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

OCTOBER, 1888.

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE
EXECUTIVE OF THE
HOME MISSION COMMITTEE
AND OF THE
AUGMENTATION SUB-COMMITTEE
(WESTERN SECTION.)
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA,
TORONTO, 10th OCTOBER, 1888.

AT TORONTO, and within the Lecture Room of St. Andrew's Church there, on Tuesday the 10th day of October, 1888, at 9 o'clock in the morning, the Executive of the Home Mission Committee (Western Section) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met and was constituted with prayer. Rev. W. Cochrane, D.D., Convener.

The following members were present:—Dr. Cochrane, Convener; Dr. Campbell, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Laing, Dr. Warden, Messrs. D. J. Macdonnell, R. Moodie, A. Tolmie, F. W. Farries, J. Somerville, and R. Kilgour.

CLAIMS FOR THE PAST HALF YEAR.

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

PRESBYTERIES.	MISSION FIELDS.	AUGMENTED CONGREGATIONS.
Quebec	\$ 679.00	\$910.50
Montreal	858.50	1125.00
Glengarry	78.00	465.50
Ottawa	795.00	492.00
Brockville	366.00	350.00
Lanark and Renfrew	876.00	658.00
Kingston	1167.98	910.00
Peterborough	307.60	374.00
Lindsay	102.00	187.50
Whitby .....	.....	50.00
Toronto	415.00	370.50
Orangeville* .....	.....	250.00
Barrie	2564.69	766.42
Owen Sound	330.00	302.00
Saugeen	100.00	100.00
Guelph	161.00 .....	.....
Hamilton	182.00	402.85
Paris .....	.....	75.00
London	297.00	500.00
Chatham	153.00	244.00
Sarnia	177.00	296.50
Stratford .....	.....	50.00
Huron .....	.....	275.00
Maitland .....	.....	350.00
Bruce	1226.25	200.00
Winnipeg	1183.25	463.65
Rock Lake	928.00	400.00
Brandon	2186.10	1062.50
Regina	3176.70	300.00
Calgary	1495.00	250.00
Columbia	1636.70
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* The Home Mission claims for this Presbytery were deferred till correspondence is had with the Presbytery.

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CHANGES IN GRANTS—NEW APPLICATIONS, &c.

The Committee considered new applications from Presbyteries on behalf of Mission fields and Augmented congregations. The following are the applications, with the changes made, for the half year beginning 1st October, 1888, on the list adopted in March last. (See pages 33 to 51 of Appendix No. 1 to the Minutes of the General Assembly, 1888.) :—

MISSION STATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC :—

Massawippi,—Granted \$250 per annum for ordained missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA :—

Chelsea and Hull,—Asked \$10 per Sabbath for next summer; recommended to favorable consideration of Committee next March.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE :—

Morton, &c.—Granted \$306 per annum for ordained missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO :—

Dover Court,—No grant for winter half year.
Seaton Village,—No grant for winter half-year.

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE :—

North Bay,—Grant increased to \$9.62 per Sabbath. Mr. Rondeau's resignation accepted.
Sudbury,—Grant reduced to \$5 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND :—

Indian Peninsula,—Grant increased to \$3 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH :—

W. Puslinch,—Asked \$119 to make up balance of student's salary for past six months. Revs. Dr. Torrance and J. C. Smith heard. Agreed to grant \$80, conditional on the remainder of the salary of the student being paid.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON :—

Cayuga and Mt. Healey,—Transferred to Augmentation list.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM :—

Leamington, &c.—Granted \$2 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE :—

Cockburn Island,—No grant.
Providence Bay,—Grant increased to \$3.50 per Sabbath.
Day Mills, &c.—Asked \$7.70 per Sabbath for ordained missionary; granted \$6 per Sabbath, on condition that the field contributes \$400 per annum.
Algoma Mills,—Granted \$2.50 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG :—

Ignace,—Asked for \$150 for past six months; granted \$90.
Keewatin,—Granted \$3 per Sabbath for winter.
Icelandic Mission,—Granted \$30, additional, for past six months, and \$75 for next half year.

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PRESBYTERY OF ROCK LAKE:—

Swan Lake,—Grant increased to \$5 per Sabbath for the winter.
 Pelican Lake,—Granted \$8 per Sabbath for ordained Missionary to labor among the crofters for next half year.

PRESBYTERY OF BRANDON:—

Stratherne,—Grant increased to \$5 per Sabbath if worked by ordained missionary.

Rosedale,—Put on list with grant of \$3 per Sabbath.

Hayfield,— Do. do. \$5 do. for past half year.

Orrwold,— Do. do. \$4 do. do.

Roseland,—Asked \$2 per Sabbath additional for past half year; declined.

Icelanders and Scandinavians,—Granted \$200 for next half year, if suitable missionary is got.

PRESBYTERY OF REGINA:

Colleston,—Granted \$10 per Sabbath for next half year.

PRESBYTERY OF CALGARY:—

Fort Saskatchewan,—Grant increased to \$6 per Sabbath from 1st April last.

Banff,—Grant increased to \$10 per Sabbath for next half year.

Maple Creek,—Granted \$6 per Sabbath for next half year.

Revelstoke,—Granted \$6 per Sabbath for next half year.

PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA:—

Alberni,—Granted \$350 for past six months and \$250 for next six months.

Richmond, &c.—Now self-supporting.

AUGMENTED CONGREGATIONS.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC:—

Danville,—Granted \$350 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF LANARK AND RENFREW:—

Admaston,—Granted \$50 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE:—

Farmersville and Toledo,—Put on Augmented list.

Merrickville and Jasper,— Do do.

Oxford and Bishop's Mills,—Granted \$150 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF PETERBORO':—

Bobcaygeon and Dunsford,—Granted \$48 per annum from 1st April last.

PRESBYTERY OF WHITBY:—

Enniskillen and Cartwright,—Asked \$205 per annum from 1st April, 1888; granted \$100 per annum, and attention of Presbyteries of Whitby and Peterboro' directed to the desirability of re-arranging this whole district so as to render unnecessary any grant from the fund.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO:—

E. Toronto and York Town Line,—Granted \$200 per annum from 1st July, 1888.

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Parry Sound,—Asked \$200 for past half year and \$25 for preceding one ; granted \$100. The Committee express hope that the field will make good Mr. Hudson's salary in full.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND :—

Berkeley, &c.—Grant increased to \$3 per Sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON :—

Cayuga and Mt. Healey,—Put on Augmented list, with grant of \$3.50 per Sabbath till settled.

Dunnville,—Grant increased to \$250 per annum.

Blackheath, &c.—Granted \$125 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM :—

W. Tilbury and Comber,—Granted \$200 per annum.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA :—

Oil Springs and Oil City,—Granted \$150 per annum.

Black Creek and Wilkesport,— “ 300 “

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD :—

Harrington,—Asked \$200 from 1st October, 1888. Rev. Messrs. Hamilton and Gordon heard. Agreed to refer the application to the March meeting of the Committee ; meanwhile the Presbytery is requested to make full enquiry, and, if possible, take such action as may render a grant unnecessary.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON :—

Bayfield Road and Berne,—Asked \$192 per annum from May, 1888. A letter was read from the managers of Berne, remonstrating against a grant being made. It was agreed to refer the letter to the Presbytery of Huron, and to lay the application on the table meanwhile.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG :—

Fort William,—Grant increased to \$200 per annum from 1 April, 1888.

PRESBYTERY OF BRANDON :—

Neepawa,—Removed from the list.

Chater,—Asked increase to \$350 per annum from 1 April, 1888 ; granted \$300.

PRESBYTERY OF REGINA :—

Regina, Knox Ch,—Grant to cease on 31 Dec., 1888.

APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES.

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

PRESBYTERY OF	QUEBEC..	Rev. J. B. Hamilton.
"	MONTREAL..	Mr. W. T. Dorward.
"	OTTAWA..	Rev. J. A. Birrell (to Plantagenet for one year).
"	BROCKVILLE..	Rev. G. Porteous (to Morton for two years).
"	LANARK AND RENFREW..	Rev. D. L. McKechnie (re-appointed to Mattawa for two years; Rev. W. J. Drummond (to Alice for two years); Messrs. C. A. Sykes and Matt. Wilson.
"	BARRIE..	Rev. J. McEwen, Rev. W. J. Hewitt, Rev. J. M. Goodwillie (to North Bay for two years); Rev. John Hunter, Messrs. John Thomson, Jas. Cranston and Robt. Thompson.
"	OWEN SOUND..	Rev. John Griffith and Mr. John McGregor.
"	SAUGEEN..	Rev. R. Fairbairn.
"	BRUCE..	Rev. J. S. Stewart, Rev. M. Turnbull, Rev. E. B. Rodgers, Messrs. J. B. Ferguson, John Tait and Hugh Ferguson.
"	ROCK LAKE..	Rev. Angus McLeod (to Pelican Lake for two years), and Rev. Donald Munro (to Deloraine for two years).
"	BRANDON..	Rev. W. D. Rees, Messrs. Dd Ross and W. Malcolm.
"	REGINA..	Rev. Jas. Douglas (to Moosomin for two years), Rev. A. L. Manson (to Indian Head for two years), and Mr. Walter Murray.

The appointment to the North-West of several other missionaries whose names were before the Committee was delayed, pending fuller information being obtained.

SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA.—The Convener submitted correspondence regarding the work in this Presbytery. Rev. J. Cormack had left the field on account of ill-health. Ladnor's Landing has been united to the Richmond district, making the field self-supporting.

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The Presbytery asked that the grant to Alberni be increased for the current year to \$700. It was agreed to grant \$350 for the past six months, and \$250 for the winter half year.

It was agreed to recommend the Presbytery to avail themselves of the services of Rev. Rod McKay, who is now in British Columbia.

In Vancouver a second congregation has recently been organized with 70 communicants, 3 elders and 7 managers. A church was built this summer, and the congregation is to be self-supporting from the commencement.

The new church building in Kamloops was recently opened for public worship.

PRESBYTERY OF CALGARY.—There was laid on the table the correspondence between the Sub-Committee and this Presbytery. It was agreed to re-appoint the Sub-Committee with instructions to prepare the form of commission for missionaries, so that it may be ready for use in all future appointments to the Synod of Manitoba and the North-West.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE'S EXPENSES.—It was agreed to pay a claim of \$38 for the travelling and other expenses of the Synodical Committee for the past half year.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF MISSIONARIES.—A statement of the travelling expenses of missionaries was tabled, and the same referred to Drs. Cochrane, Robertson and Warden.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.—An extract minute of the Synodical H. M. Committee as to the audit in 1887 of the books of the Synodical Treasurer was received, and the Synod's Committee were instructed to have the whole matter wound up as speedily as possible.

APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES.—An extract minute of Synod was read as to the resolution adopted by the Home Mission Committee in March last, regarding the appointment and re-engagement of missionaries to *specific* fields in the North-West. This was referred to Drs. Cochrane, Laing, Robertson, Macdonnell and Warden, to report at the meeting of the Committee next March.

PRESBYTERY OF BRUCE.

REPORT OF DEPUTATION.—Mr. Tolmie submitted the report of a visit made by him and the Rev. W. T. McMullen, at the request of the Committee, to Tarbut and St. Joseph Island. The report stated that the people in the former place acknowledged their indebtedness to Rev. Jas. Ferguson and were taking steps to have the amount immediately paid. In St. Joseph Island the people do not acknowledge that they are indebted to Mr. Ferguson, as they affirm that he led them to believe that if they did what they could towards his salary the Presbytery would make up the rest.

The report was received, and thanks given to Messrs Tolmie and McMullen.

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS.—An extract minute of the Presbytery of Bruce was read regarding their inability to secure, through Mr. Findlay, subscription lists from the Mission fields within their bounds. After hearing Mr. Findlay and Mr. Tolmie, the following resolution was adopted:—The Committee desire to express their conviction that Mr. Findlay has been guilty of no dereliction of duty, but as there seems to be a misunderstanding as to the meaning of the Presbytery's minute and their instructions to Mr. Findlay, refer the minute back to the Presbytery, with the recommendation that Mr. Findlay meet and confer with the Presbytery regarding the whole matter, prior to the meeting of the Home Mission Committee in March next.

MISCELLANEOUS.

STATE OF FUNDS.—The Treasurer submitted a statement of the funds at this date. It is as follows:—

HOME MISSION FUND.

Balance on hand, May, 1888.....	\$ 61.11
Receipts to date.....	4,031.43
	<u>\$4,092.54</u>
Expenditure to date.....	3,642.98
	<u>\$ 449.56</u>
Indebtedness at date.....	\$ 449.56
Reserve Fund on hand at date.....	<u><u>\$4,000.00</u></u>

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Indebtedness, May, 1888	\$ 986.37
Receipts to date.....	1,091.65
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Expenditure to date.....	11.92
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On hand at date	\$ 93.36
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CIRCULARS.—The convener of the Home Mission committee and the convener of the Augmentation sub-committee were instructed to issue circulars to Presbyteries, specifying the amounts expected from them, and to all the ministers of the Church, urging the claims of both schemes.

REV. H. MCKELLAR.—A letter was read from Mr. McKellar, stating that while on a visit to Scotland this summer, he had taken every opportunity to make known the claims of the North-West, and had obtained a contribution of £5. stg. for the Home Mission Fund from Robert Macfie, Esq. of Airds. It was agreed to tender Mr. McKellar the thanks of the committee.

REV. A. FINDLAY'S REPORT.—The Rev. A. Findlay laid on the table an interesting report of his work for the past half year. The report was received, and it was resolved to publish the substance of it in the *Presbyterian Record*. Mr. Findlay's expenses (\$133.80) were ordered to be paid.

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

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

EXECUTIVE MEETING.—It was agreed to hold a meeting of the Executive on Monday, 25th March next at 8.30 P.M.; and clerks and conveners of Presbyteries are instructed to forward to the secretary

prior to the 20th of March, the claims for the current half year, also applications for grants for the ensuing year, together with extract minutes, &c., that the business of the committee may be expedited as much as possible.

CLOSE.—The Committee adjourned at two o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, the eleventh October, and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

ROBT. H. WARDEN,
Secretary.

WM. COCHRANE, D.D.,
Convener

