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Looking Before Us.

THE Church must always have an eye to the future. Past and present are the seed of the future and must have a constant reference to it. As the mighty river cannot pause in its course but pour downward and press onward and still onward to the sea, so the Church must never stagnate in the swamps and morasses and quagmires of idleness, selfishness, vain glory, or unbelief. Progress is the very law of her being. She cannot fold her clean hands and say, "I have attained to the summit of my desire; I have finished the work God gave me to do." Christ alone was privileged to exclaim, "It is finished," the work of atonement is complete. The sacrifice is offered, the blood shed, the ransom paid; Christ needs no more to suffer or die. But the Church, and every member of it, must work on, work ever, until the rest of heaven is reached. It will not do, therefore, to say, our Church has done enough for colleges, raised enough money for them, equipped them sufficiently, sent enough young men to them. It will not do to say that we have candidates enough for the office of the ministry. It is equally impossible to "rest and be thankful" with regard to ministerial support. Our duty as a Church is to save ourselves from a "scandalous ministry" by making adequate provision for the temporal wants of those who minister at the altar." The "minimum" of five years ago will not do to-day; nor will that of to-day serve five years hence.

It will not do to think that we are doing enough for home mission work. Never let us forget the revelations of the late census. There are tens of thousands of nominal Presbyterians in this Dominion who are not connected with any of our congregations—

literally tens of thousands. Now, ought we not to look forward eagerly to the time when all our people shall be duly shepherded and when we can make some advances on the mass of non-church-goers generally. It is a most serious matter for us as a church that so great a multitude of our people should lie outside of our pastoral care. Manitoba and the other great Provinces of the North-West have claims upon us which we cannot too generously recognize; but the older Provinces are not less to be cared for. It is in the older Provinces that there are tens of thousands of our people beyond the limits of our congregations.

It will not do to conclude that our growth as a Church *should* be less rapid than the growth of the denominations alongside of us. Why should we have less zeal for the glory of God, less eagerness for the salvation of the lost? If others do well! let us do still better. What hinders us? Probably special hindrances could be pointed out in every community; but God is strong enough to overcome in us and through every obstacle. It will not do to say that we are doing enough for foreign missions. The work of God in this world is in effect one work; the field is one; His people are one;

"One army of the living God,
One church above, beneath."

No land, no loneliest isle, is "foreign" in the estimation of Hlm who has purchased the world "and overpaid its value with his blood." Let us look forward then to doing more for Christ this year than in any past year. If each member and family will do a little more, congregations will show progress, and the result will tell upon the whole Church. We do not depreciate past effort; we look back upon it with gratitude and joy as a manifest proof that God has been with us. But the past

must not be the measure of the future. As we look before us the field widens, spreading out in interminable vistas, spurring us to ever nobler aspirations and efforts. The Presbyterian Church is, or ought to be, the Church of the future, combining as it does authority with liberty and order; securing their fullest rights to ministers and people; recognizing the unity of the Church as well as the full responsibility of the individual Christian. But Presbyterianism that satisfies itself with past achievements, that glories in mere forms and lip orthodoxy more than in Christ, is a dead thing which can do no good and which should in fact be buried out of sight.

We expect for the Presbyterian Church in Canada a career of which none of her children need ever be ashamed. The field is open to her and she seems disposed to enter. God grant us all faithfulness, zeal and wisdom according to our need and His riches!

HOME MISSION FUND.

As the time is drawing near when our churches make their annual appropriations for the various benevolent schemes, I ask your kind co-operation in presenting before your own congregation and elsewhere the pressing claims of the Home Mission Fund upon the generous support of our members and adherents.

The Report of last Assembly, and the statements of missionaries, published weekly and monthly in our religious periodicals, render it unnecessary that I should refer in detail to the rapidly extending territory opened up to our Church at the present date. Under the Western Committee, and within the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the North-West Territories, and British Columbia, there were, according to the last Annual Report, 422 Mission Stations, and 116 Supplemented Congregations, representing 27,571 of a Sabbath attendance, 12,065 communicants and 9,278 families. These figures I am satisfied, fall considerably below the actual numbers, as during the past nine months many new fields have been opened in the North-West, that cannot be reported until the end of the current ecclesiastical year. The Committee are putting forth the most strenuous effort to overtake the large exodus to the North-West, while, at the same time, not neglecting the great spiritual destitution of many portions of the Province of Quebec, the vast lumbering region of the Ottawa, the Muskoka District, the older settled counties, where missionary effort is still imperatively demanded in the interests of our Church.

At the lowest possible calculation, the Committee will require \$45,000 to meet the liabilities of the current year ending March

31st, 1883. The entire sum received by the Agent of the Church, up to the 5th December, was only \$7,108.42, and of this amount \$726 came from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. In order to meet the Half-Yearly and Quarterly Claims of Missionaries, the Committee have been obliged to borrow largely, but they confidently hope, that before the Half-Yearly Meeting in March, a sufficient sum may be in the hands of the Treasurer to liquidate the entire indebtedness of the year. In a year marked by so much commercial and agricultural prosperity, our people will not, I am sure, fall short in their contributions to Home Missions, which are dear to every Christian, and necessary to our very existence as a Church of Christ.

The work of the Committee is increasing and widening year by year. Villages, towns and cities are springing up, as if by magic, along the river banks and on the broad prairies and valleys of the great North-West. Let it be ours to give them the Gospel without delay; for without it all the material prosperity is in vain.

In the name of the Home Mission Committee.

WM. COCHRANE, *Convener.*

Brantford, January 1st, 1883.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

LETTER FROM REV. J. R. FITZPATRICK.

To Dr. McGregor.

LITTLE BAY MINES, Dec. 22nd., 1882.

I was at Bett's Cove when last mail arrived here and did not get your letter in time to return receipt by last mail. I spent two weeks at Betts Cove and found the people very friendly indeed. There are few Presbyterians, still our congregations on the two Sabbaths I was there were very good. They have no other protestant preaching except Methodist service once in six or eight weeks. The Methodist minister there has sixteen different stations to attend to and consequently cannot be very much at any one of them, and besides not many of the Episcopalians usually go to hear the Methodists, they nearly all come out to Presbyterian service. At Little Bay Mines our congregations are very good. The Methodist minister should be here every fourth Sabbath, but can not always fulfil his appointments. He has only been here once since I came. I find the people here very friendly. I have a good boarding house and the winter so far has been very mild. On the whole I am as well satisfied with the place and people as I anticipated, and I find plenty of room for work. Our Sabbath-school is growing larger than at first but as yet we only have about thirty pupils. A number more, however, have promised to come in a short time, and we hope to have a nice school through the winter.

Chart of Foreign Missions.

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

At 1st March, 1883.

I.—THE NEW HEBRIDES MISSION.

Missionaries.—1. REV. H. A. ROBERTSON, Martyr's Church, Eromanga, appointed, 1871.
 2. REV. JOSEPH ANNAND, at Aneityum, appointed, 1872.
 3. REV. J. W. MACKENZIE, at Efate, appointed 1872.

(1) Population, 2040; Worshippers, 540; Communicants, 55; Teachers, 25. (2) Population in Mr. A's district, 565; Sabbath attendance, 300; Prayer meeting, 150; 22 schools taught by Natives; Communicants, 233. (3) Five Mission Stations; 81 Communicants; 280 Worshippers; 2 Bible Classes.

The "*Day Spring*" Mission Ship, last year sailed 10,000 miles, paid many visits to Mission Stations Harbours, and heathen islands, carrying Missionaries, their wives, families, and native Teachers and natives, besides making her two regular voyages to Sydney in N. S. Wales.

II.—TRINIDAD MISSION.

Missionaries.—4. REV. JOHN MORTON, Tunapuna, in Caroni District; first appointed 1867.
 BHUKARD, *Catechist*.
 MISS AGNES M. SEMPLE, *Teacher*.
 5. REV. KENNETH J. GRANT, San Fernando District; appointed 1870.
 REV. LAL BEHARI, *Assistant Missionary*.
 JACOB CORSBIE, *Teacher*.
 JAI-PAR-GAS-LAL, *Catechist*.
 GEORGE SADAPHAL, "
 RAMJAS AND MADHEE, *Catechists*.
 6. REV. T. M. CHRISTIE, Couva District, appointed 1873.
 7. REV. J. W. MCLEOD, Princetown, Savannah Grande Dis., appointed 1881.
 MISS ANNIE L. BLACKADDER, *Teacher*.
 JOSEPH ANNAJEE, *Native Evangelist*.

Coolie population above 30,000. Total number of Schools, 29; Scholars, 1139. Salaries of Native Evangelists from \$200 to \$335 each. The Woman's F. M. S., Halifax, provides Miss Blackadder's salary, \$406; Communicants, 135.

III.—MISSION TO THE INDIANS IN THE NORTH-WEST.

Missionaries.—8. REV. JOHN MACKAY, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, appointed 1878.
 9. REV. GEORGE FLETT, Okanase, appointed 1873.
 10. REV. SOLOMON TUNKANSAICYE, Fort Ellice, appointed 1877.
 MR. C. MACKAY, *Teacher at Fort Pelly*.
 MISS BAKER, *Teacher at Prince Albert*, 1879.

IV.—MISSION TO FORMOSA.

Missionaries.—11. REV. G. L. MACKAY, D. D., Tamsui, appointed 1871.
 12. REV. K. F. JUNOR, " " 1877.

In a little more than nine years, 20 Chapels have been opened and 2 Mission Houses built, and 20 native helpers trained; 5 Schools are sustained; 300 Communicants are enrolled, and nearly 3,000 persons have renounced idolatry and attend Christian worship. There is also an Hospital in Tamsui, doing excellent work. An Hospital has also been established at Kelung, under the care of Dr. Mann. A training college for native missionaries has been instituted under the presidency of Rev. Dr. Mackay.

V.—MISSION TO CENTRAL INDIA.

Missionaries.—13. REV. JOHN WILKIE, at Indore, appointed 1879.
 14. REV. JAMES FRASER CAMPBELL, Mhow, appointed 1876.
 MISS RODGER, *On furlough in Canada*, appointed 1873.
 MISS MCGREGOR, at Indore, appointed 1877.
 MISS ROSS, appointed 1882.
 15. REV. S. J. TAYLOR, *under appointment*, 1883.

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

Persecution Renewed.

MARCH 4.

ACTS V: 17-32.

Golden Text, Acts 5: 29.

THE awful death of Ananias and Sapphira had made a solemn impression on the people. Many were converted, crowds came from all parts of the country to Jerusalem, and many miracles of healing were wrought by the disciples. The rulers determined to put a stop to the movement. Vs. 17, 18, *The high-priest—Annas—filled with indignation* that the orders of the council had been so little heeded, ch. 4: 18, had the apostles imprisoned a second time. V. 19. This is the first reference in the Acts to the ministry of *angels*, the existence of which was denied by the Sadducees, ch. 23: 8. The opening of the prison doors would confirm the apostles' faith and should have convinced the rulers that in opposing them they were fighting against God. Vs. 20, 21, *Go, not to escape, but like brave men to preach the gospel were boldly than ever.* As soon as the temple gates were opened in the morning they began to address the people. Vs. 21, 24. Imagine the mortification of the council on sending for their prisoners to hear that they were at their old work, preaching the new doctrines. It seemed that prison walls could not hold these apostles; there must be some magical influence behind all this. What to do they knew not. V. 26. This time the captain of the temple himself goes with the officers of justice and with a shew of deference requests their presence in the council. *They feared the people*—what a wonderful change the gospel had already wrought on men who a short time before had said of Jesus "Crucify him!" Had the apostles chosen to appeal to the people now the mob would have taken their part and stoned the rulers. V. 28. They are charged with contempt of court. *In this name*—They disdain to mention the name of Jesus, perhaps because they were ashamed to do so. *Filled Jerusalem*—a noble though unintentional testimony to the success of their preaching. *This man's blood upon us*—not that they feared divine vengeance for the murder of the Messiah, but that the people would turn against them, disown their authority and perhaps overturn the existing form of government. V. 29. No reference to their miraculous escape, but an appeal to their sense of right and wrong. See Josh. 24: 15; 1 Kings, 18: 21. V. 30, *Peter* is not ashamed to mention the name of Jesus. A holier thing he could not say just then than that God had raised Him from the dead, who, at their instigation, had been sentenced by Pilate to the most ignominious death. V. 31. *A prince and a Saviour*—expressing the royalty which all Israel looked for in the Messiah, and the saving character of it which they had utterly lost sight of. *Do give repentance, &c.*—He alone can bestow these precious gifts, Rom 5: 18; Ephes. 2: 8; James 1: 17. V. 32. *To them that obey him*—those who do not obey God have no right to expect forgiveness, Rom. 2: C: 10. No compromise can be made between the world and religion, Jno. 12: 26; 2 Cor. 6: 15-18. They who serve God need fear no evil, for greater is He that is with them than all that are against them. Rom. 8: 31.

The Seven Chosen.

MARCH 11.

ACTS VI: 1-13.

Golden Text, Acts 6: 3.

THE church, now four or five years old, had already passed triumphantly through an ordeal of persecution and had made many converts. Now it was disturbed by an internal trouble which threatened its harmony. It began with a "murmuring" about the management of its temporal affairs. *The Grecians against the Jews.* The Jews were of two classes, (1) those born and brought up in Palestine; (2) those who had been scattered abroad by their national propensity for colonizing and trading, but who had returned to Palestine. Those called "Grecian" were not necessarily from Greece, but they spoke the Greek language, which at this time prevailed in all the countries bordering on the Mediterranean, in contradistinction to the Palestine Jews, who spoke Hebrew. Betwixt these two classes there had sprung up a sectional jealousy, and each naturally looked with special anxiety after the support of their poor. There was probably no *intention* to slight the widows of the Grecian Jews; only some little omission afforded a pretext for *grumbling*. Such things occur still. Of far more consequence than the alleged grievance is the promptness with which the apostles dealt with it. Vs. 2, 3. A public meeting was called and measures adopted to prevent a recurrence of the mistake. The apostles could not do everything themselves; there should therefore be a subdivision of labour. Seven prudent business men should be appointed by the meeting—a strong argument that the laity should be recognized in the government of the church. The *number*, though accounted sacred by the Jews, was unimportant but they must be men in every respect fitted for the office, honest, impartial, and above suspicion. The resolution was unanimously adopted and the fact that the names of all the seven were Greek implies that a fine conciliatory spirit prevailed and that the "Grecians" were allowed to have the majority on the new board. V. 6. Although this is the first mention of ordination by imposition of hands in the New Testament, the practice (still in use) had its origin in very ancient times, Num. 27-22. The new deacon turned out to be a public speaker of marvellous power. The synagogues referred to corresponded to our churches, of which there were then in Jerusalem some 480. Some of them belonged to the "Grecian Jew," just as we find in large cities now, English, Scotch, French, Dutch, or German churches. That of the *Libertines* possibly took its name from certain Jews who a century before were sent captive to Rome, and, being at length liberated, returned to their native land, acquired the name of Libertines (Freedmen) and built a synagogue for themselves. Stephen, instead of preaching to the common people, disputed with the rabbis in the different synagogues skillfully turned their own arguments against them, and thereby raised a storm of opposition which culminated in his death by violence. V. 15. *As the face of an angel*—God designing thereby to put honour on his faithful witness. Many martyrs and co-sufferers have shewn like serenity.

The First Christian Martyr.

MARCH 18.

ACTS VII: 54-8; 8: 1-4.

Golden Text, Rev 2: 10.

STEPHEN had been dragged before the council on a false charge of blasphemy, found upon either a mis-quotation or mis-apprehension of what he had said, Ch. 6: 14; as in the case of his Master, Mark 14: 58. In reply he makes a remarkably clever speech. He shewed that Moses who instituted the Law expressly warned the Jews that it only foreshadowed a more perfect dispensation that was to follow and that the same penalties inflicted upon them for disobedience might fall upon his hearers for rejecting the Messiah. More he would have said in the application of his theme but for the frenzied rage which interrupted him. V. 54. *Theophilus*—his irresistible arguments. *Cut to the heart*—literally, "sawn asunder." They were mortified beyond measure that not one of the learned council could answer him. *Onashet upon him*—an expression of brutal hatred and contempt; and of their own disappointment. Vs 55, 56. *But he, &c.*—The Divine presence produced in Stephen quite an opposite effect. He stands before them a picture of sublime composure. *Saw the glory of God*—with the inner eye of faith he beheld the beautiful vision. Those who would see God must "look up." *Jesus standing*—not sitting, as elsewhere represented, but in the attitude of eager interest, watching from heaven the scene in that council chamber. V. 57. Forgetting what was due to the dignity of the high court, they were so mad that they could not wait the end of the trial, but stopping their ears to shut out Stephen's ringing words, and to drown the din of their own voices, they rushed upon him like so many demons, hustled him out of the council, and had him conveyed to the common place of execution. V. 58. What a remarkable introduction is this to him who was to become the grandest missionary the world ever saw, now about thirty years of age and a man of culture! Saul's part in this transaction is regretfully referred to by himself in ch. 22: 20. V. 59. *They stoned Stephen*—the prescribed mode of dealing with blasphemers, Lev. 24: 16. *Calling upon God*—rather on "the Lord," N. V., for it was Jesus who is invoked. *Received my spirit*: almost identical with Christ's prayer, Luke 23: 46. See also 2 Tim 1: 12. V. 60. *Lay not this sin*—see Matt. 5: 44. and Luke 23: 34. *Full of sleep*—This beautiful imagery is also used by Paul and invests its derivative the "cemetery" with a halo of hope and comfort. Our departed friends do not die; they only sleep, 1 Thes. 4: 13-14. ch. 8: 1-4. The persecution raised against the church resulted in the martyrdom of many others, ch. 22: 4, and 26: 10, but was overruled for the furtherance of the kingdom, for while the apostles remained at Jerusalem to defend and confirm the infant church many of the brethren were "scattered"—not that they fled from suffering, but were rather strengthened by it to obey the command, "Go ye into all the world, &c." If we would die the death of the righteous, we must be careful to live the righteous life.

Simon the Sorcerer.

APRIL 1

ACTS VIII: 14-25

Golden Text, Acts 8: 21.

READ from v. 5. After the death of Stephen the apostles remained in Jerusalem, but many of the leading Christians left the city agreeably to their Lord's injunction, Matt. 10: 23. Philip, the evangelist, one of the seven deacons, went to Samaria, the chief town in the district of the same name, about thirty miles north from Jerusalem, where he preached the gospel with great success, working many miracles. There was a fitness in his going rather than any of the apostles; (1) because being a "Grecian," or foreign Jew, he would be especially exposed to persecution from the orthodox Jerusalem Pharisees. (2), the fact of his not being a native of Jerusalem would be in his favour with the Samaritans who kept up their old animosity against the Jews, Jn. 4: 9. In the same city was one Simon Magus, a notable imposter, v. 9, who had for a long time deceived the people by his magic arts, leading them to suppose that he was divinely commissioned. Struck with the power which attended the preaching of Philip, Simon professed himself a convert and as such was baptized, but as the sequel shows, without experiencing "baptismal regeneration." V. 14. The news of the revival reaching Jerusalem, Peter and John were sent to Samaria—evidence that Peter was not primate of the church, but on a par with the other apostles, and like them subject to the presbytery. V. 15. The purpose of their visit was to ascertain the truth of the report and the extent of the movement; as overseers to give counsel and encouragement; to ask for them the gift of the Holy Ghost. It seemed necessary to give official countenance to this work done through the agency of one who was not an ordained apostle. *Prayed for them*—Even the apostles could only pray for the gift of the Holy Ghost. It was not theirs to bestow. V. 17. *Laid their hands on them*—A symbolic act in token of their delegated authority and jurisdiction, ch. 1: 8. V. 18. Simon's motive now appears to be utterly wrong. He did not care about receiving the Holy Ghost himself, but was ambitious to have the honour of seeming to be an apostle. He could make more money than his necromancy, and was willing to pay any price for the privilege. The thought which led to the proposal was as bad as the act of offering the money. The source of all sin is in the heart, Jer. 17: 9; Matt. 15: 19. Religion is not a mere matter of profession. It regulates the heart and the life. God searches the heart, and we alone can renew it, Ps 139: 23. V. 22. *Repent and pray*—There is no limit to God's forgiveness, but it must be obtained through repentance and faith. V. 24. *Pray ye for me*—no sign of repentance, nor sense of sin, nor prayer for forgiveness, but a cowardly fear of outward punishment which he asks Peter to pray God to avert. V. 25. The condition of the natural heart is described as one of bondage. The prisoner cannot loosen his own chains. Another must do that. The gift of God, eternal life, can only be obtained by faith in the Son of God, Jn. 10: 27, 28; Rom. 6: 23.

Our Own Church.

THE Presbyteries have already begun to appoint Commissioners for the next General Assembly. The earliest nomination for the Moderatorship comes from the Maritime Provinces in favour of the Rev. Dr. King of Toronto. The time is approaching for the annual meetings of the Synods. That of Hamilton and London meets at Knox Church, St. Thomas, on the second Monday of April; the other three meet in the month of May: the usual official notices will be given next month. By this we are also reminded that the Treasurer's accounts for the various missionary and benevolent schemes of the Church will be closed on the 30th of April. It is therefore high time that all the congregations were bestirring themselves. It is announced that the Rev. Professor Gregg of Knox College, Toronto, is preparing to publish a History of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. It is a laudable undertaking and could not have fallen into better hands.

LIBERAL BEQUESTS.—The following bequests to schemes of the Presbyterian Church in Canada were made by the late Mr. Alexander McLeod, a member of St. Andrew's Church, Halifax,—For Home Missions, \$2000; Foreign Missions, \$2000; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, \$20,000; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$20,000; St. Andrew's Church, Halifax, \$2000. He bequeathed \$100 each to a large number of local charities; provided munificently for a large number of friends and relatives, and left the residue of his estate to Dalhousie College. The residue is likely to prove sufficient to endow at least two professorships. Mr. McLeod was in the 92nd year of his age. He had always been a liberal supporter of religious and benevolent enterprises.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.—Mr. McLeod's liberal bequest should stimulate and encourage others to do likewise. It is of great consequence to the Church that an adequate provision should exist for her ministers when they become disabled for active service through illness or old age. The bequest mentioned will be a great help in the Eastern Section of the Church. As yet, in both the East and West, it is the "day of small things"

for the good men who may have toiled for many years in the Master's Service and who have to retire on the slender pittance of \$200 in the one section, and \$220 in the other. The Church should aim at a retiring allowance of \$400 at the very least.

PERSONALS.—The Rev. W. D. Armstrong of Ottawa, at present in Britain, in the interest of The Board of French Evangelization, made his debut at Londonderry, Ireland, last month when he created a very favourable impression.

It was not the Rev. John Fotheringham, of St. Mary's who was inducted to St. John's Church, St. John, as reported in last month's *Record*, but his nephew, the Rev. T. F. Fotheringham formerly of Norwood. We beg the reverend gentlemen's pardon for translating him before his time had come.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI follows a system of strict rotation in appointing Commissioners to the General Assembly. And it has agreed to abandon the practice hitherto followed of entering on its minute book eulogistic notices on occasion of each translation of one of the brethren to any other Presbytery.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

PAKENHAM; Lanark and Renfrew:—Rev. Hugh Taylor, formerly of Morrisburgh was inducted on the 1st of February.

INGERSOLL: Paris:—Rev. P. R. Ross, formerly of Cote des Neiges, Montreal, was inducted on the 30th of January.

ST. JOHN, N. B.:—Rev. T. F. Fotheringham formerly of Norwood, Ontario, was inducted into the charge of St. John's Church, vacant by the retirement of Dr. Bennett, on the 9th of January.

CALLS:—Rev. A. T. Colter, of Clarksburgh, Ont., has received a call to Nelson, *Manitoba*. Rev. W. M. Martin, of Norwich, to Exeter, *Huron*. Rev. David Kellock has accepted a call to Spencerville and Ventnor, *Brockville*. Rev. D. McGregor, of Merigomish, to Amherst, N. S. Rev. John Murray, of Sydney, C. B., to Springfield, N. S. Rev. John Straith, of Paisley, Ont., to Meaford, and also to Shelbourne. Rev. S. C. Gunn to Springside, N. S.

DEMISSIONS:—Rev. John Ferries, of Brandon, *Manitoba*. Rev. A. McLeod, of Florence and Dawn, *Chatham*. Rev. John W. Bell, of Listowell, *Stratford*.

NEW CHURCHES, &c.

CAMBELLFORD: *Peterborough.*—A new church was opened at this place on the 28th of January. The services were conducted in the morning and evening by the Rev. Principal Grant, and in the afternoon by the Rev. E. F. Torrance, of Peterborough. The church is considered a very handsome edifice and the cost, when the spire is completed, will be about \$8,000.

SHANNONVILLE: *Kingston.*—A handsome and commodious church was opened at this station on the 14th of January. Rev. Principal Grant preached in the morning and afternoon and Rev. David Mitchell, of Belleville, in the evening. The building is of brick and cost about \$2,500. It is nearly all paid for. This station was only opened last summer, in connection with Melrose congregation, by Mr. John Young, B. A., of Queen's College. It is now in a prosperous condition. Nearly \$400 were raised at the tea-meeting.

BETHLESDA: *Peterboro.*—The new church at Bethesda was opened on the 24th December. Rev. Wm. McWilliams, of Streetsville, preached in the morning and afternoon, and Rev. C. H. Cooke, of Baltimore, in the evening to crowded audiences. The church is a very neat one and cost \$3,000. The collection on Sabbath amounted to \$85, and at the soiree \$144.

ST. THOMAS.—The new Presbyterian church at St. Thomas was dedicated on the 11th of February. Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, preached in the morning and in the afternoon, and Rev. Professor McLaren, of Knox College, in the evening. The church was filled to overflowing at all the services. This is one of the largest and finest specimens of ecclesiastical architecture in Western Ontario, and is an ornament to the city.

AMHERST, N. S.—The handsome new church at Amherst is now completed. It is very conveniently situated in a central part of the town. The church was opened for public worship on Sabbath, 11th of February. There is a debt of about \$1,700 on the building, which, however, will soon be cleared off.

CHURCH BURNT.—The old church at Durham, West River, Pictou County, was burnt on the night of the 20th of January. All the contents of the building were destroyed. The school-house adjoining was also burnt. No insurance. As a comparatively new church stands in the vicinity, the loss of the old building will not be so seriously felt as would otherwise have been the case.

MANITOBA ITEMS.

On the first Sabbath of November last, exactly one year after the organization of the Congregation, the Rev. A. B. Baird M. A. B. D., our earnest and indefatigable minister in charge opened his new church in the town of Edmonton. It is a handsome frame building 50 x 30 with gothic windows. It has a large basement, and is heated by a furnace fitted to burn either wood or coal—both of which are abundant in the neighbourhood. The inside of the church is not yet finished. The cost incurred thus far is \$2200, including a loan of \$600 from the Church and Manse Building Fund. The opening services were conducted in the morning by the pastor to a large congregation. In the evening the sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Newton, pastor of the Church of England congregation in the town, thus affording a pleasing illustration of the large-hearted Christian charity and sanctified common sense of the brethren in this frontier post which might teach a much needed lesson in more pretentious communities not so far away. The collection amounted to \$67.00. A hearty and unanimous call has been extended by the congregation of Nelson, to the Rev. A. T. Colter M. A., of Clarksburg, Ont. Nelson is a most promising field, and the want of a settled minister is deeply felt. It is earnestly hoped that Mr. Colter will accept this call. The Rev. John Ferries of Brandon has resigned his charge through ill health. This leaves our Church without a minister of any kind along almost 300 miles of the line of railway already in use! No minister between Grand Valley and Moose Jaw! What is the Church thinking about? The fault does not lie with the Presbytery. It does not lie with our indefatigable Superintendent. Where does it lie? Every one of the twenty-five students to complete their course this spring in our colleges could be absorbed in this Presbytery alone. How many shall we get? If ever we had occasion to utter the Macedonian cry, it is now. The Churches in Winnipeg are both flourishing. *Knox Church*, of which Rev. D. M. Gordon is pastor, has increased its numbers to what they were before St. Andrew's hived off from it. There are now ten elders, 393 communicants, 228 scholars and teachers in the Sabbath-School. The ordinary revenue is \$5596; Stipend \$4000. The contributions to the Schemes last year, \$1500. *St. Andrew's Church* is only about eighteen months old, Mr. Pitblado having been inducted little more than a year ago, but already there are between 250 and 300 communicants. The stipend is \$3000 with a manse. Both of these congregations worship in halls at present, but they are making preparations to erect handsome churches. In the meantime their respective ministers are exercising a powerful influence in the community.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

HALIFAX, February 6.—The Presbytery met in Fort Massey Church. Rev. W. Thorburn, Bermuda, applied for leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry, and to be placed on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. His health is feeble and he has been thirty-eight years in the ministry. The Presbytery resolved to apply to the General Assembly at its next meeting to grant Mr Thorburn's request. Rev. S. Bernard, late of Noel, was reported as in a very poor condition of health. The Presbytery took a very practical mode of expressing sympathy: Cornwallis North applies for disjunction from the two western stations. A committee was appointed to investigate and report. Reconstruction is kept in view with regard to Wolfville and other stations. It is proposed to unite the whole of Selma to the Noel congregation, and a committee was appointed to meet with the people to carry out this project. Extension in the direction of the north-west of the city was discussed. It was intimated to the Presbytery that Poplar Grove church has a committee considering the removal of the congregation from its present place of worship. Presbytery appointed a committee to confer with them. The remits from the General Assembly were considered. That which proposes the appointment of an examining board was virtually disapproved of. Arrangements were made for a conference on Temperance, Sabbath-Schools, and the State of Religion on the 13th March, in Chalmer's Church. Meetings for visitation of congregations were held in January as follows:—*Shubenacadie and Lower Stewiacke*, the pastoral charge of Rev. M. G. Henry, the contributions to the Schemes of the Church have doubled during the past five years. Better support of the pastor was recommended; and also greater attention to prayer meetings and family worship. *Milford and Gay's River*, Rev. A. B. Dickie, pastor. This congregation is in a satisfactory state, making steady progress. *Maitland*, Rev. T. C. Jack, pastor. Work well sustained, liberality marked, greater attention to family worship desired. *Kempt*, Rev. T. H. Murray, pastor. This is a weak rural charge. The people contribute at the rate of \$7 per family. The families regularly give one-tenth of all their receipts. *Brooklyn, Newport*, Rev. E. McNab, pastor. Some arrears are due the pastor. The attendance on the means of grace not such as the Presbytery would desire. *St. Croix* is part or the same charge. Condition most unsatisfactory, giving almost *nil*. There are some hopeful indications. *Canard, Cornwallis*. This charge is vacant, state of religion

low. Contributions to the schemes at the rate of \$2 per family. *Kentville*, Rev. J. B. Logan, pastor. The pastor's labours abundant and results gratifying. A fine body of elders, but not efficient in the discharge of the duties of the office, owing in some cases to multiplicity of engagements. The congregation was urged to show greater liberality.—A. SIMPSON, *Clk.*

WALLACE.—The Presbytery met Dec. 11th, and Feb. 6th. At the former meeting the call of Springhill to Rev. John Murray, Sydney, was sustained and the usual steps taken. At the latter meeting the call of Amherst to Rev. D. McGregor, Merigomish, was sustained and ordered to be proceeded with as usual. Applications for supplement were made as follows:—Amherst, \$125; Pugwash, \$100; Springhill, \$100; New Annan, \$75. The College Fund was recommended to the liberality of the congregations. With regard to remits of Assembly the Presbytery disapproved of the first, in relation to the appointment of committees. With regard to examination of students, Presbytery approved generally of the examinations, with the addition, the right of Presbyteries to examine when they see cause. Rev. T. Sedgwick, and E. Gillies, and Messrs. W. Creighton and A. Redpath were appointed commissioners to the next General Assembly. Rev. J. M. King, D.D., was nominated as Moderator of the General Assembly.

TRURO, Jan. 16th.—A call to Rev. S. C. Gunn from Springside congregation was sustained. Arrangements were made for a Sabbath-school conference in connection with the March meeting of the Presbytery.

MIRAMICHI, Jan. 16th.—The Presbytery met at Newcastle. Twelve ministers and two elders were present. Matters of merely local interest largely occupied attention. The following Commissioners to the General Assembly were appointed: Messrs. John Robertson, Peter Lindsay, Thomas Nicholson and J. C. Herdman.

LUNENBURG AND SHELBURNE, Mahone Bay, Feb. 6th.—Presbytery met for visitation. Mr. Simpson preached. The congregation was found to be thoroughly harmonious, and in good working order. The diligence of the managers was especially commended, as by their vigorous efforts the financial condition of the congregation has greatly improved since last visitation, two years ago. They were reminded that they are now in a position to add to their pastor's stipend. The meeting was a pleasant one and will no doubt produce much good. *Lunenburg, 7th Feb.*—A large amount of routine business was attended to. A minute regarding the death of Rev. D. F. Creelman, M. A., was placed on record. The

regulations anent appointment of standing committees were approved. For want of time consideration of the other remits was deferred. In the evening Lunenburg congregation was examined; Mr. Brown preached. The congregation was found to be making progress. A large portion of their debt was removed last year. Their contributions to the Schemes of the Church are increasing each year. The pastor is diligent and laborious, and is not left without tokens of Divine blessing. La Have and New Dublin congregations are to be visited on the 27th of March, in afternoon and evening respectively.—D. STILES FRASER, *Cik.*

PETERBORO, *January 16th*.—The Home Mission report was received and adopted. Committees were appointed on the State of Religion, on Sabbath-School work and on Temperance. Answers to queries on the State of Religion are to be sent to Mr. Torrance, those on Sabbath-Schools to Mr. Carmichael and those on Temperance to Mr. Beattie. Steps were taken to obtain leave of the Assembly for Mr. White, formerly of Warsaw and Dummer, to retire from the active duties of the ministry. Mr. Bennett presented the motion, of which he had given notice, anent the increase of ministers' stipends within the bounds. The Presbytery cordially endorsed Mr. Bennett's proposal, thanked him for the report and recommend that it be printed and distributed among the congregations. A minute was adopted in reference to the death of Col. Haultain in which the Presbytery expressed a sense of the great loss they had sustained and their deep sympathy with the members of his bereaved family.—W. BENNETT, *Cik.*

WHITBY, *Jan. 15th*.—Proposals for the union of Dunbarton and Highland Creek were considered and approved, the Presbytery expressing its desire that the charge be under its superintendence. This matter, however, has been referred to the Synod by the Presbytery of Toronto. Reports of Missionary Meetings were given in by a number of the congregations. A committee was appointed to examine the remits from the Assembly and to report. The returns on the State of Religion are required to be sent to Mr. Roger, Ashburn, not later than the 1st of April. The second annual report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Whitby was read and received with hearty expressions of commendation.—A. A. DRUMMOND, *Cik.*

OWEN SOUND, *Jan. 16th*.—Instructions were given that all statistical returns should be sent to the clerk by the 20th of March, the returns on the State of Religion to Rev. H. Currie, Keady, and those on Sabbath-Schools to Mr. McDiarmid of Latona. A Presbyterial

visitation of Knox Church, Owen Sound, was held in the evening, at which the affairs of the congregation were found to be in a satisfactory condition.

TORONTO.—A slight inaccuracy occurred in our report of the meeting of the Presbytery in February RECORD it should have been said that the call from Quaker Hill to Rev. J. Alexander, of Norval, was refused, and the question of the Presbyterial connection of Highland Creek and Dunbarton was referred to the Synod of Toronto and Kingston. This reference to the Synod is caused by the fact that Highland Creek is in Toronto Presbytery, and Dunbarton in Whitby.

GUELPH, *Jan. 16th*.—An elaborate report on statistics was read and was ordered to be printed and circulated among the families within the bounds. Reports were received on the Remits from the General Assembly. That on standing committees was approved with certain amendments. In regard to theological education, the appointment of a Board by the General Assembly was disapproved. A report was read from the committee appointed to visit the First Congregation, Guelph, to the effect that at a meeting duly held by the congregation it had been resolved to dissolve the congregation. Authority was given to hold a meeting to consider how the property was to be disposed of.—R. TORRANCE, *Cik.*

HURON, *Jan. 16th*.—Reports were read and considered in behalf of the Home Mission Committee and that on the State of Religion. The remit on Theological Education was disapproved of. It was remitted to the Finance Committee to consider the best method of meeting the expenses of commissioners to the Assembly. An interesting convention was held at which subjects relating to the Sabbath-school were discussed.—A. MCLEAN, *Cik.*

HAMILTON.—Met at Dundas on the 15th and 16th January. Conferences of Sabbath-Schools and S. S. work and the State of Religion were held. Overtures anent ordained missionary supply and the term-service in the eldership were discussed and left over for another time. The remit on a Board of Examination, was not approved, and that on Standing Committees was considered and materially altered by amendments.—JOHN LAING, *Cik.*

Obituary.

HURON. JOHN McMURRICH. This venerable and beloved senior elder of Knox Church, Toronto, has passed away after a lingering and painful illness in his 79th year.

He was a native of Paisley, Scotland, and for exactly half a century resided in Toronto. In 1844 Mr. McMurrich cast in his lot with the Free Church Presbyterians and subsequently took an active part in organizing Knox Church, Toronto, which he has ever since represented in the Church Courts, of which he was regarded as a prominent and influential member. He was an enthusiastic Sabbath-school teacher and Superintendent, an active friend of church extension, and a liberal and cheerful supporter of every good work.

MR. JAMES COURT, the senior elder of Crescent Street Congregation, Montreal, died very suddenly in Glasgow, Scotland, on the 14th of February. The deceased was born in Hamilton, Scotland, in the year 1811, and came to Canada when 18 years of age. In connection with the late Dr. Taylor of Erskine Church and the venerable Dr. Wilkes, Mr. Court was the chief means of establishing the French-Canadian Missionary Society. He took a deep interest in its affairs and continued to be its treasurer up to the time when it was handed over to the Presbyterian Church in Canada. He was a warm friend of the Temperance cause. By his gentle, unassuming manner and consistent life, his liberality in support of every good work, and his genuine catholicity of spirit he had endeared himself to a large circle of friends.

MR. RICHARD WILLIAMSON, ruling elder, and for thirty years a consistent member of Warwick congregation, Ontario, died on the 10th of January aged 84 years. To him was the promise fulfilled, "With long life will I satisfy him, and slaw him my Salvation."

MR. ROBERT FLEMING, an elder in the North Westminster congregation, Presbytery of London, died on the 7th Feb., after a brief illness, at the age of 73. He filled the office of elder in the congregation from the time of its organization as a separate charge in 1854 until called to his reward. He was a faithful office bearer, a wise counsellor and an exemplary Christian. His loss will be keenly felt.

Ecclesiastical News.

DR. BENSON will be enthroned as Archbishop of Canterbury on the 3rd of April. By a misprint the new primate was called "Dr. White" in last month's RECORD. An animated yet temperate discussion took place at the last meeting of the Presbytery of London, England, on the relation of the office-bearers of the Church to the Westminster Confession of Faith. Mr. Robert Whyte, an elder in Dr. Dyke's church, opened the debate with an elaborate paper in which he

took strong ground against the Confession as an authoritative exponent of Scripture doctrine, contending that it presents God in too stern an aspect, many, both elders and ministers, being lost to the Church because they could not accept the Confession as a whole. He took special exception to the doctrine of election; to the denunciation of the Pope as the veritable anti-Christ, and other points in which he held that the Confession did not fairly represent the actual belief and teaching of the Presbyterian Church. It was too wide in its scope and too minute in its details. He was in favour of the Church forming a new and much shorter symbol to which all their adherents might say "credo." Other speakers took ground in the same direction, and thought the Confession seriously lacking in the evangelical and missionary element. Dr. Donald Fraser said he should profoundly regret if anything that had been said tended to produce the impression that there was any disposition in that Church to leave its meetings. It was not proposed to change the Confession of Faith. They who would try to mar it would almost certainly mar it. At the same time, he was willing to consider the use that should be made of the Confession, and to say that if they could get an epitome of its essential doctrines, expressed in modern language, it would be a valuable boon. Dr. Dykes indicated his appreciation of the difficulty some of the elders felt in subscribing to the Confession as it now stood. For himself, he had accepted it long ago and had never consciously deviated from it. Yet he was free to say there are things in it he did not wholly like; at the same time he saw grave difficulties in meddling with it, or altering it. He saw difficulties also in qualifying assent to its statements. A relaxation in the form of subscription would not help them much. But, for the use of the eldership, he thought that a short, simple *Credo* might take the place of an ancient and elaborate *symbolum*—a statement, fuller perhaps than what is called the Apostle's Creed, but one which their congregations might accept and recite, as he wished they would. Though no vote was taken, this view seemed to meet with general acceptance. It is announced that Dr. Robertson Smith has accepted the Arabic Professorship in the University of Cambridge, vacant by the death of Professor Palmer. The ecclesiastical breeze which he created in the Free Church of Scotland has already subsided. The Free Church Colleges at Edinburgh and Glasgow have an unusually large number of theological students this session. In the former there are 145, and in the latter, 114 students—the largest number they have ever had. Dr. Begg does not believe in Disestablishment. In a letter to the *Scotsman* he gives his reasons at some length. He can quite well understand why

Voluntaries in principle should press for immediate disestablishment, but he is persuaded that the Voluntaries in principle are by no means a majority of the Scottish people; and even if they were more numerous than at present, it were unreasonable on their part to press the Government to take so serious a "leap in the dark," without some idea of what the future is to be. "What is to be done with the ecclesiastical property which it is proposed to confiscate? What is to be done for the neglected masses, for which, although voluntary benevolence has done much, it has by no means done enough? Experience seems to have proved that the parochial system, properly worked, is alone likely to overtake the existing evil. All this should be thoroughly investigated. He thinks that the whole subject of the Church Establishment ought to be submitted to a Royal Commission and fully considered before any action is taken. All the Scottish Churches are taking up the subject of Foreign Missions with increased activity, the Established Church especially. During a single month no less than one hundred and seventy missionary meetings were held in as many parishes. While on the "day of intercession" for missions, there were preached in Glasgow ninety missionary sermons. The Temperance Cause is also coming to the front under ecclesiastical auspices. "Influential meetings" have been held at which various suggestions were made to lessen the evils arising from prevailing intemperance. The next General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America is to meet in Saratoga, on the third Thursday of May.

IRELAND.—While these words are being written all attention is fixed on proceedings in the courts in Dublin. The authorities have apparently got into the secrets of the organization that for so long a time bid defiance to law and order. The tide in favour of the majesty of law has turned at last. It seemed for a time that the odious informer had vanished, but now he has reappeared in stronger force than ever. It is too bad that his services should be needed, but anything is better than the reign of terror that has for some years ridden rampant in that unhappy land. If the men whose hands have been steeped in the blood of innocent victims be now unearthed, as there is a good prospect of that being the result, what a boon it will be to that country, and what a breath of relief the civilized world will breathe. Much will likely be known before these words are read in the March RECORD. Moody and Sankey have finished a short campaign in Dublin and have gone to England for a week or two after which a more lengthened campaign will be entered upon in Belfast. Much good was done in Dublin.

The meetings were well attended and the results gratifying. But there are adversaries. The committee in charge of the meetings determined as far as in them lay to admit no helpers to the inquiry rooms but such as had the confidence of the churches. It appears that this laudable purpose has been to some extent defeated. The "Brethren," the most intensely sectarian of all the sects, not very honourably, (when did they act honourably, their ways are dark) managed to get in, and well they played the part they always play. A writer sounds a note of alarm for the benefit of the Belfast friends. It is hard to meet the wiles of that class of religionists. The Rev. W. O. Johnston, D. D., of Kensington, Philadelphia, has passed away rather suddenly. For thirty years he upheld the standard with ability, zeal, and faithfulness among a people that loved him much and deservedly. He appeared to be still in the prime of life. He was a native of Cootehill, County Caven, and a first cousin of Rev. Dr. Johnston, of Belfast, who was Moderator of the Assembly a few years ago. He will be much missed in Philadelphia.—H.

FRANCE.—*La question religieuse* continues to be seriously pondered by thoughtful men. One of these, M. Bellamy, mayor of Angoulême, has recently published a pamphlet, in which he contrasts the Conservative party in France with that of England, much to the disadvantage of the former, French Conservatism, he maintains, is not only non-progressive, but retrogressive.—And this is because it draws its inspiration from the Roman Catholic Church—which, he avers, is essentially retrograde—But he does not stop here.—He gives wise counsel, when he advises all republicans, with their families, to go to the Protestant churches.—His reason is, that a Roman Catholic only escapes from the influence of Romanism, when he becomes an active member of another church.—In this way, he believes, Republican France would become more stable, and the present disunions, and disaffections come to an end. This is a refreshing note, to come from an honorable man, and representative of the people; a man in the ranks of liberal thinkers.—It will do good in the present uncertainty. Meanwhile, the Protestant churches are working actively, in spreading abroad the good seed of the Word.—*La Société Central*, supports one hundred and fifty agents in its work of evangelization.—They have some three hundred and sixty stations scattered throughout the country, and last year expended about fifty thousand dollars.—Forty-two stations have become regular churches, and as many more are ready to be constituted, but the State refuses its aid, and they lack means.—May the Lord open the hearts of His

people everywhere, to come to the help of the hard pressed brethren in their Master's work: "With a knot of good and true Huguenots in each locality," writes a certain mayor, "the principles of morality, of family life, of respect for religion, would regain their proper place, and France would be saved."

In the North, the converts to the faith of the Gospel have to endure much persecution, but they remain firm. Here is an example. One convert fell sick. The priest harassed him constantly.—Invariably he said to the priest;—Monsieur le curé you know that I believe in Jesus Christ, and in Him only; it is to Him alone I will 'confess,' and I will declare the faith of the gospel unto the end." Nothing daunted, the priest waited until the convert was too weak to resist, then administered extreme unction, and the next day took possession of the body in order to bury it according to the rites of his church. Every means is counted fair by the priests—they bear false witness—they seek to compel employers to dismiss the converts from their employ; they threaten with deprivation of property; withhold aid from the poor; oppress the borrower, and practise all kinds of intrigues to distress those who have forsaken their corrupt church. Nevertheless, God's work goes on, and everywhere people hear the gospel with gladness, and many receive it with great joy.—For this we give thanks, and pray continually, "that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified."—C. H.

MEANS AND MEN FOR MANITOBA.

Our people in the older provinces are scarcely aware of the rapid expansion of the work of the Church in the North-West. The construction of the C. P. R. has given a great impetus to settlement. The railway was finished in 1881 to Flat Creek, thirty-four miles beyond Brandon. Early in the spring of 1882 settlers started westward in advance of the track-layers and graders, and even of the engineers. They took up land as far west as Moose Jaw Creek, 260 miles beyond Flat Creek, squatting where entries could not be made. Finding that there was a great deal of good land north of the Qu'Appelle River explorers spread in every direction and selected locations. There are now tens of thousands of settlers where last February there was only an unbroken waste. In the southern portion of Manitoba, too, settlement was pushed westward with great rapidity. It is within the mark to say that during last season an area of eight or nine millions of acres was more or less sparsely settled.

The prospects are that settlement will progress faster this season. The C. P. R. company are making every preparation to

reach the Rocky Mountains during the summer of '83. The Portage Westbourne and North-Western Railway will also be pushed forward with vigour. The Allans, of Montreal, and other capitalists are owners of the stock and are determined to reach Prince Albert at the earliest possible date. The line projected from Fort Qu'Appelle in which Mr. Innis, late of Hamilton, and others are interested, will also in two years reach Prince Albert. This means that the fertile lands of the North-West will be speedily settled. In a few years the country will be a net-work of railways giving settlers a market at their own doors. As the railways reach the coal beds of the west and penetrate the forests north of the Saskatchewan, there will be abundance of fuel and building material for settlers at reasonable prices.

What measures are we adopting to meet the certain demands for missionaries? Can the Church keep pace with settlement? I fear not. We have fallen much behind now. In all the new districts occupied last season we have not one ordained missionary. Many of the older fields have scarcely heard a sermon since the end of September. There are hundreds if not thousands of Presbyterian families scattered over the North-West for whose souls no one is caring. There are over 400 townships in which thousands of Presbyterians are found where no minister of our Church ever preaches. I tried last fall to get missionaries settled within fifty miles of each other along the railway, but in vain. Virden and Oak Lake, Broadview, Fort Qu'Appelle, Troy, Moose Jaw, Wolsely and Regina should each have a missionary, but they are vacant. Battleford, Milford, Alexander, Peacocks, &c., are also destitute of ordinances. The sons and daughters of hundreds and thousands of Presbyterian families are thus left to themselves. Can nothing be done? "Let the H. M. C. appoint missionaries," some one says. "Men are not coming forward for the work." I reply. The committee, moreover, sometimes fear that should many men be appointed there will not be funds with which to support them. Let congregations contribute liberally for this work and the committee seeing that their hands will be upheld, will act vigorously. The session in our colleges will close in a couple of months. If there is a decided advance in the contributions for H. M. work, graduates will be impelled to offer themselves for this work and the committee will appoint them. Congregations have the matter in their own hands. Five thousand dollars now will be worth \$20,000 six years hence. Now is the time for united and energetic action. Twenty-five missionaries are required now. Will the people give \$10,000 additional to support them?

Somebody objects. "I would rather give to Foreign Missions." One of the best ways to help Foreign Mission work is to help H. M. work in the North-West. In a few years there will be a large number of strong congregations there if the work is looked after now. These will help the foreign mission work. What is given for Christian work in the North-West at present will be like seed sown in spring, it will yield a bountiful return.

Another says, "the people there are rich." This is a mistake. Rich people do not settle in new countries. How many wealthy people settled in Ontario? The poor are the pioneers. I have travelled all through the country and know that in the rural districts people are not wealthy. In a short time they will be in comfortable circumstances, but now many, very many, are poor—very poor. I have seen children whose emaciated faces told that they had not enough to eat. They were ill clad and worse shod. A large proportion of the settlers are young, they have not had time to accumulate wealth. Many in Winnipeg are "well off," but they can not be expected to overtake all the Christian work in the North-West any more than the people of Toronto or Montreal can be expected to do such work for Ontario or Quebec. They are doing their share. Let the whole Church assist for this is the Church's work.

A third asks, "Are the people in Manitoba doing their duty themselves?" They are. Some Congregations are giving between \$30 and \$40 per family to support their ministers. Quite a large number of persons are giving \$50 per annum and over to support ordinances. Forty-six families at Carberry have agreed to support their own minister, giving \$850. Fifteen families at Minnedosa contribute \$600. Burnside and Rapid City are not much behind. The first five names on the Nelson list were for \$50 each per annum. At Birtle and other places young unmarried men who are only adherents to the Church contribute \$1 per Sabbath. In all the villages and towns 50 cents per Sabbath is the rule for mechanics and I never knew of less than 25 cents being offered. The Rock Lake people are twenty-five miles from a railway and yet they ask for no supplement. As far as I know no new settlements ever did more to help themselves than those in the North-West.

I would not be so urgent but that I see what deplorable results must follow neglect now. If proper means are not adopted to shape the life of that new land we shall all lament it. Humanly speaking the weal or woe of thousands depend on the action of the Presbyterian Church now. Let error and vice get a firm footing there and they will bring forth terrible fruit. Let the gospel be preached and it will

result in the salvation of coming generations and the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

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CONVENER'S ANNUAL CIRCULAR.

Western Section.

AS the season has arrived when the majority of the congregations of our Church allocate to the various schemes of the Church the funds which they have collected during the year for benevolent purposes, I take the liberty of calling attention to the claims of Foreign Missions. The sum of \$40,000 has been estimated as necessary for the year to carry on the work sustained by the Western Section of the Church. The expenditure for the year, has, thus far, been heavy, and unless the work is to suffer seriously, more labourers must, without delay, be sent to the foreign field. If the work is to be maintained with any reasonable measure of efficiency, three ordained missionaries must be added to the staff already employed. Steps have been taken by the Foreign Mission Committee to secure more missionaries. Rev. S. J. Taylor, B. A., a graduate of Montreal College, has been called to the work, and has, I am glad to say, accepted the call. Mr. Taylor, who has been for some time in Europe, has returned to Canada and will be prepared to proceed to his field next summer. Very high testimonies have been received as to Mr. Taylor's attainments, devotedness and adaptation to missionary work, and it is matter of much thankfulness that a brother who will inspire so much confidence, has been secured. The precise field to which Mr. Taylor will be sent has not been decided, but India will most probably be chosen.

The appointment of another missionary to China cannot safely be delayed. Rev. K. F. Junor has, by the state of his health, been compelled to return to America, and there is, we regret to say, almost no probability that he will ever be able to do duty again in the Foreign field. He is at present resting in California where he will require to pass the winter. Rev. Dr. G. I. Mackay is now left single handed to bear the entire burden of the growing work in Formosa. He is meeting with great encouragement, and could we safely count upon his strength continuing to endure the strain put upon it, we might feel less anxiety. But in such a climate as Formosa, every one must see that it would be folly for the Church to base its action upon such a con-

tingency. It is satisfactory to know that several young men who appear to be specially qualified for missionary service, are prepared to offer themselves for this work. It should be distinctly understood, that if the work is kept back it will not be for lack of men. It is for the membership of the Church to say, whether, when devoted young men are offering to carry the gospel to the heathen, they will withhold the means necessary to send them.

A missionary should also be sent to labour, as soon as possible, among the Indians in the neighbourhood of Fort Pelly. During the past summer I had the pleasure of visiting, along with Rev. H. McKellar, all the fields occupied by our Indian missionaries in the North-West, and I am glad to bear personal testimony to the more encouraging aspect which the work is assuming. The settlement of Indians upon *Reserves*, which is rapidly advancing all over the North-West, renders them much more accessible to missionary agency. The Indians have three large reserves set apart for them near Fort Pelly, and one of these has been occupied by our Church. There is a larger body of Indians resident in this locality than at any other where our Church is carrying on mission operations. They have already had a teacher, but an ordained missionary should be put in charge of this important field immediately. If we take from the Indians their ancient hunting grounds, surely it is not too much to expect that we will teach them the arts of civilized life, and make known to them the gospel of the grace of God.

We trust the members of the Church will take these facts into account, and will devise liberal things for the extension of Christ's kingdom among the heathen.

On behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee.

WM. MACLAREN,
Convener.

TORONTO, 2nd Feb., 1883.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, (W. S.) at a meeting held a few weeks ago:—

I.—“The Committee having read the minutes of the Mission Council in Central India touching the return to Canada of the Rev. J. M. Douglas, and his reply thereto—and also subsequent letters from India, with his reply to them—find no sufficient reason to recede from the resolution of re-call reported to the Assembly; and do hereby terminate the relation existing between Mr. Douglas and this Committee.”

II.—“The Committee assure Mr. Douglas of sincere sympathy with him in the circumstances in which he is placed, and hope that he may find a sphere of labour in which he may be blessed with comfort to himself and

family and usefulness in the service of the *Master*; and further, order the payment of furlough allowance to be continued to him up till the 31st of March, 1883.”

FOREIGN MISSIONS, MARITIME PROVINCES.

Statement by the Secretary.

Nearly every RECORD contains interesting notices of the Missions in the New Hebrides and Trinidad, the support of which devolves on the congregations in the Maritime Provinces. It is high time that the attention of these congregations should be called to the state of the finances. We have reached the first of February, and are therefore within one-quarter of our financial year; and yet barely one-half has been received of what is absolutely necessary to prevent what we have recently escaped—*debt*. We commenced the year with a balance on hand, on both accounts. The subjoined figures shew the present situation:—

First Account.

Cr. side including bal. May 1st.	\$4928.42
Expended since May 1st to date.	9114.98

Balance due Treas. . . \$4186.56

Second Account.

Cr. side including balance May 1st	\$2196.72
Expended since May 1st to date.	2610.09

Balance due Treas. . . \$ 413.37

Conjunct View.

Cr	\$ 7125.14
Dr	11725.07

\$ 4,599.93

which means \$4600 borrowed, on which interest must be paid. This would not be at all alarming if our payments for the year were completed; but in reference to Trinidad a half-year's payments are now due, and must and will be remitted before these figures are printed.

Last year's payments for this mission by the Canadian Church were £430 stg. The half-year now due may therefore be set down at £715 or	\$3479.67
Add the adverse balance as above . . .	4599.93

Wanted before May 1st.....\$8079.60

Will this sum be forthcoming? Will the congregations, and the men to whom the Lord has entrusted the means, devise so liberally that \$2700 per month will flow during the next three months into the Mission Treasury? The question is one of grave importance, and demands earnest consideration, and the sooner the facts are looked in the face the better. The work in Trinidad, more especially,

is *expanding*, and if the missionaries ask for £1500 stg. per an., they shew an equal sum raised there. Congregations, here and there, can add some fifty and some a hundred dollars to increase the comforts of their pastor; and it is well; should there not be a corresponding increase of effort and expenditure to carry out the great object of all church organization, the evangelization of the world, so that all nations may know and serve the Prince of Peace? Convictions are good, resolutions better, but DEEDS are best of all. Words have their use—"Lord! Lord! Have we not prophesied in thy name?" But *actions* speak more loudly, and much more convincingly, of devotion to the Master and of zeal for His glory. Not the hearer, but the doer of the Lord's will shall have the blessing, the rich blessing of the giver.

P. G. MCGREGOR, *Secy.*

HALIFAX, Feb. 5th, 1883.

JUVENILE MISSION SCHEME.

Letter from Trinidad.

The Secretary of the Juvenile Mission Scheme has received a letter from Miss Blackader, Trinidad, containing an earnest appeal for assistance in opening schools there. The following extract from Miss Blackader's letter will speak most forcibly for itself:—

"We are anxious to open three new schools, in villages or estates where there are numbers of children growing up in idleness and wickedness. In one such place Mr. McLeod found some forty children old enough to go to school. Now if we could get funds to sustain these schools, more than a hundred children might be brought under Christian instruction, and their heathen parents under Christian influence. Here then is a glorious opportunity for aiding the mission cause—three new schools, in places just given over to sin and wickedness, would mean a large number of children taught the truths of religion while their hearts are tender and the mind impressible. What results may come of our efforts for them, eternity alone can tell! \$120.00 per annum will support a school. \$360.00 would almost support the three. My school opens on Monday, and then if you care for it I can send a letter of more interest than this. One of our boys will soon leave us to continue his studies, as he has given himself to the Lord. Fifteen have been added to the Church in our part of the field this year."

A. L. M. BLACKADER

NOTE.—Any Sabbath-school desiring to aid in the support of such schools in Trinidad can do so by sending a remittance to Miss Machar, Kingston, Secretary-Treasurer of the Juvenile Mission Scheme. Some of the Sabbath Schools which used to take an interest in

this Scheme have fallen off since the support of orphans has ceased to become a prominent feature in it, and some of its former friends no longer manifests any interest in it. But the support of *schools* is of as much importance and even *more* useful than that of individual orphans, and in Trinidad, India, and Formosa there are opportunities for doing great good in this way.—Who will respond? All contributions should be sent in during either March or April, as the financial year closes with the latter month.

A. M. M.

India.

REV. J. FRASER CAMPBELL, our missionary at Mhow, Central India, writing on the 14th December last, says:—Our work continues to be blest, I trust. On Sabbath, 3rd inst., Mr. Wilkie baptized a very interesting young Brahman who knows something of five vernaculars, Sanskrit and English, and has read and examined for years the Hindu Shastras and the Bible; and last Sabbath seven persons—two infants and five on their own profession—less interesting perhaps than the case above referred to, but yet, I hope and believe, saved sinners, and two of them boys, also very interesting. These, with an infant baptized by Mr. Wilkie on the same day, make in all twenty-eight in fifteen months between the two stations. There are also several candidates, one of whom I hope to baptize next week.

Our Trinidad Mission.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT BY REV. JOHN MORTON, 1882.

The work of the year has been conducted much on the lines indicated in last report. The year has been a prosperous one for estates in this district. Labour has been in steady demand. Quiet and health have prevailed among the labourers. And there are indications of steady though not rapid progress in our work. With thankfulness to God for the mercies of the year, I submit the following details:—

The Caroni.—Services, Hindi, 8 a. m., English, 9.15 a. m., Sunday-school 2 p. m. Teacher, John Dharm. Number enrolled in eight months eighty-one. Average daily, twenty-five. The attendance at the Hindu service has been pretty regular but as there are on the estate a large proportion of new immigrants we have here to deal for the most part with men whose minds are still strongly under Indian influences. The attendance at

the school has been singularly irregular, the number enrolled being out of proportion to the average daily attendance. The cause of this has been removals at the close of the crop season, the state of the roads in heavy weather and sickness, largely sores, among the children. But there has been a good evening class for men and larger boys who are at work during the day. This is an exceedingly desirable arrangement as tending to promote industry and intelligence. If to these integrity could be added we would have the chief elements of usefulness and success secured. While the dry weather continued the attendance at the English service was good. When the crop was over many Creoles left the estate till the crop time comes round again, so that the average from the middle of June till the end of the year did not exceed fifteen. There are scarcely the elements out of which to organize anything permanent among the English-speaking people at present; but those who attended could not go elsewhere, some of them were convalescents from the hospital opposite our place of worship and it is something to have ministered to those thus destitute.

During the dry season, a school-room 36 x 18 feet, and a house for the teacher were erected at a cost of £137 8s. 4d.. An effort has still to be made to get the buildings painted at least on the outside.

Tunapuna.—Sunday-school 10.30 a. m. Teachers, Mrs. Morton, Frs. Jaganatte, Geoffroy Subarau, John Allabdua, and C. Akbarate. Service, 11.30 a. m.; weekly prayer-meeting, 7 p. m., on Friday; day school, teachers, John Allabdua, and Mrs. McGregor. Class for teachers 8.10 a. m. on Saturday. At the service and prayer meeting the gospel of Matthew was read through during the year and explained—those who could read at times reading simultaneously. The Lord's Supper was dispensed twice. To Tunapuna as a centre all the communicants come. Here, too, on December 23rd, 110 children, from all the schools, gathered to enjoy their Christmas treat. The English singing, the sewing and geography have fallen principally on Mrs. and Miss Morton. The temporary employment of Mrs. McGregor did not meet the wants of the school; so that we are much pleased with the action of the F. M. Board in securing a teacher from Nova Scotia. Miss Semple arrived December 22nd and we sincerely hope her work will tell favourably on this school.

Aronca.—Service 2.30 p. m., teacher P. Bhukham. At this station the attendance has been less fluctuating than last year. The children are so well drilled in the day school and attend church so well that the Sunday-school was given up to enable Bhukham to

attend to other work and particularly to teach adults who may come to him. Besides teaching the school he has held meetings at four estates in the neighbourhood. We have been indebted, as last year, to Rev. Wm. F. Dickson for the use of school-room and to Mrs. Dickson for teaching the girls sewing. Hitherto we have paid rent for a house for the teacher. Fritz Zurcher, Esq., has kindly granted us a lot of land on the principal street of the village convenient for buildings; and Mrs. Zurcher has collected over \$100 toward their erection. The teacher's house should be proceeded with at once and the question of proceeding with the school-house I submit to the Mission Council.

Orange Grove.—Service 4.30. For some months I conducted this service every Sunday; after that I was present only every alternate Sunday, but a meeting was conducted by some of my helpers. From September, when Mrs. McGregor took the Tunapuna school, Allabdua, after teaching the Hindu in that school, came to Orange Grove and taught an afternoon school for Hindu. More than half of the children were girls and these were taught sewing by Miss Morton. Sunday-school was also conducted by J. Allabdua and G. Subarau at 3 p. m.

Laurel Hill.—Service at 4.30 p. m. At the suggestion of Mrs. Zurcher, wife of the proprietor of this estate, we held a service as above indicated, from April till December 31st. We met at first under the hospital, and during the wet season in the mill-room which was tolerably comfortable. Mrs. Zurcher, when on the estate, attended these meetings regularly and to her influence was largely due the fact that they have been exceedingly well attended.

Curpe.—Weekly service 5 p. m. on Tuesday. Teacher C. Akbarate. Teacher and children and some adults attend Sunday-school and church at Tunapuna. The attendance at the Tuesday meeting has been good, and the people of the village have continued to pay the rent of their school-room, \$5 per month.

Catechist.—As I found I could not undertake all the visiting, I engaged Frs. Jaganatte for four afternoons in the week. He visited weekly three estates and two villages and on Sunday took volunteer work wherever I wished him to go.

Visiting schools and people in their homes has filled up the rest of my time in which work I have been assisted by Mrs. Morton.

Summary.—Hospitals visited ten. Baptisms, adults seven, children three. Marriages four. Communicants in good standing eighteen.

SCHOOLS.

	On roll.	Av. daily
Tunapuna	43	26
Aronca	35	24
Curepe	34	24
Caroni	36	25
Orange Grove	25	15

Total..173 114

With great thankfulness would I refer to the regular contributions and special donations received from friends of our mission in Trinidad, in Scotland, and in Canada, as shown by the subjoined accounts.

For services rendered as trustee to the estate of the late Wm. Cuthbert—a friend of ourselves and of our work from our first coming to Trinidad—I received £51, 10s, and from the Colonial Government for translating the Indian Immigrants Marriage Ordinance £20. These sums I have paid into the credit of the Mission. To Mrs. Cuthbert we are indebted for a baby organ for Tunapuna, and to Mrs. John Y. Payzant, of Dartmouth, for a table organ which we carry from school to school to teach the children singing. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MORTON.

Our New Hebrides Mission.

LETTER FROM REV. HUGH A. ROBERTSON.

To Rev. Dr. McGregor.

EROMANGA, 30th August, 1882.

THE captain of a labour vessel which came into port yesterday for wood and water, and who sails again this evening for Havannah Harbour, Fate, has kindly offered to mail letters at the latter place for me, so I have to write you a brief line. The "Dayspring" left this bay on the 23rd of this month, proceeding to Sydney to bring down Messrs. Mackenzie and Gray with stores and supplies and mails. Owing to strong head winds, calms and gales she is behind her minutest time by about ten days so that if Mr. and Mrs. Gray are settled this year it will be late for them to begin work, ignorant of climate, people and language, and the hot and rainy season so close upon them, and will also make it very late for the "Dayspring" at the end of the year, just as the hurricane months will be coming on when we would gladly see her out of the group. But it may be that Mr. Gray may decide not to come down until April, 1883. Mrs. Gray suddenly become ill of fever in Sydney, which prevented them coming in April along with Mr. and Mrs. Fraser.

Your long and welcome letter of January 6th; your statement of salary and accounts;

your statements of contributions from friends, of January 19th, and your note via San Francisco, and the one via Britain, I duly received and now return my sincere and hearty thanks to you for all these letters, accounts and lists, and to the kind donors of goods and to those who sent the handsome contributions of money for the on-carrying of the work on this island. I intend very soon writing to all those friends. I can only get at such pleasant duties when the evenings are far spent as other duties press hard on me (now that we have to leave for Halifax three months hence) all; day long and even at night some person generally sends word that he is coming to the "Stadce" in the "bumrok" to see me (study in the night). It is hard to teach natives order in reference to time, place, or anything; hence our time is often cut up with native callers to little purpose. The mission boxes did not arrive by the "Dayspring." They had arrived in Sydney, but the D. S. was so filled up with lumber and boats for Messrs. Gray and Fraser, and a boat for Mr. Annand, and lumber for Mr. Michelson that the mission boxes had to be stored until this winter trip. I beg, however, to thank our kind and generous friends in advance for the calicos, etc., that are coming and assure them that they will be a great boon to us in carrying forward the Church's work on this island. I am furthermore very grateful to you for so promptly writing and informing me of the Board's minute in reference to our intended furlough, and to the Board for making arrangements for our visit home and return to the mission fields. We are likely to leave Eromanga early in December, the group about the 15th or 20th of the same month, and Sydney—well, I don't know yet, but probably the close of January '83, and go most likely by the way of Britain. Messrs. McKenzie and Annand have charge of Eromanga until we return. I trust our elders, teachers and Christian chiefs will do well. I think most of them will. I hope the Lord has much work for us there yet and that we shall be spared to do that work with our might. Pray for our people here. I also ask an interest in your prayers for a safe and a good voyage home.

Formosa.

FROM REV. DR. G. L. MACKAY.

To Rev. Professor Maclaren.

TAMSUI, 4th Dec., 1882.

Another old convert has joined the throng above. She was a member of the *Sin-Kang* chapel and was baptized Nov. 4th, 1877. Since the opening of the chapel in 1873 she was a faithful hearer of the gospel. The day on which she left this world she was sixty-

three years of age. I saw her on her death-bed and was delighted. She always reminded me of a Highland woman in Zorra, Glengarry, or my dear fatherland. She said to me, "For several years I thought you only wanted to deceive our people; but now I know why you travelled barefooted over mountain and valley. I love to think of the home I am going to. God forgive me for treating you first with contempt. God save me. Peace be with you."

NUMBER SEVEN.

The number seven has been regarded with peculiar interest from the earliest times. In addition to its ordinary meaning it has frequently in Scripture a symbolical significance. Sometimes it conveys the idea of universality, and at other times of perfection. The former has been traced to the fact that this number includes the three persons in the Trinity and the four points of the compass; the latter receives its explanation in the Mosaic account of the creation "On the seventh day God ended the work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day." In remembrance of this not only the seventh day was "hallowed," but every seventh year was constituted a Sabbatical year; still more, the seven times seventh, or forty-ninth year, was to the Jews a year of Jubilee. The primary idea, therefore, is that of rest. But as we trace its use we find it also becomes the symbolism of completeness. Jacob served his father-in-law Laban seven years for each of his daughters. He bowed seven times before Esau. Pharaoh's dream of the seven fat oxen and the seven lean ones, the seven full ears of corn and the seven blasted ones, foretold the seven years of plenty and the seven years of famine. The three great Jewish feasts lasted seven days. Balak was ordered to build seven altars, and to provide seven oxen and seven rams. The golden candlestick had seven branches. Seven priests with seven trumpets went round the walls of Jericho seven days, and seven times on the seventh day. Samson was bound with seven green withs. A child that had been dead a week seven times and then opened his eyes. A great man was told to wash in Jordan seven times. The furnace into which Daniel was cast was heated seven times more than it was wont to be heated. David praised God seven times a day. Solomon names seven things that are an abomination to the Lord. In the gospels we have the seven petitions of the Lord's prayer, the miracle of the seven loaves and the seven baskets full, the parable of the seven brethren, and, to express the most malignant type of mental aberration, seven devils. Then we have the "seven last words" on the cross. In the Acts we have mention of the seven deacons. In the Epistles we have the seven-

fold gifts of the ministry. In the Apocalypse we find the seven churches, seven candlesticks, seven spirits, seven ages, seven stars, seven trumpets, seven thunders, seven vials, seven plagues, seven angels seven seals.

Some of our young readers might find it interesting to look up the passages where these references occur, and in doing so they might be able to add a great many more to the list we have given them. And let them be sure not to overlook one which tells us we ought to do a certain thing not only seven times, but seventy times seven.

HOW TO BEGIN.

Yes, I want to be a Christian, but I do not know how to begin.

Are you sure you are ready to begin if you knew how?

I think so. I've tried for a long while.

Have you not tried to get ready to begin instead of beginning?

I don't know. I suppose one ought to think about it.

Has your thinking brought you any nearer beginning?

I'm afraid not.

Suppose you think of going to Boston. You start, and after you have gone some distance you find you are on the wrong road; instead of going to Boston you are travelling exactly the other way. What would you do?

Why, turn about and take the right track.

Would you? Why not stop and think, and think like this: Yes, I know I'm on the wrong road. This will never bring me to Boston, but I think I'll keep on a while.

No, of course not. I'd turn round, and set my face toward the city for sure.

Cannot you see the same common sense in starting on the heavenly journey? You know you are on the wrong road. You know each day's travel on it only brings you so much farther from the right way. You will never make any progress unless you face right about. You are on the wrong track; turn and take the right one.

But how?

No matter how, or what, just now. All you have to do is to turn around. The man who was feeding swine did not get on until he had said to himself, I will arise and go. Then he got on his feet. He had begun his homeward journey.

If I only knew how to begin!

The way to begin is to begin. Resolve on that with all your might. Tell your heavenly Father that you have turned round, and are coming home; coming somehow, even if you must crawl. Ere long you will find Christ coming out to meet you.

I'll do it. I'll right about face, to-day, now.
—Congregationalist.

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PAYMENT IN ADVANCE.

OWING to the unusually large space occupied with acknowledgements this month, several important articles have been crowded out. This reason, however, cannot fail to be satisfactory to our readers, as it affords good evidence that the work of the Church is prosperous in all its departments. Letters containing money for this office should always be registered. Our agents in making their remittances, are authorized to deduct the cost of postages and money orders, if they see fit. In all cases when remittances are not duly acknowledged a card of enquiry should be addressed to us without delay. We are happy to say that our circulation is steadily increasing.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Brockville, St Johns Ch., 13th March, 3 p. m.
Kingston, St. Andrew's Hall, 19th March 3 p. m.
Chatham, 1st Presbyterian Ch., 20 Mar., 11 a. m.
Stratford, Knox Church, 13th March, 10 a. m.
Sarnia, St. Andrews Church, 13 March, 3 p. m.
Guelph, Chalmers Ch., 20th March, 10 a. m.
Paris, Brantford, 12th March, 7.30 p. m.
Saugeen, Harriston, 13th March, 2 p. m.
Bruce, Paisley, 13th March, 2 p. m.
Glangarry, Alexandria, 20th March, 11 a. m.
Hamilton, Hamilton, 20th March, 10 a. m.
Toronto, Knox Church, 6th March, 11 a. m.
Montreal, David Morrice Hall, 3 April, 11 a. m.
Barrie, at Barrie, 27th March, 11 a. m.
Miramichi, Chatham, 17th April.
Truro, at Truro, 6th March, 11 a. m.
Maitland, Lucknow, 20th March, 1.30 p. m.
Lunenburg and Shelburne, New Dublin, 28th March, 2 p. m.
Peterboro, Cobourg, 13th March, 11 a. m.
Halifax, Chalmers Ch., 13th March.
Huron, Clinton, 13th March, 10 a. m.
Owen Sound, Division St. Ch., 20th March, 1.30 p. m.
London, 1st Pres. Ch., 13th March, 11 a. m.

Literature.

THE EARLY DAYS OF CHRISTIANITY, by F. W. Farrar, D. D.; price 75 cents. Funk & Wagnalls, 10 Dey Street, New York. A marvellously cheap reprint of a scholarly and ingenious work which will have a wide circulation. The title is somewhat misleading. It is not a history of the early days of Christianity, but a series of treatises on the writings of St. Peter, St. James, St. Jude and St. John. Throughout the volume interesting questions of theology and criticism—some of them old subjects of controversy—are discussed with much learning. Among such are "Peter's residence in Rome;" the "Authorship of the Epistle to the Hebrews;" "Preaching to the spirits in prison," and "The sin unto death." No Presbyterian, however, and we should hope very few Protestants, will accept Dr. Farrar's exegesis of the famous text, 1 Peter, 3: 19, in which he professes to find warrant for what we must call a thinly-veiled Universalism and a doctrine of purgatory, under the name of "The gospel to the dead." The style is not so rhetorical as in his "Life of Christ," nor does the book possess the unity imparted to "The life of St. Paul," by its central figure, but it has many attractions for the New Testament student.

THE TREASURY OF DAVID, by Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, Funk and Wagnalls, New York; vols. III, IV, price \$2 each. These portly volumes are a continuation of Mr. Spurgeon's commentary on the psalms, from the 53rd to the 103rd psalm. The work in itself is invaluable, and the shape in which it is presented to the public deserves unqualified commendation.

The same publishers have sent us two specimen copies of their new Standard Library, "The Life of Cromwell," by Paxton Hood, and *Science in short chapters*, by W. M. Williams, 25 cents each. They are well printed and exceedingly interesting. Mr. WILLIAM BRIGGS of the Methodist Book-Room, Toronto, is the agent in Canada for all the works published by Funk and Wagnalls. Catalogues will be sent on application.

MCGREGOR AND KNIGHT, HALIFAX, are agents in the Maritime Provinces for the Presbyterian Board, Philadelphia, and are circulating a large amount of cheap and wholesome literature, missionary periodicals, Sabbath-school libraries, hymnals, &c. The *Missionary Exercises for the use of Sunday-schools*, price 30 cents, contains a collection of responsive readings, dialogues and selections in prose and poetry which will be useful and suggestive in the Sabbath-school.

A Page for the Young.

LEAVE IT WITH HIM.

Yes, leave it with Him,
The lilies all do,
And they grow.
They grow in the rain,
And they grow in the dew—
Yes, they grow.

They grow in the darkness, all hid in the
night,
They grow in the sunshine, revealed by the
light:

Still they grow.

They ask not your planting,
They need not your care,
As they grow.
Dropped down in the valley,
The field, any where—
Therefore they grow.

They grow in their beauty, arrayed in pure
white,

They grow, clothed in glory, by heaven's own
light;

Sweetly grow.

The grasses are clothed,
And the ravens are fed
From His store;
But you who are loved,
And guarded and led,
How much more

Will He clothe you and feed you and give
you His care?

Then leave it with Him, He has everywhere
Ample store.

Yes, leave it with Him.
'Tis more dear to His heart,
You will know,
Than the lilies that bloom,
Or the flowers that start
'Neath the snow.

Whatever you need, if you ask it in prayer,
You can leave it with Him, for you are His
care.

You, you know.

FORGIVE AND FORGET.

I heard two little girls talking under my window. One of them said, in a voice of indignation:—"If I were in your place I'd never speak to her again; I'd be angry with her as long as I lived." I listened, feeling anxious about the reply. My heart beat more lightly when it came. "No, Lou," answered the other, in a sweet and gentle voice, "I wouldn't do so for all the world. I'm going to forgive and forget just as soon as I can."

IMPROVE THE ODD MOMENTS.

In almost every life there are moments of waiting, when there is nothing particular to be done. In some cases these may be properly improved by rest, so that our work, when it comes, may be the better done. In many instances, however, these odd moments may be best improved by having something to do—a book to read, or some light labour to perform.

It is surprising how much may be done by using a few moments at a time. Of course, they cannot properly be used for all purposes, since there are some duties which require continued application for a long time. There are, however, many kinds of light labour, and many subjects of study, which may be followed quite successfully by taking only a few moments at a time.

It is said that Ellhu Burritt, who was known for many years as "the learned blacksmith," was in the habit, when an apprentice-boy, of having a grammar of English or of some other language fastened before him on the chimney of the forge, so that while he was blowing the bellows he could get an occasional glimpse of his book.

Ben Johnson, a celebrated poet, who lived over two hundred years ago, was in early life a bricklayer. It is said that he always carried a book in his pocket, and while waiting for the labourer to bring him mortar or brick he improved the odd moments in studying his book.

Let our young friends try the experiment, and they will be surprised to see how much can be done by rightly using a few moments at a time. You need not take time from sleep to do this. Have a time for every thing, and what you do, do thoroughly, whether it be sleeping, eating, working or playing, for all these are, in their respective places, right.—S. S. *Classmate.*

HE FORGOT IT WAS SABBATH.

A little boy was amusing himself with his playthings on the Sabbath.

"Edward," said his mother, "don't you know it is Sabbath?"

"O, is it?" said he; "I did not remember."

"That is the very command which God has given us:—'Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.'"

Children often excuse themselves by saying:

"I did not think; I forgot; I did not remember."

But they ought to think; they ought to remember.

Acknowledgments.

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ASSEMBLY FUND.

Received to 5th Jan'y 1883.	\$729 15
For. Bruce	5 50
Montreal, St Paul's Church	32 50
Ravenwood	2 80
Brooklin	5 00
Ready, Chalmers' Church.	5 00
Rogersville	3 40
Cheshurst.	85
Watford	3 60
Teeswater, Westminster Ch	6 00
Beaumont	10 00
Balderson & Drummond.	4 05
Balderson & Drummond S. School.	1 05
Maidstone	2 00
Hamilton, Knox Church	26 00
Brussels, Melville Church.	6 00
Eden Mills	2 00
Vernonville	2 00
Chateaugay	1 27
Front Westmeath	4 21
Beachburg	13 00
Brampton	9 00
Elora, Chalmers' Church.	8 41
Hamilton St Paul's Ch add'l	6 00
Toronto West, Church	3 20
Stayer	2 32
Sunnidale, Zion Church	1 52
Cookstown	4 75
West Gwillimburg Ist.	4 64
Bradford, two years	5 60
East Nottawasaga, Cresmore & Duttonid.	5 04
Innish second	6 05
Collingwood	9 90
Thamesford	7 00
English Settlement	1 00
Dunnville	7 38
Wroxeter	6 00
Tiverton	8 55
Peterborough, St Andrew's Ch	6 04
Stellarion, Sharon Church.	6 45
Pembroke, Calvin Church.	6 00
Smith's Falls, St Andrews.	18 15
Fergus, Melville Church	3 00
North East Adelaide.	2 75
Priest's Corners, Bethel Ch.	8 00
Perth, Knox Church	5 00
Cavendish & New Glasgow	8 15
Bayfield Road, 2 years.	3 90
Berne	3 00
Whitechurch	3 00
Westville	1 50
Gabarus	2 00
Woodstock, St. Paul's.	2 00
Clumpan	4 28
Chin Harbour	4 00
Watnace, Knox Church	4 00
Sydney, Falmouth Street Ch	8 60
Kincardine	3 00
Carlton	2 00
Tignish Montrose & Elmisdale	1 00
Upper Musquodoboit.	6 00
Upper Londonderry	9 00
Tatamagouche	1 50
Sussex Union	2 00
Bocabec & Waweg	3 00
Prince William	6 00
Union Centre & Loohabar.	3 00
Mount Stewart	5 00
Kingston, Brock Street	10 00
Blyth, St Andrew's Ch	10 75
Deseronto	8 00
Quebec, Chalmers' Ch.	7 00
Mulbrook	5 00
Owen Sound, Knox Church	3 40
West Gwillimburg, St Johns	

Minesing, Midhurst, Craighurst & Hunter	5 00
Brucebridge Monk & South Falls	3 50
Oro Escon & Willis Churches	5 84
Gravenhurst	1 00
Geolph, Knox Church	18 60
Alex'r McCuaig, Dalhousie Mills	25
Montreal, St Joseph St. Ch.	13 70
Montreal, Erskine Ch	27 00
Dunies, Zion Ch	4 00
Hibbert	10 40
Toronto, St. Andrew's Ch.	32 10

Home Mission.

Received to 5th Jan'y 1883	\$3516 06
Leobhan, McMillan, West	2 00
Paslinch	317 01
Kingston, Chalmers' Ch	13 21
Strath Clair	823 00
Montreal, St. Paul's	1 00
Brooklin	7 39
Oshwa, Sabb School.	5 66
Fordwich Sabb School.	10 00
Teeswater, Westminster S. School	25 00
Belmont	146 22
Toronto, St James Square S School	61 00
Owen Sound, Knox Ch	20 00
Rocheester ville	2 45
Rocheester ville Thankgiving Day	41 70
Balderson & Drummond.	10 80
Balderson & Drummond S. School	5 00
Fergus St Andrews Sabbath School, Manitoba	6 00
Fergus St Andrews Sabbath School, Muskoka.	11 00
Manchester	12 50
Maidstone	5 83
Trumpstead Sabb School for N West	11 00
Uxbridge, Thanksgiving day	30 00
Hamilton, Knox Ch. add'l	43 00
Brussels, Melville Ch.	5 00
Ready Yess	50 00
Madoc, St Peters	5 00
Toronto, Colloge St. Bible Class	25 00
Vernonville	12 50
Fuilarton	19 00
Avonbank	15 00
West Nottawasaga.	15 00
Osgoode	7 20
Chateaugay	25 00
Dundee, Zion Church.	44 65
Esqueving Union Ch, Miss'y Association	25 00
Mount Forest, Knox Ch	7 50
Castletford	8 00
Chinquacousey 2nd	12 00
Wimosa	2 00
Mimosa S School.	25 00
Campbellsville	11 00
Nassagweya	50 00
St Mary's First Ch.	2 00
Kingsbury & Brompton Gore	30 00
Toronto, West Ch S. School	44 00
Prouline	2 00
Dalhousie North Sherbrooke	1 00
W R, Cobourg	119 90
Embro, Knox Church	34 43
Hamilton, St Paul's. add'l	43 65
Toronto, West Ch	84 00
Thamesford	20 00
Elmira, Illinois, Knox Ch.	9 50
Toronto, Charles Str. Bible Class	2 50
Friend, East Paslinch	37 00
Westminster & C. Ladies' Miss'y Ass'n	30 00
Tiverton	500 00
Winnipeg-Knox Ch.	

\$1274.37

Chat'am, lat Pres Ch, addl.	100 00
Bequest of the late Mrs. Dawson, of Poelin, per her executor	70 00
Peterborough, St And's Ch	60 00
do do SS	7 39
Dundalk	5 00
Breesefield, Union Ch.	50 00
Leslieville	17 70
Drummondville	9 00
Peterborough, St Pauls Ch	375 34
Northern Advocate, Co of Sincove, ad ill	35 00
East Templeton	9 00
Winnipeg, St And's Ch.	70 00
Keene SS.	15 00
Leith	8 34
Smiths Falls, St Andrews.	100 00
East Seneca	10 25
North East Adelaide	9 00
Perth, Knox Ch	80 00
Fenelon or Glanarm, add'l	4 00
Percy	3 00
Campbellford	25 21
St. George, Knox Ch add'l	131 10
Whitechurch, add'l.	1 00
Fordyce or Galvia Ch, Wawanosh, add'l	3 00
A B Moseworth	4 00
Yorkantis S	1 00
Adam Leslie, Roslin	50 00
Desuro	4 75
W. Morris, London South	1 50
Heathcote	8 00
Esqueving, Boston Ch	20 00
Kingston, Brock street.	24 00
Ligersull, Knox Ch. add'l	50 00
Elora, Knox Ch. B. Class	5 00
Carlton Place Zion Ch	44 00
Kingston, Chalmers Ch add'l	2 00
John Edwards, wife and family	15 00
Blyth, St And's thank-giving day	8 00
Moore, Lurns' Ch	13 00
Deseronto	33 37
Fergus, Melville Ch	70 00
Thorod	10 00
Miltrook	32 00
Collingwood, add'l	25 00
Quebec, Chalmers Ch, add'l	5 00
Mrs Reid, Hollin	20 00
Geolph, Knox Ch, add'l	50 00
Montreal, Erskine Ch	675 00
do Stanley St Ch	4 00
do Knox Ch	300 00
do St Mathews Ch	26 00
do St Joseph St Ch	50 00
do Taylor Ch S S	20 00
do do do for	16 74
Petite Cote SS	7 00
Cote des Neiges	14 00
South Georgetown, Que, SS for Manitoba	8 00
Manitowaning	8 00
Ormsdown	116 55
Estate of the late Mrs. Walker, Hemmingford.	5 00
Athelstane	9 00
Hibbert, add'l	15 00
Hamilton, Knox Ch SS.	35 00
Dumbarton, add'l	19 00
Toronto, St And's Ch	800 00
Hibbert SS, Manitoba.	21 00

\$15,399.24

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Received to 5th Jan 1883.	\$3815 21
Leobhan McMillan, West Paslinch	2 00
Galt, member of Knox Ch to purchase books for schools in Formosa	100 00
Galt, member of Knox Ch to purchase books for schools in Trinidad	75 00

Galt, member of Knox Ch to purchase books for John in India	25.00
J. R. West Fallerton	19.00
Montreal, St Paul's Ch	993.00
Pinkerton	7.30
Ravenswood	17.21
Brooklin	19.00
Fordrich S S	5.66
Paris, River St Ch SS	38.00
do do do H C	6.50
Teeswater, Westminster Ch S School	10.00
Belmont	45.00
Toronto, St James Sq. SS.	100.00
Balderson & Drummond do S School	37.61 9.75
Fergus, St And's S School Formosa	7.50
Toronto, St And's Ch, Old.	175.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch, addl.	30.00
Brussels, Melville Ch	47.50
Keene	47.00
Keady Yess	2.50
Madoc, St Peters	27.50
Toronto, College St B Class.	4.00
Vernonville	18.30
West Nottawasaga	12.00
Osgoode	10.75
Chateauguay	5.00
Dundee, Zion Ch	20.00
Bayfield, St And's SS	6.68
Queph, St And's Ch SS for Rev J Walkie, Indore, India	34.10
Guelph, St And's Ch SS for Miss McGregor, Indore, India	14.62
Observer	20.00
Mount Forest, Knox Ch	25.00
Elora, Chalmers Ch	40.00
do do S School Formosa	7.00
Elora, Chalmers Ch SS India	7.00
Elora, Chalmers Ch S S Saskatchewan	7.00
Mimosa	10.00
Mr McWhinny, of Howie, Chiusa	1.00
Perth, Knox Ch SS	14.00
Campbellville, addl	20.00
Nassagaweya, add'l	10.00
St Marys, 1st Ch	38.00
Kingsbury & Brompton Gore	16.00
Toronto, West Ch SS	15.00
do Charles St S S	55.00
Proffline	33.00
Alma SS	11.74
W K, Cobourg	1.00
Hamilton, St Pauls Ch addl	94.43
Toronto, West Church	32.75
Thamesford	80.00
Beachburg, St And's SS Day Spring	4.25
Elmira, Illinois, Knox Ch	25.00
Toronto, Charles St B C	10.00
East Puslinch, 10 concession SS, China	3.63
East Puslinch, 3 concession SS, China	1.00
Badenach, China	2.57
East Puslinch B C, China	3.40
A Friend, East Puslinch	2.50
Prince Albert, per Rev. J. Sieveright	657.25
Duncan McArthur, Winnipeg, Formosa	500.00
Tiverton	10.00
Winnipeg, Knox Ch	300.00
Victoria S S, near Dundas	10.00
Chatham, 1st Pres Ch	100.00
Roslin & Thurlow	14.00
Peterborough, St And's	29.00
Springville	31.50
Kildonan SS	12.50
Bracefield, Union Ch	30.00
Drummondville	19.00
Peterborough, St Pauls Ch	375.32
Wroxeter S S, Trinidad	15.00

Northern Advocate, Co of Simcoe, Formosa	50.00
Mrs. Brookes, Chelsea, Que	4.00
Zenana	50.00
Ottawa, Bank St SS	10.57
Leith	50.00
Smiths Falls, St And's	36.00
Fergus, St Andrews	4.50
North-East Adelaide	2.00
A Friend Dufferin County, Zenana	60.00
Perth, Knox Ch	25.00
Fenelon or Glenarm	20.00
Percy	16.00
Campbellford	1.00
A B. Molesworth	15.00
Whitechurch, addl.	3.00
Fordyce (or Calvin Church Wawano-sh) addl.	5.55
Desboro addl	1.50
Wm Morris, London South	5.00
Heathcote	34.00
North Mornington	20.00
Esqueving, Boston Ch	6.00
Manchester	5.00
Smith Hill	1.00
Margaret Famo, Gays River, N S, Formosa	5.00
Kingston, Brock St	10.00
do do Saskat'n	5.00
do do Formosa	155.00
do Chalmers Ch	15.00
John Edwards wife and Family	17.75
Desoronto	2.05
Cardinal SS, per G. Reid & D Hunter, pupils	50.00
Fergus, Melville Ch	50.00
Quebec, Chalmers Ch addl	15.00
A Friend, Burns, P O	20.00
Mrs Reid, Hollin	24.11
Clifford	10.00
Guelph, Knox Ch	487.00
Montreal, Erskine Ch	40.00
do Stanley St Ch	200.00
do Knox Ch	25.93
do St Mathews Ch	11.00
do St Joseph St Ch	2.00
do Taylor Ch SS	15.00
do do do Formosa	7.00
Petite Cote SS, Formosa	5.00
Estate of the late Mrs Walker, Hemmingford	9.00
Athelstane	11.15
Elgin	70.00
Ormsdown	2.29
do Island SS Formosa	10.01
do Upper S S do	4.57
do Village SS do	1.00
Alex. McQuag, Dalhousie Mills	17.00
Hibbert, add'l	5.00
Roxborough, Koil Kigh SS Formosa	5.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch SS	35.00
Toronto, St Andrews	350.00
	\$15,570.53

COLLEGES ORDINARY FUND.	
Received to 5th Jan, 1883.	\$2364.65
Forest	9.42
Acton, Knox Ch	15.20
Brooklin	5.00
Belmont	30.00
Maidstone	7.00
Hamilton, Knox Ch	20.00
Brussels, Melville Ch	25.00
Vernonville	12.00
Fullarton, addl.	10.50
Avonbank, addl.	8.00
Chateauguay	3.00
West Nottawasaga	9.00
Balkanifad	9.40
Esqueving Union Ch per	34.75
Missy Association.	25.00
Mount Forest, Knox Ch	60.00
Brampton	60.00

Elora, Chalmers Ch	35.00
Mimosa	8.00
Campbellville, addl	15.00
Nassagaweya, addl.	8.00
Proffline	1.00
Cornwall, St Johns Ch	30.00
Hamilton, St Pauls Ch, addl	57.30
Toronto, West Ch	25.00
Thamesford	30.00
Belmore	6.60
McIntosh	11.75
Elmira, Illinois, Knox Ch	10.00
Dunnville	2.00
Tiverton	15.00
Chatham, 1st Pres Ch	40.00
Peterborough, St And's	20.00
Drummondville	19.00
Inger-oll, Knox Ch	33.50
Smiths Falls, St And's Ch	38.00
North-East Adelaide	3.00
Perth, Knox Ch	30.00
Percy	7.00
Campbellford	11.35
Scarborough, Knox Ch	117.15
Desboro	2.00
Esqueving, Boston Ch	9.00
Desoronto	15.00
Wick	18.00
Fergus, Melville Ch	60.00
Collingwood, addl	8.00
Guelph, Knox Ch	25.00
Hibbert, add'l	15.00
Pinkerton	4.10
Hamilton, Knox Ch S S	15.01
Toronto, St And's	200.00
	\$3605.21

KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.	
Received to 5th Jan 1883.	\$102.25
Oshawa S School	10.00
Toronto, College St B C	5.00
do West Ch S S	10.00
Mrs Reid, Hollin	20.00
	\$147.25

KNOX COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.	
Received to 5th Jan, 1883.	\$2672.42
Alex Murray, Brampton	5.00
Moorestown & Corruna	19.00
Rev John Gray, Windsor	25.00
	\$2701.42

KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.	
Received to 5th Jan, 1883	\$4753.00
H B Cameron, Hamilton	100.00
A Murray, do	25.00
J W Murray, do	25.00
Jas Alexander, do	10.00
L D Sawyer, do	100.00
Jno L Blakie, Toronto	333.33
Miss Buick, do	25.00
James Buick, do	25.00
Mrs Jno Kerr, do	50.00
Rev R J Laidlaw, Hamilton	50.00
M Leggett, do	125.00
J & A Gordon, Toronto	50.00
John J Davidson, do	51.00
John McGill, do	1.00
J H Park, Hamilton	50.00
George Russell, do	25.00
David McLellan, do	10.00
R Dingwall, do	25.00
Jonathan Ames, do	25.00
Miss Russell, do	10.00
Thomas Miller, M D do	10.10
Mrs E M Troup, do	5.00
John Armour, do	100.00
Northern Advocate Co of Simcoe	10.00
Mrs D Laidlaw, Toronto	50.00
Rev Prin. Caven, do	500.00
	\$642.33

MANITOBA COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 5th Jan. 1885	\$83.98
Hamilton, Knox Church	10.00
Brussels, Melville Church	6.00
Streetsville	19.00
Kingsburg & Brimpton Gore	2.00
Cornwall, St John's Ch.	10.00
Toronto West. Church	4.00
Woodville	12.00
Dunnville	1.00
Tiverton	5.00
Chatham, 1st Presby Ch.	10.00
Springville	8.50
Dunwich, Duff's Ch.	7.00
Chelsea	8.00
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's	6.00
East Gloucester	6.40
Fenelon (or Glenarm)	5.00
Kintyre	5.00
Wakefield	7.00
West Guilburg 1st	3.50
Mosa Burns Church	8.00
Deseronto	4.35
Cardinal	2.00
Malcesville	2.00
Fergus, Melville Ch.	36.00
Elgin	5.00
Port Hope 1st Church	6.50
Farnham Centre	2.00
Hibbert	10.00
Tilbury East	5.58
Toronto, St Andrew's Ch.	40.00
	\$343.71

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Received to 5th Jan. 1883	\$1539.39
Wendigo	2.50
Brooklin	8.00
Toronto, St Andrew's Ch	150.00
Teeswater, Westminster Ch	8.00
Belmont	5.00
Vankleek Hill	9.00
Hamilton, Knox Church	50.00
Chateauguay	2.00
Front Westmeath	3.10
Beachburg, St Andrew's	18.28
Mount Forest, Knox Ch.	6.00
Brampton	12.00
Chinguacousy 2nd	6.75
Mimosa	3.00
Campbellsville	8.00
Hamilton, St Paul's Ch. addl	7.59
Thamesford	15.00
English Settlement	10.42
Elmira, Illinois, Knox Ch.	4.90
Tiverton	10.00
Winnipeg, Knox Church	100.00
Chatham, 1st Pres Ch.	22.00
Peterborough, St Andrew's	10.00
North East Adelaide	3.10
North Easthope	4.00
Baybeld Road	6.20
Heathcote	4.00
Kings-ton, Brock Street	11.00
Kings-ton, Chalmers Ch	2.00
Quebec, Chalmers Ch	20.00
Guelph, Knox Ch	10.00
Alex. McCuaig, Dalhousie Mills	25
Elgin	5.00
Athelstane	5.00
Montreal-St Joseph St.	7.00
" Stanley St.	25.00
" Erskine Ch.	3.00
	\$2145.38

With rates from Rev'ds RC Moffatt, H J McDiarmid, J Morfy, H H McPherson, H Sinclair \$20.00; T Bennett \$36.00; P C Goldie, H Cameron \$15.00; J K Hislop, A Leslie \$12.00; J McMillan, H McQuarrie, R S Burnett, J Stewart, Arundel \$60.00; K Pettigrew, H M Parsons, S W Fisher, J Hanran, A Matheson, J J Cochrane \$16.00; W McIldrum,

D H McVicar, A A Scott, A McClelland, Wm Scott.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND

Received to 5th Jan. 1883.	\$1802.16
Wendigo	6.00
Montreal, St Paul's	30.00
Ravenwood	5.80
Brooklin	8.00
Toronto, St Andrew's, Old	100.00
Brown's Corners & Unionville	4.66
Beachburg, St Andrew's	12.20
Front Westmeath	4.00
Teeswater, Westminster Ch	8.00
Belmont	8.00
Vankleek Hill	12.00
Balderson & Drummond	9.00
Balderson & Drummond S. School	2.30
Maidstone	3.52
Hamilton, Knox Church	50.00
Brussels, Melville's Church	12.00
Vernonville	6.00
Chateauguay	2.00
Dundas, Zion Ch.	15.00
Rapid City	14.59
Mount Forest, Knox Ch.	9.00
Brampton	25.00
Union & Norval	3.87
Chinguacousy 2nd	6.00
Mimosa	3.00
Toronto, West Ch S School	5.00
Hamilton, St Paul's Ch addl	7.58
Toronto West Ch	15.00
Thamesford	15.00
Cornwall, St John's Ch.	45.00
English Settlement	10.42
Elmira, Illinois Knox Ch.	4.50
Dunnville	1.00
Tiverton	14.00
Winnipeg, Knox Ch.	100.00
Chatham, 1st Pres Ch.	22.00
Peterborough, St Andrew's	15.00
Leith	1.75
Smith's Falls, St Andrew's	10.00
North East Adelaide	2.00
North Easthope	6.00
Perth, Knox Ch.	13.00
Fenelon or Glenarm	10.00
Heathcote	5.00
Esqueving Boston Ch.	10.00
Kings-ton, Brock St.	11.00
Deseronto	8.25
Thamesville	8.70
Botany	5.00
Turin	2.48
Fergus, Melville Ch.	50.00
Elgin	5.00
Athelstane	5.00
Orms-ton	10.00
Montreal, St Joseph St.	5.80
Estate of the late Mrs Walker, Hemmingford	5.00
Montreal, Stanley St.	15.00
Chifford	6.69
Guelph, Knox Ch.	15.00
Hibbert	15.00
Toronto, St Andrew's	80.00
	\$2821.28

Rates rec'd to 5th Jan 1883. \$1078.10

With Rates from Rev'ds H. Currie, 6 years, \$24; R C Moffatt \$4.00; H J McDiarmid \$3.00; J Morfy \$1.00; J Stewart, 3 years, \$9.00; W D Ballantyne \$5.00; D Stewart \$9.00; H H McPherson \$8.00; J Ferguson, 2 years, \$8.00; R Hughes \$7.00; R Knowles 2 years, \$7.00; H Sinclair 2 years, \$6.00; D McLeod \$3.50; J Turnbull \$2.00; D McRae, 3 years, \$5.00; N Clark \$15.00; J K Hislop \$3.50; A. Leslie, 3

years, \$12.00; J Cumberland \$3.00; J McMillan \$3.00; A Grant, 6 years, \$27.00; J Gordon, 6 years, \$27.00; P C Goldie \$1.50; F M Dewey, 2 years, \$6.00; W S Ball \$6.50; J A Townsend \$3.50; H McQuarrie \$5.00; J Leishman, 5 years \$15.00; J R S Burnett \$3.75; J B Burnett, 6 years, \$20.00; J Cleland \$3.00; H M Parsons \$17.00; A Bell, 6 yrs. \$36.00; A Matheson \$4.00; G Flett \$4.00; J J Cochrane, 2 years, \$6.00; M Macgillivray \$5.50; A A Scott \$4.00; A McClelland \$3.00; J Becket, 2 years, \$7.00; J M Munroe \$3.50; S Houston \$4.00. \$399.75

\$1428.85

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH UNAPPROPRIATED.

Rec'd to 5th Jan. 1883, less amount from Melville Ch, Fergus \$239.00 appropriated	1402.33
Toronto Charles St. addl	490.00
Dundas, Knox Ch.	47.15
	\$1939.48

CHURCH AND MANSE FUND N. W. TERRITORY.

Rec'd to 5th Jan. 1883	\$675.10
Rev D J Macdonnell, Toronto	180.00
Arch'd Thomson, Pembroke	20.00
Jno J Davidson, Toronto	50.00
Peterborough, St Andrew's	13.00
Rev D H Fletcher, Hamilton	50.00
Hamilton, St Paul's, per Mr Hutchinson	46.28
Hamilton, St John's, Per Messrs Young Bros.	15.00
Pembroke, Calvin Ch, Rev'd W D Ballantyne	25.00
	\$997.28

WALDENSIAN STUDENTS' FUND.

N McPhee, Dalkeith. 10.00

Corrections.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

The \$11.00 credited in the Dec. Record to Mooreline should have been to Moore, Burn's Church

KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

In the Record of February, J & J Taylor are credited with the amount \$100.00. Should have been \$150.00

HOME MISSION.

The moneys credited to Nissouri North and Nissouri South in the Jan'y Record should have been marked "Thanksgiving Day Collection."

RECEIVED BY REV DR. MACGREGOR AGENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES, TO JAN. 2ND, 1883.

FOREIGN MISSION.

Acknowledged already	\$ 3991.94
Blue Mountain	25.00
Chipman, N B	10.00
River John	30.00
Five Islands	8.95
Baddeck	9.15
Forks Baddeck	15.21

Young Lady, Sherbrooke...	5 00
Falmouth St. Sydney	15 00
Tryon & Bonshaw	9 00
Great Village	2 90
Middleton Church, Middle	
Musquodoboit	12 74
Yarmouth	9 00
Carlton, N B	8 00
Member of United Ch. New	
Gla gov. N. Y. Thk for	
Tanapua Buildings	10 00
Friend per Rev J Thompson	2 10
S. Ratnaidu	11 00
A Dingwall Fordyce, Fer-	
gus, Ont. for New Heb-	
rides	2 50
St. And & SS, Fergus, New	
Hebrides	7 50
Tightsh Montrose & Elms-	
dale	15 00
Alberton & Mill River	50 00
Wm Daubar per Rev A F	
Carr	1 00
Upper Musquodoboit	12 9
Bas River	9 60
Portauquo	4 9
Castle Reach	1 95
Upper Londonderry	11 00
Tatamagouche	40 00
Middle Stewiacke, half-way	
Brook Soc	6 00
Mid Stewiacke, S Side River	8 37
do do N do	5 54
do do Ladies Miss	
Soc towards Miss Sempie's	
Salary	18 50
Coldstream	50 00
do Ladies R & B Soc	7 25
do School	3 16
Harbour Grace, Nfld	27 00
do do J Munn &	
Co	20 00
Beu late Betsy Murray,	
Carlton	4 27
Earlton	3 73
Crave Ch, Richmond	8 15
Cymro, James Church, New	
Glasgow	25 00
Cow Bay, C B	5 00
Friend, per W Lawson,	
Windsor	5 00
Stellarton	19 00
do Ladies, Mr Mor-	
ton's butings	18 0
Sussex & Comox	7 0
John A McCabe, Hantsport	5 00
Member of St Mathews Ch,	
Montross, for Mr Mac-	
donald's Mission	10 00
Bocabec & Wawwig	8 0
Prince William	15 00
Dean Set, Upper Musquod-	
oboit	4 0
Mrs Adam Dean, Musquod-	
oboit	50
Union Centre & Lochaber	27 00
Mount Stewart, C E I	6 0
Mrs George Munro, N Y	20 00
Stewiacke, half year	6 36
do Mrs W Dunlap 2	2 00
James Ch, New Glasgow	31 47
do do do Miss	
Association	15 00
Member Worseter P Ch for	
New Hebrides	10 00
Thos A Fraser, Pugwash	2 00
Woodstock	1 00
Glencig	15 50
St Mathews, Halifax	15 00

\$423.42

DAYS PRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Acknowled already	\$64 31
Chipman, N B	8 01
Rt or John	12 00
Mary & Sherry Tupper & M	
Box, Dartmouth	2 00
Musquodoboit Harbour	18 00

Elmsdale	14 0
Nine Mile River	17 15
Baddeck	12 60
Baddeck Forks	13 85
St. Stephen's Ch. St John	31 61
Falmouth St. Sydney	15 00
Green Hill	37 40
Tryon & Bonshaw	2 00
St Luke's SS, Bathur-	
t	14 00
Piston Aux of Ill W F M S	
for Mounter for Rev K J	
Grant	50 00
Friend, per Rev J Thompson	7 0
Upper Musquodoboit	7 0
Little Harbour SS	13 0
Buctouche Village SS	1 17
Upper Londonderry	10 00
Tatamagouche Village SS	10 00
"In mem, Fannie & Evie,"	
for Miss Blackadder's o.	
do do Missionary's Se.	
Middle Stewiacke, for	
"Dayspring"	12 13
Middle Stewiacke Miss	
School	9 76
Economy	2 31
Harbour Grace SS for Trin-	
sherbroke & Cong S Schools	120 60
West and Clyde Rivers and	
Brookfield	34 62
47 54	
Mrs S Johnson, Chipman,	
for Trinidad	5 00
Merigomish	15 00
First Pres. S. Truro	22 95
Harmony & Stewiacke Road	9 38
Dalhousie SS	20 00
James Ch SS, Dartmouth	12 05
Windsor SS	21 2
Sussex and Union	14 00
Bocabec and Wawwig	2 0
Wm C. Jas B and Fred W	
McElmou, Comox, B C	3 00
Prince William	16 10
Mabou	10 75
Union Centre and Lochaber	15 00
Mount Stewart	3 00
Onslow	24 90
St. Andrew's, Truro	2 05
Compton SS	13 04
Young Ladies' B. B. Class,	
Brookville, for Ramnarayan,	
in Mr McLeod's	
mission	25 00
Mrs Burnfield's Family, for	
Ramnarayan	5 00
Mr. Burnfield's Family, gift	
to Ramnarayan	2 00
Belfast Ch Schools	21 90
James Ch S, New Glasgow	19 63
do do Jay MS, for Miss	
Blackadder	11 90
James Ch Miss Assoc	13 0
Prince St SS, Pison	47 18
Miss Stark, Toronto, for	
Rev. H. J. Grant	15 00
Per Miss Crook's B Chs,	
Falmouth for H J Grant.	7 00
Member of Knox Ch, Ga I,	
for H. J. Grant, to pur-	
chase books to school	75 00
West Tr S, for Trinidad	1 00
St Andrew's S, Bocabec	4 5
Convent's, North	10 00
Earned by two little girls,	
daughters of John Forbes,	
Van Colbery	5 00
St John's SS, Halifax, 1 qr.	10 00
Fort Massey SS	13 38
Fishers' Trant	6 00
Shubenacadie	19 00
N. Sale n	2 0
L Stewiacke	8 00

\$2196 72

HOME MISSIONS.

Acknowled already	\$203 68
Blue Mountain	25 00
Chipman, N B	5 00
River John	28 00

Whale Cove	3 33
Young Lady, Sherbrooke	5 00
Falmouth St. Sydney	15 00
Tryon & Bonshaw	2 00
Middleton Church, Middle	
Musquodoboit	11 30
Yarmouth	14 00
Carlton, N B	8 10
Lunenburg	13 10
Friend per Rev J Thompson	2 00
Tightsh, Montrose & Elms-	
dale	6 00
Alberton & Mill River	30 00
Upper Musquodoboit	7 0
U. I. Ch. Hopewell	2 0
Bas River	6 36
Portauquo	3 6
Castle Reach	1 95
Tatamagouche	12 16
Mid Stewiacke, half-way	
Brook Soc	5 4
Mid Stewiacke North Side	
River	5 00
Plaster Dis. Baddeck	1 31
Gravo Ch, Richmond	3 80
Cow Bay, C B	5 00
Glays River	14 31
Like Ainslie	5 00
Friend, per W Lawson,	
Windsor	5 00
Sussex & Union	10 00
John A McCabe, Hantsport	5 00
Bocabec & Wawwig	8 00
Rev. K. McElmou, Comox,	
B C	5 00
Prince William	5 00
Dean Set, Up Musquodoboit	2 43
Mrs Adam Dean, Upper	
Musquodoboit	50
Union Cent & Lochaber	20 00
Mount Stewart	5 00
Stewiacke, half year	13 00
Stewiacke, Mrs Wm Dunlap	
and	2 00
Prince St. Pison	82 6
Thos A Fraser, Pugwash	2 00
Glencig	15 50
St Mathews, Halifax	10 00

\$2199.47

SUPPLEMENTIVE FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$339 14
Blue Mountain	21 47
Chipman, N B	20 00
River John	25 00
Nine Mile River	11 00
Knox Ch, Wawwig	8 00
Bethel Ch, Newburn	8 60
Falmouth St. Sydney	8 00
Green Hill	10 00
Great Village	10 00
Kincardine	7 59
Middleton Church, Middle	
Musquodoboit	3 25
Yarmouth	9 00
Shenic	11 31
Carlton, N B	15 30
Lunenburg	14 01
Friend per Rev J Thompson	2 00
S. Ratnaidu	8 00
Tightsh, Montrose & Elms-	
dale	17 00
Alberton & Mill River	35 00
Buctouche	13 28
Bas River	17 0
Portauquo	8 38
Tatamagouche	50 00
Greenfield Soc of Coldstream	
Cong. Tak Oit	4 46
Cow Bay, C B	1 00
Chalmers Ch, Illix	31 00
Sussex & Union	10 00
Bocabec & Wawwig	7 00
Prince William	5 00
Union Cent & Lochaber	20 00
Mount Stewart	5 00
Stewiacke, half year	10 00

Moore, Burn's Ch, Ont	3 40
do Line, Ont.	5 00
St Matthews Ch, Halifax ..	33 00

COLLEGE FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$53 2 10
Canadian N.B.	6 00
Hopewell & Salisbury	1 00
Baldock	2 00
Baldock Forks	3 10
Falmouth St, Sydney	10 00
Green Hill	5 00
Troy & Bonshaw	3 00
Great Village	10 00
Middleton Ch, Mid. Musquodoboit	6 25
Yarmouth	11 00
Funded Debt Loan	21 41
Carlton, N B	8 00
Interest	21 00
Timish, Montrose & Elmsdale	6 00
Alberton & Mill River	15 00
Upper Musquodoboit	4 15
Ba Louche	6 80
Bass River	13 91
Portauquique	5 96
Coldstream	21 04
Merig mi h	6 25
Div. Merchants' Bank	31 50
Sussex & Union	8 0
Bucabeo & Waweig	5 10
Prince William	9 00
Upper Musquodoboit	90
Union Centre & Lochaber	11 00
Mount Stewart	15 00
Div Bank of B N A	225 30
Clifton New London	11 24
Stewiacke	13 27
Interest	180 00
Div B N S	240 00
St Matthew's, Halifax	32 00

\$2860 05

\$2232 18

BURSARY FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$190 29
Member of James Ch, New Glasgow	60 00
Upper Londonerry	4 00
Rev B K McElmon, Comox B C	10 00
Stewiacke	5 00
St Matthew's, Halifax	67 00

\$336 29

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$1491 85
Chipman N B	4 00
River John	12 00
St Andrew's, Hamilton Ber. Falmouth t, Sydney	18 78
Green Hill	4 00
Great Village	5 00
Kincardine	6 00
Middleton Ch, Mid. Musquodoboit	2 00
Yarmouth	2 00
Carlton, N B	6 2
Timish, Montrose & Elmsdale	3 00
Alberton & Mill River	6 0
Riverside	7 00
Upper Londonerry	7 00
New Richmond, P. Q.	9 00
Merig mi h	4 00
Cow Bay, C B	3 00
Sussex & Union	1 5
Bucabeo & Waweig	3 00
Prince William	2 0
Union Centre & Lochaber	5 25
Onslow	5 00
Interest	9 00
Stewiacke	10 00
James h, Missionary Asso, New Glasgow	5 00
St Matthew's Ch, Halifax	63 00

MINISTERS' PERCENTAGE

Rev H B McKay for 1892	\$3 00
Jas McLean for 1892	4 00
K McKenzie for 1892	2 50
E D Blair 1881 & 1892	8 00
Wm Stuart add for '82	5 1
Thos Sedgwick '81 & '82	7 00
A Harrows for 1882	6 00
P Lindsay	5 0
S Johnson	3 00
A Munro	3 00
A Grant	2 00
J F Forbes	4 00
J Henry Charo	4 00
John Lees	3 00
D Sutherland 82 & 83	5 00

\$1758 13

SYNOD FUND.

Acknowledged already	\$140 52
Timish, Montrose & Elmsdale	2 00
Upper Londonerry	2 00
Bucabeo & Waweig	2 00
St Matthew's, Halifax	8 00

\$154 52

FOR MANITOBA COLLEGE.

Windsor	10 00
Gabrus, C B	2 00
Badleck in both Sections	3 30
Gay's River	2 00
Bucabeo & Waweig	3 10
Vale Colliery	16 72
Mabou	4 00

FOR NORTH WEST BUILDING FUND.

Rev H B McKay of River John	5 00
W H Harrington, Halifax	10 00

FOR MISSIONS IN NORTH WEST.

Chalmers Ch, Halifax	5 00
Five Islands	4 0

Remitted to Dr. Reid

THEOLOGICAL HALL BUILDING AND ENDOWMENT FUND. FARQUHAR FORREST & CO., TREASURERS, 173 HOLLIS ST., HALIFAX, TO JANUARY, 31st, 1883.

Already acknowledged ..	\$70,432 45
Mrs Tomlinson, Shubenacadie ..	5 00
St Matthews Ch Hfx N S ..	5 00
Thos Leck, Gays River N S ..	5 00
Peter Burchill, Caledonia Mines, B ..	2 00
Wm Morrison, Caledonia Mines, C B ..	2 00
Mrs Keigan, Caledonia Mines, B ..	1 00
Dan Campbell, Caledonia Mines, C B ..	3 00
John A McInnis, Sherbrooke, N S, 3rd and last instalment ..	30 01
J G Campbell, Tatamagouche, N S ..	4 00
Wm McNutt, Tatamagouche N S ..	2 00
Jas Matheson, Tatamagouche, N S ..	2 00
Hugh McKay, Tatamagouche, N S ..	2 00
John Drysdale, Tatamagouche, N S ..	2 00
Rev T Sedgwick, Tatamagouche, N S ..	10 00
Simon Brown, Brookfield, P E I ..	7 00
Chas Payne, Clyde River, P E I ..	2 00

Mrs Glendinning Milford N S ..	5 00
John Robt Melatosh, U. ion Centre, N S ..	2 00
John Sinclair, Union Centre N S ..	6 00
John H Cameron, Union Centre, N S ..	3 00
Alex Hattie, Senr, Union Centre, N S ..	10 00
Mrs W C Kay, Hfx, N S ..	5 00
W F Meek, Shubenacadie, N S ..	50 00

\$70,507 45

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

Rev George Bell, L. L. D., Treasurer, Kingston.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Already acknowledged .. \$31,901 54

Scarborough.

Mrs R Reid (acct late R Reid) .. bal on 25 ..	10 00
Beebe Carmichael .. " 100 ..	20 00
Mrs A Green .. " 100 ..	20 00
James Green .. " 20 ..	5 00
Thos Hall .. " 10 ..	2 00
Jas A Thomson .. " 40 ..	8 00
E Forlar .. " 5 ..	3 00
Richd H Thomson .. " 50 ..	10 00
And Paterson Jun .. " 0 ..	2 00
A Paterson Senr .. " 25 ..	5 00
David Martin .. " 4 ..	60 12 00
Walter Glendinning .. " 50 ..	10 00
John Whitesides .. " 2 ..	50 20 00
Adam Bell .. " " ..	60 12 00

Branford.

C Cleghorn	5 " 100 20 00
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Stirling.

John Ralph	bal " 15 6 00
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Toronto.

Rev D J Macdonnell on acct .. 4 on 1000 ..	100 00
W W Beardman bal .. " 00 ..	260 03
Alex Jardine .. " 250 ..	100 00
Dr Dickie .. on acct ..	41 01
F McHardy .. bal .. " 2 0 ..	100 00
G B Gordon .. " " ..	40 00
Thos Kerr .. on acct ..	10 00

Lanark.

W C Caldwell	2 on 500 100 00
A G Dobbie	2 " 100 20 00
T B Caldwell	2 " 100 20 00
Win Caldwell	2 " 1 0 20 00
J M Caldwell	2 " 75 15 00
Wm Thomson	2 " 5 1 0
David Ward	2 " 10 2 00
David Munro	2 " 20 4 00
Wm Robertson	2 " 10 2 00
Robt Robertson	2 " 10 4 00
J P Anderson	2 " 10 2 00
Robt Burris	2 " 10 2 00
J D McInnes	2 " 20 4 00
P McLaren, Junr	2 " 15 5 00
P McLaren, Senr	2 " 15 5 00
James McLaren	2 " 0 4 00
John Gemmill	2 " 15 5 00
Robt McFarlane	2 " 5 2 00
J H Bothwell	bal " 5 2 50
Jacob Gallagher	" " 5 1 00
Robt James, Junr	" " 10 2 00
Jim McFarlane, Junr in full ..	5 00
David Breckenridge in full ..	5 00

Cornwall.

Hill Campbell	2 on 20 5 00
John Purcell	2 " 20 5 00
James Dingwall	2 " 301 50 00
D Monroe	2 " 5 5 00
David Laddell	2 " 100 20 00
James Smith	2 " 25 5 00
P E Adams	2 " 10 5 00
H L Gray	2 " 30 1 00

Wm Colquhoun.....	5	50.00
C J Mattice.....	3	25.00
H U Patterson.....	1	20.00
D O Algure.....	2	50.00
F Soper.....	2	25.00
John McIntyre.....	2	50.00
J F Smart.....	2	50.00
D B MacLennan.....	2	100.00

Sarnia
 Jas A McDowall... 5 on 50 10.00

Fergus.

Thos Broadfoot....	5 on 5	1.00
William Broadfoot..	10	2.00
William Castell....	4	100.00
A D Fordyce.....	5	50.00
Peter Grieve.....	4 & 5	5.00
Mrs W Jamieson....	5	1.00
G A Reid.....	3 & 4	20.00
William Rennie....	5	50.00
William Singer....	5	10.00
Eben'r Wilson.....	5	10.00

Pictou.
 J Jones Bell in full of 100.. 60.00

Carlton Place.

Bal from Local Treasurer..	9.00	
R McEwen.....	2 on 5	1.00
F J Preston, M. D. 3.	25	5.00
Robert Anderson.....	1	5.00
Alex Campbell.....	2	10.00
D Findlay.....	2	10.00
D Carmichael.....	2	10.00

Ailsa Craig.

Rev J Wells.....	in full of 100	20.00
D & J McArthur.....	" " 100	20.00
Donald Ross.....	" " 25	5.00

Norwood.
 Rev J Carmichael 2 & 3 on 100 40.00

Lunenburg.
 Rev W Lang..... 3 on 100 25.00

Godsrich.

A Dickson.....	1 & 2 on 100	50.00
P Adamson.....	2	25.00
W Kay.....	5	50.00
Dr Taylor.....	2 & 3	100.00

Belleville.

John Bell.....	4 & 5 on 500	200.00
R Thomson.....	5	100.00
H Walker.....	5	50.00
James Falconer.....	5	50.00
T A Lesier.....	5	150.00

Orillia.
 F W Thomson..... 2 on 25 5.00

Williamstown.
 Duncan McLennan 5 on 100 20.00

Ottawa.

A McKellar 4 on 100 in full	25.00
Dr E C Malloch. 2 & 3 on 100	40.00
Rev F W Farries..... 4	100.00
Dr A A Henderson 4	100.00
H F & E H Bronson..... in full of 500.	200.00
P Larmouth..... 3 on 50	10.00
J Simpson..... 4 & 5	100.00

Elora.
 Rev S W Fisher. 1 & 2 on 20 10.00

Deseronto.
 W C Carter..... 4 & 5 on 100 40.00

Pakenham.

John Bowes.....	1.00
M & J Bowes.....	1.00

Mrs Lindsay.....	2.01
James Bowes.....	1.00

Campbellford.

Mrs Thomas Porte..... in full	10.00
Granville Rollo..... in full	2.00
David McCook..... 3 on 10	2.50
John Dickson..... in full	15.00

Galt

Thomas Scott..... 5 on 100	20.00
A Mantack..... 5	25.00
Ruth Pringle..... 4	5.00

Gananoque.

Byers & Matthews. 3 & 4 on 100.	50.00
Miss S M Gorham. 4 on 100.	20.00
Rev H Gracey. 2 & 3	100.00
George Mitchell. bal in full	5.00
John Haig.....	5.00
Thomas Darling..... in full	5.00

Total to 31st January \$94,468.54

BUILDING FUND.

Acknowledged already.....	\$36,930.85
W & J Kidd..... 2 & 3 on 25	10.00
Edwin Chown..... 4	200.00
H Cunningham..... 3	100.00
Shaw Brothers..... 5	100.00
F X Cousineau..... 1	100.00
W J Mahood..... 5	100.00
J McMahon..... 3	100.00
Baillie Brothers..... 3	25.00
H & W J Crothers. 4 & 5 on 25.	5.00
Donald Frazer. 3, 4 & 5 on 100	10.00
J Dunbar & Co. 3, 4 & 5 on 100.	60.00
George Newlands 3, 4 & 5 on 100.	60.00
G A Kirkpatrick..... 5 on 500	100.00
J S Kirkpatrick..... 5	100.00
R V Rogers..... 5	500.00
Mrs G S Macaulay..... 5	100.00
Alexander Ross..... 3	250.00
H y Wade..... 2, 3, 4 & 5	25.00
J B Walkem..... 4 & 5	100.00
John McIntyre..... 4	100.00
Mrs J McIntyre..... 4	100.00
Rev W Bain, D.D..... 5	100.00
W Tyner..... 5	100.00
R M Horsey..... 4 & 5	25.00
J P Gildersleeve..... 5	100.00
J McCammon, M.D..... 5	100.00
Thomas Mills..... 3 & 4	50.00
W M Drennan..... 2	100.00
E H Smythe..... 3	100.00

Total to Jan. 31st 1883. \$37,820.85

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FRENCH EVANGELIZATION
 RECEIVED BY REV. R. H. WARDEN,
 SECRETARY-TREASURER, 250 ST.
 JAMES ST., MONTREAL.

Acknowledged to 8th Jan..	\$ 9611.33
St Andrews.....	16.00
Athelstane.....	12.30
Orms town.....	95.00
do Allans Cor's S S.....	3.50
do Lower S S.....	5.00
Chateauguay.....	3.00
St Therese.....	5.00
Mrs M R Paradis, St Anne.	5.00
Quebec, Chalmers Ch.....	100.00
Bothwell.....	3.00
Forwich S S.....	5.50
Teeswater, Westminster S S	10.00
Balderson & Drummond.....	25.35
Balderson S S.....	6.50
Montreal, Taylor Ch S S	20.00
Dundee, Zion Ch.....	20.00
Brussels, Mellville Ch.....	34.00
Ayonbank.....	10.00
Manda'min S S.....	1.50
Hemmingford, Estate Mrs	

Walker.....	5.00
Montreal, St Matthews Ch.	58.65
Kingsbury & Brompton Gore	10.00
G J Hamilton, Pictou.....	10.00
Perth, Knox S S.....	14.00
Port Hope, 1st Ch.....	32.20
York Mills S S.....	1.00
Thamesford.....	50.00
Executors late Jno Lindsay, Caledon.....	20.00
Nassagaweya.....	8.00
Campbellville.....	8.00
Fordwich.....	13.00
Elmira, Illinois.....	15.00
Minosa.....	7.00
Petite Cote S S.....	7.37
Winnipeg, Knox Ch.....	100.00
Robt Ormiston, Columbus.	5.00
Christopher McRae, Alex- andria.....	20.00
Fenelon S S.....	4.00
Montreal, St Joseph St.....	37.00
Perth, Knox.....	40.00
Kingston, Brook St.....	11.00
Campbellford S S.....	6.25
Percy, S S.....	5.33
Per M Douglas, Percy.....	6.73
Per W Macewen, Percy.....	2.60
Per M Weatheron, Percy.....	2.42
Per A Bell, Percy.....	1.97
Per J Gratlan, Percy.....	.79
Miss E A Thompson, Clarke	1.40
Beverly.....	34.00
Montreal, Stanley St.....	60.00
do Erskine (on acct.).....	175.00
Heathcote.....	4.00
Alex Dickson, Lancaster	2.00
Esquesing, Boston Ch.....	30.00
Huntingdon, 2nd Ch.....	60.00
Deseronto.....	3.95
Elora, Knox B Class.....	5.50
W Millon, Lagan.....	5.00
Moses Priest, Blue Moun- tain.....	5.25
Wick.....	22.00
Kinnear's Mills.....	31.25
A Friend.....	15.00
Asbury S S.....	9.00
Gumco S S.....	6.00
Thamesville S S.....	12.25
Botany S S.....	3.25
John Gosnell, Botany.....	1.00

Per Rev. Dr. McGregor, Halifax.

Hix, St Matthews.....	20.00
Blue Mountain.....	25.00
Chipman, N B.....	9.00
River John.....	25.00
Five Islands.....	4.50
Sydney, Falmouth St.....	15.00
Great Village.....	10.00
Kincoardine.....	7.20
Mid Musquodoboit, Mid Ch Yarmouth..... (9-30)	6.25
Carleton, N B.....	9.30
John Turner, French River New London, North.....	4.00
Friend per Rev J Thompson Tignish, Montrose & Elms- dale.....	2.00
Alberton & Mile River.....	15.00
Upper Musquodoboit.....	5.62
Upper Londerry.....	10.00
Friend, Mid Stewiacke.....	1.00
Coldstream.....	15.00
do Ladies R & B Soc	7.50
do S S.....	1.50
RS Munn, Harbour Grace.	8.4
J P Gillard.....	20.00
Princeton Cong.....	5.00
Sussex, C B.....	42.00
Cow Bay & Union.....	2.00
Bocabe & Wawig.....	2.00
Rev B H McElmion, Comox.	2.00
B C.....	5.00
Poplar Grove, Hix.....	25.00
Prince William.....	5.00
Belfast S Schools.....	21.00
Dean Set, Upper Musquodo- boit.....	1.71

Union Centre & Lookaber	20.00
Mount Stewart	15.00
Thos A Fraser, Pugwash	1.00
Stewiacke, half year	8.00

Per Rev. Dr. Reid, Toronto.

Lachlan McMillan, West Litch	1.00
Mount Pleasant	9.83
Cheltenham	9.30
Brooklin	5.00
Paris, River St S S	19.00
Forest	21.00
Bolmont	9.00
Toronto, St Jas Sq S S	50.00
Dunwich, Chalmers, add'l	7.00
Hampden, Thk	3.17
Kewdy Yess	2.50
St Marys, 1st Ch	23.74
Toronto, College St B Class	4.00
Vernonville	10.00
Mt Forest, Knox	10.00
Elois, Chalmers Ch	33.00
do do S S	7.00
Toronto, Charles St S S	44.00
W R Cobourg	1.00
Hamilton, St Paul's, adpl	67.44
Embro, Knox	23.47
Toronto, West Ch	20.00
Aurora	11.15
Toronto, Charles St B Ch	7.22
Tiverton	15.00
Chatham, Ont, 1st Ch	75.00
Peterboro, St Andrews	15.00
Drummondville	10.00
Peterboro, St Paul's	200.00
Northern Advocate, Co Simcoe	15.00
Leith	11.30
Smith's Falls, St Andrews	60.00
East Seneca	5.00
North East Adelaide	4.00
Fergus, Melville Ch	50.00
Millbrook	27.00
Guelph, Knox	10.00
Hibbert, add'l	5.00

\$12,318.49

POINT-AUX-TREMLES SCHOOLS

Rev R. H. Warden, Montreal, Treas.	\$2,241.21
Acknowledged to 8th Jan.	6.00
Chateaugay S S	12.50
Oshawa S S	25.00
Woodville, Ont, S S	10.00
Orillia S S	50.00
Halifax, Fort Massey S S	40.00
Fergus, Melville S S	12.50
West Winchester S S	14.42
Princois S S	40.00
Port Hope, First S S	10.00
do Mill St S S	2.00
Mimosa S S	5.60
Sherbrooke N. S. S S	50.00
New Glasgow N. S. S James Ch S S	50.00
Montreal, St Gabriel S S	100.00
Scarborough, St Andrews Ch	11.60
East Tibury S S	34.51
Russ, St Andrews Ch	15.00
Keene Saibath S S	50.00
Chatham, Ont, 1st Sab. So.	50.00
R. McQueen, Beverly	50.00
Quebec, Chalmers S S	18.00
Ancaster S S	8.00
Alberton S S	10.00
John Perres, Edmonton, Ont	5.00
Wm. Mackintosh, Belleville	10.00
Bobcaygeon S S	4.00
A friend, Bobcaygeon	4.00
Berly	24.57
Pembroke, Calvin S S	5.00
Hugh Dunlop, Middle Stewiacke	30.00
Pesou, Princois St. S S	10.00
Green Hill	

Stellarton	15.00
Morrisburg S S	8.00
	\$3,012.90

COLLEGE FUND.

Rev. R. H. Warden, Montreal, Agent	\$1,589.64
Acknowledged to 8th Jan.	10.00
St Andrews	30.00
Ornstown	4.63
Balderson S S	15.00
Balderson & Drummond	15.00
Dundee, Zion Ch	6.00
Henningsford, Estate of Mrs Walker	26.80
Montreal, St Matthews	12.00
Kingsbury & Brompton Go-	55.00
vernment	4.00
Montreal, St Joseph St	6.50
Port Colborne	21.00
Port Hope, First Ch	10.00
Bristol	40.00
Kingston, Brook St	225.00
Montreal, Stanley St	20.19
do Erskine on acc	28.00
do St Gabriel on acc	4.30
Huntingdon, Second Ch	
Kinnears Mills	

\$2,119.89

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL

Rev. R. H. Warden, Montreal, Agent	\$949.24
BUILDING AND FURNISHINGS FUND.	25.00
Already acknowledged	25.00
Montwood	1.00
Mrs A. McArthur, Carleton Place	10.00
J. Symington, Montreal	9.50
Spencerville	2.50
Ventnor	11.50
Rev W. M. McKibbin, Cardinal, add'l	
North Williamsburg	

\$1033.74

HEBREW CHAIR & C.

Already acknowledged	\$3,665.00
A. Campbell, Montreal	25.00
P. S. Ross	50.00
John McLennan do	100.00
Wm. Angus do	25.00
J. R. Lowden do	25.00
John Stirling do	150.00
Dr Koddack do	25.00
Estate late James Johnston Montreal	150.00
Alex Murray, Montreal	50.00
A McEntyre, do	25.00

\$4,280.10

SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Already acknowledged	\$160.00
J McLennan, Montreal	25.00

SUPPLEMENTING FUND DEBT

Rev Dr M. Gregor, Halifax Treas. Friend in St John, N. B.	\$50
Dr Walker	50
Hon John Boyd	30
T Rankin and Sons	20
James McLennan	20
Mrs George McLeod	10
John Stuart	10
J L Dana	10
T Gilbert	10
John H Parker	10
J C P Burpee	10
14 subscribers of \$5 each	70
3 do 3 do	9
3 do 2 do	6

\$305.00

Fredericton, N. B.	
11 Subscribers from \$1 to \$5 each	21

Black River, N. B.	
9 Subscribers from \$1 to \$2 each	12
Riverton, N. B.	
8 Subscribers \$1 to \$5 each	16
Stellarton, N. S.	
20 Subscribers \$1 to \$5 each	36.85

United Church, New Glasgow, N. S.	
J W Carmichael	\$40
J B McGregor	20
P A McGregor	20
A friend	20
A Walker	10
A friend, lady	10
10 subscribers of \$5 each	50
2 do 4 do	8
2 do 3 do	6
4 do 2 do	8
3 do 1 do	3

185.00

James Church, New Glasgow, N. S.	
Thomas P Jones	\$20
G W Underwood	10
Missionary Association	13
6 subscribers \$1 to \$5 each	16

59.00

Pictou, N. S.	
R P Grant	\$10
John McKinlay	10
18 subscribers 50 cents to \$5 each	36.50

56.50

Antigonish, N. S.	
17 subscribers 50 cents to \$5 each	32.75
St Andrews' Ch, St John's, Nfld.	
James Goodfellow	\$15.00

John Syme	10
James Baird	10
J F Chisholm	10
R Thornburn	8
John Archibald	8
David Baird	6
David Selater	5
12 subscribers of \$4 each	48
5 subscribers of \$2	10

130.00

Halifax City.	
John S McLean	\$50
Sir Wm Young	20
Wm J Stairs	20
R B Seaton	20
J C Macintosh	10
J Gibson	10
Dr Avery	10
A Friend	10
W H Harrison	10
James Forest	10
Alex Forest	10
Miss Stairs	10
E Lawson	10
35 subscribers \$1 to \$5 each	133.50

333.50

Dartmouth.	
4 subscribers \$2 to \$5 each	17.00
Chalmers' Ch, Halifax.	
Stewiacke Thk Col	\$31.25

St Andrew's, Sydney	8.53
Mid Stewiacke Half Way Brook S C	9.00
Moncton	33.00
Summerside	10.00
"Hiant's Co. Presbyterian"	150.00
St Paul's Truro	20.00
St Andrew's do	40.00
St Mark's Douglastown Part Thk	6.00
Wm McKittrick, Kentville	2.00
Young Widow, per Rev J B Logan, Kentville	10.00

Springside, Upper Stewia-	
ko Chk	10.00
Friend, Pictou post mark ..	2.00
St. Matthew's N, Sydney,	
Part Thk	10.00
John Cook Jr, Gays River.	3.00
do do Sr, do	2.00
John Kerr, do	1.00
Miss M'g Kerr's do House	
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Tatamagouche	10.00
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nomy	2.00
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Economy	2.00
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Brookfield	16.00
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Part Thk	6.00
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Macdonald	12.00
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Lindsay	12.00
Melbourne, Rev F P Sym ..	18.50
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Quebec St Andrew's Church	
Rev Dr Cook	80.00
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Kingston, add'l, per G M	
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E Pustinch, Duff's Ch	5.00

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Peubina Crossing	1.85
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should be John McFavish, W. B.	
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McDonald.	
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