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, 1890.

# MINUTES OF MEETING

OF THE

EXECUTIVE OF THE

# HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

AND OF THE

# AUGMENTATION SUB-COMMITTEE

(WESTERN SECTION.)

OF THE

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA,

TORONTO, 7th OCTOBER, 1890.

AT TORONTO, and within the Lecture Room of St. Andrew's Church there, on Tuesday the 7th day of October, 1890, 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. Campbell, Dr. Robertson, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, R. Moodie, A. Tolmie, A. Gilray, F. W. Farries, J. Somerville and R. H. Warden.

Satisfactory explanations were given for the absence of Dr. Laing and Messrs. Mitchell and Kilgour. Sympathy was expressed for Dr. Laing in his ill iess.

# CLAIMS FOR THE PAST HALF YEAR.

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

|                           | FOR            | FOR | AUGMENTATION |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----|--------------|
| PRESBYTERIES.             | MISSION FIELDS | . 0 | F STIPENDS.  |
| Quebec                    | \$ 871.00      |     | \$1225.00    |
| Montreal                  |                |     | 1162.50      |
| Glengarry                 |                |     | 375.00       |
| Ottawa                    |                |     | 598.00       |
| Brockville                |                |     | 437.50       |
| Lanark and Renfrew        |                |     | 412.50       |
| Kingston                  |                |     | 788.38       |
| Peterborough              | 557.20         |     | 307.50       |
| Lindsay                   |                |     | 26.66        |
| Whitby                    |                |     | 50.00        |
| Toronto                   |                |     | 370.00       |
| Orangeville               |                |     | 235.00       |
| Barrie                    |                |     | 325.00       |
| Owen Sound                |                |     | 377.00       |
| Saugeen                   |                |     | 100.00       |
| Guelph                    |                |     | 125.00       |
| Hamilton                  |                |     | 692.00       |
| Paris                     |                |     | 62.50        |
| London                    |                |     | 842.00       |
| Chatham                   |                |     | 120.00       |
| Sarnia                    |                |     |              |
| Stratford                 |                |     |              |
| Huron                     |                |     | 275.00       |
| Maitland                  |                |     | 222 22       |
| Bruce                     |                |     |              |
| Winnipeg                  |                |     | 101.00       |
| Rock Lake                 |                |     | . 341.00     |
| Brandon                   |                |     | 211 00       |
| Minnedosa                 |                |     | 0.0.00       |
| Regina                    |                |     | 222 52       |
| Calgary                   |                |     |              |
| Columbia                  |                |     |              |
| Trav. expenses N. W. Sync |                |     |              |
|                           |                |     | \$12,253.76  |
|                           | \$24,710.20    |     | \$12,255.16  |

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### CHANGES IN GRANTS-NEW APPLICATIONS., &c.

The Committee considered new applications from Presbyteries on behalf of Mission fields and Augmented congregations. The following are the applications, with the changes made, for the half-year beginning 1st October, 1890, on the list adopted in March last. (See pages 56 to 79 of Appendix No. 1 to the Minutes of the General Assembly, 1890):

#### MISSION STATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC:—
Kennebec Road,—Granted \$5.76 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Portneuf,-Granted \$4.00 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA:—
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Bearbrook,—No grant. South Indian,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath, from 1st April, 1890.

Lochaber,—Granted \$1.50 per Sabbath from 1st April, 1890. Chelsea and Cantley,—Granted \$3.84 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

Presbytery of Brockville:—
N. Williamsburg, &c.—Grant reduced to \$2 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON:—
Sidney,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath.

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PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY:—

Coboconk, &c.—Granted \$5.76 per Sabbath for ordained missionary, or \$3 for catechist.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO:—
Dovercourt,—Granted \$6 per Sabbath to this date.

Presbytery of Orangeville:—
Caledon East and St. Andrews',—Granted \$100 for past six months.

Carling,—Presbytery asked \$4 per Sabbath for winter. The grant was declined, and intimation given to the Presbytery that Mr. Duncan was engaged last March, on the understanding that Carling was part of the Parry Sound field, and the Committee expect him to give supply to that station.

Parry Sound,—Granted \$50 for Mr. Duncan's removal expenses Copper Cliff,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath. Black River,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath. Berriedale, &c.—Granted \$6.73 per Sabbath.

Sundridge,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Waubaushene,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Ardtrea, &c.—Granted \$4.80 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Powassan, &c.—Granted \$5 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Airlie, Banda, &c.—Granted \$4.32 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.
Black Bank,—Granted \$2.50 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

If the two last-named fields are worked together, the grant to be \$3.50 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND :-

Crawford,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath. Big Bay,—Granted \$1 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH :-

Drayton,—Presbytery asked \$3 per Sabbath,—declined.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS :-

New Dundee,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM:

Buxton,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath.

Bethel and Bridge End,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath \ Information and Statistics wanted. Strongfield,-Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE :-

St. Joseph Island,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

Little Current,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

Kagawong,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Walford,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Thessalon,—Grant reduced to \$6.70 per Sabbath.

Tarbutt,—Granted \$2.50 per Sabbath. A petition from Tarbutt, asking for the appointment of the Rev. Alex. Mackenzie of Kincardine, forwarded simpliciter by the Presbytery of Bruce, was received. After full consideration of all the circumstances, the Executive were unable to grant the prayer of the petition.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG :-

Lake Francis and Shoal Lake,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Lake Winnipeg Fisheries,—Granted \$40 for past half-year.

Beausejour,—Granted \$2 per Sabbath.

Icelandic Mission, Winnipeg,—Presbytery asked \$9 per Sabbath; granted \$8.

PRESBYTERY OF ROCK LAKE:-

Clearwater,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath.

Cartwright,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

Musselboro',-Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF BRANDON:-Ralphton,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath.

Arizona,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath.

Douglas,-Granted \$4 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF MINNEDOSA :-

Shellmouth.—Granted \$44 additional for past half-year.

Odanah,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF REGINA:

Colleston,—Grant reduced to \$8 per Sabbath from 1st April, 1890.

Indian Head,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath.

Lansdowne,—Granted \$5 per Sabbath.

Jumping Creek,—Granted \$7.70 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

Broadview and Grenfell,-United for the winter, with grant of \$8 per Sabbath for ordained missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF CALGARY :-

Banff,—Granted \$8 per Sabbath.

Calgary and Edmonton Railway,—Granted \$4 per Sabbath.

Swift Current and Maple Creek,-Granted \$4 per Sabbath.

Mr. J. A. Morison-claim for special expenses to be settled by Secretary after correspondence with parties.

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PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA :-

Claims for travelling expenses for Messrs. Moss, Frew and Mackenzie were left in the hands of the Secretary.

Mount Cheam and Campbells,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath for catechist. Northfield and East Wellington,—The Presbytery asked \$400 per annum for ordained missionary.

Mount Lehman, Aldergrove, &c.— Do. \$400 for ordained missionary. New Westminster East, and Sapperton, &c.—Do. \$400 for ordained missionary.

The Executive were favorable to the early appointment of a missionary to New Westminster East, and to the Delta, in room of Mr. Glassford, who is withdrawing from the field; but in the state of the fund thought it inadvisable to begin work meantime in new districts entailing large expenditure on the Home Mission fund.

#### AUGMENTED CONGREGATIONS.

PRESENTERY OF QUEBEC:—
Inverness,—Removed from the list,—self-supporting.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA:—\*
Chelsea and Cantley,—Transferred to Mission list.

PRESBYTERY OF LANARK AND RENFREW:—
Ashton and Appleton,—Now vacant.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE:—
Oxford and Bishop's Mills,—Grant increased to \$225 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON:—
Lansdowne,—Granted \$150 per annum.
Camden and Newburgh,—Now vacant.

PRESBYTERY OF PETERBOROUGH:—
Bobcaygeon and Dunsford,—Granted \$120 per annum.
Garden Hill, &c.—Now vacant.

Presbytery of Whitby:—
Newcastle,—Granted \$200 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY:—
Cambray and Oakwood,—Granted \$200, in the expectation that the people will give \$600 per annum.

Presbytery of Orangeville:—
Corbetton, Riverview and Gandier,—Granted \$150 per annum.
Rosemount,—Now vacant.
Maxwell, &c.—Now vacant.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND,—
Berkeley and Williamsford,—Granted \$2 per annum till settled.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON:—
Blackheath, &c.—Granted \$50 per annum, from 1st April, 1890.
Nelson and Dundas St.—Granted \$50 per annum.
Port Dalhousie,—Now vacant.

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PRESBYTERY OF LONDON :-London East,—Granted \$400 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM:-Duart, &c.—Granted \$2 per Sabbath till settled.

PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND:-Dungannon and Port Albert,—Granted \$200 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE:-Sault St. Marie,—Put on augmented list.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG:-Blythefield,—Granted \$250 per annum. Selkirk,-Granted \$200 per annum. Stonewall,-Removed from the list.

PRESBYTEBY OF ROCK LAKE:-Boissevain,—Put on list with grant of \$4 per Sabbath till settled. Deloraine,—Grant increased to \$250 per annum from 1st April, 1890.

PRESBYTERY OF BRANDON :-Stratherne,—Granted \$250 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF MINNEDOSA :-Rosedale,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath till settled. Birtle,—Now vacant. Synod's Home Mission Committee asked special grant of \$150 to settle in full a claim of Mr. Hodnett. Granted \$100.

PRESBYTERY OF REGINA:

Qu'Appelle,—Granted \$200 per annum. Moose Jaw,—Now vacant. Granted \$5 per Sabbath till settled. Prince Albert,-Now vacant. Agreed to ask Mr. W. M. Rochester to go to Prince Albert; should he decline, the appointment to be left in the hands of Messrs. Macdonnell and Warden. The salary to be \$1200, the grant from this Committee not to exceed \$400 per annum. The Presbytery of Regina were instructed to furnish the Secretary with statement of account of the Missionary in charge during the past summer, with details as to contributions of the field for his support.

PRESBYTERY OF CALGARY :-Medicine Hat,—Granted \$300 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA :-Richmond,—Grant reduced to \$250 per annum. Kamloops,—Granted \$360 per annum, also \$290 for removal expenses if Mr. Lee accepts the call, in the expectation that the people will meet the remainder of these expenses.

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### APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES.

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

- PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.. Rev. J. A. Birrell (to Portland for six months); Mr. A. McPhee (to Plantagenet for one year), and Rev. J. A. Gourlay (to Aylmer for six months.)
  - Lanark and Renfrew. Rev. D. L. McKechnie (to Mattawa for one year); Rev. J. A. McConnell (to Chalk River for six months); Messrs. C. C. Tucker and R. Lowe.
  - BARRIE. Rev. J. W. Goodwillie (to North Bay for six months);
    Rev. R. J. Sturgeon (to Waubaushene for two
    years); Rev. J. L. Robertson (to Berriedale for
    one year); Rev. J. Garrioch (to Powassan for one
    year); Messrs. J. Geddes, W. H. Porter, R. Drennan, W. Harbison, J. D. Smith, Jas. Lachore, R. G.
    Murison (three months); R. A. Mitchell and
    Farquharson.
  - OWEN SOUND. Rev. W. Mackay, David Miller and W. Akitt.

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- BRUCE.. Rev. N. McPhee (to Thessalon for six months); Rev. D. H. McLennan (to Bruce Mines for six months); Rev. James Ferguson (to St. Joseph Island for two years); Rev. J. B. Scott (to Manitowaning for six months); Messrs. M. J. McGregor, R. G. Murison (three months); D. J. Graham, D. B. Smith.
- SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND NORTH-WEST.. Rev. P. J. McLaren, Rev. D. Houston, Rev. A. Bowman, Rev. S. Polson, Rev. Neil Mackay, Rev. Isaac McDonald, Rev. W. Hodnett, Rev. D. F. McMillan, and Messrs. David Findlay, Thos. Paton, A. W. Fenwick, Jas. Paterson, J. A. Urquhart and T. Keirnan.

# SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Synodical Committees' Expenses.—It was agreed to pay a claim of \$25.00 for the travelling and other expenses of the Synodical Committee for the past half-year, as also a claim of \$24.00 for the distribution of Home Mission Reports of 1889.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF MISSIONARIES.—The Synod's Committee submitted an estimate of the amounts required to meet the travelling expenses back to College of the student missionaries laboring in the Synod during the past summer.

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| Presbytery of | Winnipeg \$59.00                      |
| 44            | Rock Lake                             |
| 44            | Brandon 53.00                         |
| 44            | Minnedosa 40.00                       |
| 44            | Regina 127.00                         |
| 44-           | Calgary 163.00                        |
|               | \$442.00                              |

The amount—\$442.00—was ordered to be paid, and the several Presbyteries were instructed to furnish the Committee in March next with a detailed statement of the amounts actually paid the several missionaries for travelling expenses.

CLAIM OF MR. W. A. MERKLEY.—A letter was read from Mr. W. A. Merkley claiming \$220.00 being balance due him for services at Schreiber for nine months in 1888. The matter was referred to the Presbytery of Winnipeg.

CLAIM OF MR. McKITRICK.—There was laid on the table and read a letter from Mr. Austin G. McKitrick claming \$266.00 balance due for eighteen months services in the Presbytery of Regina. The letter was referred to that Presbytery.

RETURN EXPENSES OF MANITOBA COLLEGE STUDENTS.—An extract Minute of the Home Mission Committee of the Synod, anent the Committee's action *re* the return travelling expenses of Students of Manitoba College, was read and referred to Dr. Campbell and Mr. Farries, to report in March next.

HALF-YEARLY REPORTS.—There was read a petition from the Presbytery of Calgary praying that action be taken with a view to altering the date of the half-yearly returns from Presbyteries.

It was remitted to the following Sub-Committee:—Dr. Robertson, Dr. Campbell, Messrs. Somerville and Farries, as was also the question of a change in the date of the semi-annual appointments of Missionaries. At a later stage the Sub-Committee reported, recommending that the following overture be forwarded to the Convener of

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each Presbytery's Home Mission Committee with a view to having the subject matter of the overture considered by Presbyteries:—

Whereas, in carrying on our mission work in outlying fields it is found that the month of April is most unsuitable for students reaching their fields and carrying on their work, and that the month of October is one of the very best of the year for missionary effort and for collecting money for service rendered; and whereas the work in our mission fields in the future ought to be done, and will be done to an ever-increasing extent, by students in their theological course: therefore it is humbly overtured to the Venerable the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada to change the terms of the theological colleges of the western section of the Church where necessary, so as to open in the beginning of November and close at the end of April.

The report was received and the recommendation adopted. It was agreed to send a copy of the overture to the authorities of the several Theological Colleges.

Home Mission Literature.—An extract Minute of the Home Mission Committee of the Synod was read intimating that a monthly publication devoted to intelligence pertaining to Home Mission and India Mission Work in the North-West was in contemplation by the Synod. The desirability of this information appearing in the "Presbyterian Record" rather than in a separate publication was suggested and Dr. Warden was instructed to see the Editor of the "Record" and obtain his view as to setting apart a page or two every month for intelligence supplied by a Committee of the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West.

PRINCE ALBERT.—Messrs. Macdonnell and Warden reported verbally as to their recent visit to Prince Albert, by appointment of the General Assembly. Their formal report is to be submitted to the Committee in March next.

COLUMBIA PRESBYTERY.—Dr. Robertson gave an interesting report of his recent visit to British Columbia, dwelling upon the great spiritual destitution in many districts and the urgent need of additional Missionaries.

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### MISCELLANEOUS.

MISSIONARY MAPS.—Mr. Somerville brought before the Committee the propriety of publishing a Missionary Map for circulation among the congregations of the Church, and Dr. Cochrane, Messrs. Macdonnell, Somerville and Warden were appointed to confer with the Foreign Mission Committee regarding the matter.

REV. A. FINDLAY'S SALARY.—There was considered a request from the Presbytery of Barrie that the salary of Rev. A. Findlay be increased to \$1600.00 per annum. It was agreed to refer the matter to the March meeting of the Home Mission Committee, with the recommendation that the increase be made.

STATE OF THE FUND.—The Treasurer reported the state of the funds as follows:—

### HOME MISSION.

| Balance on hand, May 1st, 1890 | \$6426.05              |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Expenditure to date            | \$6426.05              |
| AUGMENTATION.                  |                        |
| Receipts to date               | \$1330.83<br>\$1330.83 |
|                                | \$1330.03              |

STATISTICS OF MISSION FIELDS.—Mr. Farries brought before the Executive the desirability of furnishing all missionaries with books carefully prepared, in which to gather accurate statistics of the fields. The matter was referred to a sub-committee consisting of Mr. Farries, (Convener), Dr. Robertson and Dr. Campbell, to report in March.

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 in the *Presbyterian Record*. Mr. Findlay's expenses (\$193.28) were ordered to be paid.

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United Church Archives EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE.—The following is the Executive for the year:—Dr. Cochrane (convener), Dr. Campbell, Dr. Laing, Dr. Robertson, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, F. W. Farries, A. Tolmie, A. Gilray, J. Somerville, R. Moodie, W. Mitchell, R. Kilgour and R. H. Warden.

Augmentation Sub-Committee.—The sub-committee on the Augmentation of Stipends is as follows:—Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, (convener), Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Laing, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Campbell, Messrs. F. W. Farries, A. Tolmie, A. Gilray, R. Moodie, J. Somerville, Wm. Mitchell, R. Kilgour and R. H. Warden.

EXECUTIVE MEETING.—It was agreed to hold a meeting of the Executive on Monday 23rd March next at 8.30 P.M.; and clerks and conveners of Presbyteries are instructed to forward to the Secretary, prior to the 17th March, the claims for the current half year, also applications for grants for the ensuing year, together with extract minutes, etc., that the business of the Committee may be expedited as much as possible.

CLOSE.—The Committee adjourned at eleven o'clock of the evening of Tuesday, the seventh October, and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

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