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No. III.

Missions in Africa.*

"ETHIOPIA shall soon stretch out her hands unto God."
Psalm LXXVIII: 31.

THE "DARK CONTINENT"—"The Missionaries' Grave!"—"The Land of pestilential fevers, of wild beasts and wilder men!" such are the uninviting epithets applied to that great continent which occupies nearly one-third of the habitable globe, and towards which the eyes of Christendom are now turning with intense interest, hope and expectation. Until very recently, little or nothing was known of the interior of Africa, except that it was rich in gold, and ivory, and apes, and *slaves*. In quest of these, the nations of the earth have long since made themselves familiar with the outline of its sea-board, and fringed its entire vast circumference with colonies. But the discovery that the Kaffir, and the Hottentot, and even the savage Bushmen have souls, capable of understanding and receiving Christianity, and of being elevated by it, this is a discovery which was reserved for the nineteenth century, and the importance of which is only now being fully recognized and appreciated. David Living-

stone was mistaken in many of his geographical theories. He planted no missions. He did not live to see the results of his arduous labours. In these respects he was a failure. But it is to Livingstone the world is mainly indebted for the knowledge of the fact that the interior of Africa is not a desert, but a land of enormous possibilities. Speke, and Grant, and Baker, and Cameron, and Stanley might never have seen Africa but for Livingstone. To him we owe it that the *slave-trade* in its most revolting form has been almost totally suppressed, and to him very largely is due the increased interest in African missions manifested at the present time by all the Churches.

It is difficult to realize the vastness of this field for missionary enterprise. Extending from 35° N. to 35° S. Latitude, and from 20° to 50° S. Longitude, it is nearly 5000 miles long, and of equal breadth at the widest points. It is eight times the size of India! although the latter has a larger population. So numerous are the Christian agencies now at work, it is impossible for us to do more than give a very brief outline of the rise and progress of Protestant missions in Africa. To the Moravian Brethren belong the honour of having been the first to occupy this field for Christ. In 1737, George Schmidt, one of their number, sailed from Holland for the Cape of Good Hope. Though opposed and persecuted by both the government of the colony and the native chiefs, he persevered and ultimately succeeded in establishing a

* SOUTH AFRICA AND ITS MISSION FIELDS, by Rev. J. E. Carlyle, late Presbyterian Minister at Natal; London, 1878. HISTORY OF MISSIONS, by Rev. William Brown, M. D., Secretary of the Scottish Missionary Society; 3 vols. London, 1864. FIFTY YEARS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, by Rev. George Smith, L. L. D., Secretary of the Free Church Foreign Mission Board; Edinburgh, 1879.

mission at Genadenthal, 120 miles north of the Cape. Here he laboured for nine years, and gathered together a little company of converts numbering forty-seven families. He then returned to Holland to induce others to join him. But, for some unexplained reason, he was not allowed to return. And George Schmidt "whom the annals of missions have enrolled for ever among their illustrious names," passed the remainder of his days as a poor day-labourer in Germany, with his heart in that Southern land which he was never to see again." Not until 1792 did the Brethren obtain permission to resume their work in Africa. In that year three humble artisans were sent to the same place. They found parts of the walls of Schmidt's house still remaining, and among the first to welcome them was a poor blind woman, an aged pupil and convert of Schmidt's, bringing with her the old treasured Testament which he had given her fifty years before! From Genadenthal the sound of the Gospel gradually spread to the regions around. It became a centre of light in that dark corner of the earth. More missionaries were sent out. Other stations were opened, and now the Brethren have 43 missionaries, 200 native helpers, 1869 communicants, and, altogether, 8390 adults and children under their pastoral care in S. Africa. They have also numerous schools and colleges in successful operation.

In 1799 the first four missionaries of the London Missionary Society (Congregational) arrived at the Cape. Of these the most remarkable was Dr. Vanderkemp, one of the most illustrious missionaries of modern times, who for many years endured great hardships in proclaiming the message of salvation to "his beloved Hottentots." Other missionaries of this society, and among them men of great ability, followed Vanderkemp. We need only mention Dr. Philip, who did so much to inspire continental Christians with a zeal for missions; and Robert Moffat, who after forty years spent among the Bechuanas, still lives to tell the story of his conquests, and to electrify others with his poetic oratory; and Livingstone, the noblest of them all. This Society has now some twenty principal stations, with 52 branches, including the Tanganyika mission in Central Africa. They

have 25 English missionaries, 113 native preachers, 4615 communicants, and 24,022 adherents; 42 schools, and 2052 scholars. They occupy the east coast, from the Cape northwards to Abyssinia. One of their chief stations however, is at Kuruman, in the interior, 750 miles due north from the Cape, founded by Hamilton and Moffat in 1817. It was to this place that Livingstone preceded in a bullock cart, in 1840, and here he found to his astonishment a shapely mission house and church, a well stocked garden, a printing press, and other evidences of civilization. Here too, he found his wife, Mary Moffat, who shared with him many of his subsequent adventures, fell a victim to the terrible fever of the country, and was buried beneath a great baobab tree on the banks of the Zambesi, on the 27th April, 1864.

The Dutch Reformed Church is another of the early agents in the South African mission cause. Its centre is at the Cape, but its operations extend as far as Natal and the Transvaal. Besides the colonial adherents, numbering 238,863, there are some 26,000 of the aborigines under instruction, including 4500 communicants. An important place must also be assigned to the Methodist Missionary Society which sent Mr. Barnabus Shaw as its first missionary to the Cape, in 1815. Not being allowed to exercise his ministry there, Mr. Shaw proceeded to the great Namaqua-land, on the west coast, about 500 miles north of the Cape, where he succeeded in establishing a flourishing mission, as well as others in Kaffraria, and the Bechuanaland country. The circuits of this Society now present an unbroken chain of coast stations from the Cape to Zululand. They are also largely represented in the Orange Free State and the Transvaal. Altogether they have 240 chapels, 102 missionaries and assistants, 17,233 members, and 83,602 adherents, 198 schools, with 11,552 scholars: of these, 28,000 adherents and 5,500 members are native converts, the remainder being colonists of European extraction.

We come now to speak of the missions of the Church of England conducted by its two great societies, (1) The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts, instituted in 1701; (2) The Church Missionary

Society, formed 1799. Both of these are extensively engaged in presecuting evangelistic work. The latter was the earlier to break ground in the dark continent. Its attention was first given to Abyssinia, in 1829, when Messrs. Gobat and Kugler, were sent to Gondar the capital of the country. Although they met with a favourable reception from the native princes, they soon found themselves surrounded with difficulties. Mr. Kugler died the following year, and, owing to the disturbed state of the country by tribal wars, Mr. Gobat soon after left and returned to Egypt. He came back again, however, in 1834, accompanied by Mr. Isenberg, and by their joint labours, the New Testament was translated into the Abyssinian language. Beyond this little progress was made. In 1846, Mr. Gobat was appointed Bishop of Jerusalem by the King of Prussia, and for thirty years his name was a household word with Christian people of all nations who visited the Holy City. In the meantime another, whose name was to be added to the long list of illustrious Missionaries, espoused the cause in Abyssinia under the auspices of the Church Society. This was Mr. Krapf, who along with Mr. Isenberg revived the mission on the N. East coast. Although very unfruitful in other respects the mission was successful in translating the Scriptures, and giving the country a very useful literature in its own language. The S. P. G. Society, was comparatively late of entering into the field. Its oldest station is Stellenbosch, founded in 1838. Its first bishop, Dr. Gray was one "who left his mark upon South Africa as one of the ablest, most energetic, and devoted Christian ministers." From the period of his arrival the stations of the Society have continued to increase rapidly. It has now, six dioceses, and 100 missionaries in the field, ministering to 50,000 adherents, of whom 16,000 are natives. It has a number of schools and colleges, among which the higher Kaffir Institution at Grahamstown is said to be of a very efficient character.

The Presbyterian Missions in S. Africa, though less extensive than some of those that have been named, must not be overlooked. They were first established in Kaffraria, by the Glasgow Missionary Society, which, like the

London M. Society, was intended to represent Scottish Christians irrespective of their different sects and churches. Its division, in 1837, into two societies did not originate with the missionaries, but followed as a necessity from the bitter controversies that arose in the home churches. The first Presbyterian missionaries were Messrs. W. R. Thomson and J. Bennie, in 1821. In 1823, the Rev. John Ross began those long and faithful services to the Church of Africa which ceased not with the death of that venerable missionary, in 1878, but are still perpetuated through his sons, the Revs. Bryce and Richard Ross. In 1844, the Glasgow Society was formally dissolved and its stations in Kaffraria placed under the management of the Free Church of Scotland. In 1847, the other stations were in like manner transferred to the oversight of the United Presbyterian Church. Frequent outbreaks between hostile tribes has greatly impeded mission work in this part of Africa, and the late Kaffir war was specially disastrous to the U. P. missions. But, though their mission stations have been destroyed, and their converts scattered many a time, the work is still carried on bravely. There are at present in this field 9 European missionaries, 24 native evangelists, and 18 teachers. The number of principal stations is 10, and of out-stations 24. There are 1038 communicants, 2485 attending services, and 683 week-day scholars.

In the division of territory to which allusion has been made the Free Church fell heir to the old mission station of Lovedale, some 700 miles N. East of Capetown, and 70 miles inland from Algoa Bay. This has ever since been the head-quarters of their mission. Here has grown up under the direction of Dr. Duff, and the supervision of Dr. Stewart, the greatest industrial and educational college in South Africa, attended by between four and five hundred pupils and students, and fully equipped with teachers and professors in the higher departments of arts and theology. This mission held its jubilee in 1871, amid great rejoicings and thanksgivings to God on the part of 2000 natives and a thousand Europeans. The one station of Kaffir huts has grown into seven great evangelistic centres, with 32 out-stations under the oversight of eleven ordained missionaries, of whom two are Kaffirs, Messrs. M. Mzimba, and E. Makiwane, who are pastors of large congregations. Besides these, the Free Church has three mission stations in Zululand, under three ordained missionaries who have already brought over 500 Zulus to the Church of

Christ. Adding the communicants in Natal to those in Kaffraria, the total is about 2000: The number taught in the schools is about 2500. On the occasion of his visit to England in 1857-8. Livingstone succeeded in arousing public attention to the claims of Africa. In 1861, Bishop Mackenzie arrived at the mouth of the Zambesi to take charge of the new Oxford and Cambridge Universities' mission. With him came six Englishmen, and five coloured men from the Cape. But soon there followed a chapter of terrible disasters. The good bishop got entangled in the dismal slavery broils, in attempting to quell which he contracted fever, sank rapidly, and died in a native hut on the edge of a dark forest. There he was buried. His faithful attendant read over his grave the solemn liturgy,—“earth to earth,” &c. In a few more days he too was buried. Then another and another was cut down, and in 1862, the mission was at an end. It has since been revived, and has its head-quarters at Zanzibar, under Bishop Steere, who has a staff of twelve Missionaries, and as many assistants. This disaster delayed but did not arrest action in Scotland. The subject had taken firm hold of Livingstone's countrymen. Shortly after Livingstone's funeral, in 1874, Dr. Stewart brought the subject before the General Assembly of the Free Church with such earnestness and power that the project was immediately taken up. A Committee was appointed. Meetings were held in the principal towns of Scotland. £10,000 were asked for. The money was quickly furnished. LIVINGSTONIA was adopted as the name of the memorial mission, and the southern end of Lake Nyassa selected as its site. On the 24th May, 1875, the expedition sailed from London, under the command of Lieut. E. D. Young, R. N., and arrived at its destination in the month of October. It consisted of eight Europeans. Strange to say, there was not a clergyman in the party! One of the finest features about this mission is the mutual good faith and feeling which have existed since its inception betwixt the Free Church, the Established Church of Scotland, and the U. P. Church in regard to the scheme. They cooperated in the most exemplary manner, and still cooperate, though each has its separate and distinct mission. It is further noticeable that Dr. Laws who is now at the head of the mission was lent to the Free Church, and is paid by the U. P. Church for this special service, and has proved an invaluable assistant. It is too soon to look for statistics from this mission, but it is no small thing to be able to say that 2400 natives have already placed themselves under its protection, and therefore, to some extent, under its salutary influences. All went well in Livingstonia until, alas! the man above

all others on whom the hopes of the mission centred in 1876, the Rev. Dr. Black, a young man of great promise who was sent out to take charge of it, was stricken down with fever and died. His last words were,—“Africa must not be given up though it should cost thousands of lives.” The companion mission of “Blantyre” was established by the Church of Scotland, in 1876. The site selected was in the Highlands of the district, 200 miles from Livingstonia, where the soil is good and the climate salubrious. The pioneers of this expedition also were all skilled artisans. In 1878, the Rev. Duff McDonald and his wife joined the mission, and so far, everything has gone well. Villages have grown up at both places. Schools have been established. Farms and gardens have been laid out and cultivated, and the precious seed of the Word is being sown in the hearts of the natives. While exploring a new route for the central station of the London Missionary Society at Ujiji, on Lake Tanganyika, 600 miles north of Livingstonia, the lamented Dr. Mullens very recently met his death, and Christian missions have been deprived of one of the most indefatigable and successful promoters of the cause who ever lived.

The missions on the west coast of Africa, north of the equator, extend from the mouth of the Senegal to the Gaboon, including Senegambia, Liberia, Sierra Leone, the Gold Coast, Dahomey, and Lower Guinea. The most northern part is occupied by the Paris Evangelical Society. South of this the English Wesleyans and the Church Missionary Society have each flourishing missions with 52 ministers, 14,000 members, and 7,500 scholars. Liberia, which has a coast line of 600 miles, is occupied chiefly by American missionaries—Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Methodists and Baptists, who together claim 4000 native communicants. Along the Gold Coast, and in Ashantee, the number of communicants is said to be nearly 14,000. This is the scene of the celebrated native Bishop Crowther's labours. Still farther south, we come upon the old Calabar mission of the U. P. Church of Scotland, founded by Mr. Waddell, in 1846, and where that church has now five missionary labourers. Last of all, we reach the Gaboon, and the field well occupied by the American Presbyterian Board, to which the heroic Albert Bushnell recently returned, to fill another missionary's grave.

The Rhenish Missionary Society, which celebrated its jubilee in August, 1878, also occupies a distinguished position in the history of South African Missions. It was founded at Barmen, Prussia, in 1828, and deliberately chose for its first field of labour that part of Africa which is perhaps the most uninviting of any on the Continent, on account of its sterility, and the degraded

condition of its inhabitants. But that was a great day in Barmen, in 1829, when its first four missionaries were solemnly ordained, and designated to labour in the Cape Colony. They were soon followed by others, and numerous stations were formed by them, so that now their missionaries are found among the Hottentots, and the Bushmen, the Namaquas, and the Hereros, and other wandering and savage tribes. The number of converts in the Cape Colony is estimated at 10,000. In Namaqualand alone the Rhenish Mission has eleven stations, with 5000 members. Among the Hereros they have gained 2500 members. Many of its schools are of a high order, and Rev. Mr. Esselen and Halm are in the very front rank of the noble army of missionaries. A distinguishing feature of the mission is that it is nearly, if not quite self-supporting.

The Berlin Missionary Society, founded in 1824, entered upon its labours in South Africa, in 1834. Its most flourishing missions are in the Transvaal, among the Bapedi and other Basuto tribes. Though it spreads its stations over an area of 1000 miles long and 500 wide, having five stations in the Cape Colony, five in Kaffraria, six in the Orange Free State, five in Natal, and *twenty-two* in the Transvaal, where it has some 2500 members, 400 of whom were baptized in 1878. Altogether it has 60 missionaries, supported at a cost of \$1000 each, who proclaim the Gospel in seven different languages. They report 8000 communicants. The head-quarters of the Society is at Berlin, where there is a college, over which Dr. Krapf, of missionary fame, presides. Dr. Wangeman is its mission director and secretary, who closes his last report "with thanks for the fruit the year has brought, and with joyous hopes for the future, and with thanks for the 33½ baptized during the year."

What about Egypt and the Southern shores of the Mediterranean? The great body of the people in this part of Africa are Mohammedans; not a vestige of the early Christianity which once flourished among them remains. The Church of Alexandria, like the churches of Asia and Syria, became effete and powerless so soon as it ceased to be a missionary church, as indeed, every church must in like manner become in like circumstances. And Protestant missions have made slower progress here than in any other part of the world. The Moravians planted missions in Egypt long ago, but they were compelled to abandon the field. The Church Missionary Society was equally unsuccessful. The only mission worthy of the name, in Egypt, with its 5,000,000 wretched inhabitants, is that of the U. P. Church of the United States which, since 1854, has sent thirteen ordained missionaries besides other labourers into the field. They have now thirty-five

preaching places, six native ordained ministers, 947 communicants, and 1950 pupils in the schools. In the French Colony of Algeria, the Reformed and Lutheran churches are united in one form of church government. Each of the three provinces has its Protestant Consistory, composed of ministers and laymen representing the Presbyteries. They have 12 parishes, 71 places of worship, 15 schools and 16 pastors.

No less than *thirty-three* distinct missionary agencies at work in Africa at the present time. (Owing to the want of uniformity in preparing their statistics, and the absence in some cases of any reliable details at all, it is not possible to speak with any degree of certainty as to the numerical results of their united efforts. Supplementing, however, the statements made by Mr. Carlyle in his admirable work on South African missions, published only a year ago, with information gathered from other trustworthy sources, the following is the nearest approximation we have been able to reach. In South Africa, 450 European missionaries; 90 native ministers; 40,000 communicants; 45,000 scholars. On the western coast, 190 missionaries; 33,000 communicants; 16,000 scholars. Making altogether 730 ordained missionaries; 73,000 native communicants; 250,000 under instruction, and probably one million more or less under the influences of Christianity. This summary does not include Madagascar, with its twenty European missionaries, fifty native pastors, 300 catechists, 2000 evangelists, 300,000 adherents, and 45,000 pupils in seven hundred schools.

"COME ON BRETHREN!" was the short and emphatic appeal addressed by David Livingstone, from the centre of Africa, to the Protestant Churches of the world. That appeal thrilled the hearts of Christian people in all nations, and already the answer has come in a wide-spread revival of interest in African Missions, in numerous additions to the missionary staff, and in the formation of new agencies. The latest announcement is the institution of THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY for the evangelization of Africa, headed by the King of the Belgians, which proposes the opening up of Central Africa by a connected chain of stations reaching across the Continent from Sierra Leone to the Zambezi. Mr. Stanley, who has already rendered such signal services in connection with African explorations, is the leading spirit of the enterprise. If the conversion of the world is to be accomplished during the present century, as many people think it must, it is high time for all of us to be up and doing.

The Sabbath School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

THE SAVIOUR'S GOLDEN RULE.

MARCH 7th.

MATTHEW VII : 1-14.

GUR Lord's sermon concludes with certain supplementary counsels involving some of the most delicate and vital duties of the Christian life; (1) tenderness in our judgment of others: (2) discretion in dealing with scorners: (3) prayer. V. 1. *Judge not*—with unkind and censorious judgment—imputing bad motives to the conduct of others, see James 4 : 11, 12. We should judge in the spirit of fairness, John 7 : 24. Vs. 2, 3. *Ye shall be judged*—the measure of your judgment will be the standard by which you shall be judged, Mark 4 : 24. Luke 6 : 38. *Why behold the mote*—splinter—denoting any small fault. *The beam*—the much greater fault we overlook in ourselves. V. 5. *Thou hypocrite*—dissembler—He only is fit to be a reprover of others who severely judges himself. *First*—before meddling with others. *Cast out the beam*—reform thyself. V. 6. *Give not . . . unto the dogs*—to snarling haters and despisers of religion. Dogs and swine besides being ceremoniously unclean were peculiarly repulsive to the Jews. Religion is brought into contempt when it is pressed upon those who do not value it. Vs. 7, 8. *Ask, seek, knock*—emphatic symbols of *importunity* in prayer. We ask for what we *wish*, James 1 : 5-7. We seek for what we *miss*; we knock for that from which we feel ourselves *shut out*. *Every one that asketh*—in faith, whether Jew or Gentile, young or old, rich or poor. *Receive*—in the present tense. He that believeth *hath* everlasting life, John 6 : 47. Vs. 9 : 11. *What man?* Bad as fallen nature is, earthly parents do not thus mock their children. *Much more* shall our Heavenly Father supply, not only food for the body, but nourishment for the soul also, Luke 11 : 13. V. 12. *All things whatsoever*—in every particular be as solicitous for your neighbour's welfare as for your own. *For this is the law and the prophets*—all Scripture agrees hereto. Christ Himself calls this His new Commandment," John 13 : 34 : so also Paul, Rom. 13 : 9. James styles it "the Royal Law," ch. 2 : 8. Alexander Severus, a heathen emperor, had it written on the walls of his closet, often quoted it, and favoured Christians for the sake of it. We call it "THE GOLDEN RULE." Vs. 13, 14. *Enter ye in*—Luke has it, *strive to enter*, i. e. agonize, implying the difficulty and importance of the first step in religion. *Wide is the gate*—easily entered. *That leadeth to destruction*—sin necessarily so ends. Men may believe it or not, the Great Teacher says such is the law of "the Kingdom." *Narrow*—the Christian's whole course is difficult; *but*, see where it leads to! *Few find it*—because, comparatively, few seek for it.

LEARN to be kind and charitable in judging others. In this matter do as you would be done by, remembering how many imperfections belong to your own character. Ask for what you want in prayer; ask often, and earnestly.

The False and the True.

MARCH 14th.

MATTHEW VII : 15-29.

BEWARE of false prophets—false teachers. There always have been such, Deut. 13 : 1-3, and will be, Acts 20, 29. 2 Pet. 2 : 1-2. *Which come*—unauthorized. *In sheep's clothing*—in prophet's garb, Zech. 13 : 4—simulating true teachers. *Ravens wolves*—The worst enemy the sheep has, which scatters and destroys the flock, John 10 : 12. This fierce and dangerous animal was formerly very plentiful in Palestine, although it is not mentioned in the Bible except as a symbol of treachery. Vs. 16, 18. *Their fruits*, not their professions, nor so much their doctrines, as their lives and the practical effect of their teaching. It is a law of nature that like produces like—every tree and plant yields its own kind of fruit. *Even so*—the analogy holds good in respect to "the righteousness of the Kingdom." "The fruit of the spirit is love &c., Gal. 5 : 22, James 3 : 17-18. *A corrupt tree*—of a bad kind. *Evil fruit*—bad to the taste, however attractive. *A good tree cannot*—it would be unnatural. The meaning is that the heart is the only true interpreter of the actions of our lives. Vs. 19-21. *Every tree . . . hewn down*—The same language used by John the Baptist, only with wider application, ch. 3 : 10. Read parable of the barren fig tree, Luke 13 : 6-9. *The fire*—a terrible representation of a final judgment followed by no subsequent recovery. *Shall know them*—the false teachers. *Not every one*—Our Lord does not here disclaim this recognition at the hands of His disciples, John 13 : 13. Mere lip service—will not secure admission to His Kingdom. *He that doeth*—Faith without works is dead, James 2 : 26. *My Father*—"my" is emphatic, equal to an assertion of Christ's divinity. Vs. 22, 23. *Unto me*—in the same sense intimates that He who now speaks to them will yet be recognized by them as their final judge. *In that day*—the day just referred to when men shall "enter" or not enter, the heavenly Kingdom. See 2 Tim. 1 : 12 and 4 : 8. *Prophested*—publicly taught. *In thy name*—so much the worse for these false teachers, "workers of iniquity." Their lives did not agree with their teaching. *I never knew you*—Had they been true disciples he would know and acknowledge them. 2 Tim. 2 : 19. *Depart*—a word of fearful import, see ch. 25 : 41. Luke 13 : 27, 28. Vs. 24, 27. *Therefore, &c.*—compare James 1 : 22-25, Christ illustrates the two classes of hearers by a graphic picture of two builders whose handiwork is overtaken by a sudden storm, common in the East, and he separates them as he will at the great day. *Upon a rock*—THE rock is Christ Himself, Matt. 16 : 18. 1 Cor. 10 : 4. *Sand*—a loose, shifting foundation—that of empty profession and external service. Vs. 28, 29. *Astonished*—as well they might be, John 7 : 46. His doctrine was new to them. *Having authority*—The consciousness of of his divine authority beamed through his teaching in marked contrast to that of the scribes. Matt. 15 : 6.

LEARN that a mere profession of religion, so far from justifying any man in the practice of sin, will only aggravate his punishment.

The Review Sabbaths.

MARCH 21 and 28.

2 TIMOTHY II : 15.

THE arrangements of the present year leave two Sabbaths at the close of each quarter at the disposal of the superintendent, one of which is intended to be occupied in reviewing the lessons of the quarter, and the other to be devoted to a missionary meeting or any other purpose which may be deemed advantageous. This explains the omission of March 21 and 28 from the Lesson columns at this time, and affords us an opportunity of having a few words with Sabbath-school teachers. When it is stated that there are no less than *eight thousand* such in the Dominion, that is to say, more than ten times as many Sabbath-school teachers as there are ministers of congregations, it is scarcely possible to over-estimate the influence which they may exert : and it certainly is a matter of great importance that the standard of qualification aimed at by the several members of this profession be raised to the highest degree of efficiency attainable. We have already spoken of normal classes, and now merely repeat with emphasis our conviction that training classes for Sabbath-school teachers are eminently useful in forming the habit of such a *systematic study of the Bible* as is absolutely necessary for efficient teaching. Such classes are within the reach of every congregation that has a stated pastor, and in which there is a scriptural *quorum* of two or three teachable men and women who are desirous of exercising their gifts, to the best advantage, in this most useful and honourable calling. No minister who undertakes work of this kind will find it to interfere with his ordinary pastoral duties. He will find it rather to be the most profitable work in which he can engage, inasmuch as by this means he will soon gather about him an invaluable staff of *assistants*. Some teachers come to their classes ill-prepared to expound the lesson, simply because they do not know *how* to do it. Others are less excusable, who have not tried to *study* the lesson for themselves, but have simply skated over it, content with a cursory glance at "The Sunday-school Times" "The Westminster Teacher," or "Peloubets Select Notes"—each admirable in itself ; but all such "helps" become *hindrances* when they are substituted for a thorough and systematic study of the Scriptures. An intimate acquaintance with the Bible, its history, geography, chronology, and doctrines, are essential requisites for successful teaching. By all means procure, if you can, a Bagster's Bible with maps and appendices, and having the psalms and paraphrases. You must have a "Cruden's Concordance." Count yourself fortunate if you have a copy of "Matthew Henry's Commentary." Failing that, you will find "The Portable Commentary," by Jamieson, Faucett and Brown, (in one volume \$3) an admirable book of reference. You want a Bible Dictionary. "Smith's," abridged, costs \$2.50. "Giekie's Life of Christ" is the best Harmony of the Gospels, English Ed. \$8.—American reprint, 60 cents ! "Connybeare and Howson's Life and Letters of St. Paul," is most useful for the study of the Epistles, \$2.75.

The power of Christ.

APRIL 4th.

MATTHEW VIII : 18-34.

WE have here the power of Christ manifested. (1) over man : (2) over nature : (3) over demons. Compare Mark 5 : 1-20. Luke 8 : 26-39. Between the delivery of the sermon on the Mount and these incidents Jesus had done many "mighty works" in Capernaum and neighbourhood, Matt. 11 : 23. Now He was at Bethsaida, on the shore of Galilee, where his miracles and teaching attracted great multitudes. Luke mentions that he spake to them by a parable—that of "the Sower." Wearied with incessant preaching and excitement, desirous of rest after a day of such conflict and labour, He *gave commandment to depart* to the other side of the sea, here about six miles wide. Two of his listeners (in Luke they are three, ch. 9 : 57-62,) expressed a desire to accompany Him. Vs. 19, 20. *A scribe*—a writer and teacher of the law, first volunteered to go. But the disclosure of the great Preacher's poverty damped the ardour of this *rash disciple*—He did not follow Him. Vs. 21, 22. The second was a *procrastinating disciple*. Jesus bade him not only to follow, but to preach, Luke 9 : 59. He expressed willingness, but their was "a difficulty" in the way, *just then*—his father, most likely was not dead, or he would have been attending the funeral, which was always on the day of death. Perhaps he was an old man and he would stay by him as long as he lived, and then. . . . The severity of the answer favours this supposition ; *Let the dead bury their dead*. The Lord hath need of thee *now* ; let the spiritually dead attend to these not unimportant claims of nature. The preaching of the kingdom is of highest importance. Vs. 23, 28. *His disciples followed*—went with Him in one of their own boats. Others also, in "other little ships," Mark 4 : 36. *A tempest*—one of those sudden and violent storms common on this inland sea, surrounded with mountains, and whose surface is 600 feet below that of the Mediterranean. *The ship*—an open fishing boat. *He was asleep*—overcome with fatigue. *Lord save us !*—It was no ordinary gale that so alarmed these hardy fishermen. *Ye of little faith*—They had some faith in Him, for they sought relief at His hands, but they had not enough. *He rebuked*—Mark gives the words used, ch. 4 : 39. *The men marvelled*—at this new manifestation of His power. Vs. 28, 34. *Gergasenes*, or Gadarenes from a district on the S. East shore of Galilee. *Two possessors*—raving maniacs. Mark and Luke mention but one, probably the fiercer of the two. *The tombs*—caves used for sepulture where these wretched beings found shelter. *They cried out*—instinctively recognizing Jesus. Their *having nothing to do with Him* aggravated their misery ; filled them with tormenting despair, see Mark 5 : 2-7. *Swine*—Mark says 2000, either belonging to the heathen Gadarenes, or kept by Jews for illicit traffic, Lev. 11 : 7. *The keepers fled*—conscience-smitten. They preferred their sins and their swine to the teaching of Christ.

LEARN that Christ demands of all His followers a complete surrender to His service. Where there's a will to serve Him, a way will be found.

Chart of Foreign Missions

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

At 1st March, 18

I.—THE NEW HEBRIDES MISSION.

Missionaries.—(1) REV. H. A. ROBERTSON, Martyr's Church, Erromanga, appointed, 1871.

(2) REV. JOSEPH ANNAND, at Aneityum, appointed, 1872.

(3) REV. J. W. MACKENZIE, at Efate, appointed, 1871.

(1) Population, 2040; Worshippers, 640; Communicants, 62; Teachers, 21. (2) Population in Mr. A's district, 604; Sabbath attendance, 300; Prayer meeting, 150; 21 schools taught by Natives; Communicants 90. (3) Five Mission Stations; 270 Worshippers. New Church at Erakor, 45 x 22 feet.
The "Day Spring" Mission Ship, last year sailed 10,000 miles, paid 100 visits to Mission Stations, Harbours, and heathen islands, carrying Missionaries, their wives, families, and native Teachers and natives, besides, making her two regular voyages to Sydney in N. S. Wales. The Sabbath-school children of our Church contribute £250 stg. to her support.

II.—THE TRINIDAD MISSION.

Missionaries.—REV. JOHN MORTON, at Savannah Grande District; appointed, 1867.

JOSEPH ANAGEE, do *Native Evangelist.*

MISS BLACKADDER, do *Teacher.*

REV. KENNETH J. GRANT, San Fernando District; appointed, 1870.

LAL BEHARI, do *Native Evangelist.*

JAI-PAR-GAS-LAL, do do

GEORGE SADAPHAL, do do

JACOB CORSBIE, do *Teacher.*

REV. THOMAS M. CHRISTIE, Couva District; appointed, 1873.

Coolie population above 30,000. Total number of Schools, 21; Scholars, 817. Salaries of Native Evangelists from \$200 to \$250 each, paid by Congregations in Maritime Provinces, who also support a number of teachers, \$35 each. The Woman's F. M. S., Halifax, provides Miss Blackadder's salary.

III.—MISSION TO THE INDIANS IN THE NORTHWEST.

Missionaries.—REV. JOHN MACKAY, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

REV. GEORGE FLETT, Okanase.

REV. SOLOMON TUNKANSAICYE, Fort Ellice.

— A *Teacher at Roseau, near Pembina.*

MISS BAKER, Prince Albert, 1879.

IV.—MISSION TO FORMOSA.

Missionaries.—REV. G. L. MACKAY, Tamsui, appointed, 1871.

REV. K. F. JUNOR, do do 1877.

In a little more than eight years, 20 Chapels have been opened and 2 Mission Houses built, and 20 Native helpers trained; 5 Schools are sustained; 5 Bible Women are under training; 300 Communicants are enrolled, and more than 2000 persons have renounced idolatry and attend Christian worship. There is also an Hospital in Tamsui, at present under the care of Dr. Ringer, doing excellent work. An Hospital has been established at Kelung, under the care of Dr. Mann.

V.—MISSION TO CENTRAL INDIA.

Missionaries.—REV. JAMES M. DOUGLAS, at Indore, appointed, 1876.

REV. JOHN WILKIE, do do 1879.

MISS FAIRWEATHER, do do 1873.

MISS MCGREGOR, do do 1877.

REV. JAMES FRASER CAMPBELL, Mhow, do 1876.

MISS RODGER, do do 1873.

The Indian Orphanage and Juvenile Mission, besides supporting 4 high-caste Zenana Day-Schools, providing for the support and education of seven or eight orphans at Calcutta, and Poona, supports about fifteen orphans and two Bible women at Indore, and contributes to the *Dayspring* and the Trinidad Mission.

MISSIONARY ROLL OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

No	NAMES.	BIRTH-PLACE.	AP- point- ed	FIELD OF LABOUR.	BY WHOSE SENT.	REMARKS.
1	John Geddis	Pictou, N. S.	1846	Amelyum, N. Hebrides	Phyn. Ch. of N. Scotia	Died at Geelong, 14th December, 1872
2	George N. Gordon	Casamoope, P. E. I.	1856	Ercoukanen, N. H.	do	Mr. G. and wife murdered by Natives, 20th May, 1861.
3	Petros Constantimides	Turkey	1859	Amelyum, N. H.	Ph. Ch. of Nova Scotia.	Designed mission work, 1881. Now M. D., at Toronto.
4	Samuel P. Johnston	M. Steviach, N. S.	1839	Amelyum, N. H.	Phyn. Ch. of N. Scotia.	Died at Lunenburg, 21st January, 1861
5	J. W. Matheson	Roger's Hill, N. S.	1862	Amelyum, N. H.	Phyn. Ch. of L. Prov's	Died at Mrs. Loyally Islands 14th October, 1862
6	Donald McGregor	Cape Breton	1863	Erakon, Eate, N. H.	do	Died at New Zealand, 23rd October, 1869
7	William McCullagh	Casamoope, P. E. I.	1863	Ercoukanen, N. H.	do	Killed by the Natives, 2th February, 1872
8	John McNeil	Ireland	1866	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1868. Now minister of St. Andrew's, N. B.
9	John Norton	Scotland	1867	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Died at Ercoukanen, 16th July, 1870
10	John Goodwill	Pictou, N. S.	1869	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Missionary at Savannah Grace, Trinidad
11	Kenneth J. Grant	Antigua, B. W. I.	1870	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned 1875. Now in Prince Edward Island.
12	Kenneth J. Grant	Pictou, N. S.	1871	Amelyum, N. H.	Phyn. Ch. of L. Provinces	Missionary at San Fernando, Trinidad.
13	D. J. Murray	West River, N. S.	1871	Amelyum, N. H.	Ch. of S. in L. Prov's	Resigned 1876. Now at Paramatta, N. S. W.
14	Hugh A. Robertson	Pictou, N. S.	1871	Amelyum, N. H.	Phyn. Ch. of L. Provinces	Missionary at Ercoukanen.
15	Hugh A. Robertson	Gay's River, N. S.	1872	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Missionary in Ercoukanen, N. S. W.
16	Joseph Annand	Yarmouth, N. S.	1872	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Missionary at Ercoukanen.
17	Thos. M. Christie	Yarmouth, N. S.	1872	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Missionary at Ercoukanen.
18	George Stevenson	Scotland	1859	Amelyum, N. H.	Phyn. Ch. of Canada	Missionary at Ercoukanen, Trinidad.
19	Robert Jamieson	Scotland	1862	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
20	James Nisbet	Scotland	1862	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
21	Daniel Duff	Scotland	1862	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
22	Alexander Matheson	Red River, N. W. T.	1868	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
23	William Fletcher	Scotland	1868	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
24	William Aitken	Canada	1869	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
25	John McNeil	Canada	1869	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
26	D. B. Whitmer	Scotland	1869	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
27	Geo. Leslie Mackay	Canada	1871	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
28	Edward Vincent	Canada	1871	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
29	J. B. Fraser, M.D.	Canada	1872	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
30	George Flett	Red River	1873	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
31	Hugh McKellar	Canada	1874	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
32	James M. Douglas	Scotland	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
33	Alexander Stewart	Leuchte, O	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
34	D. C. Johnson	Canada	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
35	John Mackay	Red River	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
36	Solomon Tunkanaiyee	Dakota Indian	1878	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
37	Kenneth J. Junor	Canada	1877	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
38	J. Fraser Campbell	Cape Breton	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
39	John Wilkie	Canada	1879	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
40	Ephraim M. Epstein	Canada	1859	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
41	Thomas Hart	Canada	1872	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
42	Miss Margaret Rodger	do	1873	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
43	Miss Maria Fairweather	do	1873	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
44	Mary Forrester	Nova Scotia	1877	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
45	Maryvet McGregor	do	1877	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.
46	Blackadder	do	1876	Amelyum, N. H.	do	Resigned, 1871. Now in Scotland.

* Nov. - The first named seventeen ordained missionaries were all married men, except J. D. Gordon and Petros Constantimides. Their wives are living with the exception of Mrs. Matheson and Mrs. Johnston, afterwards Mrs. Copeland.

Our own Church.

OUR NOTICES of the Meetings of Presbyteries for this month will be found more interesting than usual. The finding of the Presbytery of Hamilton in reference to a subject of very great importance, is worthy of special attention. In addition to the missionary chart which we give, as usual, this month, we are enabled, by the kindness of the conveners of our Foreign Missions—East and West—to lay before our readers, in tabular form, a missionary roll of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, containing the names of all the missionaries who have gone forth from Canada, bearing commissions from the several churches now united. It will be seen a glance that there is a goodly company of them. If we have omitted any names we shall be glad to be corrected. A great many other Presbyterian ministers from Canada have entered the Foreign Mission field under the auspices of other churches. Of them we have taken no account, although it would be interesting to name them. It may appear to some an anomaly that Professor Hart's name, for example, should be included in a list of "foreign missionaries." It only proves, however, that Manitoba and the great North-Western Territories were a great deal farther away from us a few years ago than they are now.

THE COLONIAL COMMITTEE of the Free Church of Scotland have remitted through Dr. Cochran, *Convener*, the sum of £250 stg., for the Home Mission Fund of the Western Section of the Church, and £150 towards the support of Manitoba College. In addition to the grant acknowledged in January, Dr. McGregor has received a second grant of £86 from the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, and also a grant of £200 from the Free Church of Scotland, in aid of the Supplementing and Home Mission Funds of the Eastern Section. Both of the Scottish churches have aided one or more theological students from Scotland. The Free Church has also aided the Kincardine Mission by a grant of £50. These liberal and seasonable gifts, valuable in themselves, are still more so as indications of deep interest taken in the welfare of this Church, for which we cannot sufficiently express our gratitude.

THE RECEIPTS for the Home Mission Fund (West) up to the 10th February, were \$28,826.84, being an advance of \$19,444.16 over the amount received at the corresponding date last year. It is to be remembered, however, that the further sum of \$17,000 is still required to meet the expenditure of the year. For the Assembly Fund the receipts are less by \$223.67, than at this time last year; and for the Widows and Orphans' Fund (late C. P. Church) there is a decrease of \$1521.49. As to the last named, the Assembly agreed that for this year the collections for it should be given to the Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund, with a view to putting it upon a more satisfactory footing. Thus far the result has been disappointing. It is hoped, however, that the claims of this Fund will not be overlooked, and that remittances for this and all the other Schemes of the Church will be forwarded to the respective treasurers *as soon as possible*.

MANITOBA:—The Rev. H. McKellar, of High Bluff writes as follows,—You might mention that our people in the Prospect Station, built last summer, a neat and comfortable place of worship. They did nearly all the work themselves, by united and voluntary effort. Our cause there is promising. The High Bluff people are about to build a new church also. We hope to have it finished next summer. There is much to encourage us to go on with the work. Our people as a whole have been favoured last season with an abundant harvest, and now they get good prices for their grain. Let us labour and pray for an abundant spiritual harvest.

THE REV. JAMES LITTLE, of Bowmanville, has gone to Florida, on a holiday tour. A lady of his congregation has presented the Missionary Association with \$100 for the schemes of the Church.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *London*, has now 690 communicants on the roll. The collections for missionary purposes were, last year, \$1378.

ST. MATTHEW'S CONGREGATION, *Osnabruck*, received 64 new members at the last communion, making an addition of 101 within six months.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, *Toronto*. Average attendance at Sabbath Services, 1000. Communicants on the roll, 591. Total contributions, 1879, \$24,079.84.

SEYMOUR: Ont. The fortieth anniversary of Rev. Dr. Neill's ordination and settlement was celebrated by St. Andrew's congregation on the 20th January.

JOHN KNOX MONUMENT:—An anonymous correspondent, signing himself "a Borderer" writes us as follows,—I see in the January RECORD that you ask for small subscriptions

for a monument for John Knox. I have long made it a rule not to give anything for monuments. If a man has lived to any purpose, he leaves a good monument; if not, he does not deserve one. But, as there are sma' crooks in a' lots, so there are exceptions to all rules, and if ever a man deserved well of his country it was Knox. Some one has said "he found our country a nation of savages and left them a nation of saints." Enclosed is a dollar for a stone to his *Cairn*.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

FORDWICH AND GORRIE: *Maitland Pres.* The Rev. Thomas Muir was inducted on 27th January.

WELLANDPORT: *Hamilton*:—Rev. R. S. Warrender, was inducted, 3rd February.

BRIDGEN AND BEAR CREEK: *London*:—Rev. J. H. McDonald, late of Wallacetown, was inducted on 10th February.

KINTYRE: *London*:—Rev. John Stewart, late of Kincardine, was inducted on the 3rd of February.

TORONTO: *Cooke's Church*:—The Rev. John Kirkpatrick, was inducted on the 5th February.

AMOS, ORCHARDVILLE, AND NORMANBY: *Saugeen*:—The Rev. D. P. Niven was inducted on the 4th November last.

Calls. The Rev. James Wellwood, of Cote des Neiges, has received a call to Knox Church, Lancaster. Rev. A. M. McLelland, of Richmond, is called to Russell and Metcalfe. Rev. David Mitchell, of Toronto, has accepted a call to Belleville. Rev. R. H. Abraham has received a call to Cheltenham and Mount Pleasant.

NEW CHURCHES.

SOURIS, P. E. ISLAND. A very neat and comfortable church was completed here in time to be opened on the third Sabbath of December. Rev. John McLeod and Rev. John MacKinnon assisted the pastor, Rev. J. G. Cameron, on the occasion. The church is 50 x 30 feet. Its erection was under the direct management of the pastor who has secured cheapness and excellence.

FORT WILLIAM, Lake Superior. The new church at this place was opened on 14th December. The Rev. Dr. McKerracher preached in the morning, and Rev. J. W. Cathcart, (Methodist) in the afternoon. A social and bazaar, subsequently held by the ladies, realized \$126.

WOODSTOCK, Ont. Chalmer's Church, which has been closed for some time for repairs and enlargement, was re-opened, on the 18th January, Professor McLaren preached, morning and evening, to large congregations.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

LUNENBURG AND YARMOUTH: 13th January:—Having learned of the loss sustained by Rev. William Robertson, by the death of his wife, on 31st December last, a minute of condolence was adopted. Leave was granted to the congregation of Lunenburg to moderate in a call in favour of Rev. E. D. Miller. A circular, anent holding of missionary meetings was read. The clerk stated that he had corresponded with the sessions of Yarmouth, Carleton and Chebogue, and Clyde and Barrington, all of whom replied that they will undertake to raise the amounts asked without any special efforts on part of Presbytery. Shelburne, Bridgewater, and Mahone Bay promise to "do likewise."

TRURO: 19th January:—The remits of the General Assembly were taken up and discussed. 1st. It was agreed to recommend that ministers who have been permitted by the General Assembly to retire an account of age or infirmity from the active duties of the ministry, and who continue to reside within the bounds of the Presbytery to which they had belonged, have their names retained on the roll of Presbytery, but have no power to vote. 2nd. It was agreed to disapprove of the proposed act for establishing a Presbyterian University of Canada. 3rd. The Presbytery agreed to report against the validity of the ordination of the Church of Rome. 4th. The Presbytery agreed to express their approval of all the proposed rules regulating the admission of ministers of other churches which are published on page 56 of the Assembly minutes, with the exception of the last rule No. 11, where they would recommend the following amendment. No. 11. All applicants for admission to the Church must appear personally before the General Assembly if so directed by the Presbytery to which application is made.

HALIFAX: 5th February:—The Presbytery met in the Presbyterian College. Rev. Dr. Sedgwick and Rev. John Maclean were reported ill. Supplies for three months were arranged for the latter, and two Sabbaths for the former. Principal MacKnight, D.D., was nominated for Moderator of the General Assembly. Remits of the General Assembly being taken up, the Presbytery resolved with regard to retired ministers: That the names of ministers referred to in the remit be retained on the Roll as ordinary members, with power to deliberate, but not to vote. With respect to the proposed Presbyterian University, Dr. MacKnight moved and Rev. R. Laing seconded, that the Presbytery disapprove of the principle of the proposed University. Rev. Dr. Burns moved and Rev. G.

Christie seconded the following amendment: "That without committing itself to any judgment on the principle of the proposed University, this Presbytery deems it inexpedient in present circumstances to have it carried out." Two voted for the amendment and eighteen for the motion. With regard to Roman Catholic ordination, Rev. Robert Laing moved and Dr. Pollok seconded: That in the judgment of the Presbytery Roman Catholic ordination is valid. Dr. MacKnight moved and Mr. Forrest seconded: That in inducting a converted priest into a pastoral charge of this church, the laying on of hands may be dispensed with. Mr. Pitblado moved and Mr. Layton seconded: that it is inexpedient to give any decision in the matter of the remit. Mr. Christie moved and Mr. Layton seconded: That this Presbytery without committing itself to the validity of Roman Catholic ordination as a dogma, believe that the wisest and safest course would be to deal with cases as they arise, just as the different bodies now composing the united church were accustomed to do before the union; and the General Assembly has done since the union." Mr. Christie's resolution was carried by a large majority. The Presbytery approved unanimously of the proposed regulations anent the admission of ministers from other churches.

WALLACE: 3rd February:—The congregation of New Annan applied to be united with Wentworth. They also asked a grant of one hundred dollars for one year from the Supplementing Committee. It was agreed to approve of the proposed union, and to apply to the committee for a grant of \$75. Rev. Jas. Murray laid on the table his demission of the pastoral charge of St. Matthew's, Wallace. Agreed to notify the congregation. The remits of Assembly were disposed of as follows:—(1) The principle of the proposed Presbyterian University was unanimously disapproved of. (2) As regards the status of aged and retired ministers, it was agreed to recommend that their names be removed from the Roll of Presbytery, but, if retained, they should have power to vote as well as deliberate. (3) As to the validity of Romish ordination, it was agreed (Mr. Mackay declining to vote) to declare in the judgment of the Presbytery such ordination valid. It was agreed to approve *simpliciter* of the overture on reception of ministers from other churches. Rev. D. Macrae, of St. John, was nominated as Moderator of the ensuing General Assembly. The Revs. F. Tallach, and T. Sedgwick, and Mr. N. J. McGillivray, of Montreal, were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly.

P. E. ISLAND: 4th February:—Mr. John McDonald was duly licensed to preach the Gospel. Moderation in a call was granted to Dun

das, in favour of Mr. McDonald. Rev. Donald McRae, of St. John, N. B., was nominated as Moderator of the next General Assembly. The following were appointed commissioners, W. R. Frame, Isaac Murray, D. D., W. Scott, J. G. Cameron, W. Grant, and J. M. McLeod—ministers: Hon. Dr. Henderson, J. Ross, W. Laird, Hon. B. Rodgers, Thomas Brehaut, and James Cogswell—elders. The remits of the General Assembly were considered. Anent retired ministers it was agreed such should have their names on the rolls of the Presbytery within whose bounds they reside with power to deliberate but not to vote. The proposed Presbyterian University was emphatically negated. The attention of Kirk-sessions was directed to the inadequate representation of the eldership in the meetings of Presbytery. It was agreed to devote a sederunt at next meeting to the discussion of modes of congregational work for advancing the interests of congregations and furthering the Schemes of the General Assembly. It was agreed to hold Presbyterial visitations during this year, in as many of the congregations as possible.

MIRAMICHI: 3rd February:—Mr. Grierson reported his work done at Redbank, Kouchibouguac, and in the camps up the Miramichi. His report showed how laborious he has been—abundant and successful in work, both in public and private. He was himself greatly encouraged, and the Presbytery was much pleased and gratified. Reports of missionary meetings that had been held in January were received. Mr. McBain was appointed convener to receive and prepare a report on the state of religion and Mr. Herdman on Sabbath-schools. Several remits from the General Assembly were considered and disposed of. 1st. It was agreed by the casting vote of the Moderator, that retired Ministers residing within the bounds of the Presbyteries to which they belonged should be accorded all the privileges of Ministers with pastoral charges. 2nd. The principle of the proposed "Presbyterian University" was disapproved by a majority. 3rd. The Presbytery unanimously agreed that, on receiving converted priests coming to us from the Church of Rome, re-ordination was unnecessary. 4th. The remit on the reception of Ministers from other churches was adopted *simpliciter*.

GLENGARRY: 13th January:—A call from Knox Church, Lancaster, in favour of Rev. James Wellwood, of Cote des Neiges, was sustained. A letter was received from Rev. Donald Ross, late minister of Lancaster, asking to have his name retained on the roll as an ordained missionary, which was agreed to. Rev. Alex. McGillivray was appointed Convener of the committee on Sabbath-schools.

BROCKVILLE: 16th January:—A call from Kemptville and Oxford Mills, in favour of Mr. H. J. McDermid, was sustained. Stipend \$600, with manse. Mr. Leishman gave notice of an overture to the General Assembly anent a manual of Presbyterian forms of Church government for use in the congregations, and particularly suited for the instruction of children in the principles of Presbyterianism.

PETERBOROUGH: 20th January:—Mr. Hodnett was appointed Moderator. Mr. Bennett submitted a plan for the regulation of a Church and Manse Building Fund for the Presbytery, which was remitted to a committee to consider the scheme and report at next meeting. The proposal to establish a Presbyterian University was unanimously disapproved of. "Shall the names of retired ministers be retained on the rolls?" was answered in the affirmative. Steps were taken for a re-transfer of the station at Blantyre from the jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Kingston to that of the Presbytery of Peterborough. A committee was appointed to take steps to secure the release of the Minden manse from its present indebtedness. On the Wednesday afternoon and evening a conference with Sabbath-school superintendents and teachers was held under the auspices of the Presbytery.

TORONTO: 5th February:—An adjourned meeting was held in Cooke's Church, Toronto, for the induction of the Rev. John Kirkpatrick, and the transaction of other business. A report was given in respecting Zion Church, Orangeville, and recommending the union of the two congregations in that town. The Rev. John M. McIntyre tendered resignation of the charge of Zion Church, which was accepted. The Rev. David Mitchell, of Central Church, Toronto, having intimated his willingness to accept a unanimous call from John Street Church, Belleville, the Presbytery agreed to his translation, expressing at the same time its deep regret in the prospect of losing the services and companionship of one who had proved himself so able and faithful a minister of the Gospel, and was held in such high esteem by his co-presbyters.

WHITBY: 20th January:—Mr. W. M. Roger was appointed Moderator. The only business of public interest was the discussion of the remits of the General Assembly which were disposed of as follows,—(1) It was agreed to answer the question anent retired ministers affirmatively. (2) On the subject of the Presbyterian University of Canada, they agreed by a majority to the following finding: "That taking into consideration the various questions and interests involved in the principle, it does not seem best and wisest to adopt it; but in preference, would recommend,

that each of our Theological Colleges, desiring to exercise the power of conferring degrees, apply to the Legislature of the Province in which it is located, for such amendment of its charter as will enable it to confer degrees in Theology, on such of its students and others as give satisfactory evidence of proficiency in such theological attainments and scholarship as merit said distinction." (3) The Presbytery was unanimously of opinion that Roman Catholic ordination should not be regarded as valid ordination to the office of Presbyter. (4) The overture anent the reception of ministers from other Churches, was committed to a committee to report at next meeting.

BARRIE: 27th January:—An overture to the General Assembly against "preferential claims" in distribution of Home Mission funds, was adopted and sent up to Synod of Toronto and Kingston. The Home Mission Committee of Presbytery was instructed to procure a missionary for Parry Sound, instead of Mr. McKay, who intimated his intention to leave that field. A committee was appointed to consider matters connected with the reformatory at Penetanguishene, particularly that of the obstacles put by the present warden in the way of Mr. Scott prosecuting his work among the Presbyterian inmates. The committee was directed to ask if necessary an interview with the Premier of Ontario. A careful report on the proposed Hymn book, suggesting many alterations, was adopted and sent to the Assembly's Committee. The remit of Assembly on retired ministers was approved. The principle of the proposed act for establishing the "Presbyterian University of Canada" was disapproved by the Moderator's casting vote. Messrs. Acheson and Cochrane dissented. The interim act on receiving ministers from other churches was approved.

GUELPH: 20th January:—It was agreed to recommend that ministers retiring from the active duties of their office, with the permission of the Assembly, in consequence of old age or infirmity, and residing in the bounds of the Presbytery in which they held their charge, should be allowed to retain all their powers as members of the Court. Considerable discussion was caused by the remit on Theological Degrees, but the decision arrived at, by a majority of thirteen to seven, was to disapprove of the principle of establishing a Presbyterian University for the conferring of such degrees. Three motions and amendments were proposed on the question of recognizing the validity of ordination by the church of Rome, but ultimately it was resolved to appoint a committee to consider the question, prepare a deliverance, and report at next meeting. The draft act on the

reception of ministers was approved, and the Assembly recommended to enact it as a standing law. In the evening, the Presbytery met as a Sabbath-school Conference. It continued its sittings the following day. The opening sermon was preached by Mr. Ball, the Moderator.

HAMILTON: 15th January:—A conference on the state of Religion, was held by this Presbytery at Dundas. A discussion took place in regard to that question of questions, "what means should be used to awaken among our young people, and especially, our young men, a proper interest in divine things?" Resolutions were adopted expressing the sentiments of the Presbytery to the effect that "in order to successful dealing with the young, there must be among our Christian people, ministers and private members alike, personal consecration to the service of God, reliance on Him, prayer for the Holy Spirit, holiness of life, and heartfelt sympathy; that the means to be used are preaching to the young, personal dealing with them, and assigning them some work to do for the Lord; that parents should be urged to exercise their influence and authority to secure the regular attendance of their children on the services and ordinances of the Church; and that the Word of God should be studied with diligence and care. In this connection a committee was appointed to prepare an overture to the Synod of Hamilton and London, anent the great mental strain and excessive occupation of mind which are the result of the system of study now obtaining in our national schools, and which in the opinion of the Presbytery interferes seriously with the religious and moral training of the young. Further, the Presbytery was of opinion that while recreation and amusement are most desirable in their proper place, there is danger lest, in the too absorbing pursuit of pleasure, as well as of wealth, intellectual, social, moral, and religious interests may suffer grievous injury, and that no sport, game or amusement should be countenanced by God's covenant people and their children which from the manner, time, or circumstances in which it is conducted, or the associations connected with it, may tend to deteriorate the Christian life, to hinder communion with the Saviour, or to offend a scripturally enlightened conscience, or which seems to be of doubtful morality." The Conference was spirited and deeply interesting, and was highly appreciated by the large company present.

20th January:—It was agreed to recommend that the names of retired ministers be retained on the rolls of the Presbyteries to which they belonged. The remit on the Presbyterian University question was discussed without any decision being arrived at.

LONDON: 19th January:—A number of calls were dealt with. Referring to the frequency of translations, Mr. Murray thought Presbyterians are drifting into Methodistic ways. He found the average duration of settlement among our ministers very little longer than that of the Methodists. He regretted the inroads of itinerancy. The consideration of the remit on Catholic ordination was postponed till next meeting. The other remits were adopted. A long discussion ensued as to the advisability of dividing the Presbytery into two. It was proposed to give twenty-one congregations and mission stations to a new Presbytery to be called that of Sarnia, retaining twenty-seven in the London Presbytery. It was agreed to divide.

STRATFORD: 20th January:—Mr. McAlpina was appointed Moderator. The Assembly's remit on "Theological Degrees" was taken up, when it was unanimously agreed in terms following:—The Presbytery, having considered the proposed act for establishing "The Presbyterian University of Canada," decline to sanction the principles of said act: 1. Because a University with only one faculty is an anomaly. 2. Because such a University is entirely unnecessary in the interests of theological education in the church. 3. Because if it could be shown that the proposed University would exert a beneficial influence, the circumstances of the church are such at the present time as to make any outlay for this purpose highly inexpedient. 4. Because, in the opinion of this Presbytery, such a University would be in danger of becoming a means of injury to the spiritual life of the church by occasioning an unseemly rivalry between it and the existing University at Kingston. At the same time this Presbytery has every sympathy with those who consider it unjust that one Theological Hall should possess the power of granting degrees while the rest enjoy no such privileges, and they would suggest that steps should now be taken to bring the Theological Hall of Kingston into the same relation to the church at large as the others, and that all degrees in divinity should be granted by a senate composed of all the Professors of Theology in the church. The remit on the reception of ministers from other churches was adopted.

HUDON: 20th January:—The resignations of Dr. Ure and Mr. Sieveright were, at the urgent request of the congregations, withdrawn. The remits of the General Assembly were taken up and discussed. That anent the reception of ministers was approved of *simpliciter*. With respect to ministers retiring with leave of the General Assembly, it was recommended that "so long as they remain within the bounds of the Presbytery to which they belonged, and are not engaged in

any secular calling, their names should be retained on the roll, with power to deliberate and vote. The remit anent a Presbyterian University was after a lengthened discussion approved of by a majority of one. In regard to the remit on Romish ordination, the decision of the Presbytery was that such ordination is invalid.

Obituary.

MR. John Callin, a ruling elder in the congregation of North Easthope, died on the 26th December last, aged 60 years. He was a native of the North of Ireland, came to Canada about forty years ago, and settled in the township of North Easthope. During most of the period he was under the pastoral charge of the Rev. Daniel Allan, and was elected to the eldership in 1875. Mr. Callin was a model elder,—“one who ruled his own house well,” and was equally desirous to rule well in the house of God.

MR. W. P. MINNES, of Kingston, Ont., died suddenly, on the 30th October last. For more than forty years Mr. Minnes was connected with St. Andrew's Church, as Sabbath-school teacher and secretary-treasurer of the congregation. He was also an active member of the Young Men's Christian Association from the commencement.

MR. S. EAKIN, of Unionville, Ont., father of Rev. Joseph Eakin, of Mount Albert and Ballintrae, died on the 17th ultimo, in the 84th year of his age. His word was his bond, and love to God and man the mainspring of his actions. Such men are always and everywhere respected.

MR. ALEXANDER DIXON, elder of St. John Church, Belfast, P. E. Island, died on 1st January.—71 years of age. He was an unassuming Christian, ready at all times to contribute to the various schemes of the Church. He was a native of Northumberland, England. He came to this Island about fifty years ago, and was held in high estimation by all who made his acquaintance. His removal is almost an irreparable loss.

Ecclesiastical News.

THE latest accounts from the other side of the globe speak in glowing terms of Father Chiniquy's reception in New Zealand. A committee boarded the S. S. "Hero" as it entered the harbour of Auckland. Immediately on landing, our hero was conducted to the Choral Hall by the vener-

able Archdeacon Maunsell, and was met by the Protestant clergy and a numerous assemblage of citizens. Complimentary addresses were read and presented to the Pastor and a hearty welcome accorded to him, with assurances of cordial sympathy and cooperation on the part of the Protestant community. We learn that Father Chiniquy has been elected by the Synod of Eastern Australia to represent it in the Pan-Presbyterian Council at Philadelphia. At last meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria, N. S. W., it was resolved to make their ecclesiastical year coincide with the calendar year, and all the congregations were enjoined, as far as possible, to make their financial year correspond with this arrangement. It is to be hoped that the Canadian Church will follow their example. It is announced that the Rev. J. M. Ross, of London, who lately visited the Australian Colonies, has accepted the situation of Church Agent in New South Wales for three years, at a salary of £600 and travelling expenses. This appointment was made chiefly that the Church might have the benefit of Mr. Ross' large experience in the formation of a Sustentation Fund to which it is committed. The salary and other expenses have been handsomely guaranteed by twelve laymen. This Church has made rapid progress during the last ten years.

THE PAN-PRESBYTERIAN Council is officially announced to meet in Philadelphia, on Thursday, the 23rd September next. It is proposed that the Sessions will close with a devotional meeting on the evening of Sabbath, the 3rd October. Preparations for this great gathering of Presbyters are already far advanced. Principal Rainy, Professor Calderwood, and Dr. Andrew Thompson, of the U. P. Church of Scotland, are announced for papers, respectively, on Mediæval Theological Thought; the Relations of Science and Theology; and Light from Without. The Rev. D. D. Bannerman, of Dalkeith, takes Grounds and Methods of admission to sealing ordinances. Several prominent Canadian divines (including Dr. Dawson, of Montreal,) have been invited to prepare papers on given subjects. Dr. Mathew's, of Quebec, who is the General Sub-Convener of the Council for the United States, and also the Cis-Atlantic Editor of the "Catholic Presbyterian," takes an active part in arranging the preliminaries. Dr. Matthew, Newkirk of Philadelphia, is secretary of the local committee. It has not yet been announced who is to succeed the late Dr. Beadle as Convener.

THE REVISION OF THE BIBLE. The revised New Testament is now completed and will be published during the course of the present year. On the sixth of May next, it will be ten years since a committee was appoint-

ed to revise the edition of King James' Bible which has been in use since the year 1611. The English Committee invited the Americans to join them in this work, so that practically, there are now two Committees, and these again are sub-divided into the Old and New Testament company of revisers. Altogether there are at present 52 English and 27 American divines on the working staff. The Presbyterian ministers on the New Testament Committee are, Dr. David Brown and Dr. W. Milligan, of Aberdeen; Dr. Howard Crosby, and Dr. Philip Schaff, of New York. It is said that the members of this committee have sat from eleven A. M. till six P. M. for forty days in each year during the last ten years, and have received no pecuniary remuneration for their labours. Dr. Schaff, himself one of the most distinguished Biblical scholars of the day, says in respect of the changes that have been made,—“the Revision will so nearly resemble the present version that the mass of readers and hearers will scarcely perceive the difference, while a careful comparison will show slight improvements in every chapter and almost every verse.” It is thought that the Old Testament revision will not be completed until some time in 1880. In the meantime the publication of the New Testament will gradually prepare the way for the new version of the entire Bible, which will be published in England by the University Presses who have furnished the funds to defray the necessary expenses up to this time.

THE REV. JACKSON GRAHAM for a number of years “Father of the General Assembly” of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, died on the 8th ult., at the advanced age of eighty-seven. He was ordained in 1814, and laboured faithfully and successfully in the active duties of the ministry for the long period of fifty-five years.

THE LONDON PRESBYTERY of the English Presbyterian Church has had a prolonged and animated discussion over an overture proposed by Dr. Donald Fraser permitting churches to choose pastors from any other Presbyterian church holding the Westminster Confession of Faith than the Free and U. P. Churches of Scotland and the Irish Presbyterian Church, with which relations are at present held. Dr. Dykes favoured the overture. Prof. Chalmers admitted that Dr. Fraser's overture was wise and catholic; but he thought that it would be best not to transmit the overture to the Synod at present, as it might wound the hearts of friends in the Free Church. His motion to postpone the matter was adopted.

An ounce of keep-your-mouth-shut is better than a pound of explanation after you have said it.

Our Foreign Missions.

LET our people read the Missionary Reports and Intelligence in this issue of the Record, and say if for all our expenditure in Foreign fields there is not an exceeding great reward? Twenty churches in Formosa—scores of converts in Trinidad—Erromanga becoming obedient to the Gospel—progress in Indore—progress everywhere! Let us bless God for calling us to be fellow-workers with Him in the glorious enterprise of evangelizing the heathen world.

PROFESSOR MACLAREN, Convener of our Foreign Mission Committee, has received a letter from Rev. John Wilkie, announcing the safe arrival of himself and Mrs. Wilkie at Bombay on the 22nd December. A few days later they reached Mhow and Indore, where they were cordially welcomed by the Mission Staff. It will be seen from Junor's letter that the Rev. G. L. Mackay and his wife are now on their way to Canada, via India and England. It is not known when he may arrive. We make the following extracts from one of Mr. Wilkie's letters giving an account of his journey eastward.

On reaching Alexandria we immediately proceeded to Cairo and thence to Suez, where we had to wait a whole week for the steamer. I have succeeded in getting a slight insight into Hindostani on board ship, through the help of a missionary. From London to Naples we had as our travelling companions the Rev. Mr. Wyatt and his wife, going to South India. From Naples to Suez, we were in company with a party of American missionaries, and from Suez I have been with Rev. Mr. Martin. We also have been specially favoured in point of temperature, at least since leaving Suez. The strong headwinds, though detaining us very much have made the passage, otherwise so sultry and so much dreaded, cool and pleasant.

In the different parts of our journey, our hearts have been filled with sorrow because of the sad sights which came under our eyes. At each point we felt such a strong desire just to settle down amongst them and seek to point them to the unknown Saviour Romanism as seen in France and Italy seems to be little above the systems of the heathens, and certainly has lost all influence for good. I was astonished at the outspoken way in which it is denounced even in Rome itself by many of its nominal adherents.

When visiting the palace of the Cæsars, our guide took us to a point where we completely overlooked the city. Pointing to the right, where could be seen the Coliseum, Golden House of Nero, Arch of Titus, &c., he said: "There is Pagan Rome the home of physical slavery." Then pointing away to the left, where in the distance could be seen St. Peter's and the Vatican, he said: "There is Papal Rome, the home of moral slavery": and then pointing directly in front of him, where could be seen the new part of Rome, amidst which could be seen one or two Protestant churches, he said: "There is Protestant Rome, the home of liberty." On conversing with him yet further he said, the people here are divided into three classes—1st. Hypocrites, consisting of the Priests and a very small number of people. 2nd. Moralists—the great majority of the people—some of whom may occasionally go to church, but the majority of whom thoroughly despise its trickery and falseness. 3rd. Socialists, the low class, of whom he believed there were very few. Again, when we came to the Judgment Hall in connection with the above Palace, he said: "This is probably where Paul was tried, and where the Romish Church says Peter also was tried—but, said he, "it is not certain that Peter was ever in Rome at all." The Sabbath that we were there we found that many of the people were better dressed than on an ordinary week-day, but they were all bent not on worship but on pleasure-seeking. Few people were to be seen going to the churches whilst all their places of amusement were open and busy. On speaking to one of the people of Rome as to the reason of so much bell ringing, I received the reply that they were simply calling the Monks and Priests to service and the laymen to seek freedom from care in pleasure.

When we were in Naples, we had the pleasure of meeting with Count Papingouth, a Russian, who for the past seven years has been labouring there. When first converted he felt a strong desire to labour for his Master amongst those who knew nothing of him and was led to settle in Naples. For a long time he met with very much persecution at the hands of the priests and their tools and even now he often meets with slight outburst of the same. For a long time he could not get any regular or suitable place in which to hold his service, but now has got a part of the old Roman Catholic nunnery which was confiscated when Victor Emmanuel entered there. He has his son assisting him, who recently graduated in Surgeon's College, London, together with a staff of Italians converted through his instrumentality.

They have service every night, with a very

good attendance of about sixty, if we take the average to be about the same as what we saw the evening we were there; and a more attentive congregation I never saw. They also have schools, distribute tracts, and in fact in every way possible seek to point out to these poor deluded Romanists the futility of their works and their need of faith.

When again we came to Egypt, our hearts were filled with sorrow for the poor Arabs. One cannot there say of them as we said of the Romanists in Italy. They at least are in earnest, and are most zealously devoted to their services. Go into their churches at the hours for service, and you find a large number there at different hours during the day. If they cannot go to the churches, then you find them engaging in prayer after bathing wherever they may be. It is true their services partake more or less of form, yet according to the light they have they certainly are faithful. What noble looking fellows, too, the most of them, and yet so poor and downtrodden! Such large numbers everywhere anxious to do anything for the merest pittance at Cairo. Several missionaries are at work, but owing to the short time at our disposal we were unable to call upon them. At Suez where there are such large numbers, there is no missionary of any kind. On the Sabbath we were there, there was an English church service conducted by an English official; as I was a Presbyterian, they did not want my service, and as I could not speak Arabic I was forced to spend the sabbath in quietness.

I only hope some church will be led to send in a Gospel messenger here to aid these poor ones—requiring this to cause their natural nobility to shine forth in all its glory again. Willingly could we settle in Suez, even though so uninviting naturally, did not another field claim our attention. On board the "Wistow Hall" which we met at Suez are a number of very fine Christians. Colonel Bailey, of Poonah, is one of those fine Christian soldiers we so often hear of, and who must have an excellent influence over the men placed under him. So also is Mr. Smith of the Civil Service, and in fact almost all the passengers. Last Sabbath, in the morning, Col. Bailey read the English Church service, as they are all of that body except Rev. Mr. Martin and his family and ourselves. Then in the afternoon we had our own Presbyterian service, when I preached a short sermon. To-morrow I have no doubt, will be spent in very much the same way. When it has been calm enough to allow it, we have also had in our cabin, with three or four others, short meetings where we studied together God's word. On the whole we have enjoyed the passage.

Formosa.

LETTER FROM REV. K. F. JUNOR.

TAMSUI, December 8, 1879.

THIS year has been one of very great importance to the Mission. It has been a year, so far as we can judge, of progress. First, the hospital has been built. For nearly two years strenuous efforts were made to secure ground. In the beginning of this year that was accomplished, and now the building stands a conspicuous witness of the fact that the Gospel did not come here without the intention of remaining. It is a monument in the presence of which the proudest of the proud literati of China do not pretend to point the finger of scorn. We fondly hope that, under God's blessing, it may greatly advance the cause of His grace. This year, those who have been students have become helpers, and have been sent out to stations chosen and established for them. Thus an addition of five more labourers have been made to the staff of those who proclaim the Gospel. There are now 20 men so engaged. This year there have been opened four new stations, and one old station removed to a far more advantageous point. These stations are (1) An-lang, (2) Sek-kan, (3) Sa-kak-eng, (4) Loan-Loan. The old station removed is now Pang-lian. All of these can be reached by water except the first, which is now our furthest station, being three days' journey south. All of them were, I am happy to say, opened without much outward opposition, the only exception being Ja-kak-eng. This, not many years ago, was, and even now is, one of, if not the worst, places in North Formosa. Even yet, there has been no appointment by the Government of a mandarin for the town. Not long ago, the Prefect had to go there with 400 soldiers to arrest a prisoner, after having had to fly for his life previously, because unattended by soldiers. We can, at this moment, congratulate the brethren that for so long, and under such circumstances, the Lord has granted us peace. How long it will continue I cannot tell. Not long I fear. Mr. Mackay's leaving is of great moment, and will, I fear, result in trouble. He is known everywhere, and it is well known that he is leaving. The work thereby thrown on my shoulders is simply enormous. Just now, to lose one foot of ground in any one spot would influence the whole more than you can tell. The time is especially critical. The responsibility proportionately great. The Canadian Church undertook to establish a mission in China. That mission has, under the blessing of God, been eminently successful. It has reached that point at which the

contempt of the heathen has ceased, and their fear and alarm begins. I am not incorrect in saying that the sharp, critical eyes of millions are on this mission. Any failure in any one weak point will, depend upon it, be made the most of to serve the rest. Prayer, I feel assured, we will get. At this particular time, there is need for special prayer. It now appears that the Church has undertaken a work, and that it has grown, under the blessing of God, into such magnitude that she is not competent to sustain the burden. The work has opened up, and the Lord has made it prosperous; but at this stage the agent appointed by the church demands that we shall pause, and that only because there are no funds to advance with. The dangers are enough to this mission, which may result from throwing such enormous responsibility on the shoulders of one man—20 dependant helpers, 300 members, and over 1000 people to be dealt with and cared for by one not long amongst them, and comparatively unfamiliar with their manners, character and language. 20 churches to superintend, which it takes a month to visit, only spending a few hours in each. Accounts to keep, and correspondence to carry on. Mission property to care for where property is a constant care and anxiety. I only mention these things to show the seriousness of the situation. What is the church going to do? Mr. and Mrs. Mackay have been as well as usual; Mr. Mackay having, however, constantly to battle with fever. On the 24th of May their little daughter was born. They will be starting for Canada now in a few days, and I need not say how much we shall miss them. As for my own family, we have passed through an anxious summer. I feared on two different occasions I would lose Mrs. Junor. For three months she lay very ill most of the time. Over a month ago I had to send her over to the friends in Amoy, and she has gained strength, having got free from fever. I expect her home now in a few days. As for myself, I have had better health this year than last year. There can be little doubt that the unhealthiness of Tamsui is increasing for some reason or other. The fever is more prevalent. The strongest seem sometimes to be pulled down as speedily as the weakest. The poor Chinese are carried off by hundreds. Here is an example. The coolie who went with me to visit some of the chapels, when he returned found that three of his family were dead and buried. We were away a month only. In October, Mrs. Mackay started for Tauranfoo, to visit the southern mission before returning home. On the 5th of November, Mrs. Mackenzie and I started for our furthest station to meet Mr. Mackay. Then we made a tour of all the twenty stations, by hasty travelling, overtak-

ing two or three some days. We reached Tam-sing on the 2nd of December, after, we trust, a profitable visit to all these places. This year we are also rejoiced to find that the churches have been able to contribute about \$500 for the support of the Gospel. In conclusion, let me commend the mission to the prayers of the Lord's people in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Let me warn the Church that they have undertaken no small work in starting a mission in North Formosa. The sustaining of your colleges may be a heavy burden, but they are in a Christian land. The carrying on of your Home Mission may be and is a great and important work, but that, too, is in a Christian land, and others are ready to step in where one fails, and failure cannot have the same disastrous results. But here! failure! I cannot think of it. It would be too terrible. Who could ever attempt the work again? The mission is passing from infancy to manhood. She needs double care and strong support. She is ready to do work for still further spreading the Gospel, but not unnaturally she looks to the Christian people of Canada, as well as to the Lord, for help and sympathy in the fight against heathenism. Let her know that, with God's blessing, she shall be cared for and fully equipped for the struggle, to the utmost of your ability.

Trinidad Mission.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF REV. K. J. GRANT, TO
THE EASTERN COM. OF THE FOREIGN MIS-
SION BOARD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH IN CANADA.

THROUGH the good hand of our God upon us, we are enabled in health, to submit our Ninth Annual Report of labour in Trinidad. The Lord hath been mindful of us. We magnify his name.

During the year our work has been prosecuted in the usual way. Mission schools have received a large amount of attention and the Word has been preached on nearly every day of the week as well as on Sabbath. Education and the Gospel travel together in friendly intercourse. Our school roll shows 448 pupils, of whom 278 were in daily attendance. Our San Fernando school in the hands of J. W. Corsbie, who had the advantage of two years instruction at the Galt Institute, is doing well. No pressure is now required to secure a satisfactory attendance. The success of this school is closely linked with the prosperity of our English-speaking congregation. Hence the importance of sustaining its efficiency. Your catechists have done much in this year to give instruction in Hindustani. On estates it is the language

spoken; children take to it more readily in schools, parents can note progress, and more readily use their influence to send the children to school. Adults too in evening classes have received much attention during the year. At Lal Behari's station above 20 adults have been taught to read in their own language with considerable frequency. Those who apply themselves to read generally attend church. Services in English and Hindustani have been regularly maintained in San Fernando, and in the Hindustani in three out-stations every Lord's day. Other stations receive supply but not with the same regularity. Your catechists, Lal Behari, Sadaphal, and Jai-par-gas-Lal have laboured with much fidelity, and C. C. Soodcen and others have been ready at any call to duty. We have all laboured hard and with some success. In the year we have added to our baptismal roll 60 names, 37 of these are adults, and 23 children, all of whom are under religious instruction. The converts contributed in the year \$915.46: of this amount \$549.59 were voluntary offerings on the Sabbath, and the balance \$365.87 was the result of a special effort for church repairs. Details may be found in the appended financial statement. During the absence of Mr. Christie, from April to November, Couva was supplied two Sabbaths monthly, by myself and by one or other of my helpers. In the year, we have not only retained our former liberal supporters, but the Colonial Company (limited), proprietors of a large number of estates have recognized our work by paying \$100 towards Harmony Hall and Tarouba schools. This has not met the cost, but we look to the Company hopefully for the balance, and for a grant for next year sufficient to maintain the schools. The government too has recognised our work in a very substantial way. The portion falling to me is £150 stg., being £50 for each of three schools about to be opened, in three distinct settlements named respectively Rusillac, Fyzabad, and Barrackpore. These settlements consist of Coolies who have accepted lands in lieu of a return passage to India. At no period would such a grant appear to be more opportune. The low prices of sugar a few months ago compelled planters generally to curtail expenses. Many of the labourers on estates moved back to these new settlements to cultivate provisions on their own account. Amongst these were children of our schools, and members of our church. Not fewer than 20 who had received baptism at the La Fortune station have removed, chiefly to Rusillac. This assistance from government enables us to follow these people with schools and the Gospel.

In 1880, we hope to retain our hold on all estates at present under our influence.

Through the kindness of Messrs. Frost and W. L. Johnstone we hope to reach the children on two additional estates. Before the middle of January, we hope to open a school in each of the three new districts referred to. The school-houses, constructed of unhewn timber, with a carat roof, and a floor of mother earth are nearing completion. The cost of each will not exceed \$100 or \$300 in all. This amount we hope to raise without applying to your Board. I hope so to distribute my helpers as to relieve the Church of the support of two of my Catechists. Lal Behari alone to be chargeable to the Board.

At a congregational meeting held a few days ago, it was resolved to guarantee £100 stg., of my salary for next year. I enclose their resolution. This would make a reduction of £125 10 0 stg., on last year's estimates in my district, with considerable extension of the work. We think the way will soon be clear for a fourth missionary, please look around and wisely choose. We have many encouragements, We abound in hope.

K. J. GRANT.

San Fernando, 31st Dec. 1879.

The New Hebrides.

LETTER FROM REV. J. INGLIS.

THE following letter addressed to Rev. Dr. McGregor, Halifax, will be read with interest.

London, 22nd Dec. 1879.

I duly received, per Mrs. Harrington, both your kind letter and the books you sent me, for which I thank you very sincerely. I have been purposing for a very long time to write you, but have "been let hitherto." I am now happy to inform you that, on Thursday, the 18th inst., I made the last corrections on the last sheet of the Aneityum Bible; so that, as far as my wife and I are concerned, that work is completed. We are binding the Old Testament in two volumes, and that in the strongest calf. For reasons of our own, we printed the second volume first, I am sending you by book-post a copy of the second volume; and I hope to send you a copy of the first volume as soon as it is bound. I feel extremely thankful to the Lord, that he has preserved us thus far in life and health, and enabled us to finish the work so satisfactorily. It has been a hard, heavy, plodding task. But it will help greatly to utilize, conserve, and perpetuate all the mission work done on Aneityum by Dr. Geddie, Mr. Copeland, and myself. It will tend greatly to consolidate and give permanence to our labours.

Up to this time there were *seven* complete translations of the Bible in the South Sea missions. This one of ours makes the *eighth*. At the last annual meeting of the British and

Foreign Bible Society, in Exeter Hall, Dr. Ellicott, Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol, said, he believed the exact number of translations of the whole Bible in all the languages of the world was *fifty-seven*, ours therefore makes the *fifty-eighth*, and so far as I know it is the *second* complete translation of the Bible made by Missions exclusively Presbyterian. The first complete translation was made by the missionaries of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland, into the Efik language, in old Calabar, and was printed in Edinburgh, by the National Bible Society of Scotland. God has honoured two of the smallest Presbyterian churches in the world—the least of the thousands of Judah—the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, and the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland, to effect this *second* complete translation. Your Church was honoured to commence and carry on, ours, to carry on and complete the work. The translation was nearly ready for the press when these two small churches were respectively united with the two larger denominations. But this was surely a fitting close to their noble and faithful generation work. So far as is known, there is not a martyr's tombstone in Scotland, but the first line of the epitaph on it says, that they were put to death for adhering to the Word of God. In like manner these two churches served themselves heirs to their Bible-loving martyred Presbyterian ancestors; inasmuch as the last act of their separate ecclesiastical existence was to open the *Bible*, the whole *Bible*, in an entirely new language, to a portion of recently converted heathendom.

In October last, 1250 copies of the second volume of the Old Testament were put on board the *Dayspring*, in Sydney, to go down to Aneityum. We expect the same number of copies of the first volume to be sent down at the same time next year. I have made arrangements with the London Religious Tract Society, to print our translation of the Shorter Catechism, a new edition of our Initiatory Catechism, so long in use on the Island, our psalter and hymn-book, and the first part of the Pilgrims Progress (abridged), as prepared and printed by Dr. Geddie; but for a long time now out of print. These are to be bound all in one neat volume. After that, I have a grammar and dictionary of the language to bring out, I hope to have these all printed before we leave London in May next.

The proceeds of the arrowroot prepared and contributed by the natives have met all the expenses of the Scriptures. They paid upwards of £400 for 2500 copies of the New Testament, £120 for 2000 copies of the book of psalms; about £80 for 2500 copies of the first half of the Pentateuch, carried through the press, in Melbourne, by Dr. Geddie before

his death, and which were brought down to the Island in sheets, and there bound by the natives, under the direction of the missionaries, and put into circulation about five years ago. As we had no new books at the time, it was thought best to utilize that portion at once. We estimate the cost of the Old Testament at £700; but I believe it will not be so much. The gentlemen who manage the financial department of the Bible Society here are extremely careful of funds. But we shall have money enough to meet the whole expense. I have sold all last year's consignment of arrowroot without any difficulty, and there is a consignment of sixteen casks on its way from Sydney to London at present, which I hope to have all sold before it arrives. I am thankful to say all our prospects are hopeful. To the Lord be the glory.

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We are glad to find that our efforts to improve the RECORD are appreciated in many quarters. The circulation is tending upwards, but it is still a long way from our mark. The supply of January numbers is exhausted. We present our readers with a comprehensive statement of the rise and progress of AFRICAN MISSIONS this month. In future numbers we shall direct attention to India, China, and the other principal fields of Protestant Missions.

Official Notices.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Home Mission Committee, Western Section, will (D.V.) meet in the Deacon's Court Room of Knox Church, Toronto, on Tuesday, 30th March, at two o'clock, in the afternoon. It is earnestly requested that every congregation will prior to this date, forward its Home Mission contributions to the Treasurer of the Fund. R. H. W.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY has appointed collections to be taken up in all the congregations, in which there are not Missionary Associations, for this Fund, on the first Sabbath of March, or on such other days as may be most convenient for the congregations.

WILLIAM MACLAREN, *Convener.*
Toronto, 1st March, 1880.

MEETING OF PRESBYTERIES.

Chatham, at Chatham, 23rd March, 11 a.m.
Quebec, at Richmond, 17th March, 1.30 p.m.
Kingston, at Kingston, 9th March, 3 p.m.
Maitland, at Wingham, 9th March, 2 p.m.
Stratford, at Stratford, 9th March, 9.30 a.m.
Peterboro, at Port Hope, 23rd March, 10 a.m.
Barrie, at Barrie, 23rd March, 11 a.m.
Huron, at Clinton, 9th March, 11 a.m.
Whitby, at Oshawa, 20th April, 11 a.m.
London, at London, 16th March, 2 p.m.
Glengarry, at Lancaster, 9th March.
Brockville, at Prescott, 16th March, 3 p.m.
Guelph, at Guelph, 16th March, 10 a.m.
Montreal, at Montreal, 6th April, 11 a.m.
Lanark & Renfrew, at Almonte, 16th March, 2 p.m.
British Columbia, at ——— 13th April.
Manitoba, at Winnipeg, 10th March, 10 a.m.
Hamilton, at ——— 16th March.
Pictou, at New Glasgow, 2nd March, 11 a.m.
St. John, at St. David's Ch, 9th March, 11 a.m.
Halifax, at ——— 6th April.
Truro, at Great Village, 1st March, 7 p.m.
Lunenburg & Yarmouth, at Lunenburg, 2nd March, 2 p.m.
Owen Sound, at Latona, 16th March, 1.30 p.m.
P. E. Island, at Charlottetown, 5 May, 11 a.m.
Toronto, at Toronto, 2nd March, 11 a.m.

Literature.

RIVERS OF WATER IN A DRY PLACE: An account of the introduction of Christianity into South Africa, and of Mr. Moffat's missionary labours,—should be in every Sabbath-school library: price \$1.00. The Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia.

THE GOSPEL IN ALL LANDS: *illustrated*: Conducted by Rev. Albert B. Simpson, D. D., New York: price \$2.00 per annum—to clergymen \$1.50. We are delighted with the first number of this missionary magazine—undenominational, catholic, comprehensive, and free from the slightest taint of prejudice: if it goes on as it has began it will do grand service to the cause of missions.

LIFE OF ALEXANDER DUFF, D. D. We direct attention to the advertisement of Messrs. James Campbell & Son, on the cover.

Letter from Mr. Morton, page 84.

A Page for the Young.

HOME TO-NIGHT.

WE need not trouble ourselves so much as some people do about *the time* when our Lord will come again. The main thing is to be sure that we are in Christ now, washed from all our sins, saved. Then, come *as* He will, come *when* He will, we shall be ready to depart. Joyful thought to those in Christ—He may be here *to-night*, and then! Well, what then? Why, that will be joyful!—

'Oh, home to-night; yes, home to-night,
Through the pearly gate and the open door!
Some happy feet, on the golden street,
Are entering now to "go out no more."
For the work is done, and the rest begun,
And the training time is for ever past,
And the home of rest in the mansions blest
Is safely, joyously reached at last.
Oh, the love and light in that home to-night!
Oh, the songs of bliss and the harps of gold!
Oh, the glory shed on the new crowned head!
Oh, the telling of love that can ne'er be told!
Oh, the welcome that waits at the shining gates
For those who are following far, yet near;
When all shall meet at His glorious feet,
In the light and the love of his home so dear!
Yes, home to-night.'

MARGARETTA.

We always thought her a queer girl. She never said much, but then what she did say always made us smile, it was so wise for a child. When she went from home it seemed as if the genius of disorder held high revelry, it was such a bustle to get things, "as Gettie has them," before she came back. Always in her place in Sabbath-school and church; no eyes so steadily fixed on mine as hers. Now as I sit in my study after speaking over her coffin the solemn words "earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust." I thank God that He has given me such a star for my crown. The first scholar He has taken out of our Sabbath-school—may every succeeding one be as she is now.

Not a fortnight before, on Christmas evening, her dark eyes sparkled with the brightest as the magic lantern illustrated the lives of Joseph and of David, and there was no happier face in all the merry crowd as Santa Claus, in all the glory of a buffalo coat, grey beard, and flour besprinkled locks, distributed his good things. Her bag of candies lay unopened beside her coffin to day. Little did I think that the loving fingers that wrought the book mark that Santa Claus handed to me had then touched the needle for the last time.

It was a short and sharp illness, but never an impatient word did she utter, nor did a tear dim her eye.

"Don't cry for me Ma, pray with me"—How could she pray save silently, and for strength to bear the bitter anguish.

"I wish my heavenly Father would come and take me, for Christ's sake" was all that pain could wring from her.

A sudden faintness came over her "Oh, I'm going," she cried.

"Where are you going dear?" asked her father.

As soon as she could regain breath she replied, "to God."

There was no fear in her love, perfect love had cast out fear. No thought of God as a judge, or as standing afar off in awful splendour. Not even God's own Son took the place of Him on whom the believer's entire love and trust must centre.

I reminded her of some of our Sabbath-school lessons recently. Our glorified Saviour, and the city with its streets of gold.

"I thought I was there," she said in a tone of regret, as if she was sorry that she had not gone there when she thought herself to be dying. Every few moments of relief seemed to make her fear that she would not just now reach the heaven that seemed so near.

Her sister said, "you suffer a great deal, Gettie, but you will soon be in heaven, and there is no pain there."

"Won't it be splendid," she replied with animation, her face lighting up at the thought.

Last Sabbath morning she passed away. We all knew she was dying, so instead of reviewing the lesson I talked to the school about her, and, as I afterwards learned, just as we were singing

"For now we stand on Jordan's strand,
Our friends are passing over."

She crossed the river and stood face to face with Him whom having not seen she loved.

A feeling of awe crept over us all as though an angel had tarried with us a while.

Out of all her sayings I have my precious gem. I count it a diamond in my casket of memories. When asked about this and the other truth of religion, her constant reply was, "O yes, I know it all; Mr——often explained it to us in the Sabbath-school."

Oh, tell the "old, old story" often, tell it patiently, don't weary telling it again, till there is not a child but can say "I know all about it." You don't know how eagerly the little ears are drinking in the sweetest words lips can utter, and how young hearts are throbbing with sympathy when the ear glistens in your eye.

T. F. F.

Acknowledgments.

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ASSEMBLY FUND.

Am't rec'd to 2nd Jan. 1880	\$1607 25
Carradoc Cooke's Church	2 00
Middle River	3 10
Middle Stowiacko.	5 06
Gabarus	1 50
New Carlisle, Hopetown and Port Daniel	2 00
Coldstream	4 00
Delaware, St Andrew's	4 00
St Helen's	4 00
Whitochurch	5 40
(Per Jno. McPherson)	4 75
Columbus and Brooklyn	3 50
Bowmanville, St Paul's	10 10
Ripley, Knox Church	6 00
Pakenham, St Andrew's	8 10
South Westminster	3 25
North Augusta	2 80
Latona	6 92
Leith	4 00
Lakeshore	5 06
English Settlement	3 88
Seymour, St Andrew's	6 00
Chatham, Wellington Street	6 40
Hyde Park	2 00
Komoka	1 50
Melrose	6 00
Beaverton	10 00
Ancaster	5 00
Alberton	3 00
Walkerton, Free St John's	2 00
Montreal, St John's	4 00
Crumlin	4 00
Caledon, Knox Church	3 60
Hemmingford	5 06
Wellesley	5 00
Kingston, Chalmers' Church	10 10
Cotswold	2 50
Montreal, St Joseph Street	12 50
Nissouri North	3 00
Huron	8 50
Vankleekhill	10 00
Garafraza, St John's	2 50
Vernonville	2 00
Smith's Falls, St Andrews	1 60
Elmsdale and Nine Mile River	1 34
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St Andrew's Ch, St Johns, Nfd	2 00
Springside	5 00
Union Church, Lochaber	5 00
Carlton	3 00
Moncton	7 38

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HOME MISSIONS.

Am't rec'd to 2nd Jan. 1880	\$17622 94
Bothwell Sabbath School	5 00
Black Creek	5 00
Carradoc, Cooke's Church	4 40
Judge Lazier, Belleville	10 00
A lady friend, do	5 00
Wick	16 00
Cobourg	13 50
A little boy's money, Elora	10 00
Balsover, St Andrews	4 00
Claremont	6 00
Friend, Guelph, (per Rev. Dr. Cochrane)	70 00
Teeswater, Westminster Ch. S. School	15 00
Do do additional	1 00
Dalhousie Mills and Cote St George	18 87
Rev. John Dunbar, Dunbarton	20 00
Martintown Burn's Church	4 00
Waddington, N Y.	69 00
College Street Bible Class	4 00

(Por John McPherson)	15 00
Wallacetown	20 00
Colchester	5 50
Almonte, St Andrews	100 10
A Ramsay Farmer, thankoffg	5 00
Mimosa	9 00
Fergus, St Andrew's Ch, add'l	1 00
Columbus and Brooklyn	20 00
Rodgerville Sabbath School	5 00
Princeton	45 00
Lochiel	29 75
Members of East King Church	15 00
Vulmar	5 00
Rosemont	6 00
Russelltown Flats	25 00
Pakenham, St Andrew's	7 00
South Westminster	38 00
North Westminster	70 00
Avonton, (add'l)	3 04
Brooklin Sabbath School	10 00
Elora, Chalmers' Ch. (add'l)	28 00
Drummondville	4 00
Madoc, St Peter's (additional)	6 10
North Mornington	16 81
Milverton, Burns Church	23 69
Hastings	29 43
A family of three, near Wallace	10 00
Utica Presby. Miss'y. Ass'n.	3 00
Anonymous, C.	5 00
Hemmingford, additional	5 00
Durham Sab Sc	12 40
Toronto, Charles St. Bib. Cl.	15 00
Sydenham, St Paul's Ch	4 26
St Vincent, Knox Ch	10 05
Deywood	1 92
Guelph, 1st Sab So	18 75
Alliston	24 75
Carluko	11 85
Keene	32 10
Shelburne	8 74
Queensville	23 66
Ravenshoe	9 97
North Gwillimbury	10 88
Chingusawasey 2nd	40 37
North Gower	10 00
Thamesford	95 00
Mrs James Breckenridge	5 00
Elderslie, Salem Ch	2 35
Orono	20 00
Harrowsmith	20 00
Seymour, St Andrew's	30 00
Sarnia, St Andrew's, add.	250 00
Doon Sab So	3 00
Perth, St Andrew's, add.	40 55
Toronto, East Ch	30 00
Chatham, Wellington St	70 00
Norwood	26 10
Hyde Park	11 00
Komoka	7 10
Hyde Park Sab Sc	15 00
Peterborough, St Paul's S So	130 00
West Nottawasaga	25 00
Smith's Falls, Union Ch	110 00
Toronto, Charles St Sab Sc	48 40
do St Andw. King St, add	175 00
Nassagaweya, add	12 00
Camj bellsville, add.	18 00
Ancaster	25 00
Alberton	10 10
Bluevale	10 00
Walkerton, Free St John's SS	8 00
Williamsburgh	8 00
Crumlin	24 00
Embro, Knox Ch, add.	63 65
Perth, Knox Ch	75 00
Caledon, Knox Ch	7 40
Ashton	20 00
Valleyfield	12 00
Portage du Fort, Miss'y Mtg	3 10
Eganville do	7 69
Adamston	6 53
Barr's Settlement	3 78
Glenallan	25 00
Hollin	25 00
Rothsay, Calvin Ch.	6 00
Wellesley	25 00
Toronto, Erskine Ch.	53 75
Tilsenburgh	12 75

Kingston, Chalmers' Ch	376 28
do do Sab So	25 00
Williamstown	102 00
Cotswold	8 50
Port Dalhousie	18 67
Montreal, St Joseph St.	30 00
do do Sab So	20 00
Nissouri North	10 00
Bowmanville, St Andrew's	12 00
Price's Corners, Bethol Ch.	3 50
Keene Sab So	23 00
Peterborough, St Paul's	450 00
Hamilton, Central Ch.	430 00
do do Sab So	160 00
St Mary's Ist.	10 38
Hibbert	40 07
do Sab So	14 93
Vankleekhill, add	12 00
Garafraza, St John's	5 00
Vernonville	18 76
do Sab So	4 94
Metcalf	19 43
Per Rev J A G Calder	24 00
Toronto, St James Square	1100 00
do do Sab So	100 00
Glamnis	5 08
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's	100 00
Dalhousie and North Sherbrooke	14 83
Dalhousie, St James Ch.	1 67
East Nottawasaga, Creemore and Dunedin	25 00
Culloden	9 10
Peter Redpath, Montreal, per Rev R H Warden	1000 00
Joseph Mackay, do	500 00
Edward Mackay, do	700 00
J Murray Smith, do	100 00
Hugh Mackay, do	100 00
Mrs J Redpath, do	80 00
James Court, do	50 00
A C Hutchison, do	40 00
W. Quebe, do	25 00
John Millen, jr, do	20 00
Hugh Watson, do	20 00
John Larmonth, do	10 00
John Anderson, do	10 00
St Matthew's Ch, do	100 00
James Black, St Louis do	
Gonzague, per Rev R H W	2 00
Rev J W Penman, do	5 00
Manotio & S Gloucester do	30 00
Elgin and Athelstane do	30 00
Lachine, do	78 00

Congregational, &c, Contributions to Home Mission Deficit,

Delaware, St Andw, special	10 00
West Lorne	5 00
Delaware, Burn's Ch	5 00
Wm Brown, Caledonia	40 00
Vaughan, Knox Ch, special	8 90
Bolton, Caven Ch, do	11 75
Crumlin, do	6 00
Wallaceburg, do	5 00
Port Dalhousie, do	2 00
Eckfrid, Knox Ch, do	31 35
McNab & Horton, Miss'y Mtg's	30 00
Beachburg & Westmeath do	4 33
Alice & Pettawawa, do	4 07

Ministerial contribution to deficit.

Rev W A McKay, omitted on 22nd May	14 00
	\$26453 72

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880	\$5939 52
Eldor, Cobourg	2 00
Bond Head Sab So, China	7 00
Jackson	5 00
Cobourg	63 50
Brucefield, Stanly Temperance Lodge, China	17 00

Teeswater, Westminster Ch	
Sub So	18.36
Friend, Guelph, per Professor	
Molaren	70.00
Delaware, St Andrew's	5.00
Cobourg Sab So, China	22.75
do do India	22.75
do Bible Class, India	5.50
do do China	5.50
Waddington, N Y	73.80
Anonymous, Peterborough ..	65.00
Ashburn Sab So	6.10
Per Jas McPherson	10.00
Mimosa	6.00
Fergus, St Andrew's, on acc.	7.90
Columbus & Brooklin	11.00
Wm Brown, Caledonia	24.00
South Westminster	10.00
North Westminster	24.66
do Sab So	9.34
Elora, Chalmer's Ch	50.00
Toronto, Womans Foreign	
Mission Association	700.00
Drummondville	5.00
Friend, Hopewell, for Rev J	
F Campbell, India	1.00
Friend to the cause, New	
Glasgo, China	2.00
A family of 3, near Wallace-	
town	10.00
Avonbank	8.18
Beekwith, Knox Ch	15.00
Toronto, Charles St Bib Class	
Almonte, St John's	10.95
Queensville	25.40
Havenshoe	12.86
North Gwillimbury	5.43
Thamesford	5.91
Orono	40.00
Anonymous, T R, N Hebrides	
do do Trinidad	6.00
Pinkerton	10.00
Toronto, East Ch	4.00
Chatham, Wellington St	20.00
Norwood	40.00
Hyde Park Sab So	18.10
Komoka	7.00
Mitchell, Knox Ch, Dr Duns-	
more Bible Class, salary of	
Bible Woman, China	16.60
Peterborough, St Paul's S Sc	
Tilsonburg Sab So	60.00
West Nottawasaga	4.42
Smith's Falls, Union Ch	8.00
Toronto, Charles St Sab So ..	
do St Andrew's, King St ..	
Nassagaweya	50.00
Campbellsville	8.40
Alberton	10.40
Bluevale	7.00
Walkerton, Free St John's ..	
do do S So	4.00
do do	8.00
Anonymous, Ab. R, Walkert-	
on	1.00
Williamsburg	5.00
Cramlin	10.00
Perth, Knox Ch	15.00
Demorestville	4.00
Womans Foreign Mission	
Ass, Pby of Kingston, India	
Juvenile Mission Scheme, for	
salary of Bib Women, India	
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Juvenile Mission Scheme Or-	
phans at Indore	60.00
Thames Road Sab So	50.00
Ashton	18.00
Latona	10.00
Rothsay, Calvin Ch	19.00
Clinton, Willis Ch S S, China	
do do India	4.00
do do N West	5.92
Toronto, Erskine Ch	5.91
Kingston, Chalmer's Ch	5.91
Cotswold	50.00
East Zorra, Burn's Ch	166.79
Port Dalhousie	5.25
Teeswater, Zion Ch	3.00
Almonte, St John's Sab So ..	
.....	9.33
.....	10.00
.....	10.00

Montreal, St Joseph St Ch ..	10.00
do do S Eo	45.00
Nissour North	10.00
Bowmanville, St Andrew's ..	5.75
West Brant	8.40
Price's Corners, Bothel Ch ..	2.00
Hamilton, Central Ch	180.60
do do Sab So	50.00
Peterborough, St Paul's	250.00
St Mary's Ist	10.27
Hibbert	15.00
Vauk eekhill	10.00
Wakefield	7.33
Newcastle	13.65
Garafraza, St John's	2.00
Vernonville	19.00
Toronto, St James Square	230.00
do do S So	61.00
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's ..	
East Nottawasaga, Creemore	
and Dunedin	30.00
Asfield	10.00
South Georgetown Sab So, ..	
North West Indians	10.60
James Black, St Louis de ..	
Gonzague	14.50
Gonzague	2.50
Renfrew, 4 little ch'ldren ..	3.75
.....	\$9445.58

COLLEGES ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880.	\$1442.09
Mandaumain	4.60
Cobourg	50.00
St Helena's	16.66
White Church	25.00
Harwich	20.00
Mimosa	3.00
Columbus and Brooklin	6.40
Bowmanville, St Paul's	50.00
South Westminster	15.00
Elora, Chalmer's Ch	26.00
Drummondville	5.00
Madoc, St Peter's	25.00
Hastings	9.81
Utica Pbyn Missionary Ass ..	1.25
Avonbank	6.31
Fullarton	10.26
Mitchell, Knox Ch, add	7.40
Almonte, St John's	25.00
Kilkyth, special	3.18
North Derby, special	1.25
Thamesford	60.00
Orono	10.00
Toronto, East Ch	26.77
Chatham, Wellington St	20.00
Norwood	9.00
Hyde Park	4.00
Komoka	2.78
Hyde Park Sab So	4.00
Smith's Falls, Union Ch	40.00
Toronto, St Andw's, King St	
Nassagaweya	120.00
Campbellsville	10.60
Bluevale	14.00
Walkerton, Free St John's ..	
Cramlin	11.00
Perth, Knox Ch, add	6.00
Eadies Station	4.00
Ashton	5.00
Lobo, Melville Ch	10.45
Rothsay, Calvin Ch	5.00
Toronto, Erskine Ch	8.00
North Carrsdoc	50.10
Pickering, Erskine Ch	4.37
Cotswold	2.65
Wroxeter	5.25
Teeswater, Westminster Ch ..	
Beachburg, St Andrew's	14.84
Hamilton, Central Ch	18.52
Claremont	4.00
St Mary's Ist	215.60
Huron	7.50
Hibbert	6.75
Garafraza, St John's	11.00
Vernonville	35.00
Johnston and Deywood	4.40
Victoria	12.00
.....	2.76
.....	4.00

Toronto, St James Square	390.00
Georgetown	20.00
Limehouse	10.00
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's ..	
East Nottawasaga, Creemore	
ard Dunedin	21.00
.....	10.00
.....	\$2973.83

KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 2nd Oct, 1879. N	\$392.00
Toronto, College St Bib Class	4.00
Anonymous, Ab. R, Walkerton	1.00
.....	\$397.00

KNOX COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880.	\$1484.24
Wm Scott, Kinloss	5.00
John Ratcliff, Columbus	20.00
North Bruce, per Rev J Scott	
Huron, per Roca F McQueen	
Hastings, per W J Foulds ..	
John Mather, Tivercon	51.50
Hamstead, per D Stewart ..	12.00
South Luther, per W Simpson	
Stratford, per GG McPherson	
Enniskillen, per Wm Brown ..	
.....	35.00
.....	10.00
.....	\$1703.69

KNOX COLLEGE BURSARY FUND

Received to 2nd June, 1879 ..	\$160.00
A lady friend, Perth	40.00
Hamilton, Central Ch S Sc ..	
Toronto, St James Square	60.00
.....	60.00
.....	\$320.00

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

Received to 2nd Dec, 1879 ..	\$222.54
Per Jas McPherson	4.75
Toronto, St Andw's, King St	
Home Mission Committee, ..	
Maritime Provinces	40.00
Bowmanville, St Andrew's ..	
Toronto, St James Square	100.00
Presbyterian Ch of Ireland ..	
.....	3.75
.....	21.84
.....	483.30
.....	\$879.19

WIDOWS' FUND.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880.	\$363.68
Cobourg	10.00
Mimosa	10.00
English Settlement	3.00
Orono	8.58
Toronto, East Ch	7.00
Campbellsville	10.00
Walkerton, Free St John's ..	
Rothsay, Calvin	6.70
St Mary's Ist	6.00
Huron	2.03
Garafraza, St John's	8.20
Ravenswood	9.50
.....	3.00
.....	5.05
.....	\$442.11

With Rates from Revs A Young, J McMillan, R Luask, Jas Cameron, A McLennan, R P McKay, J Middlemiss, C Cameron, G Brown, \$24.00; Geo Flott, J Straith, R H Williams, W Millican, W Craigie, K McDonald D Cameron, A A Scott, \$16; R Hall, P Greig, D H McVicar, J K Hislop, Jno McTavish, \$20.00.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880	\$1806.25
Cobourg	20.00
Plymton, Smith Ch	20.00
Delaware, St Andrew's	5.00
do Burn's Ch	4.00
.....	2.00

St Helon's	9.00
Whitechurch	12.00
Mimosa	3.60
Columbus and Brooklyn	3.00
Bowmanville, St Paul's	16.00
South Westminster	5.75
A family of three, near Wal-	
lacetown	10.00
Hastings	9.81
English Settlement	8.58
Elderslie, Salem Ch.	1.70
Chatham, Wellington St	22.60
Norwood	9.00
Metis	6.02
do Sab Se	4.43
Hydo Park	3.25
Komoka	2.00
Toronto, St Andw's, King St.	40.00
Ancaster	5.00
Alberton	3.60
St Sylvestor	3.00
Crumlin	9.00
Porth, Knox Ch.	11.85
Rothsay, Calvin Ch.	2.00
Wellesley	9.00
Brantford, 1st Cong	6.00
Montreal, St Joseph St	6.00
North Nissouri	2.00
South Nissouri	3.00
Nelson	3.00
Hibbert	5.00
Vankleokhill	15.60
Ravenswood	5.05
Vernonville	5.00
Helstein	4.10
Hemmingford	8.50

\$2111.30

Ministers Rates Received to	
January 2nd, 1880	659.15
With Rates from Rovds A G	
Forbes, \$3; A Young, \$4;	
J McMeohan, \$4; J McMill-	
lan, \$3.50; Jas Cameron, \$4;	
R Leask, \$3.50; R P McKay,	
\$5; R Scott, \$3; J Middle-	
miss, \$4.50; D McGregor,	
\$3; J J Casey \$15; W Meckle	
\$3.75; G Flett, \$4; J Straith	
\$4; R H Whillans, \$3; W	
Millican, \$4.25; W Craigie,	
\$3.50; Wm King, \$9; K Mc-	
Donald \$4; D Cameron \$4.50;	
J Cleland, \$4; A A Scott, \$8;	
H McQuarrie, \$5; J Boyd,	
\$3; R Hall, \$3; P Greig, \$3;	
D L McKechnie, \$3.60; J	
Patterson, \$10.60; J K His-	
lop, \$3.50; A Grant, \$7; J	
McTavish, \$27; R H Warden	
\$8	178.00

\$837.15

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880,	
less amt of St James Sq,	
cred to Sohomes, \$1:55.06	\$461.00
Toronto, Charles St	200.60
Strathroy, St Andrew's Ch.	40.00
Brantford, Zion Ch.	158.48

\$959.46

FOR WALDENSIAN PASTORS.

Received to 2nd Jan'y, 1880	\$15.00
Rev W C Young, Toronto	1.00
George Smith, do	5.00
Alex Smith, do	5.00

\$26.00

RECEIVED BY REV. DR. MAOR*G*G*OB.
AGENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES, TO
FEBRUARY 4th, 1880.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Acknowledged already	\$3706.78
A friend, Bridgewater	4.00
Burney's River	6.10
St Peter's Road, P E I	37.00
Brackley Pt. Road, P E I	14.45
Alberton & Tignish	86.25
St Matthew's, Halifax	69.4
Onslow	50.00
Bay Fortune & Souris	5.60
St Andw's Ch, St John's, Nfld	120.00
Great Village	33.00
Principal Dawson, Montreal,	
annual	20.00
Baillie, N B	5.00
Three friends, per Rev T. C,	
Sto lerton	8.60
Chipman, N B	14.50
Economy	2.00
Bass River	18.45
Portauquique	3.80
Castlereagh	3.98
River John	30.00
New Kincardine	5.00
Middle Musquodiboit	7.76
Burnt Ch. A Inwick	2.10
A friend, P E Islands	24.00
James' Ch, New Glasgow	103.80
" " Miss'y Ass	29.00
" " Juv Miss'y S.	13.20
Springside	35.00
G H Cowdes, Malaga-watch	2.50
A minister, for India Miss'n	
West Bay, C B	10.00
Union Centre & Lochaber	8.83
Friend, Little Bras d'Or, CB.	
Buctouche	24.23
Shediac	10.00
Middle River, C B	4.25
Stowiacke, add.	5.00
Pleasant Valley Sewing	
Circle, Stowiacke	5.40
Mrs W Dunlop, 2d Stowiacke	
St John's Ch, Chatham, add.	
A friend, per Rev Jas Thom-	
son, Durham	12.60
Salem Ch. Green Hill, Miss'y	
Soc, add.	2.00
Fort Massey Miss'y Associa-	
tion, Halifax	1.00
Clifton, Sec of New London	
Cong, P E I	100.00
E Cummingor, Wilmot	24.88
Young Men of Prince St,	
Pictou	2.50
Acadia	60.00
A friend, Middle Stowiacke	
Elmsdale & Nine Mile River	
.....	10.00
.....	5.00
.....	13.00

\$4767.39

DAY-SPRING & MISSION SCHOOLS.

Acknowledged already	\$1582.78
Stowiacke	21.18
Salmon River, Sheet Har C'g	
Falmouth St Ch S S, Sydney.	
Onslow	2.65
Great Village Sab Se	9.50
Prince St S S, Pictou, add.	22.47
Tryon, P E I	18.00
St Matthew's S S, Halifax	49.91
Campbelltown Sab Se, N B.	5.00
Kempt Road Sab Se, N B	100.00
Tide Head Sab Se, N B	15.91
Economy	1.50
Young Men of Prince St Ch,	
Pictou	1.57
River John	15.00
do Young Men, for	
Trinidad, catechist.	38.00
St James Ch, Dartmouth	8.00
Chalmers' Ch, Halifax, add.	8.00

Piedmont Valley Sab Se	3.30
Musquodiboit Harbour	10.90
Jeddore Harbour	4.15
Ship Harbour	3.45
Clam Harbour	1.55
Friend, Hfx, for Jos Angeo.	
Springside	10.00
Vale Colliery & Sutherland's	
River	20.00
Union Centre & Lochaber	28.09
St Andw's S S, Sydney, add.	
Lunenburg Sab Se	23.00
Florence, Agnes and Annie	
Archibald, Watervale,	12.43
West River, 50 cts each.	1.50
Gabarus, C B	2.50
St John's Ch S S, Chatham	25.00
Moncton	40.00
Moncton, for teacher for Mr	
McKenzie, N H	15.00
Salem Ch, Green Hill, Mis-	
sionary Society	39.00
James Ch S S, New Glasgow.	
Shubonacdie	24.63
Lower Stowiacke	16.75
Otter Brook Sewing Circle,	
Stowiacke	6.25
Stowiacke	3.00
Wolfville Sab Se, for Miss	
Blackadder's Orphans	1.00
Poplar Grove S Se, Halifax	3.00
St Andrew's Ch, Little River	
S S H Se do	50.00
St Paul's Ch S S, N Antrim.	
.....	7.65
.....	3.46
.....	0.82

\$2320.24

HOME MISSIONS.

Acknowledged already	\$3058.82
Falmouth St, Sydney, add.	2.00
Barney's River	4.50
St Peter's Road, P E I	30.40
Brackley Pt do	9.81
Alberton & Tignish	32.50
St Matthew's, Halifax	20.00
Antigonish	15.66
Onslow	23.53
West Cape, P E I	5.60
Bay Fortune & Souris	10.00
St Andw's Ch, St John's, Nfld	
Baillie, N B	70.00
New Kincardine	6.00
Baddeck	10.00
Fork's Baddeck	3.50
Prince St, Pictou	4.70
Five Islands	74.65
Economy	5.00
Bass River	7.28
Portauquique	8.60
Castlereagh	4.92
River John	3.98
Middle Musquodiboit	25.00
A friend, P E I	4.34
James Ch, N G Miss'y Ass.	24.00
do New Glasgow	5.00
A friend, Hfx, for Manitoba	
Springside	47.95
West Bay, C B	10.00
Union Centre and Lochaber	9.60
Ecuminnac, P. Q.	3.87
Div. Merchants B'k, G. Kerr	
legacy	22.10
Flatlands, N B	5.35
Stowiacke, 1 year	15.75
Mrs Wm Dunlop, 2d Stowiacke	
St John's Ch. S. S, Chatham	
Moncton	2.50
Ft Massey Miss'y Assoc'n, Hfx	
Clifton Sec, New London Cong.	
Wentworth	18.00
E Cummingor Wilmot	2.10
Col Cem Free Ch of Scotland.	
A well-wisher, Cape Breton.	
Framboise, C B	100.00
Kontville and Wolfville	24.87
St Andrew's Ch, Little River	
Moagher's Grant	6.50
.....	2.50
.....	486.67
.....	2.00
.....	1.00
.....	30.00
.....	3.80
.....	2.09

St Paul's Ch, New Antrim...	1.01
Elmsdale & Nine Mile River	5.00
	\$4316.56

SUPPLEMENTING FUND.

Acknowledged already.....	\$2485 16
Barnes's River.....	4.05
Glencol and East River.....	18.90
St Peter's Road, P E I.....	10.00
Alberton and Tignish.....	40.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	25.40
Antigonish.....	12.60
Onslow.....	25.00
Rev A Donald.....	1.00
West Cape, P E I.....	10.00
Bay Fortune and Souris.....	15.60
Great Village.....	25.00
Bluo Mountain.....	10.95
Five Islands.....	8.00
Economy.....	11.72
Maitland.....	36.10
Bass River.....	14.00
Portauquique.....	7.37
River John.....	20.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	0.37
Burnt Ch, Alwrick.....	10.00
Clam Harbour.....	4.45
James Ch, New Glasgow.....	49.92
Union Centre and Lochaber.....	20.00
Carleton, N B. add.....	5.60
Gabarus, add.....	5.00
Fort Massey Miss'y Ass, Hfx.....	100.00
Col Coin Ch of Scotland.....	418.53
do Free do.....	486.67
Shubenacadie by collectors.....	22.25
do at Miss'y M't'g.....	10.00
L Stewiacke by collectors.....	11.00
do at Miss'y M't'g.....	6.75
	\$3878.59

COLLEGE FUND.

Acknowledged already.....	\$4106.50
W McDonald, Glendyer, Mar- bon.....	4.00
Glencol and East River.....	18.00
St Peter's Road, P E I.....	5.00
Brackley Pt do.....	3.24
Alberton and Tignish.....	15.00
Antigonish.....	20.00
Onslow.....	20.00
West Cape, P E I.....	5.00
Bay Fortune and Souris.....	5.00
St Andw's Ch, St John's Nfd.....	50.00
Great Village.....	15.00
Debenture Coupons.....	175.20
Chipman, N B.....	5.00
Bass River.....	12.80
Portauquique.....	5.91
City Debentures.....	21.41
Springside.....	14.45
Int on \$2000 for 1 year.....	120.00
Carleton, N B.....	6.00
Int on \$6000 for 6 months.....	180.00
Stewiacke.....	20.00
Boulerderie, C B.....	8.00
Salem Ch, Green Hill M Soc.....	2.65
Fort Massey Miss'y Ass, Hfx.....	50.00
Dividend on B N S, 39 shares.....	210.00
	\$7098.15

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Acknowledged already.....	\$745.65
Alberton and Tignish.....	7.00
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax.....	57.75
Antigonish.....	10.00
Onslow.....	5.00
Great Village.....	5.00
Bass River.....	3.35
Portauquique.....	1.65
Water Loan.....	13.38
River John.....	13.00
Middle Musquodoboit.....	0.25
Little Narrows.....	1.50

School Coupons.....	29.20
Union Centre and Lochaber.....	5.00
Gabarus, add.....	2.50
Stewiacke.....	5.00
Int on \$1000 for 6 months.....	30.00
Elmsdale & Nine Mile River.....	3.15

Minister's percentage.	
Rev D B Blair.....	3.50
J H Chase.....	3.50
Jas McLean.....	4.00
Jas Rosborough.....	3.00
W T Bruce.....	3.00
J F Forbes.....	4.50
J C Burgess.....	4.00
J A F McBain.....	4.50
D. MacGregor, 2 years.....	17.00
A Stuart.....	2.00
C B Pitblado.....	8.00
Alex McLean.....	4.00
	\$992.38

BURSARY FUND.

Acknowledged already.....	\$57.90
A friend, Nfd, per Rev L G McNeil.....	200.00
Kempton Sec of Coldstream.....	8.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	66.75
St John Coupon.....	39.00
James Ch, N G Miss'y Ass.....	7.00
Diy Merchants Bk. G Kerr Legacy 5 shares 3/4 for 1/2 yr.....	15.75
	\$335.40

SYNOD FUND—MAR. PROVINCES.

Bal from Rev A McL Sin- clair.....	\$20.67
St Ann's and North Shore.....	8.00
Salem Ch, Green Hill.....	3.00
St Matthew's, Halifax.....	8.00
Stewiacke.....	2.00
	\$41.67

THEOLOGICAL HALL BUILDING AND ENDOWMENT FUND, FARQUHAR FOREST & CO., TREASURERS, 173 HOLLIS ST., HALIFAX, TO JAN., 31st, 1880.

Already acknowledged.....	\$50709.41
Mrs Jas Kennedy, Brook- field, N S.....	1.00
Rev D McGregor, Merigo- mish, N S.....	10.00
S Archibald, Waterville, N S.....	2.00
Barnes's River, section of D B Blair's Cong, N S.....	30.00
D M L McDonald, Mabou, CB.....	10.00
Richard Cameron, do.....	4.60
Annapolis, N S.....	117.00
Springside, N S.....	50.60
Farquhar Forrest & Co.....	250.00
St Peter's Bay, P E I.....	15.00
Antigonish, N S.....	27.75
Solon Hegg, Clyde River, NS.....	5.00
St Peter's, C B.....	35.8
Stewiacke, N S.....	160.00
Mrs Dav Smith, Clifton, NS.....	21.00
Estate of J W P Chisholm, Wentworth, N S.....	25.00
Middle Musquodoboit, N S.....	20.00
Tatamagouche, do.....	40.00
T Stewart, Whycomoh, C B.....	4.00
Vailleyfield Ch, P E I.....	21.75
Adam Roy, Maitland, N S.....	50.00
Jas McRindal, Newport, NS.....	2.00
Rev T G Johnston, (balance) Blackville, N B.....	6.00
Dr M McGregor, (2nd inst'nt) Lahave, N S.....	21.00
Mrs Jas McKean, do.....	2.00
Jas Mosman, do.....	4.00
	\$51,641.71

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.
RECEIVED BY REV. R. H. WARDEN,
SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE
BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZA-
TION, 260 F. JAMES STREET, MON-
TREAL, TO 9th FEB., 1880.

Acknowledged to 10th Jan. \$9720 91	
M. per Dr Wilson, Limerick.....	48 33
Beverly, add.....	2.00
Eden Mills.....	18.50
Matthew G: 3. Cobourg.....	2.00
Caledonia, Argyle St Sab So.....	10.00
Rev J W Penman.....	5.00
A friend, Ormstown.....	5.00
John Graham, do.....	2.00
R.....	6.00
Geo Irving, Milton.....	5.00
Henry Lawson, Stewarttown.....	5.00
Westport.....	3.00
Brooklin Sab So.....	8.58
Keeno.....	30.00
Little Shomogue, N B, per W Duncan.....	8.00
D McMillan, Black Land.....	2.00
Jas McMillan, do.....	1.00
Seymour, St Andrew's.....	25.00
Wm Coltart, Harwich.....	2.00
Mrs W McLaughlan, Galt.....	5.00
Two friends, Galt.....	1.00
Peterboro, St Paul's Sab So.....	45.60
Judge Ardagh, Barrie.....	5.00
Judge Gowan, do.....	5.00
Miss Anderson, do.....	4.00
Chatham, Wellington St Ch.....	25.00
Wm Davidson, Carlingford.....	3.50
Smith's Falls, Union Ch.....	20.00
Pertb, Knox Ch.....	10.00
J A M, Orangeville.....	4.00
Spencerville Sab So.....	10.00
Per Mrs Marshall, Jackson.....	2.00
Demorestville, add.....	3.00
Campbellville.....	10.00
Nassagawaya.....	15.00
Montreal, St Joseph St.....	20.00
Roxboro', Chalmers Sab So.....	5.00
Portage du Fort Sab So.....	1.50
Morrisburg Sab So.....	4.00
Per D Lamont, Caledon.....	7.00
J Black, St Louis.....	2.50
Per Rev T Stevenson.....	96.22
Montreal, St Joseph St S So.....	5.00
Ingersoll, Knox Sab So.....	15.00
J Wilson, Newburgh.....	0.40
L'Original Sab So.....	4.00
John Fraser, L'Original.....	1.00
G F Haldimand.....	1.00
Zorra, Burn's Ch.....	5.00
Thamesville Sab So.....	9.29
Botany Sab So.....	5.22
Wm McKerecher, Botany.....	2.00
Toronto, St Andrew's.....	40.00
Prices's Corners, Bethel Ch.....	3.60
Darlington.....	4.00
Rev R S Patterson, Bedeque.....	20.00
A friend, Bedeque.....	2.00
H Munro, Montreal.....	10.00
Per Miss S Chery, R King.....	7.00
Vankleekhill.....	30.00
Peterboro, St Paul's.....	209.60
Hamilton, Central Ch.....	235.00
do do Sab So.....	50.00
Garafraxa, St John's Ch.....	2.00
Keeno Sab So.....	23.00
Rev W McKibbin, Edwards- burg.....	5.00
Per Mrs J & Miss T, Picton.....	13.00
P S Ross, Montreal.....	10.00
Pakenham, Victoria St S So.....	11.40
Economy.....	8.50
Benchburg and Front West- meath.....	10.23
Oakville Sab So.....	16.00
Robt Ormiston, Columbus.....	4.00
A friend, St George, per Rev E Hume.....	10.00
Tiverton.....	5.00
Mrs Paton, Tiverton.....	2.00

D McRae, Avonmore	1.00
A Robertson, do	1 00
St Andrew's, Que.	16.00
Kingston, Brock St	14.17
Caistorville Bible Soc.	6.00
Montreal, Knox Ch Sab Soc.	38.03
do Crescent St Ch	175 00
Per Sheriff Carney, Sault Ste arie	13.00

Per Rev Dr Reid, Toronto —

Embros	57.20
Legacy of late W McKay, West Zorra	50.00
Orillia, on acc	5.00
J C, Toronto	1.00
Galt, Knox Ch, add	42.00
Columbus	27.00
Acton, Knox Ch	39.00
Dungeoan	5.50
Teeswater	9.42
Tiverton	15 00
Galt, Knox Sab Soc	40.46
Doon	3.10
Barrie	20.00
Southampton	8.00
Thorold	10.00
Rev J Adams	1.00
Beachburg and Front West- meath	7.25
Pine River	2.00
Mr & Mrs McPaul, E King.	2.00
Mulmur	2.00
Almonte, St Andw's Sab Soc.	10 00
Friend, Hullett	2.00
Mount Forest, Knox Ch	10.08

Per Rev. Dr McGregor, Halifax:—

A friend, Middle Stewiacko.	5.00
Barney's River	6 00
St Peter's Road, P E I.	21.00
Brackley Point, do	6 50
Alberton and Tignish	66.00
Halifax, St Matthew's	15.50
Antigonish	20.00
Onslow	35 00
Hay Fortune and Souris	5.00
St John's, Nfld, St Andw Ch.	4.00
Five Islands	5 50
Hopewell, Union Ch	13.60
River John	25.00
Middle Musquodoboit.	1 28
Burnt Ch, Alnwick	2.00
Jeddore	1.00
Ship Harbour	1.05
N Glasgow, James Ch Miss As Springside	20 00
G H Croudes, Malagawatch.	15.00
A minister	1 50
Union Centre and Lochaber. Carleton	5.00
Carleton	22.00
A friend, Little Bras d'Or.	4.00
Chatham, St John's Sab Soc.	2.50
H Dunlop, Middle Stewiacke Moncton, add	10.00
Moncton, add	5 00
Baddeck Sab Soc	10.00
Halifax, Fort Massey.	3 12
Gay's	40.00
Gay's	14.21

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WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS FUND

Late in connection with the Church of Scotland.

James Croil, Montreal, Treas.

Hornby, Rev W Stewart ...	\$ 4.00
King, Rev Jas Carmichael ..	12.00
St Paul's, Montreal, add ..	76.75
Toronto, St Andrew's Ch ..	60.00
Bowmanville, Rev A Spencer ..	8.00
Smith's Falls, Rev S Mylne ..	10.00
Crestmore, Rev D McDonald ..	12.00
Guelph, from "A friend" ..	20.00
Orangeville, Rev W E Mac- kay	4 00
Dunville, Rev G A Yeomans ..	12.00

Niagara, Rev Wm Cleland ..	14.00
Pakenham, Rev Dr Mann ..	5.00
Amherst Island, Rev A Mc- Lennan	8.00
Quebec, St Andrew's Ch ..	80.00
Hemmingford, Rev J Patter- son	12.00
Fergus, Rev J B Mullan	24.00

QUEEN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

Local Treasurers are requested to follow the mode of entry adopted below. The lists will be made up at Kingston, on the 1st of each month, F. C. IRELAND, Treasurer. Ab. 1 on 100 means the first instalment on \$100, and so with the rest.

Already acknowledged ... \$60910.24

Kingston.			
A Williamson, ..	1 on 100	20 00	
Miss McDonald, ..	2 on 100	25 00	
John Braden, ..	2 on 100	100.00	
Thomas McMahon ..	2 on 100	20.00	
Rev T G Smith, ..	4 on 500	100.09	
F Fowler, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
Bailey Bro, ..	2 on 25	5.00	
D Fraser, ..	2 on 10	20.00	
J Dunbar, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
J McWilliam, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
S Woods, on account,		150.00	

\$510.00

Bellville.

John Ball, ..	2 on 50	100.00	
T A Lazier, ..	2 on 150	30 00	
A G Northrup, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
R Thompson, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
T Rutherford, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
W Webster ..	2 on 100	20.00	
J Faulkner, ..	2 on 50	10.00	
J H Hambly, ..	1 on 25	5.00	

\$230.00

Millpoint.

Rev R J Craig, ..	1 on 100	20.00	
W R Aylsworth, ..	2 on 100	20 00	
R C Carter, ..	1 on 100	20.00	
E W Rathbun, ..	2 on 200	40 00	
H B Rathbun, ..	2 on 200	40.00	
J Newton, ..	2 on 100	25.00	

\$165.00

Brantford.

W Nichol, ..	in full,	10.00	
Miss Cleghorn, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
A Robertson, ..	2 on 100	20 00	
Rev W Cochrane, ..	1 on 50	25.00	
J McLean, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
W N Hossie, ..	1 on 15	10.00	
J E Osborne, ..	2 on 100	19.00	

\$124.00

Trenton.

Rev J L Stuart, ..	1 on 100	25.00	
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Chatham.

W S Ireland, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
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Montreal.

Rev Dr Jenkins, on acc.		200.00	
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Goderich.

R Gibbons, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
D C Strachan, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
Wm Kay, ..	2 on 50	10.00	
J Sievright, ..	2 on 100	20.00	
D McDonald, ..	2 on 100	25.00	
A G Dixon, ..	in full	3.00	
W B Dixon, ..	in full	3.00	
A McFarlane, ..	1 on 10	5.00	

\$116.00

Lindsay.

D G McIntyre, ..	in full	25.00	
A Jackson, ..	1 on 100	25 00	
CD Barr, ..	1 on 100	20.00	
J McLennan, ..	1 on 50	10.00	

\$80 00

Campbellford.

Miss Gibb, ..	2 on 25	5.00	
W Gowan, ..	2 on 80	20.00	
E Rallo, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
A Donald, ..	2 on 20	5.00	
Mrs Dinwoodie, ..	2 on 25	5 00	
J Wood, ..	2 on 50	25.00	
D McCook, ..	2 on 10	2.50	
Mrs Porte, ..	2 on 20	5.00	
B Sutherland, ..	2 on 50	10.00	
W Greenold, ..	in full	5.00	
J W Johnston, ..	1 on 20	5.00	
J M Levisonce, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
Thomas Hall, ..	2 on 20	10.00	
Thos Rutherford, ..	1 on 25	10.00	
W N Hanlia, ..	2 on 15	5.00	
R Dinwoodie, ..	2 on 10	5.00	

\$121.50

Madoc.

W McIntosh, ..	2 on 20	10.00	
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Fergus.

W Broadfoot, ..	2 on 10	2 00	
A F Cadenhead, ..	2 on 50	10 00	
W Clark, ..	2 on 10	5 00	
Jas Corrie, ..	2 on 10	3.35	
H Michie, ..	2 on 150	30.00	
Rev J B Mullan, ..	2 on 250	50.00	
K Phillips, ..	2 on 10	5 00	
P Rennie, ..	2 on 20	10.00	
J Richardson, ..	1 on 10	5.00	
W Ritchie, ..	2 on 5	1.00	
Rev G Smellie, ..	2 on 50	10.00	
S Williams, ..	2 on 40	10.00	
E Wilson, ..	1 on 10	4.00	

\$145.33

Toronto.

K McLennan, ..	1 on 100	25.00	
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Seymour.

J Micklejohn, ..	1 on 20	5 00	
G Watson, ..	1 on 10	2 50	
W Arnold, ..	in full,	5.00	
Jas Robertson, ..	2 on 10	2 00	
Jas Whitton, ..	1 on 80	20.00	
Alex Rannie, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
Geo Milne, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
Thos Hume		18 00	
Jas Donald, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
Jas Haig, ..	2 on 90	18.00	
J C Cleugh, ..	2 on 15	3.00	
M Anderson, ..	1 on 10	2 00	
Mrs Brown, ..	2 on 20	4.00	
Alex Ingram, ..	3 on 55	11.00	
J Clark, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
W Rannie, ..	2 on 5	1 00	
N Masson, ..	2 on 10	2 00	
R Little, ..	1 and 2 on 5	2 00	
A Micklejohn, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
S Innes, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
Gasper Lock, ..	2 on 10	2.00	
A Anderson, ..	2 on 10	2 00	
J F Micklejohn, ..	1 & 2 on 5	2.00	
A McKenzie, ..	2 on 5	1.00	
W Barrow, ..	in full	2.50	
Rev Dr Neil, ..	2 on 50	10.00	
Mrs A Johnson, ..	3 on 20	5 00	
F W Taylor, ..	2 on 5	1.00	
Mrs M Taylor, ..	2 on 4	1.00	
George Taylor, ..	2 on 5	1.00	
A Donald, ..	2 on 20	4 00	

\$139.00

Lancaster.

A R McLennan, ..	1 on 15	3.00	
W Cameron, ..	in full	5.00	
Jas McNaughton, ..	1 & 2 on 5	2.00	
Peter Grant, ..	1 on 5	1.00	
Jno McIntosh, ..	2 on 10	2.00	

Alex McInnes,	in full	10.00
J Sangster,	2 on 4	2.00
A McIntosh,	2 on 25	5.00
Geo Sangster,	2 on 10	2.00
J McKenzie,	in full	5.00
J Wrightman,	1 & 2 on 25	10.00
Jas Fraser,	2 on 10	2.00
A McLennan,	in full	5.00
		\$54.00

Peterboro.

R Hamilton,	2 on 100	25.00
E B Edwards,	2 on 50	10.00
G M Roger,	2 on 25	5.00
Rev E F Torrance,	2 on 160	50.00
A C Dunlop,	2 on 50	25.00
		\$115.00

Sarnia.

Charlotte McKenzie,	2 on 100	25.00
D McKenzie,	2 on 100	25.00
Chas McKenzie,	2 on 100	25.00
T & J S Symington,	2 on 100	25.00
Jas McKenzie,	2 on 100	25.00
		\$125.00

Stratford.

S Robb,	1 on 100	20.00
A Grant,		15.00
A Nicol,	1 on 10	4.00
J Hamilton,	in full	10.00
W McCallum,	1 on 10	5.00
Rev T McPherson,	2 on 150	50.00
R Clark,	2 on 100	20.00
		\$124.00

Williamstown.

D B McLennan,	1 on 30	6.00
M McWarten,	1 on 20	4.00
A C McDonald,	1 on 25	5.00
R Robertson,	1 on 6	2.00
W Gray,	in full	6.00
D R McLennan,	1 on 20	4.00
Mrs J R McLennan,	2 on 5	1.00
D Ferguson,	2 on 5	1.00
Dan Grant,	1 on 20	4.00
Mrs P Grant,	2 on 5	1.00
A McNaughton,	2 on 5	1.00
J A McDonald,	2 on 100	20.00
D Kennedy,	1 & 2 on 10	5.00
Mrs J Burton,	in full	2.00
Peter R Grant,	2 on 5	1.00
Isabella Chisholme,	1 on 15	3.00
J W Calder,	2 on 5	1.00

A J Grant,	2 on 100	20.00
Mrs McGillivray,	1 on 15	4.00
		\$91.00

Ottawa.

S & F & E H Benson,	1 on 500	100.00
E Mial, jr,	1 on 50	10.00
W Hamilton,	1 on 100	20.00
Rev F W E. rries,	1 on 100	25.00
Dr E H Malloch,	1 on 100	20.00
		\$175.00

Sarnia.

Rev John Thompson,	2 on 50	25.00
J B Barrie,	2 on 20	10.00
R McKenzie,	2 on 20	10.00
M Flemings,	2 on 20	10.00
J A McDowell,	2 on 50	10.00
		\$65.00

Total to 31st January, 1880 \$62,675.67

JUVENILE MISSION SCHEME.

Miss Machar, Kingston-Treas.,

St Andrew's Sab Sc, King ..	\$10.00
do do Kippin	32.00
Miss Wade, Breckville,	25.00
St Andrew's Sab Sc, Toronto	50.00
do do Beachburg	8.00
Chatham Sab Sc	25.00
Martintown Sab Sc ..	20.00
St Andrew's Sab Sc, Fergus.	30.00
St Paul's Sab Sc, Hamilton.	15.00
Juvenile Workers, Montreal	70.00

KNOX COLLEGE STUDENT'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

R. Y. Thomson, Treasurer.

Already acknowledged,	\$751.00
Vaughan \$8.06; Arthur \$2.25;	
Garafaxa \$2.75; Elmsdale	
\$1.50; Waubashone \$71.50;	
Port Covern \$45.00; Kippin,	
Methodist Ch \$4.03; Stur-	
geon Bay \$8; Peterborough	
\$13.55; Rodgerville \$7.00;	
West King \$4.52; Brace-	
bridge Sab Sc \$6.37; Inger-	

soil \$27.60; Thamesford \$3.25;	
Grafton & Vernonville \$15.07;	
Tronton & Pleasant Valley	
\$5.17; Thamesford \$18.45;	
Coboconk \$17.25; Digby \$9;	
Head Lake \$4; Walkerton	
\$5.25; St Mary \$35.75; West-	
minster \$35; Fullarton and	
Avonbank \$46.10; Fullarton	
\$27.75; Beverley \$5; Rod-	
gerville \$9.40; Exeter \$4.48;	
Hensall \$4.37; Nassugaweya	
\$12.10; Princeton \$1; Friends	
in London \$50.25; Friends	
in Hamilton \$35; Hollin \$12;	
Mayo \$3; Caledon \$4.30;	
Mount Forest \$20.51; Aytou	
\$2.75; Protor \$5.15; Carlew	
\$50; Vandusen \$5; Friends	
in Toronto \$5; West Ade-	
laide \$5.16; Arkona \$3.15;	
Doon \$10.40; Friends \$11;	
Baysville \$13; Marsh's \$7;	
Hamilton \$12; Uffington \$21;	
Craigville \$5.75; Eagle Lake	
\$2; Mecunoma \$1.50; Strong	
\$0.25; Zion Ch, Brantford	
\$11.50; Dunn's Ch, Essa	
\$14.30; Burn's Ch, Essa \$7.25;	
Basingthwaighte, Manitou-	
lin 1 st Div \$12; Georgina \$3.80;	
Friends in Toronto \$12; Hon	
Geo Brown \$10; W B Mc-	
Murrich \$4; College St Bible	
Class, Toronto \$5; Thames	
Road Missionary Ass. \$3.30;	
Pearl St Mission, Hamilton	
\$8; A friend \$0.55; Rev	
Principal Caven, D D, \$5;	
Hon J McMurich \$5; T Bal-	
lantyne, M P \$5; Rev A M	
Hamilton \$5; J A Hamilton	
\$5; A B Baird \$4; A McKay	
\$4; R Y Thomson \$4; A G	
McLachlin \$2.....	\$38.61

Total during Session .. \$1590.21

MANITOBA.

Rev James Robertson acknowledges with thanks the sum of \$33 from the Sabbath-school of Presbyterian Ch, Barrie, Ont., per Mr. John Viliers.

LETTER FROM REV. JOHN MORTON.

Savana Grande, Dec. 27, 1879.

The Mission Council met at Couva, on the 28th November. Having welcomed Mr. Christie and his family, and having received his thanks for the supply given to his field in his absence, we proceeded to business. Mr. Grant gave in a report respecting the work carried on under his supervision in the San Fernando district. (This is given above in full). Mr. Morton reported that as he had been carrying on missionary operations in the Montserrat district, both at Morichal and Piparo, for more than a year, it had become necessary to get up some suitable buildings of a permanent character, at some central part of the field. That after careful consideration, he had, on his own responsibility, purchased the only piece of land available, and had set aside a part of it as a gift to the mission for premises. That besides a good school house

to be used on Sabbath as a church, a suitable house will be needed for Joseph Annajee, his catechist, who is shortly to be married. That the expense of these buildings when completed will scarcely fall short of eight hundred dollars. That he had gone to Port-of-Spain, Nov, 18th, and collected \$333 for this object, and had been handed at the same \$40 for work in Mr. Grant's district. With respect to Lengua, he reported that the settlement being new, and the work there just beginning, temporary arrangements would be made at first, and that he did not intend to ask anything from the Church at home for any of these new buildings. It was agreed to record satisfaction with the action of the Government, and with the liberality of friends in Port-of-Spain, and to approve of the action of Messrs. Morton and Grant in the several cases reported. This movement means extension into four new settlements, without any additional cost to the home Church.

JOHN MORTON, Secretary.