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A PARTING WORD TO OUR READERS.

The readers of the *Record* are already aware of the arrangements made for the publication in Montreal of the "*Presbyterian Record*," as the official organ of the now happily united Church, covering the ground formerly occupied by the Records of the several Churches. The new *Record* will appear on the first of January, 1876; and thus the present number is the last issue of the "*Home and Foreign Record of the Canadian Presbyterian Church*."

It is always painful to say the parting word to friends with whom we have long had intercourse; although, in this case, the pain is alleviated by the assurance, that the separation that is taking place, and the change that is being effected, will result in good to the Church, in its varied interests. For a period of not very much less than a quarter of a century, the writer has conducted the official *Record*, first of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and latterly of the Canada Presbyterian Church. No one has been more conscious of imperfections and shortcomings than the Editor himself. It may be said, too, that perhaps few can realize, as he can, the difficulty of satisfactorily conducting such a publication, and of meeting the varied, and in some cases discordant views entertained by ministers and members of the Church, as to the character and objects of such a periodical. Sincere gratitude is felt, and hearty thanks are given, for the forbearance and kindness ever manifested by a large constituency. We gratefully acknowledge also the aid received from occasional contributors, and especially from the Clerks of the several Presbyteries. The Editor can say with a good conscience that it has ever been his aim to promote the interests of the Church, of which he has had the honour and privilege of being a member and a minister, and to do this impartially, and without hurting the feelings of individuals. How far he has succeeded, it is for others to judge.

In looking back on the past, and contemplating the changes that have taken place, and the progress that has been made, many thoughts crowd into the mind, and many feelings fill the heart. We cannot allow ourselves to give expression to these. There are many things in the past, in connection especially with honoured servants of the Lord who have ceased from their labours, and are now enjoying their rest, on which we could linger with pleasure; but we would rather look forward to the

future. We are thankful that we can look forward to the future of our Church with strong hope,—hope scarcely tinged with a shade of anxiety,—trusting that He who has led us on thus far will still be with us, to render us by His grace an earnest, living, united, and prosperous Church, to bless us in the faithful exhibition of His truth, and to make us largely instrumental in advancing the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We cordially bespeak for the "*Presbyterian Record*," and for its able and courteous Editor, James Croil, Esq., the favour, sympathy, and support of all our readers. With best wishes for the good of Zion, and with earnest prayers for the welfare of our Church, and especially of all with whom in years past we have had communion from month to month through the pages of the *Record*, we now bid our readers an affectionate farewell.

WILLIAM REID,

Editor, Home and Foreign Record of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

ARREARS DUE "RECORD" OF CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

As the accounts of the "Home and Foreign Record of the Canada Presbyterian Church" must be closed at an early date, it is earnestly requested that all in arrears for the year now closed, and for previous years, will remit at once, to Rev. W. Reid, Toronto.

The reasonableness of urging an immediate settlement will be seen. Wherever any error or omission can be pointed out in the accounts sent out, it will be rectified.

EXPLANATION AS TO THE FUTURE.

All orders for the future should be sent to J. Croil, Esq., Montreal. Where payment has been made in Toronto for any part of 1876, it will be refunded, so that all subscriptions for the "*Presbyterian Record*" may begin with the new year.

KNOX COLLEGE.

DEAR SIR:—In this circular, setting forth the claims of Knox College, it is gratifying to state that the attendance of students this year is unusually large. There are in the Theological Classes forty-one, viz.: 14 of the first year, 15 of the second, and 12 of the third. There are also 18 in the Preparatory Department. There are fifty-nine receiving instruction in the College. There are, in addition to these, not less than 30 studying in the University and other Literary Institutions, with the view of entering Knox College; in all, 90 young gentlemen prosecuting their studies in Toronto, with a view to the ministry in our Church. Of these, seventy lodge in the College; and this is all the building can contain.

It is gratifying also to state, that the accommodation for teaching and lodging is all that could be desired; while the domestic arrangements are such as to give satisfaction to the students. There is no doubt the new building has communicated a healthful stimulus to the Institution. It will make the College increasingly attractive to students, and will also

afford opportunities of cultivating acquaintanceship and friendship, and of fostering generous emulation among the future ministers of the Church.

But the principal design of this circular is to set forth the need of liberal contributions to the ordinary fund. For several years the revenue has not been sufficient to meet the necessary expenditure. At the close of the last financial year, there was a deficiency of \$8770.00. It is discouraging to find arrears thus accumulating, either to depress the College, or to necessitate, in course of time and periodically, a great effort to clear them off. There has, however, been no diminution in the contributions, but they have been nearly always less than the expenditure; and the expenditure has been gradually and unavoidably increasing. The contributions for the financial year ending 1st April, 1872, were \$8394.00; for the year 1873, \$8226.00; for the year 1874, \$7800.00; and for the year ending 1st April, 1875, \$8123.00. Now the College cannot be efficiently maintained, even with its present equipment, on so small a sum. The sooner this is realized, the better. It is estimated that not less than 11,000.00 will be required to meet the expenditure of the current year. Thus the contributions from the congregations would require this year to be nearly one-third larger than they were last year. No prudence or skill in management can reduce the expenditure below the amount stated; and the thought of retrenchment cannot be entertained, if engagements already entered into have to be met, and if the efficiency of the College is to be maintained. It is true, when the \$40,000.00 left by Mr. Hall is added to the small endowment which we now have, it will amount to \$46,292; but no revenue from this will be derived during the present financial year. It will be a matter of regret and humiliation if a special effort has to be made at next meeting of Assembly to clear off arrears, in order to prepare for any new arrangement for College support which the Assembly may adopt, or the recent auspicious union may render necessary.

Should the College be crippled in its resources at this interesting juncture, it will diminish the stimulus imparted by the erection of the new building, and tend to discourage students, who, if they get fair treatment, will naturally give Knox College a preference to any foreign institution.

While God, we trust, is leading so many to devote themselves to the ministry, it will be sad if the Church fails to give them all needed encouragement to prosecute studies which are especially necessary at the present day. If we cannot furnish an educated ministry to do efficiently the work which God is plainly assigning to us, an inferior one will have to be employed, or the work will be done by other and less scriptural instrumentalities, while the Church will be deprived of the blessing attached to rightly directed effort to promote the edification and extension of the Church of Christ.

Commending the claims of the College to the discriminating liberality of the Church,

I am yours very truly,

JOHN J. A. PROUDFOOT,

Chairman of the Board of Management.

TORONTO, KNOX COLLEGE, 23rd November, 1875.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Immediately after the Union of the four Presbyterian Churches of the Dominion, at Montreal, in June last, the General Assembly decided to appoint two Foreign Mission Committees for the present year, the one representing the Maritime Provinces, and the other Quebec, Ontario, and Manitoba. In appealing, on behalf of the Western Committee, to the liberality of the Christian people of their constituency, for the funds necessary to carry on and extend the missionary operations already commenced, it is proper that a brief statement should be given respecting the present condition and demands of the work.

The Missions which the Western Section of the Church requires at present to support are three in number, viz. :

1. Mission among the Indians in the North-West Territories.—In this department, two ordained missionaries and an interpreter are sustained. At Prince Albert, on the North Branch of the Saskatchewan, Rev. H. McKellar is labouring with vigour and a goodly measure of success among the Cree Indians. He is aided in his work by Mr. John McKay, as interpreter and missionary catechist. Around this mission, which is 450 miles to the north-west of Fort Garry, there has sprung up an English-speaking settlement, with a population of nearly 400, which until a few months has been entirely, and is yet very largely dependent on our mission for the ministrations of religion. Mr. McKellar preaches regularly in four different stations in this settlement, and is thus laying the foundations of a work which must tell powerfully on one of the finest regions of the North-West. It is most important that a second ordained missionary should be sent immediately, to help Mr. McKellar in this work. Near Fort Pelly, the capital of the North-West Territory, a very promising mission has been commenced among the Cree Indians. Rev. George Flett, recently ordained, has charge of this station. Mr. Flett, who is a native of Manitoba, speaks the Cree language with as much fluency as the English. He has selected as the headquarters of his mission one of the Reserves set apart by the Government for the Indians where a considerable number of them is likely to be permanently settled.

2. Mission to China.—Ground was broken in China nearly four years ago. Rev. G. L. Mackay, the first representative of Canadian Presbyterianism to the Celestial Empire, sailed from San Francisco on the 1st November, 1871. The field which he selected was the northern part of the Island of Formosa. This island, which is nearly as large as Ireland, and has a population of about three and a half millions, has proved a most encouraging mission field. Few missions have yielded such early fruit. In less than four years Mr. Mackay has been privileged to receive thirty-seven converts into full communion, while the applications of many more have been delayed. A band of nine or ten native helpers has been gathered, who are rendering valuable missionary service, while receiving a careful training for future work. Nine chapels have been built, almost without aid from Canada. These facts proclaim, in a manner which cannot be misunderstood, that Formosa is a field "white to the harvest."

Last year, Rev. Dr. J. B. Fraser was sent out to re-enforce Mr. Mackay, and has entered on his labours as a medical missionary at Tamsui. Dr. Fraser had a full medical and theological training, and will be found equally prepared to minister to the bodily ailments, and the spiritual diseases, of the natives. The Committee have resolved to

send another missionary to Formosa, as soon as a suitable labourer can be found.

3. Central India Mission.—In this field, the Presbyterian Church in Canada can scarcely be said to have a mission of its own. It is, however, represented there by Misses Fairweather and Rogers, who were sent out two years ago, by the Canada Presbyterian Church. These young ladies have been labouring under the care and direction of the missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, but they have from the first been supported by the Canadian Church. The most pleasing testimony has come from Rev. Dr. Brodhead, and other American missionaries, of the valuable service rendered by their Canadian auxiliaries. The brethren of the American Presbyterian Church are anxious to see the Presbyterian Church in Canada organize a fully equipped mission in Central India, and they have suggested the cities of Indore and Mhow, as presenting important and promising centres of Missionary work, which are, as yet, wholly unoccupied by any evangelical Church. There can be no question that there is an urgent demand for more missionaries in this part of India. The Committee have felt that the Canadian Church should respond to the earnest call which has been addressed to it from this quarter; and at their last meeting they resolved to take steps to send an ordained missionary to Central India as soon as possible. When this is done, the young ladies who are now sustained by the Committee in that field will come directly under the control and care of their own Church.

In order to maintain the work already undertaken, and extend it in the manner contemplated, an increased revenue will be required. The large balance on hand, at the time of the General Assembly, has not only been expended, but the treasurer is now about \$3000.00 in debt. The erection of houses for our missionaries in Formosa, and the current expenses of the different missions, have, during the past five months, made very heavy demands on the treasury. The united Church has, however, ample ability to supply the necessary funds. Last year, one section of what is now the Presbyterian Church in Canada raised in Quebec, Ontario, and Manitoba \$12,500.00 for Foreign Missions; and the Committee were unanimously of opinion that for the current year they should not ask the united Church in these Provinces to give less than \$25,000.00 for this great work. It only requires to be fairly presented to the Church, in order to secure a larger sum. The amount mentioned will only require something like *thirty cents* from each communicant,—a sum so trifling, that the poorest congregation in the land can easily raise it; and the wealthier should be ashamed if they do not contribute five times the amount.

It has been suggested that a thank-offering should be raised, as a memorial of the recent happy Union; and the suggestion has in many quarters been favourably entertained. Whether any special effort of this kind is made, it is earnestly hoped that the proposal will not be without practical effect. Why should not the evangelization of the heathen be remembered in this connection? It may certainly be questioned whether enlarged liberality, in support of the great Schemes of the Church, especially for the work of Home and Foreign Missions, is not the very best form such a thank-offering can assume. Surely there is no better expression of gratitude to God, on the part of the Church, than an honest determination to throw herself more earnestly into the great work which He has given her at home and abroad. It will be a happy omen for the

future of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, if the first year of her history is marked by a profounder sense of the obligations laid upon her by the Great Commission, and by a corresponding increase of Christian liberality.

WM. McLAREN, *Convener*.

TORONTO, 17th November, 1875.

HOME MISSION FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

WESTERN SECTION—COMPRISING ONTARIO, QUEBEC, MANITOBA, AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.

At a meeting of the Home Mission Committee, held in October, the Convener was instructed to issue a circular, setting forth the pressing claims of the Fund on the liberality of the members and adherents of the Church.

At the close of the last ecclesiastical year, the Home Mission Fund of the Canada Presbyterian Church was *two thousand* dollars in debt. An effort was made during the meeting of the Assembly to wipe out this indebtedness, but it was only partially successful. On the 1st of October the indebtedness had increased to *five thousand dollars*; and it was found, that after payment of the grants to the Presbyteries for the past six months, and meeting all liabilities to date, the fund was in debt *sixteen thousand dollars*.

In order to keep faith with our Ministers and Missionaries, the Committee instructed the Convener to ask the Agent of the Church to borrow this amount, to meet all claims against the fund. This has been done, and the Committee has now a burden of *sixteen thousand dollars* (with interest), until such time as Congregations replenish the treasury.

After a careful estimate of the necessities of the fund, it was found that not less a sum than *thirty-five thousand dollars* would be required for the present year. It is to be borne in mind that twelve thousand dollars of this sum is appropriated for our Missionaries in Lake Superior, Manitoba, and British Columbia, (including Manitoba College, which is still supported by Home Mission funds,) and that since the Union the claims upon the Home Mission fund are very greatly increased.

In a Church possessed of the numbers and resources of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, there should be no difficulty in raising a *much larger amount* than thirty-five thousand dollars. The Committee feel that if the urgent claims of this fund are only fairly laid before our congregations, ample means will be placed at their disposal, enabling them not only to liquidate existing obligations, but make further grants to destitute localities that are clamant for the Gospel.

May I ask the Ministers of our Churches to bring this matter before their congregations at an early opportunity; and also that such congregations, *as can conveniently send a portion* of their annual contributions for Home Missions, will do so at the earliest possible date, to the Rev. William Reid, Toronto.

WM. COCHRANE,

Convener, Home Mission Committee.

BRANTFORD, 3rd November, 1875.

MESSRS. MOODY AND SANKEY IN BROOKLYN.

For some weeks now Messrs. Moody and Sankey have been engaged in evangelistic work in the city of Brooklyn. There seems to be some doubt whether the results are as cheering and satisfactory as in London and in other cities in Great Britain. Still, the meetings have been crowded, and many led to give earnest heed to the things that pertain to their salvation. We give the subjoined extract from the *Christian at Work*, as descriptive of the nature of the work at Brooklyn:—

“Never within the memory of any of the present generation has there been such a real religious interest as that which now pervades Brooklyn and vicinity. It is evident alike to the critical and to the casual observer that there is something more than mere curiosity. Curiosity will bring crowds, but it does not always hold them. The streets are thronged long before the hour to commence the meetings, with thousands and thousands of people eager to gain admission. Those who obtain admission are, for the most part, earnest, attentive, and thoughtful. From the ferries the street cars carry up thousands of people both from New York and from the cities and villages of New Jersey. And, large as the crowds were on the opening Sunday, as we chronicled last week, they have been growing each day larger and larger. To a great extent the congregations have been made up of church-going people and those who were in sympathy with religion and religious effort. But vast numbers of persons have attended these meetings whose general habit has been to stay away from all religious privileges. Of the meeting of the first Sunday we have already spoken. But Sunday is a day of leisure, and many predicted that Monday’s meeting would be comparatively small. It was larger, more powerful, more deeply interesting. A half hour of singing as a preliminary called forth the hearty enthusiasm of the throng, and thus made ready for the hortatory services. Mr. Moody’s address was from the text, “There is no difference.” This address was full of those sharp and homely illustrations for which he is so famous, and which have taken such a hold on the people. Sunday last inaugurated the second week of the meetings and the attendance at the Tabernacle on Monday morning gave evidence of an increase of the religious fervour that has shown itself at all these meetings. As early as half-past seven a large number were assembled in the church, and several hymns were sung to while away the time before the entrance of Mr. Moody and Sankey. They entered at five minutes before eight, and Mr. Moody said, “Let us rise and sing the twenty-sixth hymn, ‘Rejoice and be glad,’ let us all rise and sing at the end of the first verse.” Mr. Sankey said, “Let us all sing, you will enjoy this meeting better if you all join in this hymn of praise.” After the singing of this hymn, Mr. Moody rose and said, “The requests for prayer will now be read. Quite a number have come to me and said their requests had not been read, but it would take a whole hour to read all of them, we have to condense them and cut them down. Please put them in as few words as possible. It takes a day to look them over and prepare them, so these read this morning are the ones that were handed in on Saturday. While these are being read we will bow our heads in silent prayer.” Mr. E. W. Hawley read the requests, which were as follows, numbering forty-eight: “For sceptic, eight-eight years old, that he may be led to Christ. A mother for a son. A father for three sons and one daughter. For a man in prison, that he may be turned to repentance. A daughter for father and mother past sixty years of age, still out of

Christ. For four sons and one daughter. For two young men who reject Christ. A young lady for herself, having been a backslider for years. A mother for son and daughter. A wife for husband and three daughters. A sister for three brothers. A person sick, that she may be kept from temptations and doubt. A widowed mother for only son. A daughter for aged father. For a brother's restoration to health. A sister for an absent brother. Two backsliders. For an organized band of praying young men. A father for his family of six children. A wife for husband, given to gambling and strong drink. For aged mother. For a lady advanced in life, troubled about the salvation of her soul. For four who reject Christ. For a man who has an appetite for strong drink. Three requests for aged mothers. Seven for friends. Four for brothers and daughters. Three for husbands and wives. An earnest request for prayer by a young lady in great distress of mind. Two requests of mothers for the restitution to health of their sons. A brother and sister for a brother, a confirmed inebriate. An anxious mother that her son may not be lost. A widow for her children. A husband and wife bitterly opposed to attending church. For a little church that may be revived. For sixteen young men. A mother for son, a sea-captain. Pray for a man who gives himself up to the intoxicating cup. A mother for her sons. Four requests from fathers for sons; one for a nephew. A father and mother for seven sons, two intemperate. For a sinner advanced in years.

Messrs. Moody and Sankey are now laboring in Philadelphia.

Missionary Intelligence.

TRINIDAD MISSION.

San Fernando, in the island of Trinidad, is an important mission, where Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Wesleyans, and Baptists have been carrying on a mission work for a greater or less time. The local population are Spanish, and speak the Spanish language; but there are many immigrants from Bengal, and the Bengalee language is spoken, and also French, in addition to the Spanish. There are not a few Chinese also in the island, but not much is done for their instruction, unless in the case of those who have some knowledge of English. Rev. Messrs. Grant and Morton, formerly from the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, are stationed here, where they are aided by Mr. McDonald, Superintendent of the Mission Schools. We publish the following letter from Mr. Grant, to the Rev. P. G. McGregor, of Halifax:—

SAN FERNANDO, *September 6th, 1875.*

DEAR MR. MCGREGOR:—If you experienced one week of Trinidad heat, as we now have it, you could appreciate an expression of longing desire for the cool, bracing atmosphere of Nova Scotia. The heat this season is considered unusually great. Unlike former seasons, the rain comes down in tremendous torrents for two or three hours, and then for several days we have the sun in a cloudless sky, pouring down his burning rays, without the refreshing breezes of the dry season: Myself and family have had pretty good health, but Mr. Morton's family has been

much afflicted. At one time we all despaired of the recovery of little Harvey, but a kind Providence has turned the shadow of death into morning.

Mr. McDonald, too, has been ill from cold, cough, and fever, and just as he began to resume his duties again he was thrown from the wagon, and in consequence was confined to the house a few days longer. He is now at work, in his usual health. You are already aware of the good service which he renders in connection with estate schools. He has eight under his constant supervision, and the advantage of this division of labour will show itself fully in the annual examination, as it now appears in the general efficiency of the schools. But I will not speak of Mr. McDonald's continuous labours on week-day and Sabbath, as it would anticipate his own report, which will doubtless be gratifying both to the Board and to the friends who generously maintain him.

Recently, Charles O. Soudeen and Lal Behari were chosen to the eldership, and in connection with the ordination services the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed; Mr. Morton assisted; twenty-one partook of the Sacrament. The weather was favourable, the attendance full, and the services impressive.

Having formed a session, we shortly after selected a managing committee of five members. Two were chosen by the Hindustani congregation, and two by the English, and one who can act as interpreter was chosen by both. This committee will gradually become acquainted with its duties.

We have also adopted a new plan of receiving the weekly contributions; but whilst we are hopeful, it would be premature to express an opinion of its probable success.

Further, we have chosen two of our young men, Sadaphal and Calipha, who have been very faithful, and who can read the Hindustani freely, to spend a part of two days weekly in spreading the truth among their countrymen. Each will receive 25 cents a-day, the pay for weeding a task. The congregation will pay them.

Even some who are unbaptized stand up in defence of the truth. To-day I was told of a man on an estate which we visit frequently, who was reproached by a Brahmin for deserting the ways of his fathers. He argued in defence of his views, but as the issue was doubtful, he sent to a neighbouring estate, to call in the aid of another more advanced than himself in Christian truth, to confirm his arguments. Neither of the two are baptized, but one is an applicant for baptism. We labour in hope of an abundant harvest.

Ever yours truly,

K. J. GRANT.

AFRICAN MISSIONS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The United Presbyterian Church has for years carried on missionary work in several places in Africa, especially in Old Calabar and in Caffraria. Rev. Dr. Robb, who has been for a long time engaged in missionary work there, has been obliged, in consequence of repeated attacks of illness, to leave Africa, and return to Europe. He was an accomplished scholar, and devoted missionary. He has left his mark on the dark future of

Africa, where he laboured long and faithfully. He translated the Bible into Efik; and also translated the Pilgrim's Progress and other works. The work has not been without good results in Old Calabar; but the complaint is, that the missionary agents are too few in number.

The Caffre mission has been very efficiently aided by Major Malan, a grandson of the well-known Dr. Cæsar Malan, of Geneva, and formerly an officer in the British army. He has raised funds, amounting to £1000 or upwards, and has found two missionaries; has obtained sites, and erected temporary buildings; and has thus started a new mission. What is more, he has given himself to the work with great devotedness, and is labouring incessantly, and in a spirit of prayer, for the evangelization of the Galeka tribe of Caffres. Referring to his work in opening the new mission, which he has named Uxolo, which means Salem or peace, Major Malan says: "Thus the mission has been opened. The hand of the Lord has been most markedly with me in it, and I praise Him. The expenses have been very great; and the money which has been given to me has been expended in the outfits, passages, material for building, food, waggon, and other necessities of the mission."

ZENANA WORK IN INDIA.

It is most encouraging to note the zeal with which the cause of the women of the East is now taken up by missionary bodies. We lately referred to an appeal issued by the Ladies' Society of our own Church, on behalf of Zenana work. The Established Church has also made an earnest call, in a paper written by Dr. Herdman, Convener of its Foreign Missions, for funds on behalf of the same important object. The Irish Presbyterian Church have lately formed a Female Missionary Society, which sends out ladies to labour in the East, and which is evidently supported with much zeal. The Chronicle of the London Missionary Society for September presents a full and elaborate scheme, which has lately been adopted, for sending out female missionaries to India and China. America is not behind Britain; and two at least of her great missionary societies are putting forth their utmost strength in the good work. *Woman's Work for Women*, a monthly magazine, conducted by and for ladies of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, is always full of fresh and stimulating matter. So is the *Indian Female Evangelist*, a quarterly periodical issued in London, by that very energetic body the Indian Female Normal School and Instruction Society. We must not forget the steady efforts, long continued, of the Society for Promoting Female Education in the East. The organ of this Society is the *Female Missionary Intelligencer*.

So far, well. But why should not the churches send out as many female as male missionaries, for the evangelization of the East at all events?

The Roman Catholics are seldom lacking in forethought and policy. They appoint a very large number of "sisters of mercy" as missionary agents.

Doors that have been closed and barred against the truth for ages are now open; they are opening every day; and women in heathen lands, even in Mohammedan lands, are now accessible to women. Will not the women of Christendom hasten to the rescue?

THE LIVINGSTONIA MISSION.

The Livingstonia Mission expedition has hitherto been successful. The mission party, by last accounts, had reached the mouth of the Zambesi. There still remained a voyage of nearly 400 miles till they reach Nyassa, and until this is accomplished, there will be some degree of anxiety. The hand of God has hitherto guided and protected them, and we trust it will be still stretched over them.

We subjoin an extract from a letter from Dr. Laws, to Dr. Murray Mitchell, dated "Hongoni, mouth of the Zambesi, 9th August, 1875:"—

Leaving Algoa Bay at 6.30 a.m., 6th July, after a safe though somewhat lengthy voyage we crossed the bar of the Kongoni on the afternoon of 23rd July. During the voyage the weather was rather variable; at times quite calm, on other occasions squally. On the 18th we were caught by a tornado, but as, providentially, it came astern, we sustained no further damage than the snapping of the chain which supported our square sail.

For three days before landing, contrary to all expectation, the rain poured in torrents, and squalls came from every quarter. On the morning of the 23rd we weighed anchor, hoping to be able to cross the bar; but a fog rolling across the mouth of the river we had to wait till the rising tide gave us nine feet of water, and then with a slight bump we sailed to a good anchorage by the river's bank.

There is no native village at the mouth of the river now; but in the evening three men appeared. Pulling ashore, we received from them a warm welcome, expressed by clasping their hands. Next day, several others appeared; and one of the Portuguese who lived in the neighbourhood came to pay us a visit, attended by three or four slaves. A miserable barefooted creature he appeared, but ready at any moment to bully his slaves, as if they were not human beings as well as himself.

While walking along the shore, looking for a suitable place to build our boat, a human skull and several other bones were found lying a little above high-water mark. This, and the sight of several half-starved moving skeletons, made one sigh that better days may soon come for benighted Africa.

Saturday and Monday were spent in erecting a shed under which we might work at our little vessel, and be protected from the sun's rays. On the evening of Monday her keel was laid, and on the Tuesday of the following week the *Ilala* was successfully launched on the waters of the Kongoni. On Saturday we had up steam, and found everything go satisfactorily. To-day we intend to start on our journey up the river. From the above you may readily understand that we have been anything but idle. I am sorry to say our work was very much impeded by the bolts not having been packed in oil. We found them covered with rust and sand.

As a rule, we found the natives intelligent, able, and ready to work. Most of them are tall, handsome, fair-haired men, but disfigure themselves by tattooing their backs and breasts, their faces also at times sharing in their adornment. The appearance presented is as if a number of split-peas were strown beneath the skin. Many of them came long distances in their canoes to work for us, and stayed several days, sleeping all night round their fires rolled in their grass-mats. In the morning we went ashore at sunrise, and had them set to work, writing down each man's name on a piece of paper, and chalking a corresponding number on his back, one or two being so greasy that the chalk could leave no traces

on their skin. Altogether we like the natives very much, and find them honest and easily managed by firmness and patience combined. Those who have been under the influence of the Portuguese seem down-trodden, cunning, and want the fine open countenance which characterizes most of the others. On the 30th July Messrs. Henderson, Baker, Boquito, and a native crew, went up in the *Ethiop*—our large beautiful boat—to Mazaro, taking with them a cargo of provisions, &c. They found the Portuguese there quite ignorant of our coming; but were received and treated courteously by the commandant, as also by the brother-in-law of Senhor Jose Nunes of Quillimane. They hired four canoes to come down for more of our goods, which have since arrived, been loaded, and are now on their way up the river. Since his return William Baker has had a slight attack of fever, but is now convalescent. The health of the rest of the party is good excepting slight colds. That the *Ilala* may draw as little water as possible we shall send another boat's load to Mazaro, and leave one, which can be brought up after. There, at least, our things will be in comparative safety, ninety miles nearer us than if left at the mouth of the river.

MONTREAL PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The seventh annual meeting of this Society was held on Friday evening the 22nd inst. The meeting was largely attended. The Society's Missionaries for the past summer presented their reports. Five reports out of the seven were of a very encouraging nature, and showed evidences of success both by the liberality of the people in the various fields, and the number who under the preaching of the Word were led to profess their faith in Christ. Nearly all these uncared-for fields earnestly entreat the Society not to forget them next summer. Our Missionary at the Ridge, North Hastings, suggests that the Society should help the struggling but earnest little congregation there to build their church—a work which they have projected, but have not the means to accomplish. The Treasurer's Report shows the finances of the Society to be so low, that great liberality will have to be shown by its friends, if it is to enlarge or even sustain its present Christian work of gospel preaching and good deeds. Having the will to work for the Lord we trust He will provide us with all the necessary means. The following gentlemen were elected as officers of the Society for the coming year.

Pres., Mr. T. Bennett; First Vice Pres., W. Gray; Second Vice Pres., W. D. Russell; Rec. Sec., M. H. Scott; Cor. Sec., D. L. McCrae; Treas., J. A. Anderson; Committee, Messrs J. T. Donald, C. E. Amaron, R. McKibbin, G. F. Walker, W. McPhee.

Rev. R. Campbell, St. Gabriel St. Church, was present by appointment to communicate information regarding Mission work for the Session. All entered heartily into his projects. Four or five stations are to be worked regularly during the winter.

M. H. SCOTT, *Secretary*.

Home Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

CALLS, Etc.

Rev. D. D. McLeod has been called by the congregation of *Dumfries Street Church, Paris*; Rev. Mr. Dey has been called by the congregation of *Spencerville*; Rev. E. Mullan has been called to the pastoral charge of *North Augusta and Fairfield*; Rev. Mr. Hogg has been called by the congregation of *Oshawa*; Rev. H. D. Steele has been called by the congregation of *Dummer and Warsaw*; Rev. W. Donald has declined the call of the congregation of *Knox Church, Montreal*; Rev. H. H. McPherson, M.A., has been ordained and inducted as pastor of the congregation of *Nassagaweya and Campbellville*.

RESIGNATION OF REV. J. M. ROGER, M.A., PETERBORO.—The Rev. J. M. Roger, M.A., who has for the last forty-two years discharged, with remarkable devotedness and success, the duties of pastor, tendered, on account of growing infirmities, at the last ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of Peterboro, the resignation of his charge. At a special meeting of Presbytery, held on the 23rd ult., Mr. Roger's resignation was accepted. No minister has been more highly respected than Mr. Roger, and few have had a longer or a more successful pastorate. Not only Peterboro, but the whole surrounding country, formed, in the early days of Presbyterianism, the parish of Mr. Roger; and the present prosperous condition of many congregations may be traced to the laborious and diligent cultivation bestowed upon them by Mr. Roger. It will be the prayer of many friends that he may be still spared to enjoy a season of rest here, and to preach occasionally, as he may be able, that blessed gospel which it has been so long his privilege to proclaim, as one of the honoured pastors of our Church.

PRESBYTERY OF MANITOBA.—The Rev. J. Robertson, clerk of the Presbytery of Manitoba, has asked us to publish the following explanation:—“To THE EDITOR OF THE ‘RECORD’ :—In the Report of the Committee on Statistics, I find a statement to the effect that no reports of any congregation in the Presbytery of Manitoba were received. Blank forms were received by me, as Clerk of Presbytery, on the 12th of May. These were sent at once to ministers, and as soon as returned, there was as full a report sent to the Committee as I could furnish. This was stated on the floor of the Assembly, in Montreal, and a correction promised in the Report. Since the matter has not been attended to, may I ask you, in justice to the ministers of the Presbytery, to correct this statement in the Report, and oblige yours truly, JAMES ROBERTSON.—*Winnipeg, 25th October, 1875.*”

DISTRIBUTION OF PROBATIONERS.—We are requested, by the Convener of the Committee on Distribution, to state that the Committee will meet on the 28th December; and that all changes affecting the Roll should be sent to him, (Rev. R. Torrance, Guelph,) some days before that date.

CORRECTION.—In the notice of the opening of Knox College, in our last issue, by an oversight in the correction of the proof, “Trinity College, Kingston,” occurred, instead of “Queen's College, Kingston.”

WIDOWS' FUND.—MINISTERS' RATES.—The rates payable by ministers of the former Canadian Presbyterian Church, for the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, were due on the 1st November. Those who have not paid, should remit at once.

ASSEMBLY FUND.—Collections for the Assembly Fund of the former Canada Presbyterian Church, and for that of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, should be taken up in all the congregations, and remitted to the Rev. W. Reid, Toronto.

SUIT IN REGARD TO TEMPORALITIES.—The suit raised in Montrea with reference to the Temporalities Fund, has been dismissed.

DEGREE CONFERRED.—Rev. A. McKay, of East Puslinch, has received the honorary degree of D.D., from Trinity University, U. S.

PETITIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

It will be remembered that the General Assembly of the Union of the Churches agreed to petition the Dominion Parliament to abolish all unnecessary Sabbath labour in public works, and traffic on railways under Government control, and farther agreed to recommend Presbyteries to petition to the like effect. We subjoin a form of petition which has been prepared by one of the Joint-Conveners of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, and which may be used by Presbyteries, and also by sessions and congregations, for we believe that they also should send in petitions. A. Gordon, Esq., M.P., will be glad to receive and present the petitions to the House of Commons. They may be addressed to him at Ottawa, when the Dominion Parliament meets. If sent sooner they should be addressed to Mr. Gordon, Prince Albert, Ont:—

To the Honourable the House of Commons of Canada in Parliament Assembled :

THE PETITION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN CANADA,

HUMBLY SHOWETH :

That the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, as a day devoted to the public worship of God is a divine institution, the due observance of which is intimately connected with the social and moral well-being of the people of this Dominion, and that every citizen should be protected in his right to enjoy the rest and religious privileges of that holy day.

That in connection with public works and lines of railway throughout the Dominion, there is, as your petitioners believe, a very large amount of unnecessary labour and traffic carried on on the Sabbath ; and that the employees of railway corporations especially are subjected to the greivous hardships of having either to engage in such Sabbath labour and traffic, or resign their situations ; and that the public worship of God in cities, towns and villages, along such lines of railway, is seriously disturbed.

That the law as it now stands makes no adequate provision for arresting the evil, railway corporations not being held responsible for the violations of the civil law of the Sabbath committed in their service, but only to men who are found at work, and who, in many cases, are obeying the company contrary to their own consciences and in opposition to a deep sense of duty.

That such a state of things is highly injurious both physically and morally to the individuals and families more immediately implicated, is fitted to deaden the moral sensibility of the public mind on the claims and sanctity of the Sabbath, and thereby weaken all religious conviction, and lower the standard of public morals.

Wherefore, your petitioners humbly pray, that Your Honourable House may be pleased to take this matter into your serious consideration, and pass an Act for the more effectual suppression of all unnecessary labour and traffic on railways and public works.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

The copy to the Senate should be addressed To the Honourable the Senate of Canada in Parliament assembled, &c., the same as above.
A third copy should be addressed to the Governor-General.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES IN QUEBEC AND ONTARIO.

- Presbytery of QUEBEC.....meets in Quebec, in Morrin College, on 2nd Wed. of Dec., at 10 a.m.
 " BROCKVILLE ..meets in Brockville, in 1st Presbyterian Church, on 3rd Tues. of Dec., at 3 p.m.
 " OTTAWA.....next ordinary meeting in Carleton Place, in St. Andrew's Church, on Tuesday after 1st Sabbath of February, at 2 p.m.
- Presbytery of KINGSTON.....meets in Kingston, in St. Andrew's Hall, on 2nd Tues. of Jan. next, at 3 p.m.
 " PETERBORO'....and within Rev. J. M. Roger's Church, on 3rd Tuesday of Jan., at 11 a.m.
 " TORONTO.....meets in Toronto, in Knox's Church, on 1st Tues. of Dec., at 11 a.m.
 " OWEN SOUND...meets in Owen Sound, in Knox Church, on 3rd Tuesday of December, at 10 a.m.
 " GUELPHmeets in Fergus, in Melville Church, on 2nd Tuesday of January, at 9 a.m.
 " BARRIE.....meets in Barrie, on 1st Tuesday of December.
 " SAUGEEN.....meets in Mount Forest, in Knox Church, on 2nd Tuesday of Dec., at 2 p.m.
- Presbytery of PARIS.....meets in Ingersoll, in Knox Church, on 2nd of Dec., at 2 p.m.
 " LONDON.....meets in London, in 1st Church, on 2nd Tues. of Dec., at 2 p.m.
 " HURON.....meets in Clinton, on 2nd Tues. of Jan., at 11 a.m.
 " STRATFORD.....meets in Stratford, in Knox Church, on 28th Dec., at 2 p.m.
 " BRUCE.....meets in Kincardine, in Knox Church, on 2nd Saturday of January next, at 4.30 p.m.
 " CHATHAM.....meets in Chatham, in Wellington Street Church, on 28th Dec., at 11 a.m.

Proceedings of Presbyteries.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.—This Presbytery held its last regular meeting in the first Presbyterian Church, Brockville, on the afternoon of Tuesday, 2nd November last. Mr. Mylec, in the absence of Dr. Bain, was called to preside. There were nine ministers and four elders present. The first business was a call from the united Congregation of North Augusta and Fairfield, in favour of Mr. Elias Mullan, lately of Spencerville. The call was accompanied with a promise of stipend to the amount of nearly \$400, with a manse and garden, and a supplement from the home mission Board of \$200. The Presbytery agreed to sustain the call, and Mr. Mullan having accepted it by letter, his induction was appointed to take place in the Church at Fairfield, on Tuesday the 16th inst., at

2 p.m. Mr. Brown to preach and preside, and Mr. Mylne to address the minister, and Mr. McGillivray the people. At this meeting the Presbytery agreed to take up and dispose of any emergent business requiring immediate action. A case of difficulty from one of the sessions having been brought before the last meeting and a commission having been appointed to visit the place, and, if possible, settle the difficulty. That commission gave in their report, in which the action of the session was, in its principal points, sustained. In this the Presbytery agreed, but against which the complainant protested, and appealed for leave to complain to the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa at its next meeting. The Home Mission business and the supply of vacancies occupied as usual a considerable portion of the time of the Presbytery. In this connection, several important arrangements were made for the better working of the field, and steps taken to prepare the way for the settlement of ministers in several of the vacancies. The Committee appointed to prepare a minute on the death of the Rev. Mr. Traver gave in their report, which was accepted, and is as follows:—"In the death of the Rev. Albert Jones Traver, M.A., Minister of the first Presbyterian Church, Brockville, the Presbytery are sensible of the great loss they have sustained. Scholarly, zealous, judicious, courteous, he had endeared himself to all his brethren as well as to his flock. While acknowledging with submission the Master's hand in his removal, the Presbytery would devoutly thank God for lending to the Church, one, who proved so efficient a labourer, and would pray that the bright memories of his brief career may stimulate them all, to abound yet more in labours, and like him, to live in constant preparation for the coming of the Lord. To his sorrowing widow, to his aged parents, and near of kin, the court would tender their sincere sympathy, and would extend the same to his stricken flock, with the earnest prayer that this trial may be abundantly blessed to them all, and that at an early day, a suitable pastor may be placed over them in the Lord." Mr. Burns reported thus in accordance with the appointment of Presbytery, he had preached in the first Presbyterian Church, on the 10th of last month, and declared the charge vacant. The remit on the constitution of the General Assembly was considered, and generally approved of, with certain amendments, specially one, to provide for an after election, and another to substitute twenty for thirty days, as the time within which the first election is to be made. Arrangements were also made for the holding of missionary meetings throughout the whole Presbytery, and for that purpose the Presbytery was divided into four sections, with corresponding deputations to attend to the work, and these deputations were specially instructed to give full information regarding the different schemes, for which collections have to be taken up during the year, and where they deem it necessary, to explain the position of the Church in the Union lately consummated. It was agreed that henceforward the Presbytery should meet quarterly in the months of December, March, July and September, and that the next regular meeting should be held on the 21st of December, in Brockville, and within the First Presbyterian Church there, at 3 p.m.

JOHN CROMBIE, Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—Agreeably to a circular issued by the Moderator of the Presbytery of Toronto, and sent by the clerk to all the members, a *pro re nata* meeting of said Presbytery was held in the usual place—the lecture room of Knox Church, Toronto, "To take into consideration the doctrine of a sermon said to have been preached by the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, in St. Andrew's Church, on the 26th of September, and what action might be necessary thereon." Besides the Moderator, Rev. Dr. Topp, there were present 29 ministers and 15 elders, besides three ministers from other presbyteries, who sat as corresponding members. There was also present a large number of the Christian public, and various reporters for the city press. The meeting was constituted as usual, with praise, reading of scripture and prayer. Thereafter the Moderator proceeded and read a requisition signed by 10 members, asking him to call a *pro re nata* meeting; he also read the circular which he had consequently issued. On motion made by Rev. Wm. Reid,

seconded by Rev. J. Dick, the Moderator's conduct in calling the meeting was unanimously approved of. The presbytery then proceeded to consider the matter set forth in the circular. On behalf of the requisitionists, Principal Caven was heard at considerable length. Mr. Macdonnell was also heard at full length on his own behalf. It was then moved by Professor McLaren, and seconded by the Rev. J. Smith, that the Presbytery having had their attention called to the teaching of a sermon said to have been preached by Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on the 26th September last, and having heard his explanations in reference thereto, agree to appoint a committee to confer with him, and to report at a subsequent sederunt. In amendment, it was moved by the Rev. D. Mitchell, and seconded by Rev. Dr. Jennings, "Whereas from the explanations given by Mr. Macdonnell, the doctrine of the sermon is considerably modified; whereas, from the sincere and loyal attachment given this day by Mr. Macdonnell to the government and practice of the Church, we have good reason to feel confidence in him; Resolved that the matter in discussion be now dismissed." A vote was taken on the foregoing, when 7 voted for the amendment and 21 for the motion. The motion was therefore declared carried, and agreeably to its terms the following were appointed a committee for the purpose specified therein, viz: the Moderator, Principal Caven, Professors Gregg and McLaren, Revs. J. M. King, Wm. Reid, J. T. Robb, J. Carmichael of King, W. Aitken, J. Dick, J. Breckenridge, and J. Smith. Professor McLaren to be convener.

At the evening sederunt the following report was read from the above named committee:—"The Committee having conferred at length with the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., finds as follows: '1. While admitting the general correctness of the reports of the sermon, Mr. Macdonnell stated that there were some omissions and some alterations, the general effect of which was to lead to the supposition that he had declared his acceptance of the doctrine of the final restoration of all, and denied the eternity of future punishment, whereas he had simply stated the difficulty he had in arriving at any conclusion. 2. Mr. Macdonnell stated that he felt it was unwise to speak in a way not in harmony with the Confession of Faith on this particular subject, when his own mind was in a state of perplexity, and expressed his regret for doing so. 3. Mr. Macdonnell engaged, while seeking further light on this subject, not to contravene the teaching of the Confession of Faith on this point in his public ministry, and expressed his willingness to state his views on this matter to the Presbytery when called upon. And further, in view of the above explanations and statements, the committee beg to recommend to the Presbytery for adoption the following deliverance: 'That the Presbytery, taking the premises into consideration, agrees that time be granted to Mr. Macdonnell to consider more carefully the question involved, in the hope that his views may soon be brought into complete harmony with those of the Church. But the Presbytery recognizing the fundamental importance of the doctrine of the eternity of future punishment, as taught in the Confession of Faith, and the necessity of maintaining in its integrity the Church's testimony thereto, requires Mr. Macdonnell to report to this court as to his agreement with the teaching of the Confession on the doctrine in question, not later than the last regular meeting before the next General Assembly.'" On motion made by Mr. Mitchell, it was agreed to receive this report. And on motion made by Principal Caven, seconded by Mr. King, the report was also unanimously adopted. The meeting was then closed with the benediction—a meeting which all who were apprized of it had looked forward to with a large measure of anxiety and interest.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.—The Presbytery of Guelph met on the 9th of November, in St. Andrew's Church, according to appointment. With a few exceptions all the members were present. The statistical and financial reports of the Presbytery as published by the Assembly of the late Canada Presbyterian Church were examined, and those instances noted in which Congregations had not contributed to all the schemes of the Church. The Committee to arrange for

holding a Presbyterial Sabbath School Conference gave in their report, containing a programme of proceedings. The report was received, and the Committee re-appointed to carry out the proposed arrangements. A Committee was appointed to arrange for holding a Conference on the state of religion, and to report at next meeting. A letter was read from Mr. H. H. McPherson, signifying his acceptance of a call to him by the Congregations of Nassagaweya and Campbellville. Mr. McPherson was then heard deliver his trials on subjects that had been assigned him, and these having been sustained, his ordination was appointed to take place at Nassagaweya, on the 24th November, at eleven o'clock, a.m. An application for moderation of a call from the Congregation of Rockwood and Eden Mills was submitted and considered, and Mr. Torrance was authorized to moderate on such a day as the Session may fix. Mr. Goodwillie's resignation of his charge was next taken up. A memorial from forty-seven members and thirty-one adherents of the Congregation at Doon, earnestly requesting the Presbytery to continue Mr. Goodwillie among them, was handed in and read. Commissioners were heard. Mr. Goodwillie, in reply to the call from the Presbytery, signified his adherence to his resignation. It was then agreed that the resignation be accepted, and Mr. Dickie was appointed to declare the charge vacant on Sabbath first, and the Clerk was instructed to give the congregations of Doon and Hespeler their due proportion of probationary supply. Mr. Donald Strachan tabled his resignation of the pastoral oversight of Hillsburgh and Price's Corners. A committee was appointed to visit these Congregations, to notify them of the course proposed by Mr. Strachan, to enquire fully into all circumstances, and report at next meeting. Reports were received from several Committees, and disposed of on their merits. Home Mission business was considered. Mr. McCrea read report from the finance Committee, setting forth the arrears due to the Presbytery fund, the amount requisite to meet expenses to the end of the current year, and the means proposed to raise the same. The report was received and its recommendations adopted. At their own request, an extension of time was granted to the Committee appointed to prepare answers to Sheriff Davidson's reasons of protest and appeal. Mr. Bentley was appointed Convener of the German Mission Committee in room of Mr. Goodwillie.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON.—On behalf of the committee appointed to draft a minute ament Mr. Logie's resignation, Mr. Sieveright read the following, which was adopted, ordered to be engrossed in the *Record*, and a copy thereof to be sent to Mr. Logie, viz: "The Presbytery in accepting Mr. Logie's resignation of the charge of Rodgerville and Exeter, do so with feelings of regret. In parting from their brother, they desire to place on record their high appreciation of his admirable qualities as a man and a Christian minister. Twenty-six years have elapsed since he began to labour in what was then known as the Huron tract, when the settlements were new, and the difficulties in the way of the pastor and missionary were great. The Presbytery recognize with gratitude the great services which he has been enabled, amid much self-denial, to render to the Church, and the important public enterprises, having as their object the temporal and spiritual good of the community, in which he took active part. They express their admiration of the missionary spirit which led him, in the first instance, to the selection of the field of his labours, and to his long continuance in that field, notwithstanding the onerous character of the duties which it imposed upon him. They also bear testimony to the active and efficient part he has taken in the councils of the Presbytery, the soundness of judgment and amiability of character that have given him a high place in the esteem and affection of his co-presbyters. They deeply regret that now, in consequence of enfeebled health—caused in no small part, it is to be feared, by his many and exhausting labours—he has been compelled to tender the resignation of his charge, where he toiled so long with untiring diligence and much success. And in taking farewell of their much esteemed and beloved brother, they express their earnest wish that God in his providence may long spare his valuable life, and continue to bless his labors in the Master's vineyard."

Notices of Publications.

THE PRESBYTERIAN QUARTERLY AND PRINCETON REVIEW. October, 1875.
Rev. W. Kennedy, Agent, London, Ont.

We have received the October number of the *Princeton Review*, which as usual contains a number of excellent articles. We are glad to see from time to time the names of some of our Canadian brethren as contributors to the pages of this Review. Professor Campbell, of Montreal, contributes an article in the present number, on "The Hornets of Scripture," which he seeks to show must be understood as meaning the Amorites. On these historical subjects Professor Campbell is quite at home. Those who take an interest in an ecclesiastical procedure, will find two articles on the Law of Appeal in the Presbyterian Church. Professor Patton vindicates the right of a prosecutor to appeal; while Dr. Noyes denies the right. The first article is, "Presbyterian Elements of our Nationality," written by the late lamented Dr. Gillett. We trust many of our ministers will avail themselves of Mr. Kennedy's services in ordering this able and long-established Review at the beginning of another year.

AN EXAMINATION OF THE VIEWS HELD AND ADVOCATED BY THE ANA-BAPTISTS. By "A True Baptist." Toronto: J. Bain & Son.

In a small pamphlet, containing twenty-three pages, we have a very good examination of the grounds on which the views of those generally known as Baptists rest. The author, in a very lively way, brings the witnesses into court, and interrogates them on the subject, bringing out very clearly the true meaning of the passages referred to. This is a way of putting the arguments on the subject that will no doubt interest many. The pamphlet, which is neatly got up, and at the same time cheap, is well worthy of a large circulation.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN EVANGELICAL REVIEW, October, 1875. Toronto: J. Bain & Son, Agents.

We have received the October number of this Review, which, as usual, contains a variety of important and able articles. The contents of the Review are as follows:—1. *Servum Arbitrium*; by Professor McGregor.—2. On the Epist'e to the Hebrews; by Rev. Thomas Burdett.—3. On the Relation of God to the World; by Rev. J. Iverach, M.A.—4. The Course of the Church in Prussia during the present Century; by Rev. D. Edward, of Breslau.—5. Jephthah's Vow; by Rev. Dr. George Patterson, of Nova Scotia.—6. Dr. Merle D'Aubigne on the Reformation in Scotland, by Rev. Professor Mitchell, D.D., St. Andrews. There is also a large amount of literary and theological information.

Monies Received up to 22nd September.

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| Economy..... | 2 50 | Lachute, Henry's Church..... | 1 50 |
| Truro, St. Paul's..... | 2 50 | Thornbury..... | 10 00 |
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| Clifton..... | 2 00 | Albion..... | 0 80 |
| West River..... | 2 50 | Faulies..... | 1 00 |
| Mabou..... | 1 00 | Teeswater..... | 1 00 |
| Springhill..... | 0 50 | Weston..... | 0 60 |
| Kentville..... | 2 00 | Toronto, Bay Street..... | 2 00 |
| Bedeque..... | 2 00 | Mount Pleasant, Omemece, &c.. | 1 50 |
| Blackville and Derby..... | 1 00 | Ridgetown..... | 1 00 |
| Maitland..... | 2 00 | Georgetown..... | 1 00 |
| Sydney and Mira..... | 4 00 | Woodstock, Knox Church..... | 2 41 |
| West River, Central Church..... | 2 50 | Admaston, Douglas, &c..... | 1 20 |
| Pictou, Knox Church..... | 2 50 | Thames Road..... | 1 00 |
| Buotouche and Shediac..... | 1 00 | Kirkton..... | 1 00 |
| Chatham, St. Andrew's..... | 2 00 | West Winchester..... | 0 60 |
| Springfield..... | 1 20 | Montreal, St. Paul's..... | 25 00 |
| Boularderie..... | 1 00 | Chesley..... | 0 88 |
| Wallace (Free)..... | 2 00 | Salem..... | 0 40 |
| Parrsborough..... | 1 00 | Storrington and Pittsburg..... | 1 00 |
| Springside..... | 3 00 | Coruwall..... | 0 96 |
| Campbell Sett'l't & Londonderry. | 1 00 | Inverness..... | 1 16 |
| St. George's..... | 1 00 | Montreal, St. Joseph Street.... | 1 00 |
| Windsor..... | 2 00 | Owen Sound, Division Street.. | 1 40 |
| Sheet Harbour..... | 1 50 | Wick..... | 1 00 |
| Blyth..... | 1 50 | Shakspear and Hampstead..... | 1 21 |
| Belgrave..... | 1 80 | Coldsprings..... | 1 00 |
| Widder and Lakeroad..... | 2 00 | Elgin and Athelstane..... | 2 00 |
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| Wroxeter..... | 1 25 | Belgrave..... | 10 00 |
| Landsdowne..... | 0 53 | Widder and Lakeroad..... | 9 09 |
| East Gloucester..... | 1 00 | Arthur..... | 4 07 |
| Russell..... | 1 00 | Rodgerville and Exeter..... | 15 50 |
| Oxford..... | 1 00 | Kenebec Road..... | 2 50 |
| Beckwith..... | 1 00 | Ayr, Knox Church..... | 15 00 |
| Princetown, P. E. I..... | 3 00 | Carlton Place..... | 3 55 |
| Dartmouth..... | 2 00 | Wroxeter..... | 6 00 |
| Scarboro', Knox Church..... | 2 50 | Landsdowne, &c..... | 3 78 |
| Kippen..... | 1 50 | East Gloucester..... | 4 70 |
| Colborne..... | 0 50 | Russell..... | 4 75 |
| Brighton..... | 0 50 | Beckwith..... | 5 59 |
| Port Dover..... | 1 50 | Scarboro', Knox Church..... | 13 50 |
| Westville and Middle River.... | 3 00 | Colborne..... | 4 50 |
| Ayr, Stanley Street..... | 2 00 | Brighton..... | 1 50 |
| Galt, St. Andrews..... | 10 00 | Mount Pleasant..... | 2 60 |
| York Mills..... | 0 50 | Burford..... | 1 00 |
| Fisherville..... | 0 50 | Port Dover..... | 10 00 |
| Winnipeg, Knox Church..... | 1 60 | Warwick..... | 3 00 |

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| Watford | \$5 09 |
| St. Sylvester | 1 00 |
| Holstein | 5 02 |
| Amos | 3 98 |
| Fairbairn | 2 68 |
| Ayr, Stanley Street | 15 00 |
| York Mills | 3 50 |
| Fisherville | 2 20 |
| North Keppell | 1 00 |
| Winnipeg, Knox Church | 9 90 |
| Caledon Centre | 4 00 |
| Caledon East, Third Line | 1 43 |
| Binbrook | 5 55 |
| Nottawa | 1 00 |
| Port Elgin | 4 00 |
| King | 2 50 |
| Laskey | 2 74 |
| Hastings | 4 00 |
| Tilbury East | 5 00 |
| Drummondville | 5 50 |
| Lachute, Henry's Church | 7 84 |
| Thornbury | 9 08 |
| Vaughan | 6 76 |
| Albion | 5 20 |
| Saltfleet | 3 55 |
| Teeswater | 6 00 |
| Eadies | 6 00 |
| Weston | 3 40 |
| Belmont | 5 00 |
| Orangeville | 1 50 |
| Toronto, Bay Street | 12 00 |
| Mount Pleasant, Omemees, &c. .. | 8 50 |
| Ridgetown and Kilmarnock | 5 00 |
| Georgetown | 4 00 |
| Woodstock, Knox Church | 16 50 |
| Peterborough | 30 00 |
| Admaston, Douglas, &c. | 5 00 |
| Thames Road | 7 00 |
| Kirkton | 6 00 |
| West Winchester | 5 00 |
| Chesley | 5 72 |
| Salem | 2 60 |
| Cannington | 2 00 |
| Storrington and Pittsburg | 6 00 |
| Essa Townline | 2 09 |
| Cornwall | 4 05 |
| Inverness | 8 00 |
| North Arthur | 3 00 |
| Montreal, St. Joseph Street | 10 00 |
| Owen Sound, Division Street .. | 8 60 |
| Smith Church | 2 00 |
| Wick | 6 00 |
| Shakespear and Hampstead .. | 7 02 |
| Coldspring | 6 00 |

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| Am't received to 22nd Oct. .. | \$565 92 |
| Owen Sound | 20 00 |
| Bradford | 16 00 |

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| Hugh Ferguson, Avonbank | \$8 00 |
| Robert Mackie | 5 00 |

NEW COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

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| Am't received to 22nd Oct. .. | \$6,660 76 |
| Toronto | 85 00 |
| Scarboro', per Wm. Clark, Esq. .. | 59 30 |
| Hamilton, per Jas. Walker, Esq. .. | 378 00 |
| Westminster, per Robt. Fleming | 82 06 |
| North Easthope, per Rev. D. Allan | 138 00 |
| McKillop, per Mr. Jas. Scott .. | 114 26 |
| King and Laskey, per Rev. G. Haigh | 26 00 |
| Parkhill and McGillivray, per John Gibb | 85 50 |
| Manchester and Hullett, per Rev. R. H. Warden | 106 00 |
| Arthur, per Rev. R. H. Warden .. | 3 00 |
| Blythe & Belgrave " " .. | 31 00 |
| Chatham " " .. | 58 00 |
| Wroxeter, &c. " " .. | 0 50 |
| Brown's Corners, per Rev. D. McIntosh | 5 00 |
| Vaughan and Albion, per Rev. P. Nicholl | 249 00 |
| Richmondhill & Thornhill, per Rev. James Dick | 60 00 |
| Drummondville, per Rev. J. A. F. McBain | 51 00 |
| Coldsprings, per A. Ainslie, Esq. | 37 00 |
| Acton, per A. Little, Esq. | 6 00 |
| Dumbarton and Canton, per P. Nisbet, Esq. | 97 50 |
| Rev. J. Pritchard Wingham .. | 15 00 |
| Scaforth, per R. Lumsden, Esq. .. | 163 00 |
| J. O. Anderson, Brantford | 10 00 |
| Biddulph, per Mr. Jas. Grant .. | 9 00 |
| Embro, per D. R. McPherson, Esq. | 127 00 |
| Guelph, Knox Church, per W. Anderson, Esq. | 61 00 |
| Avonbank, per Rev. R. Hamilton | 9 00 |
| Oakville, per J. Barclay, Esq. .. | 100 00 |
| McKillop, Duff's Church, per Rev. T. Thompson | 15 00 |
| Chesterfield, per Wm. Murray, Esq. | 76 85 |
| Princeton, per Rev. H. McQuarrie | 60 00 |
| Ninian, Lindsay, Georgetown. .. | 10 00 |

HOME MISSION.

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| Am't received to 22nd Oct. .. | \$2,181 95 |
| Kenebec Road | 6 00 |
| Glenallen and Hollin | 7 90 |

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| Wroxeter S. School..... | \$10 00 | Port Elgin | \$9 00 |
| Hastings | 4 00 | Saltfleet | 2 18 |
| St. Sylvester | 8 00 | English River and Howick .. | 8 00 |
| Ayr, Stanley Street | 44 20 | Melrose, Shannonville, &c..... | 10 00 |
| Mimosa | 7 00 | Bear Creek | 15 00 |
| Saltfleet | 5 13 | Bethany | 7 00 |
| Presbyterian Church of Ire- land | 478 50 | King | 8 00 |
| Pembroke | 35 00 | Fullarton | 8 00 |
| Proofline | 26 34 | Avonbank | 5 00 |
| English Settlement..... | 35 78 | Winterbourne | 7 00 |
| McKillop | 23 40 | Shakespeare and Hampstead.. | 16 77 |
| Thames Road | 70 00 | Owen Sound, Division Street.. | 20 00 |
| Kirkton | 20 00 | Rev. George Cheyne | 8 00 |
| Westwood..... | 3 85 | | |
| Martinstown, Burn's Church.. | 4 14 | KNOX COLLEGE. | |
| FOREIGN MISSIONS. | | Amount received to 22nd Oct., | \$610 37 |
| Am't received to 22nd Oct.... | \$838 41 | Ayr, Stanley Street..... | 20 00 |
| Kenebec Road | 3 00 | Mimosa..... | 4 00 |
| Wroxeter S. School, China .. | 10 00 | WIDOWS' FUND. | |
| West Williams | 16 50 | Amount received to 22nd Oct., | \$305 35 |
| Mimosa..... | 6 00 | Arthur | 10 00 |
| Cumnock | 20 00 | Carlton Place, Zion Church... | 6 00 |
| Dickie Settlement, S. School, China | 8 30 | Beckwith | 4 00 |
| Belmont | 25 00 | Binbrook | 7 29 |
| Fullarton, S. School, China .. | 7 00 | Mosa | 9 00 |
| Danville, St. Andrew's Sabbath School | 3 30 | Chippawa | 3 19 |
| Ayr, Knox Church S. School, China | 37 00 | Admaston, Douglas, &c..... | 6 50 |
| Martintown, Burn's Church.. | 4 00 | South Kinloss and Lucknow... | 16 77 |
| FRENCH EVANGELIZATION. | | North Arthur..... | 7 00 |
| Am't received to Oct. 22nd.. | \$749 48 | Martintown, Burn's Church.. | 1 86 |
| Carlton Place, Zion Church .. | 6 00 | With Rates from Rev. J. Hume, Rev. | |
| Beaverton | 25 00 | John Lees, \$16-00; Rev. J. Burton, | |
| Wroxeter Sabbath School | 10 00 | Rev. J. Watson, Rev. Robt. Dewar, | |
| York Mills | 2 60 | Rev. J. Pringle, Rev. J. Hanran, | |
| Mimosa | 3 00 | Rev. J. Logie, Rev. John Turnbull, | |
| Hastings | 2 00 | Rev. Pat'k Gray, Rev. Arch. Stewart, | |
| Rodgerville and Exeter | 21 00 | Rev. A. F. McQueen, Rev. John | |
| Melrose and Shannonville, &c. | 7 00 | Laing, Rev. Arch. Currie, Rev. Jas. | |
| Thames Road | 16 40 | Pritchard, \$10-00; Rev. A. Mathe- | |
| Kirkton | 8 00 | son, Rev. M. Barr, Rev. John Jen- | |
| Lucan | 3 75 | nings, \$16-00; Rev. S. W. Fisher, | |
| Cannington | 6 00 | \$4-00; Rev. Henry Gracey, Rev. | |
| Inverness | 3 84 | John McRobie, Rev. James Adams, | |
| AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND. | | \$16-00; Rev. Robert Hamilton, | |
| Am't received to 22nd Oct. .. | \$547 26 | Rev. T. S. Chambers, Rev. Wm. | |
| Kenebec Road | 2 00 | Walker, Rev. S. Young, Rev. R. J. | |
| Rev. James Hume | 3 50 | Binnie, Rev. R. Wallace, Rev. J. | |
| Ravenswood | 1 75 | G. Murray, Rev. Wm. Smart, Rev. | |
| East Gloucester | 5 86 | Wm. Lothead, Rev. A. Kennedy, | |
| Russell | 5 00 | Rev. H. Crozier, Rev. W. P. Walker, | |
| Mount Pleasant | 4 00 | Rev. J. F. A. S. Fayette, Rev. Wm. | |
| Burford..... | 1 50 | Graham, Rev. Arch. McLean, Rev. | |
| York Mills | 2 50 | F. W. Farries, Rev. L. Cameron, | |
| | | \$10-00; Rev. H. Sinclair, \$10-00; | |
| | | Rev. Thomas Alexander, Rev. D. | |
| | | Beattie, Rev. John Duff, Rev. D. | |
| | | McQuarrie, Rev. R. W. Leitch. | |
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| Mrs. Woods, " " | 5 00 | Wm. Fraser, Montreal | 10 00 |
| J. and D. Rutherford, Montreal | 51 24 | Rev. Jas. Pritchard, Wingham | 25 60 |
| J. S. Shearer, Montreal | 34 00 | R. Blyth, Brockville | 33 39 |
| David Brown " " | 100 00 | THEOLOGICAL CHAIR. | |
| J. C. Wilson " " | 4 00 | Jas. Russell, Montreal | 10 00 |
| John L. Gibb, Quebec | 200 00 | Peter Redpath, " " | 400 00 |
| Jas. Cowan, Gananoque | 10 00 | John Sterling, " " | 100 00 |
| Alex. Cowan, " " | 10 00 | Judge Torrance, " " | 60 00 |
| Thos. Haigh, " " | 6 00 | J. Durie & Son, Ottawa | 10 00 |
| Angus McMurchy " " | 4 00 | D. Morrice, Montreal | 100 00 |
| Jas. Falconer, Belleville | 3 00 | H. and D. Yuile, " " | 50 00 |
| Rev. Wm. Burns, Perth | 8 00 | Jos. Mackay, " " | 400 00 |
| James Thompson, " " | 12 00 | Edward MacKay, " " | 200 00 |
| Duncan Kippen, " " | 10 00 | John Anderson, " " | 25 00 |
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