N. B.—Clerks or Conveners of Presbyteries are requested to correspond immediately with the Secretary, should they notice in the minutes anything regarding which they desire information or explanation.

OCTOBER, 1895.

MINUTES OF MEETING

OF THE

EXECUTIVE OF THE

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

(WESTERN SECTION.)

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

TORONTO, 8th OCTOBER, 1895.

AT TORONTO, and within the Lecture Room of St. Andrew's Church there, on Tuesday the 8th day of October, 1895, at 9 o'clock in the morning, the Executive of the Home Mission Committee (Western Section) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met and was constituted with prayer. Rev. W. Cochrane, D. D., Convener.

The following members were present:—Dr. Cochrane, convener; Dr. Robertson, Dr. Armstrong, Messrs. A. Findlay, R. Moodie, A. Gilray, M. W. Maclean, and R. H. Warden. Rev. A. A. Scott was present on behalf of the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew.

CLAIMS FOR THE PAST HALF YEAR.

The claims of the respective Presbyteries for services rendered in Mission fields during the past six months, were considered and the following sums ordered to be paid:

PRESBYTERIES. MISSI	ON FIELDS.	PRESBYTERIES. MISSI	ON FIELDS.
Quebec	\$1079.50	Sarnia.	\$ 52.00
Montreal	1489.50	Stratford.	
Glengarry		Huron	
Ottawa	1047.00	Maitland	
Brockville	67.90	Bruce	
Lanark and Renfrew	1151.50	Superior	260.00
Kingston	1193 50	Winnipeg	1606.50
Peterborough	410.00	Rock Lake	578.00
Lindsay	314.70	Glenboro	104.00
Whitby			
Toronto	208.00	Propage la Prairie	591.00
Orangeville		Brandon	182.00
Barria		Minnedosa	2085.00
Barrie	1685.96	Melita	1139.00
Owen Sound	336.00	Regina	2957.50
Saugeen	26.00	Calgary	3242.50
Guelph		Kamloops	1807.50
Algoma	1788.50	Westminster	907.85
Hamilton	52,00	Victoria	980.85
Paris	104.00		300.00
London		\$	27,513.86
Chatham	67.00		

CHANGES IN GRANTS-NEW APPLICATIONS, &c.

The Committee considered new applications from Presbyteries on behalf of Mission fields. The following are the applications, with the changes made for the half-year beginning 1st October, 1895, on the list adopted in March last. (See pages 58 to 71 of Appendix No. 1 to the minutes of the General Assembly, 1895):

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL :-

Lost River and De Salaberry,—Granted \$7.70 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA:-

Portland,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew:-

Golden Lake, &c.,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

do. \$3 Calabogie,-

do. \$3.50 do. Rutherglen,-

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON:-

Tweed,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary.

Marmora,— do. \$6 do. do.

Kingston, Zion Church,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath.

Hay Bay and Sandhurst do. \$2

PRESBYTERY OF PETERBOROUGH:-

Harvey,—Granted \$5.76 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO :-

Fairbank,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Chester,-No grant.

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE:-

Bala,-

Waubaushene,—Granted \$3 85 per Sabbath

do. \$3 do. French River,-

do. do. \$2 Franklin,-

do. \$2.50 do. Dunchurch,-

do. do. \$2

Loring, do. \$3 do.

Washago,do. do. \$3

do. do. \$3 Everett,-

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND :-

Johnston, &ç.—Granted \$3 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary.

Crawford, Williamsford and Holland Centre,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN:-

Drayton,-Granted \$1 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF ALGOMA,-

Granted \$3 per Sabbath. Algoma,— Korah, &c .do. \$3 do. do. \$3 do. Walford,do. \$3 do. Ophir,-Mills,do. \$3 do. South Bay,do. \$3 do. do. \$3 Warren,do. Copper Cliff,do. \$2 do. Day Mills,do. \$2 do. Little Current, do. \$3 do. Rock Lake,do. \$2 Spanish River, do. \$3 do. Sturgeon Falls.— do. \$3 do. Cockburn Island,—do. \$3 do. Webbwood .do. \$5 do.

Webbwood,— do. \$5 do. for ordained Missionary for 6 mos. Richards Landing,—Special claim of \$50 to help deficit of \$225 in field,

Deferred till spring, till people make up balance.

PRESYYTERY OF GUELPH :-

Hawkesville and Linwood,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS :-

New Dundee, &c.—Granted \$2 per Sabbath

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM :-

Puce and Renaud,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA :-

Courtright.—Claim of \$20 for past half year,—Declined.

APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES.

The list of laborers available for work during the winter half-year, was made up and appointments given as follows:—

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL. . Rev. N. Macphee, Rev. J. N. Guthrie.

- " OTTAWA.. Rev. W. Christie and D. Craig.
- " LANARK AND RENFREW.. Rev. J. A. Leitch, W. J. Macdonald and J. B. Boyd.
- "KINGSTON.. Rev. G. L. Johnston, Rev. D. M. Martin, Messrs. S. A. Woods, W. T. Crombie, and Hector McLean.
- " LINDSAY . Mr. J. D. Smith.
- " Peterboro.. Rev. D. M. Jamieson.
- " TORONTO..Mr. T. H. Adams.
- BARRIE. Rev. W. E. Wallace, Messrs. A. Munro, W. H. Angers, E. Mason, J. W. Maclean, R. J. Wilson, J. H. Rogers, J. T. Richardson, A. F. Smith, H. W. Porter, J. Lochore, J. G. Jackson, J. Geddes, R. B. Thomson, J. C. Bain, J. R. Miller, A. Roebuck, W. A. Alexander, W. J. McLean, and J. J. Hannahson.
- ALGOMA.. Rev. G. E. Lougheed, Messrs. James M. Dallas, D. Forbes, K. McRae, J. E. Smith, A. G. Bell, H. Musclow, W. S. Marsh, D. McKenzie, W. C. Nixon, and George S. Wood.
- " Guelph.. Rev. H. Knox.
- " PARIS. . Rev. J. S. Stewart.
- " Chatham.. Messrs. P. Uzelle and Alexander Maclean.
- Synod of Manitoba and the North-West. Rev. S. W. Thomson, Rev. Jas.

 Laing, Rev. W. Hodnett, Rev. R. A. Munro, Rev. A.

 Kemlo, Rev. J. S. Dobbin, Rev. J. S. Hamilton,
 Rev. D. Macvicar, Rev. A. Moore, Rev. Hugh
 McLean, Messrs. A. M. Boyd, J. N. Brunton, A. E.

 Camp, J. Hood, F. J. Hartley, P. Strang, M. McKee,
 W. T. McKenzie, G. Taylor, A. E. Douglas, J. R.

 Elmhurst, and W. Ledger.
 - SYNOD OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.. Rev. G. S. Scott, Rev. A. S. Thomson, Rev. W. Black, Rev. W. MacKay, Rev. J. E. Wallace, Messrs. W. T. Atkinson, and Burkholder.

SYNODS OF MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST AND OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

PAYMENTS TO CONVENERS.—It was agreed to send the money for services rendered in Mission fields during the past half-year to the respective Conveners of Presbyteries as follows:—

Superior. \$ 260.00 Winnipeg 1,556.50 Rock Lake 578.00 Glenboro 104.00 Portage la Prairie 566.00	Brandon. \$ 182.00 Minnedosa 2,035.00 Melita 1,114.00 Regina 2,907.50	
Calgary \$3,010.00	Westminster \$858.35	
Kamloops 1,647.50	Victoria 781.35	

The above amounts to be charged to the lump sums voted respectively to the two Synods in March last, for the current year.

British Columbia's H. M. Committee.—It was agreed to pay a claim of \$56.50 the expense of meeting of Home Mission Committee of Synod of British Columbia—to be charged to the lump sum.

EXTRA CLAIMS.—The following sums additional to the lump sum, were ordered to be paid Presbyteries because of the action of the last Assembly in increasing certain salaries of missionaries:—

Portage la Prairie	\$25.00	Calgary	\$232.50
Minnedosa	50.00	Kamloops	
Melita	25.00	Westminster	
Regina	50.00	Victoria	

STUDENTS' SALARIES.—While paying at present the extra salaries voted by the General Assembly for unmarried ordained Missionaries in the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West as per foregoing minute, it was agreed to hold in abeyance till next spring the request of the Home Mission Committee of the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West for payment to the Presbyteries in that Synod out of the Assembly's Home Mission fund the 50 cents per Sabbath added to students' salaries, in the earnest hope that the Presbyteries will raise the required amount from the fields in which the students labored.

Greenwood.—A special claim of \$40 for services rendered in Greenwood prior to March, 1895, was ordered to be paid.

Travelling Expenses.—Claims amounting to \$1,262.70 for travelling expenses of missionaries to and from Manitoba and British Columbia were ordered to be paid.

MISCELLANEOUS.

STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.—Applications for grants for the winter months having been made on behalf of a large number of mission fields for which no applications were made at the full meeting of the Home Mission Committee in March last, these fields having been under the care of the missionary societies of some of the colleges during the summer, it was resolved hereafter to make no grants from the Home Mission Fund to any field supplied by any of these societies, unless the sanction of this Committee and of the Presbytery of the bounds be first got for the placing of such fields under the care of said societies.

HISTORICAL SKETCH.—The Rev. Dr. Robertson was requested to prepare and publish a historical sketch of the Home Mission work of the western section of the Church since the date of the union of the Presbyterian Church in 1875.

REV. A. FINDLAY'S REPORT.—The Rev. A. Findlay laid on the table an interesting report of his work for the past half-year. The report was received, and it was resolved to publish the substance of it. Mr. Findlay's expenses (\$177.20) were ordered to be paid.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY.—The convener directed attention to the illness of the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell and the affliction of other members of the Home Mission Committee, and suggested the propriety of expressing sympathy with these brethern. A small subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Maclean, Moodie and Findlay was

appointed to prepare a suitable minute. They reported the following, which was unanimously approved:

The Executive of the Home Mission Committee take this, the first opportunity which offers itself, to express their heartfelt sympathy with their brother and fellow-worker, the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., in the severe affliction which has befallen him, and earnestly trust that he may be restored to renew the work, so long a pleasure to him, among his people and in the church which he has served so faithfully in this and other departments of its life and work.

"We pray that he may be sustained more and more by the peace and comfort of the Gospel.

"Our hearty sympathies are also extended to our brethern, members of this committee, the Rev. Messrs. Gilray. Rennie, and Scott, in the severe bereavements with which it has pleased God to visit them; and we pray that, sorrowing, 'not as those who have no hope,' they may have given them 'the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.'"

SUB-COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS.—The following were empowered to make any necessary appointments to fields prior to the March meeting of the Committee:—Drs. Cochrane, Robertson, and Warden.

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE.—The following is the Executive for the year:—Dr. Cochrane (convener), Dr. Warden, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Armstrong, Messrs. M. W. Maclean, A. Gilray, R. Moodie, J. Penman and R. Kilgour.

CLOSE.—The Committee adjourned at half-past nine o'clock of the evening of Tuesday, the eighth October, and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

ROBT. H. WARDEN, Secretary.

WM. COCHRANE, D.D., Convener.