## PROCEEDINGS

# THE FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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THE REW. MICHAEL WILLIS, D.D., LL.D., Principal of Knox College—Moderator.

""WILLIAM REID, A.M., } Joint Clerks of the General Assembly.

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SUBJECTS.		CONVENERS.	POST OFFICES.
Home Missions	Rev.	J. Laing.	.Cobourg.
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Kankakee Mission		Dr. Jennings	.Toronto.
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" " "	"	Dr. Topp, alternate	.Toronto.
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Union		W. Fraser.	Dond Head.
	**	Dr. Topp Dr. Willis-Moderator.	Toronto.
Deputations to other Churches		Dr. Willis-Moderator.	Toronto.

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## FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

#### FIRST SEDERUNT.

At the City of Toronto, and within Knox's Church, there, June 7, 1870, Tuesday, the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred 7.30 p.m. and seventy years, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, the which time and place the First General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church met, in pursuance of an Act passed at a meeting of the Synod of the said Church, held in the City of Hamilton, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, entitled, "An Act for constituting a General Assembly and District Synods," and in pursuance of a resolution of the said Synod for warring the said Act integers which Act and weakly Synod for carrying the said Act into effect, which Act and resolu-tion are in terms following:—

AN ACT FOR CONSTITUTING A GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND DISTRICT SYNODS.

Whereas it is of importance, for the welfare and good govern- Act for o ment of the Church, that a General Assembly and certain District stituting Synods should be instituted in the Canada Presbyterian Church.—General As Be it, therefore, resolved and enacted, by and with the consent sembly. of the Presbyteries, in terms of the Barrier Act, viz:—

I. That, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

there shall be constituted a Supreme Court of this Church, instead of the present Synod, which shall be styled and entitled The GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CANADA PRESENTERIAN CHURCH,

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CANAD. PRESETTERIAN CHURCH, and which shall possess all the powers, privileges, and immunities, which at present belong to the Synod of the said Church.

II. The General Assembly shall consist of one-third of the whole number of the Ministers on the rolls of the several Presbyteries, with an equal number of acting Elders, or of such other proportion as may at any time be lawfully determined on; and said members shall be appointed in the mahner following, viz.:—

1. At an ordinary meeting of the Presbytery, held at least thirty days before the meeting of the Assembly, each Presbytery shall appoint the proportional numbers of Ministers and Elders.

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2. The Presbytery shall forthwith grant to the Ministers and Elders thus elected and appointed Commissions in due form, attested by their Clerk, who shall forward such Commissions to the Clerk of the General Assembly, at least eight days before its meeting, and said Clerk shall from such Commission prepare an interim roll, to be called at the opening of said Assembly, and which, being amended and corrected, if necessary, shall be confirmed as the roll of the General Assembly.

3. Should the number on the roll be incapable of division by three, then the third shall be the third of the next higher number

capable of such division.

III. The General Assembly shall hold its first meeting at Toronto, and within Knox's Church, there, on the first Tuesday of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy years, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, and thereafter as the General Assembly itself shall determine; and the Moderator shall be nominated and appointed in the same manner as the Moderator of the Synod has heretofore been, or as may otherwise be hereafter determined.

IV. There shall be constituted four District Synods, immediately subordinate to the General Assembly, but having superior and appellate jurisdiction over Presbyteries, Sessions, and Congregations, within their respective bounds; and which shall possess and enjoy all such other subordinate powers and privileges as may, from time to time, be granted them by the General Assembly There shall also be the right of Appeal, Reference, Petition, and Overture, from and to said Synods; and they shall be styled and

constituted as follows, viz:—

1. The Synod of Montreal, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the rolls of the Presbyteries of Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, and Kingston. The Synod will meet at Montreal, and within Erskine Church there, on the third Tuesday of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine years, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, and thereafter by regular adjournment, at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be the Rev. William Taylor, D.D.

2. The Synod of Toronto, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the rolls of the Presbyteries of Cobourg, Ontario, Toronto, Simcoe, and Owen Sound, and shall meet at Toronto, and within Bay Street Church there, on the first Tuesday of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, and thereafter by regular adjournment, at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be

the Rev. John Jennings, D.D.

3. THE SYNOD OF HAMILTON, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the rolls of the Presbyteries of Hamilton Paris, Guelph, and Durham, and shall meet at Hamilton, and within Knox's Church there, on the second Tuesday of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, and thereafter by regular adjournment, at such time and place as the Synod itself Rei

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4. The Symon of Lordon, which shall comprise all the Ministers and Elders on the rolls of the Presbyteries of London, Huron, Stratford, and Chatham, and shall meet at London, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the second Tuesday of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, and thereafter by regular adjournment, at such time and place as the Synod itself may determine and appoint. The first Moderator shall be the Rev. Donald McKenzie.

V. The Clerks of the several Presbyteries shall send certified rolls of their Presbyteries to the Clerks of their respective Synods, at least eight days before the meeting of said Synod; and such rolls shall be the rolls respectively of the several Synods. VI. The Moderators of said Synods shall, in all meetings after

v1. The Moderators of said Synods shall, in all meetings after the first, be nominated and appointed by open vote, or in such other manner as the Synod itself may, from time to time, determine. The business shall be conducted in the same manner, mutatis mutandis, as is the business of the General Assembly; provided, nevertheless, that the Synods shall have power, from time to time, to frame, alter, and amend, such other and additional Standing Orders as they may deem necessary for their own orderly procedure.

orderly procedure.

VII. Said Synods shall meet at least once during the ecclesiastical year, and shall annually send up their Minute Books for the examination of the General Assembly.

#### RESOLUTION

At a subsequent sederunt the Synod resolved as follows:— Resolution That the Act for constituting a General Assembly having obtained the consent of a majority of Presbyteries, and having been considered in all its clauses by the Synod, is hereby approved as a whole, and adopted as a Standing Law of the Church; and on the adjournment of this Synod the Moderator shall, in terms of said Act, call and cite said General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church to meet at Toronto, and within Kňox's Church there, on the first Tuesday of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, at half past seven o'clock, post meridiem, to be opened by said Moderator, and constituted in the same manner and form in which the Synod has litherto been opened and constituted; the joint clerks of Synod to be the joint clerks, of said Assembly.

## OPENING SERVICES.

In the absence of the Moderator, Dr. William Ormiston, from opening Ser illness, Dr. Alexander Topp, the Moderator of the previous year, views, opened the meeting with devotional exercises, and a sermon from Eph. v. 25, the latter clause to the 27, inclusive,—"Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it: that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and with-

out blemish," Dr. Topp then, with prayer, constituted the General Assembly, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church.

### ROLL CALL.

Roll Called. The roll of the Assembly containing the names of the Ministers and Elders appointed Commissioners by their respective Presbyteries, and whose Commissions were returned duly attested, was then called, and the attendance of members marked, as follows:—

The names of those present are marked with an asterisk.

## PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

MINISTERS.		ELDERS.	
*Archibald Henderson, A. M. *W. Taylor, D.D. *W. B. Clark.		*John Stirling. *David McKay. Jas. Ross.	
*R. Irvine, D.D.		*D. McKeracher.	
*John Irvine.		*D. Cattanach.	
*D. Gordon.		*D. Aikman.	
*D. H. Macvicar, LL.D.		*W. McIntosh.	
*D. Paterson, A.M.	. 15.	Arch. McNab.	
*J. Watson, A.M.	5 4	*John McOuat.	

JAMES WATSON, A. M., Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.

*J. Crombie, M.A.	*G. Hav.
*H. D. Steele.	*W. Taylor.
*J. Whyte.	*A. Clark.
*W. Moore.	*R. Kennedy.

JAMES CARSWELL, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

	TRESDITERI	OF	DROCK VILLE.
*J. Morrison.			*Walter Kerr.
*W. Lochead.			*J. Colquhoun
*J. Burton.			

WILLIAM BENNETT, Presbytery Clerk.

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#### PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

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W. Smart.			*Walter Guthrie.
J. McIntosh.			A. McAlister.
W. McLaren.			*A. F. Wood.
A. Wilson.			*R. Holden, M. D

THOMAS S. CHAMBERS, Presbytery Clerk.

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## PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

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*J. M. Roger, M.A.	*W. Tully.	
*T. Alexander, M.A.	G. Angus.	
*John Paterson.	*J. Mason.	
*J. Laing.	*J. Kerr.	
*W. Donald.	*J. Craik.	
*W. Blain.	J. Scougall.	

WILLIAM DONALD, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

*R. H. Thornton,	D.D.	*J. Burns.
*J. McTavish.		*W. Heron.
*W. C. Windell.		*J. Parker.
*J. Smith.	,	*G. A. Pyper.
*R. Binnie.		*W. Leask.
*J. Douglas.		A. Burnet.
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R. H. THORNTON, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESEVTERY

PRESBYTERY OF	TORONTO.
*M. Willis, D.D., LL.D., Prin. Knox Col. *A. Topp, A.M., D.D. *J. Jennings, D.D.	*Hon. J. McMurrich. *J. Bain. *W. Archer.
*W. Reid, M.A. *J. Dick, *W. Gregg, M.A.	*J. McBean. *J. Barclay. *J. Brown.
*G. P. Young, Prof. Knox Col.  *J. Alexander, M.A.  *W. Caven, Prof. Knox Col.	*A. Gemmel. *W. Clark. *H. McKay.
*W. McConnell. ROBERT	*D. Henderson. Monteath, Presbytery Clerk.
PRESBYTERY OF H	AMILTON.

	PRESBITERY	Or	HAMILION.
*G. Cheyne.			*J. Dougan.
*J. Porteous.			*W. F. Comfort, M.D.
*A. McLean.			*C. McQuesten, M.D.
*J. Black.			*G. Secord, M. P. P.
*W. Ormiston,	D.D.		*J. Wyld.
*D. Inglis.			*J. Scott.
*W. Craigie.			*L. B. Allan,
*J. G. Murray.			D. Hess.

## DAVID INGLIS. Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY	OF PARIS.
D. McRuer.	*J. Harvey.
D. McDiarmid.	*T. J. Turnbu
W. Cochrane, M.A.	*J. Wallace.
W. T. McMullen.	*P. Wilson.
T. Lowry.	*J. Miller.

WILLIAM COCHRANE, M.A., Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

*G. Smellie.	
*W. Barrie.	
*T. Wardrope.	
*W. S. Ball.	
*J. K. Smith, M.A.	
*Jas. Middlemiss,	
*R. Torrance.	
*A. D. McDonald.	

Thos. McRae.	
*A. McRobbie.	
*J. Loghrin.	
*J. Cowan.	
*Arch. Campbell.	
*T. Anderson.	
*Jas. Dalgleish.	
Jas. Ross, M. P.	

## ROBERT TORRANCE, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

*D. McKenzie.
*W. R. Sutherland.
*J. J. A. Proudfoot.
*L. McPherson.
*J. Scott.
*N. McKinnon.
*G. Simpson.
*G. Cuthbertson.
*J. Thompson.
*P. Goodfellow.

\*D. Cameron.
\*A. Smith.
\*Thomas Gordon.
\*J. W. Robson.
\*J. Moffat.
\*D. Waters.
\*J. Elliot.
J. Brown.
\*J. Adams.

D. W. McKenzie.
George Cuthbertson, Presbytery Clerk,

### PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM

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*R. F. Burns, D.D.		Capt. Taylor.
*A. F. Kemp, M.A.		*Jas. Simpson.
*W. King.		*W. Staniforth.
*G. M. Milligan.		*A. Bartlett
*R. H. Warden.		. W. Coulthard,

## ROBERT H. WARDEN, Presbytery Clerk.

	PRESBYTERY	OF	STRATFORD.
T. McPherson			*M. Ballantyne.

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*W. Meldrum.	*M. Laughton.
*Jas. Boyd.	*M. Reid.
*R. Hamilton.	*W., Fotheringham.
D. Waters, M.A., LL.D.	A. Scott.

O. \*A. Scott.

John Fortheringham, Presbytery Clerk.

## JOHN FORTHERINGHAM, Presbytery Cler.

	PRESBYTERY	OF	HURON.
C. Fletcher.			*A. McAa.
John Fraser.			W. Reith.
R. Ure.			*G. Walker.
John Ross.			*A. Stewart.
H. Gracey.			*A. L. Gibson.
S. Young.			*H. McQuarrie.
J. Hastie.			*D. D. Wilson.
A. McLean			*John Jackson.
			*John Gardner.

ARCHIBALD MCLEAN, Presbytery Clerk.

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ALEXANDER FRAZER, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF SIMCOE.

\*W. Fraser. J. Gray.

\*G. Craw. \*W. A. Johnston. R. Little. W. MacWhinnie. J. Johnston. \*J. Ross.

JOHN GRAY, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF DURHAM.

J. McMillan. \*R. C. Moffat. \*H. Crozier.

\*J. Martin. \*W. Sutherland. .W. S. Knight.

WILLIAM PARK, Preshutery Clerk.

## COMMISSIONS REPORT ON.

The Recording Clerk here read a Report, stating that certain commissions Commissions, specified, returned to him; were not in accordance. Report on. with the Act constituting this General Assembly, and that he had ommitted the names inserted in these Commissions from the Roll, awaiting the action of the Assembly in the premises.

On motion, it was agreed that the Report on the Roll now sub-Report sent mitted be received, and that the said Report, and the Papers to Com. referred to therein, be sent to a Committee on Commissions.

## MODERATOR ELECTED.

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Moderator. The nominations for the office were read, when it appeared that, of fourteen Presbyteries from which returns had been received, thirteen had nominated the Rev. Michael Willis, D.D., LLD., Principal of Knox College, and one the Rev. William Gregg, M.A., Minister of Cooke's Church, Toronto.

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Mr. Gregg asked and obtained leave to withdraw his name from name withdraw. the list of nominations for the Moderatorship.

Principal Willis was then elected Moderator, by acclamation, Principal Willis was then elected Moderator, by acclamation, Principal Willis was then elected Moderator, by acclamation, Principal Willis and Principal Willis and, having taken the Chair, addressed the Assembly at length.

## THANKS TO RETIRING MODERATOR

On motion of Mr. Proudfoot, duly seconded, it was agreed, Thanks to that the thanks of this Assembly be recorded to the retiring promish Moderator of Synod, the Rev. Dr. Ormiston, for the ability with ton and Dr. which he presided at last meeting, and discharged the duties of the Moderatorship during the year, and their sympathy with him in his present affliction, and their hope that his health may be speedily restored. Also, that thanks be given to the Rev. Dr. Topp for presiding this evening, and for his able, impressive and appropriate discourse.

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#### SUMMARY OF CHANGES.

Changes Roll, &c.

There was submitted a summary statement of the changes affecting the Rolls of the District Synods and of the several Presbyteries, as also, the list of Probationers, which had occurred since the meeting of Synod last year. On motion, the said statement was taken as read, and was ordered to be engrossed in the Minutes, as follows :-

#### DEATH OF MINISTERS.

Five deaths.

The following ministers were removed by death, namely :-Hugh Campbell, of Manilla, in the Presbytery of Ontario, H. Camp-July, 1869.

Robert Burns, D.D., Emeritus Professor of Church History, R. Burns, D.D.

W. T. Mur-

Knox College, Toronto, on the 19th August, last year.
William T. Murdoch, of Melville Church, Galt, in the Presbytery of Guelph, on the 21st of January, of the present year.

James Douglass, a minister without charge, at Millbrook, in the J. Douglass. Presbytery of Cobourg, on the 9th day of April, of the present

John McLachlan, a minister without charge, Beaverton, in the J. McLach-Presbytery of Ontario, on the 2nd day of June, instant.

#### DEMISSIONS.

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The following ministers gave in their demission, in whole or in part, and the pastoral relations between them and the several congregations named was dissolved: In the Presbytery of Durham-William Hay, Carrick, on the

3rd of August, last year.

part. W. Hay In the Presbytery of Paris -Dr. William Hamilton, Beachville, and Erskine Church, Woodstock, October 18th, last year. W. Hamilton, D.D. In the Presbytery of Hamilton-Robert Fleming, Dunnville

R. Fleming, and North Cayuga, on the 20th of January, of the present year. In the Presbytery of Ontario-George Lawrence, of Clarke,

G.Lawrence. on the 8th of February, this year.

In the Presbytery of Toronto-Donald Stewart, Boston Church D. Stewart. and Milton, on the 2nd day of February, of the present year; and, in the same Presbytery, Alexander W. McKay, Streetsville,

on the 7th day of June, instant, A. W. McKay. In the Presbytery of Simcoe—John K. Hislop, Carluke, Ivy and Townline—part of charge—November the 2nd, last year; J. K. Hislop.

William Fraser, First Essa—part of charge—February the 1st, of the present year; James Greenfield, Stayner—part of charge—on W. Fraser the 2nd day of May, of this year; Mungo Fraser, Guthrie Church, Oro-part of charge-on the 2nd day of May, of the present year.

M. Fraser. In the Presbytery of Owen Sound-Thomas Stevenson, Owen

Sound, on the 2nd day of September, last year.

In the Presbytery of Stratford—William Doak, B.A., Avon-T. Steven ton and Carlingford, on the 9th of November, last year. W. Doak,

#### INDUCTIONS.

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The following Ministers, on the Call of the respective congregations under named, were inducted into the pastoral Charge of said congregations, at the dates annexed to each respectively :-

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In the Presbytery of Paris, Walter Inglis, Stanley Street, Ayr, w. Inglis. on the 8th of December, last year.

In the Presbytery of Guelph, A. D. McDonald, Knox Church, A. D. McDonald, Elora, on the 11th day of August, last year; and, in the same T. Wardrope. Presbytery, Thomas Wardrope, Chalmers' Church, Guelph, on the 30th day of September last.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton, Simon C. Fraser, Thorold, on S. C. Fraser.

the 2nd day of December, last year.

In the Presbytery of Toronto, William McConnell, Orange W. McConnell, ville and Mono Mills, October the 18th, last year,

In the Presbytery of Ontario, Archibald Cross, M.D., Newton A. Cross, and Newcastle, in the month of July, last year. In the same M.D. Presbytery, William Peattie, Erskine Church and Claremont, on the 20th of October, of the past year.

The following Probationers were ordained, and at the same 6 Ordinatime inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregations named tions. below

In the Presbytery of Paris, James Robertson, Norwich, East J. Robert-Oxford, and Wyndham, November 18th, last year.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton, George Chrystal, Silverhill G. Chrystal. and Lynedoch, on the 21st day of December last.

In the Presbytery of Ontario, Hugh Currie, Manilla, Vroo- H. Currie. manton and Cannington, on the 24th day of February, of the

present year. In the Presbytery of Owen Sound, D. J. McInnes, South Kep- D. J. McInpel, on the 28th day of July, last year.

In the Presbytery of Simcoe, Donald Boyd Cameron, Brad- D. B. Camford and Scotch Settlement, on the 15th December last.

In the Presbytery of Kingston, James Barron, B.A., Gana-J. Barron. noque, on the 14th day of December, last year.

#### TRANSLATIONS.

The following Ministers, having accepted Calls, were loosed 10 Translafrom their respective congregations, and were inducted into new tions charges, as under-written

George M. Milligan, B.A., English Settlement and Proof Line, G. M. MILLin the Presbytery of London, June 9, 1869, to Detroit, in the gan. Presbytery of Chatham, July the 29th, last year. Edward Graham, Woolwich and Hawksville, Presbytery of E. Graham

Guelph, to Milwaukee, United States, June 15, 1869.

James Thom, B.A., Lakefield and North Smith, in the Pres-J. Thom, bytery of Cobourg, on the 7th of September last, to Enniskillen, B.A. in the Presbytery of Ontario, on the 12th of October, last year.

John McNabb, of Lucknow, in the Presbytery of Huron, Sep- J. McNabb. tember 18th, 1869, to proceed as a Missionary to the Red River.

John Lees, of Ancaster, in the Presbytery of Hamilton, Jan-J. Lees. uary 11th, to Lucan and Biddulph, in the Presbytery of London,

on the 8th day of February, of the present year.

James Pritchard, of Camden and Sheffield, in the Presbytery J. Pritchard.
of Kingston, January 11th, to Parkhill and McGillivray, in the Presbytery of London, on the 9th of February, of the present vear.

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John Anderson, of Lancaster, in the Presbytery of Montreals J. Anderson. on the 15th of February, to Tiverton, in the Presbytery of Huron, on the 2nd of March, of the present year.

Finlay McCuaig, of Ratho and Innerkip, in the Presbytery of Paris, on the 22nd of March, to Clinton, in the Presbytery of Huron, on the 8th of April, of the present year. F. McCuaig.

D. Cameron Duncan Cameron, Lochiel, in the Presbytery of Montreal, on the 10th day of February, to Beaverton, in the Presbytery of

Ontario, on the 10th of March, in the present year.

Dr. R. F. Burns, of Chicago, in the Presbytery of Chatham, R. F. Burns, D.D. on the 28th of March, to Côte Street Free Church, Montreal, on the 4th day of May, of the current year.

#### RECEPTION OF MINISTERS. '

3 Ministers The following Ministers were received as Ministers of this received Church, namely :

By the Presbytery of Paris, August the 10th, last year, Joseph. J. Lowry. Lowry, late of the American Presbyterian Church, (O.S.); on the J. Robertson same day, James Robertson, a licentiate of New Brunswick Pres-W. Ross. bytery, (O.S.), United States; and on the 28th of December last, William Ross, an ordained Minister without Charge, from the Church of the Lower Provinces.

#### LICENSURE.

Six Students Licensed. The following students of Divinity were licensed as Proba-G. Chrystal. tioners: By the Presbytery of Hamilton, on the 13th day of July last,

A. Urquhart. George Chrystal.

A. Rowat. D.McDonald By the Presbytery of London, on the 14th of September last, Alexander Urquhart, Andrew Rowat, Donald McDonald; and on P. McLaren, the 14th of December, Peter McLaren, M.A. J. A. G. Cal-

By the Presbytery of Huron, on the 14th October, last year, John A. G. Calder.

#### CONGREGATIONS ERECTED.

The following congregations were newly organized, or being organized. disjoined from, or united with, other congregations, were erected into separate Charges:-Bayne Ch., Galt.

In the Presbytery of Gnelph, Bayne Church, Galt, October 17th, last year.

Knox Ch., Woodstock In the Presbytery of Paris, Erskine and Knox Churches; Woodstock, united into one Charge under the name of Knox Church, on the 20th of December, last year. Carluke, Ivy,

Townline In the Presbytery of Simcoe, Carluke, Ivy, and Townline, dis-joined from Alliston, Burns' Church, and Angus, and formed into a separate Charge, November the 2nd, last year; on the 1st of First Essa. February of the current year, First Essa, disjoined from First West Gwillimbury, and erected into a separate Charge; on the Cookstown. Guthrie Ch.,

8th day of March of this year, Cookstown newly organized; and on the 2nd May of this year, Guthrie Church, Oro, disjoined from Barrie, and erected into a separate Charge.

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In the Presbytery of Chatham, July 29th, last year, Mersea Mersea revived; on the 10th of February of the present year, West Til. West Tilbury abury disjoined from East Tilbury, and united to Mersea; and on East Tilbury the same day East Tilbury was erected into a separate Charge.

#### TRANSFERENCE.

Mr. Robert Knowles, Osprey, and the congregation under his Mr. Knowles charge, were, by resolution of Synod, transferred from the Prespation from bytery of Simcoe to the Presbytery of Durham.

## REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The Business Committee, gave in a Report, which was read by Business the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. David Inglis. The Report Com.—was received, and, in accordance with its recommendations, the following ampointments were unable properly.

following appointments were made, namely:—
First—To be members of the Committee of Bills and Over-Com. on
tures, for the Presbyteries under named, the said Presbyteries Bills and
having omitted to make the requisite appointments according to Overtures,
appointments
the Standing Orders:—
For the Presbyter's of—

Brockville—Messrs, J. Burton, Minister, and Jas. Colquhoun,

Kingston—Messrs. W. McLaren, Minister, and Dr. Holden, Elder.

Cobourg—Messrs. J. Laing, Minister, and Wm. Tully, Elder. Guelph—Messrs. T. Wardrope, Minister, and Jas. Dalgleish, Elder.

Hamilton—Messrs. J. G. Murray, Minister, and L. B. Allan, Elder.

Paris—Messrs. W. T. McMullen, Minister, and Jas. Wallace, Elder. London—Messrs. George Simpson, Minister, and Duff Came-

ron, Elder.

Secondly—The clerks of the respective District Synods, to be Synod Clerks, men ex-officio members of the Committee of Bills and Overtares.

ex-officio members of the Committee of Bills and Overtures.

Bereal Commissions of Ministers of Ministers and Elders appointed to this assembly, Messrs. J. Gray (Convener).—Com. on. W. Cochrane, G. Cuthbertson, Ministers; and J. Wyld, James Brown, Elders.

Fourthly—To be a Committee to examine the Record Book Record of the General Synod, Messrs. J. Gray, (Convener), Dr. Waters Synod-Comw. Cochrane, Ministers, and Dr. McQuesten, Elder.

Fifthly—To be a Committee on the Returns to Remits sent Remits-down to Presbyteries last year. Messrs. W. T. McMullen, (Con. Com. on—vener), J. Thompson, A. D. McDonald, Ministers; John Elliott Returns. and George Walker, Elders.

Sixthly—The Diets for business to be as follows:—To meet biets for meet again at three, and adjourn at six; resume at half-past seven, and close at ten. It was at the same time agreed so far to depart from this arrangement that, to-morrow morning, the Assembly shall meet at eleven c'clock, and occupy the first hour in devotional exercises. Com. on Bills—First meeting of.

Seventhly—The Committee on Bills and Overtures to hold their first meeting in the basement of the Church, at nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Assembly adjourned, to meet at eleven o'clock, to-morrow morning, and the Diet was closed with the Benediction.

## SECOND SEDERUNT.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Wednesday, June 8, 1870, 11 o'clock, A.M.

The General Assembly met, and was opened with praise, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Moderator, Principal

Devotional exercises.

As arranged last night, the first hour was spent in devotional exercises, Mr. George Cheyne, and Mr. James Dick succeeding the Moderator in prayer, with the singing of Psalms, and the reading of the Scriptures in the intervals.

Assembly constituted. Minutes

The Moderator then declared the Assembly constituted, and ready to proceed to business, The Minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

FIRST REPORT-COMMITTEE ON BILLS.

Bills and Overtures-Report on.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in their first Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the clerk of the Committee. On motion, the Assembly received the Report, and sanctioned its recommendations.

#### COMMISSIONS-REPORT ON.

Commiss'ns

Mr. John Gray, from the Committee on Commissions, read a Report on Report, recommending that the name of one of the Elders appointed by the Presbytery of Huron, be struck from the roll; that the name of Mr. Robert Kennedy, from the Presbytery of Ottawa, whose Commission bore date the 10th day of May, be added to the roll; and stating the facts in the case of the appointment of Mr. D. Paterson, by the Presbytery of Montreal, without making any recommendation in relation thereto.

Report re committed

The Report was referred back to the Committee for reconsideration.

#### SYNODS-RECORDS OF.

Records of Synods— Committees

The Assembly, on motion made, and duly seconded, in accordance with a recommendation of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, appointed the following Committees for revising the Records of the several Synods, viz.

The Synod of London, Messrs. Middlemiss, Moore, and D. McKay.

London. Hamilton Toronto. Montreal.

Hamilton-Messrs. Gregg, Cuthbertson, and Don Waters. Toronto-Messrs. J. Thompson, Warden, and Dr. Holden. Montreal-R. Torrance, J. Smith, and Hon. J. McMurrich.

## COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

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The Assembly appointed the following Committee on correspondence with Foreign Churches, viz. :- Dr. Thornton, Convener,

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hold Messrs. T. McPherson, D. Inglis, Dr. Topp, Ministers, with Mr. sclock Bartlett and Mr. Little, Elders.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS—COMMITTEE ON.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, the Assembly, appointed a Committee on the reception of Resolutions, Ministers to be composed as follows:—Mr. McTavish, Convener, Dr. Ministers, Topp, Prof. Caven, Mr. McLaren Mr. John Ross, Dr. Maevicar, Com. on, Mr. Dick, Ministers, and Messrs, D. Cameron, J. Dalgleish, and Thomas McCrue, Elders.

REMITS-RETURNS TO.

The Assembly ordered the Returns of Presbyteries to Remits Returns to of last year, to be handed to the Committee appointed last even-Remits senting, which was accordingly done.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS-APPLICATIONS FOR

Applications from the following Presbyteries, on behalf of Ministers from other Churches, were read, viz:—From the Presbytery of Montreal on behalf of Mr. D. Coussirat, M. A., B. D.—from the Presbytery of Simcoe on behalf of Mr. James Stewart: Reception of Chrom the Presbytery of Hamilton, on behalf of Mr. Wm. Han-applications cock, formerly a minister of the Presbytery on behalf of Mr. Thomas J./Stewart, Goldsmith, formerly of the Methodist New Connexin Church: Whancock,—from the same Presbytery on behalf of Mr. Samuel Fenton, T. Gotdformerly a minister of the Congregational Church:—from the same Presbytery on behalf of Mr. John B. Watt, an ordain-J. B. Watt, ed Missionary of the Presbyterian Church in the Lower Provinces: G. Haigh, formerly and the Congregational Church:—from the same Presbytery, on behalf of Mr. George Haigh, for-ladyne merly of the Primitive Methodist Church:—from the same I. Kemedy. Presbytery on behalf of Mr. W. D. Ballantyne, formerly of the Donald. Presbyterian Church of the United States:—from the Presbytery of London, on behalf of Mr. R. Kennedy, Licentiate of the Presbytery of London on behalf of United States:—from the same Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Testimonials and documents in 'favour of the applicants were Applications' forwarded by the several Presbyteries. The Assembly agreed that and 'restitutes applications, with all relative documents, be put into the to Reception hands of the Committee.

DR. FREELAND.

An application from the Presbytery of Ottawa, on behalf of Dr. Freeland, was transmitted by the Committee on Bills and Ottawa Pres. There was also transmitted by the Committee a letter Dr. written by Dr. Freeland, addressed to the proper officer of the As-Freeland sembly, and all whom it might concern, transmitted through Mr. H. D. Steele, of the Presbytery of Ottawa, intimating his desire that his case should not be brought up at this meeting of the Assembly. The letter was read. It was agreed by the Assembly that a copy of the letter, with all the documents in the case, be sent to the Presbytery of Ottawa.

The hour of adjournment having come, the diet was closed with

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## THIRD SEDERUNT.

#### KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Wednesday, June 8, 1870, 3, p.m.

The General Assembly met and was constituted with praise, reading of the Scriptures and prayer.

Minutes The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### SEATS-ARRANGEMENT OF.

On motion made and duly seconded, it was remitted to the Committee on Bills and Overtures to consider what arrangement Seats-Ar-Tangement Committee on Bills and Overtures to the seats to be occupied by of-Referred it would be expedient to make as to the seats to be occupied by the members of Assembly in this Church, and the accommodation to be afforded to those who may be present of the Christian community.

#### COMMISSIONS-REPORT ON.

The Committee on Commissions again presented their report to Commisthe effect, (1),-That inasmuch as there are nine Elders elected instead of eight, by the Presbytery of Huron, one name, viz:—that of Mr. Reith, be omitted from the Roll, he not being present at report on. this meeting: (2)—that the name of Mr. Kennedy of the Presbytery of Ottawa, although his Commission is dated 10th May, be added to the Roll of Assembly: (3)—that the case of Mr. D. Paterson, of the Presbytery of Montreal, be left in the hands of the General Assembly: (4)—that the Clerks of Assembly be a standing

Report con-Committee on Commissions It was agreed to consider the several clauses of the Report seriatim

1. With reference to the Elders from the Presbytery of Huron, Nine Elders . With reference to the Elders from the Presbytery of Fluron, Pres. Huron it was on motion of Mr. Kemp, seconded by Dr. Taylor, agreed, on Roll, cum that the whole of the Elders commissioned by the Presbytery of Huron be placed on the Roll of Assembly, with the note that the attention of that Presbytery be directed to the irregularity in send-

ing one Elder more than the ratio which the Act authorizes.

2. With reference to the name of Mr. Kennedy from the Mr. Kennedy's name on Roll. Presbytery of Ottawa, it was agreed that Mr. Kennedy's name be put on the Roll of the Assembly. Mr. Pater

son on Roll 3. It was agreed that the name of Mr. D. Paterson be inserted in the Roll of the Assembly

4. It was agreed that, while it would be the duty of the Clerks Clerks not to be Com. of Assembly to report anything irregular, or special, in any of the on Commi Commissions coming into their hands, it would be necessary that all such cases should be brought before the Assembly for its decision.

#### LICENSING OF STUDENTS.

Licensure Applications were read from the Presbytery of Toronto, asking leave to take on public probationary trials the following Students of Divinity:—Messrs. T. Ritchie, J. Breckenridge, John Gray, H. Applica-J. McDiarmid, P. Wright, John Baikie, W. A. McKay, G. Burn-

Leave It was agreed to grant the leave crayed. granted

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An application was made by the Presbytery of Montreal for Application, leave to take on public probationary trials Mr. A. Thompson, Mr. Catechist. The Assembly granted leave to the Presbytery of Thompson, Montreal to take Mr. Thompson on trials for license, as craved.

#### LICENSURE-COMMITTEE ON.

It was agreed to appoint a committee to consider whether for Application the future the authorizing of Presbyteries to take students on for Com. on trials for license be regarded as properly the function of the Assembly, or of the District Synods, and to report at an early Sederunt:—the committee to consist of Mr. A. F. Kemp, Convener, Prof. Caven, Mr. McTavish, Dr. Macvicar, Mr. Gregg, Ministers, and William Bartlett, Elder.

## LETTERS FROM OTHER CHURCHES.

A letter was read from Rev. F. H. Marling, on behalf of the Chur Congregational Union, with reference to an interchange of Marling. delegations. A letter was read from the Conference of the Primitive Methodist Methodist Church, on the same subject. Conf.

Referred to It was agreed to refer these letters to the Committee on Com. on Correspondence with other Churches. Correspon-

## SABBATHA SCOOLS-REPORT ON.

The Assembly then called for the Report of the Committee Committee on Sabbath Schools. The same was given in and read by Mr. Overture, Cochrane, Convener.

There was also read an Overture from the Synod of Toronto T on the same subject; also, a Memorial on the same subject, from Memorial Mr. W. N. Hossie, of Brampton.

Mr. J. Smith, and Mr. R. Rodgers, were heard in support of and Mr. R. Bodgers.

the Overture. Mr. Hossie was called for, but it appeared was not heard on present.

Several members of Assembly having expressed their views 8. Sch. Reon the subject, the Assembly, on motion of Mr. McMullen, Thanks to seconded by Mr. Hamilton, resolved that the report be received, Committee the thanks of the Assembly tendered to the Convener for his dilligence in reconstruction. diligence in preparing the admirable report now read, and that it be remitted to a small committee to prepare a deliverance on the recommendations submitted, and the relative documents.

The Committee was appointed as follows :- Mr. McMullen, Sab. School Convener; Messrs J. Smith, J. Dick, A. Wilson, Ministers, and Report-Messrs. Bartlett, J. Burns, Hon. John McMurrich, and Mr. Ballantyne, Elders.

## CALLS-OVERTURE ON.

The Assembly proceeded to take up an Overture on the Calls—Oversubject of the mode of proceeding in moderating in a Call to a Withdrawn. Minister. It was stated on behalf of the Presbytery transmitting the Overture, that it was desired to withdraw if. The Assembly accordingly allowed the Overture to be withdrawn.

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#### MARRIAGE-OVERTURE ON.

Mariage— The Assembly then took up an overture, significant of Cobourg, on Overture and others, and transmitted by the Presbytery of Cobourg, on Overture the subject of marriage with a deceased wife's sister, an Overture Appeal-Mr. left over from last Synod. The Overture was read.

Com. on Bills sus tained-Mr. Laing to be heard.

Mr. McTavish, who had appealed from the decision of the Committee on Bills and Overtures to transmit the Overture, was heard. After some discussion, it was agreed that the conduct of the Committee of Bills and Overtures be sustained, and that Mr. Laing be heard in support of the Overture.

The hour of adjournment having come, the Sederunt was

closed with the Benediction.

## FOURTH SEDERUNT.

#### KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

## Wednesday, June 8, 1870, 7.30, P.M.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises-Mr. Archibald Henderson, of St. Andrews, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

#### MINUTES READ.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and approved.

### 2ND REPORT COM. ON BILLS.

2nd Report -Com. on Bills and Overtures

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in a second report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. The Report was received, and the order of business, for this evening, recommended therein, sanctioned.

#### HOME MISSIONS-REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Home Mis-sions-Report read.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on me Missions. The Report was handed in and read, by Mr. J. Home Missions. Laing, the Convener of the Committee.

Resolution, Thanks, &c.

It was moved by Mr. W. Gregg, seconded by Dr. Thornton, and agreed to, That the Report be received, and that the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Committee, and especially to the Convener; and that the Report be referred to a Committee to consider the matters contained therein, and to report on Friday.

The Moderator, in terms of the resolution, tendered the thanks of the Assembly to the Committee, and to Mr. Laing, the Convener.

#### CORRESPONDENTS.

Correspondents.
Dr. Edmond.
Dr. McLeod.

The Rev. Dr. Edmond, of London, and the Rev. Dr. McLeod, of Birkenhead, England, the deputation to this Church from the United Presbyterian Church, in Great Britain and Ireland; the Rev. Mr. Tully, the delegate to the Assembly from the Presbyterian Church in the United States; and the Rev. Dr. Watts, from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, being present, were, on motion of Dr. Topp, invited to sit with the Assembly, as corresponding members, and to occupy seats on the platform.

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It was moved by Dr. Maevicar, seconded by Mr. Hay, and Report reagreed to, That the Report be received, and that the following ferred to Committee be appointed to prepare a finding thereon, to be sub-committed at an early sederunt, namely: Professor Caven, Dr. Burns, Messra. J. K. Smith, J. Ross, Dr. Waters, D. Inglis, J. Scott (L), J. Laing, W. McLaren, D. McKay, Mr. Tully, and the more

Messrs, J. R. Sillitti, J. 1988, 25. Heaville, The Messrs, J. R. Sillitti, J. Laing, W. McLaren, D. McKay, Mr. Tully, and the mover.

At the request of the Assembly, Mr. William Fletcher, one of Mr. Betcher the missionaries from the Red River, who was present, addressed heard, the house in relation to the mission of the church in the Red River Territory.

There was taken up and read, in connection with the Foreign Indian MisMission business before the Assembly, an Overture from the
Synod of London, setting forth that by the transfer of the Northwest Territory to the Dominion of Canada, a large number of
heathen tribes were added to our population; that they were
more accessible to us than to the Churches of any other country;
that the civilization which we were carrying to their neighborhood was attended to them with no small danger, and that their
continuance in a heathen state would be an element of danger to
our settlements, and praying the Assembly to send, without Messra.

delay, a much larger mission to the Indians of the North-west. Proudfoot

There was read, also, an extract minute of the Synod of Lon-son to supdon, transmitting the Overture and appointing Messrs. Proudfoot port over and Thompson to support the same before the Assembly.

Mr. Proudfoot was heard briefly in support of the Overture.

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#### FIFTH SEDERUNT.

Knox's Church, Toronto, Thursday, June 9, 1870—10 A. M.

The Assembly met and was constituted with praise, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, Mr. Thomas Lowry and Dr. Taylor, at the request of the Moderator, leading in the devotional exercises.

#### MINUTES READ.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### TELEGRAM.

Dr. Jennings handed in and read a telegram from the Rev. Delegate Mr. McGregor, of Halifax, stating that the Rev. Isaac Murray had Erec. Cheen appointed as a Delegate to this Assembly, from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in the Lower Provinces, but had been providentially prevented from proceeding to carry out the object of his appointment.

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#### CORRESPONDENT.

Dr. Jennings also introduced the Rev. Kenneth Grant, a missionary of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces to the Coolies in Trinidad. Mr. Grant was invited to sit with the Assembly as a corresponding member.

Home Missions Report

#### HOME MISSIONS REPORT-COM. 9

The Moderator now named the Committee agreed upon last night, to take into consideration the Report of the Committee on Home Missions, and to frame a deliverance, as follows: Messrs. R. Torrance, Convener; W. Gregg, W. McLaren, John Laing, Dr. Macvicar, W. Moore, John Thompson, Thos. Lovry, Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, Mr. Barclay and Mr. Hay, Elders.

Com. on Billy 3d Report.

#### 3D REPORT COM. ON BILLS.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a third Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. The Report was received and the order of business therein recommended sanctioned.

Deputations -when to be received.

#### DEPUTATIONS.

After some conversation respecting the order in which Deputations from the British Churches and from the United States should be received, it was agreed that Mr. Tully, the Delegate from the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and the Rev. Mr. Arnot and Dr. Blaikie, the Deputation from the Free Church of Scotland, be received in the evening, to-day, and Drs. Edmond and McLeod, the Deputation from the United Presbyterian Church in Great Britain and Ireland, and Dr. Watts and Mr. Sinclair, the Deputation from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, to-morrow evening.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CONFERENCE-DEPUTATION FROM.

Prim. Metha ference Deputation

The Moderator here stated that he had received a message from the Conference of the Primitive Methodist Church, now in session in his city, asking when it would be convenient for this Assembly to receive a Deputation from that Body. The Assembly agreed to receive now the Delegates from the Conference above named.

Rev. Mr. Crompton's Address.

The Rev. Mr. Crompton, one of the Delegates, then addressed the Assembly, conveying the cordial Christian salutations of the Body represented by him, and giving many particulars respecting the numbers and condition and polity of the Church to which he Mr. Walker's belonged.

Address

Mr. Robert Walker, the other Delegate, then briefly addressed the house.

Resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. A. Wilson, and agreed to, That the Assembly welcome the visit of the Delegates of the Primitive Methodist Conference, reciprocate the kindly feelings they express, and appoint Dr. Jennings, Minister, and Mr. Dalgleish, Elder, to visit the said Conference and tender to

Moderator addressed Delegates. them the greetings of this Body. The Moderator then conveyed to the Delegates, in cordial terms, the reciprocation of the kindly feelings of this Assembly.

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## APPEAL -- MR. W. C. WINDELL.

The Assembly took up a Protest and Appeal of Mr. W. C. Appeal-Windell, Minister of Cartwright, against action of the Presbytery Windell, of Ontario, with Assessors, appointed by the Synod of Toronto, in granting supply of preaching to Williamsburgh, within the

bounds of the congregation of Cartwright.

In accordance with a recommendation of the Committee on Bills Appeal re and Overtures, it was agreed to refer the Appeal, with all relative ferred to Com. papers, to the following Committee, namely: — Mr. Thomas McPherson, Convener; Messrs. W. Cochrane, R. Dewar, R. Torrance, R. C. Moffat, R. Ure, Ministers; Dr. McQuesten, Messrs. Hay, T. McCrae, M. Laughton, Simpson, J. W. Robson, Elders,

## MR. GILLESPIE'S APPLICATION.

There was taken up and read a Reference from the Presbytery Mr. Gilles of Paris, transmitted by the Synod of Hamilton, on a petition of pie's appilom. John Gillespie, formerly Minister of Willis Church, Blen-extonheim, and deposed from the holy ministry by the said Presbytery, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, praying Hamilton. the Presbytery to take steps to remove the sentence of deposition,

and restore him to the work of the ministry. Letters from the Rev. Dr. Blackwood, and the Rev. W. O. Letters and Johnston, of Philadelphia, and from the Rev. J. B. Duncan, of papers read Chicago, testifying to Mr. Gillespie's exemplary conduct since the period of his deposition, and their belief in his sincere repentance, were read. There were read, also, statements by Mr. Gillespie, by letter to the Presbytery of Paris, expressing sincere repentance for his sin; assuring the Presbytery of his having respected their judgment in the premises, in having continued to abstain from the performance of ministerial acts, and saying that he greatly desired to be again employed in the work of the min-

istry Mr. William Cochrane was heard, at length, in support of the Mr. Coch-Reference. Mr. McDiarmid, of Woodstock, was also heard in rane heard explanation of his position in relation to the said Reference.

It was moved by Mr. Middlemiss, and seconded, as follows :-Sustain the Reference; and agree that the petition of Mr. John Mr. McDiar-Gillespie, and relative papers, be referred to a Committee, consist-mid heard, ing of Mr. David Inglis, Convener; Messrs. T. McPherson, A. F. Motion. Kemp, J. K. Smith, R. Ure, Dr. Topp, John Ross, J. Scott, (L.), Ministers; and Messrs. James Ross, M.P., Jas. Wallace, J. Scott, D. McKay, Geo. Hay, A. L. Gibson, Elders; with instructions to bring up a finding for the action of the Assembly.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. W. Clark, of Quebec, Amendseconded by Dr. Topp :- That the Assembly having heard the ment. Reference, sustain the same, and resolves, as it hereby does resolve, that whilst it does not feel itself in circumstances to deal finally with the case, it does not see any reason why, in the event of any application being made to the Courts of the Church, within the bounds of which Mr. Gillespie has been residing, said application may not be taken up and dealt with by them.

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Motion carried.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Middlemiss was carried by a large majority, and the Assembly decided in terms of the

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Diet was closed with prayer.

## SIXTH SEDERUNT.

## KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Thursday, June 9, 1870-3, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. J. Morrison, of Waddington, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

APPEAL-MR. W. C. WENDELL-COMMITTEE ON, TO SIT.

Com, on Mr. Windell's case to sit.

It was stated that the Committee on the appeal of Mr. W. C. Windell asked leave to sit for some time during this Sederunt of the Assembly. Leave was granted as craved.

#### MINUTES READ.

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The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read, and, being revised, were sustained.

#### 4TH REPORT-COMMITTEE ON BILLS.

4th Report Committee on Bills.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in a fourth Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee, arranging the business for to-morrow. The Report was received, and the order of business therein recommended sanctioned.

#### GOVERNOR-GENERAL-ADDRESS TO-REPORT ON.

Address to Governor-General .-Deputation.

The Moderator-Principal Willis-from the Deputation appointed last year, to present an address from the General Synod of this Church to the Governor-General, reported to the Assembly that he, in company with members of the Presbytery of Ottawa, had waited on His Excellency the Governor-General, and presented the Synod's address; that a very gracious reception had been accorded them, and that they had received a courteous reply to the address.

#### STATE OF RELIGION.

State of Religion—Re-port on.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on the State of Religion. The Report was given in, and read by Mr. J. McTavish, the Convener of the Committee.

Report received and thanks to Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the thanks of the Assembly were recorded to the Committee, and especially to the Convener, for their diligence.

A general expression of opinion on the matter of the Report was given by several members of the Assembly.

Moderator's opinion.

The Moderator being desirous of expressing his mind on the subject before the Court, left the chair, which was taken by Dr. Taylor. The Moderator having given his opinion, resumed the chair.

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#### CORRESPONDENTS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas Lowry, Thomas Sinclair, Esq., an Correspond-Elder of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and a member of the sinclair. Deputation from that Church to this Assembly, was invited to sit with the Assembly and to occupy a place on the platform.

On motion of Mr. Proudfoot, the Rev. Dr. Elliott, Professor Dr. Elliott. of Divinity in the Presbyterian Theological Institute of the Northwest, being present, was invited to sit with the Assembly and to occupy a place on the platform.

#### STATE OF RELIGION.

The Assembly returned to the consideration of the Report on State of Return the state of religion, when, after reasoning, the recommendations Recommended to the Report were adopted, as follows:

 That Family Worship be strongly insisted on.
 That each Presbytery be enjoined to examine carefully into the state of religion within its bounds, and report thereanent each year to its Synod, and the Synods to report to such Committee

as the Assembly may appoint.

It was moved by Professor Caven, duly seconded and agreed to,
That in addition to the recommendations of the Report already Resolution,
adopted, the report be approved as a whole, and that the Mode Pateria,
rator, together with Professor Caven, Messrs, Gregg, Reid and
McTavish, be a Committee to draw up a Pastoral letter, to be
circulated throughout the Church, on the subject of Family and
Social Religion, and especially of Family Worship.

### KNOX COLLEGE-REPORT OF BOARD.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Board of Manage-Knox Colment of Knox College. The Report was handed in, and, in the lege. absence of the Chairman, Dr. Ormiston, was read by Mr. David Board. Inglis.

The Report of the Senate of the College was handed in, and Report of was read for the Chairman, the Moderator of the Assembly, by Mr. Reid.

The Reports of the Board and Senate were received. Reports

#### DR. M'CAUL-LETTER FROM.

There was read a letter from the Rev. Dr. McCaul, President Dr. McCaul of University College, informing the Assembly that, for the con. Letter from venience of any members of the Court who might wish to visit the University Buildings during their stay in the city, he had made arrangements that the Buildings should be open from ten o'clock in the morning to five in the evening. The Assembly instructed the Clerk to acknowledge the receipt of Dr. McCaul's letter, and to thank him for his courtesy.

The hour of six o'clock having arrived, the Diet was closed with the benediction.

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Thursday, June 9, 1870-7.30, P. M.

The Assembly met and was constituted with praise and prayer. Mr. W. B. Clark, of Quebec, leading in the devotions.

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The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

#### DEPUTATIONS.

Mr. Lowry's Mr. Thomas Lowry reported, verbally, that, in terms of the appointment of himself and Mr. David Inglis, of Hamilton, last year, as a Deputation to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, they had waited on that Assembly, met in the city of Philadelphia, in May last, and had been most cordially received; that they had delivered the messages of Christian salutation intrusted to them by this Church, to which a very hearty response was returned; and that, as a further expression of the reciprocation of kindly regard on the part of that Assembly, the Rev. D. Tully had been appointed to convey

their Christian greetings to this Church.

The Rev. Mr. Tully addressed the Assembly, conveying in warm terms the fraternal regards and Christian salutations of the Tully addresses the Assembly. Church represented by him to this Church, and the expression of their earnest wishes for the progress and prosperity of the Canada Presbyterian Church; giving at the same time interesting details of the number of ministers and churches composing the American Presbyterian Church, the Academies, Colleges, and Theological Seminaries under her control, and of the great and effective work carried on by the Church in the field of missionary and benevolent enterprise, both at home and abroad.

Dr. Elliott, of the Theological Institute of the North-west, by Dr. Elliott's

address. request, briefly addressed the Assembly.

Mr. William Cochrane, of Brantford, here gave a brief verbal report of his visit last year, in company with the late venerable Dr. Burns, to the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland, to the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Great Britain, and to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and spoke of the very hearty reception with which they had met, and the reciprocations of kindly regard to the Christian greetings of this Church, to which expression had been given by these venerable Assemblies.

There was read from the table, a Commission under the hand Commission of the Rev. Sir Henry Wellwood Moncrieff, Moderator of the Free Church General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland, and Convener

Deputation of the Committee on Assembly arrangements, to the Rev. William
Arnot, Minister of the Free High Church, Edinburgh, and the
Rev. William Garden Blaikie, Doctor of Divinity, and Professor of Apologetics and Pastoral Theology in the New College, Edinburgh, appointing these gentlemen a Deputation to visit the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and

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instructing them to assure that Assembly of the desire felt by the Free Church of Scotland for the most cordial fellowship with their Trans-Atlantic brethern, between whom and themselves there exists such a large amount of identity in Christian principle, and so much community of purpose and of practice, directed towards the glory of Christ, the edification of his people, and the conversion of souls; and to act otherwise with that Assembly, its members, and constituents, in such manner as may be best fitted to maintain a profitable intercourse between them and the Free Church of Scotland.

Dr. Blaikie then addressed the Assembly conveying the cordial <sup>Dr.</sup> Blaikie's congratulations, and best wishes of the Free Church of Scotland, for the peace and prosperity of this Church, and speaking at large of the historic memories, the progress, the present condition, and the prospects of the Presbyterian Church in this and other lands.

prospects of the Presbyterian Church in this and other lands.

The Assembly engaged in praise, singing a portion of the 23rd Praise.

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Scriptural paraphmse.

The Moderator then introduced the Rev. Mr. Arnot, who pro-Mr. Arnot's ceeded to address the Assembly, by giving expression anew to the Address. feelings of fratternal affection, and carnest wishes for the advancement of this Church, entertained by the Free Church of Scotland, and giving much interesting information of the progress made by that Church during the comparatively brief period in which she

has existed under the present organization.

The following motion was proposed by Dr. Topp, seconded by Prof. Cayen, and unanimously agreed to:

Resolution.

The Assembly having heard with much gratification the addresses of the Delegates to this Church, from the Presbyterian Response to Church of America, and from the Prec Church of Scotland, resolve Addresses. to record, as they do hereby record, their high appreciation of the action of these Churches in appointing said Delegates, and, at the same time, their desire to reciprocate the spirit of brotherly love, and interest in each other's welfare, and anxiety for union, which has prompted such delegations.

The Assembly cannot but rejoice in the growing prosperity and increasing influence of the Presbyterian Church of America, throughout the wide extent of the American Commonwealth; their sense of the abundant labours, and extensive Missionary operations of that Church; and they fervently pray that the union now so auspiciously consummated between the two larger branches of the Presbyterian community in the United States, may largely contribute both to the building up of the Presbyterian cause there, and to the advancement of the interests of vital godliness in the land

The Assembly desire, also, to express the close sympathy and sincere regard which have always existed in this Church towards the Free Church of Scotland; their high estimation of the self-denying testimony in behalf of great fundamental principles which that Church was enabled to bear; their gratitude for the spirit of liberality and zeal and energy in the cause of Jesus Christ bestowed upon it, and their deep sense of the favour conferred upon this Church in Commissioning a Deputation composed of Brethren in the Ministry so well known and esteemed; and whose praise is in all the Churches.

Moderator Addressed

The Moderator then addressed the Delegates in the sense of Addressed Deputations the resolution above recorded; and expressing the great gratification afforded to this Assembly by their presence and addresses, and the deep interest felt in the prosperity of the respective Churches whose Commissions they bore.

Adjourned.

The Assembly engaged in praise, singing aportion of the 146th Psalm, and the Diet was closed with prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

## EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

## KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Friday, June 10, 1870, 10 a.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exereises, Mr. William Barrie, of Eramosa, and Mr. W. S. Ball, of Guelph, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

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#### MINUTES READ.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read, and being revised, were sustained.

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#### PREACHING BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY.

Mr. William Gregg, submitted a proposal agreed upon, at a meeting of the City Ministers, for the supply of the pulpit of Knox's Church, on the ensuing Lord's Day, as follows:—The Rev. Mr. Arnot to preach in the morning; the Rev. Dr. Blaikie in the evening; and the Rev. Dr. Edmond to address a Union meet-

ing of the Sabbath School Children, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The Assembly accepted the proposal of the City Ministers, and ordered accordingly.

#### MARRIAGE-OVERTURE ON

Marriage\_

The Assembly resumed consideration of the Overture of Mr. Overture on J. Laing, and others, interrupted by the adjournment on Wednesday afternoon, on the subject of Marriage with the sister of a deceased wife, praying the Assembly to take such steps as might secure uniformity of practice throughout the Church, and afford direction to Sessions in dealing with parties related as above specified, whether with a view to effecting a separation, or restoring them to the privileges of the Church, in accordance with the Word

Mr. Laing Motion.

of God. Mr. Laing was heard in support of the Overture, and closed his pleadings by proposing the following motion, seconded by Mr. Bartlett, Elder :- That the Overture be received, and that a Com-

mittee be appointed to consider this subject in all its bearings. First,-On the dealings of this Church in cutting off from its communion parties married in the specified relation.

Secondly, On the restoration of such parties to the privileges of the Church, if this can be done consistently with Scripture. Thirdly,-On the Civil Law of the several Provinces and countries in which this Church is placed.

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And further,-to prepare such a vindication of the doctrine and practice of the Church as may aid in removing doubts, and afford direction to Session in their dealings with parties, so that the action of the inferior Courts may be uniform and consistent, and to report to next Assembly.

It was moved in amendment by Dr. Topp, seconded by Mr. 1st Amend-Donald Waters, Elder:—That the Overture be dismissed, inasmuch ment. as the Assembly does not see any reason for such inquiry as is proposed on the subject.

It was moved in further amendment by Prof. Caven, seconded 2nd Amendby Mr. Gregg:-That, having regard to the importance of the ment. subject brought before the General Assembly, -one on which the Confession of Faith gives no uncertain sound,—declaring on Scriptural grounds there referred to, that marriages within certain degrees of affinity, including the relationship of a man to the sister of his deceased wife, are forbidden by the Divine Law, and can never be made lawful by any law of man, or consent of parties, the Assembly sees no sufficient ground for modifying the ecclesiastical rule of its communion in this particular, which is also in harmony with the civil law of Great Britain; but, willing to treat with respect the difficulties of some, among whom questions have arisen as to the relevancy or sufficiency of the Scriptural grounds on which the prohibition of marriage within the specific degree of affinity, brought under notice, is held to rest, agree to appoint a Committee to give its consideration to the subject, with a view of elucidating the Scriptural basis of said law, and showing, as far as may be, to parties aggrieved by the rules of discipline, that these do not rest on slight or arbitrary grounds,

and to report to next Assembly. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. J. K. Smith, 3rd Amendseconded by Mr. Tolmie :- That the Assembly appoint a Commit-ment. tee,—1. To draw up a statement of the Scriptural grounds on which the present law of the Church is founded. 2. To consider the matter of the discipline with which members of the Church should be visited who have entered upon this marriage relation, and what measures should be employed with a view to their res-

toration when under discipline. Before coming to a vote the hour of one jo'clock arrived, and Adjourned. the Assembly adjourned, the Diet being closed with the Benediction.

## NINTH SEDERUNT.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Friday, June 10, 1870, 3, p.m.

Minutes

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Thomas Wardrope, of Guelph, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

5TH REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BILLS.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a fifth Report, 5th Report which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. Dr. on Bills.

Waters moved that the Report be received and the order of business therein mentioned sanctioned.

Kankakee taken up.

On the request of Mr. A. F. Kemp, it was agreed so far to Mission to be depart from the order of business recommended in the Report, that the Report on the Kankakee Mission and relative papers be taken up immediately after the business left unfinished in the morning shall have been disposed of. With this exception the Report of the Committee was adopted.

Deputation when to re-

Dr. Thornton, from the Committee on correspondence with Congregational Union other Churches, inquired when it would be convenient to receive a Deputation from the Congregational Union, now in session in this city. The Assembly agreed to receive the Deputation from that body to-morrow forenoon.

## MARRIAGE QUESTION.

Marriage, &c., Decision.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the marriage question, interrupted by adjournment in the morning. The motion and the several amendments submitted at the previous Sederunt were again read, and the Assembly proceeded to take the vote. The amendment of Prof. Caven was first carried over that of Mr. James K. Smith. On a second vote the amendment of Professor Caven was carried by a large majority over that of Dr. Topp; and, on a final vote between the amendment of Prof. Caven and the original motion, the amendment of Prof. Caven was again carried.

Roll called.

Mr. Laing craved that the Roll of the Assembly should be called and the votes marked. The Roll was then called and marked, when ninety-one (91) voted for the amendment of Prof. Caven, and fifty-six (56) for the motion of Mr. Laing

Yeas and

The yeas and nays were then called on the resolution finally

adopted, when ninety-four (94) voted yea, and five (5) nay. The Deliverance of the Assembly on this subject is in terms following: That having regard to the importance of the subject brought before the General Assembly—one on which the Confession of Faith gives no uncertain sound-declaring on Scriptural grounds there referred to, that marriages within certain degrees of affinity, including the relationship of a man to the sister of his deceased wife, are forbidden by the Divine Law, and can never be made lawful by any law of man or consent of parties, the Assembly sees no sufficient ground for modifying the ecclesiastical rule of its communion, in this particular, which is also in harmony with the Civil Law of Great Britain. But, willing to treat with respect the difficulties of some, among whom questions have arisen as to the relevancy or sufficiency of the Scriptural grounds on which the prohibition of marriage within the specific degree of affinity, brought under notice, is held to rest, agree to appoint a Committee to give its consideration to the subject, with the view of elucidating the Scriptural basis of said law, and showing, as far as may be, to parties aggrieved by our rules of discipline, that these do not rest on slight or arbitrary grounds : said Committee to report to next Assembly.

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The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on the Risston, Kankakee Mission, and relative papers. There was read an Over-Overture ture from Dr. Ormiston and others, transmitted by the Synod of iton.

Hamilton, praying, for reasons stated therein, that the Assembly take into consideration the propriety of conferring with some Presbytery or Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, with a view to the transference of the Kankakee Mission to the care of that Church; and to make such arrangements with them as might enable us to assist each other in the evangelization of the French Canadian Catholics.

The Minute of the Synod of Hamilton stated that Dr. Ormiston and Mr. Wardrope and Mr. Wardrope had been appointed to support the Overture appointed to support the Assembly.

There was read, also, a petition from the Presbytery of Mon-Overtuce. treal, praying the General Assembly to take the necessary steps Petition to transfer the Kankakee Mission, with as little delay as possible, Montreal to the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and a resolution of the said Presbytery appointing Mr. W. B. Clark, and Dr. D. H. Macvicar to support the petition before the Assembly.

There was read, further, a petition from the same Presbytery, Evangelizasking for a sufficient grant of money from the Home Mission tion, French Fund, or any other source that may be thought proper, to carry on Canadians. the work of evangelizing French Roman Catholics.

Dr. Orniston was heard in support of the Gyerture transmit. Dr. Orniston ted by the Synod of Hamilton, and Dr. Macvidar in support of Dr. Macvicar the petition from the Presbytery of Montreal, anent the Kankakee heard.

The Report of the Committee on the Kankakee Mission was Kankakee read by Mr. A. F. Kemp, the Convener.

on motion the report was received, and the thanks of the Report reasembly were tendered to the Committee, and especially to the ceived. Convener, for their nainst-taking dillication.

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Mr. Chiniquy, on the request of the Assembly, addressed the Mr. Chiniquy Court, in the interests of the Kankakee Mission, and in reference heard, to the papers now before the House.

It was moved by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Dr. Burns, and Motion to agreed to, That the Assembly receive the Overtures from the Free to Com. Synod of Hamilton and the Presytery of Montreal, and remit them and the Report of the Kankakee Mission to a Select Committee, with instructions to give the subject therein presented to this Court, its most careful consideration, and report a Deliverance to this Assembly at an early Sederunt.

The Committee was then appointed as follows: Dr. D. H. Com. on Re-Macvicar, Convener, Dr. Jennings, Messrs. J. Scott (L.), Thomas Port etc. McPherson, Dr. Burns, W. McLaren, A. F. Kemp, D. Inglis, Mission. Ministers; Mr. D. McKay, Dr. McQuesten, Dr. Holden, Mr. George Hay, Mr. J. Stirling, Elders.

## STANDING COMMITTEES-COM. TO NOMINATE.

Nomination Committee.

The Committee to nominate the Standing Committees was now appointed as follows: Mr. W. Cochrane, Convener, Dr.

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Preaching before the Assembly Change of PREACHING BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY.

It was intimated by the Moderator that it was proposed to substitute the name of the Rev. Dr. McLeod for that of Dr. Blaikie, in the arrangements for the supply of the pulpit of Knox's Church on the ensuing Lord's Day, reported to the Assembly in the morning. The Assembly agreed to the proposed change.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Diet was closed with the Benediction.

#### TENTH SEDERUNT.

#### KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Friday, June 10, 1870, 7.30, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted, Mr. Tully, the Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, on the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

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## DEPUTATIONS.

Deputations Ireland. U. P. Ch. Ireland. Dr. Watts

In pursuance of arrangements previously agreed upon, the Assembly proceeded to receive the Deputations from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and from the United Presbyterian Gr. Brit. and Church in Great Britain and Ireland.

The Rev. Dr. Watts, Professor of Systematic Theology in the and Mr. Sin- Belfast Theological College, and Thomas Sinclair, Esq., the Deputation from the Church in Ireland, were introduced to the Assem-

clair introduced. bly by Mr. Thomas McPherson, of Stratford. Dr. Watts'

Dr. Watts addressed the Assembly, speaking of the earnest sympathy with this Church, cherished by the Church represented by him, of their common principles and great common objects, and conveying in warm terms the fraternal greetings and earnest congratulations of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

Mr. Sinclair's

address.

Mr. Sinclair then addressed the Court, giving much interesting information on the condition of ecclesiastical affairs generally, in Ireland, and especially on the state, and operations, and prospects of the Church of which he was a representative, and renewing the expression of their earnest desire that this Church might grow and flourish, and be a blessing to the farthest boundaries of this great land.

Dr Edmond Leod introduced.

Dr. Ormiston introduced to the Assembly the Rev. Dr. Edmond, and Dr. Mc- of London, and the Rev. Dr. McLeod, of Birkenhead, the Deputation to this Church from the United Presbyterian Church in Great Britain and Ireland.

Dr. McLeod's address.

Dr. McLeod addressed the Assembly, expressing in the warmest terms the congratulations and best wishes of the United Presbyterian Church in England, Scotland and Ireland, to the Canada Presbyterian Church, and giving many interesting details of the

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development of Christian life in the Church to which he belonged, and in other Churches in the Fatherlands.

The Assembly engaged in praise, singing a portion of the Praise.

23rd Scriptural Paraphrase.

Dr. Edmond then addressed the Court, speaking of the inti-DrEdmond's mate relations between the Churches in his country and those in address. this land, and of the state and prospects of Presbyterianism, especially in England, and giving renewed expression in eloquent terms to the earnest Christian regards of the Church represented by him, towards this Church.

It was moved by Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Thomas McPherson, and unanimously adopted by a standing vote,—That the Assembly having heard the Rev Dr. Watts, and Thomas Sinclair, Esq., Delegates to this Assembly, from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and the Revs. Dr. McLeod and Dr. Edmond, Delegates from the United Presbyterian Church in Great Britain and Ireland, desire to place on record their deep sense of the honour and privilege conferred on them by these brethren, who have addressed them this evening, and by

those Churches whom they represent.

The Assembly also desire to record their gratitude to these brethren, personally, for the kind and encouraging words they have now spoken, and to assure them that they will be followed by the prayers of this Assembly on their own behalf, and on behalf of those beloved Churches who have kindly sent them, that God may bless them more and more, and render them more and more and beassing to those countries, still dear to many in this land, in which the Head of the Church has called them to build up His Kingdom. And further, this Assembly request these Delegates to earry back to those Churches the contial thanks of the brethren of the Canada Presbyterian Church, who will ever feel a deep interest in their welfare, and pray that God may bless and prosper them abundantly in their Christian work in the Fatherlands, and in other parts of the world.

The Moderator addressed the Deputations, conveying to them Moderator the resolution foregoing, and expressing the high gratification addressed which their presence and addresses had given to this Assembly, and the deep sense entertained by this Church of the kindness of

the Churches in the Fatherlands, by such messages of love.

The Diet was then closed with praise and the Apostolic Benediction.

## ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

## Knox's Church, Toronto.

Saturday, June 11, 1870, 10, a.m.

Minutes

The Assembly met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. W. Meldrum, at the request of the Mederator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

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#### 6TH REPORT-COMMITTEE ON BILLS.

6th Report— Com. on Bills.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a sixth Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. On motion of Dr. Waters the Report was received, and the order of business, therein recommended, sanctioned.

#### NOMINATION COMMITTEE-ADDITIONS TO.

Nomination Committee. Additions to. On motion of Dr. Waters, the following names were added to the Committee, appointed yesterday afternoon, for the nomination of Standing Committees:—Messrs. G. Cuthbertson, R. Torrance, R. Dewar, Ministers; Messrs, J. Loghrin, J. Ross, M. P., J. McBean, D. McKay, Edders.

#### ROLLS OF SYNODS.

Rolls of Synods to be printed.

The Recording Clerk laid on the Table the Rolls of the several District Synods, and moved that they be printed for the information of the Church, in the Appendix to the Minutes of the Assembly. It was ordered that the said Rolls be printed as proposed.

#### CASE OF MR. WINDELL.

The Report of the Committee on Mr. Windell's Appeal was Appeal from handed in and read, in corms following:—

C. WinII. The Committee appointed by the General Assembly to consider the Protest and Appeal of Mr. Windell against the Ontario Presportery, in establishing a preaching station at Williamsburg, beg to report that having carefully considered all the documents submitted to them, in the case, and heard all parties, they unanimously agree to recommend that the decision of the Presbytery

Report received.

be confirmed, and Mr. Windell's Protest and Appeal dismissed.

The Report was received.

The parties in the case were called, and compeared, namely, Mr.

C. Windell, the Appellant, for himself; and Mr. John Smith,
Dr. Thornton, and Mr. McTavish, and Mr. Laing, one of the As-

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sessors, acting with the Presbytery in the case, for the Presbytery of Ontario.

The Moderator here left the Chair, which, at his request, was

taken by Mr. W. B. Clark, of Quebec.

It was moved, duly seconded and agreed to, that the papers in the case be read. The papers were then read, namely:—Extract Minutes of the Presbytery of Ontario, containing their decision. Mr. Windell's Protest and Appeal, with reasons. The Presbytery's answers to thesial reasons. The petition of the people of Williamsburgh and vicinity, praying for supply of preaching, together with a subscription list, promising a certain sum of money in support

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Mr. W. C. Windell was heard in support of his Appeal.
Dr. Thornton and Mr. McTavish were heard on behalf of the
Presbytery of Ontario. Mr. J. Laing was heard, asone of the Assessors, acting in the case, with the Ontario Presbytery:

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It was moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. Thompson, and Motion. agreed to,—That the recommendation in the Report of the Committee, in Mr. Windell's case, be adopted as the decision of the Assembly, and, in terms thereof, that the Protest and Appeal be Decision and now dismissed.

The parties were then recalled, and the decision of the Assembly Moderator was announced to them. Chair.

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

WESLEYAN CONFERENCE-LETTER FROM. The Moderator submitted a letter under the hand of the Rev. Conference,

J. B. Howard and the Rev. Charles Lavell, official letter-writers to the Wesleyan Methodist Conference, informing the Assembly that the Rev. Anson Green, P.D., and the Rev. E. B. Harper, M. A., had been appointed a Delegation to convey the cordial fraternal wesleyan greetings of the Conference to this Assembly.

The Assembly agreed to invite the presence of the Delegates and also from the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and also tional Union the Delegation from the Congregational Union, on Monday morning at the opening of the Court.

MR. GILLESPIE'S CASE.

Mr. Gilles-The Committee to whom was sent the Reference transmitted Report of by the Synod of Hamilton, on the application of Mr. John Gilles- Committee pie to be reponed into the office of the holy Ministry, gave in a Report, which was read by Mr. David Inglis, to the effect, that having confidence in the sincerity of Mr. Gillespie's repentance, and being satisfied that the ends of discipline had been served, they recommend, that authority be given to the Presbytery of Paris, if they see fit, to repone Mr. Gillespie to the position of an ordained Minister of this Church. Motion

It was moved by Mr. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Middlemiss,— That the Report be received and the recommendation of the same

adopted. It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. W. B. Clark, seconded by 1st Amend-Mr. A. Wilson,-That the Court having heard the pleadings in the case of Mr. Gillespie, from a regard to the honour of Christ's cause, and the respectability of this Church, though willing to restore him to membership, decline, in existing circumstances, to

entertain any proposal for his restoration to the Christian Ministry. 2nd Amend-It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr. John Smith, ment. seconded by the Hon. J. McMurrich, Elder,—That inasmuch as Mr. Gillespie's character and the nature of his repentance must be best known where he has resided for the last five years, therefore, resolve, that he be instructed to apply to the Presbyterian Church in whose bounds he now resides, that they may issue the case as they in their judgment may see fit.

It was moved in further amendment by Dr. Topp, seconded ment by Prof. Caven:—That the Assembly receive the Report, and remit the same to the Presbytery of Paris, to deal with the case according to the laws of the Church, and to dispose of it as they see fit-appointing the following Commissioners to sit with them as Assessors in doing so, namely :-

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To sit be-The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was agreed to sit yond hour of for fifteen minutes longer.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. J. Laing, seconded 4th Amendby Mr. W. McLaren, as follows ment.

Resolve—1. That the Report of the Committee be received. 2. That satisfaction be recorded with the statements contained therein, showing that in the judgment of the Presbytery of Paris and of the Committee, there is evidence on the part of Mr. Gillespie of contrition and godly sorrow.

3. That the Presbytery of Paris be authorized to restore him

to the fellowship of the Church. 4. Considering also the conductof this erring brother in meekly

submitting to the discipline, and applying directly to the Courts of this Church-the evidence afforded of his unexceptionable behaviour in the country where he is now residing, and the letter of Dr. Blackwood, urging a favourable consideration of his case, and stating that fields of Christian usefulness are open to him if he can be reponed; at the same time, having due regard to the purity of ministerial character, and recognizing the fact that no Christian congregation, or number of persons, are applying for the restoration of Mr. Gillespie by any Presbytery, with a view to his being engaged in the work of the Church in this country: -Resolve,-That the Assembly, while declining to authorize the restoration of Mr. Gillespie by any Presbytery of this Church, knows of no reason why any Presbytery within which he may be residing in the United States may not deal with him with a view to restoration to the office and functions of the holy Ministry, and will present no obstacle to such proceeding, and that the Clerks of the Assembly be instructed to furnish Mr. Gillespie with a copy of these resolutions. The time to which the Assembly had agreed to sit beyond the

hour of adjournment having expired, the Diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

## TWELFTH SEDERUNT.

Knox's Church, Toronto.

Monday, June 13, 1870, 10, a.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Messrs. Lochead, Chiniquy and J. M. Roger, and also the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, one of the Delegates to this Assembly from the Congregational Union, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer, with the reading of the Scriptures and the singing of Psalms in the intervals.

#### DEPUTATION.

Deputation The Moderator introduced to the Assembly, as a Deputation Congregational Union, to this Church from the Congregational Union, now in session in this city, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, of Montreal, and the Rev. F. H. Marling, of Toronto.

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The Rev. Mr. Marling and Dr. Wilkes, in succession, addressed Addresses. the Assembly, conveying in very cordial terms the expression of the fraternal greetings and Christian salutations of the Congregational Union to this Church, and their earnest desire for her pros-

It was moved by Mr. D. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Archibald Resolution-Henderson, and agreed to :—That the Assembly desires to express its gratification at receiving a visit from the representatives of the Congregational Union, to record its esteem for the ministers and members of the various congregations connected with that body, and trust that that Church will be abundantly prospered in doing God's work in this land.

The Moderator addressed the Delegates in the sense of the Moderator foregoing resolution, conveying to them the earnest reciprocations addressed Deputation. by this Assembly of the feelings of fraternal regard and Christian

kindness expressed in the addresses now delivered by them.

The Assembly then appointed Mr. Thomas Wardrope, of Deputation Guelph, and Mr. Duff Cameron, a Deputation from this Church to appointed. the Congregational Union, to convey to them the Christian salutations of this Assembly,

## MINUTES READ.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. MR. GILLESPIE'S CASE.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the case of Mr. Gil-Mr. Gillespie's case. lespie, interrupted by the adjournment on Saturday morning. Mr. W. B. Clark asked and obtained leave to withdraw the Mr. W. B

motion submitted by him on Saturday, and to substitute therefor Substitute the following:

Moved by Mr. W. B. Clark, seconded by Mr. A. Wilson :-That the Assembly receive the Report of the Committee, and ment. approve its diligence :- that, while gratified with the evidence so far brought before it of the repentance of an erring brother, it does not feel itself warranted, either by its own immediate act, or by authority given to the Presbytery of Paris, in hoc statu, to restore Mr. Gillespie to the ministerial office; having respect to the rules of discipline in this Church, which require much caution in such cases, and distinguishing what may be sufficient to warrant readmission to church membership and re-investment with public office in the Church: at the same time, the Assembly, sympathizing with the Presbytery's desire to manifest such lenity to a penitent brother as may be consistent with a due regard to the public good, consider that this duty of brotherly love will be sufficiently, and more safely, discharged, by the Presbytery's communicating the facts of the case, and their opinion in favour of their brother's recal to public spiritual service, to those in the locality of Mr. Gillespie's residence for some years past, to whom his application for employment may have been, or may be likely to be made, to the effect that they, as having the best opportunities of judging of his true penitence and fitness for the exercise of the Miljistry, may be in a position to grant or refuse his application on their own direct responsibility.

6 Amendment became 5. It was moved in further amendment by Prof. Young, seconded by Mr. R. C. Moffat, as follows:—Receive the Report and approve the diligence of the Committee; and, in view of the evidence adduced of Mr. Gillespie's repentance, direct the Presbytery of Paris to restore him to the fellowship of the Church; but are of opinion that, in the whole circumstances of the case, it would not be for edification that he should be reinstated in the ministerial office.

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Mr. David Inglis asked and obtained leave to withdraw the motion which he had proposed in the case, on Saturday. The amendment of Mr. Clark, substituted to-day, for that of Saturday, thus took the place of the original motion.

Votes.

The Assembly then proceeded to vote on the several motions before the House. The amendment of Prof. Young was first put against that of Mr. Laing, when the latter was carried by a majority. The amendment of Mr. Laing was next put against that of Dr. Topp, when Dr. Toppis was carried by a large majority. On a third and fourth vote the amendment of Dr. Topp was successively carried by large majorities over the amendments of Mr. Smith, and the motion of Mr. Clark; and the Assembly decided in terms of the said amendment, as follows:—

Decision— Mr. Gillespie's case. That the Assembly receive the Report, and remit the same to the Presbytery of Paris to deal with the case according to the laws of the Church, and dispose of it, if they see fit,—appointing the following commissioners to sit with them as assessors in doing so, namely:—Dr. Topp, Mr. J. Scott, (L.), Mr. D. McKenzie, Prof. Caven, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Thornton, Mr. Wardrope, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Reid, Ministers; Hon. John McMurrich, Mr. Duff Cameron, Mr. James Brown, Ediers.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the Assembly adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

#### THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

#### KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

## Monday, June 13, 1870, 3, P.M.

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The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises,—Mr. James K. Smith, at the request of the Moderator,

Minutes read. offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

## 7TH REPORT-COM. ON BILLS.

7 Report-Com. on Bills. The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a seventh Report, which was read by Dr. Waters. On motion the Report was received, and the order of business therein recommended sanctioned.

#### DEPUTATION.

Deputation to Congl. On motion of Mr. D. Inglis it was agreed to substitute the name of Dr. Burns for that of Mr. Wardrope, who was not present, in the deputation to the Congregational Union, appointed in the morning. Dr. Burns and Mr. Duff Cameron were instructed to proceed forthwith to discharge the duty committed to them. dence

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# MR. GAULD'S PETITION.

There was taken up and read a petition to the Assembly, from Mr. Gauld's
Mr. John Gauld, of Meaford, ament arrears of stipend due to him relation.

from the Congregation of Moore, within the bounds of the Presbetery of London, of which Mr. Gauld was formerly pastor.

There was read, also, in connection with said petition, extract
Minutes of the Presbyteries of London and Owen Sound.

It was agreed to refer the case of Mr. Gauld to a Committee Referred to formulae a deliverance. The Committee was appointed as follows:
—Messrs. J. Dick, Convener, W. Cochrane, J. Middlemiss, W. Mooge, G. Cuthbertson, J. Scott, (L.), Ministers; and Jas. Brown and Thos, McCrne, Elders

# MECHANICS' INSTITUTE-LETTER FROM.

The Moderator submitted a letter from the Secretary, on Mechanics' behalf of the Directors of the Mechanics' Institute, inviting the members of the Assembly to visit, and use the Reading Room of the Institute during their stay in the city. It was agreed to acknowledge the courtesy of the Directors of the Mechanics' Institute in sending this invitation.

#### DEDUTATION

Mr. W. B. Clark here reported verbally his visit to the Synod Deptation of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Canada in Church of Scotland, saying, in substance, that he had waited on connection the said Synod, in pursuance of his appointment, and had been with the of scotland, some strateoisty received.

There was read an extract Minute from the proceedings of the Extract Synod of the Pre-byterian Church of Canada in connection with Minute read, the Church of Scotland, appointing the Rev James C. Smith, and Mr. Craig, a Deputation to this General Assembly, to convey to this Body the Christian and brotherly greetings of the Synod represented by them.

Mr. Smith then addressed the Assembly, conveying, in elo-Mr. Smith's quent and forcible terms, the brotherly and Christian salutations Address. of the Church whose commission he bore, and speaking of the identity of principle held by the two churches, the common objects in which they were interested, and the events which seemed to indicate their nearer approach to each other than in times past.

Mr. Craig briefly addressed the House, concurring heartily in Mr. Craig\* sentiments expressed by Mr. Smith, and renewing the ex-Address. pression of the good-will entertained towards this Church, and the interest felt in her prosperity, by the Church to which he belonged.

It was moved by Dr. Waters, seconded by Mr. Gregg, and Resolution agreed to, as follows:—The Assembly desires to express its gratification in having received a Deputation from the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, and through them to convey to that Church the cordial compatulations of the Canada Presbyterian Church, and to express the hope that the time is not far distant when the two Churches may be more closely united.

Moderator addressed deputation.

The Moderator then addressed the Deputation in the sense of the foregoing resolution, and giving, in cordial terms, expression to the earnest reciprocation by this Assembly, of the kindly and Christian sentiments to which they had given utterance.

#### MODERATOR LEFT CHAIR.

Moderator left Chair.

The Moderator here left the Chair, which, at his request, was taken by Dr. Taylor.

#### KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox College

As recommended by the Committee of Bills and Overtures. -Report re- the Assembly resumed consideration of the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College Report of Examiners

The Report of the Board of Examiners was now read by Mr. W. Gregg, the Convener

read. printed.

On motion of Dr. Waters, seconded by Dr. Ormiston, it was agreed,-That the Report be received, and printed in the Appendix to the Minutes; and the thanks of the Assambly given to the Board of Examiners, and the recommendations of the Board, anent Scholarships, be brought before the congregations of the Church.

#### RESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL WILLIS.

Special Re-

There was taken up and read a Special Report from the Board port of Management of Knox College, stating that they had had before Board of Management them a communication from the Rev. Principal Willis, tendering -Resignat'n his resignation of his charge as Principal and Professor in Knox of Principal College; and that they had agreed to transmit the letter of Principal Willis to the Assembly, and to recommend that, in case of his resignation being accepted, he should receive a retiring allow-

ance of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1000) per annum. Mr. Ure re The Special Report also stated that Mr. R. Ure had tendered his resignation of his Lectureship in the College.

signs Lec-tureship. Letter of Principal Willis read cepted.

The letter of Principal Willis, tendering his resignation as incipal and Professor in the College, was read.

After a very general expression on the part of the members of Resignation After a very general expression on the part of the members of Principal the Assembly of the high estimation in which Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the members of Principal Willis active and the part of the part o was held for his many and varied qualifications, his extensive acquirements as a sound Theologian, and his mature scholarship,

Resolution.

the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—
Moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. W. B. Clark,—That in view of the decided terms in which the resignation has been tendered, and the lengthened services and advanced years of the venerable Principal, the resignation now laid before the Assembly be accepted, said resignation to take effect on the first of August next, and that the following Committee be appointed to draft a suitable Minute in reference thereto, viz. :- Dr. Ormiston, Dr. Jennings, Professor Young, Mr. Ure, and Mr. Lowry-Mr. Lowry, Convener.

Retiring Al-

On motion of Dr. Topp, seconded by Mr. Ure, it was unanimously agreed,—That the recommendation of the Board as to a retiring allowance to Principal Willis, be adopted, and that the amount be one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200) per annum.

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It was agreed, on motion, duly seconded, that the Report of resumed, the College Board, and all relative papers, be referred to a Special Referred to Committee, and that the following Committee be now appointed smittee. to nominate that Special Committee, namely :- Dr. Topp, Prof. Nomination Caven, Prof. Proudfoot, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Ormiston-Dr. Ormiston, Convener. The Committee, on request, was permitted to retire for business during this Sederunt.

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# MONTREAL COLLEGE REPORT.

The Report of the Board of Management of the Montreal Montreal Presbyterian College was handed in and read. There was read College. also, in connection with the Report of the Board, that of the Board Senate, and also the Balance Sheet of the Treasurer of the Board, ate Report, Dr. Taylor here left the Chair, which was taken by Mr. W. Dr. Taylor

On motion of Dr. Macvicar, the Report of the Board was &c received.

Report of B. Mont, Col-The first recommendation of the Report was read, and with an legereceived amendment, was adopted as follows

1. That the Rev. J. M. Gibson, M.A., be appointed Lecturer adopted. in Exegetics, in the Montreal College, at a salary of \$400 per

On motion of Mr. Ure, seconded by Mr. J. Ross, it was agreed Report reto refer the Report, with the remaining recommendations, to the ferred to Committee. same Committee, to whom is to be referred the Report of the Board of Knox College.

# COMMITTEE ON COLLEGE BOARD REPORT.

Dr. Ormiston reported from the Committee to nominate a Committee Special Committee, to take into consideration the Report of the on Col College Board, and relative papers, submitting a list of names Board Reproposed to constitute said Committee, as follows:—Messrs. J. port. Laing, J. Smith, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Topp, W. Gregg, D. Inglis, Dr. Ormiston, W. T. McMullen, D. McRuer, J. K. Smith, J. J. A. Proudfoot, J. Thompson, T. McPherson, Dr. Taylor, W. S. Ball, Dr. MacVicar, W. McLaren, Dr. Waters, R. Ure, Ministers; Messrs, J. Parker, Hon. J. McMurrich, G. Secord, M.P.P., J. Dalgleish, W. Bartlett, J. Stirling, D. McKay, T. McCrae, J. Mc-Bean, J. Bain, Elders; Dr. Ormiston, Convener.

The Report was received and adopted, and the Committee Report therein named appointed.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Diet was closed with the Benediction.

# FOURTEENTH SEDERUNT.

# KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Monday, June 13, 1870, 7.30, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted, Dr. Taylor, at the request of the Moderator, occupying the Chair, and prayer being offered by Mr. McTavish.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. COMMITTEE ON COLLEGE REPORTS-ADDITIONS TO.

On motion, it was agreed to add the names of Dr. Burns and Colleges Re-Mr. Watson, to the Committee to whom was remitted the Reports ports.
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MARRIAGE, ETC.

Marriage. &c., Com.

The following Committee was appointed, in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the afternoon Sederunt on Friday, in relation to the subject of marriage with a deceased wife's sister, to elucidate the Scriptural basis of the law of the Church on the subject, and to report to next Assembly, namely :- Mr. William Gregg, Convener, Dr. Topp, Messrs, D. Inglis, W. McLaren, J. Ross, Prof. Caven

The Moderator now took the Chair.

Moderator Chair.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

The Committee to whom was remitted the Report of the Com-H. M. Remittee on Foreign Missions to draft a deliverance for the adoption port-draft deliverance. of the Assembly, handed in a Report which was read. The Report was, on motion, received.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For. Mis. Report --draft deliverance.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, to draft a deliverance, for the adoption of the Assembly, handed in a Report, which was read. The Report was, on motion, received.

HOME MISSION. It was agreed to take up and consider the several clauses of the draft deliverance on the Home Mission Report, seriatim. Home Mis-The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th clauses of the Report were read and

sion Consideration of.

1, 2, 3, 4, adopted. The 5th clause was read and, on motion, decision on the same was in the meantime deferred.

5th Clause deferred

Motion on

Clause 8.

The 6th and 7th clauses were read and agreed to. The 8th clause was read.

6th and 7th

It was moved by Mr. W. S. Ball, seconded by Mr. J. K. Smith: That this recommendation be recommitted to the Home Mission Committee to define more minutely the proposed duties of the Agent, and report as soon as convenient to the present meeting of the Assembly.

Moved in amendment, by Mr. W. McLaren, seconded by Dr. Waters:—That this recommendation be remitted to a Committee to consider the expediency of establishing such an agency as that recommended, to define the duties of such agent if approved of, and to consider the relation which he shall hold to the various

1 Amendment.

Missionary schemes of the Church, and report at next Assembly. It was moved in further amendment, by Mr. J. Ross, seconded by Mr. D. Gordon: - That the appointment of a Special Mission Agent is premature.

2 Amemdment. 3 Amend-

It was moved in further amendment, by Mr. McTavish, seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson :- That this recommendation be laid on the table.

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Votes were taken, when the amendment of Mr. McTavish was, Votes-Desuccessively carried over the amendments of Mr. Ross and Mr. cision. McLaren, and over the motion of Mr. Ball; and the Assembly decided, accordingly, that the 8th clause be laid on the table.

The ninth clause of the draft deliverance was read. It was 9th Clause moved by Mr. W. B. Clark, seconded by—R. Ure :—That the As-read. sembly refuse to agree with the recommendation of the Committee to hand over the Missions of Manitoba and British Columbia to the care of the Home Mission Committee.

Before any decision was had on this motion the hour of adjournment arrived, and further consideration of the subject was poned. postponed,-Mr. W. McLaren being in possession of the floor.

The several clauses of the draft deliverance as adopted, numbered As adopted. from 1 to 4 as in said draft, and 6 and 7 of the draft, being numbered 5 and 6, are as follows :-

1. That the Students be requested to report to the Home Mission Committee the operations of their Missionary Society, in Deliverance the several localities in which they carry on Missionary work, that Home Misthe information which they furnish may be incorporated in the sion Report. Annual Report of the Assembly.

2. That the Assembly instruct Presbyteries, promptly and faithfully to deal with Congregations, and Mission Stations, that have not sent in their contributions by the close of each year.

3. That Presbyteries be enjoined to make Quarterly Returns of all the vacancies within their bounds that are ready to call, so that each may receive its fair proportion of supply from the list of Probationers; and to take all means to secure remuneration from vacant Congregations, in proportion to their ability, to those who occasionally minister among them.

4. That the liberality of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland in the grant of £100 stg., during the past year, be gratefully and cordially acknowledged

5. That the Assembly renew the recommendation of the General Synod, last year, that Presbyteries take action to have Missionary organizations, or what may be regarded as equivalent thereto, at once instituted in all the Congregations within their , in which they do not exist.

6. That the Assembly adopt such measures as in their wisdom they may judge best for having a full statement made to all the congregations of the Church, whether settled or vacant, of the extent of the Home Mission Field, the degree in which it is calling forth the interest of the people, and the necessity of increased liberality, that its increasing demands may be met.

The 8th clause of the draft deliverence, laid on the table by Clause & the motion of Mr. McTavish, is in terms following:

8. Your Committee are persuaded that the appointment of a Missionary Agent and Secretary would be conducive to the increased prosperity of the Church, and that the period has come when such an appointment should engage the careful consideration, if not the decisive action of your Assembly.

The 9th clause under deliberation by the motion of Mr. Clark, 9th clause as above recorded, is as follows:

9. That at a joint meeting with your Committee of the Com-

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mittee appointed to consider the Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, it was unanimously agreed, after full deliberation, to recommend that the Missions carried on in British. Columbia and Manitoba be transferred to the oversight and management of the Home Mission Committee.

The Assembly then adjourned-the Diet being closed with the

# FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Tuesday, June 14, 1870, 10, A.M.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. James Black, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

#### DEPUTATION.

Deputation yan Meth. Conference.

There was read from the table a communication from the Wesleyan Conference, appointing the Rev. Dr. Green and Mr. Harper, with Mr. Gemley, as alternate, a Deputation to this Church from the Conference, to convey to this Assembly the fraternal and Christian salutations of that Body.

The Moderator introduced the Deputation, when Dr. Green Dr. Green's proceeded to address the Assembly, conveying the fraternal greet-address. ings and Christian salutations of the Wesleyan Church to the Canada Presbyterian Church, and speaking of the common ground,

notwithstanding diversities, occupied by the two Churches, and their common purpose to stand firmly to great Reformation principles against the Romanizing and Rationalistic tendencies of the age.

Mr. Gem

The Rev. Mr. Gemley addressed the Assembly, calling up ar. Gem-ley's address reminiscences of his acquaintance with Presbyterian Ministers and people in other lands, and other days, and the continued cordial relations which he had maintained towards them, and renewing the expressions of warm Christian greeting to which

Resolution.

utterance had already been given.

It was moved by Mr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Reid, and agreed to,—That the Assembly have listened with great satisfaction to the addresses delivered by the Deputies of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference, and sincerely reciprocate their kind salutations; they desire to express their delight at the great prosperity which has attended the missionary efforts of the Wesleyan Methodist denomination, both in this and other lands, and request the Deputation to assure their brethren in the Weslevan Conference, that it is the earnest desire of this Assembly to cultivate towards them a spirit of Christian love, and cooperate with them, as far as practicable, in efforts for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom.

Moderator's address.

The Moderator addressed the Deputation in the sense of the resolution above recorded, giving expression, in appropriate terms, to the earnest reciprocation of the kindly Christian salutations conveyed to them by their brethren from the Wesleyan Conference.

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The Assembly engaged in praise, singing a portion of the Praise. twenty-third Scriptural paraphrase, and at the request of the Or Green Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Green offered prayer.

MINUTES READ.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

8TH REPORT-COM, ON BILLS.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in an eighth sth Report, Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of the Com-committee. On motion, the Report was received, and the order of Bills. business therein recommended sanctioned.

MR. WM. KENNEDY-APPEAL WITHDRAWN.

It was reported by the Committee of Bills and Overtures that Mr. Ken-Wm. Kennedy desired to withdraw his Appeal against the deci-peal withsion of the Synod of Toronto in his case, in marrying the sister drawn. of a deceased wife. The Assembly granted leave to Mr. Kennedy to withdraw his Appeal, as craved.

J. CUNNINGHAM'S PETITION.

As recommended in the Report of the Committee on Bills and Petition—Overtures, the Assembly agreed that the Petition of John Cun-ham's dis-ningham in relation to his marriage with his deceased wife unised, sister be dismissed, as Mr. Cunningham was not present to support the prayer of his Petition.

HOME MISSION.

The Assembly returned to the consideration of the draft Home Misdeliverance on the Home Mission Report, interrupted by the ed. adjournment last night, Mr. McLaren being in possession of the floor.

It was moved in amendment to the motion of Mr. Clark, by by Mr. Mc-Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. John Ross:—That the ninth Laren. recommendation of the draft deliverance on the Home Mission Report as recorded at the close of the last Sederunt be adopted.

It was moved by Mr. McMullen, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot:—2nd Amend-That the recommendation be adopted as regards the transference ment. of Manitoba to the Department of Home Missions, but that British Columbia be continued for the present under the supervision of the Foreign Mission Committee.

Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. McMullen was car-cision. ried by large majorities over that of Mr. McLaren and over the

motion of Mr. Clark, and the Assembly decided accordingly.

The recommendation as amended is as follows:—9. That mendation. Manitoba be transferred to the oversight and management of the Home Mission Committee, but that British Columbia be continued for the present under the supervision of the Foreign Mission Committee.

Mr. McLaren asked and obtained leave to have his dissent Dissent. from this decision marked in the Minutes.

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### BUXTON MISSION.

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The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on the sion Report Buxton Mission. The Report was handed in and read by Mr. John Scott, the Convener. The Report set forth in substance that a new church had been completed and opened for worship at a cost of \$2,571.50, or, including loss upon lumber of \$217.60, of \$2,789.10 :—that the amount of the fund intrusted to the Committee is now reduced to \$3,114.75, or including interest, due on 1st July, \$3,397.92, which is below the sum decided upon some years ago to be reserved as an endowment for the Mission :- that in accordance with the order of Synod last year the Committee paid to Mr. Wm. King \$452, arrears of salary, and \$200 as a portion of his salary for last year, in all \$652; and recommending that the amount of which the fund now consists be invested, and the interest of it used in aiding the support of the Mission, and that the Mission itself be placed on the list of aid-receiving congregations, to be supplemented to the extent which may be thought necessary.

Resolution n Buxton Mission Report.

On motion of Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Mr. Gregg, it was agreed :- That the Report be received : that its recommendations be adopted, and that the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Committee, and especially to its Convener.

Mr. King's

Mr. William King, at the request of the Assembly, addressed the house at length on the history, and progress, and results, and present condition of the Mission at Buxton, in which for so long a period he had laboured with so much diligence and zeal.

Resolution

The following motion was then unanimously adopted. Moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Dr. Burns:—That the Assembly, having heard Mr. King make a full statement regarding the past history and present position of the Mission, resolve to record their high appreciation of the devoted, self-denying and earnest labours of Mr. King in connection with the Buxton Mission, extending over a period of twenty years; their gratification with the result of his labours, so far as now apparent, and their hope that still further and more abundant fruits will appear in time to come; and their satisfaction with the present position of the Mission, and the discharge of all obligations, both on account of the property and the salary of Mr. King.

The Moderator then addressed M1. King, conveying to him the thanks of the Assembly, and giving expression to the high sense entertained by them of the excellent service, which, for so many years, he had rendered to the Church in connection with that Mission.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Diet was closed with the Benediction.

# SIXTEENTH SEDERUNT.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Tuesday, June 14, 1870-3, P. M.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Thomas Lowry, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

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The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. Minutes read

MR. THOMAS LOWRY ASKS LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Thomas Lowry asked and obtained leave of absence for absence, the remainder of this day, and a portion of to-morrow.

## HOME MISSION.

The fifth recommendation of the draft deliverance on the sion Report, Home Mission Report, in relation to the Buxton Mission, consid-5th clause eration of which was delayed last night, was read, and the recommendation was amended and adopted as follows:

That satisfaction be expressed that the Presbettery of Chatham has now taken the Buxton Mission in hand, and that, henceforth, it will be placed on the same footing with the other congregations of the Church.

#### COLLEGE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on the Report of the Boards of Management of Colleges Re-Knox College, and of the Montreal College, asked and obtained on to sit deleave to sit for business, for some time, during this Sederunt of the ring Sede-Assembly.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Assembly took up the Draft Deliverance framed by the Foreign Mis-Committee, to whom was remitted the Report of the Foreign sions, Draft Mission Committee, and it was agreed to consider the several Deliverance, clauses of the same seriatim.

The first clause was read and adopted.

The second clause was read, and being disposed of by the adopted.

The second clause was read, and being disposed of by the 2d clause action of the Assembly on the minth clause of the Deliverance on disposed of. the Home Mission Report, during the last Sederunt, transferring Manitoba to the Home Mission Committee, and retaining British

Columbia under the supervision of the Foreign Mission Committee, no further action was required thereon. The third clause was read and agreed to, and Messrs. A. 3d clause Wilson, Convener, George Chayne, J. Dick, T. McPherson, Min-

The third clause was read and agreed to, and Messrs. A. 3d clause Wilson, Convener, George Cheyne, J. Dick, T. McPherson, Min-adopted, isters, and Alex. Smith and D. Waters, Elders, were appointed pointed. the Committee, in terms of the recommendation.

#### COMMITTEE RECALLED.

It was agreed to recal the Committee on the Reports of the Cone. Colleges, now sitting by permission of the Assembly.

The fourth clause was read and adopted, with an amendment reunded, as follows: Ensee all after the word "Committee" in the said 4th clause.

as follows: Erase all after the word "Committee" in the said standard the clause, and insert in lieu thereof the words, "who shall have amended power to take such action in the meantime as they may see fit, and adopted, and report to next General Assembly.

The fifth clause was read.

It was moved by Prof. Caven, seconded by Mr. D. Paterson, 5th clause and agreed to, as follows: Remit to Presbyteries, with instruc-amended. tions to send down to Sessions, to consider:

 By what means the Mission Revenue of the Church may be best increased, so that the Church may be in a position to engage more extensively in the work of Foreign Missions. Original

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2. To consider what field, or fields, should be first entered on in connection with this work, and to report to next Assembly.

The sixth clause in the Deliverance was read, recommending, 6th clause That the Assembly approve of the Foreign Mission Committee making such additional efforts as the funds may admit of, for the evangelization of the Red Indians.

Motion to It was moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot, That adopt. this recommendation be adopted.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. McLaren, seconded by 1st amend. Dr. Waters. That the recommendation be referred to the Foreign ment. Mission Committee, with instruction to report upon it next Assembly.

It was moved in further amendment by the Hon. Mr. Mc-2nd Amendment. Murrich, seconded by Professor Caven, that the sixth clause be not adopted.

Votes were taken first between the amendment of Hon. Mr. Votes. Votes were taken are between the amendation was carried and McMurrich and that of Mr. McLaren, when the latter was carried ment carried by a large majority. A second vote was taken between the amendment of Mr. McLaren and the motion of Mr. Clark, when 34 voted for the amendment of Mr. McLaren, and 32 for the original motion,— the Clerk, motion, the Clerk being instructed to note the numbers. amendment of Mr. McLaren was declared to be carried, and the

Assembly decided a cordingly. The seventh clause of the Report was read and adopted. adopted. Resolutions The recommendations of the Report as amended, are as

as amended, follows : 1. That the Foreign Mission Report generally be adopted, and the thanks of the Assembly tendered to the Committee, especially

to the Convener. 2. That a Presbytery be established at Red River, to be called the Presbytery of Manitoba, and that a Committee be appointed to prepare an Act to carry out this resolution.

3. That the Assembly record its satisfaction with the establishment of the school at Red River, and with the progress made in educational matters, and remit to the Presbytery of Manitoba. about to be established, to consider the propriety of taking additional steps to promote higher education, and, in connection with this subject, to put themselves in correspondence with the Home Mission Committee, who shall have power to take such action, in the meantime, as they may see fit, and report to next Assembly.

4. Remit to Presbyteries to send down to Sessions, to consider-(1) By what means the Missionary revenue of the Church may be best increased, so that the Church may be in a position to engage more extensively in the work of Foreign Missions; and (2) To consider what field or fields should be first entered on in

connection with this work, and to report to next Assembly.

5. That it be remitted to the Foreign Mission Committee to consider the subject of making additional efforts for the evangelization of Red Indians, with instructions to report to next Assembly.

6. That the Convener of the Committee on Foreign Missions be requested, at his convenience, to address the students in the Theological Colleges on the subject of Foreign Missions.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

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# SEVENTEENTH SEDERUNT.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Tuesday, June 14, 1870, 7.30, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Thomas Alexander, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes of The Moderator here left the Chair, which, at his request, was Moderataken by Mr. W. B. Clark, of Quebec.

# COMMITTEE ON MANITOBA PRESBYTERY.

Mr. A. Wilson, on behalf of the Committee appointed at the Manitoba last Sederunt, to frame an Act for the instituting of the Presbytery Pres. Comof Manitoba, asked and obtained leave for said Committee to to retireretire for business during this Sederunt.

#### KNOX COLLEGE.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee appointed Knox Colyesterday to frame a deliverance on the Report of the Board of legs and Management of Knox College, and also on the Report of the College. Montreal Presbyterian College. The draft deliverance on the Report of Report of the Board of Knox College was handed in and read.

Report of the Board of Knox College was handed in and read.

The Report was received, and it was agreed to consider the Knox College, resolution.

The recommendations from one to eleven inclusive, were read, lons one by one, and were severally agreed to and are as follows:—

1. That in accordance with the Report of the Board, Mr. Young be appointed a regular Professor in Knox College, and that he be appointed to teach Mental and Moral Philosophy, and superintend the preparatory training of the Students in Classics.

2. That the General Assembly make provision for the teaching of Systematic Theology in the meantime, and take such steps as may be deemed necessary to appoint a Professor next year.

3. That with a view to the appointment of a Professor of Systematic Theology in Knox College, at next Assembly, Presbyteries be instructed to take the subject into consideration, and to nominate such Minister, or Ministers, as they may deem suitable and qualified for the Chair.

4. That the Assembly record its appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Mr. Ure, as Lecturer-in Knox College, and regret that he has felt it his duty to resign his office, as appointed at last Synod, but considering the decided terms in which Mr. Ure's decision has been expressed, recommend that the resignation be accepted.

5. That Mr. Proudfoot be requested to continue his services in the Lectureship on Homiletics, for the next year.

 That Messrs. Inglis, of Hamilton, and Gregg of Toronto, be appointed to lecture on Systematic Theology and Apologetics, for three months each, during the coming Session of the College.

 That Professor Caven be appointed Chairman of the Senate.
 That the Lecturers be, ex officio, members of the Senate of Knox College.

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9. That the salary of Professor Young shall be one thousand six hundred dollars (\$1600), and that of each Lecturer five hundred dollars (\$500).

10. That the Boarding-house be continued, and that it be remitted to the Board to make such arrangements as may be deemed best.

11. That while the Committee do not, meanwhile, recommend any general endowment of the College, they have learned with satisfaction that a movement is contemplated for the endowment of a Chair in Knox College, in connection with the memory of the late Rev. Dr. Burns, and recommend that that movement receive the approval of the Assembly, and the cordial co-operation of all the ministers and other office-bearers of the Church.

#### MONTREAL COLLEGE.

Montreal on Report.

There was next handed in and read the Report of the same College, Resolutions Committee on the Report of the Montreal College, containing certain recommendations for the adoption of the Assembly. The Report was received, and it was agreed to consider the several recommendations therein contained, seriatim. The recommendations, from one to four, inclusive, were read, one by one, and were severally adopted, and are as follows:

1. That the Rev. Mr. Coussirat be appointed Lecturer in French literature, and Theology, as proposed, with a salary of not less than one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200).

2. That the College Board be empowered to engage a lecturer in Church History, should the services of such be required next Session.

3. That the salary of Mr. Coussirat, and such funds as may be required to aid the French students, shall be made a first charge upon the Fund realized from the annual collections made in the congregations of this Church, for the French Canadian Missionary Society.

4. That the Senate be instructed to encourage the attendance of the French students referred to in the report, in the classes of the College, or receive them as regular students, as they may deem best, and afford them such aid as the funds at their disposal may permit.

Resolution Report on Deliverance adopted as whole, etc.

It was moved by Prof. Caven, seconded by Mr. John Scott, and agreed to, That the Report be adopted as a whole, and that the Board of Knox College be authorized to make the best provision possible in the circumstances, for having Church History taught in that institution during the ensuing Session.

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

# FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Fr. Canadian Miss. Society Lt. Col. Haultain's address.

It was agreed, now, to receive and hear Lt. Col. Haultain, the It was agreed, now, to receive and near Lt. Col. Hauitain, the Sceretary of the French Canadian Missionary Society, in the interest of the Association represented by him. There was read a Commission from the Committee of the said Society, under the hand of Dr. Taylor, the President, appointing Lt. Col. Haultain to represent the interests of said Society before the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church. Lt. Col. Haultain

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then addressed the Assembly, at length, in the interests of the Society whose commission he bore.

It was moved by Dr. Macvicar, seconded by Mr. W. McLaren, Resolution. and agreed to: That the Assembly records its thanks to Col. Haultain for his able and cheering presentation of the work of the French Canadian Missionary Society, and authorize him to convey to that Society the assurance of the deep interest which this Assembly feels in the work; and further, that the Assembly commend the French Canadian Missionary Society to the sympathy and support of the Church.

#### DEATH OF DR. BURNS.

On motion of Mr. Inglis, seconded by Dr. Waters, it was Dr. Burns, agreed to appoint a Committee to draw up a Minute on the death the late, on the late Dr. Burns, to report at an early Sederunt. The Com-minute on mittee was appointed as follows: The Rev. Principal Willis, Messrs. Thomas McPherson, George Smellie, Thomas Wardrope, Professor Young, Thomas Alexander, Dr. Macvicar, Ministers; Dr. Holden, Mr. J. Cowan, Hon. J. McMurrich, Elders.

# UNION-OVERTURES ON.

There was presented and read an Overture from the Presby-Uniontery of Chatham on Union with the Presbyterian Church of the Presbytery Lower Provinces, setting forth that that Church is the same with of Chatham ourselves, in origin, doctrine, and worship, and has always been in Christian fellowship with us, and that closer relations between these Churches are desirable, and praying the Assembly to appoint a Committee to confer with any Committee the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces may appoint, having this object view.

Messrs. Kemp and King were appointed by the Presbytery to Messrs. support the Overture before the Assembly. Kemp and There was read also an Overture from the Synod of Montreal

with the same object, and setting forth, especially, that the inter-ture. ests of Presbyterianism would be strengthened, and the glory of Overture-God promoted, by the union of the Canada Presbyterian Church Synod of and the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, and pray-Montreal. ing the Assembly to take such steps as might be deemed best to

ng about this union with as little delay as possible.

Dr. McVicar and Mr. Andrew Wilson were appointed by their wilson to bring about this union with as little delay as possible. Synod to support the Overture before the Assembly.

There was also read, further, an extract Minute from the pro-Overture. ceedings of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in Extract connection with the Church of Scotland, embodying a letter from Minute-Dr. Ormiston to Dr. Jenkins, late Moderator of said Synod, on the Synod Pres. Dr. Ormisson to Dr. Genaus, the Boulet of all the Presbyterian in consecutive in the Dominion of Canada, and suggesting the appoint-tion with Churches in the Dominion of Canada, and suggesting the appoint-tion with ment by said Synod of a Committee to meet with similar Com-tand.

mittees of the sister Presbyterian Churches, should they be appointed, to confer on the subject of the union of the Churches represented by them. The said extract Minute stated, at the same on Union-tine, that Dr. Cook, Dr. Barclay, Dr. Snodgrass, Hon. Alexander Press Ch. Morris, Mr. Croil and Sheriff Macdougall had been appointed by Can. in cothe Synod a Committee in terms of Dr. Ormiston's letter.

Mr. King to be heard. Chatham.

Mr. W. King, in the absence of Mr. Kemp, waived the right waived right to be heard in support of the Overture from the Presbytery of

Mr. Wilson and Dr. MacVicar were heard in support of the and Dr. Mc. Overture from the Synod of Montreal.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION BEYOND HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was agreed to continue in session for fifteen minutes longer,

Motion on

It was moved by Prof. Caven, seconded by Mr. J. Thompson: Union Over- That the Assembly receive the Overtures from the Presbytery of Chatham and the Synod of Montreal in relation to union with the Church of the Lower Provinces, and remit these, along with the documents regarding union with the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, to the following Committee, to report to the Assembly to-morrow, viz. :-Mr. Clark, Dr. MacVicar, Dr. Jennings, Mr. Wilson, Mr. T. Wardrope, Prof. Caven, Ministers; Mr. T. McCrae, Hon. J. McMurrich, Elders.

Amend. ment.

It was moved in amendment by Dr. Topp, seconded by Mr. Ure, as follows:—The Assembly having heard the Overtures and the communication from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scot-Scotland, receive the same, and, in accordance with the action of the latter Church, appoint a Committee of six to meet with the Committees appointed by the other Churches.

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried, and the

Assembly decided accordingly.

Amend. ment carried. Adjourned.

The time to which the Assembly had agreed to continue in session beyond the hour of adjournment having expired, the Diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

## EIGHTEENTH SEDERUNT.

## KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Wednesday, June 15, 1870, 10, a.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Dr. Topp and Prof. Caven, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

UNION COMMITTEE.

Minutes read.

Union Committee.

The Moderator now appointed the Committee on Union, as agreed upon last night, under Dr. Topp's resolution, as follows:— Dr. Taylor, Mr. Ure, Dr. Topp, Ministers: Messrs. D. McKay, Hon. J. McMurrich, Thomas McCrae, Elders—Dr. Topp, Convener.

### 9TH REPORT-COMMITTEE ON BILLS.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a ninth Report, which was read by Dr. Waters. On motion, the Report

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was received, and the order of business therein recommended sanctioned. And, also, on the recommendation of the Committee, it was agreed that, in general debate, speakers confine themselves to the space of five minutes.

#### REMITS-RETURNS TO.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee on Remits-Rethe Returns to Remits sent down last year to Presbyteries. The port on Re-Report on the Interim Act for the reception of Ministers was handed in and read, to the effect that six Presbyteries, namely, those of Ottawa, Kingston, Huron, Owen Sound, Simcoe and Hamilton, approved simpliciter; that four Presbyteries, namely, those of Montreal, Stratford, Toronto and London, approved with alterations; and that two, namely, those of Guelph and Chatham, disapproved, and suggested several alterations.

It was moved by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and Resolution agreed to,—That the Report be received; further, that the Act, Act. on the reception of Ministers, be remitted to a small Committee with a view to have it amended, and submitted to this Assembly before rising. The Committee was then appointed as follows:

Messrs. J. Laing, Convener, W. Gregg, A. Wilson, Ministers,
T. McCrae, Don. Waters, Elders.

Special Committee for careful revisal.

#### LETTER FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, UNITED STATES.

The Moderator presented and read a letter under the hand of United Pres. the Rev. J. P. Scott, of Detroit, Delegate of the General Assembly Letter from of the United Presbyterian Church in North America, explaining why the message intrusted to him was communicated by letter, and not by his personal attendance and living voice, and conveying to this Church the Christian salutations of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States. Accompanying Mr. Scott's letter was a Commission under the hand of the Rev. Joseph Commission T. Cooper, Principal Clerk of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States, appointing the Rev. J. P. Scott Principal Delegate, and the Rev. Clark Kendall, Alternate, to wait upon this Assembly. The Commission was

It was agreed to remit the papers just read to the Committee Papers reon correspondence with other Churches, to take what action may Com. on Corbe necessary in the premises.

# BOARD OF EXAMINERS-REMIT.

The Report of the Committee on the Returns to Remits was Board of presented and read, on the Act instituting a Board for the exam-Returnsto ination of Students of Theology, and for determining their place Remits. in the Curriculum, to the following effect:—That three Presbyin the Carricanam, to the holowing elect. I had thee Treas, teries, namely, those of Kingston, Owen Sound, and Simcoe, approved simpliciter; that four Presbyteries, namely, those of Montreal, Stratford, Durham, and Toronto, approved with alterations; that five, namely, those of Ottawa, Huron, Guelph, Chatham, and London, disapproved; and that one Presbytery, that of Hamilton, recommended that the Act be remitted to a

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oard of Examiners Overture

There was read, also, in connection with this subject, an Overture to the Synod of London, from the Presbytery of Chatham, and adopted and transmitted by said Synod to this Assembly, setting forth in substance, that the Act sent down last year, by the General Synod, on the instituting of a Board for the examination of Students, deprives the Presbyteries of their ancient and constitutional powers, and invests these powers in two Boards, and that without the right of appeal on the part of Presbyteries; and praying the Assembly to take the whole subject into

Mr. Ross heard. Motion.

consideration.

Mr. Ross was heard in support of the Overture. It was moved by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. McLaren, as follows :- Having heard the Report of the Committee on Remits, as to the Board of Examiners, and the Overture of the Synod of London, receive the Report :- Further enact, ad interim, the Act remitted to the Presbyteries last year, and remit the whole matter to a Committee to prepare an amended Act, after examining the Reports of Presbyteries, and report to next meeting of Assembly.

Amendment

It was moved in amendment, by Mr. R. H. Warden, seconded Mr. J. Scott (L):—That having heard the Report of the Committee on the Remit as to the Board of Examiners, as also the Overture on the same subject, from the Synod of London, and Mr. Ross in support of it,-Resolve to dispense with the Board of Examiners, in so far as their duties refer to the examination of Students, and assigning them a place in the Curriculum, and restore to the Presbyteries of the Church their former powers in regard to this matter, under such instructions as the Assembly may assign.

Moderator left Chair. Chair re sumed.

The Moderator being desirous of expressing his opinion on the subject before the House, left the Chair, which was taken by Mr. W. B. Clark. The Moderator having stated his opinion resumed the Chair.

#### PREVIOUS QUESTION.

Previous question.

After long reasoning, the previous question was moved, and being carried in the affirmative, the Assembly proceeded to take

the vote on the motions before the House.

On a vote being called, the motion of Mr. Reid was carried Motion carover the amendment of Mr. Warden, by a large majority, and the Assembly decided, in accordance therewith, to remit the Interim Act to a Committee, for the purpose of framing a new Act, and to report to next Assembly.

The hour of adjournment having come, it was agreed to con-To sit longer tinue in session for fifteen minutes longer.

# DR. BURNS-MINUTE ON.

Dr. Burns Minute on leath of.

Professor Young, from the Committee appointed last night to draft a Minute on the death of the late Dr. Burns, read a paper containing an extended notice of the character and labours of that venerable and eminent Minister of Christ.

The time having expired to which the Assembly had agreed to sit, the Diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

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# NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

# Knox's Church, Toronto.

Wednesday, June 15, 1870, 3, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Dr. Burns, of Montreal, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

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The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

#### RECORDS OF SYNODS.

The Assembly called for the Reports of the Committees appoint Records of ed to examine the Records of the several District Synods, and of Synods—the late General Synod. Reports were read on the Minutes of the Reports on Synods, respectively, of Montreal, Toronto, London and Hamilton, and on the Minutes of the General Synod, stating with regard to all these records, that they were carefully and correctly kept. The Assembly ordered the Records, severally, to be attested in terms of the Reports.

# NOTICE OF DR. BURNS.

Professor Young brought up again and read the paper submitted. Dr. Burns, ted by him in the morning, on the death of the late Dr. Burns, similar The Assembly unanimously adopted the document read by Prof. seath of. Young, and ordered the same to be engrossed in the Minutes, in terms following:

The Assembly cannot take notice of the death of the late Venerable Dr. Burns, without recording their sense of his qualities, and of the eminent services he was enabled, during a long series of years, to render to the cause of Christ. They are thankful to dod for having sent among them one who was so remarkably fitted in the public circumstances of this country, when he came to it, to act as an Evangelist, in the best sense of that term. His unwearied labours in preaching the Gospel in every part of the land, in Mission Stations as well as in settled Congregations, have contributed in a high degree to the prosperity of this Church, and have made the name of Burns a household word in thousands of families,—a namewhich parents will mention to their children yet unborn, as that of one whom they account at among the privileges of their lives to have seen and heard. His duties as a Professor of Theology were discharged with zeal and fidelity; he had a deep concern both for the spiritual welfare of the young men under his care, and for their progress in their studies; to his exertions mainly the formation of the College Library was due; his prenching tours had much influence in calling forth an increased liberality on the part of the Church in sustaining the College; and his unabated interest in the Institution, even after he had become an Emeritua Professor, was shown by some of the latest acts of his life. In the discussion of the great Ecclesiatical questions, which, during the period of his ministry, occupied the attention of the Churches, in Great Britain, and in this country, as well as in the discussion of many important social questions, Dr. Burns was led by his singularly active temperament, joined to his zeal for the glory of God, and

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his regard for the well-being of his fellow creatures, to take a prominent and energetic part. And though irritation may have been occasioned, and even estrangement produced, in the minds of brethren who loved him, by the course which heat times felt himself constrained to pursue, and the terms in which he expressed him-self, it is delightful to think that such interruptions of friendly relations were but temporary, and that long before our venerable father entered into his rest, there remained no unfriendly feeling towards him, (as far as the Assembly know), in the mind of a single human being, as, on the other hand, the Assembly believe that towards no single human being did he, on his part, entertain a sentiment in the least inconsistent with Christain love. As a man, Dr. Burns could not be known without being loved. He had a warm heart, and a large and genial nature. A man-of great breadth of sympathy, he was notably one who did not look at his own things, but took a lively interest in the things of others. He was generous almost to a fault. His overflowing and manifestly sincere kindliness, his wonderful vitality, his unfailing flow of conversation, and the rich and varied information he was accustomed in all companies to pour forth, made him in society the most delightful of companions. And without drawing aside too rudely the veil that covers the sanctity of private Christian character, the Assembly may say that those who were most intimate with the beloved father now deceased, appear to have been universally impressed with the feeling that, in the matter of personal religion, his last days were his best. His character becamein a singular degree mellowed; along-side of the spirit of power which was always a predominant feature in it, came out conspicuously the gentler graces of the divine life, eminently among others, meekness, and humility; and no one could converse with him without feeling that, day by day, he was ripening apace for the change which both he himself. and those who looked upon his marked and venerable form, knew could not be far distant. The Assembly beg to express their sympathy with the partner whom he has left behind, and with the mourning family. Their prayer is that they may be comforted in their tribulation, that so they may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble with the comfort wherewith they themselves are comforted of God.

Standing Committees Report of Nomination Committee. Report adopted. Boards and Committees appointed.

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee to nominate the Standing Committees. The Report was handed in and read by Mr. W. Cochrane, the Convener. The Report was received, and with slight amendments, was adopted, and the Boards and Committees therein hamed were appointed, as follows:

#### HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

Home Mission Committ Mr. J. Laing, Convener; Messrs. J. Crombie, J. Burton, A. Wilson, W. Donald, Dr. Thornton, J. M. King, D. Inglis, W. Cochrane, R. Torrance, R. H. Warden, Dr. Waters, D. Paterson, Archibald McLean, Mungo Fraser, J. J. A. Proudfoot, John Gauld, J. McMillan, Ministers; and Messrs. James Henderson, James Brown, J. Ratbliff, T. McCrae, J. McBean, Wm. Kerr, Wm. Clark, Elders.

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## FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

Mr. W. McLaren, Convener; Dr. Burns, Messrs. T. Lowry, A. B. Foreign Mis-Simpson, D. McKay, George Hay, A. I. Mackenzie, and one sion con-corresponding member from each Presbytery, to be reported to the Convener of the Committee immediately after the first meeting of the Presbytery.

#### BUXTON MISSION.

Mr. John Scott, Convener; Messrs. T. McPherson, George Cuth-Buxton Misbertson, Wm. King, R. H. Warden, W. Walker, A. McKellar, annee M. P. P., W. Clark, Kenneth Urquhart.

# KNOX COLLEGE BOARD.

Dr. Ormiston, Chairman, or Dr. Topp as Alternate; Professor Knox Col-Caven, Messrs. D. Inglis, W. Gregg, W. Reid, J. M. King, John lege Board. Smith (B.) J. Douglas, J. Laing, John McMechan, Wm. Mitchell, Thomas Wightman, John Thompson, W. T. McMullen, G. M. Milligan, J. Ross, T. McPherson, R. Hamilton, R. Dewar, R. C. Moffat, T. Wardrope, W. McLaren, A. A. Drummond, J. Scott, W. Cochrane, R. H. Warden, J. Middlemiss, Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, Hon. A. Vidal, Duff Cameron, Warden King, A. I. McKenzie, and James Wallace, Elder. McKenzie, and James Wallace, Elders.

# SENATE KNOX COLLEGE.

Professor Caven, Chairman; Professor Young, Dr. Topp, Dr. Knox Col-Ormiston, Dr. Jennings, J. J. A. Proudfoot, D. Inglis, W. Gregg, lege Senate. R. Ure, John McTavish, J. M. King, J. Campbell.

# MONTREAL COLLEGE BOARD.

Mr. Alexander Young, Chairman; Dr. Taylor, Dr. Irvine, Dr. Burns, W. B. Clark, John Crombie, D. Paterson, J. Watson, W. Moore, James Whyte, W. McLaren, A. J. Traver, Joseph White, Dr. Thornton, P. Gray, J. Laing, Dr. Macviear, William McKenzie, J. M. Gibson, D. Gordon, Ministers; James Ross/James Hossack, A. C. Hutchison, George Hay, Hon. Justice Torrance, Peter Redpath, J. Swirling, J. Court, Joseph McKay, Dr. Dawson, Warden King, W. D. McLaren, Andrew Robertson, D. McKay, John Watson. D. McKay, John Watson.

# SENATE MONTREAL COLLEGE.

Dr. Macvicar, Chairman; Dr. Burns, Dr Taylor, J. M. Gibson, Montreal Prof. Coussirat, J. Watson, Alexander Young, D. Paterson, College Sen-Ministers; and Hon. Justice Torrance, Dr. Dawson, and George Rogers, Elders,

# BOARD OF EXAMINERS KNOX COLLEGE.

Mr. J. M. King, Convener; Messrs. R. Torrance, Dr. Ormiston, Board Ex-Dr. Topp, Robert Dewar, J. Laing, Dr. Waters, J. Thompson, and Aminers, the Professors and Lecturers of Knox College.

# BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MONTREAL COLLEGE.

Mr. J. M. Gibson, Convener; Dr. Burns, W. McLaren, Board Ex-Wm. Burns, Dr. Irvine, James Watson, D. Paterson, W. B. Clark, Montreal Professor Macvicar, Professor Coussirat, B. D.

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# SABBATH SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.

Sabbath Schools Committee

Mr. W. Cochrane, Convener; Messrs. J. Robertson, George Burson, Dr. Burns, M. Fraser, J. Whyte, R. Hamilton, R. N. Grant, J. Pringle, W. S. Ball, J. K. Smith, A. B. Simpson, Ministers; and Messrs. Lawrie, Thomas McLean, J. L. Blakie, Dr. Clarke, (Paris), T. McCrae, Hon. J. McMurrich, Dr. Holden, Alexander Bartlett, Elders.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE.

Sabbath Observance Committee.

Mr. W. T. McMullen, Convener; Messrs. J. Middlemiss, Thomas McPherson, D. McRuer, G. Smellié, A. A. Drummond, J. Straith, Ministers; and Duff Cameron, J. Cowan, T. McCrae, William Turnbull, Peter Wilson, A. I. McKenzie, Andrew Downie, Elders.

## STATE OF RELIGION COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. McTavish, Convener; Messrs. J. M. King, J. K. Smith, Igion Com.
Dr. Topp, James Barron, James Whyte, George Sutherland,
J. M. Roger, T. Wardrope, H. McQuarrie, J. G. Murray, Ministers; and J. McBean, J. Dalgleish, J. Douglas, Elders.

# WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND COMMITTEE.

Widows' and Orphans' Fund Com-

James Osborne, Esq., Convener; Messrs. W. Reid, W. Fraser, Dr. Jennings, D. McRuer, J. Porteous, T. Lowry, T. McPherson, W. Craigie, Ministers; and Alexander Gemmell, Wm. Ker, James Brown, James Wallace, John Alexander, Elders.

#### STATISTICS COMMITTEE.

Statistics Committee.

Dr. Waters, Convener; Messrs. J. Gray, D. H. Fletcher, J. Fotheringham, R. H. Warden, J. W. Mitchell, R. Hamilton, R. Hall, Allan Findlay, J. J. A. Proudfoot.

#### FINANCE.

Finance Committee.

Hon. J. McMurrich, Conyener; Messrs. W. M. Clark, William Gregg, J. L. Blaikie, John Campbell, T. W. Taylor, and James Brown.

# AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Aged and InfirmMinis-

Mr. John McTavish, Convener; Dr. Thornton, R. C. Moffatt, James Middlemiss, R. Rodgers, Alexander Kennedy, George Cuthbertson, Robert Wallace, Ministers; and W. Heron, J. Wyld, J. Miller, James Brown, and Hon. J. McMurrich, Elders.

#### HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

Home and Mr. W. Gregg, Convener; Messrs. W. Reid, Dr. Topp, Dr. Thorn-Foreign Re-ton, R. Wallace, John Campbell, R. N. Grant.

# NEXT MEETING OF ASSEMBLY.

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The Assembly proceeded to fix the time and place of the meeting of the next General Assembly.

It was moved by Mr. W. B. Clark, seconded by Mr. J. Ross,

Motion. that the meeting of Assembly, next year, be held in the city of Quebec.

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It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Scott, seconded by 1st Amend-

Mr. Moffat, that the next Assembly meet in the city of London. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. James Cowan, 24 Amend-seconded by Mr. Dick, that the next Assembly hold its meeting in ment. the city of Toronto.

Votes were taken, when the amendment of Mr. Scott was first Votes. carried over that of Mr. Cowan, and then the motion of Mr. Clark was carried over that of Mr. Scott, and the Assembly decided accordingly, that the next Assembly do meet in the city Decision. of Quebec. The yeas and nays were then taken on Mr. Clark's motion, when thirty-two voted yea, and seventeen nay

It was then agreed that the next meeting of Assembly be held To meet at within Chalmers' Church, in the city of Quebec, on the first Wed-Quebec. nesday in June, 1871, at 7:30, in the evening.

#### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

There was taken up and read an Overture from the Presbytery Instrumental Musicof Guelph, on Instrumental Music in public worship, delayed from Overture on the Synod last year.

Mr. Middlemiss, who had been appointed to support the Overture before the Assembly, made a statement concerning the state of the question on the subject embraced in the Overture, and, for reasons stated, asked leave to withdraw the same.

Leave was granted as craved, and the Overture was withdrawn.

#### APPEAL-J. SCOTT.

The Assembly took up a Protest and Appeal of Mr. John Instrumental Music. Scott, of Napanee, from a decision of the Synod of Montreal, in Appeal J. the matter of the employment of an instrument of music in con-Scott. ducting the service of praise in the Church at Napanee.

The parties were called, and appeared. Parties pre-

Several papers were read, when it was discovered that one imporofficial attestation.

It was agreed, on account of the deficiencies and irregularities Proceedings in the papers in the case, to stay further proceedings in this mat-stayed. ter, and proceed to the next business.

#### KANKAKEE MISSION.

There was taken up and read the Finding of the Committee Kankakee to whom was remitted the Report of the Kankakee Mission, and Mis the Overtures anent the transfer of said Mission to the Presby Deliverance terian Church of the United States, and the conducting of Mission work among French Roman Catholics in the Province of Ougher Contribute of the Church Quebec, containing certain recommendations for the adoption of the Assembly.

The first recommendation was read and agreed to.

The second recommendation was read. It was moved by Dr. Topp, seconded by Prof. Caven, to amend and the recommendation as follows:—That, in the event of such a transfer being effected, the Presbytery of Montreal be authorized to employ Mr. Chiniquy among the French Roman Catholic population in the Province of Quebec, as they may see fit, and that motion

adopted. Resolutions.

Committee.

the salary of Mr. Chiniquy, to the amount of \$1,000, be a charge upon the collection for the Kankakee Mission.

To sit 15 During reasoning upon this motion the hour of adjournment minutes arrived, when it was agreed to sit for fifteen minutes longer. longer. Dr. Topp's

Dr. Topp's motion was then agreed to, and the second recom-mendation was amended in accordance therewith.

amending 2nd Recom mendation The latter part of the second recommendation, authorizing the Presbytery of Montreal to add the name of Mr. Chiniquy to their agreed to. roll as soon as the transfer of the Kankakee Mission shall have been effected, as proposed, was agreed to.

3rd Recom-The third recommendation was read and adopted. mendation adopted. The fourth recommendation was read and adopted. 4th Recom-mendation

The recommendations of the Report as amended are as fol-

1. That the Mission at St. Ann's, Kankakee, be transferred to the Presbyterian Church of the United States, with as little delay as possible, if this can be accomplished on terms satisfactory to all parties concerned; and that a Committee be appointed to effect said transfer, and, meanwhile to attend to the interests of the Mission generally.

Committee: —Dr. Jennings, Convener; Dr. Topp, D. Inglis, T. McPherson, J. J. A. Proudfoot, John Thompson, Geo. M. Milligan, J. W. Mitchell, Charles Chiniquy, A. A. Drummond, Ministers; Alex. Smith, Alex. Bartlett, Hon. A. Vidal, and H. Young,

Elders. 2. That, in the event of such transfer being effected, the Presbytery of Montreal be authorized to employ Mr. Chiniquy among the French Roman Catholic population in the Province of Quebec, as they may see fit, and that the salary of Mr. Chiniquy, to the amount of one thousand dollars, (\$1,000), be a charge upon the collection for the Kankakee Mission; and that, at the date of the transfer, the Presbytery of Montreal be authorized to place Mr.

Chiniquy's name upon its Roll.

3. That a collection be taken up, as heretofore, to defray expenses until the Mission has been transferred.

4. That a special Committee be appointed to conduct Mission work by students, or others, among French Roman Catholies in the Provinces of Quebee and Ontario, and to correspond, as may be necessary, with the French Canadian Missionary Society, and that a collection be taken up throughout the Church to defray expenses of training French and English-speaking students at the expenses of training French and Engush-speaking students as the Presbyterian College, Montreal; the balance, if any, after such expenses have been paid, to be given to the French Canadian Mission. Committee:—Dr. R. F. Burns, Convener; Messes J. M. Gibson, Alex. Young, Dr. Taylor, Dr. Macvicar, Dr. Irvine, D. Gordon, James Watson, D. Paterson, A. Wilson, W. McLaren, W. B. Clark, W. Moore, Ministers; J. Stirling, Jas. Court, Alex. Rose, Elders.

The time to which it was agreed that the Assembly should continue in session, beyond the hour of adjournment, having expired, the Diet was closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Bene-

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# TWENTIETH SEDERUNT. KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Wednesday, June 15, 1870, 7.30, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Dr. Thornton, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

# RECEPTION OF MINISTERS-REPORT ON APPLICATIONS.

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee to whom Ministers. was remitted the applications of Presbyteries; for leave to receive Report on Ministers of other Churches as Ministers of this Church.

The Report was handed in and read, stating in substance, that they had met and conversed with the following gentlemen, on Ministers to whose behalf application had been made, namely: Mr. Thomas be preceived. Goldsmith, Mr. Samuel Fenton, Mr. George Haigh, Mr. Daniel Coussirat, Mr. William Hancock, Mr. John Andrew McDonald; that the Committee had made careful inquiries into the views of these applicants, on doctrine and Church polity, and had read various satisfactory testimonials to their Christian character and Ministerial standing; that they had taken up the application of Mr. James Stewart, John B. Watt, and Mr. William Ballantyne, and had had before them satisfactory testimonials as to the character and standing of these gentlemen, and that the Committee had agreed to recommend that the applications of Presbyteries to receive Ministers of other Churches as Ministers of this Church be granted as follows:—To the Presbytery of Hamilton, to receive Mr. Thomas Goldsmith, recently a minister of the Methodist New T. Gold-Connexion Church; Mr. William Hancock, a minister of the Press anth.

byterian Church in the United States, and Mr. Samuel Fenton, S. Fenton. overlan Church in the Congregational Church; to the Presbytery of Toronto, to receive Mr. George Haigh, recently a G. Haigh. minister of the Primitive Methodist Church; Mr. John B. Watt, J. B. Watt. a minister without charge, of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, and Mr. William D. Ballantyne, a minister w. D. Balwithout charge, of the Presbyterian Church in the United States; lankyne. to the Presbytery of Montreal, to receive Mr. Daniel Coussirat, D. Coussirat recently a Professor of Divinity in connection with the Canadian Mission, and a minister of the Reformed Church of France; to the Presbytery of Simooe, to receive Mr. James Stewart, formerly J. Stewart, a minister of this Church; and to the Presbytery of London, to receive Mr. John Andrew McDonald, a Licentiate of the Presby-J. A. Metery of New Brunswick, U. S.

The Committee stated, also, that they had taken up the ap-Application plication of Mr. Robert Kennedy, and having read the papers in Refused. the case, agreed to recommend that leave be not granted to the Presbytery of London to receive him as a minister of this Church; Application and further, that as Dr. Freeland had asked leave to withdraw withdrawn. his application, such leave be granted as craved; and that the Committee strongly recommend that Presbyteries be instructed, before they concur in any application by a minister to be received

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into this Church, to satisfy themselves as to his acceptability and probable usefulness.

The Report was received, its recommendations were adopted. adopted. and the Assembly ordered in accordance therewith.

#### KANKAKEE COMMITTEE.

On the request of Dr. Jennings, the Committee on the Kanka-Kankakee kee Mission was permitted to retire for business during this to retire. Sederunt of the Assembly.

#### BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The Committee agreed upon in the morning, to prepare an Board of amended Act instituting a Board of Examiners for the examin-Examiners ation of Students, and to report to next Assembly, was now Com on appointed, as follows :- Dr. Ormiston, Convener, Messrs. D. Inglis, Dr. Jennings, Prof. Caven, R. Ure. J. Scott, (L.), T. Mc-

# Pherson, Dr. Waters, W. Gregg.

The Assembly called for the Report on Statistics, The Report Statistics Report of Committee. was handed in and read by Dr. Waters, the Convener of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. Ure, it was agreed that the Report be received, the thanks of the Assembly given to the Committee, and particularly to the Convener, and that the Report received. Thanks to usual remuneration be paid him, out of the Assembly Fund. Convener.

There was read in connection with the Report on Statistics, an Overture from the Synod of London, praying, for reasons stated Overtur therein, that the Financial year of the Church bechanged so as to cor-Synod of London. respond with the natural year, and that an additional column be added to the Statistical Tables showing the total contributions of Messrs.
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each Congregation to the Schemes of the Church.

Messrs. J. J. A. Proudfoot, and Thomas McPherson, were heard in support of the Overture.

The Assembly returned to the consideration of the Report on Statistics, and took up the several recommendations thereof, seriatim. The first, second, and third recommendations were read Recommen-dations adopted, &c. and adopted.

The fourth recommendation was read, and it was agreed to 4th delayed. delay consideration thereof, together with the consideration of the Overture from the Synod of London, till the meeting of the Assembly next year.

The fifth recommendation was read, and it was agreed to remit 4th and 5th the same, together with the fourth, preceding, and the Overture remitted.

of the Synod of London, to Presbyteries, to consider the same, of the Synod of London, to Presbyteries, to consider the same,

and to report to next Assembly. The recommendations of the Report, adopted, are as follows:-1. That Presbyteries take order that congregations send in

their Reports in good season, so that the Report of the Committee may be prepared in time for the Assembly. 2. That Presbyteries be enjoined to take such action as may be instrumental in leading congregations to the exercise of greater liberality, and especially to deal with those congregations who contribute nothing, or very little, to the various Schemes of the Church.

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That Presbyteries be earnestly recommended to deal with those congregations who are falling into arrears.

The recommendations of the Report delayed, and remitted to Recommendations

Presbyteries, are as follows:—

4. That the Statistical and Financial year run from first delayed.

January to thirty-first December, and that the Returns for next year be made up in this way.

5. That, in connection with the change in our ecclesiastical organization, the Presbytery Clerks transmit their Returns to the Clerks of their respective Synods on or before the first of February of each year; that the Synod Clerks compile therefrom a general Synodical Return, which they shall transmit to the Convener of the Committee of the General Assembly on Statistics, on or before the first of April in each year, and that said Committee compile from such Synodical Returns the Report on Statistics for the General Assembly.

There was added to the recommendations of the Report the Resolution following resolution, moved by Dr. Topp, duly seconded, and —Addition agreed to,—That Presbyteries be enjoined to see that regular to Report organizations for the collection of funds for the Schemes of the Church be formed and in working order in every congregation.

On motion made, and duly seconded, the Report on Statistics Report was adopted as a whole, and was ordered to be printed in the adopted as Appendix to the Assembly's Minutes, and in the HOME AND whole. FOREIGN RECORD.

# TO CONTINUE HALF AN HOUR AFTER TEN.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was, on motion, To sit half agreed to suspend the rule to close at ten o'clock, and to sit for an hour. half an hour longer.

The Moderator here left the Chair, which was taken by Mr. Moderator Proudfoot.

# RESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL WILLIS-REPORT ON.

The Report of the Committee appointed to draw up a Minute Prin Willis in reference to the resignation, by Dr. Willis, of his office as Prin-Minute on cipal of Knox College, was handed in and read. The Report was or received, and the Minute therein contained adopted, as follows:—

In accepting the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Willis, Professor of Systematic Theology, and Principal of Knox College, the Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church agree to place on record their high estimate of his personal, ministerial, and processorial worth. During a period of twenty-three years, his eminent talents have been fathfully and assiduously devoted to the teaching and training of candidates for the Christian Ministry. In the discharge of these duties, Dr. Willis has displayed a very comprehensive acquaintance with Theological Literature, and the history of Scripfure doctrine, and also a profound apprehension of Divine truth, and a deep research into all subjects connected with the proper ministration of the Gospel. A large number of the present Ministers of the Church have been trained by him, and the fact that many of these occupy very prominent positions in the Church, is conclusive evidence that their training has been

intrusted to one, who has efficiently discharged his duty, and that in those Ministers there is a living testimonial of the value of his instructions. In the discharge of his duties as Professor, Dr. Willis has faithfully carried out the wishes of the Supreme Court of the Church, while, at the same time, his labours as a Minister of the Gospel have been very abundant. Many of the Ministers of the Church, as well as the Christian people belonging to our vacant congregations and Mission Stations, can certify to the readiness and efficiency with which he has applied himself to that part of his Master's work, and to the edification which has followed his elucidation of Gospel truth. In the more private walks of life, Dr. Willis has been known as a Christian gentleman, marked by his courtesy and high sense of honour, while those, who enjoyed his private friendship, have been satisfied that in him much of his Divine Master is reflected. Further, the Assembly, in agreeing to the termination of Dr. Willis' connection with them, so far as the discharge of the active duties of a Professor is concerned, would express their sincere wishes for his welfare, and their unfeigned hope that he may be long spared to give to the cause of his Lord and Master the amount of service, that, at his advanced period of life, he may be able to render, and that finally he may, in the Great Day of the Lord Jesus Christ, receive the approving testimony, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Moderator took Chair The Moderator resumed the Chair.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

Systematic giving.

There was taken up and read an Overture adopted at a meeting of the Eldersattending the Assembly, on the subject of the systematic giving of our means to the cause of Christ, and praying the Assembly to take the whole matter into serious consideration, and to devise such means, and to give such instructions to ministers and office-bearers as may increase the liberality of the Church, and extend the cause of Christ in the land.

Dr. Holden

Dr. Holden was heard in support of the Overture.

Overture received. It was moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. R. Hamilton,—
That the Overture be received; and that a small Committee be
appointed to take such measures as they may think best to attain
the object contemplated, and particularly to prepare a pastoral
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Amendment. letter on the subject, to be read from the pulpits of the Church.
It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Ross, seconded by Mr.
D. Gordon,—That the part of Mr. Laing's motion giving instructions for the issuing of a pastoral letter be omitted.
A vote was taken, when Mr. Laing's motion was carried by a

Motion carried.

Committee
Appointed.

A vote was taken, when Mr. Lamg's motion was carried by a large majority, and the Assembly decided accordingly. The Committee under the resolution was then appointed as follows:—Dr. Topp, Convener, Mr. MgTavish, Mr. Reid, Dr. Holden,

Dr. McQuesten.
The Assembly adjourned—the Diet being closed with the Benediction.

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## TWENTY-FIRST SEDERUNT.

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KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

Thursday, June 16, 1870, 10, a.m.

The Assembly met-and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. John Gray and Mr. James Watson, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. The Moderator left the Chair, which was taken by Mr. Proud-read.

#### TENTH REPORT CN BILLS.

There was handed in from the Committee on Bills and Over-10th Report tures a tenth Report, which was read by Dr. Waters, the Clerk of of Comm

Dr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. D. McKay, that the Report of the Committee on Bills be received, and its recommendations Motion to

It was moved in amendment, by Mr. Thomas McPherson, and seconded, that the 11th item in the Report be taken up for consid-On a vote being taken the amendment of Mr. McPherson was carried, and the Assembly decided accordingly.

#### EVANGELISTIC DEPUTATIONS.

There was taken up and read an Overture from Dr. Topp and Evangelistic others, on Evangelistic Deputations; stating that it was desirable Deputathat special efforts should be put forth to awaken a deeper interest tions. in the minds of our people, especially in destitute localities, in regard to their spiritual welfare, and to acquaint them with the Home and Foreign Missionary operations of the Church, and praying that measures might be adopted to accomplish these ends

The Overture was received, and was referred to the Home Overture Mission Committee for consideration.

referred to Home Mission Com-EMPLOYMENT OF MISSIONARIES, ETC.

There was taken up and read, an Overture from the Synod of overture. Montreal on the employment of Missionaries. Dr. Taylor, Mr. Employment of Missionaries. Burton and Dr. MacVicar were appointed by the Synod to support stonaries. the Overture. Mr. Burton briefly supported the Overture. Mr. Burton

On motion it was agreed to refer the Overture to the Home Misheard. Referred to Home Mission Committee for consideration. sion Com

# STANDING ORDERS, ETC.

There was taken up and read, an Overture from Mr. J. Laing Standing and others, on the Standing Orders hitherto in use in the Courts Orders to of the Church, and praying that steps might be taken to have revise. those Standing Orders revised and amended.

On motion it was agreed as follows :- Receive the Overture, Resolution and remit the matter to the following Committee, with instructions remitted to to consider the same, and also to revise the Book of Forms, and Committee. if they see fit, to publish a new edition. The Committee to consist of the Clerks of the Assembly, the Clerks of the District

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Synods, the Clerks of Presbyteries, and Dr. Topp, Prof. Caven, W. Gregg, T. Lowry, Hon. J. McMurrich, Hon. A. Vidal, and Mr. D. McKay;-the Clerks of the Assembly to be joint Conveners.

#### WIDOWS' PUND-REPORT.

The Report of the Committee on the Fund for Widows and Widows' Fund. Port. Re- Orphans of deceased ministers, was presented and read, stating the number of beneficiaries now on the Fund ; the receipts and disbursements, during the year, with a statement of the present condition of the Fund.

The Report was, on motion, received, and the thanks of the Report received etc. Assembly were tendered to the Committee for their diligence.

#### AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

The Report of the Committee on the Fund for Aged and Aged and Infirm Ministers was submitted, and read by Dr. Thornton, the Convener. The Report gave the names of the present beneficiaries, and a statement of the condition of the Fund.

The Report was received. Report re-

It was moved by Mr. J. Laing, seconded by Dr. (Waters, and agreed Instructions to as follows:—Record satisfaction with the state of the Fund and its management; and in truct the Committee to deal with the case of Mr. Fayette according to the regulations adopted by the Church; and to put the name of Mr. Duff on the list, and pay him for the last six months; and give permission to make the grant three hundred dollars (\$300), in cases of pressing necessity.

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

Moderator took Chair.

Finance Re-There was presented and read the Report of the Committee port. on Finance, giving a statement of the accounts of the Church during the year. There was appended to the Report, the Report of the Auditors, stating that they had carefully gone over the Books of the Agent of the Church, and found them kept with

great care and correctness. Resolution. On motion, it was agreed that the Report be received and adopted; that special thanks be given to the Agent for the care and accuracy with which the accounts are kept, and to the Committee and Auditors for their attention to the finances of the Church.

#### HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

The Report of the Committee on the Home and Foreign Home and Foreign Re-RECORD was given in, and read by Mr. W. Gregg, the Convener. It stated that Mr. J. Campbell had been appointed Joint Editor, with a salary of \$200; that the circulation had increased between two and three hundred, and that the receipts had been \$2514.70, and the expenditure \$2508.90. The Report was received and adopted.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Sabbath Ob-The Report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was submitted and read, giving a brief statement of the operations of the Committee during the year, and recommending that another effort be made, and expressing the hope that, with the voice of [June,
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#### MR. GAULD'S PETITION.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the peti-Gauld.Mr. J. tion of Mr. John Gauld, anentarrears of salary claimed to be due to him by the congregation of Moere, within the bounds of the Presbytery of London, of which he was formerly Pastor, handed in a Report, which was read, setting forth that they had read all the papers submitted to them, and found that Mr. Gauld made a general charge, without stating particulars, and recommending that, in case Mr. Gauld shall persist in prosecuting this claim, he be required to furnish a statement in proper form, on which evidence may be taken, and forward the same to the Presbytery of London.

It was moved and agreed to as follows:—Receive the Report; Petition disand in view of statements made by Mr. Thompson as to the
results of an investigation held by authority of the Presbyter of
London, find that no ground has been shown for the claim, and
resolve to dismiss the gase.

Mr. David McKay asked and obtained leave to retire from Leave of further attendance during this Session of the Assembly.

# MANITOBA PRESBYTERY.

The Committee to whom it was remitted to frame an Act for Manitobs the erection of a Presbytery, under the name of the Presbytery of Presbytery Manitoba, gave in a Report, which was read.

Before any decision was come to on the Report, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Diet was closed with the Benediction.

### TWENTY-SECOND SEDERUNT.

## KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

# Thursday, June 16, 1870, 3, p.m.

The Assembly met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Robert Ure, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

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The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

# MANITOBA PRESBYTERY.

The Assembly resumed consideration of the business inter-Manitoba rupted by the adjournment in the morning, and took up the Presbytery Report of the Committee to frame an Act for instituting the Pres-Act. to bytery of Manitoba. The Report was received, and the Act embodied therein was amended and adopted, as follows:—Whereas the Assembly has decided to creet a Presbytery in the new Province of Manitoba, be it therefore enacted,—

1. That Messrs. John Black, John McNabb, Wm. Fletcher, and James Nisbet, Ministers, together with their Congregations and Kirk Sessions, be disjoined from the respective Presbyteries to which they belong, and that they shall form the said Presbytery, which shall be called the Presbytery of Manitoba.

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2. That the Rev. John Black shall be the first Moderator of said Presbytery, and that the first meeting thereof shall be held at Kildonan Church, Red River, on the first Tuesday of October, next ensuing, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

# APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSING-WHERE TO BE MADE.

Licensure of The Committee to whom it was remitted to consider whether Students-Where apapplications from Presbyteries, to take Students on trial for license, plication for leave to be should be made to the General Assembly, or to the District Synods, gave in a report, which was read. It was agreed to lay the Report on the table.

#### SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Sabbath Schools Re-The Committee to whom it was referred to frame a deliver-Schools Report—on the Report of the Sabbath School Committee, handed liverance on in a Report, which was read. The Report was received, and it

was agreed to consider its recommendations, scriatim. The first clause was read and agreed to.

The second clause was not adopted.

The third clause was, on motion, laid on the table.

The fourth clause was not adopted. The fifth and sixth clauses were agreed to.

The several clauses of the Deliverance, as adopted, are as fol-Deliverance adopted.

1. That the Report of the Sabbath School Committee be printed

in the Appendix to the Minutes of the Assembly. 2. That the preaching of occasional sermons to the young be

strongly recommended.
3. That Ministers and Kirk Sessions, in all their dealings with the young, keep prominently in view that the children of profes-

# sing believers are members of the visible Church. RECEPTION ACT.

Reception of Ministers. Revised Act

The Assembly called for the Report of the Committee to whom it was referred to revise the Act for the reception of Ministers, and have the same, as amended, submitted to this Assembly before ris-The Report was handed in and read. The Report was received, and it was agreed to consider the several sections of the Act embodied therein, seriatim.

The several sections of the Act were considered scriatim, and with amendments were adopted, and are as follows:-

# AN ACT FOR THE RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

1. Ministers of other Evangelical Presbyterian Churches, who hold and accept the Westminster Standards, in terms of the Articles of Union, and who come in the way of orderly translation, being pastors of settled charges, shall, on producing proper documentary evidence to this effect, be at once admitted as Ministers of this Church.

2. In case of application by a Minister or Licentiate to be received into this Church, such applicant shall not be received into full standing unless with the sanction of the Assembly.

3. Such Minister or Licentiate, shall lay before one of the Presbyteries of this Church documentary evidence of his good and lerator of be held October,

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10 i-1, 1-'S regular standing, at the date of his application. The Presbytery shall consider these documents, and the whole case, at an ordinary meeting of the Presbytery, and deal with the applicant as they may see fit, in the way of private conference, examination, and hearing of discourses, with the view of ascertaining his soundness in the faith, personal piety, knowledge, ministerial gifts, prudence, and propriety of deportment; and, if satisfied on these points, the Presbytery shall record their judgment, and appoint the applicant to appear personally at the next meeting of Assembly, and instruct their Clerk to issue circular letters, as early as possible, to the Presbyteries, in the usual form, and to transmit the application and relative documents to the next ensuing Assembly.

4. In the event of the Assembly granting permission, such applicant shall be received by the Presbytery and his name may thereafter be put upon the Roll of Probationers.

5. Provided always that no Minister or Licentiate thus received shall be inducted into any charge in this Church as pastor, until six months have elapsed from the time when leave was granted by the Assembly.

The Act as above written was adopted as a whole, and was Actremitted ordered to be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration, to teries.

#### INTERIM ACT RE-ENACTED.

The interim Act for the reception of Ministers from other Reception Churches into this Church, now in force, was, on motion, again Act, the former reenacted, ad interim.

# EVANGELIZATION OF FRENCH CANADIAN ROMAN CATHOLICS.

There was taken up and read, a petition from the Presbytery Evangelizaof Montreal, for a sum of money, from the Home Mission Fund, or French Canother sources at the disposal of the Church, for aiding in the adia Rom-Evangelization of French Roman Catholics, in the Province of an Catholics. Quebec.

It was, on motion, agreed, that inasmuch as the object contem- Resolution. plated by this petition has already been provided for, it is unnecessary to take action upon it.

# TEMPERANCE.

There was taken up and read, a Memorial from the Presbytery Temperance of Montreal, on the subject of Intemperance, praying the Assembly Overture. To recommend to Ministers to preach frequently upon this subject, of Montreal and to use such other means as may be in their power, to influence and mould public opinion, on the manifold evils induced by the use of strong drink.

There was also taken up a communication from a Temperance Letter from organization calling themselves "the Most Worthy Grand Lodge British Temof British Templars," praying the Assembly to adopt measures by plars. which the knowledge of Temperance principles may be extended, and the advancement of the Temperance cause promoted.

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After reasoning, if was agreed to approve of the object brought,
before the Assembly in these papers, and earnestly to call attention to
former deliverances of this Church upon this important subject.

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#### DEPUTATIONS TO OTHER CHURCHES.

Deputations The Assembly called for the report of the Committee on corappointed.

respondence with other Churches.

The Report was handed in and read, and on its recommenda-To Pres. Ch tions the following Deputations were appointed, namely:

To the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the connection with Ch. of Church of Scotland, Dr. Jennings. To Pres. Ch

To the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, Mr. William McLaren

Lr. Prov. To Pres. Ch. To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. To U. P. Ch. United States, to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and to the Synod of the Reform Reformed Church in the United States, Dr. Macvicar. ed Ch II S

To the several Churches in Great Britain and Ireland with which this Church is in correspondence, Dr. Willis.

# COMMITTEE ON DEPUTATIONS.

Deputations —Com. on.

On motion, it was agreed to appoint a Committee on Deputations, whose duty it shall be, while the Assembly is not in Sestions, whose day it shall be, write the Assambly, a roughly sion, to appoint and Commission Deputations from this Church to other Churches, when the same may appear to the said Committee to be seasonable and expedient. The Committee was mittee to be seasonable and expedient. The Committee was appointed as follows:—The Moderator, Dr. Topp, Messra W. Reid, W. Fraser, W. Gregg, Prof. Caven, Dr. Jennings, and the Hon. J. McMurrich.

#### MR. M'PHERSON'S REPORT.

U. P. Ch. MePherson's Report.

Mr. Thomas McPherson now reported, verbally, on his having fulfilled the appointment given him by the General Synod last year, as a Delegate to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, stating that he had waited on that Body at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in the month of May last, that he had conveyed to them the Christian salutations of this Church, and had met with a most cordial reception.

# DR. BURNS' REPORT.

Dr. Burns Report.

Dr. Burns reported, verbally, that he had discharged the duty intrusted to him, on Monday last; had waited on the Congrega-Congregational Union tional Union in this City, conveying to them the fraternal greetings of this Assembly, and that he had been very cordially received.

#### MEMORIAL-MR. CARRUTHERS.

Carruthers J. G.—Me morial of. Committee on.

There was taken up a Memorial of Mr. John G. Carruthers. The Assembly received the Memorial, and appointed a Committee, to take the requests of Mr. Carruthers into consideration, and take such steps in the premises as may most conduce to his interests, namely, Dr. Ormiston, Messrs. W. Reid, W. Gregg, R.

Dewar, Jas. Cameron. It was further stated that Mr. Carruthers asked for a certificate Certificate asked. Re of his character and standing as a Licentiate of the Church, with Presbytery. a view to his going to Scotland.

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#### STATED COLLECTIONS.

The Assembly ordered that in all congregations, in which Stated Cothere is no organized plan or association for raising funds for the lections ap-Schemes of the Church, collections be taken up for the several pointed, objects, on the days mentioned below.

1. For the Assembly Fund, on the 3rd Sabbath of July.

For the Widows' Fund, on the 3rd Sabbath of September.
 For the Kankakee Mission, on the 1st Sabbath of November.

4. For the Home Mission Fund, on the 3rd Sabbath of December.

Contributions for Knox College, not later than the thirtyfirst of January.

6. For Foreign Missions, on the 3rd Sabbath of March.

7. For the French Canadian Missionary Society, at such time as may be most convenient.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY.

The Assembly proceeded to consider the subject of the ap-manksgivmagnetic form of a day of Thanksgiving. After reasoning, it was in payagreed to leave it with the Moderator to name a day, at such
time as may be most convenient in the autumn, to be observed
as a day of Thanksgiving by the congregations of this Chhrch,
or, in concert with others, to take such steps, at his discretion, as
may lead to the maning of a day by the Government, which may
be observed throughout the country.

#### COLLEGES-PRAYER FOR.

On the motion of Prof. Caven, the Assembly recommended colleges that special prayer be made in our Churches, on the first Sabbath Payer for of October, on behalf of the Theological Institutions of the Church.

### ADDRESS TO GOVERNOR GENERAL

It was agreed, on motion,—That a loyal Address from this Assembly, be presented to the Governor General of the Dominion, Governor and that a Committee be now appointed to prepare and forward General. such Address, as soon as it can conveniently be done, the Committee to be as follows:—The Moderator, Convener; Mr. Gregg, Dr. Jennings.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK.

There was taken up and read an Overture on Evangelistic Evangelistic work transmitted by the Presbytery of London.

There was also taken up an Overture from the Presbytery of overtures Ontario, on the same subject.

On motion of Mr. R. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. T. McPherson, it was agreed, that a Committee be appointed to take into Remitted to consideration the whole subject of Evangelistic work, and report Committee to the next meeting of the General Assembly. The Committee to be as follows:—Mr. R. Hamilton, Convener; Prof. Caven. Dr. Topp, Prof. Young, Dr. Waters, Mr. J. K. Smith.

## DELAYED, ETC.

Overtures delayed etc.

The following papers were laid over for consideration at next Assembly, or were otherwise disposed of, as stated below: Overture from the Presbytery of Kingston, anent Sacred music,

delayed till next meeting, from the Presbytery of Stratford, anent a Summary of

Principles, laid on the table.

Anent the preparation of a Hymn Book, laid over for consideration at next Assembly.

Anent Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, laid over. from the Presbytery of Paris anent Manses, laid over.

from the Synod of London, on the representation of Pres-

byteries in the General Assembly, laid on the table. from Synod of Montreal on Female Education, laid over.

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#### THANKS.

Thanks.

On motion of Mr. T. McPherson, the Assembly agreed to record their thanks to the several parties under named.

1. To the Citizens of Toronto, members of this Church, and

other friends, for their liberal hospitality in entertaining the members of the Assembly.

2. To the Trustees and other office-bearers and Congregation of Knox Church, for the use of their Church Building for this 3. To the Directors and Managers of the Grand Trunk, the

Northern, the Great Western, and the Midland Railways, for their kindness in granting a reduction of fares to members of the Assembly while travelling on their respective lines.

The business being finished, the Moderator addressed the Assembly at length, and gave out for praise the last two stanzas of the 116th Psalm, which being sung, he announced that the next Assembly would meet at the city of Quebec, and within Chalmers' Church, there, on the first Wednesday in the month of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and then closed the Session with the Apostolic Benediction.

M. WILLIS, D.D., LL.D., Moderator.

WM. REID, M.A. Joint Clerks of the General Assembly WM. FRASER. of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

KNOX'S CHURCH, TORONTO.

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### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

### I. HISTORICAL RESUME.

The Committee on Statistics, in presenting their Report to the first General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, thinks that it may not be amiss briefly to trace the progress which the Church has made, not only since the period when the union of the two Churches now forming the Canada Presbyterian Church was so happily consummated, but also to note the growth of 'the two sections of the United Church for some time previous to that event. In this way some idea of the work which has actually been accomplished by the Church may be obtained, and some facts, both interesting and useful, presented, which may be used with effect at missionary meetings. By such means our people, in learning some of the progress which the Church has made, would come to have a deeper interest in its welfare, and become more faithful, self-denying, and zealous in striving to advance its interests.

Going back on the history of that branch of this Church, best known by the term "Free Church," we find that in 1844—the year of the "Disruption" in Canada—there were fifty-four congregations in connection with the Church, only thirty-two of which were in the position of settled charges. It is, however, to be noticed that only twenty-three ministers composed the Disruption Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, which was formed in Kingston; while, at a meeting of Synod held in Toronto during the same year the number had increased to thirty-two. The clerical members of the Disruption Synod now remaining with us are:—Messes, Duncan McMillan, Lobo; George Cheyne, Saltfleet; Donald McKenzie, Zorra; Daniel Allan, Stratford; William Meldrum, Harrington; George Smellie, Fergus; John M. Roger, M.A., Peterbore; William Reid, M. A., now Agent of the Church; Robert Boyd, D.D., and Henry Gordon, retired; and Thomas Alexander, M.A., Perey.

In 1849 the number of ministers had increased to sixty, giving an increase at the rate of nearly four per annum. In the same year the number of communicants was returned as 4,974; which, it appears to your Committee, must have been very much under-estimated. In the year 1860—the year before the Union—the number of ministers had risen to 158, showing an increase of nearly five per annum. At the same time the membership had grown to 22,501, giving an average increase of 834 members per annum. The total number of families had increased from 7,000 in 1851 to 17,414 in 1800.

The total amount of contribution in 1849, was \$21,130.00. In 1860, the sum had expanded to \$139,315.00, the average contribution per member, in the former period, being at the rate of \$4.25 per member, for all purposes, while in 1860 it had risen to \$8.00, thus showing, most clearly, that the Church had made great and encouraging progress; and that while the country increased in wealth, a sense of responsibility in the minds of the people had kept pace with increasing ability, when, in the course of twenty years, the average contribution of our people had doubled in amount.

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Let us now look at a few facts in connection with the history of the other branch of the Church. In 1834, on the first Thursday of May, the Missionary Ministers of the United Associate Syrod formed themselves, by authority of the parent Church, into a Presbytery called the "Missionary Presbytery of the Canadas." There were nine ministers members of that Presbytery, only four of whom now remain, viz: the Rev. Thomas Christie, Flamboro'; Dr. Thornton, Oshawa; Dr. Taylor, Montreal; and the Rev. Wm. Fraser, one of the Clerks of this Assembly.

The labours of these brethren were so abundantly blessed, that the Missionary Presbytery changed its designation, in 1844, and became known as the Synod of Canada, consisting of 18 ministers, thus showing that in the course of ten years the number of ministers had been doubled. At this time there were twenty vacancies.

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Thus, 26 years after the formation of the United Associate Missionary Presbytery, we find, the United Presbyterian Church, with a Synod composed of nine Presbyteries and a Synod roll of sixty-eight Ministers in charge of congregations, together with a considerable number of vacant congregations under the care of

At the time of the Union the total number of ministers on the Roll of Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Cuurch, was 226, while the number of ministers on the Rolls of the Four District Synods, at the opening of Assembly, was 294—giving an increase of sixty-eight, being at the rate of 7½ per annum, since the date of the Union.

In the year 1862, the year after the Union, the number of communicants ported, was 30,256; in the present year the number of communicants is 46,343, being a total increase of 16,087, or an average increase per annum of 1787.

In the matter of Finance, your Committee finds that the improvement is just as marked. Taking the one item of stipend, the amount raised in 1862, was \$174,466, being an increase in eight years, of \$72,867. Thus, from whatever point of view we regard the matter, whether that of statistics or finance, it is wanted to the contract of t manifest that great and satisfactory progress has been made, not only before but since the Union, which was so happily brought about in 1861.

### II. STATISTICS.

Passing aside from this more general statement, your Committee would note the fact, which is to be lamented, that not a few congregations send in no reports to your Committee, so that no estimate can be formed of the progress which they are making. In order as far as possible to meet the lack of statistics, a calculation was made for congregations not reporting, at the rate of seventy-five families and one hundred communicants to each congregation. This was also done last year. The calculation was made only for those congregations over which pastors are settled, no estimate being made for non-reporting congregations without settled pastors. It is believed that the approximation, instead of being over, is very much under the actual number of families and communicants in the congregations to which this reference is made.

It is highly satisfactory to notice that the Church still continues to make decided progress, notwithstanding the losses by death and removal. Deducting the number of ministers reported to your Committee on the 31st March, last year, 282, from 288, the number returned up to the same date this year, there is an increase of six ministers; while, singularly enough, the number on the Synod Rolls of the District Synods, is 294, one less than the number reported at the time

of the meeting of Synod last year.

The total number of communicants is 46,343, being an increase over last year of 1,468. In the number of families there has been an increase of 549, bringing

up the total number to 27,798.

Calculating that each family represents at least five persons, and including the number of single persons reported as not belonging to any of the families of the congregation, we get the large number of 139, 202 persons immediately connected with the Church. But this, it is believed, does not by any means cover the number over whom the Church has no snall influence.

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Regarding Sabbath Schools, 30,160 pupils were reported as in attendance, being an increase over last year of 2,544; while in the Bible classes the attendance is reported at 8,905, being an increase of 715. Adding these, we get the large number of 39,065 young persons, taught from Sabbath to Sabbath by a devoted band of faithful, self-denying men and women, numbering 3,272 teachers, while the number of volumes in the libraries of these schools is 79,445.

### III. FINANCE.

Turning to the department of Finance, we find that the total amount contributed for stipend from all sources is \$177,660.00, being an increase over last year of \$10,181.42. Striking an average for all the reporting congregations, we get as the average amount of stipend paid to each minister, from all sources, the sum of \$683.84, being a slight increase over last year of \$10.84.

It is a matter of regret to note that the amount of arrears is \$6,357, showing only a small decrease since last year. Your Committee is of opinion that some action should be taken by Presbyteries in regard to this matter, and would especially call attention to the large amount of arrears in the Presbyteries of Montreal, Ontario, Simoce and Durham. It is worth remarking in this connection, that the Presbyteries of Ottawa, Kingston, Hamilton and Paris report no

arrears to your Committee.

The prosperity of the Church is shown in the fact, that during the year no less than twenty manses and twenty-four churches have been built, and the large sum of \$116,638.28 has been expended on building or repairing churches and manses during the same period. Last year sixteen manses and thirty churches were reported as having been built, showing a diminution in the number of churches and an increase in the number of manses as compared with last year. Altogether, there is reported as belonging to the Church 154 manses, of which number the large proportion of thirty-six has been built during the past two years.

No more satisfactory proof of the progress which the Church is making, and of the increasing liberality of its people can be given, than the efforts which they are putting forth to erect spacious edifices for the worship of God, and comfortable residences for those who minister to them in holy things.

The total amount which has been raised for strictly congregational purposes is

\$364,314.29, being an increase of \$19,182.32 over last year.
It is with great pleasure that your Committee record the fact that there is an increase in the contributions to the principal Schemes of the Church, especially in the contributions to the College and Home Mission funds. There is an increase in the amount contributed to the College Fund of \$2,938.67, and to the Home Mission Fund, of \$447.87. It is believed that a much larger addition has been made than what is to be found in the reported returns. There is also a decided increase in the contributions to both the French Canadian and Kankee Missions, while not much difference is to be observed in the amounts given to the other Schemes

of the Church.

Your Committee this year\*sinserted a new column for missionary contributions from Sabbath Schools. The sums in that column show that the amount of
\$2,989.50 was contributed by our Sabbath Schools for missionary purposes. The
result is exceedingly gratifying, as showing not only what has been done, but
what may be accomplished by the children of our Sabbath Schools, when they are
thoroughly enlisted in the work of contributing to the cause of Christ.

There was also a new column placed in the statistical return for missionary accitations. It turns out that in the whole Church only 117 such associations have been formed. Your Committee is firmly convinced that if the Schemes of the Church are to be thoroughly worked, and the liberality of the people drawn out, it must be by such associations.

Summing up the results, we get the following as the amounts contributed during the past year:

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Your Committee would call attention to the fact, that not a few congregations contributed little or nothing for the Schemes of the Church. Many of them divided a few dollars among the various Schemes, with the desire, apparently, of saving the line against the name of the congregation from being a total blank, while some of the congregations have simply divided nothing among these Schemes.

The attention of the Assembly is called to the following particulars in connection with the contributions for the schemes of the Church. In one Presbytery, the total amount contributed to the Home Mission Fund was \$1347, of which sum four congregations gave \$1081, leaving the balance of \$2566 as the amount contributed by the remaining thirty-two congregations of that Presbytery, being at the rate of \$94 certs per member in the latter case, and 70 certs per member in the former. In the same Presbytery, \$5072 were contributed for the College Fund; of that amount, \$4764.95 were given by the four congregations to which Find 1 that amount, \$47.04.00 were given by the four congregations for maker reference has already been made. In another Presbytery, two congregations gave \$237 for Home Mission purposes, out of \$518 contributed by the Presbytery. These two congregations represent a membership of 506 out of \$629. Taking one example more: In a Presbytery consisting of twenty-four congregations and four mission stations, three congregations give to the College Fund \$939 out of \$1265

contributed by the Presbytery.

In the same way it might be shown, by many other examples, that a very great inequality exists in the relative amount contributed by our congregations, this difference depending not so much on the average amount of wealth or poverty of the members, as on the locality in which the congregation may be situated, a difference which, it appears to your committee, should not be so marked as that which actually exists.

### IV. RECOMMENDATIONS.

In conclusion, your Committee would beg leave to submit the following recommendations :

1st. To recommend to Presbyteries to take order that congregations send in their reports in good season, so that the report of the Committee may be prepared in time for the General Assembly.

2. That Presbyteries be enjoined to take such action as may be instrumental in leading congregations to the exercise of greater liberality, and ESPECIALLY, TO DEAL with those congregations who contribute nothing, or very little, for the various schemes of the Church.

3. Your Committee would most earnestly urge upon the Synod the necessity of impressing on Presbyteries the duty of dealing with those congregations who are falling into arrears.

4. That the Statistical and Financial year run from 1st January to 31st

December, and that the Returns for next year be made up in the same way.

5. That in connection with the change in our ecclesiastical organization, the Presbytery Clerks transmit their Returns to the Clerks of their respective Synods, before the first February of each year; that the Synod Clerks compile therefrom a General Synodical Return, which they shall transmit to the Convener of the General Assembly on Statistics, on or before the first of April of each year, and that said Committee compile from such Synodical Returns the Report on Statistics for the General Assembly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. WATERS, Convener.

# REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE OF THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR 1869-70.

The Committee, during the year, has carried on the work entrusted to it by the Supreme Court of the Church in the same manner as formerly, and, as the details which follow will show, with a good measure of success. The Prebyteries have also contially co-operated; and though in some instances more full information has been desiderated, on the whole the work devolving on Presbyteries is efficiently performed.

### 1. STATIONS AND CONGREGATIONS.

The tables in appendix 1 exhibit every mission station of the Church, as reported to the Committee; and those in appendix 2, every cognegation receiving supplement from the Central Fund. The reports are this year more satisfactory in form than in any former year. A larger number of mission stations, stateen in all, are reported with imperfect statistics; in many of these cases the reason why statistics are not given, is that they are new as mission fields lately put on the list, and, as yet, Presbyteries have not received full returns. The Committee would again urge the importance of the revision, by Presbyteries, of these lists at their first regular meeting after the Assembly, so that all changes, applications for grants, modifications of grants, &c., can be considered by the Committee at its meeting in October. The lists, as revised, form the basis for

the operations of the Committee during the current year.

From the summaries of the tables above referred to, we learn that, connected with the Committee or otherwise cultivated in connection with the Church, there are-mission fields, 90; preaching stations, 165; families, 2791; communicants, 2657. Supplemented congregations, 64; with churches, 82; families, 3,378; communicants, 4,500; or distinct fields, 154; places where worship is celebrated, 245; having 6169 families connected with the Church, and 7,167 communicants; and the average attendance, 19,309; allowing for the stations above referred to, whose statistics are not given, we may safely say that more than 20,000 souls on an average hear the gospel, while more than 6,000 families receive more or less the pastoral oversight of the Church in its Home Mission These mission stations and supplemented congregations received from the central fund about \$9,586, while they contributed, besides the board of mission-aries, \$27,828; that is, three-fourths of the support of the ministers and missionaries came from the people among whom they laboured, and one-fourth was paid from the Central Fund. The amount reported for building in mission stations is \$3,591, but this is very far short of the real expenditure, as many Presbyteries have given no report on this point. As compared with last year, we have an increase of 13 mission fields, a decrease in families of 53, in communicants of 20, and in average attendance of 304. As already explained, the decrease is only apparent, for if the stations not reported were included there would seem to be a real increase. On the other hand, the apparent large increase in the number of mission fields does not indicate advance in every respect, as four or five of these were at one time recognised as settled charges. It is pleasing again to note, that of the stations on the list last year, four have become settled charges; and four have, this year, been added to the list in consequence of the division of prosperous charges.

The supplemented congregations are in all 61—as against 64 last year. During the year 9 have been removed from the list, and 6 have been added. Of the nine removed, three have become mission stations, four have beene self-sustaining, and two have been joined with an adjoining station or congregation. This, on the whole, shows progress. Nine of the supplemented congregations have not ministers at present, and, considering the large number of self-sustaining vacancies that are now in the Church, this is to be expected. Still the Committee wishes Presbyteries to feel the importance of obtaining a fixed pastor-

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ate at many points, where, though our cause is meanwhile weak, there is ample field for earnest labour and good promise of ultimate success. The congregations added to the list are, with one exception, the result of progress, as stations have become congregations, or charges have been divided. It seems, however, advisable to direct attention to a danger which may arise from dividing charges, and so multiplying our supplemented congregations. The result of such action will be to withdraw our men from the more destitute localities for the supply of small charges on a most inadequate salary. During the year very satisfactory action has been taken by two Presbyteries to abate this evil, and to consolidate our interests by connecting weak congregations in one charge where practicable.

insterests by connecting weak congregations in one charge where practicable.

The Committee is happy to say that, owing to the efforts put forth by some Presbyteries in eliciting the liberality of the people, the grants have been reduced, in ten instances, to the amount of \$255 per annum, and in some cases have been discontinued; also, that a general desire seems to be felt to equalize the salary of supplemented congregations. However desirable it may be to secure the service of ministers in certain localities, the evils resulting from supplementing one or two favoured localities to an extent that makes the salary greater than that of some self-sustaining congregations, is fraught with danger. There seems also reason to fear that some congregations are allowed to expect a continuance of the supplement from year to year, while no effort is made to increase their contributions as they advance in temporal wealth and comfort.

The Committee has pleasure in referring to the work done by the Students' Missionary Society in several localities. They maintain some of their, number as missionaries in different and necessitous districts, and are greatly aiding in the good work; and, with the approval of the Assembly, the Committee will request a statement of these operations to be presented along with the Annual Report to the Assembly, so that all her mission operations may be before the Church at once.

### II. FUNDS.

Besides this there has been received during the month of May \$211.47, showing in the Treasury \$1,190.1 to meet the expenses of the summer half year. Thus the fund, as compared with last year, shows a decrease of balance on hand of \$117.74, that is, an excess of expenditure over income of \$117.74. This continued deficit must be considered by the Assembly.

The annexed table exhibits the transactions of the Committee with the several Presbyteries, and the comparative liberality of the Presbyteries:—

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We thus learn that, as compared with the previous year, there has been an increase in income of \$769.96, also an increase in expenditure of \$752.01. But, though the increase of income exceeds the increase of expenditure by \$17.95, the total expenditure exceeds the total income by \$804.76, and thus the balance on hand is reduced from \$1,306.75 last year, to \$501.99 this year. butions which have come in during last month, and the grant from Ireland, have, to some extent, replenished the treasury; so that about \$1,200 is on hand. But the fund will not be in a satisfactory state unless \$5,000 at least is in hand at the end of the year, so as to obviate the necessity of delaying payments in October; borrowing money, as was done last year, at an expense to the fund of \$45.00 for interest.

A pleasing advance is found in all the Presbyteries but five; and one half almost of the Presbyteries pay in more than they receive. Still, it is to be regretted that the Presbyteries of Brockville, Cobourg, Paris, Huron and Simcoe, show a falling off in place of an increase. The increase in expenditure is matter of congratulation, as in indicates an increased amount of work done; and the Committee would be glad to see a still further increase in this direction. Nevertheless, the expenditure must be regulated by the contributions received.

Though the average contributions of each Presbytery is not given, as formerly (as attention will be called to this matter by the Committee on Statistics), it still seems necessary again to direct attention to such facts as these. The Presbytery of Paris, with 3,243 communicants, only pays for Home Mission work \$411.45, or 12 cents per member. The whole Presbytery of Durham only sends \$70, and it includes more than 1,000 communicants. The Presbytery of Guelph only pays about 14 cents per member. The Presbytery of Huron does not give quite 10 cents, and Brockville a trifle over 14 cents. The general average is about 23 cents. At the meeting of October the Committee appointed eight ministers to visit as many of the Presbyteries and advocate the interests of the Home Missions. These deputations were well received in almost every instance, and the work was well done by them. The effect has already been apparent in some places, and the Committee expect to see more satisfactory results next year. The expense was \$131.92, and the labor was not light. The Committee are well pleased with the results, and think that a like course would be advantageous in another year. Many congregations are not acquainted with the work of the Church, and it is unquestionable that the cause of the contributions being so small is, in many cases, want of information about the work and interest in it.

The Church in Ireland has anew remembered us with a generous gift of £100, sterling, which the Assembly will doubtless duly acknowledge.

The Buxton Mission has again drawn heavily on the fund, in all \$502.50. This matter has at length been taken in hand by the Presbytery of Chatham,

and it is hoped that the mission can be provided for without drawing any further from the Central Fund.

At the close of the year 70 congregations and mission stations had not sent any contributions; which congregations these are can be ascertained from the Agent's Financial Report. Some have remitted since, but it will be well for the Assembly to give instructions to Presbyteries to examine into all such cases of

neglect or tardiness of remitting.

Last year the Committee suggested the reduction of supplements to the extent of 10 per cent., so as to equalize expenditure and income. After full consideration, however, it was resolved to go on for another year, in the hope that satestation, nowever, it was resolved to go on for another year, in the nope that additional zeal on the part of office-bears and greater liberality among the people may enable the Committee to meet all engagements. The attention of aid-receiving congregations is specially directed to this matter.

On the whole, the state of the fund is safe, although without a large increase

the mission work cannot be much extended, or the remuneration to missionaries

or ministers advanced.

### III. GRANTS IN AID.

The Committee has again to report additional grants during the year, and a few instances of increase of grants and supplements. On the other hand, some mission stations are now off the list, having become settled charges. The increased supplements, together with supplements granted for the first time, have increased the whole amount of supplements by \$70°. But reductions of existing grants have been secured to the extent of \$225; and deducting this from the increase, we have the whole liability of the fund increased by only \$445. A number of grants, however, terminate this year, and the responsibility of the Committee is not, all things considered, much increased during last year.

It seems proper to call the attention of Presbyteries to the necessity of making full enquiry before applying for grants or supplements. The responsibility lies in the first place with Presbyteries, and they should regard it as their duty to protect the fund against any claims but such as \*hey know to be good. It s. ould also be the constant endeavour of Presbyteries to prevent invidious comparisons by obtaining supplements for newly settled charges with stipends in excess of those of self-sustaining congregations.

The Committee regrets that they have not yet been able to make the mininum salary throughout the Church \$500. A large increase on the present contributions will be required before all our ministers obtain \$600, and yet this end should steadily be kept in view.

IV. Vacancers and productions and productions of the Church during the year, with information of interest so far as can be ascertained by the Convener; Presbyteries often failing to report their vacancies, and almost never giving intimation of a settlement. In all probability the table is, though not faultless as to dates, substantially correct. Last June there were on the list forty-five vacancies. During the year thirty have been added; in all there have been seventy-four vacancies; of these, two have become united with other congregations; forty-inine are still on the list, and there have been twenty-three settlements; of these settlements, seven were by translation: fourteen of Probationers whose names were on the list, and two of ministers not in charge. It is pleasing to think that no vacancy has been occasioned by inadequacy of support, although, doubtless, translations in some cases might have been promoted had salaries been more liberal. Falling health in several instances, and special circumstances in other cases, have occasioned both translations and one signations.

In Appendix IV. are given the names of all the probationers who have received appointments during the year. Last year eleven were on the list when the Report was given in; eighteen have been added since. In all, there are thirty-nine. Of these, fourteen have been settled during the year, nineteen names now on the list, and the names of six have been removed. Only one Probationer is in his third year, and of those who are in their second year of probation, some have been prevented by sickness or other cause from fulfilling appointments, and the others have had calls in their offer. These facts show clearly that the object contemplated by the Assembly in the plan which is in operation is being attained.

Complaints are made, not without ground, that some places are reported as vacancies which are not ready to call a minister, and thus the time of probationers is wasted and their money spent in travelling, while they are not at all likely to be settled in the places visited. True, those places should be supplied; but it would be better, as far as possible, to supply them as mission stations, and not by probationers, till they are strong enough to give a call; and Presbyteries would find it for their own advantage, as well as for the comfort of probationers, to attend more carefully to this matter.

Another ground of complaint is, that the better vacancies of the Church do not receive the men whose names are on the list, but are allowed to supply themselves with ministers in charge and others, to the manifest injury of those who take appointments regularly. This is an evil, although, as represented above,

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Church do oply themthose who ted above, it is exaggerated. As a general rule, probationers get their turn in these better vacancies, and it is only when there is no supply provided that other ministers get a hearing. It will be well, however, for Presbyteries to look carefully into this matter. Even as a pecuniary consideration, it is most unfair that the ministers who travel regularly through the Church and visit the smallest vacancies, should be excluded from their fair share of the more liberal renumerations for services which the larger congregations afford; and it is discouraging to ministers of ability to find good vacancies virtually closed against them, and more than a fair share of the small and disagreeable left for them, while others, who refuse to go on the list, visit none but good vacancies and obtain better remuneration. No compulsion should be attempted, but everything should be done to make a place on the list of probationers, as far as possible, free from unpleasantness and disconfront, or a feeling of being unfairly used.

The Committee would again urge on Presbyteries to see that vacancies deal literally with the probationers, so that while no one shall receive less than the minimum, \$6 per week, with board, as often as may be the remuneration shall

exceed that sum.

### V. MISSIONARIES.

In Appendix V. will be found a list of all the Missionaries employed by the Church during list year. It contains the names of eight ordained ministers, one licentiate, nine lay catechists, thirty-three students in Theology, twenty student catechists, and fice Theological students from Princeton—in all seventy-size.

This is four ministers, one licentiate, one lay catechist and one Theological student fewer than last year, and eight student catechists more than last year.

The work done has been satisfactory. The chief want in our mission works efficient men who will go into our mission fields for a lengthened period. When this is obtained, the results are generally satisfactory. But the Committee is aware that in order to this the salary of a missionary in a new and poor district must be secured to him, and be made at least equal to that of a minister in a settled charge. This matter seems to be of sufficient importance to receive the careful consideration of the Assembly.

### VI. REMARKS.

In the Eastern Presbyteries nothing has occurred during the year deserving particular notice, except the successful cultivation of a Mission Station at Mile End, near Montreal. There are mission fields of great interest in the Province of Quebec, and adjoining the River Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, for which little or nothing can be done. These fields do indeed present difficulties, owing to the small number of Protestants that can be assembled in any one neighbourhood, the isolation of those Protestant communities, or the great distance from other communities, which might add in maintaining ordinances, and the effects of Inmbering operations in withdrawing the male portion of the community from their homes for months at a time. Nevertheless, those places should not be overlooked or abandoned, and every effort should be put forth to meet the peculiar wants of the Fastern part of the Church. The Presbytery of Brockville also needs fostering care if any mission work is to, be accomplished. It is to be regretted that permanent supply has not yet been obtained for the mission district on the Hastings Road. The Presbytery of Kingston experiences no little difficulty in overtaking its extensive field. The mission field around Minden is being successfully cultivated, but want of missionaries has prevented the Presbytery of Cobourg from prosecuting the mission work in the eastern part of their bounds. The Presbytery of Ontario has taken steps for onward movement in itsnewer settlements, and is employing more labourers.

In the Presbytery of Toronto, a portion of the Mission Field continues in a feeble and stationary condition. Some of the Stations are at once weak and isolated, and for the most part the changes in population, which are continually going on, appear to affect them unfavourably as regards both numbers and efficiency. Their very weakness, however, gives them an additional claim on the sympathy and aid, in sustaining the means of grace, of the stronger congregabeen regularly and efficiently supplied during the year. Orangeville and Mono Mills, without a Minister at the date of last Report, and again reduced to the rank of Mission Stations, form now a prosperous pastoral charge, under the care of Rev. Wm. McConnel. Cheltenham and Mount Pleasant, two Stations which were organized little more than a year ago, continue to sustain ordinances without assistance, and have, during the year, so increased in numbers, that they our assistance, and mive during the year, so increased in numbers, that they expect in a few months to be in a position to call a Minister. The principal advance, however, made during the year, has been in the Eastern district of the City of Toronto. For several years, the Toronto Sabbath School Teachers therein have been carrying on Sabbath School operations in that part of the Mr. Breckenridge, one of the students, has conducted, also, a weekly Sabbath evening service for the last two summers, under the superintendence of the Home Mission Committee, and performed much useful visiting in the district; and during the two winter seasons, the Students' Missionary Society of Knox College have undertaken the evangelistic work connected with visiting and holding a Sabbath evening service, and have in this way rendered most efficient and wholly gratuitous aid to the Mission. The rented building, however, was quite unsuitable to either Sabbath School operations on a large scale or the formation of a congregation. Accordingly, the Teachers' Union have erected during the year a neat, commodious, substantial brick church, with basement, at a cost, including the site, of over \$4,000. There is still a considerable portion of this amount unpaid, and the basement only has been finished in the meantime; but even with these drawbacks, the erection of such a building in that part of the city, the general interest it has excited, and the amount of christian work which the whole enterprise has called forth, has been one of the most gratifying circumstances in the history of Presbyterianism in this city. It is too soon to speak with con-Service is now conducted regularly on the morning and fidence of the results. evening of the Lord's day, and the attendance, in the meantime, is about four times as large as it used to be, reaching often to 200 persons. The attendance times as large as it used to be, reaching often to 200 persons. The attendance in the Sabbath School has also increased. There are 190 children on the roll, and about 120 of an average attendance, with fifteen teachers connected with the congregations in the city. A marked change for the better is observed in the conduct of the children since the school was opened, some years ago. Profanity and intemperance abound in the district, where, however, not a few truly Christian people are also found. The gathering of an efficient congregation there, should that be, through the blessing of God, accomplished, will be one of the most gratifying triumphs which the Presbyterian Church has achieved in this country. It may be mentioned, in conclusion, that after the opening of the Church a series of continuous services were held each evening for a whole week by ministers and students, it is believed not without good results.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton, three has been decided progress. The Mission Stations of Welland, Crowland and Port Colborne are now formed into a self-sustaining pastoral charge. Silverhill, also, associated with a newly formed station, is now a settled charge receiving supplement. There is a prospect of Vittoria soon being provided for in a similar way. Drummondville and Chippawa are now self-sustaining. A new station has been formed and a church built at Cavuga, with good prospects. At Fort Erie and Ridgeway, Mission Stations have been established. Barton Stone Church has been united to Ancaster village, and these together form a self-sustaining congregation—while Ancaster East and West are hopeful mission stations. The Presbytery of Simcoe presents, however, the most encouraging aspect. Mission work is being successfully carried on in the Muskoka district. Three missionaries are employed there this summer, and all reports are favourable. The Presbytery has, however, been much tried by the inefficiency and want of success of the ordained missionary who was sent there to labour. In other parts of the bounds there has been progress also, and two new mission fields have been begun. The Presbyteries

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The work on the whole presents a pleasing and encouraging appearance, and there is a loud call for more men and more means to prosecute effectually the

great work to which God is calling this Church.

### VII. SUGGESTIONS.

The Committee has received no information by which it can be determined how far the recommendation of last Synod, that missionary organizations should be established in all the congregations, has been complied with. The Assembly will have an opportunity of looking into this when the Reports of Presbyteries on this matter are submitted, and the Committee begs leave to suggest and urge the necessity of this recommendation.

Reference has been made to the visit of deputations to some of the Presby-The Committee suggests that the Assembly shall give instructions in this matter, and that arrangements be made for laying the interests of our Home

Mission work fairly before all our congregations.

The Committee desires to be directed by the Assembly as to whether any more money shall be paid from the Central Fund for the Buxton Mission. A joint meeting of this Committee and the Foreign Mission Committee was held in October, and due consideration was given to a proposal to place the mis-sions in British Columbia, and in the Red River Territory or Manitoba, under the care of this Committee. The Committee are of opinion that if this should be thought advisable, steps must be taken to secure a large addition to the mission funds, and that it may be necessary to separate, in their management at least, the supplemented congregations and the mission stations.

The Committee is of opinion, that while the report of the operations of the Committee on distribution of Probationers and Vacancies, should be contained as now in the H. M. Annual Report, a small district committee or a sub-committee should be appointed to attend to this matter.

Respectfully submitted by

Toronto, June 9th, 1870.

JOHN LAING, Convener.

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9. Dorchester.

6. Komoka.

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Stephen and Hay
Port Albert &c. Bruce Mines Collingwood Mt. Sarawak, Bigbay, &c. N. Sullivan. Total..... Carrick Congregation.

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APPENDIX 1.—MISSION STATIONS,—(Continued.)

APPENDIX 1.—SUMMARY.

Amount paid by H. M. Committee during year.																		324 00	4086 20
Home Mission Grant per Sabbath.								13 00										16 00	167 25
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Amount paid by Stations during year.	69	188 92	181 40	289 00	572 40	66 12	200 00	250 00	295 00	90	99	25	8	00	147 50	221 00	51 00	772 86	6241 00 3
Amount to be paid by Stations.			16 50					24 50										17 00	181 00
Number of Sabbaths supplied.		154	93	88	160	96	62	272	86	13	125	35	381	82	155	84	38	217	2142
Attendance at Bible Class and S. School.		13	91	:	171	120	:	327	7.2	06	130	24	330	30	32	:	90	15	1519
Attendance at Prayer Meetings.	-	18	58	:	:	16	30	15	13		12	12	187	47	89	40		110	209
Communicants.		141	305	506	230	123	12	278	11	15	164	53	389	53	06	42	184	331	2857
Families Adbering.		118	210	190	292	122		197	62	15	142	27	385	69	228	180	170	384	2791
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APPENDIX II.

# LIST OF SUPPLEMENTED CONGREGATIONS.

PRESBYTERY.	MONTREAL	e								OTTAWA				BROCKVILLE
Congregation	1 St. Sylvester, &c	2 Richmond3 Linewick		5 Mille Isles			8 Bay of Chaleur	9 Lancaster		1 Dalhousie	2 Pakenham	o Cumberland		1 N. Gower & Gloucester 2 W. Winchester
NAME OF MINISTER.	James Hanran	John Mackay		John Irvine	Vacant	Thos. Fenwick	Wm. Scott	Vacant	Total	Vacant	***		Total	N. Gower & Gloucester W. Lochead
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Communicants.	91	100	:	64	34	29	43	:	452 1	22	28	22	138	126
Attendance.	146	140	48	150	150	83	337	:	1254	160	20	140	370	150
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STRATFORD	1 Elma-Centre	Robert Renwick		H ::	780 00 300 00 800 00	65	124 169 72	200	10 10 10 1-10	400 00		100	0 00	
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## APPENDIX III.

### VACANCIES-1869-'70.

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Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Put on list.	Settled.	Still on List.	Name of Minister.
MONTREAL8	Roxburgh and Finch	July, '67.		1	
	Vankleekhill Cote St., Montreal New Glasgow, &c	Oct., '67.	Nov. April.		William Grant. R. F. Burns, D.D.
	Farnham	Jan., '69. March, '69. Oct., '70. Oct., '69. Oct., '70. July, '67.		1	
	Inverness	March, '69.		1	
	Dalhousie Mills. &c	Oct., 70.	1	1	
TAWA8	Cumberland	Oct., '70.		1	
	Dalhousie	July, '67.		1	
	McNab	Aug., '68. Jan., '69. April, '69. Oct., '69. Oct., '70.		i	
	Bristol	Jan., '69.	April.		A. M. Tait.
	Aylwin	April, '69.		1	
	Nepean	Oct., '70.	1	1	
ROCKVILLE5	Spencerville	April, '68.		1 '	
	Yonge and Lyn W. Winchester	Nov., '68.		1	
	Kemptville	April, '69.	July.		Wm. Bennet.
INCOTON 4	Brockville	Oct., '69.	- my.	1 1	Jan Donney
INGSTON4	St. Columba Ch., Madoc Camden and Sheffield	July, '67.		1 1	
	Glenvale	Oct., '67.		1	
opoung 0		Oct., '70. April, '68. Nov., '68. Oct., '68. April, '69. Oct., '69. July, '67. April, '70. Oct., '67. July, '69. Oct., '69. June, '68. Oct., '68.	December.		James Barron.
/BOURG2	Perrytown, &c Lakefield	April, '69.		1	
STARIO5	Claremont and Pickering	June. '68.	Nov.	1	W. Peattie.
	Whitby. Newton and Newcastle.	Oct., '68. Jan., '69.		1	
	Beaverton	Jan., '69.	Sept.		A. Cross. D. Cameron.
		Oct., '69.	Feb.		H. Currie.
RONTO4	Newmarket, &c	April, '69. Oct., '69. July, '67. Oct., '68.		1	an outro.
	Crangeville, &c	Oct., '68.	Nov.	1	W. McConnell.
	Milton and Roston Ch	April, '68.	Nov.	1	w. McConnell.
AMILTON4	Thorold	April, '68. Oct., '67. Oct., '69.	Nov.		S. C. Fraser.
	Welland			1	
	Silver Hill, &c	Dec., '69. June, '68. July, '68. April, '69.	Dec.		G. Chrystal.
ARIS	Woodstock, Ersk. Ch	June, '68.			Un'td with Kx. Ch
	Ayr, Stanley St Norwichville	July, '68.	Dec. Nov.	- 5	Walter Inglis. J. Robertson.
	Paris, Dumfries Ch		2001.	1	J. Robertson.
	Ingersoll, Ersk. Ch Mount Pleasant	"		1	
	Ratho and Innorkin	April. '70		1	Un. with Brantf'd
UELPH4	Guelph, Chalmers' Ch	April, '70. Oct., '68. April, '69. April, '70. April, '70. Jan., '70. Oct., '69. July, '68. Oct., '68.	Oct.	1	Thos, Wardrope.
	Elora, Knox Ch	April, '69.			Thos. Wardrope. A. D. McDonald.
	Union Ch Galt	April, 70.		1	
TRATFORD 2	Avonton	Jan., '70.		1	
ONDON 5	Burns' Ch Detroit	Oct., '69.		1	a
on Don	Parkhill	Oct. '68.	Aug.	1	G. Milligan.
	Lucan and Biddulph		March.		John Lees.
	Carlisle	Oct ten	July.	. 1	John Rennie.
HATHAM 2	Eng. Set. & Proof Line E. Tilbury	Oct., '69. April, '68. Oct., '69. Oct., '67.	1	1	
		Oct., '69.		1	
TURON6	Seaforth	Oct., '67.		1	
	McKillop	Oct. '68.	March.	1	John Anderson.
	Clinton	June, '68. Oct., '68. Oct., '69.	maren.		F. McCuaig.
	Lucknow Kincardine W. Ch			- 1	

### APPENDIX III. - VACANCIES - (Continued.)

Presbyteries.	Congregations.	Put on list.	Settled.	Still on List.	Name of Minister.
	S. Keppel. Bigbay, &c. Collingwood Mt. Owen Sound Carrick	Oct., '69.	Sept.	1 1 1	D. J. McInnes.
	Stayner Carluke and Ivy Bradford, &c	Jan., '70. April, '70. July, '67.	Dec'r.	1	D. B. Cameron.
Total18			22	47	

### APPENDIX IV.

### LIST OF PROBATIONERS.

NAME.	Put on list.	Settled.	Withdrawn.	Still on list.	Remarks.
1 John Rennie 2 D. Davidson	April, '68. Oct., '67.	July.		1	
3 D. J. McInnes		Sept.		1	
4 W. Troup	April, '68. July, '68. Oct., '68.	Sept.		1	Name withdrawn
5 D. Sutherland	July, '68.		April.		3 months.
6 J. Barron	Oct., '68.	Dec'r.			
7 J. P. Baikie			1	1	Unwell for 6 mths.
8 W. Furlong	July, '68.			1	Name withdrawn
9 H. Currie	Oct., '68.	Feb'y.	1		6 months.
0 D. Cameron	* "	Dec'r.	1		30,000,000,000,000
1 N. Clarke	Jan., '69.			1	
2 A. Cross	April, '69.	Sept.			
3 W. Bennett		July. Nov.			ĺ
4 W. Grant	July, '69.	Nov.	1		
5 A. Allan 6 A. Melville	July, ob.		April.	1	1
7 W. Inglis	1.0	Dec'r.	April.	1	
8 J. B. Taylor	**	Dec 1.		1	
9 W. Peattie	16	Nov.			
0 H. Blair	**		April.	1	3 months unwell.
1 H. Thomson	**	}		1	o months an mon
2 J. Lowry	**		16		Name dropped.
3 R. Stevenson	"	100		1	
4 W. McConnell		"	1.		
5 J. Robertson					
6 A. Urquhart	Oct., '69.				
7 A. Rowat		Dec'r.		1	
8 G. Chrystal	**	B Dec 1.			
9 M. Lowry 30 H. Leutzinger	**		1	1	
31 W. Ross	Jan., '70.		Jan'y.	1	i
2 P. McLaren	oan., 10.		pan y.	1	1
3 A. M. Tait	44	April.	1		1
34 C. C. Stewart	April, '70.	-apare	1	1	
35 D. Stewart	March. '70.	1		î	
86 R. Fleming	April, '70.	1	1	1	14
37 J. Stewart	11	7	1 -	1	Not fulfilling ap'ts
38 J. A. S. Calder	"			1	
9 Dr. Hamilton	**		4	1	

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D. J. McInnes.

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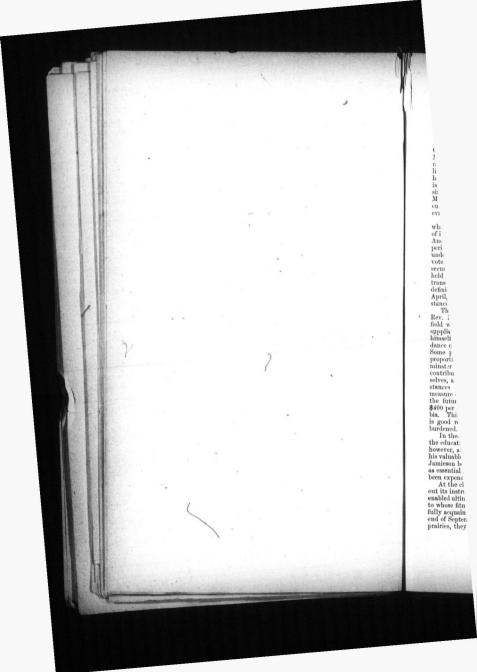
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### APPENDIX V.

- LIST OF MISSIONARIES.
- - rrest, P. McLaren, R. Shaw, A. Henderson, M. Turnbull.

    4. STUDENTS—(1) Theological.—J. Baikle, J. Breckenridge, H. J. McDiarmid, W. A. McKay, T. Ritchie, P. Wright, J. Abrahann, G. Bruce, G. Bryce, T. McKee, A. McRae, P. Scott, J. Cameron, J. Campbell, E. Cockburn, M. Danby, W. Kay, Z. C. McCormick, R. Pettigrew, J. Cochrane, J. W. Day, R. H. Hoskins, J. McAllister, H. McGregor, J. McIntyre, D. H. McLennan, T. McLeed, N. McPhee, R. McRae, G. Munro, H. Sinclair, J. Wellwood, R. Whillans
    - (2) Catchists.—W. Armstrong, G. Baptie, J. J. Black, J. R. Gilchrist, R. D. Fraser, T. Thompson, D. Caswell, W. Armstrong, J. Bryant, N. Currie, S. Fisher, R. W. Leitch, D. R. Millard, F. A. McAlmon, D. McDonald, P. Mackay, G. G. McRobbie, E. Panton, J. Patterson, G. Smith ....

Total Missionaries......76



### REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

In presenting to the first General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Chief a Report of the work done during the year in the department of Foreign Missions, your Committee regret that they are not able to make a statement more worthy of the occasion, and of the resources of the Church. All that the limited means placed at the disposal of the Committee enabled them to undertake has been done. They are deeply sensible how trilling the work they have attempted is as compared with the wide-spread destitution of the heathen world, and they sincerely trust that the Assembly will not rise until the subject of Foreign Missions has been carefully considered in all its bearings, and means devised to culist more fully the sympathies and energies of the Church, in the work of evangelizing the heathen.

The work entrusted to your Committee is only in part of that character within is usually placed in the department of Foreign Missions. A large portion of it is more nearly allied, if not absolutely identical Wisth. Home Mission work. And your Committee are persuaded that it is absolutely essential to the prosperity of Foreign Missions, that this department of their work should be placed under the care of some other committee, and that they should be allowed to devote their attention exclusively to work among the heathen. With a view of securing this object, a conference was, according to the instructions of "Synod, held in October last, with the Home Mission Committee, in reference to the transference to them of the work in British Columbia and Red River, but no definite conclusion was reached. It was agreed to hold a second conference in April, to discuss the matter more fully. Owing, however, to unforeseen circumstances, this meeting was not held.

There is nothing very special to report in reference to British Columbia. Rev. Messrs. Aitken and Jamieson have been labouring on in that difficult field with their usual ability and fieldity. During the year, Mr. Aitken has supplied the Nanaimo and adjoining stations, while Mr. Jamieson has devoted himself to New Westminster and the stations in its neighbourhood. The attendance on the means of grace seems to be about the same as in former years. Some progress has been made in both places in secking to raise a more adequate proportion of the amount necessary to support Gospel ordinances. New Westminster now promises to raise the sum of \$700 per ainum, and Nanaimo is contributing at the rate of \$400 yearly. These sums, though small in themselves, are a decided advance on former years, and when the number and circumstances of the people are taken into account; indicate a very considerable measure of liberality. Rev. Wm. Aitken has also generously offered to reduce the future expenditure of the Mission still further, by giving up the sum of \$400 per annum of the salary promised to him when he went to British Columbia. This Mission must for a long time to come be an expensive one, but there is good reason to hope that in future the Canadian Church will be less heavily burdened.

In the course of the year Rev. R. Jamieson, anxious to return to Canada for the deducation of his family, tendered his resignation to the Committee. He has, however, at the request of the Committee, withdrawn his resignation, so that his valuable services are secured for a season to the Colony. Messrs. Aitken and Jamieson both consider the continuance of two missionaries in British Columbia as essential to the prosperity of the work there, on which so much has already been expended.

At the close of last Synod, your Committee took immediate steps to carry out its instructions to send an additional minister to Red River. They were canabled ultimately to secure the services of the Rev. John Mannablo, of Lucknow, to whose fitness for the work the highest testimonies were borne by those most fully acquainted with him. Mr. and Mrs. Macnable heft for Red River in the end of September, and, after a somewht severe and trying journey across the prairies, they reached Red River just as those troubles broke out which have

since practically closed the country against Canadians. After receiving from Messra. Black and Fletcher a cordial welcome, and consulting with them in reference to the portion of the field he should occupy, he entered at once on his work. Making Little Britain his head-quarters, he has preached also at Headingly and other stations. More recently he has spent some time at Portage La Prairie and adjoining stations on the Assineboine. On his way down, he reports dispensing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at Headingly, where three names were added to the Communion Roll. The total number on the Roll at this station is 23. At Little Britain, where the ordinance of the Supper was also recently dispensed, four names were added to the Roll, which numbers 39. At this station 45 adhering families are reported, and the church is found to be too small. Of Mr. Macnabb's labours we are glad to hear the most satisfactory accounts. He is working with diligence, fidelity and growing acceptability.

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While your Committee did not feel themselves called upon to do anything directly to promote the education of the youth of Red River, they have not been insensible to the importance of having a good school or seminary, in which, under wholesome ecclesiastical and religious influences, the young people connected with the Presbyterian Church may secure the elements of a superior English and classical education. The want of such a seminary has long been felt in Red River. During the past year urgent letters were received by the Committee from Rev. Messrs. Black and Fletcher, asking them to send out a superior teacher, and who should also, if possible, be a preacher or catechiat. The people at real River guaranteed a salary of \$400 to the teacher. The Committee felt so strongly the importance of complying with this request without delay, that they agreed to select such a teacher, and, in the event of their obtaining one who could also act in the capacity of a fatechist or preacher, to supplement his salary for the missionary services rendered to the extent of \$200 per annum, and to pay his travelling expenses to the field. After careful enquiry, they were led to select Miner, of St. Mary's, a young gentleman in every way qualified for the position. With the highest reputation as a successful teacher, &t., Whimster was also known as a very efficient missionary catechist, having laboured with much acceptance in that capacity within the bounds of several of the western Presbyteries.

Mr. Whimster reached Red River at the same time as Rev. John Macnabb, and has devoted himself chiefly to the school. He has, however, preached with much acceptance in some of the neighbouring mission stations goice every Lord's Day. The school has realized all the most sanguine expectations of its friends. It numbers nearly minety pupils. In addition to instruction given in all the ordinary branches of a good Common School of the higher older, there are three Latin and two Greek classes. Rev. J. Black takes charge of the higher classes in Latin and Greek, teaching one class in each language daily. Mr. Whimster, with the assistance of an efficient staff of monitors, is able to overtake all the other classes in the school. Rev. Messrs. Black and Fletcher both speak in the highest terms of the success and efficiency of the school. It may be mentioned also that there is reason to hope that several of the promising youths who are studying in this school will yet devote themselves to the work of the Gospel ministry.

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Of the labours of Rev. Wm. Fletcher, it is less necessary to speak at length, aw he is now in the country, and the General Assembly will doubtless desire to hear from his own lips fuller particulars than could be embodied in this Report. Suffice it to say, that up to the month of March he laboured with his usual energy and acceptability in the field. In the early half of the year, prior to the arrival of Messrs. Macnabh and Whimster, he preached two weeks in succession every Sabbath at three stations, viz., Portage La Prairie, High Bluff and Poplar Point, holding three weekly meetings between the Sabbaths. The other two Sabbaths in the month he preached at Headingly in the morning, Winnipeg in the afternoon, and Kildonan in the evening. By this arrangement Rev. J. Black was enabled to give a measure of supply to Little Britain. The second half of the year Mr. Fletcher confined himself almost wholly to the stations in

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the Portage La Prairie country. Owing to the recent disturbances at the Red River, Mr. Fletcher has, at the request of the people, returned to Canada, where it is hoped his presence has been useful. A soon as order has been re-established, Mr. Fletcher will be prepared to return to his work. Rev. J. Macnabb has, since Mr. Fletcher's return to Canada, visited Portage La Prairie, and he and Mr. Black will, with the aid of Mr. Whimster, endeavour in the meantime to supply as far as nossible the entire field.

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Rev. James Nisbet has been prosecuting his work among the Red Indians on the Saskatchewan with his wonted energy and zeal, and, although there are no very remarkable spiritual results to report, there is good evidence that an important preliminary work has been accomplished in removing prejudices from the minds of the antives, and in leavening the understandings of many of the Indians with the truths of the Gospel.

In summing up the work already accomplished, Mr. Nisbet, in a paper which has been widely circulated in the Church, says, "As the practical results of our three and a half years' mission work, I may state that six adult Indians have been baptized, (three men and three women) and thirty-six children, (fourbeen being Indians;) two of the men and three of the children have since died; five Indians have been admitted to the table of the Lord, while several others, who were formerly connected with the Church of England, are on our Communion Roll. On the Communion Roll there are 23 names; of these 8 are Indians, 10 partly Indian, and 5 Scotch. One marriage between Indians has been celebrated with Christian rites. These are small results for the time spent, and yet we may not despise the day of small things. God may have greater things in store for us, if we are only faithful to the work. Both with old and young it is up-hill work, and in this aspect of it we have no greater obstacle to contend with than the liquor traffic, by which we are every now and then annoyed. It is something to be alarmed at to have a lot of drunken Indians pushing their way into every room in one's house, but we are thankful that most of them have sense enough to keep away from our house when they get liquor. When will the Canadian Government be able to protect us from this evil.

"The children are for the most part quick tempered and impatient of correction; at home they are under no control, for Indians think it the height of cruelty to correct a child. Our only confidence in the work is that God can remove mountains of difficulty, and make His cause to prosper amidst every sort of hindrance."

Mr. Nishet pleads carnestly for a second ordained missionary to co-operate with him. Coald another missionary be sent, one of them might travel with the natives on the plains, while the other remained in charge of the mission at Prince Albert. Your Committee believe that it is very desirable to carry out this plan as soon as practicable, but they are satisfied that the present state of the funds does not warrant any additional expenditure in connection with this mission. And they believe the establishment of a mission to some other portion of the heathen world should first be undertaken, as more likely to invest the missionary operations of the Church with varied interest, and call forth the liberality of the people.

The state of the funds has been a source of much anxiety to the Committee, and matters are now in that position that something must be done without delay, either to decrease largely the expenditure of the Committee or to augment greatly its income. Your Committee have done all they could to bring the expenditure within the income, but they cannot effect impossibilities

penditure within the income, but they cannot effect impossibilities.

The receipts and disbursements for the year, to which special attention is called, are as follows:—

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Balance from last year	986	91	
Received from congregations &c., &c	5526	26	
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During the year your Committee have, according to instructions, corresponded with the Committees of the Free Church, the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland, and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, to secure their co-operation and aid in the British Columbia and Red River work. No response has yet been received to these letters, owing probably to the comparatively late period at which they were sent.

Your Committee have not felt that in the present state of the funds anything could safely be done in the way of embarking in a new missionary enterprise among the heathen. They are happy to state, however, that among the students in our colleges are several promising young men who purpose devoting themselves to the work of evangelizing the heathen, and who, in the course of a

few years, will be available for the work.
Your Committee, sensible of the importance of the work, and impressed with the conviction that the whole subject in its present position demands full and careful consideration, leave it in the hands of the General Assembly. Respectfully submitted by

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# REPORT OF THE KANKAKEE FRENCH MISSION.

During the past year, the operations of this mission have been carried out with much zeal, and been attended with gratifying results.

Evangelistic services have been effectively sustained in the neighborhood of St. Anne's and Kankakee, by Mr. Chiniquy and the other missionaries, with occasional visits to new fields of labour.

The congregation at St. Anne's continues in a flourishing condition. attendance on divine ordinances has been exemplary. About 60 members have agrenance on driver outnances as were exempinary. About 00 members have been added to the Church, chiefly from among the young who have given good evidence of their faith and piety. Several whole families have been reclaimed from the Roman Catholic Church, and others are known to be on the point of parties from the form of the point of the point of parties of the point of parties from the Roman Catholic Church, and others are known to be one well assurance. The Subbath School has been expensed and the point of the point of parties of the point o

is made an efficient means of religious instruction, and promises to be still more largely attended and more efficient for good in the time to come, by the exertions of one of our students who possesses special qualifications for this work. The attendance at present is about 200, of whom 75 are adults. The schools have been conducted this year with very gratifying efficiency, notwithstanding the drawbacks to which they were subjected, by the prevailing destitution of the means of living among the people.

The attendance has averaged about 120 nupils, and they have been instructed in the usual branches of a good citucation. Icligious exercises, such as prayer reading the Bible, and learning the shorter chatechism, have been daily attended to. Two examinations were held during the year—one by the public school inspector and school trustees, another by the Rev. Dr. Jennings as representative of the Committee, and in both cases the pupils acquitted themselves in a very satisfactory manner, and the order of the school was all that cold be desired. This year has been one of very manifest progress in education. Some stimulus was given to diligence by Mr. Chinlapuy promising, at the winter examination, to give articles of clothing to both boys and girls in exchange for school tickets. The clothing was much needed, and the liberality of christian friends enabled Mr. C. to provide an ample supply of useful garments, to the amount of \$400. The result was most beneficial. The children worked hard, their progress was manifest, and they had the satisfaction of receiving the bounty of kind friends as the reward of their diligence.

The schools continue to be united with the common schools. The trustees appoint and maintain one teacher, and meet the expenses of fuel, books, and other school requisites. So far, this arrangement has worked satisfactorily, and is beneficial to our work. Mr. Lafontaine has acted as principal of the College, with a zeal and ability worthy of all commendation. His services have been unitiring. Not only has he been assiduous in teaching, but has also done a large amount of evangelistic work. During Mr. Chiniquy's necessary absence, he has conducted the worshin in the abundant.

conducted the worship in the church with much profit and acceptance. During part of the year, he has been assisted by Mr. Therrien, of whom the Committee's visitor speaks in terms of approbation. Three teachers have thus done the work of instructing about 180 pupils, to the satisfaction of the examiners. We have thus been giving a christian and liberal education to the young of St. Anne's and its vicinity, and so fortifeing them gamine both Propersympt 1883-118.

Anne's and its vicinity, and so fortifying them against both Popery and infidelity. In the month of January last, Mr. Chiniquy was invited by the French Canadian Missionary Society, of Mohtreal, to visit the province of Quebec, and preach to the French population there. This invitation, with the consent of the Committee, Mr. Chinquy accepted. The result was most beneficial. A long visited for and frequently solicited opportunity was thus at last, in the providence of God, alforded to our devoted and pervises brother, to make known the gopet to his countrymen in Lower Canada. His services in Montreal and other places drew crowds of Roman Catholics. Great interest was awakened. He was assailed by infuriated mobs of people, and his life threatened. By the good providence of God he was able to brave this persecution of Popery, suffering only slight injury to his person. Mr. Chiniquy's work having thus proved so remarkably successful, he was requested to spend six months in Lower Canada, under the auspices of the French Canadian Mission. Application was accordingly made to the Committee, and to the Presbytery of Chatham, to sauction this arrangement. This they cordially did, on the distinct understanding that the French Canadian Mission should make suitable provision for Mr. Chiniquy's support and expenses. Mr. Chiniquy having made arrangement for the supply of his pulpit, went, accordingly, to Montreal in March last, and has continued to labour among the French people with the most gratifying success. Many invitations were extended to him to peach throughout the country. One hundred ant wenty-five Roman Catholics, almost all of whom are heaks of families, have given him their names as renouncing the errors and fellowship of the Roman Catholic Church; and many more are shaken in their old faith, and prepared to follow the example of the others. There is no abatement of interest in the work, but rather an increasing spirit of inquiry extending among the people. The question of Mr. Chiniquy's continuing his labours in

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can be no doubt that a wider field is open to him there than in the west, and that his influence among the people is extensive and great. He is willing to work according to the measure of his strength among his countrymen in the East, and to place himself at the disposal of the Church, in which he hopes ever to remain a minister.

The Committee have no opinion to offer as to what the Assembly should do in Providence sense to have directed us as a Church to come to the aid of an interesting and important mission, at a time when it was in great perfl, and fears were entertained that the work of reformation, so auspiciously begun, was about to be arrested and destroyed. They have been able to bring the mission out of great confusion, to organize its operators, and to establish it in a position of considerable strength, and able to extend its influence among the people around them. The people are united to us by ties of strong affection. They feel and know that we are their friends, and confide in our wisdom and affection. Whatever we may recommend they will loyally respect, believing that we will not advise any course that will not be for their spiritual welfare.

As regards the congregation at Kankakee, where Mr. J. H. Paradis has been stationed for the past year, the Committee find most gratifying progress. The congregation under Mr. Paradis' judicious and able services has been consolidated and enlarged. The congregation formetly connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States, after fraternal conference with the people under our care, agreed, on terms that were satisfactory, to unite as one Church in connection with us. This was the act of the people themselves, under the influence of mutual Christian affection. It has been attended with good effect. An increased spiritual vitality has been the result, and considerable efforts have been made to bring Roman Catholies to the Protestant faith. Mr. Paradis reports that the Sabbath School is in a flourishing condition, and attended by increasing numbers of French Children.

As to the 16 French students for the ministry from St. Anne's, it is gratifying to report that five have been attending the classes at Montreal, and have conducted themselves with commendable propriety and diligence. They have enjoyed the instruction of Professor Coussirat in French. A special report on this question will be given by the Board of the Montreal College.

Several other students have been attending the Institute at St. Anne's with a view to the ministry, and will in due time be prepared to enter on the course of collegiate study.

As to the finances of the Mission, the Committee find that the actual receipts for the past year from all sources were \$3,438, or \$183 more than last year. Our expenditure was \$5,628, or \$549 less than last year. There is a balance due the Treasurer of \$189, slightly less than the balance of last year. The expenses for Students, it may be noted, are partly for the end of last year, and partly for the beginning of this. The expenses, while at Montreal, have been borne by the Fund contributed by this Church to the French Canadian Mission. During the past half year there has been no expenditure for the education of students; an onthing is at present due under this item, unless it be that the Board of Montreal College has some claim on the Committee for an amount of about \$400 expended on the outfit of the students at the time of their going to Montreal. Those students are now all employed in various parts of the East, and are doing a good work, the details of which will be furnished by the Montreal College board.

Information was from time to time given to the Committee of great distress, on account of the entire failure of crops in St. Anne's and adjoining towns for the past year. Evidence of this fact and of great distress among the people was presented to them. They did not, however, deem it necessary to take any action as a Committee on this matter, leaving it to Mr. Chiniquy to make such appeal to the general public as he should think needful. Considerable contributions were sent, both in money and clothing, from friends in Canada, the United States, and specially from Nova Scotia. These contributions were all acknowledged in

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In conclusion, the Committee would express their sense of the Divine goodness for the measure of comfort with which the mission work entrusted to them nies for the measure or comort with which the mission work character to seem has been conducted, and the ample prosperity which has attended the labours of the missionary. They trust that the French mission work will more and more receive the liberal and affectionate regard of the Church. It is a work that eminently belongs to us as a Church. The people are nearly allied to us, and nearly a million of them lie within our own borders. There is no work to which in Providence we are more manifestly called. Encouragement enough has surely been given us to prosecute this work with all our might.

ALEX. F. KEMP,

June 11th, 1870.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KNOX COLLEGE.

The Board of Management of Knox College have much pleasure in reporting to the General Assembly that the utmost harmony has prevailed in all their deliberations, and that a very encouraging measure of success has attended that special department of the Church's work which has been intrusted to them. The Board have to report to the Assembly that on the 17th day of August, last, immediately after his return from Scotland, the Rev. Robert Burns, D. D., Emeritus Professor of Church History, was removed by death. The Board have entered upon their minutes an expression of the severe loss sustained by the College and the Church in the removal of their venerable and revered father, whose eminent gifts, enlarged experience, and unwearied zeal rendered his serviees especially valuable in every department of Christian and philanthropic work.

The Board have also to notice, with regret, the more recent death of Mr. Thomas Willing, who for many years has conducted the Boarding Establishment in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express the sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express the sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express the sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College, and they desire also to express their sympament in connection with the College and the College thy with his family, bereaved by so sudden a stroke.

At the meeting of Synod held in June last, the question of the endowment of Knox College was remitted to this Board, and they were instructed to mature a plan and report the same for the consideration of this Assembly, or to take immediate steps to proceed with the endowment, if the way seemed clear. case minimate sueps of proceed with the endowment, if the way seemed a clear.

A Committee was accordingly appointed to mature a plan, and report at an adjourned meeting of the Board, to be held on the 23rd November, last. A draft of an endowment scheme was prepared and submitted to the adjourned meeting, but after full consideration of the whole subject, the Boarl agreed to delay in the meantime, on the ground that it appeared, from reports from/various quarter. ters, that the financial state of the country was less favourable than had been anticipated. The Board beg leave now to commend the whole subject of Endownent to the General Assembly, believing that if possible there should be no further delay in securing this most desirable object.

For an account of the College work during the Session, the Assembly is referred to the report of the Senate, which is herewith transmitted in which the Principal and Professors severally report regarding the progress made by the students, and as to the result of the examinations. In the Theological department, there were 29 Students in attendance, the same number as last year, of whom 8 were in the senior, 11 in the second, and 10 in the junior class. Thirtynine Students were enrolled in the Preparatory department, exclusive of those

taking a full University course.

The attention of the General Assembly is specially called to the fact that some of the students have been in the habit of attending classes in the University and Knox College at the same time, and that the Professors in Knox College

have again and again stated in strong terms that this course is unfavourable to the progress of the students in their Theological studies. The Board recommend to the Assembly to enact that students be not permitted to attend classes in University College and in the Theological department at Knox College at the same time.

The Board, impressed with a sense of the importance of such means of preparatory training as have been for the last two years made available in the College, recommend to the Assembly the propriety of endeavouring to secure the services of the Rev. George Paxton Young A. W. as a regular property.

recomment to the Assembly the prophrety of enteavouring to secure the services of the Rev. George Paxton Young, A. M., as a regular Professor in the College, In reference to the Funds of the College, your Committee have much pleasure in reporting that the sum received for the ordinary fund has been \$6636.53, being an increase of \$972.68 over last year. The expenditure for this year has been \$6630.492, showing a balance of expenditure over income of \$167.76. There is also a sum of \$831.03 due to Professors, making the total indebtedness of this fund \$998.79. The debt due last year was \$2009.25; so that it has been reduced this year by \$1010.46. The Board beg leave to express their gratification at this result, and their hone that the whole data was now he was a sum of the second of the seco

tion at this result, and their hope that the whole debt may now be wiped away. In reference to the Endowment Fund, the amount on hand at the beginning of the year was \$4940.00. There has been received during the year \$1000.00, being the amount of Mr. Gillies' bequest, and also interest on money invested, \$300.00. Of this amount \$184.40 has been paid on account of interest on Beach-ville debt, being the last payment on that account; \$115.60 has been paid to the Ordinary Fund, leaving a balance now at interest of \$5040.00.

The Board have gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of \$500.00 from the Estate of the late Mr. William Dunbar, through the Rev. John Dunbar, executor, for the purpose of founding a bursary, to be called the Dunbar Bursary. Mr. Lindsay, of Limehouse, has intimated his purpose of giving, for a series of years, a bursary of \$40.00 per annun, to be connected in some way with the memory of Dr. Burns. There has also been received, as a bequest from the late Mr. Gillies, the sum of \$1000, to found a bursary to be called the GILLIES' BURSARY. We have also to acknowledge with gratitude the receips of \$500 from Mrs. Dr. Burns, for the purpose of founding a bursary to be called the BONAR BURBARY.

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# KNOX COLLEGE-SENATE REPORT, 1870.

The Senate, when called to report the results of another session of College labour, had pleasure in noticing the very considerable number of Students, Theological and Preparatory (70 in all), who are in attendance in the various classes, and in congratulating the Church on a probable considerable accession to the staff of its spiritual labourers.

The Senate has reason to hope that the class, consisting of eight, which has now completed its course of attendance at College, will be found qualified to give satisfaction on probation by the Presbyteries, and by God's blessing to render valuable ulterior services in the Church's Mission field.

The Divinity Students in all numbered thirty; the students who matriculated in the Preparatory class (1st, 2nd and 3rd years), amounted to forty. One student of the 2nd Theological year was by serious indisposition detained from his class for a large proportion of the session; though now, under the favour of good Providence, progbered to a fire measure of basis.

good Providence, recovered to a fair measure of health.

The classes of Systematic Theology were conducted by Dr. Willis; that of Exegetical Theology and Biblical Criticism, by Prof. Caven. The class in Pastoral Theology and Church Government was taught by the Rev. Mr. Proudfoot, and the Preparatory classes were instructed by Mr. Young. These gentlemen also report favourably of those giving attendance on their prefections.

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The various other Professors reports certain other details of work done in their respective departments.

In respect to the vacancy in the Church History Class, the Senate obtained the consent of the Principal and Prof. Caven to take a joint charge in that department, in the way of superintending the studies of the young men—the students of the 1st and 2nd Theological classes. These gentlemen held at least students of the 1st and 2nd Theological classes. These gentlemen held at least one weekly meeting with these students: Dr. Willis taking charge during the

first part of the Session, and Mr. Caven during the latter.

In this department, as well as in the other, the students were tested at the close of the Session by examinations in the usual way; and the papers returned show that very considerable opportunities of acquainting themselves with the history of the Church were enjoyed, and taken advantage of to some good effect

by the young men in attendance

The Senate remark with satisfaction the growing interest on the part of young men in the study of Elocution, or in the cultivation of the art of Sacred reading. They were provided, from the Gibb Fund with the services of an Elocution master during part of the Session, and during the remaining part Dr. Willis held weekly meetings specially for such sacred readings, for the benefit especially of Theological Students proper; and he reports their good attendance on these opportunities; and that some of the students in the Preparatory class also attended voluntarily.

In addition to all this, the students among themselves, in their Literary and Metaphysical Society, gave large place in their arrangements to the art of reading and pronouncing suitably—by their own spontaneous liberality supplementing the prize funds for the encouragement of proficiency in this branch of

education, at the disposal of the Senate.

This naturally introduces the mention of the awards of Scholarships and prizes

in the various departments.

The Knox Scholarship was awarded to Mr. George Burnfield; the George The Knox Scholarship was awarded to Mr. George Burnfield; the George Scholarship to Mr. Jan. Buchanan Scholarship to Mr. E. Cockburn ; the Bayne Scholarship to Mr. Jas. Frase; the Godie Scholarship to Mr. George Bryce; the Harris Scholarship to Mr. W. A Mackay; Loghrin do, to Mr. P. Wright; the Gaelic, first to Mr. A. McRae; second, to Mr. G. Smith and Mr. J. Urquhart; the Beardmore Scholarship ships—the Burns, Fisher and Hall—were awarded without competition,

Two prizes given by the Scottish Reformation Society, were gained: first, by Mr. J. Breckenridge; second, by Mr. Goodwillie; the MacKay prize (sacred

reading), by G. Burnfield.

As formerly, the Students were employed in occasional Missionary work during the winter. The Senate endeavoured, as far as it was possible, to limit the demands on the time of the young men for such services according to the rule agreed on by the Synod.

It is still found to be a still more important drawback on the effective application of the Students to the work of the College classes, that in some cases the attempt has still been made to conjoin attendance at the University with the the attempt has sun deen made to conjoin archaemance at one of aversity with the studies proper to our Theological curriculum. The influence of this is decidedly unfavourable, especially when the whole work of any given year is attempted by the same student in both Colleges.

It only remains for the Senate to report that the Monthly Prayer Meeting on Saturlays has been kept up with the same regularity as formerly—attended

both by Professors and Students, and the fulness of the number on such occasions pleasingly evinced the application by the members of the various classes of this part of our arrangements, so important in a School in the training of candidates for the service of the Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted. .

M. WILLIS.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

WESTERN SECTION.

The Board of Examiners, for the Western Section, beg to report, that the following Students were examined and their examinations sustained :

#### THEOLOGICAL CLASSES.

I. First Year:—1, James Fraser; 2, Robert Pettigrew; 3, Edward Cockburn; 4, David Winters; 5, Zachary McCormick; 6, James Stewart; 7, Wm. Ray; 8, Mark Danby; 9, Jas. D. McKay; 10, John Campbell.

II. Second Year:—1, Thomas McKee; 2, George Bryce; 3, John Abraham; 4, Wm. Rothwell; 5, Peter Scott; 6 Alex. McKae; 7, John K. Battisby; 8, John Somerville; 9, George Bruce; 10, John Goodwillie; 11, Alex. McLaren. III. Third Year:—1, H. J. McDiarmid; 2, Thomas Ritchie; 3, John Gray; 4, Jas. Breckenridge; 5, W. A. McKay; 6, John Baikie; 7. Peter Wright; 8, George Burnieg; 5

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#### LITERARY CLASSES.

First Year:—1, John A. McAlman; 2, John Ratcliff; 3, Wm. Frizzell;
 D. McNeil; 5, Sam Acheson; 6, James Fraser; 7, John Carmichael; 8,
 Donald McRae; 9, James Stewart.

II. Second Year: -1, Gilbert McRobie; 2, Hugh M. Kellar; 3, Jas. Urq hart; 4, Peter McKay; 5, William Martin; 6, James Bryant; 7, Robt. W. Leitch; 8, Donald Fletcher; 9, Peter Nicol; 10, Gilbert Smith; 11, Simeon Fisher; 12, Alex. Stewart; 13, David McLeod; 14, Thomas Johnston; 15, D. M. McKerracher; 16, John Hill; 17, John Burnet; 18, Isaac Campbell; 19, G. W. McKay: 20, R. Beattie.

III. Third Year:—1, David Millard; 2, Alex. Gilray; 3, David Johnston; 4, D. McDonald; 5, Neil Currie; 6, D.L. McKechnie; 7, E. D.C. Vincent; 8, J. McClung; 9, Robert Gunn; 10, Ebenezer Panton; 11, Missel Paradis.

The following are the University Students to whom Scholarships were awarded by the Board of Examiners : I. First Year ;-1, Mr. J. S. Stewart ; 2, Mr. J. McDiarmid ; 3, Mr. C. H.

Fletcher. II. Second Year :- 1, Mr. P. Straith ; 2, Mr. J. J. Black ; 3, Mr. Wm. J. Reid.

III. Third Year:—1, Mr. H. H. McPherson; 2. Mr. W. Rothwell. IV. Fourth Year:—1, Mr. W. Armstrong; 2, W. Kay.

The "George Buchanan Bursary" was awarded to Mr. E. Cockburn.
The "John Knoz Bursary" was awarded to Mr. G. Burnfield.
The "Bayne Bursary" was awarded to Mr. James Fraser.

The Board of Examiners beg further to report that although they have no funds on hand for Scholarships, they have ventured to give notice that ten will be awarded to successful competitors next October. They are confident that the Church will see the importance of encouraging Students to take a full University course, by contributing the funds necessary for meeting the claims of the ensuing year. It is to be regretted that in former years the contributions came from only a very small number of the congregations. It is hoped that a large number will contribute in the future.

> WILLIAM GREGG. Chairman of Board of Examiners.

Toronto, 9th June, 1870.

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# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE PRESBYTE-RIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL, FOR THE SESSION 1869-70.

The Report of the Senate, and the audited balance-sheet of the Treasurer. hereto appended, exhibit the present condition of the College, and the results of the work of the past Session.

The Board observes with pleasure an increase in the revenue, and a marked

increase in the number of students, as compared with last year

The amount now paid and invested for the Endowment Fund is \$19.326.07: Scholarship Endowment Fund \$925.24; Ordinary Annual Revenue \$2,692.51 Annual Scholarship Fund \$700; Annual Bursary Fund \$444; Library Fund \$160; and French Canadian Fund \$1,879.64.

The balance in hand in favor of the Ordinary Revenue Fund is \$607.79. which sum is exclusive of several contributions sent in after the Treasurer's

books had been closed for the year.

The amount realized for the training of French and English-speaking attudents is insufficient to cover the necessary outlay until the next annual collection is received. This funds derived, according to the decision of last Synod, from all the congregations of the Church, and is distinct from the ordinary revenue of the College, which is obtained from the Presbyteries of Montreal, Brockville and Ottawa. The Committee of the Kaukakee Mission offered, through their Convener, to aid in furnishing clothing and outfit for the French students, but that Committee has not been able, as yet, to implement their engagement. In order to the continuance and extension of the work of training such students, a marked increase of liberality throughout the Church in supporting it is indispensable.

The Board took no steps during the year to increase the Endowment Fund beyond collecting instalments due on subscriptions already obtained. This was partly owing to the movement in Montreal to enlarge the Endowment of McGill College, which effort the Board heartily desired should prove successful. Should the General Assembly resolve at its first meeting to proceed to endow Knox College, the Board desire a similar resolution to be adopted respecting this College

The following recommendations are respectfully submitted for approval by the Venerable the General Assembly :

1. That the Rev. J. M. Gibson, M.A., be appointed Lecturer on Exegetics for next session

for next session.

2. That the Rev. D. Coussirat, M.A., B.D., be appointed Lecturer in French Literature and Theology, and such other subjects as the Senate may direct, at a salary not less than (\$1,200) one thousand two hundred dollars per annum; and that the Presbytery of Montreal be authorized to place his name upon its roll.

3. That the Board be empowered to engage a Lecturer in Church History, should the services of such be required, next session.

4. That the General Assembly provide for the payment of the salary of Mr. Coussirat, and for the support of French students, as last year, and direct the Presbytery of Montreal how such students are to be employed and paid during College recess.

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5. That the General Assembly direct the Board what action is to be taken in the case of the five young Frenchmen, mentioned in the Report of the Senate, viz.: Messrs. Amaron, Forcier, Mousseau, Des Islets, and Montreuel, who have applied to be admitted as students in the College, and in the case of others who may make a similar application.

All which is respectfully submitted.

F. W. TORRANCE, Acting Chairman.

Montreal, 3rd June, 1870.

#### REPORT OF THE SENATE OF THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE. MONTREAL-SESSION 1869-70.

STAFF OF INSTRUCTORS.

Rev. D. H. MacVicar, LL.D., Professor of Systematic Theology and Apologetics; Rev. J. M. Gibson, M.A., Lecturer in Exegetics; Rev. D. Coussirat, M.A., B.D., Lecturer in French Literature and Theology: Rev. A. De Sola, LL.D., Lecturer in Hebrew and Oriental Literature.

NAMES OF STUDENTS AND STANDINGS ACCORDED THEM BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

First Year Theblogy .- R. Whillans, J. Wellwood, J. Macalister, B.A., D. D. MacLennan, J. MacIntyre, R. Mackenzie, B.A., G. Munro, J. C. Cruickshank, H. Sinclair, M. Hutchison, and R. H. Hoskin.

Messrs. Cruickshank and Mackenzie were, after a few weeks, obliged to withdraw from classes on account of ill health; but they hope to be able to resume their studies next session. Mr. Hutchison passed the Christmas Examinations, but was subsequently unwell and absent from lectures. Mr. Hoskin sed Examinations in Junior Apologetics, Systematic Theology, Hermeneutics, Homiletics and Moral Philosophy; but is required to undergo a supplementary

ramination in Latin, Greek, Hebrew and Natural Theology, before being admitted to the classes of the second year theology.

Second Year Theology.—D. H. MacLennan and F. MacLeod.

Third Year Theology.—Kenneth MacRae.

The following Students, with the hearty concurrence of the Senate, prosecuted their studies under the same theological standing as they had the year previous, viz.:—Messrs. Kenneth MacRae, third year; F. MacLeod, second year: R. Whillans, J. Wellwood, and D. D. MacLennan, first year.

The following Students are prosecuting their literary studies, under the direction of the Senate, some of them as matriculated and some as occasional Students, at McGill College, viz.:—J. W. Day, John Cochrane, John McGirr, D. Campbell, Hugh McGregor, Norman McPhee, and J. A. McMartin. FRENCH STUDENTS.

T. Brouillette, E. Peltier, N. Labelle, J. Langellier, E. Brouillette, and F. Rivard.

These Students pursued the following branches of study, under the care of Prof. Coussirat, viz.:—Latin; First Division, Homee, Ars Poetics; Second Division, Grammar and Epitome Historie Sacne; Greek, First Division, Epistle

Division, Grammar and Epitome Historia Sacre: Greek, First Division, Epistle to the Hebrews; Second Division, the Gospel according to St. John; French Composition, semi-weekly Essays, and Principles of Literature; Rhetoric, Invention and Disposition. In addition to the above, the gentlemen named attended classes in Algebra, Geometry, Logic, and Apologetics.

The following young men, who speak both French and English, apply to be admitted as Students of the College, viz.:—Calvin Amaron, Jacob Forcier, Clement Monsseau, M. Des Islets, and M. Montreuel. Four of them have attended three sessions in the School at Pointe-aux-Trembles, and M. Montreuel have wassed three sessions in a college at Three Rivers. They all give evidence has passed three sessions in a college at Three Rivers. They all give evidence of talent and piety, and strongly desire to devote themselves to the work of the ministry. The Senate respectfully request the Board to transmit said names to the General Assembly, and to petition the Assembly to make the necessary. provision for meeting the expense of training them for the ministry.

#### EXAMINATIONS.

The usual written examinations of all students were held at Christmas, and immediately before the close of the session, the results of which, in the case of each student, were recorded in the minutes of the Senate. The printed examination papers are herewith presented to the Board. Frequent and careful oral examinations of all the classes were held during the session.

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The Senate call attention to the special facilities to be enjoyed in future for the study of the Hebreu language in connection with the college. The Rev. A. De Sola, Ll.D., Professor of Oriental Literature in McGill College, has kindly engaged to conduct classes in Hebrew, additional to those at the University, for the special benefit of our students. These classes, through the generosity of Dr. De Sola, are to be free of expense, both to the College and to the young men attending them, to be carefully adapted to the atteinments and necessities of students, and to be in all respects under the immediate supervision of the Senate.

#### ELOCUTION.

All the students of the College received one lesson per week, during the session, in Elocution, from Prof. Andrews, of McGill University, and attended two special courses of lectures in the same subject, by Prof. Taverner.

In addition to fees paid by students for this course of valuable instruction, the Senate acknowledge, with thanks, the following sums, generously contributed by the persons named:—Joseph MacKay, Esq., fifty dollars; A. McGibbon, Esq., ten dollars; Hon. Justice Torrance, ten dollars; Hugh MacKay, Esq., ten dollars; Mrs. Redpath, Terrace Bank, ten dollars; and Alexander Walker, Esq., five dollars.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS.

Fifteen scholarships were offered for competition at the beginning of the

session,—and the following are the results of said competitions:—

1. Fifty dollars, by the Scottish Reformation Society, and Jos. MacKay, Esq., for the best written examination in the principal tenets of the Church of Rome, viewed in relation to Protestant theology. Successful competitor, J. C. Cruickshank.

2. Twenty-five dollars, by the same parties, for the second best written examination in the same subjects. Successful competitor, D. H. MacLenan.

3. Fifty dollars, by Mrs. P. T. Ross, for the best written examination in Biblical Greek and Hebrew. Successful competitor, R. Whillans.

4. Fifty dollars, by the Sabbath School of Côté Street Church, Montreal, for

proficiency in Elocution, embracing reading and recitation, with written examination in Whately's Rhetoric, Chaps. I. II. Successful competitor, R. H.

Hoskin.

5. Fifty dollars, by Robert Anderson, Esq., for the best essay on the Divinity of Christ. Successful competitor, J. W. Dey.

6. Twenty-five dollars, by John Watson, Esq., for the second best essay on the Divinity of Christ. Successful competitor, G. Munro.

7. Fifty dollars, by Warden King, Esq., for the best written examination in Euripides, Medea; Horace, Epist. I.; English Literature; Euclid and Algebra. Successful competitor, R. Whillans.

8. Fifty dollars, by the late John Redpath, Esq., for the best Analysis of Eph. I. II. Successful competitor, G. Munro.

9. Fifty dollars, by Geo. Rogers, Esq., for the best oral and written examination in French grammar and translation, open to students whose vernacular language is not French.

Successful competitor, F. McLeod.

10. Fifty dollars, by the late John Redpath, Esq., for the best written

language is not French. Successful competitor, F. McLeod.

10. Fifty dollars, by the late John Redpath, Esq., for the best written examination in the following subjects of the work of the first year theology, viz.:—Systematic Theology, Hermeneutics, Exceptics, Natural Theology, and Apologetics. Successful competitor, J. Macalister, B.A.

11. Special prize, by Rev. Dr. MacVicar, for diligence and progress in Prof. Andrews Elocution class. Awarded to R. Whillans.

The same number, viz.:—fiften scholarships—will be offered for competition was testified. The transfer on hundred dollars here were the contribution of the progression of the state of the contribution of the contributio

next session. The sum of one hundred dollars has been recently contributed to this Fund, by St. Joseph Street Church, Montreal, to be offered as scholar. ships, open to competition by French students only. The sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars, being part of one thousand dollars bequeathed to the Fund, by the late John Redpath, Esq., is now permanently invested, and the interest thereof will be offered for competition annually, and shall be known as the John Redpath Scholarship.

BURSARY FUND.

This Fund is disbursed at the discretion of the Senate, irrespective of competitive examinations. Scholarships not gained by competition have been paid into it, together with other contributions, amounting in all, as per Treasurer's statement, to four hundred and forty-four dollars.

LIBRARY.

Additional accommodation has been provided for the library during the session, and 564 volumes were added by donation and purchase. The books are now being more thoroughly classified and the catalogue perfected. It is proposed to purchase a considerable number of standard and recent works with as little delay as possible, in view of which the library fund should speedily be augmented.

The classes met, as heretofore, in commodious rooms, furnished gratis, by Erskine Church; and the Senate testify with pleasure to the uniform diligence

and commendable conduct of all the students.

The opening lecture of the session was delivered by Dr. MacVicar, and the closing lecture by Dr. Taylor, of Erskine Church.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. H. MACVICAR.

Chairman of Senate.

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# WARDEN KING, TREASURER. IN ACCOUNT WITH THE PRESBY-TERIAN COLLEGE OF THE C. P. CHURCH, MONTREAL.

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We have examined the various foregoing accounts, compared them with the vouchers, find the whole correct, and the balance in the Treasurer's hands amounts in all to (\$20,885.70) twenty thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars and seventy cents, of which amount (\$16,001.49) sixteen thousand and one dollars and forty-nine cents, is permanently invested, the balance being in bank, bearing interest at 5 ff cent. & annum.

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Montreal, 3rd June, 1870.

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#### REPORT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S SABBATH SCHOOL COM-MITTEE, 1870.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools, in presenting the annual report to the first General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, desire to express their gratitude to God for the large measure of prosperity that attends this most important department of the Church's work. From the statement now to be submitted, the Assembly will at once perceive with what vigour and earnestness the religious training of the youth of our Church is prosecuted by the office-bearers and members of the various congregations. In some few important details there may, doubtless, be room for improvement and increased effort, but as a whole, the endeavours of the Canada Presbyterian Church in this department of Christian labour, will, we feel assured, bear comparison with those of any other denomination in the land. Last year, in reply to the questions submitted by the Committee to the Sabbath Schools, returns were received from 250; this year returns have been received from 301, showing a continued and growing interest in the cause of Sabbath Schools. The number of scholars upon the roll of these schools is 22,102, and the average attendance 15,734. The number of teachers employed is 2,335, of whom 2,077 are members of the Church, with a fair proportion of elders and other office-bearers. The number attending Bible classes is 5,582, and the additions from the Sabbath Schools and Bible classes to the Church during the year 460. There are 53,072 volumes in the libraries connected with the schools, while \$1,907.75 have been contributed during the year by the scholars, for missionary purposes. Your Committee have also endeavoured, in framing the questions submitted for the current year, to gather information regarding the methods adopted in carrying out the objects intended by Sabbath School instruction, as well as to receive such hints as might be of use in their suggestions to this Assembly. From the replies given to these questions, they find that in those Churches where infant classes are organized the exercises are of a character in the main admirably adapted to accomplish the end in view. By means of harden and additionally datapase to accomplish the efficient view. Sy means of blackboards, object lessons, oral narratives, conversation, the use of infant catechisms, and selections of simple evangelical hymns, and by the sid of such books as the "Feep of Day," the youngest in these classes receive an amount of Scriptural truth of vast importance in preparing them for the advanced classes and studies of the school. In the tuition of the more advanced scholars, the teachers generally avail themselves for the most part of lessons selected and prepared by the different religious denominations. The one most generally adopted is the scheme of lessons published by Gall and Inglis of Edinburgh, and republished in Canada by Messrs. Adam, Stevenson & Co., of Toronto. A few of the Schools make use of the American Presbyterian scheme—the London Union—the Chicago, National Accounts of the American Presbyterian scheme—the London Union the Chicago National—the Congregational series—and the Harmony of the Gospels. In addition to the aid received from the study of the notes accompanying these lesson schemes, a large number of the Churches have weekly meetings expressly for the purpose of studying the Sabbath School lesson and for the improvement of the teachers in their work; and many of the ministers make the Sabbath School lesson, the subject of lecture on the week evening or the Sabbath day. Your Committee are glad to find such a practice so common in the Church, as it is of incalculable benefit by young and inexperienced teachers and such as may not have in their possession the books that are necessary to explain different passages, or throw light upon oriental customs, which are met with from time to time in the study of the Scriptures. The incidental expenses of the schools are met by Church and Sabbath School collections and contributions the schools are met by Church and Sabbath School collections and contributions—by soires and festivals—and in one or two cases by the teachers alone. In answer to the question, whether the plan of Union Schools works satisfactorily, thirteen answer in the affirmative, and eighty-three in the negative. In answer to the question, whether it is desirable for our Church to prepare and sanction a hymn book for the use of our Schools, forty-form say no, and eighty say yes. Eighty-five schools deem it necessary, considering the strength and standing of our denom-

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ination, to have a missionary and religious paper, published under the care of some approved minister of the Church, for distribution among our youth; while thirty-four are opposed or see no necessity in the meantime for such an undertaking, in view of the abundant supply of Sabbath School literature which exists. Ninety-nine Schools use Bateman's Hymns, many of these also using the Paslms of David—nineteen confine themselves to the Psalms alone. The other selections used are the "Songs of Zion," the "Sabbath School Bell," "Childrens Fraise," "Union Chines," "The Harp Bright Jewels," "Happy Voices," "The Gem," and in some cases the Sabbath School has printed a selection of its own for weekly use by the teachers and scholars. A large amount of religious literature passes into the hands of the children from month to month. The list includes The British Workman, British Workwoman, British Juvenile, Band of Hope Review, Messenger, Children and Infants' Magazine, U. P. Magazine, Free Church Magazine, Child's Paper, Visitor, Evangeliser, American Presbyterian, Sabbath School Paper, Cottager and Companion, London Missionary Magazine, Philadelphia Visitor, Sunday School Advocate and Treasury. Finally, we gather from the reports received, that while the great work of the Sabbath School, the imparting of Scriptural knowledge and the saving of souls, holds by far the most important place in every instance—the children and the teachers have their Christmas festivals and summer pic-nics, when pleasant reunions are enjoyed, and when the members of the Church assemble in large numbers to countenance and encourage the teachers and scholars in their mutual labours.

Your Committee have received many valuable suggestions while prosecuting

their enquiries. Among these are the following:

I. That the Committee on Sabbath Schools should specify such books or libraries of books as are fitted for distribution among the scholars of our schools.

Your Committee consider this a most important matter, if at all attainable. At the present day most pernicious literature is to be found under the guise of religious books for the young. Fiction and sentimental tales of the most worth-less kind, where the moral is hard to find and where simple religious truth is nowhere to be found, crowd the shelves of publishers and booksellers, and find their way into the hands of unsuspecting youth. Even where nothing absolutely vicious is taught, a false taste is formed that continues through life, and in many cases undermines the character, and creates a prejudice against evangelical instruction. Your Committee, however, deem it somewhat invidious to single out publishers whose books are worthy of confidence, as healthy and religious in tone, or such as ought to be avoided because of their evil tendency. They have no hesitation, however, in mentioning as in general worthy of confidence, the Sabbath School books published by Messrs. Nelson, of Edinburgh and James Campbell & Son, of Toronto; those of Messrs. Johnston, Hunter & Co., and Oliphant & Son, Edinburgh; those of James Nisbet & Co., London, and Carter & Brothers, New York, and the Religious Tract Society of London. Many of the works published by the American Sunday School Union and Ameriand you the work photosaco. The highest religious character; but in view of the vast additions made of late years by these publishing houses, of which your Committee are but imperfectly informed, they do not feel at liberty to give them, an emphatic endorsement as a whole. Very much of the labour of selections of the selection ing suitable books for Sabbath School libraries must for the present be left in the hands of the Superintendent of the School, assisted by the minister and elders of the Church.

II. It is also suggested that the Canada Presbyterian Church should have a "model constitution" for adoption by all the Schools under her jurisdiction, in which constitution the relations of the Sabbath School to the Church and to Kirk Sessions should be clearly defined.

Your Committee heartily second the proposal, and have had the matter so far under consideration. Meantime they would remark, for the information of any who may be in doubt, that Congregational Sabbath Schools (in accordance with Presbyte Matters Superint with eac

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Presbyterian polity) are under the jurisdiction and supervision of Kirk Sessions. Matters of detail may, however, be left with great propriety and safety to the Superintendent and teachers, or to the Sabbath School Association in connection with each Church, in their meetings from month to month.

III. It is also suggested that in future, in addition to the General Committee on Sabbath Schools appointed by this Assembly, there should be Committees on Sabbath Schools, connected with the four district Synods of our Church.

The Committee have no hesitation in concurring with this suggestion. The labor of tabulating the returns of 300 Schools, in answer to so many questions, would be better done if shared in by several Conveners of Synodical Committees. The different Synods have also better opportunities of finding out the special necessities of the Schools under their care, and dapting their enquiries to the circumstances of each case. Your Committee would therefore suggest that each Prebytery of the Church have standing Committees on Sabbath Schools; that the Convener of said Committee transmit the Prebytery's report to the Convener of the Synod's Committee on Sabbath Schools two weeks before the Syring meeting of said Synod, and so as to enable the district Synods to prepare their several reports for the Assembly's Committees on Sabbath Schools have their reports in the hands of the Assembly's Convent at least two weeks before the Synod's continues on Sabbath Schools have their reports in the hands of the Assembly's Convent the meeting of the Same of t

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(As the Synods will not meet again until the Spring of 1871, it is for the
Assembly to say whether it would not be advisable for this Court,—if within its
jurisdiction—to appoint in the meantime a member of each Synod to take charge
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The Committee would further suggest, that inasmuch as there is difference of opinion in regard to the publication of a children's paper for the use of the Sabbath Schools of our denomination, that no action be taken for the present in the matter; and that inasmuch as there is also diversity of sentiment with reference to the preparing of a hymn book for the use of our schools, the Assembly in the meantime give a general approval and recommendation of the one most generally in use, viz., "Bateman's Hymns;" and further, that inasmuch as the great majority of our schools use the Edinburgh scheme of lessons, republished in this city by Messra. Adam, Stephenson & Co., a similar general recommendation be given for the benefit of such Schools as have no definite scheme in use. Your Committee would also strongly recommend to the notice of Superintendents the Catchism prepared for the use of infant classes by the Rev. John Laing, of Cobourg, as one, in their opinion, admirably adapted by its brevity and simplicity of language to the comprehension of the very youngest in our Schools.

The Committee would respectfully call the attention of the General Assembly to the fact, that while there is a gratifying increase in the returns for the present year, a large number of the Schools have made no returns whateversome of these belonging to the largest Churches in the denomination. The 301-Schools from whom returns have been received represent only 170 of the neady of the second of the second of the second of the second of the continuous second of the continuous second of the continuous second of the continuous second of the continuous second of the continuous second of the second of

infants are left at home with their mothers, where they should be." There is some ruth in this, no doubt. Where there are godly mothers who teach their little ones the story of Jesus and lead them to the Saviour, infant classes and Sabbath Schools may be less necessary; and yet we know in Scriptural history that mothers in the time of Christ, so far from keeping them at home, gladly

brought them to receive his blessing.

Your Committee would finally urge upon all Superintendents the duty of exercising a diligent supervision of the senior scholars in their respective Schools. By means of advanced classes taught by able teachers and adapted to the age and experience of the scholars, and other agencies, no effort should be neglected that may retain them in the Church and Sabbath School. At the present day a very large number of our young men and women are lost by the Church at the very age when it is most desirable to have then continue, that the Christian character may be firmly established, and their sympathies enlisted in the cause of Christ.

As ministers and elders of the Canada Presbyterian Church we are under the deepest obligations to our Sabbath School teachers for their faithful labours in this department of Christian activity, and our prayer should be, that while teaching others they themselves should be savingly taught by the Holy Spirit, and at last receive a glorious recompense in heaven. We cannot indeed overvalue the Sabbath School enterprise. So far it has been eminently blessed of God, and stamped with his approbation in a degree second only to the teaching of the Gospel. Without His favour all our efforts are in vain. It is the work of God to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and of the children to the fathers; and if that work is not done, as has been truly remarked, the earth will be smitten with a curse, "whereas the blessedness of our sons growing up as plants, and our daughters living as corner stones, if duly prized and laboured, and prayed for, would secure to us and ours the entail of the Covenant," "I will be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee," and that is a portion which leaves nothing to be desired.

In name of the Sabbath School Committee.

WILLIAM COCHRANE, Convener.

TORONTO, June 187

# REPORT OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Sabbath observance beg to report, that after duly considering the overtures on the subject referred to them by the last General Synod, they have endeavoured, and they believe not altogether without success, to direct public attention to the evil to which the overtures had especial reference, viz., Sabbath descration in connection with the traffic on the railways and canals of the Province. At a meeting held in October, a sub-committee, consisting of the Convener and the Rev. George Smellie, was appointed to correspond with the recognized heads of the various Evangelical bodies of the country, in the hope of obtaining the sanction of their names to the issuing of a circular to ministers proposing united and simultaneous action in seeking to awaken the public mind to a sense of the danger which threatens our Canadian Sabbath, and to evoke such an expression of sentiment as might have weight with our Government and Legislature and the Railway Companies. Letters were accordingly addressed to the heads of the leading denominations, whose co-operation might be reasonably counted on, and replies were received from the Bishop of Huron, Dr. James Richardson of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Rev. H. D. Powis, Chairman of the Congregational Union, all indicating a cordial concurrence in the views of the Committee. These replies were received in December. The Sub-Committee, after waiting till near the end of January, in the hope of receiving others, issued a circular, which was sent to all the ministers of the

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Church, and to over four hundred ministers of other denominations. The Committee have received very little information respecting the action that may have in various places resulted from their proposal; but they have reason to think that their suggestion that public meetings should be held, has been carried out in only a very small number of instances. The only meetings reported to them were those held at Woodstock, Paris, Fergus, Elora, and Rothsay; and they are not aware that a meeting has been held in any of the cities or larger towns. The Committee believe, however, that though little has been done by way of petition and remonstrance in bringing public opinion to bear upon the authorities of the country, and the companies responsible for the evils complained of, their efforts have not been without good results. They have reason to know that public attention has been more largely and generally, and with a wholesome effect, directed to these evils, than it might otherwise have been. In particular we are happy to be able to report to the Assembly, that while it could not be expected that the Legislature should be moved to action by the very small number of petitions addressed to them, a remonstrance addressed to W. K. Muir, Esq. General Superintendent of the G. W. R., by the ministers of Ingersoll, elicited a courteous reply, in which Mr. Muir, while stating that the Company cannot refuse to keep certain trains running on the Lord's Day, intimates his desire to have the annoyance caused by the running of these trains reduced to a minimum, and that there has actually been a very marked reduction of the disturbance of Christian assemblies, and in the amount of labor required of employés, who are deeply grateful for the relief afforded them.

The Committee feel encouraged to recommend that another effort be made, and they cannot but hope that with the voice of the Assembly in its favor, it will have a gratifying neasure of success.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MIDDLEMISS,

TORONTO, June 9, 1870.

Convener.

#### REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

Your Committee have to report that they used all diligence to procure information regarding the state of religion in the Church. They now submit the results.

They received reports from the Presbyteries of Paris, Simcoe, Durham, Montreal, Hamilton, Stratford, Kingston, Cobourg and Ontario; also from six congregations in the Presbytery of Guelph, three in each of the congregations of the Presbyteries of Chatham and Ottawa, five in that of Huron, two in that of London, five in that of Brockville, three in that of Owen Sound, and two in that of Toronto.

The Presbytery of Simose had returns from all its congregations except one, that of Durham from six, that of Hamilton from eighteen, that of Montreal from eight, that of Stratford from fifteen, that of Kingston from four, that of Cobourg from five, the Presbytery of Paris apparently from all under its charge.

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Your Committee were anxious not to deal with returns from congregations, but solely with the reports of Presbyteries; they have, however, on this occasion so many returns from congregations, and those, in the majority of cases, sent in by the clerks of Presbyteries, that they felt constrained not to overlook them. Including these, it appears that not more than about one-third of the Ressions of the Church have furnished your Committee with any materials for their report, a fact much to be regretted, seeing that the state of religion is by far the most important subject which can come before the house. They indeed note with gratitude the increased attention bestowed on it throughout the Church, and that the number of-returns is greater than on former occasions; and they hope

that those who neglected or declined furnishing the needed information will act differently in future, so that full information may be presented from year to year, that we may thank God unitedly for any success vouchsafed, and humble ourselves on account of, and search into, and remove the causes or occasions of shortcoming or declension which may exist among us. The reports received all breathe an air of hopefulness, while a few indicate positive progress in at least

some of those things which accompany salvation.

The members of the Church generally acknowledge themselves under obligation to bring their children to Jesus; some that they are bound to do what they can to secure this end, while in regard to others it is said the duty is urged, but no information is given how far it is discharged, and in a few cases the question put has been misapprehended so far that we are asked if by bringing children to Jesus we mean having them baptised. Your Committee hope that they shall not be regarded as going out of their province in stating that they meant a great deal more, that they fully believe that when God connects a promise with a duty, the fulfilment of the promise can be prevented only by the non-performance of the duty, and that, as christian parents have for themselves, exceeding great and precious promises so connected, they are responsible for the results, and to blame, if these are not attained; that the admission of infants into Church membership is based on this idea, and that if we look and labour for immediate results, we shall have them; because Hessays, "Before they call I will answer, and while they are yet speaking I will hear." Your Committee by no means overlook the fact that the state of mind, and the action necessary to secure this end, can be produced by the Holy Ghost alone, while they say, if our children are not converted, blame rests on us; if they are, the glory is due to God alone.

Your Committee are glad to learn that the importance of family worship is becoming more sensibly felt. Throughout the Presbytery of Paris, and in a considerable number of congregations in other Presbyteries, it is generally observed in the houses of the members in full communion, and in some districts, even by persons who are not so; yet it is to be lamented, that, only in one congregation in the Presbytery of Guelph, two in that of Durham, one in that of Chatham, one in that of Owen Sound, and one in that of Ontario, is it reported to be universally and regularly observed by the members in full communion. It seems to be universally and regularly so, in a few compregation in the Presbyter, of Hamiltonian to be universal, or nearly so, in a few compregations in the Presbytery of Hamiltonian to be universal, or nearly so, in a few compregations.

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Your Committee, while blessing God for the progress revealed by the reports, cannot but regret exceedingly that still a large number of the children of the cannot our regret exceedingly that still a large number of the children of the Kingdom are growing up without even a form of family religion; that a portion of the members, heads of families, who do not neglect it wholly, observe it only once a day, and some only on Sabbath; and, seeing that prayerless houses have, as a pious man once expressed it, no roof on them, and that God will pour out his fury upon those who call not on his name; and as no one need expect the inmates of such dwellings to have spiritual health, or any of the comforts of religion, or be any real strength, but rather asource of weakness to the Church, they would urge that family worship be strongly insisted on. Prayer meetings, or other week-day services, are held in nearly every one of the reporting congregations. weer any services, are need in nearly every one of the reporting confections are accounted for—unless, perhaps, in two instances—on the ground hat the members are widely separated, or the pastor is in ill health. Some congregations have a number of district meetings. Nine, which is the Some congregations have a number of district meetings. Nine, which is the largest number in any one charge, are maintained in connection with Knox's Church, Galt. The Fresbytery of Paris reports the attendance at these as tolerably good. The congregations of the Presbytery of Kingston, which have made returns, and some others, say they are generally well attended, to which the Presbytery of Stratiford adds, and with good results; but of a considerable number the result is complained as not what it ought to be.

It appears, also, that a proportion, though as yet by no means a large one, of the Church members are awake to the duty and privilege of being fellow workers with God in his vineyard, seeking to convert sinners, and build up and comfort

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believers, and to whom the Apostle might say, "Edify one another even as also ye do." Yet it is to be feared that we have not what we could properly call a working congregation, judging from the returns given in to your Committee. Knox's Church, Galt, comes in some features nearest this designation. Your Committee are satisfied that, in the words of the Presbytery of Paris, "there is in the Church an immense amount of latent power requiring to be drawn forth and organized in some way. We, like others, have sunk into this rut more deeply through the irreligion of past generations. On no other point, perhaps, are the opinions and practice of our people more astray than the duty of direct personal effort. The membership need to have a lively and abiding impression of the fact, that the Lord Jesus did not, in appointing a stated ministry in his Church, design to obviate the necessity for the people's working, but rather to provide an instrument to stir them up and direct them in laboring for him. Till the Church awake to the consciousness that God demands that we should consecrate all the powers of soul and body, our influence, means and time, for gathering sinners and building up saints, as well as for his own sanctification, and that all arrangements of business or pleasure must be subordinated for this end, it cannot progress aright other in the contraction of the contraction of them of the contraction of the contra

As might be anticipated, the number is not large, though it is increasing, of those who truly regard themselves as stewards of the worldly substance put into their hands. This grace needs the most careful culture, and is the lastin which man abounds. It to ones in immediate direct antagonism with our selfashness, and, as its opposition thereto hinders its progress, its practice is one of the best means for destroying that root of bitterness, and proving the thoroughness of our conversion to God, and therefore it may be taken as a good Church baronseter, to mark the rise and progress and fluctuations of the life of God in the soul. Were its real value as an evidence of a state of grace, a means of sanctification and of glorifying God, rightly appreciated, there would be less difficulty in speaking, and less objection to hearing on this subject, than now exists; this grace would be perfected, where others abound, and many experience that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and all pretence for such painful exhibitions as lotteries or balls, for charitable or religious purposes, swept wholly away. Your Committee are gleat to find that one or more Sabbatt schools are main-

Tour committee are gisat to find that one or more Sabbath schools are maintained in each of the congregations reporting, that the teachers as a body aim at the conversion of their pupils to God, and that the Shorter Catechism is used in almost all the Sabbath schools and in the great majority of the families, though family catechising is not so common as it ought to be.

Few congregations report any marked change during the past year. That of Glemnorris in the Presbytery of Paris, of Storrington in the Presbytery of Kingston, of Mitchell in the Presbytery of Stratford, appear to have been more than usually blessed. Of Mitchell the Presbytery report says: It is gratifying to hear of the revival of the Lord's work in that congregation during the past year, the happyfruits of which are shown by the large numbers which have been added to the Communion roll, and the increased interest which is manifested in the means of grace. In the congregation of Knox's Church, Galt, the work of God is said to be extending and deepening. But while these alone, in so far as the returns indicate, call for special notice, more than wonted and widely extended solemnity and earnestness, and a larger attendance on the Lord's Day seem to justify the hope that a work of grace-prevails extensively. At the same time it is deeply to be deplored that a large number of the Church's children decline to give themselves to the Lord, or make a public profession of faith in him. The alleged ordinary causes for this state of matters, besides natural corruption, are the inconsistencies, especially the worldliness of members, in some cases the want of parental control, in some the intemperance, gaieties, light literature, and other evil associations prevalent where they reside. In these instances, their neglect of the Lord's Supper is attributed to the example of a number of older people. Your Committee are fully aware that charges of inconsistencies and world supper is attributed to the example

such, where they do exist, do not in any way justify, or even excuse one's neglecting the Saviour's cause; yet they would urge that every effort be made to cut off occasion from those that seek occasion, that our good be not evil spoken of, but that rather others may see our good works, and glorify our Father who is in

Finally, your Committee, while thanking God for the tokens given of His presence, feel that these should be regarded only as incentives to fresh efforts and higher attainments, that our land may be delighted in, the melody of joy and health resound through our dwellings, our drinking customs, foolish gale-ties and sensational literature banished, and with a view to this, recommend that each Presbytery be enjoined to examine carefully into the state of religion in its bounds, and report thereanent each year to its Synod, and the Synod to such Committee as the Assembly may appoint. All which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN MACTAVISH,

Convener.

#### REPORT OF WIDOWS' FUND, 1869-70.

The Committee have to submit the following report for the financial year recently closed.

At date of last report there were twenty annuitants. Since then two have been added to the list, viz.: Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Campbell, widow of the late Rev. H. Campbell, Manilla. Other two Ministers have since died, one leaving a family of orphan children, and the other a widow. These will come on the fund at the end of the present half year.

The receipts and expenditure for the year have been as follows :-

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	\$2448	05	
Congregational collections and donations	2703		
Ministers' rates	1448	00	
Interest	3978	46	
Investments falling due and paid	3240	00	
		-\$13,918	28
EXPENDITURE.	* 1	general resident	
Annuities paid to Widows and Children of Ministers	\$2665	00	
Rates repaid	88	00	
Amount placed to credit of Fund for Aged and Infirm	4389	65	
Ministers	1414	72	
Proportion of general expenses, printing, &c	100	00	
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	-	\$13,918	28
The present state of the Fund is :-			

Debentures, amount in	\$22,344	00-	
Mortgages	37,157	08	
Cash	4,800	24	
		-\$64,301	32

Of this cash part has been invested in debentures, and the other portion is now being invested in mortgages.

There is nothing special to report apart from the above statement.

JAMES OSBORNE.

Convener.

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01 32 ion is REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

In presenting their report, your Committee regret that communications of importance are in the hands of the Convener, which could not be attended to. owing to the difficulty of obtaining a quorum since they were received. A very few of the members of the Committee happen to be members of the Assembly.

During the past year seven ministers were in the receipt of annuities, viz.: Revds. W. Snart, II. Gordon, Dr. Cairns, D. Coutts, D. Clark, John McLachlan and James Douglas. The two last named have, within the last

few weeks, been removed by death.

Previous to the meeting of Synod last year, the Presbytery of Guelph recommended to the benefit of the fund, the Rev. John Duff. There were, however, circumstances in connection with the case which rendered the Committee averse to assume responsibility. The Presbytery, for example, had received the demission without dealing with the Congregation of Elora, or any correspondence with the Committee. Certain other matters, it was thought, required explanation. The Synod, in the circumstances, instructed the Committee to seek further information, and report. The desiderated information has been obtained, and your Committee are satisfied that the Presbytery could not well act otherwise than they did; and they are also satisfied that the claim of Mr. Duff, urged by said Presbytery, is most fully entitled to attention, and regret that it should have been so long in being favorably disposed of. They have only to say further, in regard to this case, that your Committee is in possession of information warranting them to say that it is a pressing one. The Convener has received an application from the Presbytery of London, in behalf of Mr. Fayette, which it has not been possible to submit to the Committee for consideration, and which your Committee, therefore, bring thus before the Assembly to decide what should be done in the premises.

The state of the fund is as follows :-

RECEIPTS.					ļ
Balance at beginning of year Receipts during year from congregations, donations, &c Interest Investment repaid	\$2689 1414 142 200	72 00		00	
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EXPENDITURE.					
Annuities to Ministers paid Proportion for printing and general expenses Salary of Agent Balance	\$1150 35 60 3200	00 00 89	\$4,445	89	

All which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. THORNTON, Convener.

# REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE-1869-70.

In laving before the General Assembly the Annual Statement of the receipts and payments of the various Funds of the Church for the Financial year, the Committee have to express their gratification at the results. With scarcely an exception there has been an increase in the receipts for all the Funds, in some cases the increase being very considerable, as in the case of Knox College, and Home Mission Funds. These and the other Funds will come under the notice of the Assembly in connection with the various objects to which they are devoted,

so that it is not necessary particularly to dwell upon them. There is an improvement on the whole in the regularity with which the various objects for which contributions are ordered by the Supreme Court are attended to; there is

which controlutions are ordered by the supreme Court are attended to; there is room, however, for improvement still, while some Congregations appear from year to year to omit some, if not all the appointed collections.

The office of the General Agent has been removed from Knox College to the Western Assurance Buildings in the city. The reasons for the change were, 1st, because the room occupied in the College was required as a class room, and 2ndly, because it was thought to be more convenient both for the agent, who necessarily because it was mought to be increased in the city, and for the agent, who necessarily has much business to transact in the city, and for those who require to see him on business connected with the Church. The offices now occupied are commodious, and furnished with a spacious fire-proof vault, where the Books and documents of the Church can be safely kept. The whole has been secured at a moderate cost.

The Books of the General Agent have been audited by Hon. J. McMurrich

and Mr. John L. Blaikie. Their Report is hereto appended.

The undersigned Auditors, beg respectfully to report that they have audited the Books and Accounts of the General Agent of the Church for the year ending 30th April last, and having carefully checked each entry in detail, and verified the disbursements by the vouchers produced, have to everify to the correctness of the same.

They have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the unusual care and accuracy with which the Books are kept, and the zeal and business ability displayed

therein.

Annexed is an Abstract of all the open Accounts, in the form of a balance sheet. All which is respectfully submitted.

J. McMURRICH,

JOHN L. BLAIKIE, (Anditors.

ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS IN THE FORM OF A BALANCE SHEET.

Dr.	1870.	Cr.
	1 Synod Fund 5 Knox College	Lanting Linear
	Endowment Fund. Bursary Fund.	5040 428
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189 89	9 Kankakee Mission	191
145 77	Home and Foreign Record	5
	Widow's Fund	268 4800 3200
4000	Temporary Investment secured by Bond	3200
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# SYNOD OF MONTREAL.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

	MINISTERS.	DATE	OF	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
		ORDINA				
1	A. Henderson, A. M.	Oct. 10,	1810.	.Chas. Benedict	St. Andrew's	St. Andrew's, Q.
2	Wm. Taylor, D, D.	Mar. 29,	1831.	.Alex. Rose	Erskine Ch., Montreal.	Montreal, Q.
3	Wm. B. Clark	Sept.	1839.	.Philip Peebles	Chalmers' Ch., Quebec.	Quebec.
4	Robt. Irvine, D.D.	Nov. 13,	1840.	.David Aikman	Knox Ch., Montreal	Montreal, Q.
5	John Irvine		1846.		Mille Isles	Mille Isles, Q.
6	R. F. Burns, D.D.	July 17,	1847.	.John Stirling	Free Ch., Cote St., Mon.	Montreal, Q.
7	Jas. Watson, A. M.	Aug. 29,	1849.	.Wm. McIntosh	Huntingdon, Athelstane	Huntingdon, Q.
8	Daniel Gordon	Oct.	1849.	.D. McKerracher	Indian Lands	Athol, O.
9	Wm. Scott	Feb. 23,	1858.		New Carlisle, &c	New Carlisle, Q.
10	J. McConechy	Mar.	1854.		Leeds	Kinnear's Mills, Q.
11	Alex. Young	Jan. 28,	1857.	.Jas. Davidson	St. Joseph St., Montrea	Montreal, Q.
12	A. F. McQueen	Dec. 15,	1858.	.D. Cattanach	Kenyon	Dunvegan, O.
13	John Milloy	Feb. 2,	1859	****************	Lingwick	Gould, Q.
14	John Mackie	May 18,	1859	***************	First Ch., Lachute	Lachute, Q.
15	John Mackay	May 26,	1859		Richmond	Richmond, Q.
					Martint'n & Williamt'r	
					Presbyterian College.	
18	D. Paterson, A.M.	Oct. 24,	1860		St. Andrew's	.St. Andrew's, Q.
19	Walter Coulthard	Nov. 22,	1860.	.Wm. Hall	St. Louis & Valleyfield	. Valleyfield, Q.
20	James Hanran	July 4,	1861		St. Sylvester, &c	Sylvester, Q.
$\frac{21}{22}$	C.M. McKeracher	Aug.22,	1861.	.Wm, McKee	English Riv'r, NHowiel	Howick, Q.
22	John Badle	Mar. 19,	1862	.John Meikle	Henry's Ch., Lachute.	Lacnute, Q.
23	John McDonaid	Feb. 20,	1804		Winslow	Stornaway, Q.
24	J.M. Gibson, M.A.	Dec. 10,	1804	1,11,11,11,11,11,11,11	Erskine Ch., Montreal Cote des Neiges	Montreal, Q.
20	Missionaries.	Oct. 18,	1869	. Finlay McIntosh	Vankleek Hill	vankleek Hill, O.
	Missionaries.	0-4 01			Metis	W-H- 0
1	T. Fenwick, Ord.	.Oct. 31,	1861		Kennebec Road	Metis, Q.
2	James Hume, Ord	. Feb. 20,	1844	**************************************	St. Eustache, &c	Kennebec Ra., Q.
9	Vacant Che	atechist		Hugh McColl	St. Eustache, &c	· Charles of the
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4				Debt Wilson	Dalhousie Mills	
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1					Roxboro & Finch	
è					New Glasgow	
-					Farnham	
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JAMES WATSON, Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA.

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MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	congregations.	POST OFFICES.
2 J. Crombie, M. 3 H. D. Steele 4 James Whyte. 5 Wm. McKenzie 6 J. McEwan 7 Joseph White, B 8 Wm. Moore 9 James Tait 10 Jas. Carswell 11 Wm. Burnsl.	Oct. 1839 A. Aug. 8, 1855 Dec. 30, 1856 Nov. 24, 1858 Dec. 8, 1858 J. Sep. 1859 A. Aug. 7, 1862 J. Mar. 28, 1866 Oct. 3, 1866 Oct. 17, 1867 May 19, 1869	as. Yuil	Mission'y in B. Columbi Smith's Falls. Ramsay Osgoode. Almonte. Pembroke Wakefield Bank St., Ottawa. Fitzroy & Tarbolton. Carlton Pl. & Beckwii Perth Bristol	.Smith's FallsAlmonteOsgoode, .AlmontePembrokeWakefield, QOttawaFitzroy Harbour. thCarleton PlacePerth.
Vacant			McNab Aylmer Nepean Pakenham Dalhousie Cumberland e Knox Cla, Ottawa	White Lake. Aylmer, Q. Merivale. Pakenham. McDonald's Cor. Cumberland.

JAS. CARSWELL, Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

1 R. Boyd, D.D Feb. /8,	1821. None report	ted by	Prescott.	
2. John Morrison May 12.	1829 Cierk.	Waddington Springs.	Waddington, N.	Ÿ.
3 Wm. Lochead Dec.	1831	Gloucester & N Gowe	r. Kars.	
4 W. Heu de Bourck		Cornwall	Cornwall.	
5 And. Melville			Maitland.	
6 Robt, McKenzie, Sep.	1853	S Gower & Mountain	South Gower.	
7 Wm. Bennett Sep. 1.	1855	Kemptville	Kemptville.	
8 Alex. Matheson			The Control of the second	
9 John Burton Nov.	1864	Prescott	Prescott.	
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W. Bennett, Presbytery Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

T. S. CHAMBERS, Presbytery Clerk.

A. Young, Montreal, Synod Clerk.

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15 George
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1 M. Willis, 1 2 James Har 3 Alex. Topp, 4 Jno. Jennin, 5 P. Glassford

6 Wm. Reid, 1 7 Rob't Monte 8 James Dick, 9 Rob't Wallac 10 Wm. Gregg, 1

#### POST OFFICES.

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# SYNOD OF TORONTO.

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	MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
2 J. M 3 T. A 4 J. F 5 Joh 7 Fra: 8 Joh 9 Wm 10 Wm 11 Day 11 Pay 12 Pet 13 Wm 14 Wu 15 Wm Vac	I. Roger, M. A. Lexander, M. A. Asterson n Ewing n W. Smith. nois Andrews n Laing . Blain . C. Young . id Beattie . er Duncan . Lochead . Donald . MacWilliam . Murray . Mitchell . ant	March 1833.  A, March, 1835.  1840.  Jan'y, 1846.  March, 1849.  June, 1851.  June, 1854.  July 4, 1854.  Sept. 6, 1854.  April 4, 1857.  Oct. 27, 1857.  Cot. 21, 1859.  Oct. 23, 1868.  April 22, 1869.	George Dougias William Johnsto Alexander Fringi Alex. Robertson  James Scougall.  James Craick. William Isaac. Andrew Ross James Kerr William Jesaton.	Without charge , Peterborough , Percy , Vernlam & Bobcaygeon , Peterborough , Percy , Vernlam & Bobcaygeon , Peterborough , Pe	Peterborough. Warkworth. Dunsford. Mount Pleasant. Grafton. Keene. Cobourg. Springville. Norwood. Campbellford. Brighton. Fenelon Falls. Fort Hope. Bowmanton, Baltimore. Millbrook. Perrytown.
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W. DONALD, Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF ONTARIO.

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IR H. Thornton, D. D., April, 1893. A. Burnet. Oshawa Oshawa 2 Alex, Kennedy, Sept. 30, 1805. John Parker. Dunbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Junbarton Wilder Helder H	e. ville. n. en. t.
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R. H. THORNTON, Presbytery Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

1 M. Willis, D.D., LL.D. 2 James Harris 3 Alex. Topp, D.D Jan.25, 1838. John McB 4 Jno. Jennings, D.D., July12, '38 John Bair	
5 P. Glassford Oct. 10, 1838 { Alex. Si Wm. Ar	mart. Vaughan and Albion Coleraine.
6 Wm. Reid, M.A. Jan. 29, 1840	Agent of the ChurchToronto. fillerYork Mills & Fisherville. York Mills, miltonRichm'd Hill & Thornhill Richmond Hill
9 Rob't WallaceJuly 15, 1846Samuel M 10 Wm. Gregg, M.A., Jan. 22, 1847James Ma	IarshallWest Ch., Toronto Toronto. artinCook Church, Toronto. Toronto.
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12 James Pringle. 13 Wan. Melkle	Jan. 19, 1848 Oct. 3, 1849 Oct. 3, 1849 Jan'y 1850. A May29, 1861 July 21, 1861. July 28, 1862 Oct. 7, 1862. Oct. 7, 1862 Jan. 29, 1864 1867 1867 A. Oct. 1867 1867 A. Oct. 1867 A. Oct. 1867 May 11, 1868 May 19, 1868 May 19, 1868 May 20, 1868 A. Nov. 3, 68.	James Haggart John Barclay Chomas Turnbull David Henderson.  Ephraim Steen. William Clark Hugb McKay R. Cunningham John Beattle John Porter James Brown William Chisholm William Chisholm	Prof. of Knox College. Prist Brampton, etc. Oakville. Mono Centre, etc. Mono Centre,	Brampton. Oakville. Mono Centre. Mono Centre. Sas. Norval, Ratchewan Red Hiver. Red Hiver. Toronto. Toronto. Caledon. Caledon. Caledon. Eutonyille. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Claude. Mitton. Mitton. Mitton.
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## PRESBYTERY OF SIMCOE.

1	Wm. FraserSept. 2, 1834John Cerswell1st West Gwillimbury.Bond Head.
	Thomas Wightman . Feb., 1844 . Robert Little Innisfil, etc Lefroy.
	Robert Rodgers Dec. 4, 1850
4	4 John Gray May 20, 1851 George Tudhope Orillia & Esson Ch., On. Orillia.
	James Ferguson Nov. 21,1855 John JohnstonKnox Church, Oro Nevis.
3	James GreenfieldNov.24,1859Bowmore, etcDuntroon.
	7 George Craw Dec., 1859. John Johnston Flos and Medonte Hillsdale.
3	S John K. Hislop Nov. 19, 1862 Wm. MacWhinny Alliston, etc Alliston.
	Rob't Moodie March, 1863. John Austin 1st and 2d Tecumseh Tottenham.
3	0 Wm.A. Johnson, Sept. 25, 1867
1	1 Mungo FraserOct. 10, 1867John RossBarrieBarrie.
1	2 DonaldB.Cameron, Dec. 15, '69William FraserBradford & 2d W.GwilliBradford.
	VacantJames SpeersIvy, Town Line, &c Egbert.

JOHN GRAY, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.

1 Andrew Tolmie.         Jan. 2, 1853.         William Hall.         Southampton, &c.         Saugeen.           2 Rob't Dewar.         Oct. 17, 1856.         William Brown.         Lake Shore.         Speedie.           3 ohm Gauld, M. A., June 5, 1856.         Vim. Carnalam.         MacFord.         Medford.         Medford.           5 George Bremmer.         Feb. 16, 1869.         M. Campbell.         Paisley.         Re.         Paisley.           6 Horney Bremmer.         Feb. 16, 1869.         M. Campbell.         Praisley.         Re.         Praisley.           6 Alex.         Fraser.         Oct. 22, 1861.         Amold Rose.         Port Eight, &c.         Normanton.           7 Archid Brown.         Jan. 27, 1864.         D. Bobertson.         St Vincent, &c.         Blantyre.           8 Alex.         MacJeanna.         May26, 1869.         John Smith.         Sydenham.         Speedie.
8 Alex. MacLennan. May26,1869. John Smith Sydenham. Speedie 9 D. J. McInnes July 28, 1869. South Keppel Allenford. Vacant John Crichton Owen Sound. Owen Sound. Big Bay, &c.

A. FRAZER, Presbytery Clerk.

JOHN GRAY, ORILLIA, Synod Clerk.

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# SYNOD OF HAMILTON:

# PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

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2 Geory 3 John 4 Alex. 5 S. C. 6 Davier 7 W. O 8 Jame 9 Wm. 10 John 11 John 12 Thon 13 Alex. 14 Geory 15 A. B 16 John 17 Jame 18 R. N. 12 J. A. M 21 A. M 22 J. A. M	ge Cheyne. Porteous. McLean, M. A. Porteous. McLean, M. A. Fraser, M. A. Inglis. Traisrin, D. S. Black. Craigie. McKobie. G. Murray asa Wilson. Grant. G. Burnson. Slunpson. McColl. S. Malcoll. McKobie. McKobie. Grant. McColl. S. Malcoll. McColl. S. Malcoll. McColl. S. Malcoll. McColl. S. Malcoll. McColl. S.	July 6, 1831.  July 6, 1831.  Dec. 7, 1842.  Fieb. 4, 1843.  Mar. 1844.  Jan. 17, 1846.  Oct. 26, 1847.  Nov. 9, 1853.  June 5, 1856.  Oct. 21, 1857.  July 2, 1858.  July 5, 1856.  Oct. 21, 1857.  July 2, 1858.  July 5, 1858.  Dec. 21, 1859.  Dec. 21, 1859.  July 2, 1859.  July 3, 1859.  July 4, 1859.  Ju	J. Davidson H. McQueen J. McQueen J. McQueen J. McGueen	Flamboro West, Sattlieet, Bhirbr Casat', Beverly Nairr Ch., Flamboro W Thorold Thorold St., Hamilton Central Ch., Hamilton Argyle St., Caledonia. Jarvis and Walpole Jarvis and Walpole Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Caledonia. On'da, Indian, E Senece St. Cath's & P. Dahl'sid. Knox Ch., Hamilton. Sutherid St., Caledonia. Sutherid St., Cal	Papleytown. Kirkwall. Kirkwall. Thoroid. Hamilton. Caledonia. Hamilton. Galedonia. Garinaby. Galedonia. Sal. Galedonia. Sal. Galedonia. Sal. Catherines. Hamilton. Dundas. St. Antis, Galnab'ro. Kilbride. Drumsondville, Beamsville. Lynedock.
				D. Inglis, Presby	jtery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.

1 Thomas Lowry . Sep. 24, 1833 . Wn. Turnbull . We'gion St., BrantfordBrantford. 2 Wilter Inglia oct 1842 . Wn. Henderson . Stanley St., A7r A7r . 3 Dunea McRiner. X 25	
13 Hector McQuarrie May 22, 1866. T. McKenzie Willis' Ch., Blenheim. Drumbo.	
14 James Robertson. Nov. 18, 1869— Virtue Norwich, Wyndham, Norwich.	
Vacant Daniel Kerr Erskine Ch., Ingersoll.  James Miller. Dumfries St., Paris.  George Bryce Mout Pleasant  Thos. Nichol. Ratho & Innerkip  Beschville, M.S.	

W. Cochrane, Presbytery Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF			
	ORDINATION.		CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFCES
			Melville Ch. Fergus 1st Ch. Eramosa	
a Thos. Wardrope	. Aug. 13, 1845. J.	McCorkindale	Chalmers' Ch Guelal	Gualph
4 Robert Torrane	e, Nov. 11, 1846 Ti	ios. McCrae	1st Ch. Guelph	Cinalph
5 Wm. S. Ball,	Feb. 28, 1849Tl	nos. Anderson.	Knox Ch Guelph	Qualph
o James K. Smitt	i, Jan. 13, 1853. Ja	mes Cowan	Knoy Ch Galt	Galt
7 James Bowie,	May 15, 1855 Ge	orge Mitchell	Everton & Mimosa	. Everton.
8 J. A. Thomson	, July 25, 1855P	eter Binnie	Erin & Caledon West.	.Erin.
9 Jas. Middlennss	June 3, 1856. G	eorge Barron	Chalmers' Ch Elora	Elova
10 Andrew McLea	n, Mar. 10, 1857		West Puslinch	.Crieff.
11 Daniel Anderso	n, Dec. 23, 1857 R	chard Fair	Rothsay & Wallace	. Rothsay
12 Wm. Millican,	.Sept. 20, 1857 A	ex. Dyce	Garafraxa	.Garafraxa.
15 L. Campron	Feb. 12, 1862Ja	mes Shaw	Doon & Hespeler	.Preston.
16 Then McCuin	Nov. 5, 1862 A	lex. Campbell	Knox Ch Acton	. Acton.
17 Geo Mal appear	Mar. 8, 1864Ja	mes Robb	Glenallan & Hallin	.Glenallan.
10 W McDenald	Nov. 9, 1864		Minto	. Harriston.
10 I Davidson	Oct. 25, 1865J.	McDermid	East Puslinch	. Morriston.
Ab 5. Davidson,	Feb. 4, 1800J.	Ross, M. P	Alma & Cumnock	. Alma.
20 James Little,	. Oct. 31, 1866 R.	Moffatt	Nassagaweya and	Nassagaweya.
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			Elmira & Hawkesvill	e
			New Hamburgh, M. S	4.
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R. Torrance, Presbytery Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF DURHAM.

1 Patrick Greig	1854R. Walker	Normanby	Orchardville.
2 John McMillan, June 2	9, 1857 John Martin	Mount Forest	Mount Forest
3 R. C. Moffatt, Oct. 1	0, 1857. James Nesbitt	Walkerton	Walkerton
4 Wm. Park May	8, 1859. E. McNab	Durham	Durham
5 Chas. Cameron May	1, 1861. W. T. Knight.	Rocky Sangeen	Priceville
6 R. KnowlesOct. 3	1. 1866	Osprev	Maywell
7 Daniel DuffApril	9, 1864N. Marwick	North Brant	Malcolm
8 J. MorrisonJan.	9, 1866Wm. Dunn	Proton	Cedarville
9 Hugh Crozier Mar. 5	4, 1869. Adam Brenan.	Egremont	Holstein
Vacant		dCarrick	Glenlyon.

WM. PARK, Presbytery Clerk.

W. Cochrane, Brantford, Synod Clerk.

1 Charle 2 A. W. 3 Angus 4 A. F. K 5 Wm. 1 6 Wm. V 7 A. McI 8 Alex. 9 Wm. C 10 Robt. H 11 G M Mil 12 John Be Vacant. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

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## SYNOD OF LONDON.

## PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES	8.
1 Duncan McM	Man. May 26, 1831 . I	uncan Campbell	. Lobo and Carradoe	Loho	
2 Donald McKe	nzie May 1834 J	ames Adam	Zorra	Embro	
3 W R Sutherl	and Feb 16 1848	McKellar	Ekfrid	Strathburn	
4 J. J. A. Prond	Ifoot July 16, 1848 A	lexander Smith	1st Pres. Ch. London	London	
5 L. McPhore	on Feb 7 1849 I	lonald Waters	.Williams	Williama	
6 John Scott	Oct 1850 I	ouff Cameron	St. Andrews	London	
7 J W Chesr	nt Nov 10 1853 J	ames Brown	Mandawmin	Mandawmin	
8 John Stoward	Mar 8 1855 7	homas Gordon	.Chalmers' Ch. Dunwie	hCowal	
9 John Lees	Inly 10 1855 7	Chomas Alloway	Lucan and Biddulph.	Lucan	
10 Peter Currie	Feb 19 1856 F	Lector Patterson	New Glasgow, &c	Aldboro'	
11 John Pennie	Sant 99 1957 1	levid McNain	.Carlisle & Ailsa Crai	. Radooro .	
19 Geo. Cuthher	teon Oot 7 1957 I	N Makangia	St. Thomas	graikirk.	
13 Wm Flatcher	Fab 17 1850	. A. McKenzie.	P. La Prairie Manitob	. St. Thomas.	
14 Anabibald Cu	wels Pak 17 1900	MaInton	Belmont & Yarmouth	Dolmont	
15 Dobort Soott	Nov 99 1960	lohn Dowen	.N. & S. Plympton	Cambachia	
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10 Peter Goodfe	llow Ten 00 1001	Dond Gloonlan	. Widder	. Dirkhan.	
10 Cen Simpon	Tuly 01 1900	John Elliot	.Westminester	. Widder.	
20 A Stowart	Nov 96 1969 1	Poten McNell	. Mosa	Clencos.	
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21 James Donat	D A Jan 00 1002	the C Posts	. Delaware	. Adelaide.	
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99		John W. Robson.	Forest & McKay Set.	ie .	
94		James Monat	. Forest & mckay Set.		

GEO. CUTHBERTSON, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM.

of Official and
1 Charles Chiniquy Oct. 7, 1833 Augustine Faucher St. Anne's
3 Angus McColl, Feb. 1848 Wm. Coulthard Adelaide St. ChathamChatham,
4 A. F. Kemp, M.A., Jan. 20, 1851. Alex. BartlettWindsor
5-Wm. King, May 1851 R. Vanrankin Buxton Buxton.
6 Wm. Walker,Oct. 25, 1853. Robert Smith Wellington St ChathamChatham.
7 A. McDiarmid, Sept. 21, 1859
S Alex. McKay, April 25, 1862 John McLennan Elmira ElmiraStarkCo., Ill.
9 Wm. Caven,Óct. 26, 1865
10 Robt. H. Warden, Nov. 15, 1866 William Webster Bothwell & Florence Bothwell.
11 G M Milligan B. A. Feb. 4, 1868. Andrew Downie. Detroit Detroit.
12 John Becket, May 27, 1868 Wm. Staniforth Thamesville, &c Thamesville.
VacantGeo. McPherson1st Scotch Ch. Chicago
J. Fletcher Tibury East Valetta.
" Mersea & W. Tilbury

ROBT. H. WARDEN, Presbytery Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
1 T. McPherson,	Oct. 10, 1836.	William Dunn	Stratford North Easthope	Stratford.
3 Wm. Meldrum,	Mar. 1840.	. Wm. McKenzie		. Harrington.
5 A. A. Drummond	Oct. 20, 1847.	. Alex. Scott	. Shakesp'r & Hampstea Hibbert	dShakespeare.
7 Robert Hamilton	June 30, 1858.	.Wm. Laing	. Avonbank & Fullarto Nissouri N. & S.	nMotherwell.
9 D. Waters, LL.D.	July 16, 1861.	. Malcolm Laught	onSt. Mary's	.St. Mary's.
11 Allan Findlay,	.Jan. 30, 1867.	.Samuel Radcliff.	. Biddulph & Fish Cree Mitchell	kGranton.
13 Peter Musgrave,	May 20, 1868.	.Joseph Bryden	W. Cor & N Morningto	nWest's Corners.
15 J. W. Bell, M. A.	, Dec. 22, 1868.	. Donald  Gordon.	Millbank, Mornington Molesworth & Listowe	llListowell.
vacant		. Peter Murray	Avon Ch. Downie &c. Burns Ch. &E. Zorra.	.Tavistock.

JOHN FOTHERINGHAM, Presbytery Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

1 James Duncan, June	1836. James PollockBayfieldBayfield.
2 Charles Fletcher, Nov.	1842
3 John Fraser	.1845. James Rowan Knox Ch. Kincardine Kincardine .
4 Wm. Graham, Jan. 15,	1845Andrew McAaEgmondvilleSeaforth.
5 John Logie Dec. 2.	1849Wm. ReithWarrensville, &cRodgersville,
	1850. Geo. BissetKnox Ch. GoderichGoderich.
7 John RossSept.	1851Geo. WalkerBrucefieldBrucefield.
8 Samuel Jones,	.1853., Tho. Strachan Knox Ch. Ainlevville., Dingle.
9 Mathew Barr, Feb. 14.	1854. David Campbell. McKillop & Tuck'rsmithSeaforth.
10 John Anderson, Oct. 11,	1854 Hector McKay Tiverton Tiverton.
11 George Brown, Aug.	1858A. L. GibsonWroxeter, &cWroxeter.
12 Alexander Grant, Aug. 4,	1858 — Douglas Ashfield & Huron Kintail.
13 Wm. Matheson, May 10,	1862 E. Brówn N. & Centre Bruce North Bruce.
14 Adam McKay,July 24,	1862James SharpCulrossTeeswater.
	1862Wm. MalcolmRiversdale, &cKinloss.
16 John Ferguson, Jan, 31,	1865 Alex. Stewart Melville Ch. AinleyvilleDingle.
17 Henry Gracey, Mar. 22.	1865. John Gardner Thames Road, &c Exeter.
18 Robert Leask, Nov. 21	, 1865 Hugh RutherfordSt, Helen's & KinlossSt. Helens.
	1866. John Jackson Hullet & Manchester Auburn.
	1866. John LinklaterBluevale, &cBluevale.
21 Alex. McLean, Nov. 6,	1866 Hugh McQuarrie Blyth & Belgrave Blyth.
22 John McNabb, Dec. 11	, 1867Fort Garry, Manitoba
23 Finlay McCuaig	Peter StraithClintonClinton.
	D. D. Wilson Seaforth Seaforth.
"	John KerrMcKillop, No. 2Seaforth.
	Murdoch McKenzieLucknow Lucknow.
"	
	Donald Blue West Ch. Kincardine Amberly.
"	James TorranceBethany ChurchPorter's Hill.

ARCHIBALD MCLEAN, Presbytery Clerk.

D. WATERS, St. MARY'S Synod Clerk.

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# ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH,

From 1st May, 1869, to 30th April, 1870, as audited for presentation to Synod.

# KNOX COLLEGE-1869-70.

Amount received from congregations, &c	\$6636 167			
		_	\$6804	29
EXPENDITURE.				
Amount due at beginning of year	\$564	42		
Paid on account of salaries	5160			
" to Mr. Willing-Fuel, light and attendance	250	00		
" accounts for repairs, &c	131			
" for Library	148			
" Printing and advertising	25			
"Insurance	108			
"Interest on Mortgage	173			
	72	00		
"Proportion of charges common to all the Schemes of	170	00		
the Church	170	00	\$6804	00
Amount at Dr. as above	\$167	70	\$0004	20
Due at date	831			
	001	00		
Total amount due on ordinary fund	\$998	79		1
Total amount due on ordinary fund on 1st May, 1869, was	2009			
Total amount due on ordinary land on 150 May, 1000, was	2000			
Less this year by	\$1010	46		
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COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.  Amount at Dr. as before				
SYNOD FUND.			\$2163	62
RECEIPTS.				
	\$28	55		
Balance at beginning of year	2171			
Balance due	78			
Dalance due		_	\$2278	23
EXPENDITURE.			Qua, o	20
	8445	00		
Paid expenses connected with Synod meeting in Hamilton Paid accounts for Printing, including Synod Minutes	583			
" Expenses in distributing Minutes of Synod	40			
"Expenses in distributing armutes of Synod	100			
"Rev. W. Fraser, salary		30		
"Rev. D. Waters, convener of Committee on Statistics	60	00		
"Expenses of Deputations to other Churches	146	00		
Account paid, per Rev. D. Inglis, in connection with Psalmody Committee				
Psalmody Committee	18			
Credited to arrears of Buxton Mission	100			
Proportion of general expenses	100			
Salary of General Agent	680	00	00000	00
			\$2278	23
FOREIGN MISSION.				
Balance from last year	\$986	91		
Received from congregations, &c	5526			
Balance due	1584			
Zitalito and I		-	\$8097	70
EXPENDITURE.				
Paid on account of Mission to British Columbia	\$3048	00		
" Red River	1508			
" Saskatchewan	3237	80		
" Expenses of Committee	53			
" Proportion of general expenses	100			
" Salary of General Agent	90			
" Interest for advances	60	00	00007	70
	-	-	\$8097	10
HOME MISSION.				
RECEIPTS.				
	\$1306	75		
Balance at beginning of year	Ø1900	10		
and donations, etc	10,968	95		
and donations, eco			\$12,275	70
EXPENDITURE	\$1528	47		
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Paid Presbytery of Montreal				
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Investment repaid	200		\$4,445	89
EXPENDITURE.			• -,	
Annuities to Ministers paid Proportion for printing and general expenses " "Salary of Agent Balonce "Salary of Agent	\$1150 35 60 3200	00 00 89	<b>\$</b> 4.445	80
BUXTON MISSION.			φ1,110	00
Amount at Dr. last year Credit from Home Mission Fund Synod Fund	100 100			

#### \$145 77 Amount now at Dr..... HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

#### RECEIPTS. \$5 06 - \$2,514 71

	EXPENDITURE.			
Printing		\$798	81	
Bunting Bros. & Co.	on account of paper	1000	00	
Postage and express of	harges	364	86	
	expenses		23	
	of Agent		00	
"	Assistant Editor		00	
Ralance		5	81	

#### \$2,514.71 KANKAKEE MISSION. RECEIPTS Receipts from all sources 4 \$3438 49 Balance 189 89 - \$3,628 38

	EXPENDITURE.			
Paid	Rev. C. Chiniquy, on account of salary, including arrears (\$250)	\$784	31	
"	J. H. Paradis, Teacher	451	18	
44		544	00	
44	Rev. C. Demars.	37	50	
46		1183		
46	Printing	13	20	
	77	0.0	45	

6	Printing	13	20		
	Expenses of members of Committee	98	45		
	Proportion of general expenses, salary, &c	95	00		
	Special contributions for Famine	131	98		
	Interest		00		
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#### BEACHVILLE DEBT.

#### RECEIPTS.

\$213 40 184 40 Per Rev. D. McKuer 29 00 \$213 40

## MISSIONS OF FREE CHURCH.

Amount received .... Remitted .....

# MISSIONS OF JUNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Amount received Remitted 35 92

# MISSIONS OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LOWER PROVINCES.

Amount received ..... Remitted 45 00

# CHAIR OF REV. G. P. YOUNG.

#### RED RIVER RELIEF.

FUND FOR REV. J. G. CARRUTHERS. Amount received ...... \$298 25 Amount received
Paid for circulars and postage
" Rev. J. G. Carruthers.
Balance in hand \$5 25 25 00 268 00 \$208 85

The above Accounts have been axamined, Vouchers and Balances compared, (Signed) and found correct.

(Signed)

J. McMurrich. J. L. BLAIKIE.

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