning the rising generation, *What to do—How to do it*—the pressing conviction that it must be done at once, because a generation is slipping out of our hands, much prayer is being offered for the Holy Spirit to render the work done effectual. Not a little of our discouragement and seeming unfaithfulness in the ministry has its source in the neglect of instruction in the past. If we were more careful and painstaking in early instruction and training, our labours in preaching, lecturing, and good counsels would be more fruitful. We labour too far from the head of the stream.

Again, what minister does not know that his preaching, expressed in the most biblical terms, on Sin—Redemption—Reconciliation—Covenant—Sovereign Grace—Heaven—Earth—and Hell—has, to the mind of a very large portion of his hearers, *not even an intellectual definiteness of meaning*—the hearer is largely passive, and this state of matters is induced by aimless, unskilful, and indefinite handling of God's Word by ill-furnished and ill-prepared parents and teachers.

We are called upon to give thanks for the awakening to the importance of definite instruction to the young. We give thanks for signs of better things in Bible study and a desire on the part of our people to possess greater power in handling Divine truth in class, catechetical, and school form, and regarding this as a distinctive department of church work.

Further, our testimony and history as Presbyterians has been such as make us prominent in doing this work wisely and well. We must distinguish between what is ephemeral and what is fitted to become fruitful sources of health and spiritual power. The doctrine and polity of this Church enable her to organize and do this work with peculiar efficiency.

1. The triple bond of *infant membership, parental responsibility, and church recognition*, form a basis, not of theory, but of immense practical power, and our Sabbath School work will lack backbone until this is wrought out in the Church.

2. Our history in giving special attention to early training in the *home* and in the *church* requires renewed attestation before the world, and increased adaptation to existing wants in means and methods.

Reference was made in the circular issued to Presbyteries to the wide separation existing between our excellent system of public education and anything like religious instruction from the Bible as a book. In this connection it ought to be observed that the Synod of Hamilton and London appointed a deputation to wait on the Honourable the Minister of Education for Ontario, to solicit that all barriers to the reading of the Bible in school be removed and that the Bible become a text book. The report of that deputation at the last meeting of Synod goes to show that every possible facility in legislation and arrangement on time table is given to carry out the above petition. This Church, in honour to her convictions, her faith, and her testimony in this matter, is bound to leave no stone unturned, and no legitimate influence unused, to render the law of reading the Bible in our public schools a reality and centre of moral influence. It rests no longer on governments, but on the people and those who are chosen trustees and teachers.

The key of our Sabbath School work is in the hand of our teachers. It is an axiom in educational science: "Such as the teacher is, so will be the school." With awakened responsibility in the parent, and increased devotedness and piety in the teacher, and a larger share of church recognition to the work, the duty of the hour points to more supervision and examination as to the work done, more system and thoroughness as to the equipment of those who do the work. It cannot be that we have reached the ideal of the "Great Teacher come from God." Your committee would with all humility ask this Assembly in the language of another: "Must every tyro still be allowed to try experiments in the most delicate and precious of materials, the human body and mind: on the most powerful of all forces, human passions and the human will—experiments in which success or failure mean virtue or vice, happiness or misery, lives worthy or unworthy, sowing with every action a seed of good or ill?" It cannot be wise in the Church to close her eyes to the fact that in this work of instruction she has to compete with—

I. Great intensity of purpose in secular education, and with growing thoroughness of equipment for the work in hand.

II. Systematic thoroughness of organization.

III. Clearness of vision as to the objects sought, rather than by the slow, groping, uncertain methods of mere instinct. Quickness of apprehension, dexterity of judgment, and readiness of adaptation, are in nowise hindrances to religious life in a Sabbath School. Slowness, dullness, diffusiveness, are nothing for their own sake. Has no one had it suggested to his mind that the secret of our inability to hold our young men and women longer under class instruction is the low measure of our teaching power? And it is worthy of investigation as to how far this may not be operating as a cause on the human side of things, accounting for a great number of adults not apprehending their rela-

tions to the ordinances of God's house. If we can elevate the attainments and skill of our teachers without denuding or diminishing their piety, will we not adopt the surest means of building them up in character, power, and efficiency? Will not this tend to multiply workers in all departments of Church effort? It appears to your Committee wisdom to utilize and incorporate for use all educational forces that are full of hope for the future. Your Committee hesitate to submit recommendations that might not express the mind of the Church, inasmuch as this subject has not received any special consideration from the united body—no schedule has been issued with the view of eliciting facts and opinions on which such recommendations might be based. Nevertheless, as preparatory to a more thorough organization of this department of Church work, we submit the recommendation of the Synod of Hamilton and London, viz.:— "That hereafter the portion of the report on the State of Religion referring to Sabbath Schools be forwarded to the Convener of the Assembly's Sabbath School Committee." Your Committee would supplement and enlarge this recommendation in the following form:—

1. That the Committee on the State of Religion omit this department from their schedule, and that the Assembly's Sabbath School Committee be empowered to issue a blank form on the whole subject, say for two years, embracing questions on Sabbath School Instruction, Sabbath School Organization, Sabbath School Equipment, Sabbath School Benevolence and Work.

2. That the schedules be forwarded to every congregation and mission station. Each Presbytery appoint one of its members to tabulate the results within their bounds and report to the Presbytery, which report be forwarded to the Conveners of Synod's Sabbath School Committee, who in turn deal with the subject, and forward to the Convener of the Assembly's Committee. Two years of such returns would tend to mould the whole church into some uniform line of effort, and enable the Assembly to arrive at some definite idea of the tendencies of this work.

3. That Presbyteries hold, annually, conferences with the parents and teachers on their work.

4. That the Moderator issue an address to Parents, Teachers and Children to be read from the pulpit and in the schools; and that this address make special mention of the following points:— That the Sabbath School is under the authority of the Session; That the financial needs of the school be a congregational responsibility; That the Bible, and not the lesson helps, be used in instruction while the school is in session; Recommend Parents to study the lesson with their children, and that they be enjoined to give special attention to the Shorter Catechism; Recommend teachers' weekly meetings for the study of the Scripture lesson.

5. That the Conveners of the Assembly's and Synod's Sabbath School Committee be a sub-committee to give special attention during the year to Sabbath School literature, such as, Libraries, Teachers' Magazines, Lesson Leaves, Hymns etc., and report at next Assembly.

6. That the Church, in this department of work, as in others, be divided into East and West with their respective Committees.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HAMILTON, *June 17th, 1878.*

JOHN McEWEN, *Convener.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada:

Your Committee beg leave to report that although many forms of Sabbath profanation still prevail throughout the Dominion, nevertheless an increased interest is being taken in many quarters in the suppression of these, and in the securing of a better public observance of the Lord's Day throughout the land. During the past year much that is cheering has been accomplished.

Commencing in the westerly part of Ontario and travelling east in taking a review of what has been done in the cause of Sabbath observance during the year, your Committee have pleasure in calling the attention of the Assembly to the following particulars illustrative of an increased public interest in the putting down of abuses.

In the early part of last summer the Great Western Railway Company commenced running a Sabbath excursion train from London to Port Stanley, professedly for the purpose of giving the citizens of London and others the advantage of breathing the pure air of Lake Erie, and of, thereby, improving their health. Prompt action was taken by Ministers of different denominations in London and in the towns along the line: the Y.M.C.A., Christian laymen, a portion of the press, and the citizens of St. Thomas all united in denouncing the profanation, and the result was that after running a few Sabbaths the public patronage given to it was found to be inadequate, it was not proving a financial success, and the train was stopped by order of the Company.

During the special services conducted in Toronto last year by a well-known clergyman of the Church of England the Great Western Company commenced running a Sabbath train from Hamilton to Toronto for the purpose of giving to the citizens of Hamilton every encouragement and facility for attending public worship in Toronto on Sabbath. The people of Hamilton failing to see the matter in the light the Company had anticipated, the train was discontinued for want of patronage. These are the first attempts in the Dominion, we believe, to commence the running

of Sabbath excursion trains, and we have very great pleasure in reporting to the Assembly that both have proved signal failures.

Your Committee have also great satisfaction in inviting the attention of the Assembly to certain resolutions moved in the Dominion Parliament on the 4th of March of the present year by Dr. Christie, M.P., member for Argenteuil. The resolutions declare that, "It is desirable and necessary that there should be an entire closing and cessation of labour on all canals, railways, and other public works under the control of the Dominion Government during the twenty-four hours comprehended in the Lord's day." Several members of the House in able and eloquent terms supported the resolutions. Finally the following deliverance was agreed to without a division, "That the interests of public morality and the physical well-being of all classes of the community require that the Lord's Day should be strictly observed by persons engaged in public works under the control of the Government of Canada, so far as practicable to do so. That in the opinion of this House there should be a cessation from work on canals, railways, and other Government works so far as practicable." It should be stated that Dr. Christie agreed to accept the resolution in this amended form in view of assurances given by the Premier that the Government would enquire fully into the particulars which had been mentioned.

Your Committee are very happy in being able to add that the resolutions have already borne good fruit, and that on the 29th of last month an order was issued by the Government to Mr. Forbes, Superintendent of the Carillon and Grenville canals to close them henceforth from midnight on Saturday to midnight on Sabbath. In a letter to Dr. Christie, Mr. Forbes says, "I cannot express to you the thanks of all our employees on these canals for this boon. None but those who have been compelled to labour on the Lord's day can form any conception of the relief this will give to their minds and bodies.

For about three months of the past winter the mails for Europe were appointed to leave the port of Halifax on Sabbath afternoons, a special train from the Upper Provinces and New Brunswick arriving usually between twelve o'clock and four in the afternoon. It is not difficult to imagine the extent to which the quietness and sacredness of the day were publicly violated through the labour traffic and commotion involved in such an arrangement. During the week of prayer a member of your Committee called public attention to this flagrant violation of the Sabbath. The Evangelical Alliance laid a representation of the case before the Postmaster-General, and requested that the time for the despatching of the mails from Halifax be changed from Sabbath afternoons to Saturday afternoons. The request was at once acted on, and thereafter there was no Sabbath sailing of steamers, and no special mail trains arriving on that day.

In conclusion, your Committee recommend—

1. That Synods, Presbyteries, and Sessions, and the Members of the Church in general, be exhorted to exercise increased vigilance in regard to all incipient forms of Sabbath profanation of a public kind, and adopt prompt measures for the suppression of the same.
2. That the Assembly petition the Dominion Government to close the Post Offices throughout the Province of Quebec during the whole of the Lord's Day.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HAMILTON, June 14th, 1878.

W. T. McMULLEN, *One of the Conveners.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROMAN CATHOLIC ORDINATION.

The occasion and terms of the appointment of this Committee were as follows: The Committee on the Reception of Ministers at the last Assembly held in Halifax, reported in favour of the reception of Mr. B. Ouriere, formerly a priest of the Church of Rome, as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada without re-ordination. Objection was taken to this proposed action; but, as the time of the Assembly would not admit of a full discussion of the question, it was agreed to adopt the report of the Committee, and it was resolved "to receive Mr. Ouriere as a minister of this Church; but, considering that there is diversity of opinion on the question of Roman Catholic ordination, and agreeing that this act is not to be regarded as a precedent decisive of the question, refer the general questions of Roman Catholic ordination to a Committee consisting of Mr. John Laing, Convener; Professors Pollok, Mowat, Gregg, and Campbell, with instructions to report to next Assembly. From this decision anent the reception of Mr. Ouriere, Mr. Laing dissented."

With a view to ascertaining what may be the procedure of other Presbyterian Churches in such cases, and the principles on which such procedure should rest, the Convener corresponded with representative men in the Churches of Scotland, Ireland, and America. Replies more or less full were received from Drs. J. McGregor, Wylie, and Begg of the Free Church of Scotland; Dr. Cairns and Rev. W. Becket, of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland; Dr. Killen and Professor Witherow, of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland; Drs. Hatfield, Atwater, Blackburn, and Stuart Robinson of the Presbyterian Church of America; Dr. Reid, of the United Presbyterian Church of America, and from others whose communications give no information on the subject.

Your Committee do not feel at liberty to present the individual opinions of these eminent men without their permission, as in most cases they have been expressed confessedly in haste,

and without having given to the subject the attention which its difficulty and importance require. At the same time they may state that the result of the correspondence has been to convince the Committee that the question, though not one which concerns fundamental principles, nor of primary importance, deserves the full and patient consideration of the Church before it is committed to any particular course of procedure, and greatly concerns the proper ordering of the ministry, and the relations of the Reformed Churches to the Papacy. And further, it is apparent that difference of opinion on the question, to a great extent, and of a most decided character, exists both in Europe and America; while in the Reformed Churches of Britain there do not appear to be either precedents or decisions of the Church Courts by which the question is determined. Of the practice of the Continental Churches your Committee has no certain information.

The question then remitted for the consideration of the Committee is: Should a man who has received ordination as a priest in the Church of Rome, be ordained according to the usages of the Presbyterian Church, when he is admitted into the ministry of that church? If not, what is the course of procedure which ought in such cases be followed?

It is here to be noted that the question of laying on of hands in ordination is not primarily under consideration; as that rite, though accompanying ordination to the office of presbyter, is not essential to Presbyterian ordination. Laying on of hands is an external ceremony, and at the same time a Scriptural sign expressive of the act of "solemn setting apart" to an office in the Church; but the question under consideration is the setting apart or ordination, not the ceremony or the use of the sign. Neither is the question whether a Romish priest is in any sense an ordained person. It is admitted that he has been ordained, that is, authoritatively appointed by the so-called Church of Rome to discharge certain functions. The question is whether, having been so ordained, he should not receive additional ordination. In the Presbyterian Church a man who has been ordained to the functions of the diaconate or eldership, receives a second ordination on entering the ministry, and the question now is, Should an ex-priest of the Church of Rome in like circumstances receive in the same way a second ordination? Or, in other words, Is ordination to the Romish priesthood such "a solemn setting apart of the person" ordained to the office of the Gospel ministry as makes it unnecessary and improper to ordain to that office when a man who was formerly a priest of the Church of Rome is to be invested with the office of the Gospel ministry in the Presbyterian Church.

Again, the question is not whether a priest has been ordained by a section of the Church of Christ to a certain office known as the priesthood, but whether the priesthood in the Romish Church is identical with the office of presbyter in the Reformed Church, in such a sense and so far that investiture with the office of priest is equivalent to investiture with the office of the ministry. If these offices are identical or equivalent, a second ordination is clearly unnecessary and improper; if they are not thus identical or equivalent, then an additional ordination is called for and proper.

Having thus stated the question, it falls to give the two conflicting opinions as clearly as may be, and then to state the mode of procedure which should be observed in receiving into the Church ex-priests of the Church of Rome.

On the one side it is contended,

I.—On general principles:

(1) That Jesus Christ hath given to the *general church visible* the ministry for the gathering and perfecting of His Church in this life (Westminster Form of Church Government.)

(2) That any community professing Christianity has the right to appoint men to the ministry (*Princeton Review*, July, 1845, p. 454-5) in the manner they may see fit; and that men thus ordained and recognized are to be received as having authority to act as ministers of the Church of Christ.

(3) That, "by ordination they have become ministers of the Church universal" (Hill's *Divinity*, III., 415) appointed to teach the Christian religion and to administer its ordinances; and that every section of the general church visible should recognize the ministry of every other section.

(4) That the Church of Rome, although not a pure Church, nor entitled to the obedience of Christians, is nevertheless a Church of Christ; and

(5) That, as such she has the right to appoint ministers in the Church of God,

(6) That, priests being "the ordinary ministers of that Church," duly ordained and recognized according to the rights of that Church, are to be acknowledged and recognized as ministers of the Church of Christ by all other branches of the Church visible.

(7) That, hence, when a priest is admitted into the ministry of the Presbyterian Church, it is not necessary nor proper to repeat his ordination.

II.—A second argument is grounded on alleged precedents and relative principles therein recognized.

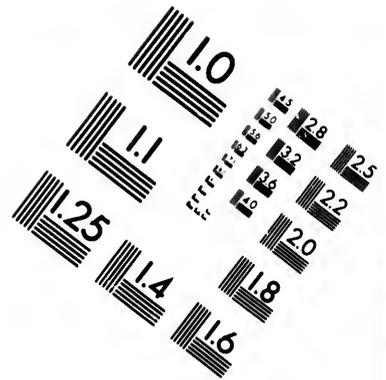
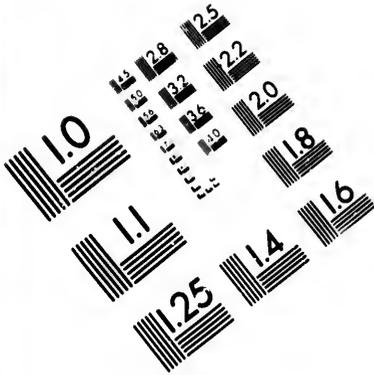
1st. It is contended that in the Reformed Churches generally, Roman Catholic baptism has been regarded as valid, and converts from Popery have not been baptized a second time.

From this alleged fact it is argued as follows:

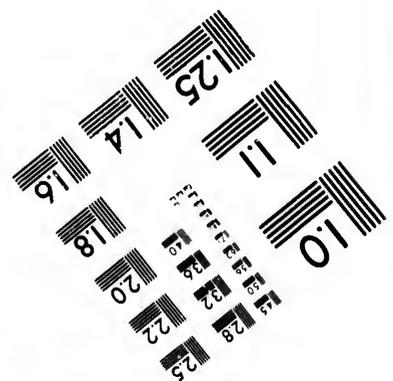
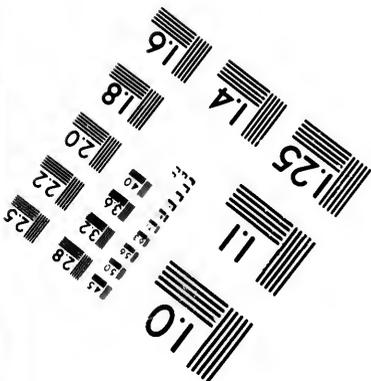
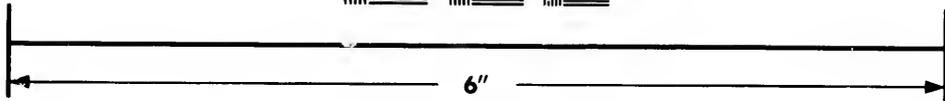
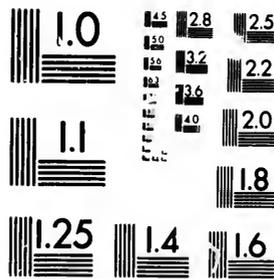
(1) Baptism is valid only when administered by an ordained minister of the Church of Christ.

(2) But Roman Catholic Baptism administered by a priest is held to be valid.



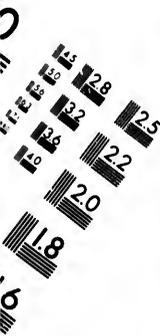


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(3) Hence, it follows that the priest is an ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and is recognized as such by every church receiving converts from the Church of Rome without re-baptism.

2nd. It is also claimed that it has been the practice of the Reformed Churches to receive Roman Catholic priests into the ministry without re-ordination.

3rd. It is further urged that in the early Christian Church the baptism and ordination of heretics were recognized and held valid, and were not repeated.

From these alleged facts it is argued that the Reformed Churches having recognized the baptism administered by Romish priests and their ordination as valid, and having received them as ministers without re-ordination, notwithstanding that the Romish Church was held by them to be in gross error and heretical, this church ought not to depart from the established practice of the Reformed Churches, but ought to receive Romish priests as ministers without ordination.

Before stating formally the arguments on the other side it may be of service to give the replies generally made to the preceding arguments.

1st. By many it is denied that the Church of Rome is a Church of Christ; hence it follows that her ministry is not the ministry of the Church of Christ, nor is her baptism Christian Baptism; nor are her priests legitimately or truly ordained.

To this effect was the decision of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of America in 1835, reaffirmed in 1845, when the baptism of converts from popery was declared to be proper and was enjoined. The United Presbyterian Church of America has decided in the same way. And in this country the same opinion extensively prevailed at one time, for at the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in 1857, an overture on the re-baptism of converts from Romanism was considered and was sent down to presbyteries. In 1858 the matter was again discussed and a committee was appointed who prepared a second overture which was also sent down, and in 1859 was set aside as not approved by presbyteries. In this overture it is stated, "Whereas doubts as to the validity of Romish baptism are known to prevail largely among the members of this Church, and especially among that class of them who have been delivered from the errors of Antichrist," and, "The Church of Rome should not be acknowledged as a branch of the visible Church, nor should those received into her communion be regarded as admitted into the visible Church, nor should her ordinances be accounted as the ordinances of the Church of Christ . . . therefore, it is respectfully overtured to declare that Romish baptism is not to be regarded or treated as Christian baptism." The able paper adopted by the American Assembly in 1845 gives at length the grounds on which the decision of that Church is based, and, among other things, declares "That the so-called priests of the Romish communion are not ministers of Christ; for they are commissioned as agents of the Papal Hierarchy, which is not a Church of Christ, but the man of sin, apostate from the truth, the enemy of righteousness and of God, . . . and, the whole papal body, though once a branch of the visible Church, has long since become utterly corrupt and apostate."

These are the sentiments held by a great many, and those who thus deny the Church standing of the Romish community necessarily deny the validity of her ordinances generally, and in particular the validity of the ordination of her priests, and consistently require that a priest should be ordained when admitted into the ministry of the Presbyterian Church.

2. Others while admitting that the Romish community is in some respects to be regarded as a Church of Christ, and recognizing the validity of Romish Baptism, deny that the validity of the ordination of priests *qua presbyters* logically follows from that admission.

1. Baptism is a *sacrament*, the efficacy and consequent validity of which depends not upon the character of the administrator; whereas ordination is not a sacrament appointed as a means of grace, and dependent for its efficacy on the work of God's spirit or faith of the recipient, but is essentially a matter of church order, being merely the "solemn setting apart" of a man to the ministry by the rules of the church, and recognition of gifts bestowed by God independently of the rite. It is only on the Popish assumption that orders like baptism, are a *sacrament conveying grace*, that the above stated argument against re-ordination can be constructed.

2. The fundamental proposition in the same argument is denied in the sense in which it is there used, viz., "That Baptism is valid only when administered by an ordained minister of the church of Christ." This according to the standards is regular Baptism, but Baptism may be valid though not regular. Besides the term "ordained minister" is here ambiguously used, first as one commissioned to baptise, and again as a presbyter of the church. Now a church officer may be duly authorized to administer baptism, while he is not a presbyter or minister of the church in the Reformed sense of that term. Also other baptisms besides those administered by presbyters are valid. Hence it is not true that only baptisms administered by ordained presbyters are valid. And it does not follow that the administrator of valid baptism is acknowledged by churches who allow Popish baptism to be valid, as an ordained *presbyter* of the church of Christ. A man may be authorized to baptise without being a presbyter. Far less does it follow from the validity of the baptism administered by a priest that his ordination was a "solemn setting apart of the man to the work of the Christian ministry."

3. It cannot be disputed that in the Church of England, and in the Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal churches of America, as well as in the Church of Rome, there is a

class of church officers, styled deacons, who are regularly authorized to administer baptism, and baptism administered by them is universally held to be valid. These officers nevertheless have not been ordained to the office of presbyter, and are not recognized as *ministers* by the Reformed churches. This church re-ordains in such cases (Rev. M. Danby was ordained deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was ordained presbyter by the presbytery of Huron, on Feb. 26, 1873), so that it is evident that the validity of baptism administered by a priest may depend on something other than his ordination as priest, and it does not follow that because the baptism administered by him is valid, therefore he is to be recognized as a presbyter in the church of Christ.

4. It is further urged that as the man, while only a deacon, and before he received priest's orders, was authorized to baptise, the fact that baptisms administered by him are recognized as valid cannot prove that in receiving priest's orders he was invested with an office identical with or equivalent to the office of a reformed minister unless it is also shown that before ordination he had been divested of the functions of deacon, and again commissioned as priest to baptise. It is also urged that as a deacon who has administered valid baptism may properly be ordained a second time when being invested with the office of presbyter, so it is not unnecessary or improper to ordain because baptism administered by him is valid, unless it can be shown that only as a priest he was commissioned to baptise. The validity of the diaconate may be admitted, while that of the priesthood is denied.

3. It is denied that it has been the practice of the Reformed Churches to receive Romish priests into the ministry without re-ordination. (See p. cxxxii. et seq.)

4. While it is admitted that in the early church the practice in the admission of heretical ministers was in the majority of cases against re-ordination; and when in favour of re-ordination was always to accompany that rite with re-baptism; it is contended that this fact is to be explained by the considerations mentioned by Principal Cunningham (Hist. Theol. I. 169 et seq.), that when the heresy was so great that the heretical communion was not entitled to be regarded as in some sense a branch of the Church of Christ, re-ordination and re-baptism were practised, but as soon as men began to shrink from denying the church standing of these heretical sects, that practice ceased. So far therefore as this argument goes, the question remains unsettled until it is decided whether or not the Romish Church is a branch of the Church of Christ. Further, the argument has no bearing whatever as against those who deny the church standing of the Romish communion; nor as against those who, while admitting the validity of Popish baptism, deny that of the ordination of the priests, unless it can be shown that the validity of the two rites depends upon the same thing, but they manifestly depend on different things; for a man whose ordination is held to be invalid, because administered by a heretic, may have had valid baptism in an orthodox church; in which case there would be re-ordination, but not re-baptism in receiving him into the church.

On the other hand it is contended,

I.—On general principles:

That orders in the Church of Rome differ essentially from ordination in the Presbyterian Church; so that although a man may be in priests' orders he is not and should not be recognized as a minister or presbyter of the Church of Christ, and consequently that he should be ordained by the presbytery when he is admitted as a minister of a reformed church. It will be admitted that "whatever coincides with the appointment of Christ, so as to be essentially the same ordinance which he instituted, must be received as bearing his sanction," and that alone. We have therefore to enquire what is ordination as taught and practised in the Reformed and Romish communities respectively?

As to the doctrine of ordination.

(1.) According to the Reformed Church, ordination may be defined "as the solemn setting apart of a person to some public church office" (West. Form of Church Gov.), and the ordination of a presbyter is the solemn setting apart of a person to the office of presbyter. This is to be done "by imposition of hands and prayer, with fasting, by those presbyters to whom it doth belong." (Westminster Form of Church Government). Dr. Bannerman defines ordination (Church of Christ I. 469) as "the solemn act of the church admitting a man to the office of the ministry, and giving him a right and title to discharge its functions. It does not confer the office; Christ confers the office by his own call, addressed to whom he will. But it invests with the office or admits to it. And in the act of investiture or admission: by the church with the laying on of hands and prayer we have a warrant to believe that, in answer to prayer, all the promises connected with the office are fulfilled and the special blessing or grace suited to the office will be conferred."

(2.) According to the Romish Church, Ordination is "a sacred Order and divinely instituted sacrament, by which is given the power of consecrating the body and blood of Christ, and also of remitting and retaining sins," and if any one shall say "that by this holy ordination the Holy Spirit is not given, and consequently that the bishop says in vain, 'Receive the Holy Spirit'; or that by its character is not impressed; or that the man who has once been a priest, can again become a layman, let him be anathema," and again, "If any one shall say that in the three sacraments, viz.: baptism, confirmation, and orders, character is not impressed upon the soul, that is, a certain sign (or mark), spiritual

“and indelible, in consequence of which they cannot be repeated, let him be anathema.” Thus according to the Romish Church ordination is an efficient cause producing a physical effect upon the soul; and a sacrament imparting the Holy Ghost; *ex opere operato* the rite communicates grace to the recipient; and changes the character of the person. Whereas, according to the Reformed Church, it is merely the authoritative recognition by the Church of an office conferred by the Lord Jesus Christ, and the public investiture of the man called to the office with authority to exercise the functions of that office. Thus in the doctrine there is an essential difference between the Popish and the Reformed rites.

2nd. As to the functions of the office to which ministers and priests are respectively ordained.

(1) According to the Reformed Church the minister is commissioned to preach the Word of God; to administer the sacraments; to rule in the Church; and to ordain others.

(2) According to the Romish Church, the priest, as distinguished from the deacon, and in addition to the commission of the latter, is commissioned solely to consecrate and offer to God expiatory sacrifices; to hear confession and absolve from sin. The words addressed to him at ordination are. “Receive power to offer sacrifice to God, and to celebrate masses, both for the living and the dead, in the name of the Lord, Amen. Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins ye shall remit they are remitted to them, and whose sins ye retain they are retained.”

Thus the functions are essentially different, for the priest is ordained to celebrate masses; but the mass is not the Lord's Supper; and he is a mediator to offer propitiatory sacrifice; to effectually and authoritatively intercede and remit sin. The distinction between minister and priest is clearly made in the Service Book of the Church of England in the office for visiting the sick, the Rubric directs *the minister* to pray, exhort, rehearse the articles of the Faith, examine and exhort the sick man, and, it goes on to say, “Then shall the sick person be moved to make a special confession of his sins, if he feel, etc. After which confession the Priest shall absolve him, if (he humbly and heartily desire it) after this sort.” Then the “Priest shall say the collect following.” Thereafter the word *minister* is again used. To receive confession and grant absolution are priestly, not ministerial acts. Whereas a Reformed minister is but the steward of God's mysteries, Christ's ambassador, and ordained to act ministerially. Further, the priest is not commissioned to ordain others as the Reformed minister is, nor to rule in the Church.

3rd. As to the intention in the respective rites there can be no question but that there is a difference, for in conferring priests' orders so far as the *animus imponentis* is regarded, the Bishop, acting for the Church of Rome, had no intention to constitute the ordained man a minister in the Reformed sense of that word.

4th. As to the ordaining act—

(1) The Reformed Church makes solemn prayer, with laying on of hands, the act which invests the man with authority to exercise the functions of his office; whereas,

(2) The Church of Rome makes the ordaining act, or the matter of the so-called sacrament, the handing by the bishop to the candidate of the chalice with wine and water in it, and the paten with the host placed on it, which he receives between the fore and middle fingers, at the same time touching the chalice and paten.

Thus the ordaining act is essentially different.

5th. As to the vows taken by the persons ordained—

(1) The Reformed Church requires only a promise of attention to the duties of the office, submission to the authority of the Church, and a holy and circumspect life; while

(2) The Romish Church requires a promise of reverence and obedience to the ordinary prelate or Pontifex, as the case may be—that is, to the Papal hierarchy.

Thus the vows are essentially different.

It is, therefore, contended that ordination to the priesthood which makes no account of the call of God or of the people, which it is wholly in the power of a prelate to confer or withhold, which acknowledges no office given by God except as conveyed by a prelate, which is declared to be a sacrament, which pretends to impart the Holy Ghost, and to effect a permanent physical change of character upon the soul of the man, which pretends to impart power to offer propitiatory sacrifice and to forgive sins, which consists “in its matter,” of touching the chalice and paten, and which exacts a promise of obedience to a prelate who himself is subject to the Pope, is something entirely and essentially different from what Christ appointed, and from Presbyterian ordination, or the solemn setting apart of a man to the work of the ministry by prayer with the laying on of hands.

If, then, ordination to the Romish priesthood has little or nothing essential in common with ordination in the Reformed Church, it cannot be identical with or equivalent to that ordination, and, therefore, cannot render the ordination of an ex-priest, when received into the Presbyterian Church, unnecessary or improper. The ex-priest must be regarded as a private member of the Church, or, at most, as one who has been commissioned as deacon to preach the gospel and baptize; but not as presbyter commissioned to dispense the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to rule in the Church, or to ordain others. Consequently, when admitted into the ministry he should be regularly ordained.

II.—It is contended that the Reformed Churches have practised re-ordination when Romish priests have been admitted as ministers, and that the general tenor of the prescribed order to be followed in ordaining ministers in the Presbyterian Church implies this.

The consideration of this statement brings up the practice of the Reformed Churches since the Reformation. And although precedents, if they could be found, cannot decide the question at issue of themselves, they ought still to be allowed much weight in the argument.

1st. Then it is admitted that the Reformers generally were ordained in the Church of Rome as priests, and were not ordained a second time.

(1.) But it is certain that *they* did not regard the validity of their vocation and ordination in any sense as depending on the possession of Romish ordination. In proof of this, Calvin was not ordained in the Church of Rome, if at all, and yet the validity of his ordination was never called in question. Further, the Reformed Churches held that the power to call and constitute a ministry and, if need be, to *originate* it, rested in the Christian people as distinguished from the clergy or prelate—that there might be a church without a ministry, but not a ministry without a church. Hence, they did not consider that the validity of ordination depended in any sense on the outward succession or acts of men already in the ministry, although it was considered the regular and proper procedure that such should ordain those who were admitted to the office; as in the case of John Knox, the call of the people was the chief thing regarded.

(2.) It was in the circumstances unavoidable that regular ordination in the case of priests becoming ministers should be dispensed with at the time of the Reformation; for there was then in the countries which renounced Popery no Reformed Church into which such men could be admitted, or Reformed ministry to ordain them. But it by no means follows that what was unavoidable and proper in that unsettled and transition period, is proper in a Church which is settled and fully organized.

(3.) The Church of Rome at that time was the only visible Church in Europe, and had not become utterly apostate. But since the adoption by the Papacy of the Decrees of the Council of Trent, and, more recently still, of the blasphemous definition of Pupal infallibility, the character of that Church is changed by reason of the abject submission of the whole Church to the Man of Sin. So that while Romish ordination before the Council of Trent may have been regarded as valid, since that time it is to be rejected.

The fact, then, that most of the Reformers who had been in priests' order before the Reformation were not re-ordained, cannot be regarded as a precedent decisive of the course to be pursued at this time.

2nd. As soon as the Reformed Churches became fully organized, a different order of things began to prevail. In the Reformed Churches of France it is ordered "that priests were not to be ordained without the advice of Provincial and National Synods." And in the 2nd and 3rd articles of the French Book of Discipline it is provided that "the bishops, curates, priests, and friars among the Popish clergy turning Protestant, were to be re-ordained by imposition of hands" (Pardovan's Collection, p. 189). The Church of Scotland seems to have adopted this regulation (Compendium of the Laws of the Church of Scotland, Part I., Edin. 1830, p. 184). The Swiss Churches, also, in the time of Turretine and Beza practised re-ordination (Turretine III., p. 206).

3rd. The First and Second Books of Discipline of the Church of Scotland insist upon the call of the people as being a necessary part of, or antecedent to ordination, and prescribe carefully the steps required for ordination. In the first book it is added, "And so for no sort of men shall this 'rigor of examination be omitted.'" As to ceremonies it is there said, "Other ceremonies, sic as 'laying on of hands, we judge not necessary in the institution of ministerie.'" But the second book provides, "The ceremonies of ordination are fasting, earnest prayer, and imposition of hands of the eldership."

It seems a fair inference from this provision that if Romish priests were admitted under these rules, they would be dealt with just as other candidates, by way of examination and regular ordination.

4th. The Westminster Form of Church Government in the Directory for the ordination of ministers, provides in section 10, "If a minister be designed to a congregation who hath been 'formerly ordained according to the form of ordination which hath been in the Church of England, which we hold for substance to be valid, and not to be disclaimed by any who have received 'it, then, there being a cautions proceeding in the matters of examination, let him be admitted 'without any new ordination.'" And, further, in section 11, "And in case any person already 'ordained minister in Scotland, or in any other *Reformed* Church, be designed to another congregation in England, he is to bring from that Church to the Presbytery here, within which 'that congregation is, a sufficient testimonial of his ordination, of his life and conversation while 'he lived with them, and of the causes of his removal; and to undergo such a trial of his fitness 'and sufficiency, and to have the same course held with him in other particulars as is set down 'in the rule immediately given before touching examination and admission."

From these rules it is evident that, according to the Westminster Form of Government, no ordination but that in the Church of England which was held to be reformed, and acknowledged Presbyterian ordination (McCrie's Life of Knox, p. 28), or in the Church of Scotland, or some other reformed church, was to be held valid, so as to dispense with the ordinary ceremonies of ordination. Therefore, according to these rules, Romish ordination would not be valid, and a priest would have to be ordained again if admitted into the Church.

5th. In more recent times, as far as the Committee have been able to learn, the only churches

which have decisions of their supreme courts bearing on the question are the churches in America, and the cases in which priests have been received are very few. But we have

(1.) The decisions of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in 1835 and 1815 above referred to, which declare that priests are not ministers and their ordination is not valid. (See Baird's Digest, and p. cxxx. of this Report.)

(2.) The decision of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of America in 1871 regarding the validity of Papal Baptism, viz.: "that while, as a general rule, Papal Baptism should be regarded as invalid, yet, as it is believed by many in the Church that there are important exceptions to the rule, therefore this Assembly judges it expedient to leave the question of re-baptizing persons from the Papal Church to the discretion of Sessions."

(3.) The decision of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America in 1835, which was arrived at after discussion in two successive years, viz.: "Whereas the right of ordaining the ministry of the gospel belongs to the Classes of the Church, therefore resolved: That the question of the validity of Roman Catholic ordination be left to the different Classes." The vote was thirty-seven affirmative and thirty-two negative.

6th. In accordance with this decision Dr. Demarest writes: "The classis of Bergen many years ago re-ordained a Catholic priest on receiving him into the classis."

7th. Other decisions having a bearing on the subject are the following:

(1.) In 1792 the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America recommended the Presbytery of Baltimore on receiving Mr. Enoch Maston, an elder of the Methodist Church, "to proceed in the same manner as if no ordination of the Methodist Church had taken place." (Baird's Digest, p. 115 and 116.)

(2.) In 1821 the same court decided that the ordinations of most Protestant Churches are valid in themselves and not to be repeated, and that it shall not be necessary to re-ordain applicants from such churches but only to instal them when they are called to settle in Presbyterian congregations.

(3.) In 1810 the same supreme court while declaring the expediency of the above decision when given, declared also that it ought not to be considered as a precedent to guide future decisions, but that in each case circumstances were to be recorded.

These decisions in the absence of cases of reception indicate that at no period of its history were Romish priests to be admitted by that Church without ordination, and that an applicant from any church not Protestant would be re-ordained when admitted. This inference is strengthened by its perfect harmony with the unmistakable deliverances of 1835 and 1845.

8th. In the Established, Free, and United Presbyterian Churches of Scotland, this question does not seem to have been at any time discussed; nor are there any cases of the admission of priests known to the Committee. In Ireland "the Church has not been called upon to consider the question carefully and has no rule in the matter." There is one case on record regarding which the following facts have been ascertained: "The case of Mr. Crotty of Birr," says Professor Witherow, "is the only case of the kind which, so far as I know, ever occurred in our branch of the Church. He and a considerable wing of his flock joined the Presbyterian Church of Ireland in 1839, but as he was to continue his ministrations among his own people, over whom he had been appointed as priest, the Presbytery does not seem to have insisted on re-ordination." From the minutes of the Synod of Ulster it appears that the Presbytery of Dublin reported the case as follows: "On the 30th of May they received into connection with the synod the Rev. Wm. Crotty, formerly a Romish priest, he having publicly declared, for himself and his congregation, their abandonment of Popery and their attachment to the doctrines, discipline, government and worship of the Presbyterian Church; that Mr. Crotty accordingly signed the Westminster Confession of Faith according to the synod's formula." In the margin of the Minutes this transaction is described as "the installation of Mr. Crotty." At this installation the usual induction services without imposition of hands were observed.

In reference to this case Dr. Killen writes, "I very well remember the case of the Rev. W. Crotty. He came over to the Synod of Ulster *along with his congregation*. He scrupled to receive ordination by imposition of hands on the ground that he would thus compromise himself with his people. He had been for a considerable time acting as their minister, and he urged that by being re-ordained he would invalidate his previous ecclesiastical acts—including the marriages he had celebrated. I was then a very young minister and had an idea that he should have been re-ordained; but the matter was settled by a kind of compromise. He was *installed* by the presbytery as minister of Birr. The installation service was virtually an ordination; but the imposition of hands was omitted. You are no doubt aware that in the earliest ordinations according to the First Book of Discipline of the Church of Scotland, there was no imposition of hands. The essence of ordination was not in the mere imposition of hands, but in the *election* to the office and the recognition of the presbytery. I would not throw a stumbling block in the way of a priest and his *congregation* passing over to Protestantism by insisting on scrupulous adherence to all our arrangements." The italics or underlinings are Dr. Killen's.

9th. In the Church in Canada we find that although no regular provision was made by any branch now forming the United Church for the reception of priests coming from the Church of Rome, there are nevertheless among the ministers of this church three who had been ordained as priests, viz., Messrs. Chiniquy, Lafontaine, and Ouriere.

(1.) Mr. Chiniquy was received in 1863 by the Canadian Church as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in America. He had been admitted into that church in 1860 without being ordained. The Presbytery of Chicago on his application to be received at first, resolved "that Mr. Chiniquy be received with a view to ordination," this decision was reconsidered, and it was ultimately resolved, "That Mr. Chiniquy be received as an ordained minister." The following minute was adapted as covering the case: "Mr. Chiniquy after his statement and examination having formally expressed his adoption of the Confession of Faith and Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church, he was received as an ordained minister, and the clerk was instructed to enter his name on the roll." Thereafter the congregation to which he had been ministering were received into connection with the church by the following resolution. "Resolved that the congregation of French people at Kankakee and St. Anne's, originally in the Roman Catholic connection, but for some time past, *Independent Protestants*, having through their minister expressed a desire to become connected with us, and given assurances of their concurrence with us in the views of doctrine and of church order; also of their willingness to modify any existing usages among them that may be found not to consist with the constitution or usage of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, they be and they hereby are received under the care of this presbytery; and that the Rev. Charles Chiniquy be recognized as their pastor, and that he and they be directed, with the counsel and aid of members of Presbytery in the vicinity, and as rapidly as may consist with prudence to perfect their organization."

In this transaction it is to be noted that Mr. Chiniquy, like Mr. Crotty in Ireland, as noted by Dr. Killen, was received with a congregation of which he had been for some time the recognized pastor and who were regarded and styled as an Independent Protestant community. Regarded in this way as *de facto* the pastor of a protestant community, ordination was regarded as not necessary and was dispensed with.

(2.) Mr. Lafontaine was received in 1866 by the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church by open vote without having been asked to accept the confession of Faith or sign the formula. Several dissents were entered at the time from this action differing so widely from the action up to that time, and ever since uniformly observed in receiving ministers into the church.

(3.) Leave was granted to the Presbytery of Montreal to receive Mr. Onriere by last Assembly, but it was expressly stated in the resolution granting this leave, that this case was not to be "a precedent decisive of the question" of the validity of Romish ordination. Thus of the cases of reception of Roman Catholic priests known to the Committee, one was re-ordained; a second was received in confessedly an extraordinary manner; a third was admitted on the understanding that it is not to be made a precedent; a fourth was admitted with his congregation as *de facto* pastor of an Independent Protestant community; and the fifth was received with his flock, while owing to certain scruples on his part the imposition of hands was dispensed with, but an installation service was observed, which was virtually ordination.

On the whole it is contended that so far as the regulations and decisions of the Reformed churches, and the cases known to the committee afford guidance, Ordination should be observed in receiving Romish priests into the ministry of the Presbyterian Church.

If it be objected that the ordination practised in the French and Swiss Churches and the installation of Mr. Crotty are not true ordination, it may be replied: Such ordination is sufficient. The election and vocation by the Christian people with the authoritative induction into office by the Church rulers is all that is contended for. The laying on of hands is not essential to ordination as held by the Reformed Churches; nor any other outward ceremony.

III.—It only remains to recommend to the Assembly a course of procedure which may be followed in admitting Romish priests into the ministry.

1st. The Committee is of opinion that they should be received, if found qualified, as licentiates on probation; and when called by a congregation that they should be ordained in the usual manner. If, however they are to be employed as missionaries without a fixed pastoral charge or call of the Christian people, then the Presbytery should ordain to this *ministerium vagum* in the same way as other missionaries are ordained in like circumstances.

If to this it be objected that a second ordination is degrading to the men, and disrespectful to the church whose orders they have already received, it may be rejoined that the Apostle Paul was not degraded by being ordained with imposition of hands when called by the Holy Ghost to labor in a new sphere; nor should it be accounted by any one a degradation to be invested with the office of the Reformed ministry; also, that deacons in other churches who already have been ordained to preach and baptize, account it an honour to be ordained as Presbyters, and have been so ordained in this church. And, further, elders and deacons in Presbyterian churches, who have already been ordained to rule and minister, account it an honour to be ordained to a higher and additional office. Nor need Protestants be concerned as to any supposed disrespect shown to the church of Rome,—she will in no wise feel it or suffer from it.

2nd. It will be necessary for the Assembly to provide specially for dealing with applicants for admission to the ministry coming from the Romish communion. They cannot possibly furnish the "sufficient testimonial" required of those coming from Protestant and evangelical churches, or fulfil the other requirements before they become connected with the church. A distinct reference to such cases should have a place in any act for the reception of ministers which may be passed by the church.

3rd. There may exist cases in which a parish priest along with his people shall be converted to the reformed faith, leave the Romish church, and after a shorter or longer period of separation from the Papacy, apply to be received into this church. Such cases are manifestly exceptional, and may require to be dealt with in a manner for which no ordinary general rules can provide; but the supreme court will have no difficulty, on the principles of ordination held by the Presbyterian church, in recognizing a *de facto* minister, and dispensing with any ceremony which may be deemed inexpedient, while retaining the essence of Scriptural vocation and authoritative investiture with office.

The Committee have only to add in conclusion that, as this matter comes before this supreme Court, not *in these*, but in connection with particular applications requiring immediate action; and as in God's good providence it seems to have fallen to this church to decide, without well-defined precedents as to the course which ought to be followed, and as there is the hopeful prospect of many similar applications being made to this church, the General Assembly is called upon now to give the subject full and careful consideration, and to come to such a decision as with the light they possess may appear to be good to the Holy Ghost, and agreeable to the mind of God as revealed in His Word.

All which is respectfully submitted by

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REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION, 1878.

In presenting this report your Committee are happy to be able once more to speak of increasing attention given to the returns required in connection with the important matters committed to them. Replies have been received from upwards of 400 Sessions,—an increase of about forty as compared with last year. Presbyterian reports have been forwarded by all the Presbyteries in the Synods of Montreal and Ottawa, Toronto and Kingston, Hamilton and London, by the Presbytery of Manitoba, and by most of those in the Synod of the Maritime Provinces. In the order of completeness the Synod of Hamilton and London stands first, with 126 sessions reporting out of 190; Montreal and Ottawa next, with eighty out of 129; followed by Toronto and Kingston, with 113 out of 191; and the Synod of the Maritime Provinces with eighty-two out of 159. The Presbyteries of Monrovia, Brockville, Owen Sound, and Paris have honourably distinguished themselves by forwarding complete reports, and they are closely followed by that of Stratford, in which nineteen out of twenty sessions have sent in returns. The lowest places in the western Synods are occupied by the Presbyteries of Kingston and London. The former furnishes six returns from thirty-one congregations, the latter eight from forty-three.

FAMILY WORSHIP.

The answers to the very direct and specific questions regarding "family worship," satisfy your Committee that few sessions are in possession of accurate information regarding the number of households under their care in which the worship of God is maintained. The answers for the most part consist of estimates more or less accurate, ranging from "very few observe family worship," through one-fourth, one-third, one-half, two-thirds, four-fifths to "all." One Presbyterian report expresses the conviction, based on accurate inquiry, that the estimates are too favourable, while they lose sight of the diversity that prevails even where "family worship" is observed, and there is reason to fear that in not a few cases in which the worship of God in the house is reported, it is only on the Lord's Day that the family is assembled around the Throne of Grace. In the great majority of the returns no distinction is made between families, the heads of which are in full communion, and those in which they are simply adherents. The Committee regret to find that, according to the data furnished, there is evidence that in a proportion of families in connection with the Church, still painfully large, the ordinance of family worship is not observed.

They have, however, been cheered by the fact that the attention directed to this matter has already borne fruit. Sessions and Presbyteries have been awakened to a sense of shortcoming in this regard, and are engaged in devising means to correct an evil which has been a fruitful source of irreligion, and which, if allowed to spread, could not fail to prove disastrous. While your Committee desire, with all care, to avoid anything looking in the direction of leading men to rest in empty forms, or to build for acceptance with God on the performance of religious duties, they are very deeply impressed with the importance of securing the observance of the worship of God in every believing household as a means of securing the ground already won for Christ, and of further advancing His cause and kingdom in the land.

COMMUNICANTS.

The returns are so imperfect with reference to the numbers received on profession of faith in Christ, and by certificate, and the losses by death and removal during the year, that your Committee cannot venture any estimate of the gain throughout the Church. Only two of the Synodical reports give specific information as to increase in numbers. Within the bounds of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston the reported gain ranges from one-tenth to one-seventeenth of the membership of the Presbyteries.

The number in our congregations over eighteen years of age, not in full communion with the Church, varies very greatly. An extract from the report of the Synod of Hamilton and London may be taken as an illustration of this diversity. "One Presbytery reports 373 of this class in five of its congregations. Another reports 261 in one congregation in which the number on the roll is 250. While another congregation within the same bounds, with about the same number in full communion, replies that 'there are very few of this class among them.' One Presbytery which reports a large number of non-communicants, in doing so adds: "This is not to be attributed to extensive indifference to the requirements of God's Word, as it is largely found among Gaelic-speaking congregations, but rather to mistaken views of the qualifications necessary to become members, as is evident from the following facts. Some of the Gaelic congregations returning the smallest number of communicants have the greatest number of weekly prayer-meetings, and family worship is observed in nearly all the families."

The reports as a whole make it clear that there are large numbers, young and old, in our congregations standing aloof from the communion of the Church, and that not alone in districts where erroneous views regarding the Lord's Supper prevail. The fact is, no doubt, to some extent due to the raising of the standard of qualification on the one hand and a full appreciation on the other of the responsibilities of a Christian profession, while in many cases it is to be feared that it is due to indifference to the things of God. Much to be deplored as it is that many of the young should hold aloof from the communion of the Church and that considerable numbers continue to sit for long years under the preaching of the Word without publicly declaring themselves on the side of Christ, it would still be more deplorable were they to enter into full communion *en masse* without regard to spiritual experience, or that the idea should become prevalent throughout the Church that the young should, as a matter of course, take their place at the Lord's Table because they had attained to any particular age.

CARE OF THE YOUNG.

The answers to the questions under the head of "the care of the young" are for the most part satisfactory, and indicative of decided progress. But the numbers furnished your committee are again so fragmentary that no adequate idea of the extent of this work can be given. One of the Synodical reports states that in reference to this department of the Church's life it is permitted to your committee to speak with almost unalloyed satisfaction. Sabbath Schools usually in a flourishing condition are found in connection with almost every congregation, and much importance seems to be attached to their management and success. Bible classes are reported to be almost as numerous."

The question regarding "How many refuse instruction?" has evidently been variously understood. The answers however bring out the fact that while there are very few of the young who manifest positive antagonism by refusing instruction, a very large number are being allowed by their parents and the sessions of the congregations under whose oversight they are, to grow up neglecting the means of instruction within their reach. This is particularly the case with those above the age of fifteen, who as a rule are no longer found in the Sabbath School, and only to a limited extent gathered into the Bible Classes.

The number of meetings for prayer and preparation of the lessons held by Sabbath School Teachers is increasing, but is still far short of what might easily be attained. The importance of Normal Training classes for Sabbath School Teachers has engaged some attention, and in their deliverance on this subject the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa instructed Presbyteries "to take such steps as may seem to them most suitable for securing well-trained Sabbath School Teachers and efficient organization of Sabbath Schools within their respective bounds."

The question with regard to the teaching of the distinctive doctrines of the Church has in some cases been misunderstood, and in others the answers are indefinite. According to one Presbyterial report, which affords one of the most direct and explicit answers, the means employed within its bounds are positive statements of these distinctive principles from the pulpit, exposition of the standards of the church, distribution of tracts and pamphlets which are fitted to expose and refute error. In some congregations Withrow's "Apostolic Church" is used with satisfactory results. Your Committee are impressed with the importance of giving due prominence to the distinctive principles of the Church, both in the pulpit and in the instruction of the young, and while carefully avoiding the cultivation of a polemical spirit and everything that would justly mar harmonious co-operation with other evangelical churches, would still lay stress on the faithful maintenance of those principles which we have inherited from the days of the Reformation. Your Committee are persuaded that while this is done as to the doctrines of grace, the true place of the Church and the divine warrant for our government, discipline and worship, have in large measure been allowed to fall into abeyance in our public teaching. When our people are left in ignorance regarding the Scriptural foundation of our Church polity, need we be surprised that some of them should drift out on the tide of fashion, and that others should make their preference for this or that minister the ground on which they determine their church connection.

SPECIAL EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Special evangelistic services have been held during the year in about seventy congregations. In the case of a considerable number these services sprang out of the observance of the "week of

prayer," or were connected with the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The reports, almost without exception, speak of "good results." Some of them, however, are not specific; but where the results are specified, they are such as "the conversion of sinners," "increase of brotherly love," "the infusion of new life," "increase of attendance on prayer-meetings and public worship." It is noticeable that the reports from those who have engaged in this form of the Master's work are entirely harmonious. Everywhere the blessing of God seems to have rested in greater or less measure on these special efforts to reach the unsaved, and lead believers into fuller possession of their heritage in Christ. The following are specimens of the reports that have been received:—"We have to report a decided increase in attendance, and several adult baptisms." "Many of God's people were greatly roused, and led into a fuller enjoyment of Christ as their portion. A considerable number who were standing aloof have decided to cast in their lot with Christ and His people." Still another speaks of "a wonderful upheaval. The church was crowded every night for weeks, and the intensest interest prevailed. The result has been a large addition to the membership, and the strengthening in a marked degree of many who were formerly members." Additions of 30, 81, 86, and 150, as a result of these services, are spoken of.

The mode of conducting them seems to be nearly uniform. The exercises consist of singing, reading of Scripture, prayer, preaching of the Word, and personal dealing, and they have been conducted for the most part by ministers of our own Church.

SUPERVISION OF THE PEOPLE.

With regard to "supervision of the people," ministers as a rule appear to visit pastorally once a year. In many cases the visitation is more frequent, while in a few it appears to be entirely neglected or confined to the sick. The prevailing practice at these visitations is to read and expound the Scriptures and engage in prayer. In some cases the young are catechized, and occasionally adults are embraced in that exercise. Many report that they are accustomed to have private and personal dealing at such times with those who walk disorderly, or having reached mature years hold aloof from the communion of the Church, but the answers do not warrant your committee in concluding that this important department of pastoral work receives due attention. They cannot press too earnestly upon their brethren the importance of bringing the truths that are proclaimed from the pulpit to bear upon men individually, and of embracing the opportunities afforded by pastoral visitation, and other personal contact, to arouse the careless, guide inquirers, and enlighten, stimulate, and strengthen believers, thus following Apostolic example in preaching Christ publicly and from house to house.

It appears that the elders take part—in many congregations a very important part—in the supervision of the people, but the answers to the questions on this head make it abundantly manifest that the mighty power that is latent in the eldership has not been called into full exercise.

MEETINGS FOR PRAYER.

There is only one congregation reported as having no weekly prayer-meeting. There are doubtless more in the same position. The reports, however, are so explicit regarding this matter that your committee are warranted in speaking of weekly meetings for prayer as all but universal in our congregations. Some of the reports speak very encouragingly regarding the attendance and interest manifested in these meetings. They range from one to six weekly in number, and in attendance from ten to three hundred.

The "hindrances to spiritual life" which are specified, are prevailing worldliness, intemperance, pleasure-seeking, levity and Sabbath-breaking. One report speaks of the injurious influence of "railroading" and Roman Catholicism. Your Committee are convinced that one of the greatest hindrances, though one rarely specified, is the growing tendency to resort to God-dishonoring methods of raising money for church purposes which have come into vogue in some sections of the country.

Your Committee rejoice that they are able to express the strong conviction that intemperance is upon the wane. Very much has been done during the past year to promote the cause of Temperance throughout the Dominion. This matter has received a large share of public attention. Your committee regard it as of growing importance that its advocacy should be based on Scriptural grounds and carried on as a department of the work of the Church, and only as this is the case are the results likely to be valuable or abiding. Few cases of discipline have been reported. Whether this be due to a gratifying steadiness of walk on the part of those in full communion with the Church or to the practical abandonment of discipline in many congregations your Committee do not feel themselves in a position to decide.

There is much in this survey to cheer, as there is also to humble us before God. We are growing rapidly in numbers, wealth and power in the land. The Church is being rapidly organized and equipped for her work. The throb of quickening life is being felt in every department. There is evidence that the Holy Ghost is accompanying the ministration of the Word among us with increasing power, that sinners are being converted and saints built up in faith and knowledge. Let the manifestations of Divine favour which we enjoy encourage us to gird up our loins for the great work before us and to the preparation of spirit that is needful. Let us be found with all diligence cleansing ourselves from prevailing sins by which the blessing of God may be restrained. Let us be found in the dust at His feet humbling ourselves in the acknowledg-

ment of these, and in the recognition of our own emptiness and weakness that the power of God may rest upon us. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts:" Zeel. v. 6.

In conclusion your Committee recommend:

1. That a pastoral letter bearing upon the evils referred to in this report be issued by the Moderator, in name of this Assembly, to the members of the Church, to be read by all the ministers and missionaries to their congregations on the first Sabbath of January next, or at such other time as the Moderator may deem suitable.

2. That, with the view of enabling the Committee to prepare the report with greater ease and efficiency, the reports of Presbyteries be transmitted by the Conveners of the Synodical Committees, along with their own reports, to the Convener of the General Assembly on or before the first day of May next.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. MITCHELL.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CANADA IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1878.

In submitting their Thirtieth Annual Report, the Managers have pleasure in referring to the continued prosperity of the Fund entrusted to their care. The assets, including the investments, cash in bank, and interest due to 1st of June, amount to \$30,207, being an increase since last year of \$4,071.68.

Changes.—The only changes on the roll of annuitants that call for mention are, (1) the death of Mrs. Mackid, widow of the late Rev. Alex. Mackid, of Golerich, who died on 30th September last, leaving one son under the age of eighteen (2) A special grant of seventy-five dollars (\$75) for one year was made to Miss Thompson, an orphan daughter of the late Rev. George Thompson, of Renfrew, Ont., in consideration of exceptional circumstances in which she was placed.

The Annuitants on the roll for the current half-year are, therefore, the same as last half-year, namely, forty, in addition to which twenty-six children under age will receive benefit from the fund. The whole amount of annuities paid during the past year was \$5,640.50, in sums varying from \$82 to \$300.

Contributions.—The ministers, at the rate of \$12 each, paid altogether \$1,632 into the Fund. The congregational contributions amounted to \$1,746.40, as per detailed statement.

The revenue from all sources was \$9,656.96, and the expenses of management \$560.11.

The names of the Managers are as follows:—Rev. Robert Campbell, M.A., *Chairman*; Rev. John Cook, D.D.; Rev. John Jenkins, D.D.; Rev. William Simpson; Mr. James Mitchell; Mr. John L. Morris; Mr. James S. Hunter; His Honor Judge Cross; Mr. William Darling; Mr. Alexander Mitchell; Mr. Alexander Macpherson; Mr. James Croil, *Secretary-Treasurer*, 210 St. James Street, Montreal.

Amalgamation of Funds.—The General Assembly contemplates an amalgamation of the funds belonging to the four branches of the Church now united in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Draft regulations for the administration of a joint fund have been submitted to the Presbyteries, whose reports thereon will be considered at the next General Assembly, when further action may be taken in the matter.

ROBERT CAMPBELL, *Chairman*.

MONTREAL, 31st May, 1878.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1878.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year.....	\$549 61
Donation from Mrs P. S. Ross.....	5 00
Interest on Investments.....	6,125 32
Returned Loans.....	9,247 46
Congregational contributions.....	1,746 40
From Temporalties' Board, being at the rate of \$12 from each minister...	1,632 00
From Rev. Alexander Smith.....	50 00
“ Rev. Archibald Walker.....	12 00
“ R. v. Frederick Home.....	12 00
Interest on Bank account for 1877.....	74 24
	\$19,454 03

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid Widows and Orphans.....	\$5,678 00
New Investments.....	11,515 48
Professional services.....	87 95
Expenses of Management—	
Office rent and salary	425 00
Printing and Stationery	35 72
Postage	11 44
Balance in Merchants' Bank.....	1,700 44
	<u>\$19,454 03</u>

JAMES CROIL, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

ASSETS AT 4TH JUNE, 1878.

Capital invested.....	\$85,599 36
Cash in Bank.....	4,156 64
Interest due	451 36
	<u>Total Assets..... \$90,207 36</u>

Examined and found correct.

PHILIP S. ROSS, *Auditor.*

MONTREAL, 6th June, 1878.

PAYMENTS TO WIDOWS.—JUNE—DECEMBER, 1877.

	June.	December.		June.	December.
Mrs. Barr	\$62 00	\$62 00	Mrs. Moody	63 00	63 00
“ Bell, E.	63 00	63 00	“ Maedonnell	88 00	88 00
“ Bell, R.....	73 00	73 00	“ Mackid	76 00	70 00
“ Brown	44 00	41 00	“ McEwen	50 00	50 00
“ Bryning	50 00	50 00	“ McLatchey	50 00	50 00
“ Campbell, E. R.	110 00	110 00	“ McLaurin, A.	91 00	91 00
“ Campbell, J.....	69 00	69 00	“ McLaurin, P.	45 00	45 00
“ Colquhoun	41 00	41 00	“ McLean	64 00	64 00
“ Durrach	86 00	86 00	“ McLennan	81 00	81 00
“ Dickie	50 00	50 00	“ McLeod	80 00	78 00
“ George, Children ..	73 00	73 00	“ McMurchy	101 00	101 00
“ Gregor	69 00	69 00	“ Nicol.....	98 00	98 00
“ Haig	50 00	50 00	“ Roach	81 00	81 00
“ Hogg	100 00	100 00	Miss Ross	32 00	32 00
“ Hunter.....	64 00	64 00	Mrs. Skinner.....	81 00	81 00
“ Lambie	50 00	50 00	“ Smith	63 00	63 00
“ Machar	150 00	150 00	“ Tawse	68 00	68 00
“ Mair	63 00	63 00	“ Thom. Six months.	69 00	.....
Miss Mair	45 00	45 00	Miss Thompson ..	.....	37 50
Mrs. Miller	83 00	83 00	Mrs. Wallace.....	83 00	83 00
“ Milligan	81 00	81 00		<u>\$2840 00</u>	<u>\$2800 50</u>

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND,
CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BRANCH.

The Committee on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the late Canada Presbyterian Church, beg leave to report as follows:—

1. The Treasurer's books and accounts have been audited and the securities in his hands examined. The accounts and securities have all been found correct and in proper order.

2. The following statement shows the present state of the Fund, and it is gratifying to the Committee that they are enabled to announce an increase over last year amounting to \$3419.97.

Invested in Municipal Debentures	\$65,600 00
“ on Mortgage	20,963 62
Cash on hand and temporary loans	5,053 12
	<u>Total</u>
	<u>\$91,616 74</u>

3. The receipts for the past year have been—

Balance from previous year	\$8,431 15
Collections and donations	2,643 77
Ministers' rates	1,970 00
Interest	5,723 75
Principal repaid	10,197 00

\$28,965 67

The expenditure has been—

In payment of annuities	\$5,531 07
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	250 00
Printing and sundry expenses	95 50
Remitted for Fund in connection with Church of Scotland ..	88 49
Invested	17,084 49
Proportion of General Expenses	360 00
" " Salary	500 00
Balance	5,053 12

\$28,965 67

4. The number of annuitants at the date of last report was thirty-seven, the present number is thirty-five, and of these a list is annexed.

5. Two matters are by the Committee brought before the Assembly for instructions, viz.:

The Rev. Mr. McTavish, formerly of Woodstock, and now of Inverness, Scotland, desires to continue his connection with this Fund, paying such sums annually as may be required.

The Synod of Hamilton and London have made an application on behalf of Mrs. Scott, the widow of the Rev. Mr. Scott, who went to New York and died there last year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

T. W. TAYLOR, *Joint Convener.*

HAMILTON, 14th June, 1878.

LIST OF ANNUITANTS.

1. Mrs. Baikie.	18. Mrs. McKenzie.
2. " Barron.	19. " McKinnon.
3. " Bethune.	20. " Andrew McLean.
4. " Burns.	21. " Alex. McLean.
5. " Campbell.	22. " D. McLean.
6. " Esson.	23. " Alex. McLean.
7. " Fayette.	24. " Rennelson.
8. " Geggie.	25. " Riddell.
9. " Glassford.	26. " Rintoul.
10. " Gray.	27. " Skinner.
11. " Henry.	28. " Stewart.
12. " Jennings.	29. " Smart.
13. " Lindsay.	30. " Thomson.
14. " Malcolm.	31. " Traver.
15. " Milne.	32. " Wightman.
16. " McArthur.	33. Orphan children of Mr. Murdoch.
17. " McColl.	34. " " Mr. Nisbet.
	35. " daughter of Mr. Lundy.

REPORT OF THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND OF THE LOWER PROVINCES.

The Trustees of the Presbyterian Ministers' and Orphans' Fund of the late Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, beg leave to report as follows:—

Their whole receipts during the past year have been—

From Ministers' dues	\$1,115 00
" Interest and dividends	910 79
" Donations	133 78
" Fines	32 94

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The whole expenditure was as follows—

Annuities to 8 widows	at \$120	\$960 00
Annuity to 1 widow	" 90	90 00
Annuities to 4 orphans	" 20	80 00
" 3 "	" 16	48 00
Total annuities		\$1,178 00
Allowance to Treasurer in acknowledgment of 13 years' services		200 00
" Secretary " " "		200 00
		\$1,578 00

No Minister upon the fund has died during the past year, so that the number of widows receiving annuity is the same as on the previous year, but there are two orphans less, in consequence of their having reached the age at which annuity ceases.

It is to be observed that for the convenience of the Committee in making up their report to the General Assembly, the accounts have been closed about a month earlier than usual, so that the receipts from interest and dividends are somewhat less than on the previous year. Had these been included for a whole year they would have been sufficient to meet the annuities. As it is, the surplus for the year amounts to \$614.51, which, added to our capital, makes the amount invested \$21,072.27, which, with cash in Treasurer's hands, makes the total funds at present amount to \$21,191.81, to which is to be added interest accrued on shares of Building Society, which in June, 1877, amounted to \$2,066. There might also be added, to show the value of our assets, the increase in the value of Bank Stock over the amount at which it was purchased. This would make the present value of our fund at least \$24,000.

By the rules of the Fund no change in the regulations affecting the interests of members of this Fund, can be made, without being first submitted to a meeting of all the ministers upon the scheme and approved by a majority of those present. As mentioned in our last report, a meeting of such was accordingly called in October, 1876, when the Trustees were empowered to amalgamate this Fund with the other funds of the Church, on terms that they might deem just to all concerned, and as favourable for the members of this fund, as they may be able to obtain. The Trustees, therefore, in their last report made a number of suggestions, and though these have not been deemed worthy of adoption by the Committee to whom the business was entrusted, yet the Trustees, approving generally of the purposed regulations, will be prepared to transfer their funds to any new Board that the Assembly may appoint, so soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. In regard to the new regulations, they still desire to express their decided opinion, that those ministers who have not been paying into any Fund and who may wish to join the united Fund at this time, should be liable to Rule 11 as to arrears, in the same way as those hereafter joining, though, as suggested in our report of last year, it might be proper to exact no arrears beyond four years. To take on persons who have been years in the ministry without contributing to the Fund, without some compensation of this kind, they deem an injustice both to those who have been paying for years and to those who may hereafter join.

The Committee also take the liberty of representing to the General Assembly that in their view when these regulations are adopted, they should be adhered to, and that not even sympathy for the needy should lead to their being set aside. When a minister disregards the laws of the General Assembly, and refuses to pay into their fund, and even prefer putting his money into some other American Life Assurance Society, if, when that fails, the Assembly give his representatives the full benefits of the fund, to which he had for years refused to contribute, they, in the opinion of this Committee, not only trample upon their own regulations, but do a wrong to every contributor to the fund, and adopt a course which must work injury to it.

The Trustees, in view of amalgamating the funds of the bodies now united, feel satisfaction in reviewing their operations for about fourteen years. During the first part of that period the lives of ministers upon the fund were remarkably spared, so that for several years there were no claims upon it. During the last ten years they have, however, been privileged to pay the sum of \$7,995.41 in annuities, to widows and orphans, and the amount is annually increasing. Altogether about \$30,000 has passed through the Treasurer's hands, and this was managed for thirteen years, with a total expense of \$79.11, which included the expense of ministers visiting congregations on behalf of the fund. This, with the sums voted last year of \$200 each to the Secretary and Treasurer in acknowledgement of their services during that period, is the whole cost of managing the fund since its inception, and yet the books and accounts have been kept in a most orderly and accurate manner, payments made with regularity, the funds managed so prudently, that nothing has ever been lost or even risked, and as the result the fund is now in a thriving condition.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE PATTERSON, *Secretary.*

THE MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND, LATE PRESBY-
TERIAN CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES IN CONNECTION
WITH THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, IN ACCOUNT WITH GEO.
MITCHELL, *Treasurer.*

1877.		Dr.	
June 9.	To Cash returned Rev. W. McMillan, East River, Pictou, amount of his Subscription for 1876, he having withdrawn his connection from the Fund		\$12 00
July 1.	Cost of P. O. Orders to remit Mrs. Louisa A. Donald (\$60), and Mrs. Alexina Keay (\$60), six months' allowance to date		120 60
Dec. 5.	Cost of Four Shares Canadian Bank of Commerce		241 80
1878			
Jan. 5.	Cost of P. O. Orders to remit Mrs. Louisa A. Donald (\$60), and Mrs. Alexina Keay (\$60), six months' allowance to Dec. 31		120 60
May 1.	Cost of Five Shares Canadian Bank of Commerce		298 47
" 31.	Balance carried down		250 35
			\$1,043 82
1877.		Cr.	
May 31.	By Balance brought down	\$169 02	
July 2.	Six months' dividend from Canadian Bank of Commerce	20 00	
" 24.	" " Merchants' Bank of Halifax	37 80	
Aug. 3.	" " Bank of Nova Scotia	154 00	
Sept. 17.	" " People's Bank of Halifax	5 60	
Oct. 11.	Donation from George Thomson, Halifax	3 00	
Dec. 3.	Annual collection from St. Matthew's Church, Halifax	100 00	
" 3.	" " St. Andrew's Church, Halifax	12 00	
" 3.	Six months' interest on City of Halifax School Debenture	5 80	
" 3.	Annual rates for 1877-8 from Rev. G. M. Grant	12 00	
1878.			
Jan. 5.	Donation from a young man of St. John's, Newfoundland	50 00	
" 5.	Six months' dividend from Canadian Bank of Commerce	28 00	
" 12.	Annual rate from Rev. W. Stewart, McLellan's Mountain, N.S.	12 00	
" 12.	Annual collection from McLellan's Mountain Congregation	5 00	
Feb. 4.	Six months' dividend from Merchants' Bank of Halifax	43 20	
" 4.	" " Bank of Nova Scotia	198 00	
" 18.	Annual collection from St. James' Church, Newcastle, N.B.	9 50	
" 21.	Six months' dividend from People's Bank of Halifax	5 60	
" 27.	Annual collection from St. Andrew's Church, Pictou, N.S.	18 50	
" 27.	Annual rate from Rev. A. W. Herdman, Pictou	12 00	
April 23.	" " Rev. Alex. Maclean, Hopewell	12 00	
" 23.	Six months' interest on City of Halifax School Debentures	5 80	
May 2.	Annual Rate from Rev. Dr. Brooke Fredericton, N.B.	12 00	
" 2.	" collection from St. James' Church, Charlottetown, P.E.I.*	30 00	
" 10.	" " St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, N.B.	15 00	
" 13.	" rate from Rev. J. D. Paterson, St. John's, Newfoundland	12 00	
" 13.	" collection from St. Andrew's Church, St. John's, Newfoundland ..	20 00	
" 31.	" rates for past and present years from Rev. James Anderson, New- castle, N.B.	24 00	
" 31.	Annual rate from Rev. J. M. Sutherland, Pugwash	12 00	
			\$1043 82
1878.			
June 1.	By Balance brought down	\$250 35	

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GEORGE MITCHELL, *Treasurer.*HALIFAX, N.S., *June 4th, 1878.*

* Rev. K. MacLennan forwards the collection from St James' Church under the following conditions, viz.: "that it shall be considered as subject to the conditions of the fund as ministered at Montreal, and be transferable to that fund should an early amalgamation of the funds for this purpose not take place."

ASSETS MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

1878.				
May 31.	Twenty-two shares Bank of Nova Scotia	\$264 00 each.	\$5808 00	
	Twelve shares Merchants' Bank of Halifax	118 80 "	1425 60	
	Seven shares People's Bank of Halifax	26 20 "	183 40	
	Nineteen shares Canadian Bank of Commerce	60 00 "	1140 00	
	Two City of Halifax School Debentures	100 00 "	200 00	
	Cash in hands of Treasurer		250 35	
				<u>\$9007 35</u>

WIDOWS NOW RECEIVING AN ALLOWANCE FROM THE FUND.

Mrs. Louisa Agnes Donald, St. John, N.B.	\$120 00 per annum.
Mrs. A'exina Keay, St. Andrew's, N.B.	120 00 "

HALIFAX, N.S., *June 4th, 1878.* E. E. GEO. MITCHELL, *Treasurer.*

Audited. { JAMES J. BREMNER.
 { J. MACLEAN.

NAMES OF BENEFICIARIES.

CLASS I.

Those who have paid up all dues and whose congregations have forwarded collections annually :

- Rev. Geo. M. Grant, St. Matthews, Halifax, N. S., annual rate and collection both paid.
- " A. W. Herdman, St. Andrews, Pictou, N. S., annual rate and collection both paid.
- " A. Maclean, Belfast, P. E. I., annual rate paid but no congregational collection.
- " J. M. Sutherland, Pugwash, N. S., annual rate paid, expect congregational collection shortly.
- " Wm. Stewart, McLellan's Mountain, N. S., annual rate and congregational collection both paid.

CLASS II.

Those who have paid up all dues, but whose congregations have only forwarded one annual collection :—

- Rev. Dr. Brooke, Fredericton, N. B., annual rate and collection both paid.
- " R. McCunn, St. George's, River John, N. S., neither annual rate nor collection paid.
- " Jas. Murray, Wallace, N. S., neither annual rate nor collection paid.
- " J. D. Paterson, St. Johns, N'd, annual rate and collection both paid.

CLASS III.

Those who have only paid up one year's dues, and whose congregations have only forwarded one collection :—

- Rev. Jas. Anderson, Newcastle, N. B., all annual rates paid to date but no collection.
- " J. W. Fraser, Roger's Hill, N. S., neither annual rate nor collection paid.
- " D. Macrae, St. John, N. B., neither annual rate nor collection paid.

CLASS IV.

Those who have paid up all dues, but whose congregations have not forwarded any collections :

- Rev. Jno. Robertson, Tabusintac, N. B., neither annual rate nor collection paid.
- " Wm. Wilson, Chatham, N. B., neither annual rate nor collection paid.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31st, 1877.

Widows at present receiving an allowance from Fund :

Mrs. Louisa Agnes Donald, St. John, N.B.	\$60 00 per annum.
Mrs. A'exina Keay, St. Andrews, N. B.	60 00 "
Ministers' rates received (some for two year-)	\$274 00
Congregational Collections, \$294.10; Donations, \$5	299 10
Interest on Investments	459 95

FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31st, 1878.

Widows at present receiving an allowance from Fund :

Mrs. Louisa Agnes Donald, St. John, N.B.....	\$120 00	per annum.
Mrs. Alexina Keay, St. Andrews, N.B.....	120 00	"
Ministers' rates received (some for two years)		\$108 00
Congregational Collections, \$210; Donations, \$53		263 00
Interest on Investments		503 80

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON 'THE' AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—WESTERN SECTION, 1878.

During the year the sum of \$4,560.81 has been paid to the following Annuitants:—

Rev. S. C. Fraser, 3 half years	\$375 00	Rev. R. Monteath.....	250 00
" J. Fotheringham	180 00	" J. G. Carruthers.....	100 00
" H. Gordon	250 00	" J. Paterson.....	250 00
" D. McKenzie	250 00	" D. Allan	250 00
" D. Coutts	250 00	" Wm. Barrie, D. D....	230 00
" W. Lohead	250 00	" R. Dewar	200 00
" C. Fletcher.....	250 00	" Jas. Mitchell	100 00
" John Duff	250 00	" Dr. Willis	250 00
" D. McMillan	250 00	" J. Malcolm.....	146 65
" Geo. Cheyne	229 16		
" J. R. Scott	250 00		
			<u>\$4,560 81</u>

The Committee have admitted to the benefit of the Fund Mr. Wm. Meldrum and Mr. Thomas McPherson. It will be remembered that the Committee, in referring Mr. Meldrum's case to the Assembly last year, expressed doubt as to his being incapacitated by infirmity or ministerial work; and that the case was sent back to the Committee for further consideration. A renewed application having been made by the Presbytery of Guelph, strongly recommending Mr. Meldrum to the benefit of the Fund; and the Committee being fully satisfied that Mr. Meldrum, who is now in his seventy-third year, is quite unfit for any ministerial service, it was agreed to grant him an annuity of \$230—his various periods of service as a settled pastor of the Church amounting to 23 years—and to apply to the Assembly for leave to make the annuity \$250, in consideration of his having served the Church many years as a preacher when not doing the work of one of its pastors.

Mr. McPherson having been permitted by last Assembly to retire from the Ministry, and papers having been laid before the Committee showing that he had laboured in the Ministry over forty years, twenty-seven of which were spent in the service of the Church in Canada, his name is of course put on the list of beneficiaries at \$250.00 *per annum*.

In reference to the case of Mr. R. D. McKay, sent back to the Committee by last Assembly with the instruction to correspond further with the Presbytery of Stratford, the Committee have to state that, the details of Mr. McKay's services having been already presented, they understood the Assembly's instruction to indicate the desire to ascertain whether Mr. McKay's circumstances are such that, though he has no claim according to the regulations, the Church may not be under Christian obligation to admit him to the benefit of the Fund; and they have now to report that they have learned from the Presbytery of Stratford that Mr. McKay's private means of support are slender, considerably less than \$200 *per annum*, and supposed to be diminishing.

In reference to the case of Mr. John Porteous, whose application was favourably entertained by last Assembly, the Committee have to report that Mr. Porteous being again a settled pastor, they have of course not placed his name on the list of annuitants.

The Committee would call the attention of the Assembly to the state of the fund, believing that it requires immediate and most earnest and careful consideration. The expenditure for the year, as exhibited in the Report of the Agent for the Western Section of the Church, is as follows :

Paid to Ministers	\$4,560 81
Expenses of Committee, etc.	89 10
Proportion of General Expenses	110 00
Proportion of Salary	125 00
	<u>\$4,834 91</u>

The receipts for the year, as exhibited in the same Report, are—

Contributions from congregations (including amount from Widows' Fund) and Donations	\$2,327 29
Interest	250 00
Rates paid by Ministers (219)	903 41
	\$3,480 70

It appears from these figures that the expenditure exceeds the income by \$1,354 21. The present balance is \$3,883.25, including \$3,500 invested. Up to 1875 the balance in favour of the Fund had been increasing, being then \$7,806.20; but during the last three years it has been reduced nearly \$4,000. It is all but certain that the expenditure will continue to increase for some years to come; so that two or three years will see the total extinction of the remaining balance, unless measures be taken without delay to have the income largely increased. It is to be expected that in future the ministers' rate will yield a much larger amount than it has done during the past year. Only 219 ministers—less than one half of the whole number in the Western section of the Church—have paid their rates; and from the amount of stipend paid to these ministers, as shown in the Returns of 1877, if we add Professors' salaries, the income from this source should not be less than \$1,800—or double the receipts of the past year. This increase, however, will be quite insufficient to enable the Committee to meet the present rate of expenditure—to say nothing of the future. The Committee would, therefore, suggest that an urgent appeal be made to congregations to give much larger annual contributions to the Fund. The income derived from this source last year, exclusive of donations from individuals, was only \$1,902.15—an average of about *four* dollars from each congregation. The Committee cannot but think that, if the attention of our congregations be seriously called to the matter, they will at once so increase their contributions as to stop the further reduction of our balance, and eventually contribute so largely as to put the Fund in a permanently satisfactory condition. The Committee would also suggest that something be done to secure donations and bequests, with the special view of increasing the capital, which has of late been so rapidly diminishing; and that, in the meantime, the Assembly order that there shall be no further reduction of the capital, and that all donations and bequests shall go to increase it, unless the donors and testators have expressly appointed otherwise. Should the Assembly adopt this suggestion, and should the income from other sources for the coming year not be largely in excess of that of the past year, the Committee will of course be obliged to reduce the annuities. They would do this with great reluctance; and they feel sure it will not be necessary, if only the Church can be roused to a sense of its duty.

The income from individual donations for the past year was \$425.14, including \$400 contributed anonymously.

In connection with the Ministerial rate, the Committee beg to state that in answer to several communications, they have indicated their unanimous opinion: 1st. That the rule imposing a rate on Ministers' professional incomes, applies to income derived from the Temporalities' Fund of the Presbyterian Church in connection with the Church of Scotland; and 2nd, That it does not apply to the annuities which retired Ministers receive from the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.

The Committee have only further to state that, having had their attention directed to the *eighth* proposed Regulation anent Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund, according to which, if it be adopted, they will have to pay into the said Fund *eight* dollars annually for every beneficiary on their List, they have agreed unanimously that, in consideration of the present condition of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, the Assembly be requested not to adopt the said regulation before so amending it as to except this Committee from its operation.

Respectfully submitted.

HAMILTON, *June 13th, 1878.*

JAMES MIDDLEMISS, *Convener.*

REPORT OF AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND—EASTERN SECTION—1878.

The Committee on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund for the Eastern Section of the Presbyterian Church in Canada beg leave to report as follows:—

The income of the Fund during the past year has been as follows:—

From Congregational Collections	\$416 45
“ Interest and Dividends	361 85
“ Ministers' Rates	210 65
“ Donations	107 00
	\$1,095 95

The total expenditure has been \$1,343.80, being \$1,200 for annuities, and \$143.80 for expenses, including \$50 for the Secretary's expenses for the previous seven years, leaving a balance against the Fund on the year's operations of \$247.85. A list of annuitants, with the sum paid to each during the past year, is appended.

The Presbytery of Miramichi have applied to have the Rev. James Law, late of Richibucto, N.B., placed upon the fund. But our rules requiring that the Presbytery should first deal with the congregation, to induce them to make such provision as their circumstances will admit, and this not having been attended to, the application was delayed. The Committee, however, do not doubt that the application is just and proper, and that during the coming year he will be placed upon the fund.

They have also agreed that the Rev. John Stewart shall receive full annuity henceforward.

The state of the fund at present is as follows:—

Amount invested.....	\$6,124 17
Cash in Treasurer's hands.....	142 69
	\$6,266 86

The Committee in their last report stated objections to the new regulations proposed for the management of the fund of the united body. Though these objections were not considered by the General Assembly, they still regard them as just. They would only at present point out that should these regulations come into operation during the present year, they will involve an expenditure about double that of the past, and require proportionally increased liberality, or else the fund will rapidly diminish.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE PATTERSON, *Convener.*

LIST OF ANNUITANTS, 1877-8.

Rev. John Stewart	\$100 00	Rev. Ebenezer Ross.....	\$200 00
“ John I. Baxter	100 00	“ A. McMaster, 3 qrs ...	150 00
“ Andrew Donald	200 00		
“ James Watson	200 00		\$1,200 00
“ Jas. Fowler, 5 qrs.....	250 00		

P. S.—Since the report was written, the Committee have received intimation from Mr. Fowler that though his voice has not recovered so as to enable him to resume preaching, his health otherwise is sufficiently re-established to enable him to undertake the duties of Science teacher in the Normal School at Fredericton, and that consequently after the present quarter he will seek no further aid from the fund.—G. P.

REPORT ON THE “PRESBYTERIAN RECORD.”

To the Venerable, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada:—

The Committee beg to report that the circulation of the “Record” at the 1st of June was 33,173. This is 1,296 less than was reported at the same date last year. While admitting the comparatively small decrease with regret, the Committee have reason to believe that it has not arisen from any feeling of dissatisfaction with the management of the “Record,” but that it is due rather to the continued wide-spread depression in every branch of business, and they express their belief that the check will prove to be only temporary. The aim of the Committee has been to make the magazine a useful repertory of Missionary intelligence, giving special prominence to the Home and Foreign Missionary work in which our own Church is engaged. Their conviction is that the diffusion of such intelligence is needed to enlist the sympathies of our people on behalf of the Christian enterprises of the Church, and that through no other channel can this be done more advantageously than through the columns of the “Record.” They beg, therefore, to renew their request that the General Assembly recommend Kirk Sessions in their corporate capacity, to adopt measures by which a copy of the “Record” shall be put in possession of every family in connection with the Church.

The reduction in the space formerly given to advertisements, added to the decrease in circulation, has correspondingly affected the finances, which are, however, in a satisfactory condition. The receipts for the past twelve months were \$8,355.29. The expenditure was \$8,336.46, leaving a balance of \$18.33, which, added to the balance of last year, makes the Reserve Fund \$1,715.16. The outstanding accounts for 1878 amount to \$3,658.31; against which is to be placed the cost of publishing to the end of the year. Had all the congregations who have taken the “Record”

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remitted their accounts as promptly as the great majority are in the habit of doing, the Committee would have been able to make a more favourable financial exhibit.

THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.—The Committee, as instructed by the last General Assembly, conferred with Mr. Croil on his return from Scotland, and represented to him the Assembly's desire for the continuance of his services as Editor. The Committee have now the pleasure of reporting that at their solicitation Mr. Croil has consented to continue his editorial services during the pleasure of the Assembly. It gives them pleasure also to record their sense of the happy results which have followed the association with him in the editorship of Mr. Robert Murray, of Halifax.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING 4TH JUNE, 1878.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year.....	\$1,696 33
Subscriptions, Advertisements and Interest on Bank Account.....	8,361 29
	<u>\$10,057 62</u>
EXPENDITURE.	
Canada Paper Co. for twelve months	\$3,810 24
A. A. Stevenson for Printing, &c.....	2,230 17
Editorial Department.....	1,000 00
Office Expenses—Rent, Fuel, Taxes, &c	625 37
Postage and Express Charges.....	451 68
Books, Printing and Stationery*	225 00
Balance in Merchants' Bank	1,715 16
	<u>\$10,057 62</u>

* This includes \$181.02 for 125 copies of the "Presbyterian Council Proceedings" consigned to the Office for sale, the proceeds of which are included in the receipts.

MONTREAL, 4th June, 1878.

JOHN JENKINS, D.D., *Convener*.

This is to certify that I have audited the Cash Book of Mr. Croil, as Editor of the "Record," and find the same carefully kept, the entries corresponding with the Vouchers. The balance on hand at date is as above stated—\$1,715.16.—ROBT. H. WARDEN, *Auditor*. Montreal, 6th June, 1878.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Members of the General Assembly, and those interested in knowing somewhat fully the state and progress of the Presbyterian Church in Canada during the past year, will notice the omission of columns from the Tables from which this Report is compiled, which have appeared in former years, and which contained important information. The Committee on Statistics have been constrained to make these omissions in consequence of the strong dissatisfaction expressed by some at the minuteness and extent of the information required from congregations, entailing a considerable outlay for printing. Before preparing the schedules for the year lately closed, the Convener communicated with all the members of the Committee, and with some who were not members, requesting each of them to prepare such a form as he considered most suitable, and best fitted to meet the view of the Assembly, at the same time retaining the most important questions. From the replies received the forms were prepared which have been printed and circulated for Congregations and Presbyteries.

Reports have been received from all the Presbyteries, but not, by any means, from all the Congregations, and from but very few Mission Stations—an interesting part of our Church—from which Pastoral Charges may be expected to be erected. As in former returns, so for those of last year, several of the Presbyteries in which two or more Congregations are under the oversight of one Minister, combine the reports, thus preventing us from ascertaining what each one is doing for the Kingdom of Christ.

Summing up the returns which have been sent in, it is found that the number of Pastoral Charges, settled and not settled, is 747; that the number of Ministers and ordained Missionaries, with the Professors in Queen's College, Kingston—and the Kingston Presbytery is the only one that reports Professors in Colleges—is 618; that the number of vacancies is 123, of which 37 are in the Eastern Provinces, and 5 in Manitoba, leaving 81 in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario,

with 92 Mission Stations; 728 Congregations [not Pastoral Charges, let it be observed] have reported, and 183 have not done so; that is, about 75 per cent have given in returns, while about 25 per cent. have not. In a very few cases the statistics have been received, but the financial statements have not, and *vice versa*.

The total number of Churches and Stations is 1,399, or 357 more than were reported the previous year. The total number of Families is 60,746, as against 56,163 the former year, showing an increase of 4,583. The number of Communicants is 98,830, an increase of 5,043; and the additions during the year were 7,321, or 3,874 fewer than for the former one—a decrease it is true in the one compared with the other, yet showing most decidedly that the Presbyterian Church in Canada continues to make progress, as we firmly believe she will do, through the blessing of the Most High, and the outpouring of His Spirit in connection with her ministry and in answer to prayer. The number of Baptisms was 9,321, some of these being adults; last year it was 9,244. The number of Elders was 3,704, or 108 more than appears in the last report submitted to the General Assembly. The number attending Prayer Meetings is given at 31,125. In this item no comparison can be instituted with the foregoing year, as the return for that year shows the number of weekly Prayer Meetings, which was 1,020, with 21 occasional. The Committee must express their regret that they are not able to give the number of young persons under religious instruction in Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes. The heading of the column has been misleading. Many of the congregations have seen what was intended, and reported the numbers *in attendance*; others, again, have simply given the number of Religious Classes.

Turning now to the Financial Statement, and summing up the information obtained from the reporting congregations, it is learned that the amount promised as stipend from all sources was \$494,470.34, being an increase of \$27,194.89 over the amount embraced in the last report. This gives an average of more than \$800 to each Minister, but not quite \$700 to each Pastoral Charge. It is not judged necessary to strike the average for each Presbytery. Were this done it would be seen that in some the average is small, in others it is comparatively large. In the Presbytery of Wallace, for example, it is less than \$600 to each Minister, and less than \$400 to each Pastoral Charge. In the Presbytery of Halifax it is more than \$700 to each Pastoral Charge, and more than \$900 to each Minister. In Lindsay it is a little more than \$500 to the former and nearly \$600 to the latter. In Paris Presbytery it is nearly \$900 to the former, and a little more than \$900 to the latter. In the Presbytery of Hamilton it is less than \$900 to the one, and more than \$1,000 to the other.

The arrears due by Congregations, when collected, are \$10,292.64. Last year they were \$17,537.52; a decrease of more than \$7,000. The Committee are under the impression that these arrears are for stipend alone, and not for other matters connected with the working of Congregations. Only 4 Presbyteries show no arrears; last year's report showed 6. Lindsay was clear then, it has \$300 now. Stratford was clear then, now it has \$106.81. Manitoba was clear then, now it has \$245.36. Comparing the preceding year with the one covered by this report, the Presbytery of Sydney shows a decrease in arrears of nearly \$400; still \$2,832.50 remain. Victoria and Richmond shows an increase of about \$500, the total amount being \$2,502.61. Miramichi has risen from \$159.08 to \$1,363.90; Montreal from \$492.50 to \$1,457.24. Barrie gives an increase of nearly \$100.

Arrears of stipend reflect great discredit on all congregations chargeable with them; and, may we not add, on Presbyteries. Should not the labourer have the hire, at the proper time, of which he is worthy. Can the people expect that God will water them abundantly with showers of blessing who are keeping back from His servants who minister to them in holy things that which is their due? It is pleasant to be able to state that, on the whole, and throughout the Church at large, there is a falling off in this item; but it would be more pleasant still to have to record that it has been entirely swept away.

The total amount that has been raised for strictly congregational purposes is \$865,864.89, or between \$15,000 and \$16,000 more than shown in the last published report. If we deduct the arrears from the stipend promised, and regard the remainder as the amount of stipend that has been paid, it will give \$381,687.19 as the sum expended for building, repairs, and other matters connected with the working of congregations.

The total amount raised for all purposes was \$1,030,386.32, and of this sum, besides the expenditure for congregational purposes, \$18,008.79 were raised for College (ordinary) Fund; \$28,323.74 for Home Missions; \$19,113.87 for Foreign Missions; \$6,516.11 for the Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans' Fund; \$8,331.63 for Assembly, Synod and Presbytery expenses; \$13,095.08 for French Evangelization—at least so the returns show; \$59,166.35 for other religious and benevolent objects; while Sabbath School contributions for Missions make \$11,586.12,—a falling off, your Committee are very sorry to say, of more than \$9,000 from the returns of the previous year. It is fondly hoped there is some error here. All will acknowledge that children, belonging as they do to the Church, and receiving the benefit of instruction from God's Word in classes specially provided for them, should early be impressed with the duty of giving for the spread of the Gospel, and thus doing their part under the commission of the Great Master to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. In some of the Presbyteries the Sabbath School pupils appear to contribute liberally. In only three, namely, Toronto, Montreal, and Hamilton, does the sum of their contributions exceed one thousand dollars, the amount in the first being \$1,671.86; in the second, \$1,560.64, and in the third \$1,243.79. In one Presbytery, with twelve pastoral charges and eleven ministers, the amount reported is \$1.55; in

another with fifteen pastoral charges, and fourteen Ministers, it is \$29.35.—“Suffer the little children to come unto Me.”

The total increase in all contributions for all purposes in 1877-78, as compared with 1876-77, is \$44,270.99.

Were your Committee to allow for congregations not reporting, the number of families claiming connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada would be upwards of 75,000, and the number of communicants nearly 125,000. More than \$615,915 would be the amount promised as stipend; more than ONE MILLION dollars have been expended for congregational purposes; and nearly \$1,300,000 for all objects.

Dealing with the figures received, each family has contributed at the rate of \$8.14 on stipend promised; of \$14.25 on congregational expenditure, and of nearly \$17 for all purposes; while the average contribution per communicant for the same objects, taken in the order given has been \$5, \$8.77, and \$10.42.

Taking the different Schemes of the Church, each family has contributed at the rate of twenty-nine cents to the College Fund (ordinary) and each communicant eighteen cents; each family forty-six cents, and each communicant twenty-eight cents to Home Missions; each family thirty-one cents, and each communicant nineteen cents to Foreign Missions; each family ten cents, and each communicant six cents to the Fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans' Fund; each family thirteen cents, and each communicant eight cents toward expenditure for Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery purposes; each family twenty-one cents, and each communicant thirteen cents towards the fund for French Evangelization; each family nearly ten cents, and each communicant about six cents for other religious and benevolent objects.

Your Committee cannot but remark that there are many things presented by this Report calculated to lead the Church to acknowledge that the hand of her God has been upon her for good, to deepen her gratitude, and call forth her confidence still more fully that He will open the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing till there be not room to receive.

Your Committee recommend:—

1. That in cases in which two or more congregations constitute one pastoral charge, the returns of each congregation be given separately.
2. That reports be required from vacancies and Mission Stations as well as from settled congregations.
3. That Presbyteries be instructed to deal at once with congregations in arrear of stipend to their pastors.
4. That it be recommended to Presbyteries to encourage a Missionary spirit in the Sabbath Schools connected with congregations throughout their bounds, and that the children attending them have opportunities presented to them of taking part, to all the extent they can, in the efforts made by this Church for the progress of the Gospel Kingdom.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Guelph, June 14th, 1878.

ROBERT TORRANCE, *Convener.*

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL RETURNS.

PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1878.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.										FINANCES.									
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphan's Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
1. Mira	Hugh McLeod, D.D.	1	1	1	18	25	200	276	70	3	3	1000	1200	25	12	12	10	191	26	1512	1265
2. Sydney Mines	Matthew Wilson	1	1	1	18	25	200	276	70	3	3	1000	1200	25	12	12	10	191	26	1512	1265
3. St. Anne's & North Shore	Abraham McIntosh	4	3	3	3	15	7	300	300	1	1	600	600	2	2	2	2	38	5	730	730
4. Garbutt	Donald Sutherland	3	3	2	2	20	5	30	30	1	1	600	600	2	2	2	2	24	5	646	646
5. Little Glace Bay	Allan McLean	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
6. St. Andrew's, Sydney	Alex. Farquharson	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
7. Con. Bazaar	D. McDonald	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
8. Bonaventure	David Drummond	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
9. Falmouth Street	John Murray	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
10. Cairn North	Peter Clarke	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
11. Lochmond & Franhoise	Gavin Sinclair	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
12. Green Ridge	Vacant	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
13. Leitch's Creek	Vacant	1	1	1	1	25	5	200	200	1	1	850	1341	10	10	10	10	191	26	1512	1265
Total	II Min., 2 Vac	32	1614	840	50	327	60	890	2832	50	107	50	103	75	110	61	82	376	43	924	64

* Recently settled.

PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1878.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.						FINANCES.											
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for District by Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Relations and Benevolent obj. etc.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
1. Whycomah, C.B.	Murdoch Stewart	1	250	134	54	6	60	6	650 00	1635 61	762 76	5 72	31 60	12 42	18 17	12 50	14 50	19 37	831 32
2. Port Hastings and River Dennis	Wm. G. Forbes	1	112	100	30	7	40	600 00	8 50	343 17	8 50	7 50	7 50	9 50	8 00	14 50	19 37	831 32	
3. Baddeck, C.B.	Kenneth McKenzie	2	60	54	3	16	4	300 00	10 00	343 00	7 38	4 00	4 00	2 58	2 40	8 78	2 58	369 04	
4. Lake Ainslie	Alexander Grant	1	65	32	2	4	4	545 00	217 00	216 61	6 82	4 27	4 27	7 24	5 00	7 86	7 24	277 79	
5. M. Iona, C.B.	Alexander Grant	1	107	66	4	21	3	600 00	530 00	338 61	4 32	11 70	9 33	6 60	4 60	7 86	6 60	365 24	
6. Port Hood Station	A. F. Thomson	1	60	73	15	7	85	640 00	700 00	700 00	5 72	35 50	24 00	15 50	6 50	537 00	17 00	1344 72	
7. Broad Cove	Alex. McRae	1	130	43	4	26	5	320 00	944 00	944 00	2 00	6 40	4 00	2 91	4 42	2 00	2 91	955 35	
8. West Bay	John McLean	1	140	40	2	10	8	320 00	200 00	200 00	6 40	6 40	4 00	4 81	6 50	2 00	4 81	221 71	
9. St. Peter's P. Station	Vacant	2	120	70	5	5	4	60 3	20 16	20 16	50 00	185 50	25 13	15 00	14 15	30 00	15 00	259 94	
10. N. E. M. Araree P. Station	"	1	122	34	10	4	140	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	200 00	
11. River Inhabitants	"	1	25	2	1	1	1	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	55 30	75 30	
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PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1877.

1. United Church	George Walker	1	196	325	15	13	130	247	1000 00	2077 37	1441 65	106 50	407 50	22 00	119 77	510 34	25 30	4710 43
2. Prince St., Pictou	Vacant	1	160	277	1	17	8	70	200	1797 16	54 04	51 51	292 56	31 54	545 47	52 60	2604 88	
3. French River	A. P. Miller	2	95	240	1	22	9	20	403 00	440 00	440 00	14 34	19 00	16 50	40 00	13 33	543 17	
4. Blue Mountain	D. B. Blair	1	65	163	1	13	8	12	300 00	346 00	346 00	7 00	13 00	16 50	6 80	16 50	379 30	
5. Burney's River	Alex. McLean, M.A.	1	90	260	5	8	40	100	800 00	833 89	833 89	7 00	91 00	10 17	5 00	91 00	940 06	
6. Little Harbour, Fisher's Grant	William Maxwell	2	106	216	12	17	10	100	600 00	1407 65	57 69	8 00	12 00	11 00	5 00	2 60	1503 94	
7. Central Church	James Thompson	1	74	186	6	8	7	30	150	650 00	7 00	115 50	82 00	9 00	27 00	46 00	12 22	937 72
8. Westville, Middle River	John Lees	2	200	316	39	10	247	150	800 00	1225 25	9 85	19 97	45 04	6 54	11 00	10 95	25 00	1353 60
9. West River Congregation.	George Roddick	2	135	263	10	12	7	120	125	800 00	15 00	20 00	25 00	11 00	20 00	76 00	93 00	1013 00

* Maritime College Fund.

James Thompson 600 01
 John Lees 800 00
 George Roddick 700 00
 Maritime College Fund 75 00

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU—Continued.

1. James Thompson	1	74	186	6	8	7	30	150	600 01	650 00	7 00	115 30	25 00	10 95	11 00	11 00	25 00	1353 60	
2. Westville, Middle River	2	200	316	39	10	247	150	800 00	800 00	1225 25	9 85	19 97	78 00	20 00	11 00	11 00	20 00	1013 00	
3. West River Congregation	2	125	265	10	12	7	120	125	700 00	800 00	15 00	20 00	15 00	20 00	21 00	21 00	25 00	1353 60	
4. Knox Church, Pictou	2	106	260	8	33	8	200	200	600 00	600 00	25 00	39 00	333 66	16 50	30 00	30 00	30 00	2109 07	
5. Carrivoo River	2	130	254	4	20	12	200	200	1000 00	1475 42	30 00	71 15	333 66	24 31	30 00	30 00	30 00	2109 16	
6. Antigonish, Cape George	2	122	308	10	10	175	100	900 00	900 00	1100 00	30 00	30 00	276 50	46 39	35 00	35 00	35 00	1618 07	
7. Sharon Church, St. Irvion	1	160	243	40	28	6	100	1000 00	1000 00	1477 18	20 00	20 00	210 00	25 00	19 00	10 50	5 00	1806 68	
8. Green Hill	1	162	163	5	8	100	103	700 00	700 00	516 57	5 00	13 40	3 30	9 16	7 00	9 00	3 30	628 59	
9. James Church, N. Glasgow	1	145	279	3	8	100	100	1000 00	1000 00	1391 42	25 00	70 00	488 38	35 04	22 00	17 00	5 00	2357 00	
10. East River	2	180	310	10	30	13	200	320	1000 00	1320 00	15 00	30 00	200 00	5 04	20 00	20 00	5 00	1520 00	
11. Union Centre, Lochaber	2c2s	150	366	27	30	11	175	100	900 00	1041 00	20 00	44 00	351 50	18 00	18 00	12 50	24 00	1563 00	
12. Glenelg, California, East	3c2s	200	512	12	40	12	200	200	900 00	3000 00	180 00	30 00	64 00	21 0	8 00	8 00	64 00	3382 00	
13. Merigonish	1c3s	134	329	5	15	7	150	384	700 00	1317 57	13 30	22 00	115 84	17 0	11 00	17 0	115 84	1378 43	
14. Sherbrooke	1c2s	145	280	23	5	140	215	900 00	900 00	1188 00	10 00	20 00	93 00	20 0	10 00	20 0	93 00	1431 00	
15. Vale Colliery, Sather	2	110	172	43	15	4	350	700 00	700 00	831 51	13 46	36 39	14 60	20 0	11 00	3 00	14 60	967 06	
16. Total	20 Min., 1 Vac., 0 M. S.	41	2775	5737	185	412	184	2359	2634	15500 00	75 00	24828 99	1928 53	530 42	278 00	124 31	317 59	392 74	33767 16

*Inducted September 19th, 1877.

PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1877.

1. New Annex	1	90	154	16	16	10	70	70	338 10	338 10	5 75	5 75	7 92	5 25	5 80	5 80	7 92	22 19	388 85
2. Wallace & Pugwash (Free)	4	131	200	15	13	6	100	60	110 00	110 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	130 00
3. Croze River	3	30	90	24	23	8	100	60	730 00	500 00	9 75	25 00	37 77	40 00	22 57	14 25	28 00	8 00	848 17
4. Wallace, St. Matthews	1	145	286	20	7	50	200	800 00	800 00	964 00	30 00	60 00	202 12	28 00	14 25	28 00	405 06	20 00	1316 69
5. River John	4	150	286	3	30	7	150	200	740 10	852 36	60 00	40 00	405 06	28 00	14 25	28 00	405 06	20 00	1419 69
6. Itanngouche	1	126	166	20	23	8	100	35	730 00	473 47	31 80	22 31	35 19	18 53	3 00	3 00	35 19	2 80	592 10
7. East River	1	50	48	1	40	2	25	60	800 00	653 00	6 00	6 00	10 00	12 00	3 00	3 00	10 00	10 00	677 00
8. Pugwash, St. Matthews	1	45	61	13	10	4	45	50	800 00	20 00	953 00	4 00	18 08	6 00	10 60	10 60	11 00	18 08	963 68
9. Springhill	3	15	34	7	12	4	20	40	157 33	157 33	4 00	4 00	11 00	6 00	11 00	11 00	11 00	174 33	
10. Amherst	3	59	70	28	3	5	40	66	171 84	171 84	7 00	7 00	9 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	9 00	187 84	
11. Wentworth	3	59	70	28	3	5	40	66	171 84	171 84	7 00	7 00	9 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	9 00	187 84	
12. Shemogue and Fort Elgin	1	98	1579	112	192	74	603	741	4600 10	5451 75	143 30	153 06	708 08	116 78	59 31	5 00	81 07	6718 35	
Total	30	988	1579	112	192	74	603	741	4600 10	5451 75	143 30	153 06	708 08	116 78	59 31	5 00	81 07	6718 35	

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1877.

1. First Pres. Church, Truro	2	150	270	100	3	1200	00	1701 42	1701 42	121 00	45 00	121 00	201 53	15 00	9 00	9 00	201 53	14 75	2110 70
2. Clinton	4	150	133	8	12	9	50	700 00	800 00	800 00	32 83	5 00	140 00	17 88	20 00	20 00	140 00	10 68	1029 61
3. Great Village	2	125	178	26	21	6	125	800 00	1221 21	1221 21	28 00	40 00	23 40	13 54	15 00	15 00	23 40	29 77	1369 92
4. Riverside	3	108	208	9	11	8	150	19	700 00	1011 73	25 86	58 14	65 77	19 86	19 00	19 00	65 77	43 31	1238 67
5. West Truro	3	138	200	31	16	5	3	1200 03	1937 75	1937 75	75 00	129 48	230 50	24 38	26 00	26 00	230 50	56 76	2479 80

*One Bible Class. †One Bible Class and Sabbath School.

PRESBYTERY OF TRURO—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.						FINANCES.												
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Age and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery, Synod, and French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Babth School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
6. St. Paul's, Truro	John McMillan, B. D.	1	109	133	18	20	8	170	24	750.00	40.00	110.00	45.00	40.00	15.00	5.00	15.00	38.50	26.50	1651.94
7. Upper Lo-douerry	James Sinclair	3	150	300	20	6	7	100	1	2132.00	19.00	19.00	16.50	44.00	44.00	9.00	9.00	21.02	24.00	2265.52
8. Onslow	Joseph H. Chase, M. A.	3	100	131	11	12	7	150	3	770.00	35.00	70.00	35.00	45.00	11.00	11.00	20.00	21.02	28.50	1259.50
9. St-wicke	Edward Grant	3	152	253	9	22	9	272	3	800.00	61.94	61.94	20.00	41.00	12.00	12.00	22.67	237.00	22.15	1266.79
10. Middle Stewicke and Brookfield	Edwin Smith, B. A.	2	140	238	4	20	15	100	230	725.00	110.00	70.00	24.00	110.00	5.00	5.00	251.00	12.00	12.00	1513.00
11. Ac-dhu	John A. Logan	3	123	98	9	17	4	95	3	600.00	40.00	46.85	43.00	43.00	5.00	5.00	224.00	21.25	21.25	630.23
12. Springside	Vacant	2	100	210	4	13	7	150	200	700.00	37.00	35.00	13.00	37.00	14.00	14.00	40.00	40.00	132.00	
13. Farnsboro	Vacant	3	100	100	0	15	10	70	2	700.00	2.00	15.43	20.50	20.50	8.68	8.68	46.32	467.18	467.18	
14. Economy & Five Islands	James M. G. McKay	5	30	165	4	6	6	50		700.00										
15. Coldstream	"	1																		
16. Maccan	"	1																		
MISSION STATION.																				
North River		48	1889	2927	149	206	109	1502		112.00	51.00	15490.30	180.86	673.51	18.25	155.00	192.01	1519.04	301.03	19188.36
Total		112	00																	

*Settled last Autumn. †Now Vacant. ‡3 or 18.

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1877.

1. Musquodoboit	Robert Sedgwick, D.D.	2	100	200	11	20	9	60		760.00	215.18	762.49	0.50	24.00	33.76	2.93	6.22	10.00	8.98	850.74
2. Warwick	Walter Thoburn	1	88	226	15	16	8	100		3000.00	626.77	100.00	350.00	350.00	45.50	45.50	3267.00	250.00	10765.27	
3. Fort Mussey, Halifax	Robt. F. Burns, D.D.	2	78	110	12	10	7	70		1000.00	2093.32	27.00	71.16	43.62	19.50	1.00	6.76	60.50	128.00	3064.10
4. Richmond and N. W. Arm.	H. L. Wylie	1	57	59	3	11	5	2		460.00	426.04	5.62	11.25	11.25	5.62	5.62	11.25	11.25	477.80	
5. St. Andrew's, Halifax	Thomas Duncan	4	130	137	17	50	13	60		700.00	730.00	6.00	16.48	3.50	2.28	7.34	12.40	12.40	778.00	
6. Lawrence town	Alexander Stewart	3	170	259						900.00	1320.00	5.00	12.36	16.60						1293.96
7. Little River	Duncan McKinnon	3	170	259						600.00	122.00	735.00		3.50	14.20	2.00	4.90	4.90		766.50
8. St. Ann's and Lower Stewicke	M. G. Henry	7	78	128																
9. St. Croix	John Sutherland	10																		

PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX—Continued.

7. Little River	4	130	137	17	50	13	70	700	00	1300	00	5	00	12	36	16	60	4	90	2	00	2	00	4	90	4	90	1293	96		
8. Shubenacadie and Lower Steviecke	3	170	259	6	10	5	70	900	00	1300	00	5	00	12	36	16	60	4	90	2	00	2	00	4	90	4	90	765	50		
9. St. Croix	7	78	128	10	7	55	600	00	122	00	735	00	5	00	3	50	14	20	2	00	2	00	2	00	4	90	4	90	1293	96	
10. Chalmers' Church, Halifax	1	80	245	5	15	9	200	1600	00	2639	76	55	67	81	63	64	73	244	61	21	00	36	87	244	61	137	00	3263	27		
11. Dartmouth	1	110	156	25	5	6	50	1200	00	2178	00	16	00	126	00	40	00	150	00	16	00	37	00	16	00	150	00	33	00	2798	00
12. Windsor	1	130	290	3	19	10	150	1200	00	1722	32	30	00	105	00	47	00	100	50	30	00	43	00	30	00	100	50	12	00	2969	23
13. Poplar Grove, Halifax	1	100	215	6	10	5	70	1400	00	1922	00	60	00	40	00	62	00	9	8	00	41	00	10	50	41	00	73	00	3136	50	
14. St. John's, Halifax	1	135	274	16	17	12	150	1600	00	4965	71	60	00	22	00	60	00	302	77	40	00	22	00	6	00	40	00	5583	48		
15. Noel	5	43	109	5	8	7	100	600	00	600	00	17	00	22	00	10	00	6	00	6	00	12	00	6	00	6	00	683	00		
16. Newport	4	80	187	11	6	3	90	700	00	916	00	12	17	12	17	7	75	5	10	27	61	968	63	19	10	972	11	1110	50		
17. Kentville and Wolfville	2	47	127	6	14	5	90	750	00	875	00	10	77	19	00	58	26	4	0	9	71	4	0	9	71	4	0	13	96	3757	62
18. Sheet Harbor	7	101	206	24	21	7	90	600	00	979	43	10	77	19	00	58	26	4	0	9	71	4	0	9	71	4	0	13	96	3757	62
19. Maifland	5	105	224	17	13	5	170	1200	00	3307	85	120	00	97	4	94	56	63	92	26	76	27	00	26	76	27	00	63	92	3757	62
20. St. Matthew's, Halifax	4	58	118	7	9	6	40	600	00	115	00	11	17	11	17	7	00	3	21	25	10	7	00	7	00	3	21	386	99		
21. Musquodoboit Harbor	2	60	113	6	1	5	20	600	00	856	52	10	00	11	57	8	03	13	00	13	50	13	50	13	50	13	50	16	00	920	52
22. North Cornwallis	3	132	258	37	30	8	165	700	00	707	10	20	00	40	00	40	00	23	52	34	79	8	00	23	52	34	79	31	24	890	40
23. Upper Musquodoboit	2	120	258	22	20	7	10	800	00	1800	00	20	00	40	00	40	00	15	00	15	00	15	00	15	00	15	00	11	73	2030	73
24. Milford and Gay's River	3	95	178	12	20	8	1	600	00	693	00	16	00	22	78	26	00	26	00	14	00	14	00	14	00	14	00	738	68		
25. Kennetcook and Gore	2	40	77	2	2	3	35	600	00	226	89	5	00	22	78	26	00	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	6	00	237	99
26. Kempt and Walton	2	40	77	2	2	3	35	600	00	226	89	5	00	22	78	26	00	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	6	00	237	99
27. Annapolis	2	40	77	2	2	3	35	600	00	226	89	5	00	22	78	26	00	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	6	00	237	99
28. West Cornwallis	2	40	77	2	2	3	35	600	00	226	89	5	00	22	78	26	00	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	6	00	237	99
29. Elmsdale and Nine Mile River	2	40	77	2	2	3	35	600	00	226	89	5	00	22	78	26	00	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	4	50	6	00	237	99
30. St. Andrew's, Bermuda	24	Min., 6	Vac.	250	336	106	1792	22170	00	496	68	37306	63	476	65	1021	36	1021	36	325	82	310	28	325	82	310	28	826	62	47661	61

PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1877.

1. Lunenburg	4	96	3	10	4	50	100	1200	00	1776	00	40	00	23	00	14	25	275	17	25	60	40	00	10	00	35	00	30	00	850	00
2. La Have	2	108	145	5	14	3	80	600	00	650	00	20	00	30	00	15	00	30	00	15	00	15	00	15	00	15	00	30	00	850	00
3. Bridgewater	4	110	99	16	6	50	50	600	00	1470	00	25	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	20	00	1540	00
4. Cribbs and Chibougamu	2	30	81	1	1	5	25	575	00	11	00	16	00	3	75	4	00	28	50	28	50	22	50	4	00	19	50	23	00	1176	00
5. Shelburne and Lockeport	8	115	111	5	11	5	70	800	00	84	00	5	00	36	50	25	00	4	00	3	00	22	00	4	00	3	00	1946	50		
6. Riversdale	8	44	41	4	7	2	9	600	00	140	00	4	00	10	00	2	50	3	00	3	00	2	00	3	00	3	00	659	58		
7. New Dublin	3	54	37	7	16	3	60	600	00	40	00	2	00	15	82	10	00	3	00	3	00	6	00	3	00	3	00	659	58		
8. Yarmouth Bay	1	80	142	10	15	4	25	100	00	3281	97	4	00	8	75	10	75	25	50	25	50	3	60	3	50	25	50	25	00	3263	07
9. Yarmouth Barrington	1	80	142	10	15	4	25	100	00	3281	97	4	00	8	75	10	75	25	50	25	50	3	60	3	50	25	50	25	00	3263	07
Total	33	637	639	35	90	32	360	5175	00	275	00	10945	47	50	00	132	75	47	50	306	67	121	70	34	75	306	67	78	00	11960	66

* No Returns; lately settled. † No Returns

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1878.

1. St. Paul's Church, Fredericton	1	100	110	2	23	4	56	1200	00	1700	00	16	00	24	00	45	00	29	00	45	00	29	00	29	00	45	00	1814	00
2. St. John Presbyterian Church, St. John	1	100	110	2	23	4	56	1200	00	1700	00	16	00	24	00	45	00	29	00	45	00	29	00	29	00	45	00	1814	00

PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.						FINANCES.										Total Contributions for all purposes.						
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. Attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.		Other Religions and Benevolent objects.	Suburban School Contributions.				
3. Springfield and English Settlement.	Lewis Jack.	6	55	114	2	4	8	30	2	232 90	97 00	200 00	19 00	6 23	33 83	25 00	85 00	12 60	3 00	1 50	70 00	20 00	320 75	
4. Rebecca and Waverly.	William Millen	5	48	50	6	10	3	70	150	298 00	4 00	15 00	15 00	7 00	10 00	25 00	4 00	3 00	1 50	70 00	20 00	428 50		
5. Calvin Church, St. John.	D. M. MacLise, D.D.	1	105	265	5	18	9	150	150	3171 71	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	3 00	10 00	75 00	20 00	3306 71		
6. St. Paul's Church, Wood.	James McG. McKay.	1	35	15																			10 00	
7. St. Stephen's Church, St. John.	D. Macrae, M.A.	1	208	170	10	29	8	80	200	2194 00	2000 00	2000 00	65 56	33 83	25 00	85 00	35 00	12 60	3 00	1 50	70 00	20 00	2353 89	
8. Chipman.	Samuel Johnson	6	60	76	6	45	4	100	4	520 00	537 00	537 00	23 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	13 00	13 00	60 00	20 00	576 00	
9. St. Andrew's Church, St. John.	James Gray, M.A.	4	38	88	6	32	1	10	10	500 00	26 00	500 00	7 30	13 27	13 27	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	60 00	20 00	665 87	
10. St. David's Church, St. John.	D. Waters, M.A., LL.D.	1	216	330	22	24	12	113	350	1725 51	100 00	250 00	200 00	70 00	70 00	40 00	40 00	75 00	40 00	40 00	140 00	30 00	1720 51	
11. Greenock Church, St. Andrew's, Shediac, etc.	William Richardson.	1	50	71	1	6	5	35	1	612 00	100 00	15 40	15 40	26 06	26 06	13 00	13 00	13 00	40 00	40 00	28 00	9 00	712 46	
12. Bouchard's Church, Shediac, etc.	John D. Murray	5	80	80	7	18	6	30	5	345 00	550 00	550 00	10 38	12 57	2 00	2 00	15 00	15 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	9 00	712 46	
13. St. John's Church, Moncton.	Joseph Hogg	1	120	167	25	7	25	7	1	1545 75	1200 00	1200 00	32 48	40 00	25 00	31 55	48 75	31 55	48 75	48 75	235 16	79 60	2160 29	
14. St. Andrew's Church, St. John.	William Mitchell, B.A.	1	108	195	9	6	100	175	2500 00	4320 00	2500 00	100 00	100 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	48 75	48 75	300 00	50 00	4795 00	
15. Carleton, St. John.	f. C. Burgess, B.A.	1	83	110	29	21	5	1	2	860 00	860 00	860 00	23 00	8 14	8 14	19 21	13 00	16 00	13 00	13 00	75 00	9 00	1020 35	
16. St. Stephen.	Robert McNay, B.A.	4	105	175	44	10	6	2	2	725 00	120 00	500 00	19 00	16 00	16 00	16 00	11 25	16 00	11 25	11 25	100 00	26 70	1038 70	
17. St. Stephen.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	1	60	60	2	20	4	25	9	792 00	33 00	700 00	10 00	7 18	10 00	20 00	7 37	20 00	7 37	7 37	210 00	76 85	1056 55	
18. Prince William.	William Ross.	1	146	230	20	8	8	8	600 00	1792 25	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
19. New Kentville.	M. A. Ord, M.A.	1	121	98						124 60	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
20. Campbell Settlement.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	2	121	98						124 60	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
21. St. James and Scotch Ridge.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	1	41	72						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
22. St. George.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	1	41	72						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
23. Baillie and Tower Hill.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	2	50	52						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
24. St. James and Scotch Ridge.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	1	41	72						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
25. Baillie and Tower Hill.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	2	50	52						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
26. Salt Spring & Florenceville.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	3	50	76						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
27. Nashwaak and Stanley.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	4	110	112						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
28. Harvey and Acton.	Wm. P. Begg, M.A.	2	93	112						168 71	600 00	600 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 85	76 85	1904 10	
MISSION STATIONS.																								
1. Pisarino.		4	56	55						188 40														188 40
2. Verapuzza.		2	17	8																				
3. Hopewell, etc.		2	76	5																				
4. Osoyoos.		2	76	5																				
5. Black River.		2	76	5																				
Total.	20 M. J. O. M., 8 Vac., 5 M.S.	63	2245	2604	168	294	100	832	16553 00	376 00	39165 66	195 05	621 05	255 30	135 00	314 36	209 16	1463 16	340 13	209 16	1463 16	340 13	41698 89	

PRESBYTERY OF PRICE EDWARD ISLAND—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCES.												
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	From all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Subsidiary School Contributions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
15. East St. Peter's	S. C. Gunn	3	110	112	9	13	9	40	2	800 00	60 00	1425 00	10 00	25 00	30 00	30 00	5 40	12 00	12 46	12 00	1239 89
16. West and Clyde River, etc.	William Grant	3	110	120	3	20	6	20	2	700 00	0 00	1000 00	20 39	32 95	48 96	0 00	0 00	12 00	0 00	0 00	1123 30
17. West Cape, etc.	Charles Fraser	5	92	160	15	14	9	33	40	530 00	60 00	1380 00	0 00	15 00	15 00	0 00	0 00	20 00	40 00	0 00	2020 00
18. Alberton	A. F. Carr	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
19. Woodville	John Southland	1	4	130	23	10	7	130	4	800 00	0 00	825 00	31 40	18 57	25 28	0 00	35 00	34 16	12 00	0 00	961 43
20. Murray Harbor	E. S. Bayne	1	1	90	85	4	4	4	4	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
21. Belfast	Vacant	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
22. Dundas	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
23. Cavendish & New Glasgow	"	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
24. Tryon and Bonshaw	"	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
Total	20 Min., 4 Vac., 6 M. S.	65	2193	2750	120	339	124	1992	.....	12951 00	536 00	21747 51	335 79	460 52	795 91	106 50	209 94	369 10	1162 97	163 23	25391 47

PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1877.

1. Free St. Andrew's, St.	Moses Harvey	1	92	159	5	19	4	.....	1	2160 00	.....	2367 68	.....	113 00	.....	.....	14 68	.....	55 40	56 60	2607 36
2. St. Andrew's, St. John's.	James D. Paterson	1	80	125	20	16	4	42	1	1200 00	.....	1696 38	.....	66 00	16 00	20 00	.....	16 00	45 00	20 00	1879 38
3. Presbyterian Church, Harbour Grace	Alexander Ross	1	30	39	7	6	2	40	1	800 00	.....	1160 00	.....	90 00	68 00	20 00	.....	15 00	72 00	100 00	1525 00
4. Bay of Islands	D. F. Creelman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
5. Bett's Cove	W. R. Cruikshank	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
Total	5 Min., 0 Vacancies	5	202	323	32	41	10	82	.....	4160 00	.....	5224 06	.....	269 00	84 00	40 00	14 68	31 00	172 40	176 60	6011 74

*See delayed returns.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1ST APRIL 1877.

1. St. Andrew's Church, Que.	John Cook, D.D.*	1	84	113	26	3	20	5	650 00	708 00	27 00	15 00	11 00	12 00	20 00	733 00
2. St. Catharines	Peter J. Brisay, B.A.	3	94	237	5	25	5	5	600 00	657 00	12 00	7 00	7 00	18 00	821 00	
3. St. John's	James McConcey	3	31	66	7	2	50	5	500 00	326 00	10 00	4 00	7 50	6 00	338 50	
4. St. Peter's	James H. McKenzie	2	121	167	7	18	4	4	600 00	503 52	8 00	7 50	16 70	12 00	903 42	
5. St. Vincent	John McDonald	5	41	35	17	4	15	2	650 00	622 67	7 75	5 00	5 00	14 00	725 49	
6. St. George's	James McCann, B.A.	1	70	125	12	5	35	4	1000 00	1417 00	35 00	15 00	15 00	16 00	1583 00	
7. St. James	Henry McKenzie, M.A.	1	160	226	16	25	8	25	600 00	440 00	11 40	4 00	7 50	.....	474 90
8. St. Mary's	John F. McKenzie	2	30	41	2	3	15	6	800 00	403 00	3 15	3 50	3 50	22 50	444 93	
9. St. Nicholas	Moses F. Bourdreaux	2	75	100	15	10	6	5	600 00	640 00	9 00	6 00	2 50	.....	625 00
10. St. Paul's	Richard & Windsor Mills	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. St. Peter's	James M. Dewey	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12. St. John's	William M. DeLeon	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13. St. George's	Malcolm McLeod*	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. St. Andrew's	Vacant	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15. Chalmers Church, Quebec	Vacant	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.																
1. Kennebec Road	James Hume	3	35	25	5	2	25	1	370 00	120 00	3 00	2 50	2 00	.....	136 50
2. Metz	Thomas Fenwick	5	41	49	9	2	66	2	170 00	82 92	3 45	3 45	.....	9 35	207 82
MISSION STATIONS.																
1. Valcartier
2. Lake Megantic
3. Lingwick Station
Total	H.M., 1 Vac., 3 M.S., 20 M.	35	791	1182	45	156	48	376	27	6840 00	453 92	69 83	40 00	108 78	20 35	7163 56

*No returns though twice asked for. Recently settled.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1877.

1. Georgetown	James C. Muir, D.D.	1	131	312	14	13	9	43	90	821 75	50 00	612 61	25 00	18 50	13 03	21 00	46 04	92 57	30 75	877 96
2. St. Paul's, Montreal	John Jenkins, D.D.	2	260	517	68	32	13	83	485	3300 00	239 00	5783 00	239 00	487 00	165 00	77 00	163 00	2589 00	340 00	13839 00
3. Mile Is. s.	John Irvine	3	44	56	7	2	2	2	2	500 00	50 00	334 50	5 00	8 00	5 00	5 80	5 00	17 30	.....	393 30
4. Stanley Street, Montreal	John C. Baxter	1	62	155	9	3	6	45	250	200 00	203 00	8070 47	223 13	155 00	80 00	10 00	60 00	28 00	100 00	8731 60
5. 2nd Presbyt-rian Church	James Watson, M.A.	1	35	90	10	4	4	40	50	500 00	708 23	30 00	30 00	25 00	6 70	10 60	30 00	71 00	5 00	906 53
6. Huntingdon	William Forlong	2	131	177	6	6	6	6	6	740 00	1240 00	23 65	27 05	26 60	7 18	5 83	22 20	.....	.....	1332 51
7. Hemmingford	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	846 00
8. St. Andrew's	James Patterson	1	80	86	5	2	4	4	75	720 00	846 00	1 10	1 10	2 00	1 17	2 00	1 50	75 69	50 00	87 50
9. St. Matthew's, Montreal	S. Somerville Stobbs	1	121	240	50	15	6	40	267	65 00	12 00	1616 45	10 45	10 33	12 00	7 00	6 00	.....	.....	1774 92
10. St. Peter's	John McKie	3	62	106	8	10	5	30	20	500 00	80 00	507 00	39 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	524 00
11. St. Andrew's	Daniel Peterson, M.A.	2	72	105	5	8	4	20	60	600 00	242 24	1004 18	39 00	12 00	12 00	11 00	10 00	46 11	1 70	1154 99
12. St. Gabriel, Montreal	Chas. M. McK. teacher	2	81	172	5	16	5	50	150	527 03	951 00	18 80	12 25	12 70	5 70	4 00	13 75	24 00	72 00	1018 30
13. St. Andrew's, Huntingdon	Robt. Campbell, M.A.	1	190	346	26	5	35	23	90	2000 00	63 00	2735 00	82 00	177 90	80 00	39 00	61 00	30 00	30 00	3520 00
14. St. Andrew's, Montreal	James B. Muir, M.A.	1	130	230	23	6	23	23	90	1000 00	100 00	1040 00	13 00	15 00	12 00	18 00	20 00	30 00	20 00	1250 00
15. Lachine	Don. Ross, B.D.	1	50	85	15	16	2	40	66	1000 05	1239 13	51 89	23 00	35 00	56 20	9 00	26 00	183 00	20 00	209 22
16. Rockburn and Gore	Wm. A. Johnston	2	57	139	1	17	10	33	56	450 00	466 85	10 00	6 60	6 61	6 40	6 11	6 40	12 33	.....	514 40

*No returns though twice asked for.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCES.																						
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Airars due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows.	Assembly, Synod, and Treasurers Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.										
16. Knox Church, Montreal.	James Fleck, B.A.	1	138	296	36	12	5	90	150	60	6	6	60	2000 00	887 56	150 00	150 00	100 00	860 00	19 9	38 00	365 00	3576 00	370 00	14858 95						
17. St. Mark's, Montreal.	John Nicholls	1	100	149	34	18	6	20	142	1000 00	2169 89	150 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00						
18. St. John's, Montreal.	Chas. A. Doudlet	1	100	149	34	18	6	20	142	1000 00	2169 89	150 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00						
19. Gauchain and Grenville.	James Fraser	3	134	109	20	26	10	170	8200 00	400 00	400 00	10 00	7 00	800 00	1065 00	10 00	12 00	7 00	860 00	19 9	38 00	365 00	3576 00	370 00	14858 95						
20. Eskine Church, Montreal.	Jas. S. Black	1	250	554	20	26	10	170	8200 00	400 00	400 00	10 00	7 00	800 00	1065 00	10 00	12 00	7 00	860 00	19 9	38 00	365 00	3576 00	370 00	14858 95						
21. Chalmers' Church, Montreal.	Peter Wright	1	90	162	15	13	6	6	60	500 00	699 00	38 75	23 50	600 00	699 00	38 75	23 50	600 00	600 00	24 00	11 00	10 00	39 00	1178 00							
22. Russettown.	P. S. Livingston, B.A.	3	120	235	3	24	7	7	270	1800 00	2050 00	45 00	60 00	600 00	2050 00	45 00	60 00	45 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	14 80	75 00	793 05							
23. Ste. Therese, &c.	John Scrimger, M.A.	1	120	235	3	24	7	7	270	1800 00	2050 00	45 00	60 00	600 00	2050 00	45 00	60 00	45 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	14 80	75 00	793 05							
24. St. Joseph St., Montreal.	James Welwood	1	35	93	2	1	4	40	60	800 00	1278 00	26 00	14 00	600 00	1278 00	26 00	14 00	14 00	20 00	18 65	27 50	300 00	1698 15								
25. Cote des Neiges.	George McKay	1	22	40	8	5	4	30	300 00	300 00	300 00	18 00	4 00	600 00	300 00	18 00	4 00	4 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	335 00							
26. Calvin Church, Laguerre.	D. W. Morrison, B.A.	1	78	140	15	7	5	50	60	600 00	683 50	55 50	6 00	600 00	683 50	55 50	6 00	11 00	5 00	7 00	53 30	82 75	111 05	821 30							
27. Ormstown.	Chas. Brouillette	1	64	102	15	10	6	70	85	700 00	888 00	18 95	20 75	700 00	888 00	18 95	20 75	15 50	14 00	12 00	32 75	111 05	5 00	1118 00							
28. St. Louis de Gonzague.	Thomas Bennett	2	64	102	15	10	6	70	85	700 00	888 00	18 95	20 75	700 00	888 00	18 95	20 75	15 50	14 00	12 00	32 75	111 05	5 00	1118 00							
29. Beauharnois and Chatou.	John J. Casey	2	1	200	365	22	9	50	145	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	77 50	175 00	2938 45	240 00	2730 65							
30. Eight and Athelstane.	John C. Cattanaach	1	1	200	365	22	9	50	145	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	77 50	175 00	2938 45	240 00	2730 65							
31. Dundee.	Vacant.	1	1	200	365	22	9	50	145	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	77 50	175 00	2938 45	240 00	2730 65							
32. Gr. acnt Street, Church, Montreal.	Vacant.	1	1	200	365	22	9	50	145	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	17663 00	456 00	881 70	250 00	55 00	77 50	175 00	2938 45	240 00	2730 65							
Total.	31 M., 1 Vac., 0 M. S.	52	2755	5359	323	346	175	1060	2521	25913 75	1467 24	70154 87	1989 22	3203 81	1587 30	537 51	451 99	1264 55	10914 30	1560 64	91654 19	865 80	2035 00	270 75	12 89	1068 76	1008 00	10 10	1334	58 05	4377 24

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1877.

1. Ret red Andrew's Church, Ottawa.	William Lochend	2	70	117	11	7	20	807 80	7 00	4 00	4 00	14 00	13 00	5 00	11 00	865 80
2. St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa.	Alexander Mann, D.D.	1	70	180	12	7	50	1900 00	10 00	14 00	10 00	4 00	17 00	10 00	70 00	2035 00
3. Westside Church, Ottawa.	William M. Christie	3	104	217	11	14	6	187 00	17 80	23 75	14 00	5 00	5 00	13 00	270 75	
4. Marwick and Gloucester.	George Brewer	1	50	70	31	7	4	1049 40	5 00	16 09	2 29	2 00	4 40	6 60	12 89	
5. McLeod Church, Ottawa.	Joseph White, B.A.	1	112	178	8	16	9	896 00	37 00	37 00	5 00	30 00	21 00	24 00	1008 00	
6. Rochester Church, Ottawa.	Walter Ross, M.A.	1	55	79	13	11	1	1194 55	10 00	165 00	21 50	3 94	9 12	14 00	10 10	
7. St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa.	D. J. McLean	1	140	336	8	7	50	3731 98	120 00	100 00	45 00	27 80	25 00	104 41	58 05	
8. Arnprior Church, Ottawa.	C. I. Cameron, M.A.	1	140	336	8	7	50	3731 98	120 00	100 00	45 00	27 80	25 00	104 41	58 05	
9. New Edinburgh Church, Ottawa.	William Moore	1	140	336	8	7	50	3731 98	120 00	100 00	45 00	27 80	25 00	104 41	58 05	
10. Bank St. Church, Ottawa.	William Moore	1	140	336	8	7	50	3731 98	120 00	100 00	45 00	27 80	25 00	104 41	58 05	

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA—Continued.

11. St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa	D. M. Gordon, B.D.	1	255	380	30	9	371	2300 00	9618 68	100 00	400 00	200 00	170 00	20 00	150 00	340 65	40 00	11019 33															
12. Fitzroy and Torbolton	James Tait	5	85	148	4	22	15	600 00	673 90	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 10	18 31	11 76	30 00		762 90															
13. Ramsay	Robert Knowles	2	49	26	8	60	120	700 00	1800 00	20 25	20 25	10 00	10 40	13 32	7 84	30 00		320 80															
14. St. John's Church, Almonte	John R. Edmondson	1	95	225	53	20	8	1000 00	1639 35	43 63	84 20	40 00	20 00	20 12	35 00	25 23		1907 53															
15. Aylmer	James Carswell	1	46	43	9	6	25	600 00	673 85	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 30				683 85															
16. Pembroke	W. D. Ballantyne	1	102	126	7	9	35	200 00	1834 15	42 70	65 45	64 38	37 12	21 26	67 68	50 00	14 94	2197 62															
17. Knox Church, Ottawa	F. W. Furies	1	130	234	23	14	8	2500 00	6004 87	75 00	100 00	75 00	43 81	26 97	50 00	235 40	40 00	6651 05															
18. St. Andrew's Church, Almonte	John Bennett	2	188	335	35	30	4	1100 00	2573 91	20 00	69 27	30 00	30 00	9 50	30 00	262 05		3124 73															
19. Osgoode	John A. G. Calder	2	8	270	12	11	100	800 00	283 62	7 40	15 00	14 00	3 10	18 31	11 76			353 19															
20. Russell	Henry J. McDiarmid	3	60	131	2	10	5	300 00	228 64	6 60	20 00	20 00	4 20	13 32	7 84	50 00		320 80															
21. Gloucester	Robt. Campbell	2	45	87	1	5	2	200 00	1305 00	50 00	105 00	50 00	30 00	28 00	40 00	20 00		1628 00															
22. McNab and Horton	R. H. Williams, B.A.	2	160	375	44	8	50	154	1100 00	6 00	18 75	8 00	2 00	12 50	6 00	28 00		1181 25															
23. Victoria Street Church, Pakenham	James Stewart	1	45	64	2	5	2	800 00	885 00	10 00	20 00	15 00	6 00	9 00	12 00	55 00	40 00	1062 00															
24. Peckwith	J. M. McAlister	1	31	73	7	2	4	400 00	464 73	12 00	25 00	15 00	5 00	4 00	25 61			531 34															
25. Ashron	Joseph Gandier	1	36	66	6	4	20	75	843 00	8 36	9 00	5 00	11 00	4 00	10 00		38 00	888 86															
26. Conlonge	Alexander McLaren	1	25	26	17	2	16	27	533 98	9 00	23 00	6 00	3 00	13 00	4 00		2 20	119 59															
27. Bristol	John Fairlie	1	60	114	28	21	7	60	500 00	24 29	11 00	11 00	6 19	5 50				557 98															
28. Dalry St. Church, Ottawa	Wm. Armstrong, M.A.	1	20	52	3	3	30	35	350 00	19 76	7 08	7 08	5 31	3 30	38 30	76 80	17 36	409 89															
29. Wakefield	Hugh Maguire	1	100	215	27	14	6	60	2402 70	35 00	170 50	109 00	15 00	29 00	60 00	60 00	60 00	2893 30															
30. Alces and Pettawawa	Robt Hughes	2	87	195	24	29	6	90	900 53	14 34	17 29	4 00	10 03	17 00	10 00	17 00	8 00	949 86															
31. Metcalfe	Thomas Muir	1	55	91	1	3	4	75	761 00	5 00	7 00	8 20	4 00	4 00	3 15			770 00															
32. Richmond	A. M. McNeill, M.A.	2	55	91	1	3	4	40	700 00	5 00	8 20	5 00	10 00	4 00	7 00	3 15	8 00	791 35															
33. Cumberland	Hugh McPhayden	2	38	70	60	15	5	40	450 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	25 00			465 00															
34. North Gower	A. C. Morton*	1	80	85	1	5	100	900 00	672 37	11 00	11 08	12 12	5 45	5 05	11 95	30 00	6 50	765 52															
35. Zion Church, Carleton Place	A. A. Scott*	1	80	85	1	5	100	900 00	672 37	11 00	11 08	12 12	5 45	5 05	11 95	30 00	6 50	765 52															
36. Buckingham	Vacant	1																															
37. Litchfield	"	1																															
38. Admaston	"	1																															
39. Ross	"	1																															
MISSION STATIONS.																																	
1. Bearbrooke & Cambridge		3	30	32					96 00										96 00														
2. East-Templeton		1	18	18					44 00										44 00														
3. Castelford, Dewar's settlement		1	38	50	45		29		156 00		12 76								168 76														
4. Wilberforce		1	50	50			50		290 00										290 00														
5. Hull		1	23	26					186 00										186 00														
6. Chalk River and Des Jochims		1	17	10			15		75 00										75 00														
7. Desertland Six Portages		1	17	22					98 50										98 50														
8. Aylwin		1	38	30			15		179 00										179 00														
9. Canby and Portland		1	38	60					60 00										60 00														
10. Plant-genet		1	38	59	40				128 00										128 00														
11. Hanley and Kimburn		1	38	60	69		32		42 00										42 00														
12. Chelsea		1	27	45					60 00										60 00														
Total	35 M., 4 Vac., 12 M. S., 29 S.	69	3242	5342	316	498	184	1113	3463	26256	600	803	96	4834	87	634	08	1402	67	876	37	515	55	383	71	687	24	1448	60	373	27	56239	36

*Recently settled.

8. Arnyour
9. New Edinburgh
10. Bank St. Church, Ottawa
11. D. J. McCrean
12. C. I. Cameron, M.A.
13. William Moore

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

1. Waddington U.S.	1	97	215	4	7	9	75	141	700 00	806 33	45 55	70 30	78 10	97 25	14 25	51 20	168 02	25 96	1390 87
2. St. Andrew's Ch., Perth	2	100	200	12	11	7	24	141	576 15	859 27	60 00	91 00	64 00	61 30	18 00	51 00	108 76	55 00	1866 35
3. Oxford	2	180	114	12	12	5	25	55	540 00	614 40	5 00	10 05	8 55	15 00	8 45	12 20	103 00	8 00	1862 65
4. St. Andrew's Smith's Falls	1	80	153	10	5	5	25	55	1000 00	1108 71	15 00	100 00	95 00	17 00	19 00	27 00	100 00	8 00	1415 70
5. Dalhousie & N. Sherbrooke	2	66	150	55	45	2	150	30	600 00	601 31	7 00	10 25	8 00	7 33	7 80	23 00	23 00	9 00	164 72
6. Kemptonville	1	90	111	9	10	5	20	45	900 00	1110 01	6 00	6 00	37 20	6 00	9 05	40 00	40 00	9 00	1192 34
7. Union Ch., Smith's Falls	1	74	115	10	7	5	25	45	700 00	928 01	40 00	120 00	17 20	20 00	13 00	20 00	40 00	7 50	1246 51
8. Lunenburg	2	87	124	8	8	8	40	70	600 00	863 30	2 00	10 00	5 00	8 40	7 00	1 00	25 00	4 00	938 00
9. Kitley	2	181	66	19	16	3	30	70	600 00	128 50	5 00	13 30	4 00	12 00	10 00	3 00	10 00	20 00	232 00
10. Middleville and Dalhousie	2	68	320	10	36	7	90	155	550 00	1201 00	10 00	38 20	8 00	12 00	5 96	6 25	20 00	20 00	640 03
11. Lyn and Yonge	2	66	70	1	11	6	6	55	550 00	1501 00	10 00	38 20	8 00	12 00	5 96	6 25	20 00	20 00	1351 16
12. St. John's Brockville	1	90	145	9	15	8	100	102	1400 00	1650 00	3 00	9 00	26 00	27 00	4 00	3 00	21 00	37 00	1823 20
13. N. Augusta and Fairfield	2	30	50	2	8	7	100	130	700 00	477 00	3 00	9 00	5 00	26 00	4 00	3 00	21 00	37 00	1015 00
14. Knox Church, Perth	1	164	301	27	25	5	40	130	1000 00	1327 00	45 00	65 00	35 00	100 25	7 80	30 00	38 00	8 00	1710 00
15. First Ch., Brockville	1	120	178	27	14	12	80	160	1000 00	2384 41	17 00	88 45	55 00	26 00	7 80	54 00	52 00	8 00	2724 95
16. North & West Wichester	2	120	178	27	14	12	80	160	1000 00	2384 41	17 00	88 45	55 00	26 00	7 80	54 00	52 00	8 00	2724 95
17. Westport and Newboro	5	145	61	9	10	2	85	60	600 00	1146 15	5 00	23 00	52 20	10 00	6 84	73 50	10 70	5 00	1573 86
18. Prescott	1	1 7	182	24	21	6	30	60	900 00	232 85	16 80	26 05	17 80	6 35	26 88	10 00	43 15	5 00	2242 79
19. St. Andrew's, Mountain and S. Gower	2	54	100	19	3	6	25	60	600 00	450 00	24 00	5 00	4 50	10 00	6 24	23 00	56	1 00	565 80
20. South Gower & Mountain	2	74	113	18	15	5	25	60	630 00	5184 00	8 84	21 02	4 50	7 80	3 25	19 00	1 00	5348 54	
21. Edwardsburg & Madisville	2	120	179	13	23	4	125	60	800 00	859 09	29 31	12 00	7 04	20 80	20 00	90 00	1 00	48 61	877 75
22. Spencerville and Ventnor	2	60	116	6	35	9	60	60	425 00	964 83	160 17	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	48 61	877 75
23. Matilda	2	60	116	6	35	9	60	60	425 00	964 83	160 17	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	48 61	877 75
24. Dumbur and Colquhoun's	2	50	63	1	10	5	5	5	600 00	550 00	10 00	9 50	9 50	3 60	16 00	25 00	15 00	639 10	
25. Morrisburg and Irvaquis	2	50	63	1	10	5	5	5	600 00	550 00	10 00	9 50	9 50	3 60	16 00	25 00	15 00	639 10	
MI-S ON STATIONS.																			
1. Bal lerson and Drummond	2	32	20	6	7	3	37	12	200 00	200 00	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
2. Bathurst & S. Sherbrooke	4	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
3. Lavant etc	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
4. Darlingville	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
5. Merrickville	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
6. North Williamsburg	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
7. Oliver's Ferry & Louburly	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
8. Palmarston, etc.	1	62	36	6	7	3	37	12	133 78	133 78	2 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	221 00	133 78	337 78
Total	44	2130	3628	275	348	136	1056	1674	15	541 42	27393 15	389 55	856 03	508 64	371 32	233 17	714 09	281 07	31290 02

* Newly Settled.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1878.

1. Without charge	1	80	184	20	4	70	1	1	450 00	156 00	559 00	1 00	15 00	35 00	10 00	25 00	23 00	682 00	
2. St. Andrew's, Seymour	3	Prof. Queen's College	1	80	184	20	4	70	1	450 00	156 00	559 00	1 00	15 00	35 00	10 00	23 00	682 00	
3. Prof. Queen's College	3	Prof. Queen's College	1	80	184	20	4	70	1	450 00	156 00	559 00	1 00	15 00	35 00	10 00	23 00	682 00	
4. Prof. Queen's College	3	Prof. Queen's College	1	80	184	20	4	70	1	450 00	156 00	559 00	1 00	15 00	35 00	10 00	23 00	682 00	
5. Bock St. C., Kingston	1	137	230	17	24	4	50	2	1000 00	1414 65	30 35	32 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	49 00	22 15	10 00	1044 15
6. Prof. Queen's College	1	137	230	17	24	4	50	2	1000 00	1414 65	30 35	32 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	49 00	22 15	10 00	1044 15
7. Prof. Queen's College	1	137	230	17	24	4	50	2	1000 00	1414 65	30 35	32 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	49 00	22 15	10 00	1044 15
8. Storrington & Pittsburg	4	90	139	8	12	7	60	1	800 00	964 50	29 00	44 00	10 00	8 50	13 75	10 00	115 00	50 00	5068 56
9. St. Andrew's Ch., Kingston	1	200	340	35	26	8	80	6	1800 00	5142 38	210 00	266 18	35 00	80 00	55 00	25 00	115 00	50 00	5068 56
10. Amherst Island	1	60	90	14	7	5	50	2	600 00	460 00	2 50	10 00	5 00	2 50	5 00	5 00	5 00	505 00	

* See delayed returns.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.												
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend provided from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (Ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Orphans' Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religions and Benevolent Objects.	Sabbath School Contributions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.	
11. Napanee	Alexander Young	1	56	80	2	21	3	30	1	800 00	1133 26	14 00	10 00	4 00	9 50	7 00			7 50	1177 76	
12. St. Peter's Church, Madoc	David Welsh	1	73	190	10	20	7	30	1	800 00	2533 08	46 40	3 87	10 00	7 50	13 00	30 00		7 50	3473 35	
13. Ryerson and Marmora	David Welsh	3	30	37		12		30	1	600 00	266 50	16 14		2 00	8 00	5 00				241 64	
14. Picton	John W. McEachan	1	105	104	4	12	3	55	2	600 00	306 73	46 56	15 00	8 00	8 00	19 00	33 37			1051 72	
15. Chalmers' Ch., Kingston	Finlay McQuarrie	1	110	188	14	10	7	60	2	1,400 00	2400 00	239 50	110 00		35 00	55 17	1060 00		25 00	4255 17	
16. Principal Queen's College	George M. Grant, M.A.																				
17. Meuse, Leaside and Shaumonego	John Turnbull	3	40	94	9	6	3	30	5	600 00	450 00	85 00	10 00	13 00	10 00	16 00	17 00			611 00	
18. John St. Church, Belleville	John Burton	1	136	258	8	25	5	60	1	1400 00	2900 00	200 00	180 00	50 00	40 00	50 00	200 00		50 00	3745 00	
19. St. Andrew's, Belleville	W. W. McEachan, M.A.	1	130	183	40	18	4	40	2	1400 00	1365 00	50 00	30 00	40 00	30 00	40 00	200 00			1528 00	
20. St. Andrew's, Stirling	James M. Gray	1	45	82	2	13	3	28	1	800 00	800 00	18 00	7 00	16 00	14 10					932 00	
21. Denoresville	James M. Gray	1	52	61	9	8	5	35	0	700 00	600 00		4 00	14 00	7 00	3 00	10 00			600 00	
22. St. John's, Pittsburgh	John Gallagher, B.A.	1	41	78	5	19	4	50	3	700 00	734 32	7 10			11 81					733 92	
23. Trenton and Fairfax	John F. Stanger, B.A.	2	32	81	5	3	3	40	2	800 00	325 32	5 55	2 00	2 52	3 70	2 36				332 38	
24. Leaside and Leaside	A. B. Nicholson, B.A.	2	25	45	16	18	2	45	2	800 00	635 00	10 00	30 00	15 00	3 70	5 00				632 95	
25. Mill Point and Harrowsmith	Robt. John Craig, M.A.	2	50	51	12	4	4	27	2	650 00	650 00	30 00	15 00	14 50	10 00	5 00				710 00	
26. Glenvale and Winton	James Cormack, B.A.	3	50	77	4	6	4	27	2	700 00	739 00	46 00	10 00	14 50	10 00	7 00				832 50	
27. Roslin and Thurlow	Donald Kelso	2	100	128	12	5	20	20	2	1200 00	1040 00	11 75	15 00	8 00	17 00	12 00	200 00			1313 75	
28. St. Andrew's, Gananoque	Vacant	4																			
29. Camden and Sheffield	"	1																			
30. St. Charles and St. Paul, Madoc	"	2																			
MISSION STATIONS.																					
1. Wolfe Island		1																			
2. Huntingdon		1	31			4															
3. Consocon		2																			
4. Mill Haven & Fredericksburgh		3																			
5. Wollaston and L'Amable		2																			
6. Carlow and Mayo		2																			
7. Montague and McLaren		2																			
8. Hinchinbrooke & Bedford		2																			
9. Morton and Ellisville		3																			
Total		40	1668	2644	202	310	90	870		16200 00	663 50	26150 00	782 65	1193 25	506 87	333 02	278 26	308 53	1742 52	165 50	31460 60

* Ordained Missionary. † This amount (from Chalmers' Church includes Contributions to Ordinary College Fund, and to debt on said fund. ; No Report

PRESBYTERY OF WHITBY—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.										FINANCE.									
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to (col- lege fund and ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphans fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangeliza- tion.	Other Religious and benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Con- tributions for Mis- sions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
7. A hburn and Utica	W. M. Roger, M. A.	2	70	151	4	5	8	30	15	800 00	1097 12	20 50	43 20	57 50	15 90	22 12	28 00	70 20	18 59	1373 13	
8. D rington	Ad-in Spenser	2	40	70	3	3	1	1	550 00	550 00	6 20	6 20	6 00	6 00	10 00	9 00	6 00	6 30	18 50	133 50	
9. Whitby, St. Andrew's	Robert Chambers	1	110	183	6	5	100	138 s.	1430 0	1639 14	30 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	27 00	23 60	22 00	14 00	12 00	1782 74	
10. Columbus and Brooklyn	J. A. Carmichael	2	130	221	1	16	6	125	24	800 00	1355 88	25 00	111 00	85 00	8 00	30 80	40 60	24 54	49 20	1732 57	
11. Newtonville	Vacant	1	40	82	1	5	4	8	250 00	330 28	4 78	5 00	5 00	5 00	13 01	13 01	5 00	1 16	49 20	373 29	
12. Pickering, St. Andrew's	"	2	31	43	4	6	7	8	300 00	384 93	8 50	10 00	2 00	2 00	6 00	6 64	6 50	1 16	1 00	10 00	425 53
MISSION STATIONS.																					
Orono		1	45	90	9	3	15	s. s.	443 79	517 00	10 00	25 00	12 00	12 00	7 00	15 00					566 00
Ennskillen and Cartwright		2	34	53	5	6	20	13 s. s.	403 00	453 17	8 00	10 00			8 68						469 86
Total	10 M., 2 Vac., 2 M. S.	20	971	1634	40	84	78	394	10072 29	15537 22	256 38	448 88	433 39	140 15	204 75	307 00	374 32	382 29	17857 87		

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1878.

1. North Mara and Longford	Dugald McGregor	3	50	92	2	6	4	50	1	630 00	475 00	14 50	28 00	28 00	8 00	3 25	6 50	11 28	34 00			560 62
2. Balslover	James T. Paul	1 c1s	46	44	3	7	3	1	460 00	300 00	200 00		2 00			2 80			6 00			210 80
3. Eldon	A. McKay, M. A.	1	90	150	15	17	8	50	1	600 00	570 00		12 00			12 00	20 74	10 00	15 60			639 74
4. Brock	A. Currie, M. A.	1	90	150	15	17	8	50	1	600 00	570 00		12 00			12 00	20 74	10 00	15 60			639 74
5. Lindsay	James Hastie.	2	130	197	21	17	12	70	2	800 00	3332 77	31 76	74 30	49 25	20 00	23 85	22 00	51 89	13 00			3641 35
6. Beaverton and S. Mara	J. McNabb	1	116	235	26	9	65	4 s. s.	1000 00	4031 65	61 15	59 79	72 45	15 50	15 50	15 10	49 10	280 00	98 57			4683 31
7. Woodville	J. J. Murray, M. A.	1 & 1s	40	71	11	15	3	2	275 00	396 29	3 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	6 00	8 88	6 00	10 00				448 17
8. Cambray and Fenelon	D. McDonald.	1	108	143	12	10	8	20	425 00	703 00	9 00	26 00	26 00	12 87	6 00	15 52	12 87	12 00	5 60			803 15
9. Kirkfield and Victoriaville	D. D. McLennan.	2	57	43	6	13	32 M.	3 s. 7	630 00	5 00 00	5 00 00	5 00 00	8 00 00	16 00	6 00	7 60	19 00	16 00				657 60
10. Uxbridge and Leaskdale	E. Cockburn, M. A.	1	35	98	13	8	1	50	500 00	570 00	10 00	39 50	39 50	12 00	5 00	13 06	8 00	12 00				639 50
		1	35	60	7	6	3	1	350 00	427 59	15 00	20 00	20 00	5 00	3 50	5 82	10 00					456 91

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY—Continued.

11. Cannington	J. Campbell, B.A.	1	63	70	25	15	3	30	2	800 00	850 00	8 00	40 00	20 00	20 00	14 00	8 30	10 00	30 00	965 00	
12. Wick and Gretna	S. Acheson	1	53	103	de.3	7	2	80	5	315 00	515 00	12 50	17 60	34 00	34 00	14 00	9 00	30 00	30 00	627 10	
13. Fenelon Falls & So. Ver-ville	Wm. Lochead	3	61	95	6	15	3	20	s. s.	620 00	881 00	14 00	23 50	23 00	6 19	3 06	7 00	25 50	45 25	1015 25	
14. Scott and Uxbridge	Vacant	1																8 00	3 75	9 25 00	
15. Sunderland & Vro. manton	"	2																			
MISSION STATIONS.																					
1. Cobocouk		1	c.	24	30	10			b. c.	50 00	50 00							2 45		52 45	
2. Head Lake		1	s.	10	9	2			s. s.	20 00	20 00							0 84		20 84	
3. Digby		1	s.	23	12	2	1		s. s.	45 00	45 00							2 20		47 20	
4. Card-n		1	s.	15	19	2	1		s. s.	50 00	50 00							1 80		51 80	
5. Manilla		1	c.	*																	
13 M., 2 Vac., 5 M. S.		27	999	1541	164	169	65	515		7730 00	300 00	14577 30	183 91	384 69	264 89	96 31	146 04	208 04	521 89	147 46	16530 79

* Lately separated from Cannington.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1879.

1. Knox Church, Toronto	Alex. Topp, D. D.	1	320	662		46	19	200	470	4030 00	9759 15	550 00	600 00	350 00	100 00	30 00	53 25	412 00	351 84	12206 24
2. Richmond Hill	James Dick	1	50	127	17	4	2	30	10	575 00	935 45	20 00	38 31	10 00	9 00	14 00	10 00			1037 76
3. West Church, Toronto	Isaac Campbell, Col-lege, etc.	1	27	44	9	5	2	30	8	225 00	378 72	10 00	35 00	10 00	6 00	7 10	7 50	8 76		463 03
4. Brumby West	Robert Wallace	1	175	350	2	43	12	60	320	1500 00	2685 00	40 00	85 00	50 00	18 84	23 07	35 01	154 97	62 97	3154 85
5. Hornby	James Fringle	1	85	215	25	9	6	50	15	600 00	1449 74	40 00	70 00	25 00	35 00	21 45	28 00	50 20	5 00	1724 30
6. Ossville	William Stewart	1	12	28	10	2	1	10	1	130 00	141 70	5 00	10 30	3 00	8 03	4 54		6 10		178 71
7. Union and Norval	William Stewart	1	16	34	2	7				300 00	290 00							15 50		379 00
8. Bay Street, Toronto	John Smith	2	113	211	16	14	7	30	10	800 00	1487 00	24 00	25 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	77 00	41 00	1699 00
9. West King	Jos. Alexander, M.A.	2	102	185	10	17	10			2000 00	3215 15	80 00	41 05	48 03	22 77	10 17	18 00	56 63	148 34	1498 28
10. Bethel Church, Orangeville	James Adams	2	50	82	6	5	3	15	15	400 00	430 01	15 00	14 00	15 00	15 00	12 49	14 14		166 77	3351 17
11. Knox Church, Toronto	W. F. McKay, B.A.	2	197	436	4	31	11	130	424	2510 00	3704 44	520 10	921 44	415 36	48 00	42 94	121 00	936 25	352 76	6046 19
12. Cooke's Church, Toronto	John M. King, M.A.	2	61	141	20	12	6	20	12	651 00	782 51	2 68	25 00	29 03	2 24	10 75	5 03			845 21
13. Central Church, Toronto	Alexander McFaul	1	29	324	13	32	8	150	4	300 00	4012 53	180 00	130 00	75 00	50 00	40 50	50 00	123 26	120 00	5911 31
14. St. Andrew's King	J. G. Robb, D. D.	3	80	131	43	10	5	51	22	2010 00	7412 00	25 00	40 00	40 00	5 70	14 00	14 00	25 00	82 00	7638 70
15. Boston Church, Esques-ing	David Mitchell	1	52	87	10	7	3	30	3	501 00	1500 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	12 00	15 00	15 00	50 00	13 00	1665 00
16. St. Andrew's, Vaughan	James Carmichael	1	33	60	7	9	3	12		250 00	332 30	21 50	16 00	14 00	13 00	7 75	10 50	60 60		635 65
17. St. Paul's	John Eadie	2	30	165		26	5		7	900 00	235 35	14 50	8 50	9 50	11 00	5 47	6 50	22 20	7 40	350 42
	William Aitken	2	30	165		26	5		7	900 00	963 00	15 00	13 00	30 00	16 00	15 00	30 00	24 00		1111 00

* Including retiring allowance to senior pastor.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.										Total Contributions for alt. purposes.		
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	No. increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. Praying Weekly.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.		Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Bathnat. School Contributions for Missions.
18. St. Andrew's, Toronto	D. J. Macdonnell, R.D.	1	284	476	67	44	7	120	26	2700 00	17822 19	200 00	450 00	294 00	85 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	1067 00	35 00	13056 90
19. Old St. Andrew's, Toronto	G. M. Milligan, M.A.	1	85	135	45	6	4	60	11	2500 00	8870 11	9 10	4 78	29 70	10 00	13 63	8 11	14 50	7 00	5 00	8603 26
20. First Chingwacousay	R. M. Croil.	1	54	56	6	5	3	30	12	400 00	530 24	15 50	24 58	17 45	16 38	6 52	12 73	30 36			2033 13
21. St. Andrew's, Markham	J. Carmichael, M.A.	3	65	153	13	15	7	18		852 00	2000 27	18 69	34 50	25 00	12 00	14 00	20 00				2124 46
22. Streetsville & Cedar Grove	James Breckenridge	1	90	161	1	15	7	30	200	1000 00	2270 00	40 70	93 00	26 52	14 00	8 00	21 00			18 00	2471 22
23. East Church, Toronto	John M. Cameron	1	112	346	2	34	7	130	1	1200 00	2523 12	75 00	50 55	25 6		15 16	13 00		90 00	2578 23	
24. Weston	Robert Pettigrew	1	52	78	8	5	3	15	1	1200 00	101 53	17 15	22 65	15 00	5 01	4 00	13 00		20 00	702 33	
25. Melville Church, Markham	Donald Mackintosh	1	43	97	3	3	5		4	400 00	2273 00	8 00	11 20	10 00	4 00	13 15	11 00		10 00	2326 35	
26. Zion Church, Orangeville	J. M. McIntyre	1	21	31		2			2	325 00	325 00	7 88	10 15	7 13	2 15	3 90	4 25		7 05		367 54
27. Mount Pleasant	E. D. McLaren, R.D.	1	80	70	2	4	4	25	10	400 00	1200 00	10 50	15 00	7 00	5 00	6 10	10 25		7 88		1233 00
28. Charles Street, Toronto	R. D. Fraser, M.A.	1	120	276	16	23	0	75	3	1800 00	640 00	12 00	22 19	21 57	7 00	6 10	13 00		15 52		704 93
29. Fisherville	Robert Gray	1	24	54		7	2	30	3	350 00	408 17	100 00	273 44	100 00	90 00	25 35	30 00		210 60	139 12	5106 05
30. Knox Church, Vaughan	Peter Nicol	1	52	119		7	2	20	6	450 00	322 15	5 00	15 00	7 30	3 00	4 07	3 00		17 10		442 85
31. College Street, Toronto	Alex. Gilray	1	36	98	10	7	4	40	4	340 00	667 26	32 00	40 77	35 00	22 31	12 07	28 62		18 35		498 82
32. St. Andrew's, Scarborough	M. Macgillivray, M.A.	1	115	247	40	35	7	100	31	1200 00	2124 21	17 18	35 73	29 00	14 01	12 07	28 92		22 07		664 42
33. Parkhurst	J. R. Giebrist, B.A.	1	61	84	22	8	3	25	1	750 00	1824 00	25 45	14 56	6 00	17 55	37 34	31 31		70 07	138 00	2139 31
34. Knox Church, Scarborough	Walter Amos	1	89	64	8	7	3	45	2	370 00	507 52	12 00	20 00	6 00	9 17	16 10	13 30		84 50		3261 14
35. Melville Church, "	R. P. McKay, M.A.	1	40	67		18	8	2	16	600 00	452 34	12 00	43 84	25 00		7 35	10 50		5 00		448 69
36. Gearestown	Vacant	2	111	259	16	18	8	8	2	1000 00	1768 27	102 00	130 25	1 85		12 00	66 63		121 96		2301 13
37. Parkhouse	"	1	75	107	11	7	4	18	10		443 97	10 00	21 70	1 85		9 37	5 00		1 32		484 37
38. Newmarket	"	1	15	43	less	4	25	1		800 00	205 20	3 33	16 00	5 00		1 94	19 00				250 47
39. Melville Church, Caledon	"	1	31	63	11	7	4	20	2	300 00	678 46	1 75	26 54	6 00		3 15	6 00		4 00		1164 44
	"	1	30	40		4	3				258 51	8 00	15 00	6 00			6 00				688 46
	"	1	30	40		4	3				258 51	8 00	15 00	6 00			6 00				272 51

58. Newmarket.....	1	47	110	11	7	1	20	2	800	00	119	00	1	15	6	00	4	00	688	46
59. Alton.....	1	31	85	19	4	2	20	2	900	00	678	00	8	00	15	00	6	00	272	51
Melville Church, Caledon)	1	30	40	4	3						253	51	8	00						

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO—Continued.

40. Queensville.....	3	35	65	12	9	3	16		400	00	400	00	6	00	28	50	5	70	2	00	3	10	25	00	470	30						
North Gwillimbury.....																																
Ravenhoe.....	2																															
Stanhill and Chelston Past	2																															
41. St. Albert and Ballantrae	1	20	40	11	3			1			189	00															189	00				
42. Brockton.....	3																															
43. Mono Mills, etc																																
Total.....	76	4048	7825	565	680	239	1948		44277	00	588	58	101758	78	2533	29	3698	24	1887	53	639	15	609	84	944	52	5014	39	1671	56	118824	60

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE.

1. First West Gwillimbury	1	25	42	1	2	25	3	2	479	67	1585	38	6	50	88	00	62	00	6	00	5	63	1066	00	1000	00	9	32	3774	83	
2. Collingwood	1	80	178	56	24	8	100	275	800	00	1066	00	10	40	30	00	7	00	4	00	16	00	8	00	29	00	1170	00			
3. Orillia	3	92	245	12	33	10	75	20	700	00	1053	00	15	00	75	00	47	00	40	00	15	00	40	00	170	00	142	55	2477	50	
4. Central Church, Craigvale and Lefroy	3	80	196	10	15	3	1	1	650	00	727	50	13	00	25	00	12	00	20	00	23	25	12	00	66	63	10	00	832	75	
5. Flos and Meltone	1	54	70	8	10	3	15	80	450	00	544	76	10	00	8	20	9	41	5	00	8	87	5	00	6	00	67	87	607	87	
6. Stayner	1	40	55	8	3	4	25	55	150	00	373	51	10	00	6	00	4	00	4	00	5	13	5	00	4	57	1	50	408	71	
7. Zion Church, Sunnidale	1	135	300	78	29	4	60	30	1200	00	1950	00	19	40	62	25	23	95	41	70	28	00	22	70	107	50	2553	50			
8. First Tecumseth	1	28	60	6	7	3	26	3	275	00	281	00	270	00	10	00	6	00	4	00	7	88	7	00	15	00	107	50	330	88	
Second "	1	38	70	6	7	3	25	2	250	00	270	00	40	00	10	00	10	00	10	00	8	00	10	00	22	00	370	00	370	00	
Adjala	1	35	78	6	7	3	25	2	225	00	230	00	230	00	10	00	3	00	2	00	9	00	6	00	10	00	270	00	270	00	
9. East Nottawasaga and Greenore	4	120	140	5	37	12	20	20	800	00	365	00	1400	00	15	00	15	00	12	00	17	00	10	00	60	00	1544	00			
10. West Nottawasaga	4	120	140	5	37	12	20	20	800	00	360	00	1400	00	15	00	15	00	12	00	17	00	10	00	60	00	1544	00			
11. Guthrie Church, Oro	3	80	96	16	22	4	135	290	700	00	647	70	4	00	8	00	2	00	24	00	16	75	18	19	4	00	915	48	915	48	
12. Angus, New Lowell, &c	3	80	96	16	22	4	135	290	850	00	150	00	800	00	12	00	20	00	12	00	22	00	22	00	4	00	715	70	715	70	
13. Mahmur	1	40	52	10	5	3	95	95	225	00	225	00	225	00	20	00	20	00	12	00	12	00	12	00	6	00	974	00	974	00	
14. Esson Church, Oro	1	30	44	5	6	3	30	4	300	00	295	00	295	00	2	00	2	00	12	00	8	75	10	13	1	00	215	13	215	13	
15. Bradford	2	32	68	6	2	4	30	3	275	00	275	00	275	00	2	00	2	00	12	00	11	27	1	00	1	00	292	53	292	53	
16. Alliston	1	56	83	26	5	3	30	1	400	00	743	82	10	00	21	00	17	00	8	00	7	13	8	00	50	00	824	95	824	95	
17. Townline and Ivy	1	29	58	15	17	2	30	2	425	00	531	39	3	00	5	00	4	00	8	00	2	00	2	00	5	00	687	37	687	37	
18. Cookstown	2	51	90	4	10	5	3	9	325	00	647	27	4	00	18	40	10	00	5	00	7	24	5	00	5	00	430	64	430	64	
19. First Essa	1	32	75	3	3	3	35	2	700	00	375	00	18	00	35	79	13	00	9	00	11	00	20	00	5	00	730	70	730	70	
20. Monk South Falls	1	11	21	21	50	3	3	2	400	00	646	00	8	26	26	00	13	00	1	87	4	00	12	00	135	56	846	68	846	68	
Penetanguishene, Wye-bridge	1	11	21	21	50	3	3	2	700	00	539	62	4	00	39	89	30	00	3	77	6	14	5	61	4	56	500	23	500	23	
Midland and Vint	1	12	18	1	1	1	1	1	37	65	77	36	14	76	1	15	1	15	1	1	2	50	2	50	1	41	60	45	60	45	
Tay and Meltone	4	37	74	17	10	1	40	2	650	00	370	00	80	00	30	00	8	00	10	20	10	20	13	76	6	00	437	96	437	96	
West Gwillimbury and Innisfil	2	26	42	5	5				130	00	818	00							12	00							130	00	130	00	
Vacant	3																														

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.

1.	Knox Church, Owen Sound	D. Morrison, M.A.	1	40	108	8	9	4	1	2	446	00	468	55	5	25	28	90	11	98	6	37	14	18	11	19	7	00	553	72				
2.	Lake Shore	R. Dewar	1	120	237	9	34	8	30	200	800	00	1063	83	18	92	46	77	16	42	10	42	26	04	41	10	04	19	1307	09				
3.	Chatsworth	Wm. Forrest	1	120	220	11	29	4	33	2	700	00	870	00	20	00	25	00	25	00	8	00	10	00	17	00	7	00	982	00				
4.	Lanona	Arch'd McDiarmid	1	55	57	10	3	6	20	1	500	00	518	50	5	00	11	00	9	00	5	00	2	85	4	00	1	50	556	85				
5.	Lake Shore	Alex. McLennan	1	60	76	28	4	5	12	1	375	00	715	42	3	00	5	44	2	15	4	35	9	14	3	34	3	46	746	30				
6.	Zion Church, Peabody	Hugh Currie	1	30	42	14	5	5	75	80	175	00	575	00	1	00	2	56	1	00	3	55	4	00	1	00	3	52	501	63				
7.	Erskine Church, Meaford	D. B. Whimster	1	20	29	10	3	4	75	40	150	00	394	17	1	00	3	00	2	04	4	50	4	00	5	00	46	95	408	71				
8.	Knox Ch., St. Vincent	Arch'd Stevenson	1	70	104	8	4	4	50	90	800	00	1299	52	10	00	5	00	3	00	3	38	8	47	5	00	9	62	1381	32				
9.	St. Paul's Ch., Sydenham	Arch'd Stevenson	1	37	78	1	2	4	50	60	350	00	400	00	13	77	5	00	22	00	6	02	6	16	3	00	9	62	465	57				
10.	Division St. Ch., Owen Sound	J. Somerville, A.M.	1	51	67	9	5	3	40	40	330	00	340	35	7	62	5	50	5	00	7	39	8	80	3	27	5	50	363	43				
11.	North Derby	A. F. McKenzie	1	112	194	34	19	7	40	210	1000	00	1980	71	21	51	33	93	30	47	28	00	13	03	47	45			2155	10				
12.	Heathcote	Vacant	1	25	72	8	4				136	50	50	00	309	20	10	00	10	00			4	00	12	10			336	65				
13.	Big Bay	Vacant	1	15	31	2	6	2	1		75	00	93	94		0	54	1	06							1	00	95	00					
14.	Keuble	Vacant	1	8	16								75	00		0	54	4	50									81	58					
15.	Sarawak	Vacant	1	10	20						100	00	150	00			0	93										150	93					
16.	Heathcote	Vacant	1																															
17.	Johnstone	John McMillan	1	30	38	3	3	3			130	00	124	00	2	00	2	00	2	00									128	00				
18.	Ravenna	Robert C. Moffat	1	21							30	00	58	00															58	00				
19.	Collingwood Mountain	William Park	1																															
20.	Griersville		1																															
21.	Euphrasia		1																															
22.	Holland		1																															
23.	Indian Peninsula Group		1																															
24.	Parry Sound Group		1																															
25.	Total	11 M., 2 Vac., 6 M. S.	24	847	1431	160	133	60	351	...	6067	50	50	00	9456	59	109	61	188	49	130	06	87	52	110	67	149	45	148	74	1	55	10382	68

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN.

1.	Knox Ch. Mount Forest	John McMillan	1	80	148	48	20	3	40	2	800	00	1000	00	27	00	20	00	15	00	10	00	14	00	11	30	45	00	1087	30
2.	Fresh St. John's, Walkerton	Robert C. Moffat	1	95	190	20	24	7	160	12	800	00	1918	00	3	00	5	00	4	00	6	00	14	00	3	00	45	00	2044	00
3.	Durban	William Park	1	121				6	20	2	700	00	85	74	918	12	6	88	19	95	10	27	15	90	5	25	18	80	1011	83
4.	North Brant	Daniel Duff	1	48	130	20	17	8	50	10	300	00	30	00	14	00	20	00	20	00	10	00	18	62	10	00	17	00	460	43
5.	West Brant	John Morrison	1	36	103	8	9	6	100		300	00	314	53	8	70	24	60	24	50	2	25	11	40	18	00	38	00	443	98

* Included in No. 10 above.

MISSION STATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.												
		No. of Churches and Stations	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
6. Hostein, Amos and Fairbairn	Hugh Crozier	3	145	296	30	44	7	35	252	700 00	359 22	23 20	41 71	31 61	12 71	39 67	21 00	17 50			1146 71
7. Guthrie Ch., Harrison.	John Baikie	1	112	200	42	18	7	35	15	800 00	5423 87	8 634	17 34	10 00		12 00	5 00			5470 844	
8. Arthur	D. Stewart	1	85	160	24	16	7	30	1	700 00	700 00	7 00	15 00	9 00	4 00	5 00	5 00			745 00	
9. Knox Church, Palmerston.	D. W. Cameron	1	105	183	73	33	6	30	3	950 00	1713 00	20 00	24 00		12 00		22 00			1713 00	
10. St. Woodland Station	Donald Fraser, M.A.	1	70	174	4	4	2	50	25	350 00	1307 00	20 00	15 00							1385 00	
11. Mackintosh and Belmore.	A. C. Stewart	2	80	168	16	13	4	16	6	750 00	1522 00	13 00	34 25	36 00	7 00	16 00	13 00	23 28	10 40	1674 93	
12. Bahkava	John McTung	1	45	62	12	1	2	16	5	600 00	599 25	10 00	10 00	6 00	4 00	5 76	14 21			649 22	
13. Clifton	Stephen Young	1	63	112	11	6	4	25	60	800 00	806 86	13 00	20 00	10 00	9 00	11 76	10 00	18 25		898 87	
14. Normanby	Vacant	2	40	86		6	4			194 00	213 25	1 50	4 00	4 00	1 50	3 00	3 00			230 25	
15. Rocky Saugeen	"	2	47	96	14	6	4														
16. North Arthur and Cotswold	"	2																			
17. Hanover and W. Bentinck	"	2																			
18. Osprey	"	1																			
19. Markdale, Berkeley and Flesheron	"	3																			
20. South Luther and Little Toronto	"	2																			
21. St. Columba Ch., Priceville	"	1																			
22. Knox Church, Harrison.	"	1																			
23. Min., 9 Vac		34	1000	2250	392	223	77	612		9444 00	215 74	18130 61	155 914	255 85	185 38	150 46	154 40	159 12	48 36	19342 454	

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1878.

1. Meville Church, Fergus.	George Smellie	1	167	372	* 1	17	10	50	221	1000 00	1385 00	50 00	60 00	40 00	30 00	33 00	40 00	425 00	60 00	2130 00
2. Union Church, Galt.	Richard Bentley	1	155	5	12	6	8	55	150	1200 00	3385 00	63 00	65 00	37 00	20 00	26 00	44 00	135 00	30 00	3845 00
3. Chalmers' Church, Guelph	Thomas Warkton, D.D.	1	180	336	31	25	11	50	242	1400 00	3162 79	100 00	142 60	70 00	40 00	32 00	70 00	92 13	182 13	3891 55
4. First Congregation, "	Robert Torrance	1	81	150		17	5	21	45	600 00	745 65	10 00	95 00	25 00	5 00	28 20	25 00	101 86	21 00	1066 1
5. Knox Church, Galt	William S. Ball, A.B.	1	492	877	20	35	26	200	800	2500 00	5018 70	300 00	428 46	530 22	45 00	138 11	133 87	633 44	211 32	7439 12
7. Chalmers' Church, Etora.	James K. Smith, A.M.	1	123	260	9	18	13	100	10	900 00	4453 80	30 00	59 30	82 75	18 00	26 80	68 20	88 00	42 00	4678 94
	James Middlemiss																			

* Decrease. + 1 Adult

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCES.											
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the Year.	No. of Elders.	No. Attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Spends promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Presbytery, Synod, and Assembly Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
1. North Pelham.....	Wm. Hancock.....	6	34	102	6	7	6	6	500 00	16 50	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	14 40	10 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	1610 00
2. Port Dalhousie.....	John Porteous.....	1	1	40	2	1	2	90	600 30	48 58	14 67	7 33	6 00	3 00	14 40	10 00	6 00	6 00	463 60	
3. Victoria.....	S. Fenton.....	4	30	66	10	3	5	255 00	860 50	392 42	23 62	10 18	2 00	8 13	23 00	175 00	15 00	15 00	1722 43	
4. Hamilton, St. John's.....	J. Goldsmith.....	1	80	180	5	5	357	880 50	880 50	1462 43	10 20	27 00	56 00	25 00	24 00	44 00	210 00	19 00	1610 00	
5. Caledonia, Argyll Street.....	James Black.....	2	106	246	1	12	6	850 00	850 00	3391 86	42 00	27 21	20 21	10 00	41 61	16 21	60 00	7 15	2845 86	
6. Dundas, Knox Church.....	John Leing, M.A.....	1	70	250	36	10	40	1000 00	1000 00	1536 00	43 00	15 10	10 00	10 00	16 70	15 00	80 00	80 00	1044 33	
7. Clifton, St. Andrew's.....	James Garlon, M.A.....	1	60	168	15	17	4	700 00	700 00	847 43	180 00	200 00	130 00	30 00	30 40	50 00	140 00	118 00	574 03	
8. Port Dover, Knox Church.....	Wm. Craigie.....	1	256	421	27	24	12	2400 00	2400 00	4853 32	20 00	40 00	25 70	5 52	9 30	0 00	0 00	99 37	574 30	
9. Hamilton, Knox Church.....	John James, D.D.....	1	33	57	8	11	1	400 00	400 00	514 51	20 00	12 00	25 70	3 52	1 60	7 00	0 00	0 00	908 30	
10. Grimsby.....	J. G. Murray.....	1	30	57	2	3	15	100 00	100 00	134 51	7 50	12 00	7 50	0 00	1 60	5 00	17 50	0 00	407 48	
11. Niagara.....	Chas. Campbell.....	1	41	80	4	6	6	640 00	640 00	383 00	0 00	9 00	7 50	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	908 30	
12. Hamilton, McNab Street.....	D. H. Fletcher.....	1	270	463	2	3	9	2900 00	2900 00	4277 00	275 00	469 26	244 00	40 00	52 50	151 00	1022 66	168 26	703 64	
13. Caledonia, Sutton Street.....	Thos. Wilson.....	1	45	80	2	3	6	500 00	500 00	520 60	16 00	24 00	0 00	8 00	6 90	6 00	0 00	0 00	624 00	
14. St. Catharines, Knox Ch.....	Geo. Fruton.....	4	151	285	10	24	20	1400 00	1400 00	2502 00	60 00	140 00	17 00	40 00	15 00	70 00	180 00	130 00	4967 00	
15. Oneida, Cayuga, Indiana.....	A. Grant, M.A.....	1	78	120	4	17	8	875 00	875 00	982 00	50 00	10 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	1374 98	
16. Walpole Church.....	Thos. McGuire.....	1	78	120	4	17	8	400 00	400 00	546 00	22 00	30 00	7 00	12 00	11 00	36 00	24 00	6 00	575 26	
17. Nainville, Knox Church.....	J. L. Robertson, M.A.....	1	80	164	15	10	4	700 00	700 00	532 71	21 00	16 00	12 00	6 00	15 00	1 00	24 00	10 00	643 71	
18. Hamilton, West.....	G. A. Yeomans, A.B.....	1	77	115	60	15	3	800 00	800 00	762 55	5 00	15 00	15 00	8 00	16 00	13 00	317 60	32 00	3191 60	
19. Hamilton, Central Ch.....	S. Lyle.....	1	317	713	60	43	2	3000 00	3000 00	6614 32	24 00	682 25	130 00	116 36	9707 24	941 05	9707 24	427 00	11058 37	
20. Hamilton, St. Paul's.....	W. P. Walker.....	1	52	280	12	7	30	2200 00	2200 00	9233 10	15 00	19 00	13 63	7 00	11 65	6 22	188 71	107 38	3078 54	
21. Binbrook, Knox Church.....	W. P. Walker.....	1	52	280	12	7	30	469 00	469 00	768 54	10 00	19 00	13 63	7 00	11 65	6 22	188 71	107 38	3078 54	
22. Salford, Cheyne Ch.....	W. P. Walker.....	2	18	48	6	3	1	231 00	231 00	659 61	8 80	21 00	22 00	6 50	4 72	14 30	29 00	8 00	763 83	
23. Salsburgh.....	W. P. Walker.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
24. Blackhead.....	W. P. Walker.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
25. Buntingford.....	S. W. Fisher.....	1	56	69	13	12	4	800 00	800 00	4485 00	15 00	50 00	10 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	4580 00	
26. Perth.....	Robert Rhyne.....	1	100	207	55	8	6	800 00	800 00	1273 40	4 00	100 00	33 00	3 00	3 00	98 00	72 50	6 00	2573 66	
27. St. Catharines, First Ch.....	Geo. Bruce, B.A.....	1	90	230	10	8	1	1200 00	1200 00	2225 00	85 00	150 00	64 00	25 00	20 00	75 00	101 00	190 00	3339 00	
28. Toronto.....	C. D. McDonald.....	1	30	120	8	6	1	300 00	300 00	481 30	3 00	3 60	3 60	2 00	2 00	2 00	20 00	8 00	612 44	
29. St. Ann's.....	James Fraser.....	1	43	71	4	5	5	300 00	300 00	612 72	3 00	3 40	3 40	2 00	2 00	2 00	20 00	8 00	642 47	
30. Ancaster.....	John Radcliffe.....	1	53	93	9	50	6	400 00	400 00	752 06	16 85	21 00	15 00	5 00	10 15	10 00	20 00	8 00	838 01	
31. Alberton.....	John Radcliffe.....	1	28	52	9	4	1	300 00	300 00	360 00	8 40	16 00	11 00	5 00	6 75	6 00	20 00	8 00	413 15	

* \$900 from Ladies Aid Society, included in Total Contributions, but not in previous columns. † Expended on church, \$24.94, not added; other congregational expenses, \$33.82,—not included in total contributions. ‡ Recently inducted.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON—Continued.

28. Thorold	1	50	120	8	6	1	300	00	481	30	3	60	3	3	5	45	2	00	512	41
29. St. Ann's	1	38	73	4	4	5	300	00	612	70	3	40	3	35	3	35	2	00	642	47
30. Weland Fort	1	43	71	4	5	5	400	00	552	06	16	85	21	00	10	10	10	00	538	01
31. Ancaster	1	53	93	9	50	6	400	00	560	00	8	40	16	00	5	00	6	75	6	00
32. John Radcliffe	1	28	52	9	4	1	300	00	460	00	8	40	16	00	5	00	6	75	413	15

*\$300 from Ladies Aid Society, included in Total
 † Expended on church, \$22.94, not added; other congregational expenses, \$53.92—not included in total contributions.
 ‡ Recently inducted.

Contributions, but not in previous columns.
 † Paid on Church Property, \$244.66.—Included in total contributions but not in previous columns.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1878.

1. First Church, Brantford	1	62	92	6	5	25	600	00	2132	17	5	00	10	00	9	45	10	00	9	00	211	17
2. Mt. Pleasant and Bedford	2	44	87	18	6	6	550	00	498	18	27	00	80	00	18	25	15	00	8	21	348	64
3. Stanley St. Church, Ayr	1	106	207	13	7	70	1500	00	1084	58	100	00	150	00	37	00	30	00	30	00	42	48
4. Knox Church, Woodstock	1	105	300	15	6	2	800	00	3006	00	15	00	65	00	25	00	30	00	34	00	105	00
5. Chesnutfield	1	84	175	5	15	6	800	00	317	98	15	00	65	00	10	00	10	00	10	00	110	00
6. Zion Church, Brantford	1	240	540	15	35	8	2200	00	5065	20	210	50	255	00	75	00	50	00	50	00	60	00
7. Erie St. Church, Ingersoll	1	50	100	8	4	15	500	00	540	00	10	55	25	70	10	00	6	00	11	00	15	00
8. St. George	1	160	270	16	15	6	1350	00	2754	46	70	00	80	00	15	00	15	00	27	36	3047	07
9. Knox Church, Ingersoll	2	136	266	6	25	6	1350	00	3533	25	20	00	40	00	20	00	11	00	13	00	13	00
10. Drumbo and Princeton	1	132	259	4	12	7	1200	00	2000	27	40	00	70	00	107	00	16	00	16	00	30	00
11. Dunfries St. Church, Paris	2	113	207	8	16	7	1800	00	1048	00	44	00	67	00	44	43	16	00	20	00	24	00
12. Radio and Churchap	1	167	308	6	6	100	1200	00	1900	00	20	00	55	00	40	00	10	00	11	00	50	00
13. Balmers' Ch., Woodstock	1	96	230	8	6	12	800	00	1530	39	71	65	56	26	63	72	29	75	26	30	37	60
14. Knox Church, Ayr	1	61	145	21	10	4	500	00	819	00	5	50	10	08	10	11	5	00	4	65	16	02
15. Glenorris	2	80	154	50	13	8	850	00	2378	18	35	00	40	00	10	00	10	00	10	00	30	00
16. Elmsburg and Culbolen	2	75	170	12	6	28	1700	00	1487	00	35	00	40	00	45	00	15	00	13	00	6	00
17. River Street, Paris	2	95	178	8	7	45	900	00	1510	53	9	00	45	00	15	00	13	00	8	00	15	00
18. Norwich and Wynyndham	1	25	132	126	207	110	835	00	20445	39	683	20	979	04	657	16	199	60	250	40	373	83
19. St. Andrew's, Bienville and East Oxford	1	18	M.	1	M.	S.	16800	00	20445	39	683	20	979	04	657	16	199	60	250	40	373	83
MISSION STATIONS.																						
Old St. Andrew's, East Oxford																						
Beachville and Swebour																						
Total	25	1792	3562	126	207	110	835	00	20445	39	683	20	979	04	657	16	199	60	250	40	373	83
18 M., 1 Vac., 1 M. S.																						

* Decrease.

PRESEBYTERY OF LONDON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH MARCH, 1878.

No. of Churches and Stations.	NAME OF CONGREGATION	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.										FINANCE.																	
			No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Spends promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for All purposes.									
1.	Forest and McKny's	Donald McKenzie	72	99		12	6	12	150	00	500	00	576	16	20	17	15	40	12	00	8	80	13	00	9	83	50	00	652	36
2.	1st Pres. Church, London	Wm. R. Sutherland	425	604	80	51	4	60	150	00	1000	00	2384	12	83	75	96	50	12	00	10	00	13	00	43	40	434	00	3211	49
3.	St. Andrew's, London	J. A. Proudfoot, D.D.	44	63	12	4	3	30	2		1000	00	4344	42	100	00	175	00	160	00	50	00	62	00	30	00	67	00	5168	42
4.	St. Andrew's, London	J. A. Hester Murray	40	68	3	3	2	1	71	2	800	00	800	00	10	00	10	00	4	00	10	00	5	00	10	00	10	00	849	00
5.	St. Andrew's, London	Donald McDonald	30	68	3	3	2	1	70	2	300	00	344	71	5	83	44	22	18	96	10	10	9	50	8	34	18	60	451	00
6.	St. Andrew's, London	John Rennie	30	68	3	3	2	1	70	2	300	00	381	05	6	00	29	42	10	10	10	10	8	00	8	00	10	00	444	57
7.	St. Andrew's, London	George Cuthbertson	51	73	14	6	5	oc	90	2	350	00	383	25	15	00	40	10	39	45	3	00	8	79	5	00	43	00	883	18
8.	St. Andrew's, London	John McRobie	60	90	4	3	20	3	50	2	500	00	523	00	25	00	25	00	18	00	18	00	18	00	18	00	46	00	630	00
9.	St. Andrew's, London	David Camelon	137	173	4	3	20	3	50	2	1500	00	319	58	13	00	13	00	18	00	18	00	18	00	18	00	60	00	344	58
10.	St. Andrew's, London	John Milloy	140	230	74	31	7	30	1	1	1200	00	3420	61	20	00	41	75	20	00	20	00	23	00	64	00	33	00	3631	32
11.	St. Andrew's, London	Neil McKinnon	85	154	4	19	6	30	9	2	700	00	965	42	44	00	65	00	22	80	10	00	39	00	21	50	66	71	790	98
12.	Mosa	James Donaldson	49	83	2	3	6	40	3	2	500	00	775	00	4	00	3	08	10	00	10	00	4	00	9	00	9	00	756	53
13.	Wardsville and Newbury	Alex. Fraser	21	30	1	1	20	2	6	1	175	00	222	73	4	00	8	00	10	00	5	00	4	12	40	00	72	00	232	85
14.	Garth's Ch., Longwood	Lachlan Cameron	112	179	15	15	9	60	6	2	900	00	1114	57	44	00	44	00	30	00	30	00	21	00	40	00	72	00	1385	57
15.	Cook's Church, Caradoc	John Thompson	142	285	10	20	8	80	140	bc	1500	00	2768	00	227	00	93	00	83	00	37	00	32	00	35	00	307	00	3772	00
16.	St. Andrew's, Sarnia	Geo. Sutherland	85	154	4	19	6	30	9	2	700	00	1166	10	40	00	50	00	56	00	50	00	23	00	64	00	33	00	1419	10
17.	Fingal	Mungo Fraser	140	230	74	31	7	30	1	1	1200	00	3420	61	20	00	41	75	20	00	20	00	23	00	64	00	33	00	3631	32
18.	St. Thomas' Pres. Church and Lochoy	John Ferguson, B.A.	100	124	40	30	5	30	80		650	00	660	50	7	00	17	00	10	00	10	00	8	00	10	00	10	00	722	50
19.	Lobo and Caradoc	John A. McDonald	105	150	8	25	7	20	1	1	600	00	1114	00			42	50	33	00	8	25	17	00	16	25	7	00	1231	00
20.	Wallacetown	John Abraham	125	145	20	20	4	20	2	2	800	00	1186	35			21	00	10	00	5	00	13	00	15	00	7	00	1302	35
21.	Watford and Warwick	Robert Scobie	170	214	11	35	12	120	3	3	1000	00	1410	97	37	00	47	00	80	00	25	96	24	00	48	77	306	21	1500	91
22.	Strathroy	Gustavus Munro	80	104	9	13	5	50	3	3	700	00	884	07			7	42	80	00	25	96	24	00	48	77	306	21	1500	91
23.	Embro	John M. Goodwillie	80	104	9	13	5	50	3	3	700	00	884	07			7	42	80	00	25	96	24	00	48	77	306	21	1500	91
24.	Camlachie	John M. Goodwillie	80	104	9	13	5	50	3	3	700	00	884	07			7	42	80	00	25	96	24	00	48	77	306	21	1500	91
25.	Kinross and Dunwich	D. McEachern	80	112	8	6	7	70	3	3	600	00	980	00	8	33	14	00	7	00	7	00	13	00	10	70	10	00	1033	03
26.	St. Andrew's, London	Hector Currie, B.A.	108	182	17	19	10	85	2	2	800	00	944	00	14	70	14	10	10	69	10	69	12	00	27	57	10	00	1023	06
27.	Knock Church, Theford, and Leasford	Alex. Urquhart	50	28	4	2	3	25	2	2	336	00	353	29	4	00	18	00	10	00	10	00	8	00	5	25	10	00	401	29
28.	Duff's Church	Alex. Urquhart	62	68	5	18	3	25	2	2	370	00	610	00	5	00	13	00	7	00	7	00	7	00	10	00	4	00	636	00

* Dr. Proudfoot's Financial Statement is for Nine months.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—THE CONGREGATIONS' REPORTS DO NOT COVER THE SAME PERIOD.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.													
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.	
1. Wellesley	James Boyd	2	58	99	2	12	5	40	190	600 00	684 00	7 00	13 00	7 00	13 00	7 00	1 00	5 40	8 00	40 00	45 00	711 40
2. Harrington	Deziel Gordon	4	100	125	6	12	12	40	177	1700 00	1118 87	16 00	23 00	16 00	23 00	27 00	4 00	2 00	20 00	40 00	35 00	1520 87
3. Bidulph	D. Mann	4	30	148	26	12	13	30	160	700 00	1045 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	12 00	10 00	4 00	7 55	20 00	63 28	45 00	1371 83
4. Fullarton and Avonbank	R. Hamilton	2	120	250	16	13	13	40	110	750 00	984 00	51 00	107 00	41 00	107 00	41 00	14 50	15 00	35 00	115 00	47 10	1409 60
5. Missouri N. & S.	R. Hall	2	130	285	11	7	7	061	148	400 00	758 00	17 50	29 50	11 00	29 50	37 00	18 00	7 00	17 50	35 00	30 00	1308 50
6. Avonton and Carlingford	John K. Hislop	2	118	257	10	13	5	80	98	700 00	929 00	41 00	64 83	41 00	64 83	37 00	10 30	41 15	17 25	30 00	16 75	1201 23
7. North Easthope	Archibald Stewart	2	115	263	18	6	4	30	100	500 00	924 00	25 20	40 95	20 00	40 95	23 05	12 00	9 00	18 00	30 00	30 00	1076 95
8. Alma Centre, &c	R. Kenwick	1	130	312	2	2	12	11	363	1200 00	1377 52	20 00	43 00	20 00	43 00	24 00	12 00	25 00	15 00	30 00	30 00	1732 52
9. St Mary's	John McAlpine	1	130	270	36	25	11	100	363	1200 00	1744 71	111 00	146 65	101 00	146 65	52 00	13 36	43 51	20 00	345 75	4	3042 30
10. Mitchell	Jas. W. Mitchell, M.A.	1	140	314	6	10	4	70	136	825 00	1082 00	5 25	18 92	19 55	18 92	19 55	6 00	5 00	8 00	30 00	30 00	1189 02
11. Milbank	J. Edgar Croly, M.A.	1	140	314	9	10	3	340	340	825 00	1082 00	5 25	18 92	19 55	18 92	19 55	6 00	5 00	8 00	30 00	30 00	1189 02
12. Listowel	Peter Scott	1	140	314	9	10	3	340	340	825 00	1082 00	5 25	18 92	19 55	18 92	19 55	6 00	5 00	8 00	30 00	30 00	1189 02
13. Knox Church, Stratford	E. W. Waits	1	140	314	9	10	3	340	340	825 00	1082 00	5 25	18 92	19 55	18 92	19 55	6 00	5 00	8 00	30 00	30 00	1189 02
14. Hibbert	John J. Cameron, M.A.	2	113	190	17	20	6	46	140	1700 00	3162 00	182 00	80 00	385 00	80 00	92 00	25 00	15 50	50 00	100 00	40 00	3783 50
15. St. Andrew's, Stratford	E. W. Waits	1	100	197	98	24	6	70	112	1000 00	1095 13	35 00	70 35	40 00	70 35	40 00	18 00	34 00	15 00	30 00	19 35	1881 85
16. St. Andrew's, N. Easthope	John J. Cameron, M.A.	2	80	120	20	4	3	30	132	1900 00	3753 00	20 00	52 00	10 00	52 00	10 00	35 00	20 00	200 00	200 00	10 00	4942 32
17. Shakespeare & Hampstead	R. Watf.	2	80	112	17	17	4	35	127	1900 00	712 25	2 00	5 00	6 00	5 00	6 00	5 00	7 52	5 00	2 75	6 56	745 79
18. Moleworth & Trowbridge	Thos. T. Johnston	2	100	108	17	17	4	2	75	1900 00	618 12	3 25	13 65	40 00	27 00	10 00	6 00	12 51	11 00	1 56	6 56	697 95
19. Milverton & N. Mornington	Vacant.	2	130	245	18	11	12	11	11	1900 00	1436 78	10 00	15 00	10 00	15 00	16 00	15 00	18 67	30 00	1 56	1 56	357 96
20. Burns' Ch., East Zorra	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	151 45
	18 Min., 2 Vac., 0 M. S.	34	2037	5213	315	224	124	751	2683	11641 00	100 84	35510 83	705 65	800 50	598 67	238 70	380 75	383 19	1312 11	154 70	30164 47	

* \$16.75 not added in making sum total, because added in preceding column (No. 5); other Sabbath School Contributions marked are added to make sums total.

† and Manse and Glebe.

‡ And Manse.

§ Recently settled.

|| Not Reported.

¶ Contribution made and reported along with other schemes.

** This sum is not a correct statement of amount contributed, as St. Mary's is not reported in this column.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1878.

1. St. Paul's Church, Walkerton.....	1	57	75	24	13	3	30	85	600 00	1883 00	13 00	8 00	5 00	12 00	6 00	5 00	30 00	1962 00	
2. Pine River.....	1	40	76	6	6	4	4	2	600 00	548 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	28 00	591 00	
3. North Bruce.....	1	64	103	5	11	5	40	2	640 00	886 48	21 27	43 35	25 29	7 29	10 10	20 23	38 33	1084 37	
4. Saugsean.....	2	163	210	10	17	5	70	30	900 00	1100 00	12 00	40 00	15 00	10 00	6 00	7 00	56 00	1246 90	
5. Lucknow & W. Arran.....	2	150	133	13	13	9	60	40	800 00	1383 32	24 45	54 40	23 00	21 02	20 04	22 57	41 60	1515 00	
6. Tiverton & South Kinloss.....	1	115	223	13	16	8	70	25	800 00	1300 00	15 00	30 00	14 00	10 00	0 00	12 00	1 80	1335 80	
7. Zion Church, Teeswater.....	1	98	130	14	12	6	109	1	700 00	3885 19	26 00	21 00	41 00	7 00	8 00	12 00	21 38	4684 37	
8. Chalmers' Church, Kincardine.....	1	70	75	5	8	4	50	200	600 00	689 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	3 00	5 00	8 00		729 00	
9. Westminster Church, Teeswater.....	1	75	165		16	5	35		700 00	600 00	17 66	15 00	30 00	14 90	8 12	33 40	24 85	41 50	
10. Knox's Church, Paisley.....	1	165	330	50	40	7	120	130	1000 00	1800 00	40 19	41 35	46 05	11 40	30 20	24 80	29 00	2625 90	
11. Union Church, Huron.....	1	140	107	19	29	7	100		700 00	889 25	10 00	10 00	10 00	8 65	6 75	11 30	15 25	341 20	
12. St. Andrew's Church, Kincardine.....	1	96	82	14	19	5	20	70	600 00	600 00		7 00		10 00	8 00	10 00		635 00	
13. Kinloss and Dervie.....	3	60	62		23	4	50	35	600 00	435 00	13 65	11 00	5 00	3 00	2 35	4 00	15 00	479 00	
14. Underwood.....	1	85	58	20	46	3	46	3	350 00	607 80	3 00	4 00	4 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	9 17	697 06	
15. Centre Bruce.....	1	60	80	18	31	3	40	1	350 00	439 52	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 30	2 80		473 42	
16. Chesley.....	1	85	101	12	17	3	70		700 00	872 72	9 00	6 00	6 17	5 60	11 34	7 75	10 43	946 01	
17. Langside.....	1	83	42	9	13	2	100	1	500 00	29 60	11 91	26 06	4 00	3 00	3 00	3 00		648 31	
18. St. Andrew's Church, Lucknow and Fort William.....	1	83	121	5	10	5	50	75	550 00	648 98	10 00	17 00	7 00	5 00	8 00	14 00	10 00	719 98	
19. Prince Arthur's Landing and Fort William.....	2	50	50	2	18	3	15	40	600 00	727 00		6 00	4 00			2 75	10 00	751 75	
20. Fort Elgin.....	1	80	142	5	18	4	75	1	650 00	1398 50	15 00	41 43	20 00	11 52	11 64	20 00		1530 54	
21. Turra.....	1	21	50	2	5	2	2	1	250 00	250 75	4 25	11 53	6 00	3 00	6 85	5 25	10 00	287 63	
22. Knox's Church, Ripley.....	1	120	166	23	20	9	1	30	800 00	3700 00	11 00	30 00	11 00	3 00	6 48	11 00	20 00	3792 48	
23. Saint See, Marie.....	1	106	71	37	33	5	300	2	700 00	1989 43	16 00	19 00	10 00	6 00	9 50	8 00	8 00	2036 93	
24. Manitoulin Island.....																			
25. Knox's Church, Kincardine.....	1	140	134	30		9	40	1	1000 00	2416 73		12 00	30 71			19 48		2478 92	
MISSION STATIONS.																			
Riversdale.....	1	25	32	2	6	3	25	2		145 67				3 08	12 95	4 30		166 60	
Pinkerton.....	1	43	120	11	5	4	20	1		366 69	11 00					8 01		377 69	
Enniskillen.....	1	28	21	4	3	2	30			179 10	8 00	5 50						206 10	
Salem Church, Elderslie.....																			
Total.....	32	2254	2965	348	443	129	1520		15650 00	596 60	3034 06	308 41	481 74	384 72	165 38	291 30	354 11	85 55	32546 82

Decrease.

† Not Reported.
 ‡ Contribution made and reported along with other schemes.
 * This sum is not a correct statement of amount contributed, as St. Mary's is not reported in this column.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH MARCH, 1878.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.										Total Contributions for all purposes.	
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Aged and Indigent Ministers and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.		Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.
1. Knox Church, Goderich.	Robert Ure, D.D.	4	250	484	23	69	18	200	1040	2100	4025	98	33	82	8	10	62	85	53	4801
Smith's Hill.	Jas. Stevingat, B.A.	1	88	204	6	21	6	20	15	600	613	12	23	8	4	13	95	4	708	
2. Brucefield.	John Ross	1	41	122	6	7	4	24	5	500	535	6	26	23	14	6	20	0	637	
3. Knox Church, Brussels.	Samuel Jones	1	73	194	23	15	3	25	5	500	823	16	33	43	10	16	71	48	1688	
4. McKillop and Tuckersmith.	Matthew Barr	1	43	95	7	9	4	4	6	250	284	5	18	8	37	5	35	49	1038	
5. Wroxeter and Forwick.	George Brown	1	120	70	3	3	3	60	6	700	664	15	0	19	0	4	20	0	332	
6. Ashfield.	Alex. Grant	1	43	52	7	3	3	14	6	700	664	15	0	19	0	4	20	0	734	
7. Bayfield and Bethany.	Nathaniel Patterson	2	75	147	16	18	4	100	6	600	766	10	0	25	0	8	32	16	807	
8. Kippen.	Hugh Cameron	1	70	130	10	16	6	110	6	750	2775	5	30	9	85	5	35	0	2316	
9. Rodgersville and Exeter.	A. Y. Hartley	1	74	139	9	8	6	33	1192	400	476	18	0	8	0	10	90	7	562	
10. Melville Church, Brussels.	John Ferguson	1	45	85	7	7	5	60	134	300	359	25	0	15	0	10	75	0	452	
11. St Helen's and White Church.	Robert Leask	1	150	288	38	6	5	255	6	800	2596	41	24	33	44	8	0	85	2706	
12. Wingham.	Hector McQuarrie	1	80	146	3	3	5	5	255	700	593	9	0	13	0	20	35	0	2065	
13. Belgrave, Knox Church.	W. T. Wilkins, B.A.	1	65	125	5	6	3	40	6	500	1100	9	0	12	0	23	10	0	1187	
14. Hullett and Londesborough.	J. S. Lochead, M.A.	1	110	192	2	2	5	30	16	300	150	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	173	
15. St. Andrew's Ch., Blyth.	Archibald McLean	1	70	132	12	12	4	4	0	800	620	10	0	14	0	22	0	0	3772	
16. Manchester and Smith's Hill.	James Pritchard	1	93	157	8	10	6	30	1100	800	769	44	14	19	25	10	55	9	863	
17. Duff's Church, McKillop and Wintthrop.	Peter Musgrave	2	72	155	10	6	6	75	0	400	430	7	0	14	0	2	45	18	505	
18. Bayfield Road and Berne.	Mark Danby	1	100	141	22	15	4	40	1	250	335	6	0	4	0	6	0	0	419	
19. Walton.	Alex. McNaughton	1	62	76	5	13	7	1120	0	600	500	8	0	10	0	7	0	0	522	
20. Dungannon and P. Albert.	R. W. Leitch	2	54	123	33	7	4	80	9	700	685	7	0	7	0	4	0	0	734	
21. Brucefield, Union Church.	Thos. G. Thomson	1	40	85	5	14	4	30	5	700	2860	64	45	0	0	7	25	43	3255	
22. Cranbrook and Ethel.	D. B. McRae	1	16	39	9	3	2	25	4	300	545	10	0	8	0	3	0	0	590	

§ Not for Missions, but for Sabbath School Library, &c.
 || Including Contributions for College Building.
 † No Report received.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON—Continued.

23. Grand Bend	1	35	60	12	5	4	*60	600 00	900 00	2 87 †	32 51	29 67	2 11	4 50	209 48
24. Willis Church, Clinton	1	135	221	30	21	5	*100	1000 00	1787 90	70 00	33 75	35 78	193 16	486 27	2340 67
25. Seaforth	1	142	352	38	21	5	20	225 00	291 00	102 00	60 00	486 27	160 57	19 06	2873 27
26. Thomas Road and	1	77	166	9	10	3	50	100 00	324 60	40 00	5 65	10 50	72 00	8 00	912 31
26. Kirkton	1	52	104	5	3	3	89	303 60	321 00	9 88	8 32	12 45	8 00	454 63	
27. Bluevale and	1	90	180	12	20	4	70	600 00	675 00	0 88	10 00	12 00	19 00	775 03	
27. Badies	1	35	80	11	4	7	8	200 00	178 00	10 32	19 00	32 00	8 00	602 17	
28. Egmondville	1	70	143	3	10	3	15	200 00	544 86	25 00	15 00	11 00	8 00	629 36	
MISSION STATIONS.															
1. East Ashfield	1	22	24	0	2	3	4	202 00	110 00	8 00		2 50	5 00	125 50	
2. Goderich (Gaelic)	1	50	25	5	3	20	*90	400 00	250 00					250 00	
Total	46	2537	4759	381	360	160	1131	2591 1924 60	398 00 33408 88	681 59	539 44	389 92	1021 75	326 66 38582 94	

* Number in Religious Classes.

† Return for nine months only.

‡ Recently settled.

PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.

1. Kildonan	1	60	125	5	12	7	21	157	1000 00	245 36	1182 45	11 55	23 00	12 00	5 75	1200 75
2. Emerson	1	15	23	6	3	10	25	900 00	200 00			5 00			905 00	
3. Upper Pembina Mount.	3	1	10	3	3	9	12									
3. Lower Pembina Mount.	3	45	20													
4. Selkirk	1	45	45	5	22	3	40	40	900 00	500 00	3 00	8 00			523 50	
4. Little Britain	1	1														
5. Knox Church, Winnipeg	1	185	235	52	36	8	35	250	2000 00	2529 35	100 00	7 00	20 00	25 00	3291 35	
6. Manitoba College	2	13	14													
7. Woodlands	1	6														
8. Poplar Point	1	23				1	15	900 00	25 00						25 00	
9. High Bluff	1	18							2 50 †						2 50	
10. Portage la Prairie	1	22	57	10	23	5	12	900 00	475 00						475 00	
11. Burnside	1	20														
11. Boy's	2	22	2													
11. Tobacco Creek	1	15	6	6	6	16	36	900 00								
12. Rockwood	1	18	7				16	900 00								
12. Grassmere	1	16	20					900 00								
12. Greenwood	1	20	22													
12. Dundas	1	7	2	2	2	20	30	800 00 †								
13. Okanase	1	25	12	2	17										320 00	
14. Fort Pelly	1	15	28	16	2	15	25		320 00	17 00					17 00	
14. Palestine	1	15	28	16	2	15	20		35 00	35 00					35 00	
14. Woodside	1	1	4	2	6			900 00	20 00						20 00	
Golden Stream	1	5	6	2	8				18 00						18 00	
Totoogan	1	1	5													
Squirrel Creek	1	3														

* Recently settled.

† Indian Mission.

PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA—Continued.

NAME OF CONGREGATION.	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCE.												
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Baptisms.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stipend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent objects.	Subsidiary School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for all purposes.
15. Prince Albert School	D. C. Johnson	1	20	9	3	8	20	25	600 00												
16. Sioux Reserve Mission	Solomon Tunkasitaye	1	20	*																	
17. Sturgeon Lake Mission	John McKay	1	20						800 00												
18. South Br. Sask. Mission	Alex. Smith	1	18						900 00												
18. Little Saskatchewan	A. McLeod, Catechist																				
19. Morris	James Douglas	1							900 00												
19. Union Point		1																			
20. Tp. 4 Range, 3 E.	Peter Straith, B.A.	1							700 00												
21. Battleford		1							900 00												
21. Section 15, C. P. R.	A. H. Cameron	3																			
VACANCIES.																					
22. Springfield	James Duncan, student, supplies for summer	1	30					40			400 00										400 00
Sunnyside		1	22					25													
Plympton		1	6																		
23. Milbrook	James Duncan, supplies for summer	1	10																		
Caledonia		1	9																		
Point des Chenes	James Duncan, supplies for summer	1	4					15			125 00										125 00
Clear Springs	S. Polson, student, supplies for summer	1	16																		
24. Headingly		1	25																		
Riviere Sale		1																			
25. Prince Albert	D. C. Johnson, supplies	3	33																		
North Mission Church		1																			
McBeth Settlement		1																			
26. Beautiful Plains	J. Willert, student, Knox College, supplies	1	2																		
Big Plain		2																			
Total	19 M., 2 P., 1 Cat., 5 Vac.	64	891	653	101	132	25	182	755	14000 00	245 36	5799 30	114 55	165 50	62 00	12 75	33 00	41 00	400 00		6658 40

* Recently established.

† Recently occupied.

‡ Recently appointed.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL RETURNS DELAYED.

STATISTICS.

FINANCES.

NAME OF CONGREGATION	NAME OF PASTOR.	STATISTICS.							FINANCES.										
		No. of Churches and Stations.	No. of Families.	No. of Communicants.	Net Increase during the year.	No. of Elders.	No. attending Weekly Prayer Meetings.	No. of Religious Classes.	Stepend promised from all sources.	Arrears due by Congregation at date.	Total Contributions for strictly Congregational purposes.	Contributions to College Fund (ordinary).	Contributions to Home Mission Fund.	Foreign Mission Fund.	Aged and Infirm Ministers' and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery Funds.	French Evangelization.	Other Religious and Benevolent Objects.	Sabbath School Contributions for Missions.	Total Contributions for All Purposes.
Bay of Islands	D. Creelman	3	38	34	18	12	2	50	200	800 00	139 00	841 03	5 00	14 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	38 15	905 18
New Kincardine	P. Melville, A.M.	6	140	230	20	25	8	30	30	600 00	200 00	1724 25	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	76 82	1809 10	
Prince William	William Ross	6	75	82	20	22	8	30	450 00	650 00	200 00	450 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	11 00	30 00	501 00	
Kirkhill	William Ross	150	206	30	23	12	120	1130 00	700 00	700 00	1130 00	109 00	25 00	9 00	10 00	230 00	1500 00		
St. Andrews' Ch., Williams-town.	Alex Macgillivray	100	135	76	9	7	100	90	700 00	700 00	850 00	9 00	60 00	17 00	9 00	50 00	50 00	905 00	
Proton.	John Morrison	4	65	127	9	13	4	4	488 00	488 00	579 00	6 00	12 63	4 00	13 00	6 00	6 00	636 63	
St. Paul's Church, Simcoe.		13	628	920	173	110	44	300	290	4482 03	339 00	6327 89	117 63	41 00	37 00	53 00	281 00	135 00	7121 52
The following have also been received before going to Press—																			
St. Matthew's, Halifax.	Robert Laing	1	190	333	38	10	100	3	267 00			321 95	588 80	155 55	100 00	72 50	4648 22	325 00	12127 87
Beachburgh, etc.—P. of Ottawa	W. W. Christie	2	71	140	10	8	4	193	600 00	31 00	50 11	0 75	28 36	14 50	16 30	16 30			138 82

ROLLS OF SYNODS AND PRESBYTERIES.

SYNOD OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

1. PRESBYTERY OF SYDNEY.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. H. McLeod, M.A., D.D.	Nov., 1833	A. McOdrom	Mira	Sydney, C.B.
2. Matthew Wilson, M.A.	June, 1842	W. Gammell	Sydney Mines	Sydney Mines, C.B.
3. Abraham McIntosh	Aug., 1856	Donald McDonald	St. Anns	St. Anns, C.B.
4. Donald Sutherland	June, 1860	Philip McDonald	Gabarus	Gabarus, C.B.
5. Allan McLean	.....	W. A. McKeen	Glace Bay Mines	Glace Bay, C.B.
6. A. Farquharson	Dec., 1864	D. McLennan	St. Andrew's, Sydney	Sydney, C.B.
7. D. McDougall	Nov., 1865	T. P. Jones	Cow Bay Mines	Cow Bay, C.B.
8. D. Drummond	June, 1872	Donald Campbell	Boularderie	Boularderie, C.B.
9. John Murray	Jan., 1873	F. Falconer	Falmouth Street Church	Sydney, C.B.
10. Peter Clark	Nov., 1873	.....	Cape North	Cape North, C.B.
11. Gavin Sinclair	April, 1877	Rod'k Bethune	Loch Lomond, etc	Loch Lomond, (C.B.)
VACANCIES.	.....	Donald McKay	Grand River, etc	Grand River, C.B.
.....	.....	Donald Lynk	Leitch's Creek, etc	Leitch's Creek, (C.B.)

A. FARQUHARSON, Pres. Clerk.

2. PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA AND RICHMOND.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. M. Stewart, M.A.	Oct. 29, 1843	Angus McDonald	Whyccomah	Whyccomah.
2. Wm. G. Forbes	..... 1852	.....	Port Hastings & River Dennis	Port Hastings.
3. K. McKenzie	Dec. 2, 1857	David McCurdy	Baddeck and Forks Baddeck	Baddeck.
4. Alex. Grant	Dec. 6, 1871	.....	Lake Ainslie & Station N. Margaree	Lake Ainslie.
5. A. F. Thomson	Sep. 8, 1874	Walter McDonald	Mabou and Station of Pt. Hood	Mabou.
6. Alex. McRae	June 7, 1877	.....	Mid. River and Lake Narrows	Middle River.
7. John McLean	July 4, 1877	Allan McQuarrie	Broad Cove	Broad Cove.
VACANCIES.	.....	.....	West Bay & Station St. Peter's	.....
.....	.....	.....	Malagawatch and N. Mount	.....
.....	.....	.....	River Inhabitants	.....
.....	.....	.....	Station N. E. Margaree	.....

K. MCKENZIE, Pres. Clerk.

3. PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. John Stewart	..... 1838	.....	United Church	Pictou.
2. George Walker	..... 1844	Geo. Murray, M.D.	French River	New Glasgow.
3. A. F. Miller	May 7, 1844	John Fraser	Blue Mtain & Barney's River	Merigomish.
4. D. B. Blair	Oct. 26, 1846	Peter Ross	Hopewell	Barney's River.
5. Alex. McLenn, M.A.	Dec. 14, 1852	Peter Ross	Little Harbor & Fisher's Grant	Hopewell.
6. William Maxwell	July 13, 1854	.....	Central Church	Little Harbor.
7. James Thompson	July 22, 1854	William McDonald	Westville and Middle River	Durham.
8. John Lees	July 10, 1855	Francis Keir	Scotsburn and Saltsprings	Westville.
9. Alex. Stirling	.....	Duncan McKay	West River Congregation	Scotstown.
10. George Roddick	May 11, 1858	David McLean	Knox Church, Pictou	Durham.
11. Alex. Ross, M.A.	Sep. 19, 1860	Alex. McKay	Antigonish and Cape George	Pictou.
12. Peter Goodfellow	Jan. 29, 1862	Chas. Harrington	Stellarton	Antigonish.
13. Thomas Cun. Ling	Aug., 1863	Thos. McPherson	James' Church	Stellarton.
14. E. A. McCurdy	June 20, 1866	Harvey Graham	Green Hill	New Glasgow.
15. William Stewart	May 17, 1865	Thos. Kennedy	East River	Greenhill.
16. A. McLean Sinclair	July 25, 1866	Duncan McDonald	Union Centre and Lochaber	Springville.
17. J. F. Forbes	Feb. 27, 1867	William Forbes	Glenelg, Caledonia & E. Riv., St. Mary's	Union Centre. Antigonish.
18. Robert Cumming	Mar. 16, 1869	John Fisher	Sherbrooke	Melrose.
19. James Quin	.....	Chas. S. McIntosh	Merigomish	Sherbrooke.
20. H. McD. Scott, B.D.	June 23, 1874	William Dunn	Vale C. and Sutherland's River	Merigomish.
21. W. T. Bruce, M.D.	Sep. 26, 1876	John Forbes	Prince Street Church, Pictou.	Sutherland's Riv.
VACANCY.	.....	John Grant	.....	.....

THOMAS CUMMING, Pres. Clerk.

4. PRESBYTERY OF WALLACE.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. James Watson, Sen.	Oct. 15, 1830	R. L. Byers	New Annan	New Annan.
2. W. S. Darragh	Nov. 12, 1850	T. Mitchell	Goose River	Goose River.
3. James Murray	Nov. 3, 1852	D. McKenzie	Wallace	Wallace.
4. H. B. Mackay	June 22, 1855	J. Lauder	River John	River John.
5. Thos. Sedgwick	Sep. 19, 1860	W. Fraser	Tatamagouche	Tatamagouche.
6. J. M. Sutherland	Dec. 5, 1872	J. Fraser	Pugwash	Pugwash.
7. Thos. Tallach	..... 1857	W. D. Main	Amherst	Amherst.
8. C. G. Glass	.....	R. Drummond	Spring Hill	Spring Hill.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	A. Rodpath	New Annan	New Annan.
.....	.....	Alex. McLean	Wallace	Wallace.
.....	.....	H. D. Chisholm	Barltown	Barltown.
.....	.....	Jas. Amos	Wentworth	Wentworth.
.....	.....	.....	Shemogue, N.B.	Shemogue, N.B.

THOS. SEDGWICK, *Pres. Clerk.*

5. PRESBYTERY OF TRURO.

1. John J. Baxter	May, 1832	.....	Retired	Truro.
2. Wm. McCulloch, D.D.	Feb. 14, 1839	George Ross	Truro, First Presbyterian Ch.	Truro.
3. James Byers	May, 1845	Silus Black	Clifton	Clifton.
4. James McLean	Nov. 13, 1854	David Vance	Great Village	Great Village.
5. Alex. Cameron	Sep. 16, 1857	George Fulton	Riverside	Portaupique.
6. Andrew Burrowes, B.A.	June 29, 1864	Isaac Dunlap	Truro West	Truro.
7. John McMillan, B.D.	Mar. 26, 1866	John S. Crowe	St. Paul's, Truro	Truro.
8. James Sinclair	Sep. 19, 1867	Cook Smith	Upper Londonderry	Folly Village.
9. Jos. H. Chase, M.A.	May 5, 1869	John D. Baird	Onslow	Onslow.
10. Edward Grant	Oct. 25, 1869	Andrew Logan	Stewiacke	Stewiacke.
11. Edwin Smith, B.A.	Oct. 30, 1871	Flem. S. Creelman	Middle Stewiacke	Mid. Stewiacke.
12. John A. Logan	Aug. 7, 1877	Ebenezer Beattie	Acadia	Acadia Iron [Mines.]
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	Wm. Adams	Parrsboro'	Southampton.
.....	.....	John Hill	Economy	Economy.
.....	.....	Samuel Archibald	Coldstream	Valley.
.....	.....	William Logan	Springside	Upper Stewiacke
.....	.....	William Patrick	Maccan	Maccan.
MISSION STATION.				
.....	.....	.....	North River	.....

JOHN McMILLAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

6. PRESBYTERY OF HALIFAX.

1. Robert Sedgwick, D.D.	Sept., 1836	.....	Musquodoboit	Musquodoboit.
2. P. C. McGregor, D.D.	Oct., 1841	.....	Halifax	Halifax.
3. Walter Thorburn	.....	.....	Warwick, Bermuda	Warwick, Ber- muda.
4. R. F. Burns, D.D.	July 18, 1847	David Blackwood	Port Masscy, Halifax	Halifax.
5. Prof. Pollock, D.D.	Dec. 15, 1852	.....	Halifax	Halifax.
6. A. L. Wylie	..... 1852	Isaac Croighton	Richmond and N. W. Arm	Richmond.
7. Thomas Duncan	Oct., 1856	John Taylor	St. Andrew's, Halifax	Halifax.
8. Alex. Stewart	Oct. 30, 1856	.....	Lawrencetown, etc.	Porter's Lake.
9. Prof. McKnight, D.D.	Feb. 26, 1857	.....	.....	Halifax.
10. Prof. Currie	Aug. 12, 1857	.....	.....	Halifax.
11. D. McKinnon	.....	Donald Archibald	Little River	Little River.
12. M. G. Henry	Feb., 1865	.....	Shubenacadie and Stewiacke	Shubenacadie.
13. J. A. F. Sutherland	May 4, 1864	John Burgess	St. Croix	St. Croix.
14. Chas. B. Pitblado	Feb. 15, 1865	Robert Murray	Chalmers' Church, Halifax	Halifax.
15. Peter M. Morrison	Sep., 1865	James Austin	Dartmouth	Dartmouth.
16. Andrew J. Mowat	June 5, 1866	W. H. Blanchard	Windsor	Windsor.
17. Allan Simpson	Aug. 7, 1866	Donald Fraser	Poplar Grove, Halifax	Halifax.
18. John Forrest	Dec. 13, 1866	James Forrest	St. Jo'n's, Halifax	Halifax.
19. Samuel Bernard	..... 1867	William O'Brien	Noel	Noel.
20. F. G. McNab	May 19, 1867	John Sprott	Newport	Newport.
21. John B. Logan	Oct. 1, 1867	Judge Blanchard	Kentville	Kentville.
22. A. B. Dickie	Dec. 22, 1869	James Moser	Sheet Harbor	Sheet Harbor.
23. L. G. MacNeill	Nov. 11, 1872	James MacLean	Maitland	Maitland.
24. Robert Laing	June 18, 1873	J. J. Bremner	St. Matthew's, Halifax	Halifax.
25. James Rosborough	July 23, 1873	James Gardener	Musquodoboit Harbor	Musquodoboit H.
26. David Neish	Dec. 2, 1873	H. B. Webster	North Cornwallis	Canard.
27. Isaac Simpson	..... 1873	John Reynolds	Upper Musquodoboit	U. Musquodoboit
28. Ephraim Scott	Sep. 26, 1875	John Cook	Gay's River and Milford	Milford.
29. Adam Gunn	Feb. 8, 1876	Whittier	Gore and Kennetcook	Kennetcook.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	.....	Amapolis and Bridgetown	.....
.....	.....	Edmund Calkin	West Cornwallis	.....
.....	.....	James Maxwell	Kempt and Walton	.....
.....	.....	.....	Elmsdale and Nine Mile River	Elmsdale.

JOHN FORREST, *Pres. Clerk.*

7. PRESBYTERY OF LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. William Duff.....	1842	Jas. Eisenhaur,	Lunenburg.....	Lunenburg.
2. John Wallace.....	1875	M.P.P.		
3. Donald McMillan.....	1861	Thomas Cook	La Have.....	La Have.
4. Wm. Robertson.....	1865	J. S. Calder, M.D.	Bridgewater.....	Bridgewater.
5. J. C. Meek.....	1872	Amos E. Hilton	Carleton and Chebogue.....	Carleton, Yar.
6. E. D. Millar.....	1873	John Brown	Shelburne and Lockport.....	Shelburne.
7. Thos. Murray.....	1876		Riversdale.....	Riversdale.
8. Donald McGregor.....	1877		New Dublin.....	New Dublin.
9. D. S. Fraser.....	1877	Alex. Kedy.....	Mahone Bay.....	Mahone Bay.
VACANCIES.				
		John Douglas	St. John's, Yarmouth.....	Yarmouth.
			Clyde and Barrington.....	Clyde River.

JOHN WALLACE, *Pres. Clerk.*

8. PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

1. J. M. Brooke, D.D.	1839	D. Blair	St. Paul's	Fredericton.
2. A. Donald	1842		Retired.....	Campbell Set.
3. J. Bennett, D.D.	1843	Walter Brown	St. John's	St. John.
4. L. Jack	1847		Springfield, etc.....	Springfield.
5. W. Millen	1840		Bocbec, etc	Bay Side, St. And.
6. D. MacIise, D.D.	1848	A. G. Bowers	Calvin	St. John.
7. J. McG. McKay.....	1855		St. Paul's.....	Woodstock, N. B.
8. D. MacRae	1856	J. Hegau	St. Stephen	St. John.
9. S. Johnson	1856		Chipman	Chipman, Q. Co.
10. J. Gray	1857	J. McDiarmid	Sussex	Sussex.
11. D. Waters, M.A., LL.D.	1861	R. Cruikshank	St. David's	St. John.
12. W. Richardson	1863	D. Mowat	Greenock	St. Andrew's.
13. J. D. Murray	1865	J. Friar	Buctouche, etc.....	Buctouche.
14. J. Hogg	1868	A. Condon	St. John	Moncton.
15. W. Mitchell, B.A.	1869	Matthew Lindsay	St. Andrew's	St. John.
16. J. C. Burgess, B.A.	1870	J. McIntosh	Carleton	Carleton, St. John
17. P. Melville, M.A., B.D.	1870	David Lowe	Kincairdine.....	Kincairdine.
18. W. P. Begg, M.A.	1872	Judge Stevens	St. Stephen	St. Stephen.
19. K. McKay, B.A.	1872	Wm. Guy	Richmond	Richmond.
20. M. R. Paradis.....	1875		Grand Falls	Grand Falls.
21. W. Ross, B.A.	1876	W. Nichol.....	Prince William, etc	Prince William.
VACANCIES.				
			St. Paul's, Fredericton.....	
			St. James	
			St. George.....	
			Londond'ry & Campbell Set.	
			Harvey.....	
			Stanley and Nashwaak	
			Glassville and Florenceville...	
			Baillie and Lower Hill.....	

J. C. BURGESS, *Pres. Clerk.*

9. PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI.

1. Angus McMaster	Apr. 13, 1842		Without Charge	Annan, Scotland.
2. Thomas G. Johnstone.....	July 21, 1855	W. H. Grindley	Blackville	Blackville, N.B.
3. Wm. Murray, M.A.	Mar. 13, 1856		New Carlisle, etc.	New Carlisle, P.Q.
4. Thomas Nicholson.....	Nov., 1859	John McMillan.....	River Charlo	Riv. Charlo, N.B.
5. William McCullagh	Oct. 20, 1863	Joseph White	Redbank	Red Bank, N.B.
6. James Anderson	June, 1865	John R. Nicholson	Newcastle.....	Newcastle, N.B.
7. John Robertson, M.A.	July, 1865	H. Cameron	Black River	Black River, N.B.
8. W. M. Wilson, M.A.	Nov. 16, 1865	W. G. Creighton.....	Chatham.....	Chatham, N.B.
9. W. Fogo.....	July, 1868	A. Loggie	Tabusintac	Tabusintac, N.B.
10. S. Houston, M.A.	Jan. 19, 1869	G. Duncan, M.D.	Bathurst	Bathurst, N.B.
11. J. A. F. McBain	Mar. 18, 1869	Dr. Thomson	Chatham.....	Chatham, N.B.
12. A. Russell	Feb. 22, 1876	Hon. W. Hamilton	Dalhousie.....	Dalhousie, N.B.
13. J. C. Herdman, B.J.	Nov. 6, 1877	Rob. Busterd.....	Campbellton.....	Camp'b't'n, N.B.
VACANCIES.				
		J. Glendinning.....	Richibucto	Richibucto, N.B.
		T. Stevenson	Bass River	Bass River, N.B.
		Finlay Cook	New Richmond	Maria, P.Q.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Kouchibouguac	Kouchibouguac, N.B.
			Metapedia	Metapedia, N.B.
			Escuminac	Escuminac, P.Q.
			New Bandon	New Bandon, N.B.

JAMES ANDERSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

10. PRESBYTERY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. R. S. Patterson, A.M.	1826	James Stavert	Bedeque	Bedeque.
2. Alex. Campbell	1846		Strathalbyn	Strathalbyn.
3. James Allan	1846	David Auld	Cove Head	Cove Head.
4. Isaac Murray, D.D.	1850	John McLeod	New London	Cavendish.
5. Alex. Munro	1850	Angus Bruce	Valleyfield	Valleyfield.
6. Ken. McLennan, A.M.	1852	John McPherson	Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
7. William Scott	1853	Isaac Thompson	St. Peter's Road	Brackley Pt. Rd.
8. Henry Crawford	1853	Roderick McLean	Richmond Bay	Port Hill.
9. John M. McLeod	1853	Wm. Mutch	Charlottetown	Charlottetown.
10. Neil McKay	1855	Wm. B. Ramsay	Summerside	Summerside.
11. John McKinnon	1858	Roderick Munro	Georgetown	Georgetown.
12. Robert Laird	1860	Archibald Ramsay	Princetown	Princetown.
13. William R. Frame	1862	J. R. McEwen	Mount Stewart	Mount Stewart.
14. John G. Cameron	1867	J. P. Mills	Bay Fortune and Souris	Souris.
15. William Grant	1869	Mal. McDonald	West River	West St. Peter's.
16. Samuel C. Gunn	1870	Lestock Anderson	St. Peter's Bay	East St. Peter's.
17. Charles Fraser	1871	Archibald Ramsay	West Cape	West Cape.
18. Arthur F. Carr, A.M.	1871	Alex. Matthews	Alberton	Alberton.
19. John Sutherland	1873	Donald Beaton	Woodville	Woodville.
20. Wm. P. Archibald, A.M.	1875	John Simpson	Cavendish	Crapaud.
21. E. S. Bayne	1876	David McLure	Murray Harbor	Murray Harbour.
VACANCIES				
1. Belfast		James Nicholson	Belfast	Belfast.
2. Tryon and Bonshaw		Colin Holm	Tryon and Bonshaw	
3. Dundas			Dundas	

J. M. McLEOD, *Pres. Clerk.*

11. PRESBYTERY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

1. Moses Harvey		Jas. Goodfellow	St. John's	St. John's.
2. Alex. Ross			Harbor Grace	Harbor Grace.
3. J. D. Patterson		W. D. Morrison	St. John's	St. John's.
4. D. F. Creelman			Bay of Islands	Bay of Islands.
5. Cruikshank			Bett's Cove	Bett's Cove.

ALEX. ROSS, *Pres. Clerk.*

SYNOD OF MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.

1. PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. John Cook, D.D.	Dec. 25, 1835	John C. Thomson	St. Andrew's Church, Quebec	Quebec.
2. Wm. B. Clark	Sept., 1839		Without Charge	Quebec.
3. Peter Lindsay, B.A.	Oct. 12, 1853	John Tanner	Sherbrooke	Sherbrooke, Que.
4. James McConechy	March, 1854	William Melrose	Leeds	Kinnear's Mills, Q.
5. Duncan Anderson, A.M.	Dec. 26, 1854		Point Levi	Levis, Que.
6. James Hanran	July 4, 1861	James Ferguson	St. Sylvester	St. Sylvester, Q.
7. Malcolm McKenzie	Feb. 12, 1862	William McKelvie	Inverness	Inverness, Que.
8. William Mathieson	May 1, 1862	Jno. R. Macdonald	Winslow	Stornoway, Que.
9. John Macdonald	Feb. 26, 1864	Eneas McMaster	Scottstown	Scottstown, Que.
10. James McCaul, B.A.	Aug. 24, 1864	Alexander Baptist	Three Rivers	Three Rivers, Q.
11. Henry Edmison, A.M.	Oct. 18, 1866	Colin McIver	Melbourne	Melbourne, Que.
12. John Mackenzie	Feb. 13, 1877	Angus Morrison	Hampden	Stornoway, Que.
13. Moses F. Boudreau	Aug. 8, 1877	Arch. McCallum	Danville	Danville, Que.
14. Malcolm McLeod	July 12, 1877	Donald Morrison	Lingwick	Gould, Que.
15. Finlay M. Dewey	Aug. 9, 1877	William Stewart	Richmond and Windsor Mills	Richmond, Que.
VACANCY.				
		Philip Peebles	Chalmers' Church, Quebec	Quebec.
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.				
1. James Hume	Feb. 20, 1844		Kennebec Road	Kennebec R'd, Q.
2. Thomas Fenwick	Oct. 31, 1860		Metis	Metis, Que.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Lake Megantic	
			Lingwick	
			Valcartier	
			Coaticook	
			Massawippi	

MALCOLM MACKENZIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

2. PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	FLDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. James C. Muir, D.D.	Apr. 29, 1836		Georgetown	N. Georgetown, Q.
2. John Jenkins, D.D.	Aug. 6, 1837	Alex. McPherson.	St. Paul's, Montreal	Montreal.
3. John Irvine	Jan'y, 1846		Mille Isles	Mille Isles, Que.
4. John C. Baxter, D.D.	Feb. 7, 1849	David Macfarlane.	Stanley St. Church, Montreal	Montreal.
5. James Watson, A.M.	Aug. 29, 1849	And. Somerville ..	Second Pres. Ch., Huntingdon ..	Huntingdon, Q.
6. William Forlong	Aug. 11, 1853	Dr. Christie	Henry's Church, Lachute	Lachute, Que.
7. James Patterson	Sep. 14, 1857	Thomas Kyle	Hemmingford	Hemmingford, Q.
8. S. Somerville Stobbs ..	Dec. 22, 1857	William Ross	St. Matthew's, Montreal	Montreal.
9. John Mackie	May 18, 1859		First Church, Lachute	Lachute, Que.
10. D. H. Macvicar, LL.D.	Oct. 19, 1859		Presbyterian Coll., Montreal ..	Montreal.
11. Daniel Patterson, A.M.	Oct. 24, 1860	Jas. Middleton	St. Andrew's	St. Andrew's, Q.
12. Chas. M. McKerracher ..	Aug. 23, 1861		English River and Howick	Howick, Que.
13. Robt. Campbell, A.M.	Apr. 10, 1862	J. H. Michaud	St. Gabriel, Montreal	Montreal.
14. James B. Muir, A.M.	Apr. 3, 1863	James Learmont	St. Andrew's, Huntingdon	Huntingdon, Q.
15. Donald Ross, B.D.	Oct. 3, 1865	Wm. McNaughton ..	Lachine	Lachine, Que.
16. Robt. H. Warden	Nov. 15, 1866		French Evangelization	Montreal.
17. William A. Johnston	Sep. 25, 1867		Rockburn and Gore	Rockburn, Que.
18. John Campbell, A.M.	Nov. 3, 1868		Presbyterian Coll., Montreal ..	Montreal.
19. James Fleck, B.A.	Mar. 21, 1869	David Aikman	Knox Church, Montreal	Montreal.
20. John Nicholls	May 1, 1869	James Aitken	St. Mark's, Montreal	Montreal.
21. Charles A. Dondiet	Aug. 23, 1869	Emile Junod	St. John's, Montreal	Montreal.
22. James Fraser	Jan. 15, 1870	James Miller	Chatham and Grenville	Cushing, Que.
23. James S. Black	Mar. 21, 1870	D. Ross Kerr	Erskine Church, Montreal	Montreal.
24. Peter Wright	Aug. 23, 1870	John McDougall ..	Chalmers' Church, Montreal ..	Montreal.
25. P. S. Livingston, B.A.	Aug. 17, 1871	Alex. Milne	Russeltown	Russeltown, Q.
26. James Hally	Dec. 17, 1872		Ste. Therese, etc.	Ste. Therese de Blainville.
27. John Scrimger, A.M.	Aug. 28, 1873	Thomas Davidson ..	St. Joseph St. Ch., Montreal ..	Montreal.
28. James Wellwood, B.A.	Sep. 16, 1873	James McGregor	Cote des Neiges	Cote des Neiges, Q.
29. George McKay	Nov. 5, 1873		Calvin Church, Laguerre	St. Amicet, Que.
30. P. W. Morrison, B.A.	Nov. 13, 1873	William White	Ormstown	Ormstown, Que.
31. Charles Brouillette	Oct. 21, 1875	William Hall	St. Louis de Gonzague	St. Louis de Gonzague, Que.
32. Thomas Bennett	Oct. 12, 1876		Beauharnois & Chateauguay ..	Chateauguay Basin, Que.
33. John J. Casey	Dec. 12, 1876	George Elder	Elgin and Athelstane	Kelso, Que.
34. John C. Cattenach	Aug. 29, 1876	Angus McMillan	Dundee	Dundee Centre, Q.
35. Leon Dionne			Joliette	Joliette, Que.
VACANCIES.				
		John Crichton	Crescent St. Ch., Montreal	Montreal.
		Thos. Dryden	Valleyfield	Valleyfield, Que.
			Farnham Centre	Farnham C'tre, Q.
			Taylor Church	Montreal.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			New Glasgow	
			Harrington	
			Avoca	
			Arundel and De Salaberry	
			Victoria, Montreal	
			Tanneries, Montreal	
			La Prairie	
			Canning Street, Montreal	
			St. Hyacinthe	
RETIRED MINISTERS.				
1. Thomas Fraser				Montreal.
2. Hugh Niven				Herdman's Corners, Que.
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.				
1. Charles Chiniquy				Montreal.
2. Joshua Fraser, B.A.				
3. Joseph Elliot				Montreal.
4. John Jones				Montreal.
5. R. Wilson				Montreal.

JAMES PATTERSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

3. PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.

1. William Lohead	Dec'r, 1830		Without Charge	Almonte, Ont.
2. Alexander Mann	May 14, 1840	William Woods	St. Andrew's, Pakenham	Pakenham, Ont.
3. William Christie	Oct. 3, 1849	Mat. Stevenson	Westmeath	Beachburg, Ont.
4. James Whyte	Nov. 21, 1858	Hugh Blair	Manotick and Gloucester	Manotick, Ont.
5. George Bremner	Feb. 15, 1860	Robert Carswell ..	McNab	White Lake, O.
6. Joseph White	Aug. 7, 1862		Rochesterville	Ottawa, Ont.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
7. Walter Ross, A.M.	Oct. 15, 1862	Robert Bell	St. Andrew's, Carleton Place	Carleton Place, O.
8. D. J. McLean	Feb. 11, 1863	Arnprior	Arnprior	Arnprior, Ont.
9. C. I. Cameron	Aug. 2, 1865	Thomas Rankin	New Edinburgh	New Edinburgh, O.
10. William Moore	Mar. 28, 1866	Robert Whyte	Bank St. Church, Ottawa	Ottawa, Ont.
11. D. M. Gordon, B.D.	Aug. 6, 1866	William Clegg	St. Andrew's, Ottawa	Ottawa, Ont.
12. James Tait	Oct. 3, 1866	Fitzroy and Torbolton	Fitzroy and Torbolton	Fitzroy Harb'r, O.
13. Robert Knowles	Oct. 31, 1866	James Robertson	Ramsay	Blakeney, Ont.
14. John B. Edmondson	Aug. 21, 1867	James Forgie	St. John's, Almonte	Almonte, Ont.
15. James Carswell	Oct. 17, 1867	William Allen	Aylmer	Aylmer East, Q.
16. William D. Ballantyne	Nov. 1, 1867	Pembroke	Pembroke	Pembroke, Ont.
17. F. W. Farries	May 18, 1868	George Hay	Knox Church, Ottawa	Ottawa, Ont.
18. John Bennett	Jan. 29, 1869	Wm. Wilson	St. Andrew's, Almonte	Almonte, Ont.
19. John A. G. Calder	April, 1871	William Brunton	Osgoode	Osgoode, Ont.
20. H. J. McDiarmid	Jan. 29, 1871	Russel and Gloucester	Russel and Gloucester	Ottawa, Ont.
21. Robert Campbell, A.M.	Oct. 26, 1871	Alex. Jamieson	McNab and Horton	Renfrew, Ont.
22. R. H. Whillans	Sep. 26, 1872	Robert Bayne	Nepean and Bell's Corners	Ottawa, Ont.
23. James Stewart	Sep. 27, 1872	Victoria St. Ch., Pakenham	Victoria St. Ch., Pakenham	Pakenham, Ont.
24. J. M. Macalister, B.A.	Nov. 8, 1872	Robert Kennedy	Beckwith and Ashton	Ashton, Ont.
25. Joseph Gandier	Dec. 31, 1872	Hon. Geo. Bryson	Coulonge	Fort Coulonge, Q.
26. Alexander McLaren	Mar. 12, 1873	Bristol	Bristol	Bristol, Que.
27. John Fairlie	Aug. 21, 1873	L'Orignal and Hawkesbury	L'Orignal and Hawkesbury	Ottawa, Ont.
28. Wm. Armstrong, A.M.	May 14, 1874	John Thorburn	Daly St. Church, Ottawa	Ottawa, Ont.
29. Hugh Maguire	Dec. 8, 1874	James Reid	Wakefield	Wakefield, Que.
30. Robert Hughes	Oct. 23, 1876	Alice and Pettawawa	Alice and Pettawawa	Pembroke, Ont.
31. Tomas Muir	Oct. 24, 1876	Metealfe	Metealfe	Osgoode, Ont.
32. A. M. McClelland	May 1, 1877	Richmond	Richmond	Richmond, Ont.
33. Hugh McPhayden	June 11, 1877	Cumberland	Cumberland	Cumberland, O.
34. A. C. Morton	Jan. 15, 1878	North Gower	North Gower	North Gower, O.
35. A. A. Scott	Feb. 21, 1878	Zion Church, Carleton Place	Zion Church, Carleton Place	Carleton Place, O.
VACANCIES.				
			Buckingham and Lochaber	
			Thos. Sykes	Ross
			William Stark	Litchfield
			Admaston	
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.				
1. Marc Ami			French Church, Ottawa	Ottawa, Ont.
2. Mark Turnbull			Upper Ottawa Mission	
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Bearbrooke and Cambridge	
			East Templeton	
			Castleford	
			Wilberforce	
			Hull	
			Chalk River	
			Aylwin	
			Desert	
			Cantley and Portland	
			Plantagenet	
			Huntley and Kinburn	
			Chelsea	
RETIRED MINISTERS.				
1. Alex. Spence, D.D.				Elgin, Scotland.
2. Thomas Scott	Jan. 12, 1844			Curran.
3. James Sinclair	Oct. 24, 1853			Huntley.

JAMES CARSWELL, *Pres. Clerk.*

4. PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

1. John Morrison	May 12, 1829	Adam Hobkirk	Waddington, New York	Madrid Sp'gs, N.Y.
2. Wm. Bain, D.D.	Oct. 29, 1845	John Hart	St. Andrew's, Perth	Perth, Ont.
3. Wm. T. Canning	May 1, 1849	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford Mills, O.
4. Solomon Mylne	Oct. 16, 1850	Dan. Campbell	St. Andrew's, Smith's Falls	Smith's Falls, O.
5. Robert McKenzie	May, 1853	John Donald	Dalhousie and N. Sherbrooke	McDonald's Corners, Ont.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
6. George M. Clark	Sep. 10, 1853	William Cochrane.	Kemptville.....	Kemptville, Ont.
7. John Crombie.....	Aug. 8, 1855	Francis T. Frost.....	Union Church, Smith's Falls	Smith's Falls, O.
8. James Wilson, A.M.	July 14, 1856	George Blair.....	Lanark	Lanark, Ont.
9. George Porteous	Aug. 22, 1860	John J. Lackey	Kitley	Kitley, Ont.
10. William Cochrane	Nov. 13, 1862	John Baird.....	Middleville.....	Middleville, Ont.
11. Archibald Brown.....	Jan. 27, 1864	Robert Cassels.....	Lyn and Yonge	Lyn, Ont.
12. Dan. McGillivray, B.A.	July 16, 1867	W. J. Christie	St. John's, Brockville	Brockville, Ont.
13. Elias Mullan	Sep. 18, 1867	William Allan	N. Augusta and Fairfield	N. Augusta, Ont.
14. William Burns	May 19, 1869	W. J. McLean	Knox Church, Perth	Perth, Ont.
15. Geo. Burnfield, B.A.	Jan. 3, 1871	John M. Gill	First Pres. Church, Brockville	Brockville, Ont.
16. Andrew Rowat	Mar. 2, 1871	Thomas Moffat	Winchester	W. Winchester, O.
17. John J. Richards	Aug. 10, 1874	John Draffin	Westport and Newboro'	Westport, Ont.
18. Arch. Henderson	Sep. 27, 1874	Edward McCoy	Prescott	Prescott, Ont.
19. John Leishman	Dec. 29, 1874	David McCaughey	Mountain and South Gower	South Gower, O.
20. Wm. McKibbin, B.A.	Oct. 7, 1875	Francis Dobbie	Edwardsburg and Mainsville.	Edwardsburg, O.
21. Wm. J. Dey, M.A.	Jan. 5, 1876	Francis Dobbie	Spencerville and Ventnor	Spencerville, O.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	Alex. Colquhoun.....	Dunbar and Colquhoun's .....	.....
.....	.....	Robert Foye	Matilda .....	.....
.....	.....	James Anderson.....	Mountain and South Gower .....	.....
.....	.....	James Fowler	Morrisburg .....	.....
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Balderson and Drummond .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Bathurst and S. Sherbrooke.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Darling .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Lavant .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	N. Williamsburg .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Merrickville .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Oliver's Ferry and Lombardy	.....
.....	.....	.....	Palmerston .....	.....

JOHN CROMBIE, Pres. Clerk.

5. PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARRY.

1. John Fraser	Aug't, 1845	Charles McDonald	Indian Lands.....	Athol.
2. Donald Ross	July 20, 1859	Thomas Hill	Knox Church, Lancaster	Riviere Raisin.
3. William Ross	Sep. 5, 1860	A. McMillan.....	Kirkhill, Lochiel.....	Kirkhill.
4. Charles Cameron	May 1, 1861	E. Munro	Knox Church, Roxboro'	Moosecreek.
5. Robert Binnie	May 20, 1861	C. Craig	Knox Church, Cornwall.....	Cornwall.
6. John S. Burnet	Mar. 6, 1863	H. Robertson	St. Andrew's, Martintown.....	Martintown.
7. Henry Lamont, D.D.....	Feb. 22, 1865	George Munro	Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George.....	Dalhousie Mills
8. Kenneth Macdonald.....	Oct. 25, 1865	D. C. Munro	Burns' Church, Martintown, and Hephzibah Church, Williamstown.....	Williamstown.
9. Neil McNish, LL.D.....	Apr. 29, 1868	D. B. McLennan.	St. John's, Cornwall.....	Cornwall.
10. D. H. McLennan, B.A.	Mar. 6, 1877	Robert Wilson.....	Alexandria.....	Alexandria.
11. A. McGillivray	Sep. 21, 1877	A. J. Grant	St. Andrew's, Williamstown	Williamstown.
12. Finlay McLennan	Sep. 27, 1877	J. R. McKenzie	Kenyon	Skye.
13. William A. Lang	Mar. 6, 1878	D. McDermid	Lunenburg and Avonmore	Lunenburg.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	J. Defoe	St. Matthew's, Osnabruck.....	Woodlands.
.....	.....	W. McElherca	St. Luke's, Finch.....	Berwick.
.....	.....	.....	Vankleekhill.....	.....
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Summerstown .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	East Hawkesbury.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	South Finch.....	.....

JOHN S. BURNET, Pres. Clerk.

SYNOD OF TORONTO AND KINGSTON.

1. PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. Henry Gordon	July 16, 1833		Without Charge	Gananoque.
2. Robert Neill, D.D.	Jan. 29, 1840	Thomas Hume	Seymour	Burnbrae.
3. J. Williamson, LL.D.	Feb. 25, 1845		Professor Queen's College	Kingston.
4. J. B. Mowat, M.A.	May 2, 1850		Professor Queen's College	Kingston.
5. Andrew Wilson	Jan. 29, 1851	Wm. Coverdale	Brock St. Church, Kingston	Kingston.
6. J. H. Muckerras, M.A.	Sep. 29, 1851		Professor Queen's College	Kingston.
7. G. D. Ferguson, B.A.	May 16, 1855		Professor Queen's College	Kingston.
8. Thos. S. Chambers	May 23, 1855	John Sharp	Storrington and Pittsburgh	Sunbury.
9. Thos. G. Smith	Aug. 3, 1856	Geo. Davidson	St. Andrew's Ch., Kingston	Kingston.
10. Alexander Young	Jan. 8, 1857	Andrew Fraser	Napanee	Napanee.
11. David Wishart	Apr. 6, 1857	A. F. Wood	St. Peter's Church, Madoc	Madoc.
12. David Beattie	Apr. 27, 1857		Rylston and Marnora	Campbellford.
13. John Macnechan	May 26, 1857	W. Mackenzie	Pictou	Pictou.
14. Finlay McCuaig	Nov'r, 1860	G. S. Hobbart	Chalmer's Church, Kingston	Kingston.
15. Geo. M. Grant, D.D.	Dec'r, 1860		Principal Queen's College	Kingston.
16. John Turnbull	June 24, 1862	R. F. Pegan	Melrose, Lonsdale & Shan-nonville	Melrose.
17. John Burton	Nov. 17, 1864	John Cook	John Street Ch., Belleville	Belleville.
18. Henry Gracey	March, 1865		St. Andrew's Ch., Gananoque	Gananoque.
19. M. W. Maclean, M.A.	Aug. 15, 1866	T. Rutherford	St. Andrew's Ch., Belleville	Belleville.
20. James M. Gray	Aug. 1, 1869	Dr. G. H. Boulton	St. Andrew's Ch., Stirling	Stirling.
21. James M. Boyd	July 11, 1871		Demorestville	Demorestville
22. John Gallagher, B.A.	Nov. 14, 1871	James Barnes	St. John's Ch., Pittsburgh	Pittsferry.
23. J. L. Stewart, B.A.	July, 1875	John Allan	Trenton	Trenton.
24. A. B. Nicholson, B.A.	Sep. 1, 1875	Wm. Beatty	Lansdowne and Fairfax	Lansdowne.
25. R. J. Craig, M.A.	Apr. 27, 1876	J. W. Dexter	Mill Point	Mill Point.
26. James Cormack, B.A.	Aug. 8, 1876	Wm. Ovens	(Glenvale, Harrowsmith and Wilton)	Harrowsmith.
27. Donald Kelso	Oct. 3, 1876	Alex. Moore	Roslin and Thurlow	Roslin.
VACANCIES.				
			Camden and Sheffield	
			St. Columba & St. Paul, Madoc	
		Wm. Stevenson	Amherst Island	Stella.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Wolfe Island	
			Huntingdon	
			Consecon	
			Mill Haven & Fredericksburgh	
			Wollaston and L'Amable	
			Carlow and Mayo	
			Monteagle and McLure	
			Hinchinbrooke and Bedford	
			Morton and Ellisville	

T. S. CHAMBERS, *Pres. Clerk.*

2. PRESBYTERY OF PETERBOROUGH.

1. John Paterson	1840		Without Charge	Chatham, Ont.
2. James Cleland	May 9, 1843	John Ballagh	Mill St., Port Hope	Port Hope.
3. John Ewing	Jan'y, 1846		Mount Pleasant, Omemece and Lakevale	Mount Pleasant.
4. W. C. Windel	Nov. 2, 1847	John Hoey	Cartwright and Ballyduff	Lotus.
5. John W. Smith	March, 1849	W. E. Johnston	Grafton and Vornonville	Grafton.
6. Francis Andrews	1851	Geo. Gillespie	Keene and Westwood	Keene.
7. William Bennett	Sept'r, 1855	E. M. Sanderson	Springville and Bethany	Springville.
8. William White	June, 1857	Hugh McFee	Warsaw and Dummer	Warsaw.
9. Peter Duncan	Oct'r, 1857		Colborne and Brighton	Colborne.
10. Wm. Donald	Oct'r, 1859	Wm. Douglas	First Pres. Ch., Port Hope	Port Hope.
11. Alexander Bell	March, 1863	John Carnegie	St. Andrew's Ch., Peterboro'	Peterboro'.
12. W. McWilliam, LL.D.	Sept'r, 1863	Geo. Kennedy	Bethesda and Alnwick	Harwood.
13. James Ballantyne	April, 1866	John Fletcher	Cobourg	Cobourg.
14. James M. Douglas	Oct'r, 1867		Foreign Missionary	Indore.
15. Wm. Hodnet	June, 1869	Harshaw Little	Perrytown, Oakhill & Knoxville	Perrytown.
16. Nathaniel Clarke	May, 1871	D. Smith	Lakefield and North Smith	Lakefield.
17. D. Sutherland, M.A.	Nov'r, 1873	A. Douglas	Percy and Campbellford	Warkworth.
18. T. F. Fotheringham, M.A.	July, 1875	W. F. Roxburgh	Norwood and Hastings	Norwood.
19. James Cameron, M.A.	Feb'y, 1876	J. D. Armstrong	Millbrook and Centreville	Millbrook.
20. E. F. Torrance, M.A.	July, 1876	Sheriff Hall	St. Paul's, Peterboro'	Peterboro'.
VACANCIES.				
		James Russell	Baltimore and Coldsprings	Baltimore.
		James Morrison	Bobcaygeon and Dunsford	Bobcaygeon.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Chandos and Burleigh	Haultain.
			Harvey	
			Haliburton	Haliburton.
			Minden, Brown's Corners	Minden.

W. BENNETT, *Pres. Clerk.*

3. PRESBYTERY OF WHITBY.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATI'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. Alex. Kennedy.....	Sept.30,1835	John Parker.....	Dunbarton and Canton	Dunbarton.
2. A. A. Drummond.....	Oct. 20, 1867	David Coutie.....	Newcastle	Newcastlo.
3. Wm. Peattie	June30,1860	{ W. McFarlane, } { And'w Buchan }	Erskine Church & Claremont	Claremont.
4. James Little, M.A.....	Nov. 1860	James Fairbairn.....	Bowmanville, St. Paul's	Bowmanville.
5. John Hogg.....	Aug. 2, 1864	J. C. Smith.....	Oshawa	Oshawa.
6. W. M. Roger, M.A.....	Nov., 1866	W. Heron, jun.....	Ashburn and Utica	Ashburn.
7. Adam Spenser.....	Aug. 4, 1868	Neil Smith.....	Bowmanville	Bowmanville.
8. R. Chambers, B.A.....	July, 1870	George Laing.....	Whitby	Whitby.
9. J. A. Carmichael.....	May 25, 1875	James Burns.....	Columbus and Brooklin	Columbus.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	Colin Philip.....	Pickering	Pickering.
.....	.....	T. C. Fornan.....	Port Perry and Prince Albert	Port Perry.
.....	.....	John Sharp	Newtonville and Kendall.....	Newtonville.
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	A. Beith.....	Orono	Orono.
.....	.....	Wm. Bingham.....	Enniskillen and Cartwright..	Enniskillen

A. A. DRUMMOND, *Pres. Clerk.*

4. PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY.

1. Dugald McGregor	1848	Alex. McKinnon.....	Longford and N. Mara.....	Uptergrove.
2. J. T. Paul	1850	Duncan McKae.....	Balsover	Balsover.
3. A. McKay, M.A.....	1852	Colin McFadyen.....	Eldon	Lorneville.
4. A. Currie, M.A.....	1861	Alex. McTaggart.....	Brook	Sonya.
5. Wm. Lechead.....	1859	Thos. Lockhart.....	Fenelon Falls and Somerville	Fenelon Falls.
6. J. Hastie.....	1866	James Watson.....	Lindsay	Lindsay.
7. J. McNabb.....	1867	Alex. Calder.....	Beaverton and S. Mara	Beaverton.
8. J. L. Murray.....	1868	Donald Grant.....	Woodville	Woodville.
9. D. McDonald.....	1872	Donald Gilchrist.....	Cambray and Victoria.....	Cambray.
10. D. D. McLennan.....	1872	John McTaggart.....	Kirkfield and Victoria.....	Kirkfield.
11. E. Cockburn, M.A.....	1873	Wm. Welsh.....	Uxbridge and Louiskdale.....	Uxbridge.
12. J. Campbell, B.A.....	1874	M. Gillespie.....	Cannington.....	Cannington.
13. S. Acheson.....	1876	Alex. Leask	Wick and Greenbank.....	Wick.
VACANT.				
.....	.....	.....	Sunderland and Vroomanton	Sunderland.
.....	.....	.....	Manilla.....	Manilla.
.....	.....	.....	Scott and Uxbridge	Sandford.
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Coboconk	Coboconk.
.....	.....	.....	Head Lake.....	Head Lake.
.....	.....	.....	Digby	Uphill.
.....	.....	.....	Carden	Dalrymple.

J. L. MURRAY, *Pres. Clerk.*

5. PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

1. M. Willis, D.D., LL.D.....	1821	.....	.....	London, Eng.
2. Alex. Fopp, D.D.....	Jan. 25, 1838	Wm. M. Clark	Knox Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
3. Wm. Reid, D.D.....	Jan. 29, 1840	.....	Western Agent of Church.....	Toronto.
4. James Dick.....	Dec. 22, 1842	Alex. Marsh.....	Richmondhill and Thornhill..	Richmond Hill.
5. Robt. Wallace	July 15, 1846	John Gordon.....	West Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
6. Wm. Gregg, D.D.....	July 22, 1847	.....	Professor of Knox College.....	Toronto.
7. James Pringle.....	July 19, 1848	Samuel Wallace.....	Brampton, Derry West, etc.....	Brampton.
8. Wm. Stewart.....	Mar. 22, 1848	.....	Hornby	Hornby.
9. Wm. Meikle.....	Sept. 25, 1848	Robert Balmer.....	Oakville	Oakville.
10. J. Alexander, M.A.....	May 29, 1851	Thomas Taylor	Union and Norval	Norval.
11. John Smith.....	Sept. 2, 1851	Wm. Adamson	Bay Street Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
12. Wm. Caven, D.D.....	Oct. 7, 1852	.....	Principal of Knox College.....	Toronto.
13. Wm. McLaren.....	June, 1853	.....	Professor of Knox College.....	Toronto.
14. W. E. McKay, B.A.....	Oct. 29, 1856	John Brown.....	Bethel Church, Orangeville.....	Orangeville.
15. John M. King, M.A.....	Oct. 1857	T. W. Taylor, Q. C.....	Augustine Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
16. Alex. McFaul.....	Mar. 17, 1858	Wm. Bell.....	Knox Church, Caledon, &c.....	Caledon.
17. Jas. G. Robb, D.D.....	June 26, 1858	Wm. Rennie.....	Cooke's Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
18. David Mitchell.....	Oct. 1858	Alex. Duff.....	Central Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
19. Jas. Carmichael.....	Oct. 2, 1860	James Burns.....	St. Andrew's Church, King.....	Laskey.
20. John Eadie.....	March, 1862	Jas. McPherson.....	Boston Church and Milton.....	Milton.
21. Wm. Aitken.....	Nov. 1, 1865	David Elder.....	St. Andrew's Ch., Vaughan, etc.....	Maple.
22. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D.....	Nov. 20, 1866	J. McLennan, Q. C.....	St. Andrew's Church, Toronto.....	Toronto.
23. Geo. Milligan, B.A.....	Feb. 4, 1868	Alex. Jardino	Old St. Andrew's Ch., Toronto.....	Toronto.
24. Robert M. Croll.....	May 19, 1868	John Beattie.....	1st and 2nd Chinguacousy	Claude.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
25. J. Carmichael, M.A.	Nov. 10, 1870	Wm. Eakin	St. Andrew's Ch., Markham, etc.	Markham.
26. Jas. Breckenridge	Mar. 28, 1871	Wm. Barber	Streetsville	Streetsville.
27. John M. Cameron	Nov. 23, 1871	Andrew Scott	East Church, Toronto	Toronto.
28. R. Pettigrew, M.A.	Jan. 8, 1873	David Todd	Weston and Woodbridge	Weston.
29. Donald Mackintosh	June 17, 1873	John Bruce	Melville Church, etc., Markham	Unionville.
30. John M. McIntyre	Sept. 17, 1873	Sam. McKittrick	Zion Church, Orangeville	Orangeville.
31. E. D. McLaren, B.D.	Sept. 23, 1873	Wm. Catron	Cheltenham and Mt. Pleasant	Cheltenham.
32. R. D. Fraser, M.A.	Sept. 29, 1873	S. C. D. Clark	Charles St. Church, Toronto	Toronto.
33. Robert H. Gray	Apr. 7, 1874	Wm. Miller	York Mills and Fisherville	York Mills.
34. Peter Nicol	Oct. 27, 1874	{ D. McKinnon and James Dartzell }	{ Knox Church, Vaughan, & Caven Church, Bolton }	Elder's Mills.
35. Isaac Campbell, Col- league & Successor }	Nov. 2, 1874		Richmondhill and Thornhill	Richmond Hill.
36. Alex. Gilray	Jan. 5, 1875	James Mitchell	College Street, Toronto	Toronto.
37. Malcolm M. MacGilliv- ray, B.A.	Oct. 5, 1875	William Hood	St. Andrew's Ch., Scarboro, etc.	Benlomond.
38. J. R. Gilchrist, B.A.	Oct. 10, 1876	Thos. Torrance	Shelburne and Primrose	Shelburne.
39. Walter Amos	Nov. 9, 1876	D. Fotheringham	Aurora	Aurora.
40. R. P. McKay, M.A.	Oct. 9, 1877	Wm. Crawford	Knox & Melville Ch's, Scarboro	Agincourt.
41. Wm. Frizzell	Apr. 4, 1878		Newmarket	Newmarket.
42. Alex. Tait	May 28, 1878	Archibald Dodd	{ Mono East, Mono Mills, and St. Andrew's Ch., Caledon }	Caledon.
VACANT.		S. McCutcheon	West King	Nobleton.
		Hugh McKay	Georgetown and Limehouse	
		D. Johnstone	Laskey and East King	
		Jos. Cockburn	Georgina	
		Peter Cran	Queensville and N. Gwillim- bury	
			Mount Albert and Ballantrao	
			Mono, Centre Road, &c.	
			Brockton	
			Leslieville, &c.	
			Melville Church, Caledon and Ballinafad	
			Sandhill and Caledon East	
			Stouffville	
			Horning's Mills	
RETIRED MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE.				
1. James Bain	Apr. 5, 1826			Markham.
2. David Connts	..... 1836			Brampton.
3. Geo. Lawrence	Apr. 28, 1837			Toronto.
4. A. Lewis	Aug. 6, 1840			Mono Mills.
5. R. Monteath	Apr. 29, 1841		Clerk of Presbytery	Toronto.
6. J. Barclay, D.D.	Dec. 6, 1842			Toronto.
7. Wm. Inglis	Dec. 21, 1847			Toronto.
8. Archibald Cross	Aug. 17, 1848			Yorkville.
9. William Barr	Sept. 28, 1848			Orangeville.
10. James Stuart	Aug. 22, 1849			Toronto.
11. John Brown	May 30, 1854			Newmarket.
12. Wm. C. Young	Sept. 6, 1854			Toronto.

R. MONTEATH, Pres. Clerk.

6. PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE.

1. Wm. Fraser, D.D.	Sept. 2, 1834	John Cerswell	First West Gwillimbury	Bond Head.
2. Robert Rodgers	Dec. 4, 1850	Andrew Telfer	Collingwood	Collingwood.
3. John Gray, M.A.	May 21, 1851	Thomas Dallas	Orillia	Orillia.
4. Wm. McConnell	April, 1854	F. Rogerson	Central Ch., Craigvale & Lefroy	Lefroy.
5. George Crow	Dec. 1859	John Johnston	Flos and Medonte	Hillsdale.
6. Robert Moodie	March, 1863	James Wedge	Stayner and Sunnidale	Stayner.
7. John Leiper	July, 1864	A. D. McNab	Barrie	Barrie.
8. Jas. A. McConnell	Dec., 1864	James Erwin	{ First & Second Tecumseth } { and Adjala }	Tottenham.
9. D. McDonald, M.A.	Jan. 11, 1865	P. McHaffle	E. Nottawasaga and Creemore	Creemore.
10. A. McDonald, B.A.	Jan. 31, 1866	D. A. Currie	West Nottawasaga	Duntroon.
11. Smith Hutcheson	Feb. 10, 1871	John Brown	Guthrie Church, Oro	Shanty Bay.
12. Thos. McKee	Oct. 10, 1871	Alex. Cooper	Angus and New Lowell	Angus.
13. Henry Sinclair	Nov. 14, 1872	R. McCracken	Mulmur and Tossoronto	Rosemount.
14. R. Fairbairn, B.A.	Dec. 11, 1872	John Anderson	Esson and Willis Churches	Jarratt's Cor's.
15. E. W. Panton	Dec. 9, 1873	Simon Fraser	{ Bradford & Second W. Gwill- limbury }	Bradford.
16. J. R. S. Burnett	Dec. 16, 1874	W. McWhinney	Alliston and Carluke	Alliston.
17. J. J. Cochrane	April 4, 1876	A. Arnold	Townline and Ivy	Thornton.
18. Stuart Acheson	Oct. 11, 1876	Geo. Duff	Cookstown and First Essa	Cookstown.

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.				
19. Allan Findlay	Jan. 7, 1867	Angus Black.....	Bracebridge, Monck & S. Falls	Bracebridge.
20. Robert Scott	Aug. 3, 1875	.....	Penetanguishene, W. Job'dge, } Midland, Vint, Medonte } and Vesey	Wyebridge
21. E. B. N. Millard.....	May 21, 1878	W. Pearson	Singhampton, Maple Valley } and Honeywood..... } Corresponding Member of } Presbytery..... }	Bradford.
Wm. Cleland	Aug., 1819	.....	.....	.....
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	D. Carmichael.....	Knox Church, Oro.....	.....
.....	.....	Angus Bell.....	Duntroon and Nottawa.....	.....
.....	.....	W. Sutherland.....	Burns' Church and Dunn's } W. Gwillimbury and Innisfil } Gruvenhurst, Washago, and } Severn Bridge..... }	.....
.....	.....	Joseph Telfer .....	.....	.....
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Rosseau and Turtlelake .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Port Carling, Raymond, Dee } Bunk, and McIntosh's..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	Baysville, Cook's Church, } Macaulay and Drake's .....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Huntsville, Allansville and } Hoey's..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	Stisted, Port Sidney & Downline } Doe L., Begg's shore, Spence } and Magencawan..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	Wambasheno, Port Severn } and Sturgeon Bay..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	McCrue, Hunter's & Minessing } Ardeura, Uhtoff and N. Orillia }	.....
RETIRED MINISTERS.				
1. Samuel Porter.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2. W. Johnson, M.A.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3. W. McKee, B.A.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

R. MOODIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

7. PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. D. Morrison, M.A.....	Oct. 22, 1851	.....	Knox Church, Owen Sound	Owen Sound.
2. E. Dewar	Oct. 7, 1855	.....	Pastor Emeritus, Lake Shore.....	Annan.
3. Wm. Forest	Feb. 18, 1837	John Harkness.....	Lake Shore and Leith	Annan.
4. James Cameron	Feb. 16, 1859	And. McGill	Chatsworth	Chatsworth.
5. A. McDaniel	Apr. 27, 1859	D. Smith.....	Latona.....	Latona.
6. A. McLennan	May 25, 1869	J. McLean	Knox Church, Sydenham	Hoath Head.
7. Hugh Currie	Feb'y, 1870	S. Carter	Keady, Westboro' & Peabody } Meaford..... }	Keady.
8. D. B. Whitnaker	Oct. 15, 1873	John Clark	Meaford.....	Meaford.
9. Arch. Stevenson	Jan. 29, 1874	Wm. McQuaker	St. Vincent and Sydenham	Blantyre.
10. J. Somerville, M.A.....	Aug. 25, 1875	John Croaser	Division St. Church, O. S.....	Owen Sound.
11. A. F. McKenzie	Mar. 6, 1878	J. Cochrane	Kilsyth and N. Derby	Kilsyth.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	.....	Big Bay, Sarawak, etc.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	Thorubury and Heathcote.....	.....
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Ravenna & Collingwood Mtain } Griersonville..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	Euphrasia and East Holland } Wurton, etc..... }	.....
.....	.....	.....	Parry Sound District .....	.....

D. J. McINNES, *Pres. Clerk.*

8. PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. John MacMillan	June 29, 1857	J. Stirratt	Knox Ch., Mount Forest.....	Mount Forest.
2. Robt. C. Moffatt	Oct. 10, 1857	Andrew Kirstein.....	Free St. John's, Walkerton	Walkerton.
3. Wm. Park	May 18, 1859	E. McNab	Durham	Durham.
4. Daniel Duff	Apr. 19, 1861	.....	N. and W. Brant	Mulcohn.
5. John Morrison	Jan. 9, 1866	J. Gillespie.....	Proton	Cedarville.
6. Hugh Crozier	Mar. 24, 1869	John Baird.....	Egremont	Holstein.
7. John Baikie	Aug. 1, 1871	J. Connell	Guthrie Ch., Harriston	Harriston.
8. Donald Stewart	Oct. 31, 1866	Alex. Fraser	Arthur	Arthur.
9. D. W. Cameron .....	.....	James Gamble.....	Palmerston	Palmerston.
10. D. Fraser, M.A.....	Aug. 14, 1867	Thos Swan	St. Andrew's Ch., M't Forest } Mackintosh and Belmore } Balaklava..... }	Mount Forest.
11. A. C. Stewart	Oct. 13, 1875	.....	.....	Belmore.
12. J. McClung	Aug. 4, 1874	Geo. Johnston	Clifford	Mildmay.
13. Stephen Young.....	Sept'r, 1866	J. B. Robinson.....	.....	Clifford.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEN—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATI'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
VACANCIES.				
		J. Patterson	Normanby	
			Hanover and W. Bentinck	
			Osprey	
		J. Brown	Markdale, Berkeley & Flesher't'n	Markdale.
		D. McLellan	North Arthur	
		Jas. McDonald	St. Columba Ch., Priceville	Priceville.
			Knox Ch., Harristown	Harristown.
			South Luther & Little Toronto	Luther.
		Jas. McLarty	Rocky Saugen	Durham.

WM. PARR, *Pres. Clerk.*

9. PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

1. George Smolle	Mar. 18, 1836	James Davidson	Melville Ch., Fergus	Fergus.
2. Wm. Barrie, D.D.	Jan. 4, 1843	Retired		Guelph.
3. Richard Bentley	Sep. 18, 1844	Robt. Cranston	Union Ch., Galt	Galt.
4. T. Wardrope, D.D.	Aug. 13, 1845	Geo. Haddon	Chalmers' Church, Guelph	Guelph.
5. Robt. Torrance	Nov. 11, 1846	Thos. McCrae	First Congregation, Guelph	Guelph.
6. Wm. S. Ball, A.B.	Feb. 28, 1849	E. McGuire, M.D.	Knox Church Guelph	Guelph.
7. Jas. K. Smith, A.M.	Jan. 13, 1853	Alex. Cranston	Knox Church, Galt	Galt.
8. James Middlemiss	June 3, 1856	James Menzies	Chalmers' Church, Elora	Elora.
9. William Masson	Oct. 9, 1856	John Cavers	St. Andrew's Church, Galt	Galt.
10. Daniel Anderson	Dec. 23, 1857		Calvin Ch. and Moorefield	Kothsary.
11. A. D. McDonald	Apr. 20, 1859	William Short	Knox Church, Elora	Elora.
12. William Millican	Sep. 21, 1859	John Scott	St. John's Ch. and Mimosa	Garafraxa.
13. Alex. McKay, D.D.	Apr. 25, 1860	Robt. Beattie	Duff's Church	Morrison.
14. James B. Mullan	July 23, 1862	A. D. Fordyce	St. Andrew's Church, Fergus	Fergus.
15. George Haigh	April 1863	Jas. Shaw	Doon, Hespeler and Preston	Preston.
16. J. C. Smith, A.M.	July 1864	Chas. Davidson	St. Andrew's Church, Guelph	Guelph.
17. David Smyth	June 7, 1865	Joseph Wood	First Church, Eramosa	Eramosa.
18. John Davidson	Feb. 4, 1866	John Cossar	Alma and Zion Church	Alma.
19. Nell McDiarmid	Feb. 6, 1868	James Wight	West Puslinch	Crief.
20. Donald Strachan	Sep. 8, 1868	John Burns	Rockwood	Rockwood.
21. D. J. McInnes	July 28, 1869	Robert Wood	Erin and Osprings	Erin.
22. D. Boyd Cameron	Dec. 16, 1869	Arch. Campbell	Knox Church, Acton	Acton.
23. James F. Dickie	July 13, 1872	J. B. Muir	St. Andrew's Ch., Berlin	Berlin.
24. James Bryant	Jan. 26, 1875	James Robb	Glenallan and Hollin	Glenallan.
25. H. F. McPherson, M.A.	Nov. 24, 1875	D. Henderson	Nassagaweya & Campbellville	Nassagaweya.
26. A. M. Hamilton, A.M.	May 22, 1877	Geo. Adamson	Chalmers' Ch., Winterbourne	Winterbourne.
27. Robert Fowle	Oct. 25, 1877	Robt. Ferguson	St. Andrew's Ch. & Bethel Ch.	Hillsburgh.
VACANCY.				
		John Cadwell	Hawksville and Gale Church	Hawksville.
MISSION STATIONS.				
		George Barnett	Eden Mills	Eden Mills.
			Drayton	
			Preston (German)	
MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE RESIDING IN BOUNDS.				
1. J. G. McGregor				Elora.
2. John Duff				Elora.

R. TORRANCE, *Pres. Clerk.*

SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON.

1. PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

1. Wm. Hancock	May, 1834	B. Beamer	N. Pelham and Port Robinson	Welland.
2. John Porteous	Dec. 1842	J. Denton	Port Dalhousie	Port Dalhousie.
3. Samuel Fenton	1843	Wm. Guyler	Vittoria, &c.	Vittoria.
4. Thos Goldsmith	Jan. 5, 1845	A. I. McKenzie	Hamilton, St. John's Church	Hamilton.
5. James Black	Nov. 9, 1853	A. C. Buck	{ Caledonia, Argyle St., and Allan Settlement	Seneca.
6. John Laing, M.A.	June 1854	Thos. Kennedy	Dundas, Knox Church	Dundas.
7. Jas. Gordon, M.A.	1854	W. Duncan	Clifton, St. Andrew's	Clifton.
8. Wm. Craigie	Jan. 5, 1856	F. M. England	Port Dover, Knox Church	Port Dover.
9. John James, D.D.	1854	John McMillan	Hamilton, Knox Church	Hamilton.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
10. John G. Murray	July 7, 1858	J. D. Fitch	Grimsby and Muir Settlement	Grimsby.
11. Chas. Campbell	1858	R. N. Ball	Niagara, St. Andrew's	Niagara.
12. P. I. Fletcher	Nov. 8, 1860	J. M. Dingwell	Hamilton, McNab Street	Hamilton.
13. Thos. Wilson	April 28, 1863	G. Elwood	Caledonia, Sutherland Street	Seneca.
14. Geo. Burson	June 6, 1863	Jas. Dougan	St. Catharines, Knox Church	St. Catharines.
15. Alex. Grant, M.A.	Jan. 27, 1863	A. D. McLeod	Oneida, Indiana, &c	Dufferin.
16. Thos. McGuire	May 8, 1864	Thos Hunter	Jarvis and Walpole	Jarvis.
17. J. L. Robertson, M.A.	Sep. 11, 1867	W. Sanderson	Nairn Church, Strabane	Strabane.
18. Geo. Yeomans	1869	D. Simpson	Dunnville	Dunnville.
19. Geo. Chrystal	1869	W. Henderson	Flamboro' West	Flamboro'.
20. Samuel Lyle	Feb. 12, 1870	J. M. Henderson	Hamilton, Central Church	Hamilton.
21. Robert J. Laidlaw	1870	Jas. Hutchison	" St. Paul's Church	"
22. Wm. P. Walker	Jan. 22, 1872	Jas. Davidson	Hinbrook and Saltfleet	Elfrida.
23. James Pullar	1872	J. Charlton, M. P.	Lynedoch, Silverhill, &c	Lynedoch.
24. Edward Vincent	1872	Adam Spears	E. Seneca, Blackheath and Canstor.	Canfield.
25. S. W. Fisher	1871	Wm. Bunton	Burlington	Burlington.
26. Robert Thynne	Feb. 17, 1875	R. McQueen	Beverly	Kirkwall.
27. Geo. Bruce, B.A.	1875	Wm. McCalla	St. Catharines, 1st Church	St. Catharines.
28. C. D. McDonald	1875	Jas. McCabe	Thorold	Thorold.
29. James Frazer	1876	G. Kennedy	St. Ann's and Wellandport	St. Ann's.
30. John H. Ratcliff	1876	R. Forbes	Ancaster and Alberton	Ancaster.
M. W. Livingstone	1875			Simcoe.
S. C. Frazer, M.A.	1841			Hamilton.
James Herald	1859			Dundas.
A. Forbes	1859			Waterdown.
R. G. McLaren	1862			Greensville.
VACANCIES :				
		W. Zimmerman	Beamsville and Clinton	Beamsville.
		R. Aberlein, M.D.	Drummondville & Chippawa	Chippawa.
		G. Grant	Simcoe, St. Paul's Church	Simcoe.
		Andrew Wilson	Waterdown	Waterdown.
		Wm. McClure, M.D.	Kilbride and Nelson	Kilbride.
			Welland and Crowland	Welland.
		R. Balfour	Port Colborne	Port Colborne.
		J. Renton	East Ancaster	Ancaster.
			Merri-on and Hayne Av. Ch.	
MISSION STATIONS :				
			Fort Erie, &c	
			Louth	
			Kennedy's Settlement	
			Delhi	
		David Hesse	Barton	

J. LAING, Pres. Clerk.

2. PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

1. Thomas Lowry	Sep. 24, 1833	John Lyle	First Church, Brantford	Brantford.
2. Thos. Alexander	March, 1835	Geo. Wilson	Mount Pleasant and Burford	Mohawk.
3. Walter Inglis	Oct., 1842	Peter Marshall	Ayr, Stanley Street	Ayr.
4. W. T. McMullen	Nov. 5, 1856	Hugh Rose	Woodstock, Knox Church	Woodstock.
5. W. Robertson, M. A.	Jan. 26, 1859	Wm. Murray	Chesterfield	Chesterfield.
6. Wm. Cochrane, D.D.	June 7, 1859	Adam Spence	Brantford, Zion Church	Brantford.
7. John McEwen	Sep. 8, 1859	W. T. Root	Ingersoll, Erskine Church	Ingersoll.
8. Rob't Hume, M.A.	May 26, 1860	George Clark	St. George	St. George.
9. R. N. Grant	Dec. 21, 1865	Peter Stewart	Ingersoll, Knox Church	Ingersoll.
10. James Little	1866	G. W. Hunter	Princeton and Drumbo	Princeton.
11. D. D. McLeod	July 3, 1857	M. Falsetter	Paris, Dumfries Street	Paris.
12. J. M. Aull	May 20, 1868	Wm. McLean	Ratho and Innerkip	Ratho.
13. John Thomson, M.A.	Nov. 20, 1871	Walter Brydon	Ayr, Knox Church	Ayr.
14. A. Glendinning	July 10, 1873	Wm. Wallace	Glenmorris	Glenmorris.
15. G. G. McRobbie	Nov., 1874	John Allison	Tilsenburg and Culloden	Tilsenburg.
16. John Anderson	Nov. 25, 1874	David Balingal	Paris, River Street	Paris.
17. Wm. M. Martin	July 21, 1875	J. P. Smith	Norwich and Wyndham	Norwich.
VACANCIES.				
		Alex. Watson	Woodstock, Chalmers' Church	Woodstock.
		Wm. Dickson	St. Andrew's, Blenheim, and East Oxford	Catheart.
MISSION STATIONS.				
			Brantford, W. Mission	
			East Oxford, Beachville and Sweabourg	

3. PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
1. Donald McKenzie	May, 1844			Ingersoll.
2. W. R. Sutherland	Feb. 16, 1846		Ekfrid	Strathburn.
3. James B. Duncan	July 1, 1848		Forest and McKay	Forest.
4. J. A. Proudfoot, D.D.	July 10, 1848	Adam Murray	London, First Church	London.
5. Donald McDonald		Angus McLeann	Napier	Napier.
6. John Rennie	Apr. 22, 1857	John B. Shipley	Allan Craig and Carlisle	Allan Craig.
7. J. A. Murray	Oct. 7, 1857	John Wilson	London, St. Andrew's	London.
8. George Cuthbertson	Oct. 7, 1857	D. S. Robertson	Wyoming and Plympton	Wyoming.
9. John McRobie	Oct. 21, 1857		Petrolia	Petrolia.
10. John Milloy	Feb. 2, 1859		Argyle Church, Alboro	Crinan.
11. David Cannelon	1858	James Cowan	London, St. James'	London.
12. Neil McKinnon	Feb. 22, 1859	Colin Munro	Moss	Kilmartin.
13. James Donaldson	June 3, 1862	James Douglas	Wardsville	Wardsville.
14. Iachlan Cameron	Nov. 5, 1862	Alex. McKay	Thamesford	Thamesford.
15. John Thompson	Apr. 25, 1866	David Gray	Sarnia, St. Andrew's	Sarnia.
16. George Sutherland	Nov. 14, 1866	Hugh Lynn	Pingal	Pingal.
17. Mungo Fraser	Oct. 10, 1867	C. McDougall	St. Thomas	St. Thomas.
18. J. A. McDonald	Dec., 1870	Rob't McDonald	Wallacetown	Wallacetown.
19. John Abraham	Nov. 5, 1872	S. Anderson	Watford and Main Road	Watford.
20. David F. Sage	July 23, 1873	Alex. McKay	Parkhill and McHillivry	Parkhill.
21. Gustavus Munro	Aug. 10, 1873	M. McKenzie	Zorra	Emburo.
22. Robert Scobie	Aug. 20, 1873	D. Ferguson	Strathroy, St. Andrew's	Strathroy.
23. John M. Munro	1874	L. Patterson	New Glasgow	Aldboro.
24. J. M. Goodwille	July 14, 1875	John Jardine	Camlaehie	Camlaehie.
25. D. McEachern	Oct. 8, 1875	K. McLeann	Glencee and Dunwich	Glencee.
26. Hugh McGregor		John Lamont	Knityre	Rodney.
27. Hector Currie	Apr. 25, 1876	P. McCallum	Thedford	Thedford.
28. Alexander Urquhart		R. Thompson	{ Chahours' and Duff's Church } Dunwich	Cowl.
29. John Wells			Nairn and Blanchard	Nairn.
30. Alexander Henderson	Oct. 10, 1877	John Barclay	Hyde Park	Hyde Park.
31. Alexander Fraser		Thos. Gordon	Guthrie's Church, Longwood	Longwood.
32. Peter C. Goldie	Nov. 15, 1877	Hugh Scott	Delaware	Delaware.
33. James McRae			West Williams	
34. John Ferguson		D. Brown	Lobo and Caradoc	Lobo.
VACANCIES.				
		J. W. Robson	{ English Settlement and } { Proof Line } Crumlin and Dorchester	Vanneek.
		John Carmichael		Dorchester
		Alex. Cameron	Belmont	Belmont.
		A. M. Dougall	Mundaamin	Mundaamin.
		Reuben Burr	Burns' Ch. and Bear Creek	Brigden.
		Andrew Elliott	Parkhill	Parkhill.
			Springfield and Aylmer	
		William Bryce	Point Edward	Point Edward.
			London East	London.
		William Strathdee	Port Stanley	Port Stanley.
			Alvinston	
		Robert Fleming	N. and S. Westminster	Wilton Grove.
			N. E. Nissouri	
MISSION STATIONS.				
		Samuel Milliken	N. E. Adelaide	
			Corunna, &c	
		J. H. Laird	Inean	
			Oil Springs	

GEORGE CUTHBERTSON, *Pres. Clerk.*

4. PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM.

1. A. W. Waddell	Nov. 30, 1847	Joseph Laird	Harwich	Rondeau.
2. Angus McColl	Feb. 18, 1848	Wm. Coltart	Adelaide Street, Chatham	Chatham.
3. William King	May, 1851	Thomson	Buxton	Buxton.
4. William Walker	Oct. 25, 1853	Rev. J. Paterson	Wellington Street, Chatham	Chatham.
5. Archibald Currie	Feb. 7, 1859	D. McLaren	Ridgetown and Kilmarnock	Ridgetown.
6. Fred. Smith	April, 1867	Alex. Callum	Amherstburg	Amherstburg.
7. John Becket	May 27, 1868	W. McKerricher	Thamesville	Thamesville.
8. John Gray	Nov. 13, 1870	Alex. Bartlett	Windsor	Windsor.
9. D. L. McKeachie	Sep. 28, 1875	Jas. McKeown	Bothwell	Bothwell.
10. J. A. McAlmon	Oct. 12, 1875	McDonald	Dresden	Dresden.
11. W. C. Armstrong	Mar. 8, 1877	Wm. Webster	Florence and Dawn	Florence.
12. John R. Battisby	Oct. 1877	John Fleming	St. Andrew's, Chatham	Chatham.
13. C. Lafontaine			Teacher, St. Ann's	St. Ann's, Ill.
VACANCIES.				
			St. Ann, First Church	
			Elmira, Ill., U. S.	
		James Walker	Dover and Oliver Station	
		F. B. Stewart	Tilbury East	

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATI'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	Sombra	Sombra.
.....	Wallaceburg.....	Wallaceburg.
.....	Robert Keith.....	Tilbury West and Comber.....	Comber.
.....	Mersea .....	.....
.....	Maidstone	Maidstone.
.....	D. McVicar.....	Knox Church, Chatham T'p.....	.....

W. WALKER, Pres. Clerk.

5. PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.

1. T. McPherson	Oct. 10, 1836 .....	.....	.....	Stratford.
2. Daniel Allan	Nov., 1838 .....	.....	.....	Goderich.
3. James Boyd	July 7, 1847	George Manson	Wellesley	Crosshill.
4. Daniel Gordon	Oct., 1849	Adam Green	Harrington	Harrington.
5. David Mann	Dec. 26, 1855	James McGowan	Biddulph	Granton.
6. Robert Hamilton	June 30, 1858	George Lowrie	Fullerton and Avon Bank.....	Motherwill.
7. Robert Hall	Apr. 17, 1860	Rob't Paterson	Nissouri, N. & S.	Thorndale.
8. John K. Hislop	Nov. 19, 1862	Alex. Robertson	Avorton and Carlingford	Avorton.
9. Archibald Stewart	Nov. 26, 1862	John Cullin	North East Hope	Shakespeare.
10. Robert Renwick	Jan., 1863	Geo. Robertson	Elma Centre & West Monckton	Newry Station.
11. John McAlpine .....	..... 1863	Wm. Sterritt	St. Mary's	St. Mary's.
12. J. W. Mitchell, M.A.	May 23, 1867	Wm. McKenzie	Mitchell	Mitchell.
13. J. Edgar Croly, M. A.	Nov. 29, 1868	Andrew Burnet	Millbank	Millbank.
14. I. W. Bell, M.A.	Dec. 22, 1868	Wm. Haddow	Knox Church, Listowel	Listowel.
15. P. McF. McLeod .....	.....	R. Donaldson	Knox Church, Stratford.....	Stratford.
16. Peter Scott	Mar. 5, 1872	George Miller	Hibbert	Cromarty.
17. E. W. Waits .....	..... 1872	Sammel Robb	St. Andrew's, Stratford	Stratford.
18. J. J. Cameron, M.A. ....	..... 1874	James Crerar	St. Andrew's, North East Hope	Shakespeare.
19. Robert Watt .....	..... 1878	James McDonald	Shakespeare	Shakespeare.
20. T. I. Johnston .....	..... 1878	R. Elliott	Molesworth and Trowbridge	Molesworth.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	William Dowd.....	N. Mornington.....	Milverton.
.....	.....	J. McLevon	Strathallan	Strathallan.
MISSION STATIONS.				
.....	.....	.....	Burns' Church, E. Zorra.....	.....

J. FOTHERINGHAM, Pres. Clerk.

6. PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

1. Charles Fletcher	Nov., 1842 .....	.....	.....	Goderich.
2. Robert Ure, D. D.	Jan., 1845	Robert Young	Knox Church, Goderich	Goderich.
3. John Ross	Oct., 1851 .....	.....	Brucefield	Brucefield.
4. Samuel Jones	Sep., 1853	Thos. Strachan	Knox Church, Brussels	Brussels.
5. Matthew Barr	Feb., 1854	D. Campbell	McKillop and Tuckersmith	Seaforth.
6. George Brown	Aug., 1856	A. L. Gibson	Wroxeter and Fordwich	Wroxeter.
7. J. Sieveright, B.A.	July, 1857	Rob't Young	Knox Church, Goderich	Goderich.
8. Alexander Grant	Aug., 1858 .....	.....	Ashfield	Kintail.
9. N. Patterson	July 19, 1859	James Torrance	St. Andrew's, Bayfield, &c.	Porter's Hill.
10. Hugh Cameron	Oct., 1862	John McEwan	Kippen	Kippen.
11. A. Y. Hartley	June, 1864	John Strang	Rodgerville and Exeter	Exeter.
12. J. Ferguson	Jan., 1865	Alex. Stewart	Melville Church, Brussels	Brussels.
13. Henry Gracey	March, 1865	Robert Kirk	Thames Road and Kirkton	Farquhar.
14. Robert Leask	Nov., 1865	H. Rutherford	St. Helen's and White Church	St. Helen's.
15. H. McQuarrie	May, 1865	James Dickson	Wingham	Wingham.
16. W. J. Wilkins, B.A. ....	.....	James Edmond	Knox Church, Belgrave	Belgrave.
17. J. S. Lochhead, M.A.	Sep., 1866	James Elliott	Hullett and Londesboro	Londesboro.
18. A. McLeann	Nov., 1866	H. McQuarrie	St. Andrew's Church, Blyth	Blyth.
19. P. Musgrave	May, 1868	W. Greene	Duff's Ch. McKillop & Winthrop	Seaforth.
20. J. Pritchard	Oct., 1868	J. Kernichan	Manchester and Smith Hill	Anburn.
21. M. Danby	Feb., 1872	James Pollock	Bayfield Road and Berne	Varna.
22. A. M. Naughton .....	.....	James Smellie	Walton	Walton.
23. R. W. Leitch .....	..... 1874	A. McPherson	Dungannon and Port Albert	Dungannon.
24. J. G. Thomson	Nov., 1874	J. McCally	Union Church, Brucefield	Brucefield.
25. D. B. McRae	June, 1875	J. McNair	Cranbrook and Ethel	Grey.
26. D. McRae .....	..... 1878	Wm. Turnbull	Grand Bend	Grand Bend.
VACANCIES.				
.....	.....	Robert Turnbull.....	Seaforth	Seaforth.
.....	.....	A. Mathieson.....	Clinton, Willis Church.....	Clinton.
.....	.....	S. Carnochan	Egmondville.....	Egmondville.
.....	.....	T. Fortune	Bluevale and Eadie	Bluevale.

6. PRESBYTERY OF HURON.—Continued.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINAT'N	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICE.
MISSION STATIONS.		Robert Harrison	East Ashfield Goderich (Gaelic) Chiselhurst Hill's Green	

A. McLEAN, Pres. Clerk.

7. PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE.

1. G. Bell, B.A., LL.D.	May 30, 1844	James Blain	St. Paul's, Walkerton	Walkerton.
2. William Graham	Jan. 15, 1845	William Colly	Pine River	Pine River.
3. Alexander Sutherland	..... 1846	J. McKay	Knox Ch., Ripley	Dingwall.
4. John Scott	Oct. 8, 1850	A. McKinnon	North Bruce and St. Andrew's, Saugeen	Queen Hill.
5. A. Tolmie	June 2, 1853	James Craig	Southampton and West Arran	Southampton.
6. Duncan Cameron	Mar. 3, 1854	J. Archibald	Lucknow and S. Kinloss	Lucknow.
7. William Bluin	July 4, 1851	.....	Tara, Allanford, etc	Tara.
8. John Anderson	Oct. 11, 1854	J. Dewar	Tiverton	Tiverton.
9. Peter Currie	Feb. 19, 1855	James Lean	Zion Church, Teeswater	Teeswater.
10. John Stewart	Mar. 8, 1855	D. Campbell	Chalmers' Ch., Kincardine	Kincardine.
11. David Wardrope	June, 1855	James Reid	Westminster Ch., Teeswater	Teeswater.
12. J. Straith	Jan. 13, 1857	James Steele	Knox Church, Paisley	Paisley.
13. A. F. McQueen	Dec. 15, 1858	James Bell	Huron	Dingwall.
14. W. Anderson, M.A.	June 29, 1860	M. McPherson	St. Andrew's Ch., Kincardine	Kincardine.
15. A. G. Forbes	Dec. 11, 1862	W. Malcolm	Kinloss and Bervie	Kinloss.
16. G. McLennan	Nov. 8, 1864	R. Cooper	Underwood and Centre Bruce	Underwood.
17. John Bethune	Feb. 15, 1871	.....	Chesley	Chesley.
18. D. Davidson	Oct. 8, 1872	W. Dawson	Langside	Langside.
19. W. Ferguson	Jan. 2, 1873	J. Doherty	Glaunmis	Glaunmis.
20. J. B. Taylor	July 23, 1873	R. Malcolm	Lucknow	Lucknow.
21. D. McKerracher	July 7, 1874	.....	Prince Arthur's Landing	Pr'ce Arthur's L'g.
22. James Gourlay, M.A.	Mar. 3, 1875	George Duff	Port Elgin and Dumblane	Port Elgin.
23. William Stuart, B.A.	.....	.....	Sault Ste. Marie	Sault St. Marie.
24. H. McKay	.....	.....	Manitoulin Islands	Manitoulin Isl'd.
VACANCIES.		R. Richardson	Knox Ch., Kincardine	Kincardine.
MISSION STATIONS.		John Miller	Riversdale and Enniskillen	Riversdale.
		Chas. Andrews	Pinkerton	Elm Grove.
		Wm. Park	Salem Ch. Elderslie	

A. G. FORBES, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.

1. John Black, D.D.	July 31, 1851	Thos. Anderson	Kildonan	Kildonan, Man.
2. John Scott	June 29, 1853	.....	Emerson, etc	Emerson, Man.
3. H. J. Borthwick, M.A.	August, 1853	.....	Pembina Mountain	Pembina Mountain, Man.
4. Alex. Matheson	Nov. 20, 1860	Hon. D. Gunn	Little Britain, etc.	Little Brit'n, Man
5. Walter R. Ross, M.A.	Feb. 6, 1861	.....	Boyne, etc.	Boyne, Man.
6. James Douglass	Aug. 2, 1865	.....	Morris, etc.	Morris, Man.
7. Alex. Smith	Sept. 27, 1866	.....	Little Saskatchewan	Shoal L'ke, N.W.T
8. James Robertson	Nov. 18, 1869	Gilbert McMeiken	Knox Church, Winnipeg	Winnipeg, Man.
9. George Bryce, M.A.	Sept. 19, 1871	.....	Professor Man. Coll	Winnipeg, Man.
10. S. E. Caldwell, B.A.	July 8, 1872	.....	Woodlands, etc	Woodlands, Man
11. Thomas Hart, M.A.	July 31, 1872	.....	Professor Man. Coll	Winnipeg, Man.
12. Alex. Campbell, B.A.	Oct. 9, 1873	.....	Rockwood, etc	Rockwood, Man.
13. Hugh McKellar	Oct. 27, 1874	J. O. Frazer	High Bluff, etc	High Bluff, Man.
14. Allan Bell	July 14, 1875	Robert Sutherland	Portage la Prairie, etc	Port'ge la Prairie, Man
15. George Flett	Aug. 10, 1875	.....	Okanase, etc	Okanase, N.W.T.
16. Alex. Stewart, B.A.	Sept. 22, 1875	.....	.....	.....
17. J. S. Stewart	Aug. 9, 1876	.....	Palestine, etc	Palestine, Man.
18. D. C. Johnson, B.A.	Oct. 11, 1876	.....	Prince Albert School	Pr'nce Alb't NWT
19. Peter Struith	Sept. 26, 1877	.....	Battleford	Battleford, NWT
20. John McKay	May 8, 1878	.....	Sturgeon Lake, etc	Pr'nce Alb't NWT
21. Sol. Tunkasuiciye	.....	.....	Bird Tail Creek Reserve	Bird Tail Creek, N.W.T.
VACANCIES.		.....	Prince Albert, etc	Pr'ce Alb't, NWT
		.....	Springfield, etc	Springfield, Man.
		.....	Caledonia, etc	Caledonia, Man.
		John Sutherland	Headingly, etc	Headingly, Man.
		.....	Section 15, C. P. R.	Darlington, Keewatin.

JAMES ROBERTSON, Pres. Clerk.

CHANGES IN ROLLS OF THE SEVERAL SYNODS.

I.—SYNOD OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

DEATHS.

- Presbytery of Wallace*—
Rev. John Munro, of Wallace, May 25th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Sydney*—
Rev. James Ross, of Grand River, July 12th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Miramichi*—
Rev. David Taylor, of Bass River, April 28th, 1878.

DEMISSIONS.

- Presbytery of Truro*—
James McGregor McKay, of Economy, December 31st, 1877.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth*—
Rev. George Christie, of Yarmouth, June 30th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Miramichi*—
Rev. James Law, of St. Andrew's, Richibucto, October 16th, 1877.
- Presbytery of St. John*—
Rev. Wm. Caven, of St. Paul's, Fredericton, April, 1878.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island*—
Rev. William P. Archibald, of Tryon and Bonshaw, November 7th, 1877.

INDUCTIONS.

- Presbytery of Sydney*—
Rev. Allan McLean, Glace Bay Mines, December 5th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Pictou*—
Rev. Alex. McLean, A.M., Hopewell, September 18th, 1877.
Rev. William Stewart, Salem Church, Green Hill, September 19th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Truro*—
Rev. John A. Logan, Acadia, August 7th, 1877.
Rev. James Sinclair, Upper Londonderry, 4th September, 1877.
- Presbytery of Halifax*—
Rev. P. M. Morrison, Dartmouth, June 5th, 1877.
Rev. M. G. Henry, Shubenacadie and Stewiacke, December 4th, 1877.
Rev. Robert Laing, B.A., St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, March 21st, 1878.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth*—
Rev. John Wallace, B.A., Lunenburg, Col. and Successor to Rev. W. Duff.
Rev. William Robertson, Bridgewater, November 29th, 1877.
- Presbytery of St. John*—
Rev. J. McG. McKay, St. Paul's, Woodstock, March 25th, 1878.
- Presbytery of Miramichi*—
Rev. David Taylor, Bass River, October 17th, 1877.
Rev. William Fogo, Tabusintac, October 30th, 1877.
Rev. William Murray, M.A., New Carlisle, November 12th, 1877.
Rev. James A. F. McBain, St. John's, Chatham, November 15th, 1877.
Rev. John Robertson, M.A., Black River, November 16th, 1877.
Rev. James C. Herdman, M.A., B.D., St. Andrew's, Campbellton, February 28th, 1878.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island*—
Rev. W. P. Archibald, Cavendish and New Glasgow, March 20th, 1878.
- Presbytery of Truro*—
Rev. James Sinclair, from Springside to Upper Londonderry, Presbytery of Truro, Sept. 4th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Halifax*—
Rev. George Grant, M.A., from St. Matthew's, Halifax, to Principals of Queen's College, Kingston, October 16th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth*—
Rev. P. M. Morrison, from Bridgewater to Dartmouth, Presbytery of Halifax, June 5th, 1877.
Rev. M. G. Henry, from Clyde and Barrington to Shubenacadie and Stewiacke, Presbytery of Halifax, November 18th, 1877.
- Presbytery of Prince Edward Island*—
Rev. Isaac Murray, D.D., from Cavendish and New Glasgow, to New London, same Presbytery July 11th, 1877.
Rev. Alexander McLean, from Belfast to Hopewell, Presbytery of Pictou, September 8th, 1877.

ORDINATIONS.

Presbytery of Truro—

John A. Logan, Acadia Mines, August 7th, 1877.

Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth—

Daniel McGregor, B.A., New Dublin, May 24th, 1877.
D. Styles Fraser, B.A., Mahone Bay, November 30th, 1877.

Presbytery of Miramichi—

James C. Herdman, B.D., November 6th, 1877.

Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond—

Rev. Alexander McRae, Little River and Narrows, June 7th, 1877
Rev. John McLean, Broad Cove, July 4th, 1877.

LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Truro—

John A. Logan, May 23th, 1877.
B. K. McElnon, May 29th, 1877.
James S. Carruthers, May 1st, 1877.

Presbytery of Halifax—

John McLean, June 5th, 1877.

Presbytery of Lunenburg and Yarmouth—

Daniel McGregor, B.A., May 17th, 1877.

Presbytery of Pictou—

D. Styles Fraser, M.A., June 5th, 1877.

Presbytery of Sydney—

Donald McLeod, July 11th, 1877.

PETER M. MORRISON, *Synod Clerk.*

II.—SYNOD OF MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.

DEMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Montreal—

Joseph Elliott, Nazareth Street Church, Montreal, 16th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Brockville—

Wm. J. Dey, M.A., Mainsville, 1st October, 1877.
Wm. McKibbin, B.A., Iroquois, 3rd October, 1877.
George Porteous, Matilda, 25th March, 1878.
James W. Chesnut, Dunbar and Colquhouns, 16th April, 1878.
Alexander H. Cameron, St. Andrew's Church, Mountain and South Gower, 12th May, 1878.

Presbytery of Glengarry—

H. Lamont, D.D., St. Luke's Church, Finch, 10th September, 1877.
James S. Mullan, St. Matthew's Church, Osnabrock, 24th January, 1878.
William Grant, Vankleekhill, 19th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Ottawa—

Henry Sinclair, Ross, 28th May, 1877.

TRANSLATIONS.

Presbytery of Quebec.

Peter Wright, Chalmers' Church, Quebec, 12th September, 1877.

Presbytery of Montreal—

Charles A. Tanner to Presbytery of Quebec, 2nd October, 1877.
John S. Lochead, M.A., Valleyfield, 15th February, 1878, to Presbytery of Huron.

Presbytery of Glengarry—

Kenneth Macdonald, from Indian Lands to Martintown and Williamstown, 26th September, 1877.

Presbytery of Ottawa—

A. C. Stewart, from North Gower to the Presbytery of Saugeen, 28th May, 1877.
James Fraser, from Litchfield to the Presbytery of Montreal, 1st October, 1877.

INDUCTIONS.

Presbytery of Quebec—

William Mathieson, Winslow, 23rd January, 1878.

Presbytery of Montreal—

Peter Wright, Chalmers' Church, Montreal, 13th September, 1877.
James Fraser, Chatham and Grenville, 9th October, 1877.
Charles A. Doudiet, St. John's Church, Montreal, 16th October, 1877.
Leon Dionne, Joliette, 18th October, 1877.

Presbytery of Brockville—

William M. McKibbin, Mainsville, 3rd October, 1877.
John J. Richards, West Port and Newboro' 18th October, 1877.
George Porteous, Kitley, 7th May, 1878.

Presbytery of Glengarry—

H. Lamont, D.D., Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George, 28th September, 1877
John Fraser, Indian Lands, 5th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Ottawa—

William M. Christie, Westmeath, 11th October, 1877.
Joseph White, Rochesterville, 12th March, 1878.
A. C. Morton, North Gower, 9th April, 1878.

ORDINATIONS.

Presbytery of Quebec—

Moses F. Boudreau, Danville, 8th August, 1877.
Finlay M. Dewey, Richmond, 9th August, 1877.

Presbytery of Montreal—

John C. Cattanach, Dundee, 29th August, 1877.
Alfred Clarence Morton, 15th January, 1878.
Robert Hamilton, 24th October, 1877.

Presbytery of Glengarry—

A. McGillivray, St. Andrew's Church, Williamstown, 21st September, 1877.
F. McLennan, Kenyon, 27th September, 1877.
William A. Lang, Lunenburg and Avonmore, 6th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Ottawa—

Hugh McFayden, Cumberland, 11th June, 1877.
A. A. Scott, Zion Church, Carleton Place, 21st February, 1878.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

Presbytery of Montreal—

P. Duclous, French Protestant Minister at St. Hyacinthe, 10th July, 1877.
Benjamin Ouriere, lately a Priest in the Roman Catholic Church of France, 10th July, 1877.
A. V. Millingen, Minister of the Free Church of Scotland, 2nd October, 1877.

LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Montreal—

Moses Frank Boudreau, 10th July, 1877.
Alfred Clarence Morton, 10th July, 1877.
Norman McPhee, 10th July, 1877.
Robert Hamilton, 10th July, 1877.
Finlay McLennan, 10th July, 1877.

ERECTION OF CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Glengarry—

Summerstown, 10th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Montreal—

St. Hyacinthe, received and erected 10th July, 1877.
Joliette, received and erected 10th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Brockville—

Balderson and Drummond, 13th November, 1877.

CHANGES IN RELATION OF CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Brockville—

Mainsville separated from Spencerville, and united to Edwardsburg, 1st October, 1877.
Iroquois separated from Edwardsburg and united to Morrisburg, 1st October, 1877.

JAMES WATSON, A.M., *Clerk of Synod.*

III.—SYNOD OF TORONTO AND KINGSTON.

DEATHS.

Presbytery of Peterborough—

John M. Roger, M.A., Pastor Emeritus, St. Paul's Church, Peterborough, 8th January, 1878.

Presbytery of Guelph—

Andrew Dryburgh, Hawksville and Gale Church, Ehnira, 6th March, 1878.

DEMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Kingston—

Walter Coulthard, Gananoque, 5th August, 1877.
Howard D. Steele, Amherst Island, 1st May, 1878.

Presbytery of Peterborough—

Andrew F. Tully, Bobcaygeon and Dunsford, 9th October, 1877

Presbytery of Whitby—

Walter R. Ross, Pickering, 16th October, 1877.
James Douglas, Port Ferry and Prince Albert, 16th April, 1878.

- Presbytery of Lindsay*—
John Campbell, B.A., Manilla (part of charge), 16th October, 1877.
- Presbytery of Toronto*—
Alexander Carrick, Zion Church, Orangeville, 4th September, 1877.
James Carmichael, M.A., Stouffville, (part of charge), 3rd January, 1878.
James Adams, West King, 6th May, 1878.
- Presbytery of Barrie*—
John Ferguson, B.A., South Line, Osprey and Honeywood, 16th September, 1877.
Wm. Cleland, W. Gwillimbury and Innisfil, 31st March, 1878.
- Presbytery of Saugeen*—
J. A. McAlmon, Berkely and Flesherton, 18th September, 1877.
Robert F. Gunn, Hanover and W. Bentinck, 18th December, 1877.
Robert Harkness, Osprey, 19th December, 1877.
Patrick Greig, Normanby, 9th April, 1878.
- Presbytery of Guelph*—
Wm. Barrie, D.D., First Church, Eramosa, 25th May, 1877.
- Presbytery of Owen Sound*—
D. McNaughton, M.A., N. Keppel and Sarawak, 28th July, 1877.
- Presbytery of Kingston*—
John McMechan, Picton, 1st May, 1878.

INDUCTIONS.

- Presbytery of Kingston*—
A. B. Nicholson, B.A., Lansdowne and Fairfax, 11th September, 1877.
R. J. Craig, M.A., Mill Point, 1st May, 1878.
Alex. Bell, St. Andrew's, Peterborough, 28th January, 1877.
- Presbytery of Barrie*—
Henry Sinclair, Mulmur and Tossorontio, 14th March, 1878.
- Presbytery of Saugeen*—
D. W. Cameron, Palmerston, 6th June, 1877.
John McClung, Balaklava, 7th November, 1877.
- Presbytery of Owen Sound*—
William Forest, Leith and Lake Shore, 20th March, 1878.
- Presbytery of Toronto*—
Alex. McFaul, Alton, (part of charge), 12th March, 1878.
- Presbytery of Barrie*—
E. B. N. Millard, Singhampton, Maple Valley and Honeywood, 21st May, 1878.

ORDINATIONS.

- Presbytery of Toronto*—
R. P. McKay, M.A., Knox and Melville Churches, Scarborough, 9th October, 1877.
William Frizzell, Newmarket, 4th April, 1878.
Alexander Tait, Mono East, Mono Mills and St. Andrew's Church, Caledon, 28th May, 1878.
- Presbytery of Guelph*—
A. M. Hamilton, M.A., Chalmers' Church, Winterbourne, 22nd May, 1877.
Andrew Dryburgh, Hawksville and Gale Church, Elmira, 24th July, 1877.
Robert Fowle, St. Andrew's Church, Hillsburgh, and Bethel Church, Price's Corners, 25th Oct., 1877.
David Smyth, First Church, Eramosa, 28th October, 1877.
- Presbytery of Owen Sound*—
A. F. MacKenzie, Kilsyth and North Derby, 6th March, 1878.

TRANSLATIONS.

- Presbytery of Huron*—
Finlay McCuaig, Willis Church, Clinton, to Chalmers' Church, Kingston, Presbytery of Kingston, 26th July, 1877.
Henry Gracey, Thames Road and Kirkton, to St. Andrew's Church, Gananoque, Presbytery of Kingston, 2nd May, 1878.
Stephen Young, Manchester, &c., to Clifford, Presbytery of Saugeen, 7th November, 1877.
- Presbytery of Halifax*—
George M. Grant, D.D., St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, to be Principal and Primarius Professor of Queen's College, Kingston, Presbytery of Kingston, 8th January, 1878.
- Presbytery of Kingston*—
William Snodgrass, D.D., Principal and Primarius Professor of Queen's College, Kingston, 2nd October, 1877, to the Pastoral Charge of Canoubie, Presbytery of Langhdon, Church of Scotland, on 23rd November, of the same year.
Robert W. Leitch, from Camden and Sheffield, to Dungannon and Port Albert, Presbytery of Huron, in May, 1877.
- Presbytery of Hamilton*—
James C. Smith, M.A., St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, to St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, Presbytery of Guelph, 11th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Peterborough—

W. A. McKay, M.A., Baltimore and Coldsprings, 26th March, 1878, with the view of being inducted into Chalmers' Church, Woodstock, Presbytery of Paris.
 Samuel Acheson, ordained Missionary, Minden Group, 10th October, 1877, to Wick and Greenbank, Presbytery of Lindsay, on 4th October, of the same year.

Presbytery of Saugeen—

J. M. McIntyre, Knox Church, Harrisburg, 18th December, 1877, to Zion Church, Orangeville, 17th January, 1878, Presbytery of Toronto.
 William Matheson, North Arthur, 18th December, 1877, with the view of being inducted into Winslow, Presbytery of Quebec.

Presbytery of Owen Sound—

D. J. McInnes, Clarksburg and Heathcote, 28th September, 1877, to Erla and Caprings, Presbytery of Guelph, 24th October, 1877.

Presbytery of Bruce—

Donald Fraser, M.A., Saugeen, to St. Andrew's Church, Mount Forest and Woodland, Presbytery of Saugeen, 27th June, 1877.

Presbytery of Ottawa—

A. C. Stewart, North Gower, to Mackintosh and Belmore, Presbytery of Saugeen, 25th July, 1877.

NAME RESTORED TO ROLL.

Presbytery of Kingston—

The name of David Beattie, Ordained Missionary, Rylston and Marmora, by a misunderstanding omitted from the Roll of last year, is restored thereto.

TRANSFERENCE OF CONGREGATIONS.

Presbytery of Peterborough—

The Congregations of Fenelon Falls and Somerville were transferred by the General Assembly from the Presbytery of Peterborough to that of Lindsay, on the 20th of June last, and the name of Wm. Lochhead, the Minister of said Congregations, added to the Roll of the latter Presbytery.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

Presbytery of Kingston—

Alex. McGillivray, 10th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Toronto—

Wm. A. Wilson, M.A., 24th July, 1877.
 Angus Ross Kennedy, M.D., 24th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Barrie—

Alexander Russell, 6th August, 1877.

Presbytery of Saugeen—

Alexander F. Mackenzie, 19th September, 1877.

Presbytery of Guelph—

Robert Fowlie, 11th September, 1877.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS FROM OTHER CHURCHES.

Presbytery of Kingston—

Alex. B. Nicholson, B.A., 11th July, 1877.

Presbytery of Toronto—

Abiathar B. Beamer, 3rd July, 1877.
 James Campbell, 3rd July, 1877.

CONGREGATIONS ERECTED.

Presbytery of Toronto—

Leslieville, 16th November, 1877.
 Ballinafad, 4th December, 1877.
 Melville Church, Caledon, separated from Alton and joined to Ballinafad, 11th December, 1877.
 Alton, united to Knox Church, Caledon, 12th March, 1878.
 Horning's Mills, 21st May, 1878.

Presbytery of Barrie—

Gravenhurst, united to Severn Bridge and Washago, 23th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Lindsay—

Sunderland and Vronanton, 1st October, 1877.
 Manilla, disjoined from Cannington and erected into a separate charge, 28th October, 1877.

MISSION STATIONS ERECTED.

Presbytery of Barrie—

Mackintosh (Muskoka) 3rd August, 1877.
 Cooke's Church, Macaulay, 15th September, 1877.
 Port Sydney, 15th September, 1877.
 York—formerly Hamilton, Draper, 22nd September, 1877.
 Beggsboro, 24th September, 1877.
 Magnetawan, 31st August, 1877.
 Spence, 1st September, 1877.
 Medonte and Vesey joined to Penetanguishene,
 Wyebridge and Vint, 25th March, 1878.
 McCrae and Hunter's, separated from Penetanguishene, &c., and joined to Minesing, 25th March, 1878.
 Ardrea separated from Washago and Severn Bridge, and united to Uhtoff and North Orillia, (new stations) 25th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Guelph—
Drayton, 20th January, 1878.

SUSPENSION OF MISSION SERVICES.

Presbytery of Guelph—
In July, 1877, Mission Services in German were suspended at New Hamburg, and in January, 1878, at Preston, for want of encouragement.

CHANGE OF DESIGNATION.

Presbytery of Brerie—
South Line, Osprey and Honeywood, to Singhampton, Maple Valley and Honeywood, on the 22nd March, 1878.
JOHN GRAY, M.A., *Synod Clerk.*

IV.—SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON.

TRANSLATIONS.

Presbytery of Hamilton—
Mr. E. W. Waits, from Waterdown and Nelson to St. Andrew's Church, Stratford, on the 20th day of March, 1877.
Mr. James C. Smith, M.A., from St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, to St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, on the 5th day of June, 1877.
Mr. James A. F. McBain, from Drummondville and Chippawa to St. John's Church, Chatham, N. B., on the 1st day of November, 1877.

Presbytery of Paris—
Mr. John McTavish, from Chalmers' Church, Woodstock, to the Free East Church, Inverness, Scotland, on the 16th day of August, 1877.

Presbytery of London—
Mr. Robert Thynne, from English Settlement and Proof Line to Beverly on the 23rd April, 1877.
Mr. Neil McKinnon, from Belmont and Yarmouth to Mosa, on the 20th May, 1877.

Presbytery of Stratford—
Mr. Peter Musgrave, from Milverton and North Mornington to Duff's Church, McKillop, and Caven Church, Winthrop, on the 23rd September, 1877.

Presbytery of Huron—
Mr. Finlay McCuaig, from Clinton to Chalmers' Church, Kingston, on the 3rd July, 1877.
Mr. Stephen Young, from Manchester and Hullet to Clifford, on the 9th October, 1877.
Mr. Thomas Goldsmith, from Seaforth to St. John's Church, Hamilton, on the 5th December, 1877.
Mr. Henry Gracey, from Thames Road and Kirkton to Gananoque, on the 19th March, 1878.

Presbytery of Bruce—
Mr. Donald Fraser, from St. Andrew's, Saugeen, to St. Andrew's, Mount Forest and Woodlands, on the 7th June, 1877.
Mr. John Fraser, from Knox Church, Kincardine, to Indian Lands, on the 5th February, 1878.

INDUCTIONS.

Presbytery of Hamilton—
Mr. Robert Thynne into the pastoral charge of Beverly, on the 1st day of May, 1877.
Mr. John L. Robertson, M.A., into Nairn, on the 16th day of September, 1877.
Mr. C. D. McDonald, into Thorold, on the 4th day of October, 1877.
Mr. John Porteous, into Port Dalhousie, on the 1st day of November, 1877.
Mr. Thomas Goldsmith, into St. John's Church, Hamilton, on the 8th day of January, 1878.
Mr. Samuel Lyle, into Central Church, Hamilton, on the 12th day of February, 1878.
Mr. Robert J. Laidlaw, into St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, on the 12th day of March, 1878.

Presbytery of Paris—
Mr. James Little, into Princetown and Drumbo, on the 24th day of July, 1877.

Presbytery of London—
Mr. George Cuthbertson, into Wyoming and Plympton, on the 18th day of April, 1877.
Mr. Neil McKinnon, into Mosa, on the 23rd day of May, 1877.
Mr. John Wells, into East Williams, on the 24th day of July, 1877.
Mr. Donald McDonald, into Napier, on the 4th day of September, 1877.
Mr. Alex. Fraser, into Guthrie's Church, Longwood, and Cooke's Church, Caradoc, on the 13th day of November, 1877.
Mr. John Ferguson, into Lobo and Caradoc, on the 3rd day of April, 1878.

Presbytery of Chatham—
Mr. John A. McAlmon, into Dresden, on the 27th day of November, 1877.

Presbytery of Stratford—
Mr. E. Wallace Waits, into St. Andrew's Church, Stratford, on the 18th day of April, 1877.
Mr. Thos. J. Johnson, into Molesworth and Trowbridge, on the 31st day of October, 1877.
Mr. Patrick McFarlane McLeod, into Knox Church, Stratford, on the 30th day of January, 1878.

Presbytery of Huron—
Mr. R. W. Leitch, into Dungannon and Port Albert, on the 15th day of May, 1877.
Mr. Alexander McNaughton, into Walton, on the 24th day of July, 1877.
Mr. Peter Musgrave, into Duff's Church and Winthrop, on the 26th day of September, 1877.
Mr. Nathaniel Patterson, into Bayfield and Bethany, on the 30th day of January, 1878.
Mr. J. S. Lohead, M.A., into Hullet and Londesboro', on the 21st day of March, 1878.
Mr. W. T. Wilkins, B.A., into Knox Church, Belgrave, on the third day of April, 1878.

ORDINATIONS.

Presbytery of London—

Mr. Alexander Henderson, at Hyde Park, on the 10th day of October, 1877.
 Mr. Peter C. Goldie, at Delaware, on the 15th day of November, 1877.
 Mr. Farquhar McRae, at West Williams, on the 3rd day of January, 1878.

Presbytery of Chatham—

Mr. John R. Battisby, at Chatham, on the 26th day of September, 1877.

Presbytery of Stratford—

Mr. Robert R. Watt, at Shakespears, on the 6th day of November, 1877.

Presbytery of Huron—

Mr. D. McRae, at Grand Bend, on the 29th day of January, 1878.

DEMISSTIONS.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

Mr. James Little, Minister of St. John's Church, Hamilton, on the 15th day of May, 1877.
 Mr. Malcolm McNeil, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Simcoe, on the 18th day of September, 1877.
 Mr. Alexander Dawson, Minister at Beamsville and Clinton, on the 18th day of December, 1877.

Presbytery of Paris—

Mr. Hugh Thompson, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, East Oxford, on the 24th day of July, 1877.

Presbytery of London—

Mr. C. D. McDonald, Minister of Point Edward, on the 31st day of August, 1877.
 Mr. James Blaikie, Minister at Port Stanley, on the 30th day of September, 1877.
 Mr. George Simpson, Minister at Westminster, on the 30th day of September, 1877.
 Mr. James Ferguson, Minister at Alvinston, Euphemia and Brook, on the 31st day of December, 1877.
 Mr. Peter McDiarmid, Minister at Bear's Creek and Burns' Church, on the 30th day of March, 1878.

Presbytery of Chatham—

Mr. William Forrest, Minister at Tilbury East, on the 3rd day of July, 1877.

Presbytery of Stratford—

Mr. Thomas MacPherson, Minister of Knox Church, Stratford, on the 15th day of July, 1877.

Presbytery of Huron—

Mr. J. B. Scott, Minister at Egmondville, on the 3rd day of July, 1877.
 Mr. James Sieveright, B.A., part of his charge—namely, Smith's Hill—on the 9th day of October, 1877.

LICENSURES.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

Mr. A. A. Scott, on the 19th day of September, 1877.

Presbytery of Paris—

Mr. R. P. McKay, on the 3rd day of July, 1877.

Presbytery of London—

Mr. Peter C. Goldie, on the 22nd day of August, 1877.

Presbytery of Chatham—

Mr. Alexander McFarlane, on the 3rd day of July, 1877.

MINISTERS RECEIVED.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

Mr. John L. Robertson, M.A., on the 17th day of July, with leave of the General Assembly.
 Mr. Samuel Lyle, on the 31st day of January, 1878, on papers of transference from the Presbytery of Ballymena, Ireland.
 Mr. R. J. Laidlaw, on the 26th day of February, 1878, on paper of transference from the Presbytery of Detroit, U.S.

Presbytery of London—

Mr. Andrew Watson.

Presbytery of Stratford—

Mr. Patrick McFarlane McLeod, on the 30th day of January, 1878, from the Presbyterian Church of England.

DISMISSIONS.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

Mr. W. Clarke, declared no longer a Minister or member of the Church, on the 19th day of March, 1878.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

Mr. George Cheyne, a Retired Minister of the Church, on the 1st day of April, 1878.

CONGREGATIONAL CHANGES.

Presbytery of Hamilton—

The congregation of Merritton was separated from that of Thorold on the 5th day of June, 1877, and was united to Hayne's Church, St. Catharines, to form one charge, on the 15th day of November, 1877.
 Burlington was separated from Knox Church, Waterdown, on the 5th day of June, 1877, and made a distinct charge.

The congregations of Knox Church and St. Andrew's Church, Waterdown, were united to form one pastoral charge, on the 5th day of June, 1877.
 The congregation at Nelson was separated from that of St. Andrew's Church, Waterdown, and united with Kilbride, to form one pastoral charge, on the 5th day of June, 1877.
 Port Dalhousie was separated from East St. Catharines on the 18th day of September, 1877, and made a distinct charge.

Presbytery of Paris—

Shovvers' Corners and St. Andrew's Church, East Oxford, united under one pastoral charge, under the name of St. Andrew's, Blenheim, and St. Andrew's, East Oxford, on the 18th day of December, 1877.

Presbytery of London—

Springfield and Aylmer were united into one charge on the 10th day of July, 1877.
 Congregations of Belmont and Yarmouth changed to Belmont, on the 22nd day of August, 1877.
 West Adelaide and Arkona were united into one charge on the 30th day of October, 1877.
 Westminster and St. Andrew's, Westminster, were united into one pastoral charge, under the designation of North and South Westminster, on the 18th December, 1877.
 Komoka was separated from Delaware, leaving Delaware and South Delaware one charge, on the 25th day of December, 1877.
 The congregation of Widder and Lake Road is now designated as Knox Church, Thedford and Lake Road.

Presbytery of Chatham—

Wallaceburg was reduced to a Mission Station on the 25th December, 1877.
 A new Mission Station was organized in the Township of Chatham, and designated Knox Church.

Presbytery of Huron—

Manchester and Hullett, disjoined on the 13th day of November, 1877.
 Manchester and Smith's Hill, joined on the 13th day of November, 1877.
 Hullett and Londesborough, united as one charge on the 13th day of November, 1877.
 Grand Bend (formerly Stephen), raised from a Mission Station to a Vacant Congregation on the 9th day of October, 1877.
 Londesborough organized as a Mission Station on the 20th day of March, 1877.
 Chiselhurst, organized as a Mission Station on the 13th day of November, 1877.
 Hill's Green, organized as a Mission Station on the 19th day of March, 1877.

Presbytery of Bruce—

St. Andrew's Church, Saugeen, united to North Bruce, to form part of the pastoral charge of Rev. J. Scott, on the 25th September, 1877.
 Salem Church, Elgin, disjoined from Chesley and formed into a Mission Station on the 18th December, 1877.

WM. COCHRANE, D.D., *Synod Clerk.*

V.—PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.

INDUCTIONS.

Mr. Alex. Matheson to Little Britain, Selkirk and Park's Creek, 10th July, 1877.
 Mr. Hugh McKellar to High Bluff and Portage Creek, 8th May, 1878.

ORDINATIONS.

Mr. Peter Straith, M.A., Battleford, 26th September, 1877.
 Mr. John McKay, Prince Albert, 8th May, 1878.

LICENSURE.

Mr. John McKay, 8th May 1878.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

Mr. W. R. Ross, M.A., 13th December, 1877.
 Mr. Alex. Campbell, M.A., 12th December, 1877.
 Mr. Alex. Smith, 22nd May, 1878.
 Mr. James Douglas, 22nd May, 1878.
 Mr. Solomon Tungkasuciy, 22nd May, 1877.

JAMES ROBERTSON, *Presbytery Clerk.*

REPORT ON PROTECTION OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Assembly's Committee for the Protection of Property beg leave to report as follows:—

1. Several instances have been brought to the attention of the Committee of disputes concerning Church property, arising out of the union of the Churches, in which some members of congregations dissenting from the union have claimed the property.

2. In three of these instances, namely, St. James' congregation, London, the Bayfield and Varden congregations, and the Williamstown congregation, litigation has been had and the property has been successfully claimed for the united Church.

3. In at least two other cases, namely, Eldon and Dalhousie Mills, litigation is still pending.

4. There are one or two other cases in which it is believed the Church property lawfully and rightfully belongs to the congregations of the united Church, and could be recovered if proceedings were instituted; but the parties weakened and discouraged by divisions are unable to bear the expense of legal proceedings.

5. Your Committee have also been informed of cases in which the titles of Church property are in an unsatisfactory position owing to the death of Trustees, and defective provision for the appointment of successors and other causes. Your Committee are of opinion that all such cases should receive attention, and that appropriate remedies should be applied.

6. Your Committee also recommend that a fund should be raised, to be called the Property Committee Fund, from which aid could from time to time be given under the direction of the Assembly, toward payment of legal and other expenses in connection with Church property wherever required.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES MACLENNAN, *Convener.*

ADDRESS TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

Unto The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

We, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, now met in General Assembly, desire to approach your Majesty, in order again to testify our devoted attachment to your Majesty's person, and our loyalty to the Crown.

In the grave crisis of the history of the empire over which God has called Your Majesty to preside, and of which the Dominion of Canada forms an integral portion, we desire to express our earnest trust that wisdom from on high will be given to Your Majesty, and to Your Majesty's Councillors, and that the Congress now in Session will be so overruled as to avert the terrible scourge of war, and lay the foundations of an honourable and lasting peace.

We pray that Your Majesty may be long spared to adorn the throne, and to afford to your loving subjects the influence of Your Majesty's example, and that the blessings of Almighty God may be richly vouchsafed to Your Majesty and the members of your illustrious family.

In name and by appointment of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

HAMILTON, 21st June, 1878.

ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

To His Excellency The Governor-General.

We, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met in General Assembly, desire to express to Your Excellency our sentiments of devoted loyalty to the throne, and to the Institutions of the country, the high respect which we entertain for yourself and your official position as Governor-General of this Dominion, and our admiration of the impartial and dignified manner in which you have administered the important trust committed to your hands.

In thus addressing Your Excellency towards the close of your government of this Dominion, we rejoice in acknowledging the beneficial results which have flowed from your administration—the great influence which your character and courteous bearing towards all classes, and the extensive acquaintance with all parts of the Dominion, which you have personally acquired, have had in promoting the various interests of the country over which you have presided with such distinguished ability, and our conviction that when the period of your administration comes to an end, your Excellency will carry with you the highest esteem of the people of this Dominion.

Our earnest prayer is that when you return to take your place in the councils of the nation, and whatever position of honour you may be called to occupy, Your Excellency and family may be ever compassed about with the divine favour, and blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.

In name and by appointment of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

HAMILTON, 21st June, 1878.

FINANCE REPORT—EASTERN SECTION.

THE FOREIGN MISSION FUND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. DR. MCGREGOR.

1877.	<i>Dr.</i>		
June 30. To Rev. J. W. McKenzie, Widows' Rates			\$20 00
" " J. Annand			20 00
Rev. JOHN MORTON—			
Salary for 1 year, less by \$162.22, being deduction on salary during 4			
months' furlough in 1877		1054 45	
Travelling expenses from Mission Village to St. Thomas		156 00	
" " at St. Thomas		30 00	
" " from " to Halifax		211 50	
" " in Nova Scotia		13 00	
" " to Trinidad		120 00	
Expenses at Savanna Grande, in consequence of removal		36 02	
Balance due on Building for 1877		337 71	
Insurance on Buildings in Mission Village		52 38	
Balance due on Teachers' salaries		2 22	
			2013 28
Rev. K. J. GRANT—			
Salary for 1 year		1216 67	
Insurance of Building in San Fernando district		52 91	
			1269 58
Miss BLACKADDER—			
Salary for 1 year from Halifax Woman's Society			400 00
JOHN A. McDONALD—			
Return expense from Trinidad		60 00	
Expense to Charlottetown		3 00	
			63 00
Rev. T. CHRISTIE—			
Expense of moving to and from Mission Village			46 07
Rev. J. F. CAMPBELL—			
Salary for 1 year to January 1878		1080 00	
For Schools, Travelling and other expenses—			
From Pictou Presbytery in connection with Church of Scot-			
land	\$134 75		
" Foreign Mission Funds	622 03		
		756 78	
			1836 78
Rev. J. W. MCKENZIE—			
Salary	Sterling £150 0 0		
Allowance for 2 children	" 20 0 0		
Expense for purchase of boat	" 30 0 0		
Native Teachers	" 17 0 0		
		£217 0 0	
Rev. J. ANNAND—			
Salary	Sterling £150 0 0		
Native Teachers	" 5 0 0		
		£155 0 0	
Rev. H. A. ROBERTSON—			
Salary	Sterling £150 0 0		
Allowance for 3 children	" 30 0 0		
Native Teachers	" 6 0 0		
From Presbytery of Pictou, in connection with Church			
of Scotland	" 27 10 0		
		£213 10 0	
Mrs. Geddie		82 4 0	
Rev. Dr. Steel, Sala	Sterling £25 0 0		
For Postage, etc.	" 2 17 0		
		27 17 0	
		£695 11 0	3365 02
Travelling Expenses of Members of Committee			20 20
Expense on Mission Goods		4 91	
Exchange for \$200 from Prince Edward Island		1 00	
Bagster Bible presented to Mr. Morton		8 00	
			13 91
Printing Notice Cards		2 00	
300 Circulars		7 50	
Post Cards		3 75	
			13 25
Interest on \$1000—1 year at 6 per cent		60 00	
" " 8 mos. " "		40 00	
			100 00

APPENDIX.

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Printing 1750 D.S. Cards	\$20 00	
Stationery and Office expenses	8 00	
Postage	10 00	
Janitor of United Church, N.G.	1 00	
Agent's salary	250 00	
		<u>269 00</u>
Charge on remittance from Toronto.....		00 25
Interest on \$1000—6 months at 6 per cent	30 00	
" " 1000—3 months at 7 per cent	17 50	
		<u>47 50</u>
		<u>4921 61</u>

1878, May 1, Balance due Treasurer..... 1488 73
 Amount borrowed from College Funds..... 1300 00

1877.		<i>Cr.</i>		
June 1.	By Receipts for May and acknowledged in July "Record."			00 00
July 1.	" " June " Aug " "			209 18
Aug. 1.	" " July " Sept. " "			74 84
Sept. 1.	" " Aug. " Oct. " "			120 60
Oct. 1.	" " Sept. " Nov. " "			68 70
Nov. 1.	" " Oct. " Dec. " "			59 79
Dec. 1.	" " Nov. " Jan. " "			338 91
1878.				
Jan. 1.	" " Dec. " Feb. " "			314 09
Feb. 1.	" " Jan. " March " "			755 87
Mar. 1.	" " Feb. " April " "			377 42
April 1.	" " March " " May " "			440 92
May 1.	" " April " June " "			465 51
	Error from amount charged twice in account of 1876-7.....			209 72
				<u>3435 91</u>
	Balance.....			<u>1488 73</u>
				<u>\$4924 61</u>

May 21st, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited. { J. S. MACLEAN,
 { JAS. J. BREMNER.

CRERAR RESERVE MISSION FUND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. DR. MCGREGOR,
Treasurer.

1877.		<i>Dr.</i>		
May 1.	To Balance due Treasurer	\$12 12		
	\$800 due to College Board.....	600 00		
	Peter Grant, Esq., Balance due Rev. K. J. Grant, on San Fernando School Building	40 39		
Sept. 1.	William C. Silver, Esq., price of House of Rev. T. Christie, Sterling £300 0 0	1460 00		
	Title expense	£4 1 6		19 84
	Rev. John Morton—			
	Balance due on House			17 28
1877.				
April 3rd.	Cash paid for House for Rev. H. A. Robertson..... Sterling £80 0 0	389 33		
				<u>2738 96</u>
	Balance due Treasurer			47 91

1877.		<i>Cr.</i>		
May 1.	By Sale of 15 shares of Union Bank Stock at 125.....	937 50		
	Interest	35 04		
	Interest from 1/4 year's Dividend from Union Bank on 13 Shares.....	22 75		
	Nova Scotia 2 Shares @ \$7	14 00		
	Sale of 12 Shares Union Bank Stock at \$125	750 00		
Feb. 1,	Dividend of B. N. S. on 2 Shares	18 00		
	Dividend of Union Bank 13 shares	26 00		
April 6,	Interest on \$1362.67	81 76		
1878.				
May 1,	Sale of 13 Shares U. B. Stock at \$124.....	806 00		
	Balance.....	47 91		
				<u>2738 96</u>

HALIFAX, May 10th, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited. { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAS. J. BREMNER.

\$258 76
160 00
20 00
172 00
10 35
\$621 11

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\$124 25
4 97
\$129 22

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	Rev. G. Sinclair, balance	\$8 00
Dec. 3.	" J. S. Eakin, balance due from Prince Edward Isl'd Presbytery for 1876	8 00
Dec. 4.	D. McLeod, service in Dundas.....	18 00
	D. McLeod, Caledonia Corners.....	6 00
	D. McLeod, balance due from Presbytery of Sydney	13 00
Dec. 7.	Rev. D. Taylor, Bass River, due from Woodstock	20 00
	" A. McKae	7 25
	" P. Melville, New Kincardine, half year's salary.....	300 00
	Draft.....	0 50
	Rev. J. Fowler, Pisarino	7 66
	" J. Bennet, Woodstock	8 00
	" D. S. Fraser.....	28 00
	" F. W. George	12 00
	" S. Boyd, St. John Presbytery	35 00
	" W. R. Cruikshank, St. John Presbytery	8 00
	" D. F. Creelman.....	25 00
Jan. 2.	John Grierson, travelling expenses to St. John Presbytery	8 00
Jan. 12.	Rev. M. McLeod, balance due from Sydney	20 00
	" F. W. George, balance due from St. John Presbytery	10 97
Feb. 11.	" W. Fogo, balance due from Kouchibouguac	48 00
	" " " Black River	31 00
	" " " Tabusintac	32 00
	" D. F. Creelman	150 00
Feb. 27.	Wolfville Church	58 40
	John Grierson.....	29 80
	D. McLeod, travelling expenses to Cape Breton	15 00
	Rev. F. W. George, two days, Woodstock.....	8 00
	" J. McG. McKay, three days, Woodstock.....	12 00
Mar. 9.	John Grierson, travelling expenses to Harvey, N.B., and back	10 00
Mar. 21.	Robert Nairn	20 00
Apr. 2.	Robert Rose, travelling expenses to North East Margaree	10 00
	Duncan McMillan, travelling expenses to Sydney	15 00
	Rev. G. M. Grant, travelling expenses of Messrs. Pollok, Love, D'Argent, Stewart, McKenzie, and White, \$20 each	120 00
Apr. 6.	A. B. McLeod, travelling expenses to Malagawatch	12 00
	Travelling expenses of Catechists—	
	Angus McMillan, to Granville, P.E.I.	8 00
	J. S. Taylor, Montreal to St. John	20 00
	J. W. McLeod, Princeton to Prince Edward Island	20 00
	F. W. Archibald, Princeton to St. John.....	18 00
	L. H. Jordan, two-thirds of expenses to Louisburg	20 00
	J. H. Trussell, New York to Miramichi	20 00
	A. R. Stevenson, New York to Digby	20 00
	Malcolm Campbell	8 00
	C. D. McLaren, travelling expenses to East Shore	8 00
	M. MacGregor, " " West Bay, C.B.	12 00
	T. C. Jack, " " Cornwallis West	4 00
	Arch. McDougall, " " St. James.....	15 00
	R. Logan, " " Shemogue	5 00
	G. L. Gordon, " " Sydney	10 00
	Andrew Gray, " " Colchester	3 00
	Edward Thorp, " " Londonderry	6 00
	C. Bryden, " " Richmond, N.B.	12 00
	J. A. McLean, " " Wentworth	5 00
	Alex. Stewart, " " Sydney.....	15 00
	J. McD. Scott, " " Wine Harbor	7 00
	W. S. Whittier, " " Albert Co., N.B.	5 00
	J. H. Frissell, " " from New York to Baillie	16 15
	Rev. John Robertson, balance due Black River.....	17 00
	" S. Boyd, two weeks at Shemogue.....	16 00
	" P. Melville, from Friend, Pictou.....	4 00
	" D. F. Creelman	175 00
Apr. 23.	Arch. MacDougall, balance due from Nashuaak and Stanley	15 00
	Travelling expenses to Meeting of Board of Members of Committee	12 50
	George McMillan, balance due from North River	8 00
	Rev. F. W. George, balance due from Acadia Congregation	8 00
	" " " Parrsboro	6 00
	" Dr. Reid, for Manitoba.....	500 00
	Ewan Gillies, from Colonial Committee Free Church.....	196 00
	W. H. Gray, an advance.....	8 00
	Rev. E. Roberts, travelling expenses—three months	15 00
	Expense of Committee Meeting	1 00
	Postage	24 00
	Telegrams.....	10 00
	Printing—Four sets Blank Forms, 100 each	10 00
	200 Post Cards	2 75
	Exchange on \$500 to Dr. Reid.....	1 25
	Exchange, Drafts, etc. not mentioned above	2 01
	Freight on parcel to Bett's Cove, Newfoundland	0 50
	Stationery and Office Expenses	12 00
	Agent's Salary	300 00
	Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	170 76
		<u>\$5019 46</u>

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May 1.	By Balance	\$507 65
June 1.	Receipts for May, and acknowledged in July "Record"	225 25
July 1.	" " " " " " " "	369 01
Aug. 1.	" " " " " " " "	284 13

Sept. 1. By Receipts for August, and acknowledged in October "Record"	\$125 55	
Oct. 1. " " September, " " November "	33 00	
Nov. 1. " " October, " " December "	147 32	
Dec. 1. " " November, " " January "	250 28	
Jan. 1. " " December, " " February "	623 48	
Feb. 1. " " January, " " March "	525 74	
Mar. 1. " " February, " " April "	919 24	
Apr. 1. " " March, " " May "	141 80	
May 1. " " April, " " June "	576 51	
Colonial Committee of Free Church of Scotland, for education of Gaelic-speaking Students	Sterling £60 0 0	292 00
		<u>290 50</u>
		\$5019 46
May 1. By Balance	\$170 76	

HALIFAX, May 21, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, *Treasurer.*

Audited, { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAMES J. BREMNER.

SUPPLEMENTING FUND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. P. G. MCGREGOR, *Treasurer.*

1877.	<i>Dr.</i>		
July 1. To Half-yearly Supplements, payable at date—			
	IN ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.	July 1877.	January 1878.
Rev. J. D. Murray		\$75 00	\$62 50
" James Gray		50 00	50 00
" Lewis Jack		75 00	75 00
" J. C. Burgess		100 00	100 00
" Wm. Millen		62 50	62 50
" W. Richardson		100 00	100 00
" Samuel Johnson		75 00	75 00
" William Ross		50 00	50 00
	IN MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. A. McMaster		50 00	....
" J. Robertson		100 00	12 50
" Wm. McCullagh		50 00	50 00
" Wm. Murray .....		....	25 00
" W. Fogo .....		....	30 00
	IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. James Allan		40 00	40 00
" J. G. Cameron		50 00	40 00
" Charles Fraser		60 00	100 00
" Allan MacLean		30 00	....
" W. P. Archibald		75 00	53 50
	IN VICTORIA AND RICHMOND PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. W. G. Forbes		40 00	40 00
" Alex. Grant		50 00	50 00
" A. F. Thomson		50 00	50 00
" John MacLean .....		....	75 00
	IN SYDNEY PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. D. Sutherland		100 00	100 00
" Peter Clark		75 00	75 00
" D. McDougall .....		....	75 00
	IN PICTOU PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. A. P. Miller		40 00	60 00
	IN TRURO PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. John McMillan]		100 00	....
" John A. Logan, 4½ months .....		....	40 00
	IN WALLACE PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. T. Tallach		75 00	62 50
" C. G. Glass, for 3 months		50 00	....
" J. M. Sutherland		115 00	106 00
" James Murray		65 00	62 50
	IN HALIFAX PRESBYTERY.		
Rev. A. Stuart		70 00	70 00
" J. Rosborough		115 00	115 00
" S. Bernard		60 00	60 00
" D. McKinnon		50 00	50 00
" J. A. F. Sutherland		40 00	60 00
" A. L. Wyllie		115 00	125 00

APPENDIX.

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IN LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

	July 1877.	January 1878.
Rev. M. G. Henry	\$30 00	\$21 25
“ J. C. Mock	75 00	75 00
“ Thomas Murray	100 00	100 00
“ Daniel MacGregor, 7½ months.....	.....	120 82
	<u>\$2457 50</u>	<u>\$2513 07</u>
Payments for first half year as above.....	\$2457 50	
“ “ second “	2513 07	
“ to Rev. J. P. Bryant, balance due for 1876	16 00	
		\$4986 57
Printing Bill.....		2 50
Exchange and P. O. Orders for the year		4 25
Rev. J. C. Burgess, travelling expenses to Truro		6 00
Rev. T. Sedgewick's annual payment to May, 1st, 1877.....		50 00
Stationery and office expenses		8 00
Postage		6 00
Agent's Salary.....		250 00
Interest on \$1000 from July 1st, 1877, to March 1st, 1878, 8 months at 6 per cent.		40 00
Adverse balance brought over from last year.....		73 57
		<u>\$5426 89</u>

May 1. To Balance.....	\$366 31
Amount borrowed from College Funds.....	300 00

1877.		<i>Cr.</i>		
June 1. By Receipts for May, and acknowledged in July "Record."				\$94 42
July 1. " " June.		August " "		1202 16
Aug. 1. " " July.		September " "		830 47
Sep. 1. " " August.		October " "		111 60
Oct. 1. " " September.		November " "		510 82
Nov. 1. " " October.		December " "		68 50
Dec. 1. " " November.		January " "		64 03
Jan. 1. " " December.		February " "		698 17
Feb. 1. " " January.		March " "		243 17
Mar. 1. " " February.		April " "		876 43
April 1. " " March.		May " "		86 25
May 1. " " April.		June " "		274 76
By Balance.....				<u>366 31</u>
				<u>\$5426 89</u>

HALIFAX, May 10, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited. { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAS. J. BREWER.

THE AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

	<i>Dr.</i>			
	1st qr.	2nd qr.	3rd qr.	4th qr.
To Rev. J. Fowler for previous quarter.....	\$50 00			
“ J. Stewart	25 00	\$25 00	\$25 00	\$25 00
“ J. T. Baxter	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00
“ J. Watson	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00
“ J. Fowler	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00
“ A. Donald	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00
“ E. Ross.....	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00
“ A. McMaster .....	.....	50 00	50 00	50 00
	<u>\$300 00</u>	<u>\$300 00</u>	<u>\$300 00</u>	<u>\$300 00</u>
Payments for first quarter.....				\$300 00
“ “ second “				300 00
“ “ third “				300 00
“ “ fourth “				300 00
Secretary for seven years' expenses				1200 00
Rev. G. Patterson, Circulars and Postage.....				\$50 00
Drafts and P. O. Orders.....				3 25
Postage.....				1 55
Agent's Salary				3 00
				85 00
To Balance				142 80
				<u>141 60</u>
				<u>\$1484 49</u>

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June 1.	Balance on hand as below		\$389 54
July 1.	By Receipts for May, and acknowledged in July "Record."	\$50 00	
Aug. 1.	" " June, " August "	64 57	
Sep. 1.	" " July, " September "	18 18	
Oct. 1.	" " August, " October "	75 70	
Nov. 1.	" " September, " November "	13 00	
Dec. 1.	" " October, " December "	77 54	
Jan. 1.	" " November, " January "	161 26	
Feb. 1.	" " December, " February "	189 75	
Mar. 1.	" " January, " March "	97 02	
Apr. 1.	" " February, " April "	111 45	
May 1.	" " March, " May "	138 32	
	" " April, " June "	148 22	
		1094 95	
			\$1484 49
1878.			
May 1.	By Balance in Treasurer's hands	\$141 69	

HALIFAX, May 11th, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited. { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAS. J. BREMNER.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

From forty-two Congregations.....	\$416 45
" Ministers' Percentage.....	209 65
" Dividend and Interest.....	361 85
" Gifts from individuals.....	107 00
	\$1094 95

THE COLLEGE FUND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. DR. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Dr.

1877.			
May 1.	To Balance	\$163 29	
	Dr. MacKnight's salary.....	\$1500 00	
	Dr. Ross' "	15 00	
	Dr. Lyall's "	15 00	
	Prof. Currie's "	1500 00	
	Prof. McDonald's "	300 00	
	Greek Tutor, J. McD. Scott	40 00	
		6340 00	
	Library	106 92	
	Janitor—		
	Salary and extras	58 00	
	On leaving Gerrish Street premises	10 00	
		68 00	
	Wm. F. Knight, Esq., for Bursaries.....	50 00	
	Ordinary expenses—		
	Coal—W. Roche	21 28	
	Printing and advertising	11 50	
	Repairs—		
	Reilly & Davidson, stove repairs	18 30	
	M. Campbell, carpenter work.....	14 50	
	"	7 44	
	J. Coleman, plastering	3 05	
		75 97	
	Insurance	48 75	
	Safe Box in Bank of Nova Scotia	15 00	
		63 75	
	Stationery and office expenses.....	4 00	
	Postage	6 00	
	Telegrams	1 25	
		11 25	
	Agent's salary	500 00	
		\$7389 18	
May 1.	To Balance due Treasurer	\$1161 95	

Dr.

1877.			
June 1.	By Receipts for May and acknowledged in July "Record."	\$260 46	
July 1.	" " June, " August "	1187 93	
Aug. 1.	" " July, " September "	1036 10	
Sep. 1.	" " August, " October "	6 00	
Oct. 1.	" " September, " November "	49 18	
Nov. 1.	" " October, " December "	89 70	
Dec. 1.	" " November, " January "		
1878.			
Jan. 1.	" " December, " February "	853 14	
Feb. 1.	" " January, " March "	300 80	
Mar. 1.	" " February, " April "	837 75	
Apr. 1.	" " March, " May "	262 59	
May 1.	" " April, " June "	464 87	
		5340 93	

APPENDIX.

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Received from Professor Pollok, preaching fee	\$10 00	
Kingston, N.B., Thanksgiving Collection.....	11 30	
Collection at opening lecture of Session.....	25 00	
Interest on \$6000	360 00	
Interest from Board of Foreign Missions	100 00	406 30
" Supplementing Committee	40 00	
		140 00
From New Building and Endowment Fund—		
Dividend on eighty shares Canadian Bank of Commerce at \$2 per share.....	160 00	
Dividend on twenty shares Bank of Nova Scotia at \$9 per share	180 00	
		340 00
By Balance.....		1161 95
		<u>\$7389 18</u>

HALIFAX, May 17, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Audited, { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAMES J. BREMNER.

ACCOUNTS BALANCED.

	<i>In Fund. Deficient.</i>	
Foreign Missions.....		\$2894 08
"Dayspring" and Mission Schools		1488 73
Crear Reserve		47 91
Zenana Mission	\$621 11	
Foreign Mission Bursaries.....	129 22	
Home Mission	170 76	
Supplementing		366 31
College		1161 95
Aged and Infirm Ministers	141 69	
Cash Balance on Home Mission Stock Account	13 33	
Education Stock in Cash	92 11	
" Loaned to other funds.....	4100 00	
	\$5268 22	\$5958 98
		5268 22
Balance due Treasurer.....		<u>\$690 76</u>

May 1, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

Correct, { J. S. MACLEAN.
 { JAMES J. BREMNER.

AGENT'S SALARY.—ASSESSMENT ON THE DIFFERENT FUNDS.

Foreign Mission Fund	\$299 00
"Dayspring"	230 00
Home Mission	300 00
Supplementing	250 00
College	500 00
Hunter Church Building Fund	250 00
French Evangelization	65 00
Aged Ministers' Fund	85 00
	<u>\$2004 00</u>

HALIFAX, May 10, 1878.

P. G. MCGREGOR, Treasurer.

STOCK HELD BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION—LOWER PROVINCES.

I.—FOR COLLEGE PURPOSES—

Bank Stock	\$31736 65
Provincial Debentures	5825 40
Mortgages	14946 66
Notes	3176 24
Other securities	4192 11
	<u>\$59877 06</u>

BUILDING AND ENDOWMENT FUND.—NEW INVESTMENT—

Bank Stock	\$8000 00
City Debentures	1300 00
	<u>\$9300 00</u>

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FINANCE REPORT—WESTERN SECTION.—1877-8.

It is satisfactory to state that the receipts for the various schemes of the Church for the year 1877-8 have been in the aggregate in advance of the preceding year, while there has been a falling off to some extent in some of them. The following is an exhibit of the receipts for the principal schemes of the Church as compared with those of last year:

Years.	Colleges.	Foreign Mis.	Home Mis.	Wid. Fund.	Aged and Infirm M.	Assembly F.	Increase on whole of
1876-77	\$9,376 55	\$15,039 24	\$31,493 14	\$3,141 54	\$1,239 64	\$3,356 11	
1877-78	9,432 49	21,170 83	29,639 15	2,643 77	2,077 29	3,311 26	
	+\$55 94	+\$6,131 00	-\$4853 99	-\$497 77	+\$837 65	-\$41 85	\$1,623 57

The reports of the several schemes, already presented or to be presented will bring before the Assembly the condition of the several funds.

With reference to the Assembly Fund it will be seen that the receipts have been slightly less than those for the preceding year. They have been sufficient, however, for the demands on the fund for the ordinary expenditure of the year, although but little has been done in reduction of the debt reported last year. It is recommended that Presbyteries be instructed to remit promptly, by the end of the month of September, an amount equal to five cents per member, seeing that all the congregations bear their proportion of the amount.

Another recommendation is that those schemes which have funds be charged a proportionate amount for the printing of their several reports in the appendix to the minutes. Some of the reports are of very considerable length, and entail a large addition to the amount for printing. This matter was brought before the Assembly last year, and appeared to be sanctioned by the Assembly. But no minute was entered, and no charge has been made. In other churches committees either print their reports in sufficient number to be bound up with the minutes or are charged their due share of the expense.

The accounts which follow have been audited and certified by Honourable John McMurrieh and John L. Blaikie, Esq.

WM. REID, *General Agent.*

COLLEGE FUND.—(KNOX AND QUEEN'S.)

RECEIPTS.

Total amount of Receipts..... \$9432 49

EXPENDITURE.

Amount apportioned to Knox College.....	\$7385 55	
“ “ Queen's “	1260 94	
“ Paid to Montreal College.....	750 00	
“ “ Circulars, postage, and expenses.....	36 00	
		\$9432 49

KNOX COLLEGE.

RECEIPTS.

Amount from College Fund as above.....	\$7385 55	
“ Interest from endowment	4315 10	
“ from Mr. Huckins	600 00	
“ Matriculation fees	102 00	
Balance.....	9772 26	\$22174 91

EXPENDITURE.

Balance at beginning of year	\$13477 85	
Less by amount raised for debt	4628 94	
		\$8848 91

Salaries, viz.: Principal Caven	\$2700 00	
“ Professor Gregg	2500 00	
“ Professor McLaren.....	2500 00	
“ Dr. Proudfoot	500 00	
“ Tutors	250 00	
“ Dr. Willis' retiring salary, proportion of.....	950 00	
		\$9400 00
Library, salary of Librarian, and accounts paid	162 13	
Printing, stationery, advertising, etc.....	132 92	
Water supply	107 69	
Coal accounts	738 97	
Gas Bills	319 40	
Coal oil.....	115 53	
Engineer and Janitor	424 00	
Sundry accounts, repairs, furnishing, etc.....	280 12	

Insurance Policies	\$440 24	
Students' Literary Society	25 00	
Interest on advances	750 00	
General expenses	130 00	
Proportion of salary	400 00	
		\$22174 91

BURSARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance from last year	\$226 34	
Sundry receipts, donations, etc.	730 00	
Bequest of late Miss T. Galbraith, Princeton	500 00	
" " Rev. G. Cheyne	500 00	
Interest, including amount from Alexander Estate	689 28	
		\$2645 62
EXPENDITURE.		
To amount paid in Scholarships and Bursaries	\$1450 00	
" " Invested	700 00	
" Proportion of general expenses and salary	75 00	
Balance	420 62	
		\$2645 62

KNOX COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

RECEIPTS.		
Amount received in subscriptions	\$8115 24	
Balance	3270 02	
		\$11385 26
EXPENDITURE.		
To Balance at beginning of year	\$7328 94	
Accounts paid for work done	191 34	
" " for canvassing and collecting	267 52	
Taxes and improvement rate on old property	100 95	
Interest on site and for advances	1181 41	
On account of loan from Canada Landed Credit Co.	2000 00	
Proportion of general expenses	250 00	
" salary	50 00	
Discounts on cheques and other charges	15 10	
		\$11385 26

COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance at beginning of year	\$46292 10	
Received from Executors of late Mr. J. McCulloch	5000 00	
" " " Rev. G. Cheyne	200 00	
" Interest	4386 75	
" Mortgage repaid	3700 00	
		\$59578 85
EXPENDITURE.		
To amount in Mortgages, Hall Estate	\$36549 37	
" " added to do.	2673 75	
" Credited to Knox College, Ordinary Fund	4315 10	
" Sundry expenses	71 65	
Balance	15968 98	
		\$59578 85

The amount of Endowment Fund is now \$51,492.10.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance from last year	\$238 67	
Less error in taking down figures	9 14	
		\$229 53
Proportion of College Fund	1260 94	
		\$1490 47
EXPENDITURE.		
Amount remitted	\$1383 93	
Balance	106 54	
		\$1490 47

MANITOBA COLLEGE.—ORDINARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	
Contributions from Sundry Congregations	\$345 44
Amount from Home Mission Fund, Western Section	2000 00
“ “ “ Eastern “	500 00
“ Church in Ireland	238 67
“ Endowment Fund	210 00
“ for Building Fund	358 00
Balance	3663 66

\$7315 77

EXPENDITURE.	
Balance at beginning of year	\$2869 72
Paid Prof. Bryce's drafts	3893 65
“ “ Building Fund	358 00
Circulars and postage	14 40
Interest	180 00

\$7315 77

MANITOBA COLLEGE, ENDOWMENT.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance	\$1664 30
Interest	210 00

\$1874 30

EXPENDITURE.	
Credited to Manitoba College Ordinary Fund	\$210 00
Balance	1664 30

\$1874 30

HOME MISSION FUND.—1877-78.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year, \$854.59, less amount twice credited in account, \$59.00	\$795 59
Contributions from Congregations	22826 61
“ “ Sabbath Schools	1525 56
“ “ other Churches	3398 88
Donations	1888 10
Balance	5867 46

\$36302 20

EXPENDITURE.	
Paid Presbytery of Quebec	\$1234 50
“ Montreal	2710 75
“ Ottawa	2032 24
“ Glengarry	300 00
“ Brockville	1372 25
“ Kingston	2900 82
“ Peterboro'	841 75
“ Lindsay	820 75
“ Toronto	1011 00
“ Barrie	1908 00
“ Owen Sound	794 67
“ Saugeen	667 88
“ Guelph	328 00
“ Hamilton	1061 33
“ Paris	137 50
“ London	2178 75
“ Chatham	1028 95
“ Stratford	100 00
“ Huron	614 33
“ Bruce	500 00
“ Manitoba	9018 93
“ British Columbia	1200 00
“ Lake Superior	1057 00
Expenses of Committee	795 10
Printing and Advertising	437 70
Interest	400 00
General Expenses	350 00
Salary of Agent	500 00

\$36302 20

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year.....	\$474 66
Receipts from congregations, S. Schools, and donations, including \$102 49 from Rev. G. L. McKay (Medicines sold \$20 38, and contributed by Foreign community, \$207).....	17376 74
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Presbyterian Church in Canada, Western Section.....	1870 00
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Kingston.....	250 00
" " " " Hamilton.....	150 00
Juvenile Mission, per Miss Maehar, for Zenana teachers and schools....	360 00
Mrs. McKay, for Memorial Building, \$1200, American Currency	1164 00
Balance	1008 83
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	\$22654 23

EXPENDITURE.	
Salaries of missionaries, rents, expenses of native assistants, etc	\$7700 28
Outfit and passage of Mrs. Douglas and family, Miss Forrester, and Miss McGregor	2886 27
China—salaries and expenses—salaries of helpers, students, etc., etc....	4633 92
Travelling expenses of Dr. Fraser in returning	1290 54
Outfit and travelling expenses of Rev. K. F. Junor	1831 57
Advanced to Mr. Junor an account of salary, with expenses from Hong Kong.....	600 00
North-west.—Paid on account of salaries, Rev. G. Flett, Rev. J. McKay, Rev. D. C. Johnson	1837 78
All other payments in North-west	603 00
Sundry expenses of committee and deputations	370 93
Interest for advances	300 00
Proportion of general expenses	200 00
" salary	400 00
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	\$22654 23

WIDOWS' FUND.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance.....	\$8431 15
Collections, donations, etc.....	2643 77
Ministers' rates.....	1970 00
Interest.....	5723 75
Principal repaid.....	10197 00
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	\$28965 67
EXPENDITURE.	
Annuities paid	\$5534 07
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	250 00
Printing and sundry expenses.....	95 50
Transferred to fund in connection with former Synod of Church of Scot- land	88 49
Invested	17084 49
Proportion of general expenses	360 00
" salary	500 00
Balance.....	5053 12
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	\$28965 67

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance.....	\$1737 46
Collections, donations, etc.....	2077 29
Rates of ministers	903 41
From Widows' Fund	250 00
Interest.....	250 00
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	\$5218 16
EXPENDITURE.	
Annuities paid, including account to Rev. J. Malcolm	\$4560 81
Expenses of Committee, etc.....	39 10
Proportion of general expenses.....	110 00
" salary.....	125 00
Balance	383 25
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	\$5218 16

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY FUND.

RECEIPTS.		
Received in all	\$3511 26	
Balance	1668 36	\$4979 62

EXPENDITURE.		
Balance from last year	\$1682 77	
Amount of expenses connected with meeting of General Assembly	81 58	
Printing of minutes and reports, and paper	2111 26	
Cost of transmission of Minutes	67 14	
Paid accounts in connection with various schemes	28 75	
" Forms of procedure	204 20	
" Sundry accounts	53 92	
Rev. R. Torrance, statistics	100 00	
Salaries of Assembly clerks	650 00	\$4979 62

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

RECEIPTS.		
Amount received	\$4440 40	
Balance at beginning of year	34 16	\$4474 56

EXPENDITURE.		
Remitted to Rev. R. H. Warden	\$4449 56	
Expenses	25 00	\$4474 56

FUND FOR CHILDREN OF LATE REV. JAMES NISBET.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance	\$1668 59	
Oakville, including donation from Lady in Hamilton	100 00	
Sarnia	35 00	
Interest	80 00	\$1883 59

EXPENDITURE.		
Interest paid to J. Barelay, Esq.	\$80 00	
Balance (\$1800 invested in Mortgage)	1803 59	\$1883 59

We hereby certify that we have audited the books and accounts of the Rev. Dr. Reid, carefully comparing entries with the vouchers, and found all correct, the result being shown in the accompanying Balance Sheet.

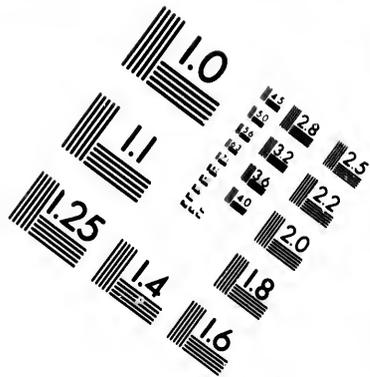
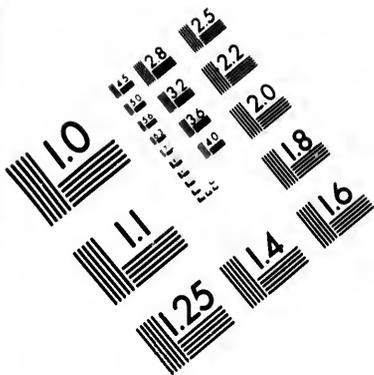
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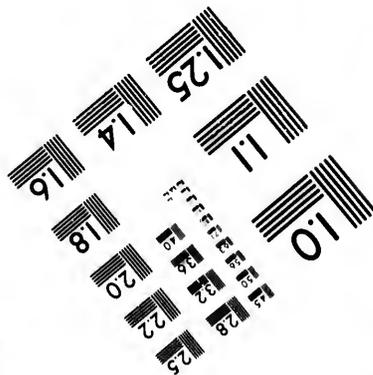
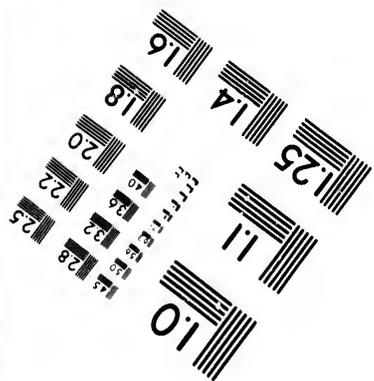
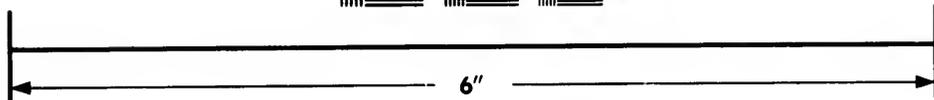
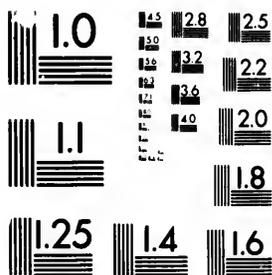
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	" " Bursary	15,968 98
	" " Endowment Fund	106 54
3,663 66	Queen's College	1,664 30
	Manitoba College Ordinary Fund	
	" " Endowment	
5,867 46	Home Mission Fund	
1,008 83	Foreign	
	Widows' Fund	5,053 12
	Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	383 25
1,668 36	General Assembly Fund	
	Fund for children of Rev. J. Nisbet	3 59
106 82	General Expenses	
	Notes Discounted	8,000 00
1,995 36	Ontario Bank	
2,169 26	Merchants'	
400 80	Consolidated	
1,677 57	Cash on Hand	
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PRESBYTERY OF LANARK AND RENFREW.

The newly-formed Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew is composed as follows:

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATI'N	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1. Alex. Mann, D.D.....	May 14, 1840	Pakenham, St. Andrew's	Pakenham.
2. Wm. Bain, D.D.....	Oct. 29, 1845	Perth, St. Andrew's	Perth.
3. Wm. M. Christie	Oct. 3, 1849	Westmeath	Beachburg.
4. Solomon Mylne	Oct. 16, 1850	Smith's Falls, St. Andrew's.....	Smith's Falls.
5. Robt. McKenzie	May, 1853	Dalhousie and Sherbrooke	McDonald's Cor.
6. John Crombie, A.M.....	Aug. 8, 1855	Smith's Falls, Union Church	Smith's Falls.
7. James Wilson, A.M.....	July 14, 1856	Lanark.....	Lanark.
8. George Porteous	Aug. 22, 1860	Kitley	Kitl. y.
9. George Bremner	Feb. 15, 1860	McNab	White Lake.
10. Walter Ross	Oct. 15, 1862	Beckwith, St. Andrew's	Carlton Place.
		(Franktown, St. Paul's.....)	
11. D. J. McLean	Feb. 11, 1863	Arnprior	Arnprior.
12. Robt. Knowles	Oct. 16, 1866	Ramsay	Blakney.
13. J. B. Edmondson	Oct'r, 1867	Almonte, St. Jol'n's	Almonte.
14. John Bennett	June 29, 1869	" St. Andrew's	Almonte.
15. W. D. Ballantyne	Nov. 1, 1867	Pembroke, Calvin Church	Pembroke.
16. William Burns	May 19, 1869	Perth, Knox Church	Perth.
17. Robt. Campbell, A.M.....	Oct. 26, 1871	McNab and Horton	Renfrew.
18. James Stewart.....	Sep. 27, 1872	Pakenham, Victoria Street.....	Pakenham.
19. Joseph Gandier	Dec. 31, 1872	Coulonge	Fort Conlonge, Q.
20. Alex. McLaren	Mar. 12, 1873	Bristol	Bristol, Que.
21. Robt. Hughes	Mar. 23, 1876	Alice and Petawawa	Pembroke.
22. A. A. Scott		Carlton Place, Zion Church	Carlton Place.
VACANCIES.		Litchfield	
		Admaston, Douglas and Grattan	
		Bulderson, etc	
		Ross	
MISSION ST IS.		Bathurst	
		Castleford	
		Darling	
per		Lavant	
		Palmerston	
		Wilberforce	
1. Mark Turnbull.....	Sept. 7, 1873	Upper Ottawa	Des Joachims, O.
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JOHN CROMBIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

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3. Instruction to remit to Dr. Reid, before September 30th, an amount equal to five cents per member for the Assembly Fund. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 48.)
4. Instruction to give diligent attention to the oversight of Sabbath School work, and, where practicable, to hold Presbyterian Sabbath School Conferences, and to encourage the formation of classes for training Sabbath School teachers. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 28.)
5. Recommendation to see that a Missionary Association is formed in each congregation. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 30.)
6. Recommendation to investigate carefully every new application to the Home Mission Committee. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 30.)
7. Several recommendations anent Probationers and Vacancies. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 51.)
8. Instruction to the Presbyteries of Huron, Bruce, Saugceen, and Stratford anent proposed new Presbytery of Maitland. (*Vide* Minutes, p. 25.)

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