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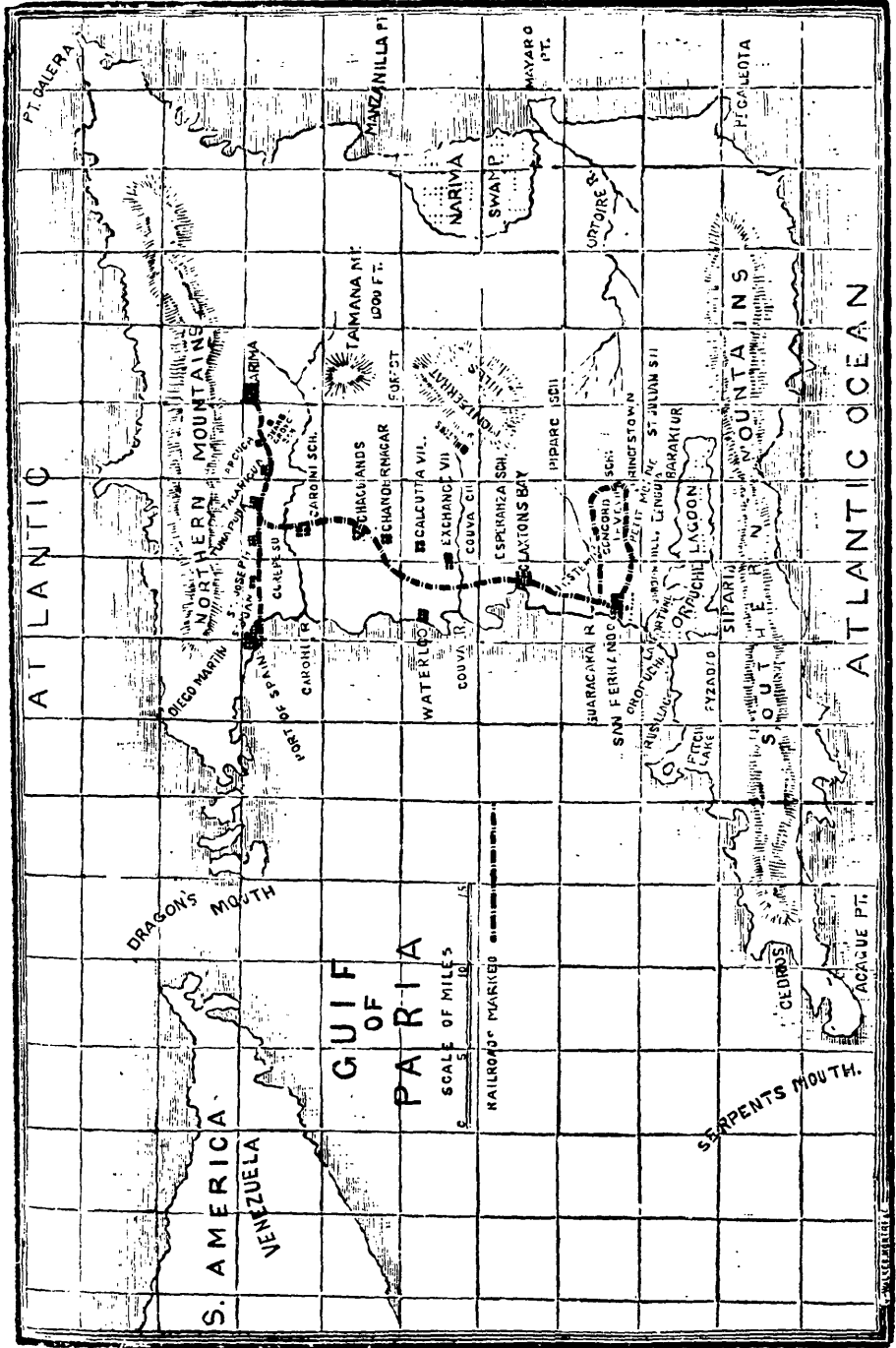
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MAP OF TRINIDAD.

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Brief Missionary Survey.

WHAT of the Mission Field in the year 1883? We believe that with few, very few exceptions, the reports are favourable. There has been a marked advance all along the far-extending line of operations. Additions have been made to the missionary ranks. Hundreds of devoted men and women have gone to the front to fill the places made vacant by death, or to occupy new ground. There appears now to be absolutely no country closed against the Gospel of Christ: for *Corea*, the last hermit nation, has opened its reluctant gates and invited the dawning light. We are not aware that any missionary pioneer has actually entered the *Corean* field; but we may rest assured that it will not be long before the blank is filled. *Japan* is advancing with rapid strides in the paths of western civilization. Infidelity, indeed, enters under the guise of science and criticism; but the Gospel has agents more earnest, more energetic, more self-sacrificing than either "Mammon," or Atheism can boast of. One of the most hopeful features of the youthful churches in *Japan* is the readiness to co-operate and the anxiety to unite. Every day's experience in heathen lands shows more clearly the unwisdom of carrying abroad the divisions, often frivolous and indefensible, that mar the churches at home. *China* is for the moment throbbing with anti-Christian hatred against foreigners—a feeling stirred up by the aggressions of France. Missionaries are made to feel the full weight

of this animosity, and their work is necessarily retarded. Life, however, has been protected by the authorities. Our own mission in "beautiful Formosa" reports continued success, such as has rarely been achieved. Thank God for another year's work by Dr. Mackay and his assistants. *Siam* is becoming leavened with Christianity. The missionaries, who are Presbyterian, have given due prominence to their educational work, and thus their influence has become great among the better classes. *India* is under Christian influences more than any other Asiatic country. Converts are increasingly numerous, and whole communities that contain hardly any even nominal Christians yet know something of the lofty morality of the Gospel. "Christianity is in the air," they tell us.

Our own mission in *India* has been reinforced this year; but it is still very weak and in the midst of trouble and perplexity. The heathen hate our religion, and their rulers obstruct and persecute as they can. How interesting the fact that converts of our Trinidad Mission are now working in *India* in connection with our *India* Mission! Progress is reported in *New Guinea*, one of the most difficult and forbidding fields. The gallant pioneers of the London Missionary Society have penetrated far into the interior of the vast island and established friendly relations with the savage tribes with whom they came in contact. Our own *New Hebrides* Mission is becoming stronger in missionaries and in converts. *Eromanga* is stretching forth her hands to God as she never did before, and Mr. Robertson is reaping with joy a harvest of souls where he and his predecessors sowed precious seed, watering it with their tears and their blood.

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WORK IN THE PRESBYTERY OF
QUEBEC.

A strenuous effort is being made to increase the circulation of the PRESBYTERIAN RECORD in the Presbytery of Quebec. To this end proposals have been entertained to secure a *special edition* for circulation throughout the Presbytery, in which one page monthly will be secured for the insertion of local matter supplied by the Presbytery. This implies an annual additional cost of \$30. The managers of the RECORD, however, have offered to carry out this arrangement free of extra charge on condition that one thousand more copies are taken in the Presbytery. The statement which follows was forwarded to us as the first Quebec page, and we send it out to the whole Church as a sample of what is intended to be done by this Presbytery. If there are any other Presbyteries like-minded, we shall be glad to hear from them without delay. Of course, in the event of this plan being adopted, the special page, which would occupy the first page of the RECORD, would only reach the congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery in whose interests it is published. The new departure will complicate our office work to some extent, but we are willing to adopt any method that shall secure the greatest amount of good to the greatest number.—EDITORS.

"The Augmentation Scheme has been fairly launched in our district. Rev. R. H. Warden attended the late Presbytery meeting in Quebec, and fully explained that the object contemplated is to raise every minister's salary up to \$750 and a manse. To entitle a congregation to aid, however, it must give its minister at least, \$400 and a manse, and contribute at the rate of not less than \$4.50 a year, per communicant. To secure this, the aid-needing congregations will have, in every case, to add considerably to their present contributions, and the congregations not needing aid are expected to increase their present contributions. A Committee of Presbytery has been appointed, consisting of Messrs. Amaron, Dewey and Pritchard, to attend to the work. Already Kinnear's Mills has been visited when the congregation raised its salary to the minimum without any aid from the scheme. St. Sylvester and Lower Leeds were also visited, when \$70 was at once added to Mr. Pritchard's salary, entitling his congregation to come on the Fund. Other congregations are being

visited, of whom we expect to have good tidings next month.

Morrin College is in a very gratifying condition this year. Every room in the college is occupied. There are nineteen regular students in attendance. Three of these are in the Theological department, and sixteen are taking the Arts course, and working for a degree. Four, if not five, of these have already signified their intention of studying for the ministry. When congregations are apportioning their benevolent contributions, it is hoped, that they will remember that last June the General Assembly unanimously and most cordially "*recommended*" the congregations of our Presbytery to send their gifts for college purposes to Morrin College, as worthy of all support and as having a special claim on our own people. Will congregations bear this in mind, and send their gifts to Rev. J. C. Cattanach, Treasurer for the Presbytery?

A few weeks ago, the Rev. Dr. Wardrope of Guelph, the convener of the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, visited Quebec and addressed the students of Morrin College on the claims of the Foreign Mission field. Since then, the Rev. II. A. Robertson of Eromanga has visited the Presbytery and addressed meetings at Richmond, Kingsbury, Sherbrooke, Three Rivers and Quebec, having very large audiences on every occasion and awakening a deep interest in Foreign Mission work and in Eromanga in particular. Such visits bring mission work before our congregations in a manner that is most impressive. Our interest in the lonely Eromanga missionary is deeper than ever, now that we have seen and heard him.

Sherbrooke congregation is considering the question of a new church building, hence the Ladies Aid Society recently held a musical festival and sale, which yielded a handsome sum for the new church. Mr. Cattanach has lately opened a branch Sabbath-school in the township of Ascot, under the superintendence of Mr. Robt. Eadie, with very encouraging prospects.

Richmond Sabbath-school is larger than ever hitherto. Mr. Dewey has lately commenced two new preaching stations within the bounds of the congregation. *Massawippi*, *Richby* and *Coaticooke* are being supplied this winter by the Montreal College Missionary Association. The work of gathering in and building up is progressing very favorably. Mr. J. Woodside, Coaticooke, is the ruling elder.

Quebec.—Rev. Dr. Cook is supplying St. Andrew's pulpit for the present. Chalmers' Church will introduce the hymnal into public worship at the New-Year.

Agnes.—Plans for the new church have been laid before the congregation. The building will be commenced in spring, while a social will be held about the New-Year.

Hearing and Doing.

JANUARY 13.

JAMES I: 16-27.

Golden Text, James 1: 22.

HIS Epistle is supposed to have been written about A.D. 61, by James "the Lord's brother," Gal. 1: 19, there called an "Apostle," though he was not one of the original twelve—unless he is to be considered identical with James the son of Alphaeus, which some have held. It was addressed to the representatives of the twelve tribes scattered abroad, v. 1, or, as in the R. V. "to the twelve tribes of the dispersion," for "general" use among the Jewish Christians wherever found. There were many such in Jerusalem, Acts 2: 5. A chief design of the epistle is to correct erroneous opinions entertained in relation to Justification by Faith. It is clearly shewn by James that faith must be evidenced by *works*, ch. 2: 22, 24, and neither will avail to salvation without repentance, ch. 4: 7-10. V. 16. *Do not err*—be not deceived. The caution here is to guard against the idea that God is the author of sin. V. 17. God being essentially good, *cannot* be the author of evil, Matt. 7: 18. Sin is darkness, but God is light, 1 John 1: 5. *Shadow of turning*—"Shadow that is cast by turning," R. V.—as when the moon is eclipsed by the shadow of the earth. V. 18. *Of his own will*, the believer's regeneration is to be ascribed not to any good in himself, but to the free unmerited grace of God. *Begat he us*—this accords with the figurative language of our Lord, John 3: 7. *Word of truth*—the Gospel. V. 19. *Wherefore*—as your evil is from yourselves and your good from God. *Swift to hear*—have a teachable spirit, like Lydia, Acts 16: 14. *Slow to speak*—be more ready to take advice than to give it, and beware of passing hasty judgment on other people, Matt. 7: 3-5. *Slow to wrath*—Prov. 16: 32. V. 20. *Angry words* do no good but often much harm, Matt. 5: 22. V. 21. *Lay apart*—as you do a soiled garment, Col. 3: 8. *Filthiness*—every kind of sin is filthy, Job 15: 16; Jer. 44: 4. How it is to be cleansed, John 15: 3; 1 John 1: 7. *Superfluity*—"overflowing of wickedness," R. V., whether of thought, speech, or behaviour. *The engrafted*—or "implanted" word—the good seed of the Gospel referred to in the parable of the sower, Matt. ch. 13. V. 22. *Be ye doers*—do good systematically and continually as Christ did, Acts 10: 38, and as he taught us to do, Matt. 7: 21; 12: 50. *Deceiving yourselves*—by thinking that mere hearing is all that is necessary. Vs. 23, 24. In the Scriptures we see, as in a mirror, God's glory as well as our natural vileness. *Beholding*—looking at our sadly defective characters we admit that we are not what we should be; but alas! how soon we forget how ugly sin is, and we yield again to temptation in its many forms. V. 25. But when we look at the Gospel rule of life, and honestly strive to live by it, we may expect to have the blessing of God, Ps. 19: 7, 11. V. 26. True religion does not consist in a round of external observances. Discretion is better than fluency of speech, Luke 18: 10-14.

The Power of the Tongue.

JANUARY 20.

JAMES III: 1-18.

Golden Text, Matt. 12: 37.

THE natural tendency of emphasizing the doctrine of faith apart from works was, and is, to increase the number of self constituted *teachers*—an office which only few are fit for. V. 1. *Masters*—literary, "teachers." *We shall receive*—St. James modestly includes himself as an unqualified teacher. *Greater condemnation*—i.e., than those who make fewer pretensions. St. Paul administers the same rebuke in another form, Rom. 2: 21. V. 2. *We offend all*—we all "stumble"—fail in duty. The best of men and teachers are far from perfect, Phil. 3: 12. *Offend not in word*—in which respect one is especially tried who sets up to be a "teacher." Vs. 3, 4. A homely illustration of how a man by curbing his tongue, or his pen, may attain a fair measure of self-control in other respects also. V. 5. The feeling which moves the tongue to speak corresponds to the impulse of the steersman who by a movement of the rudder controls the course of a ship in the stormiest seas. A wrong movement of the tiller may cause shipwreck. *How great a matter*—how much mischief may result from an injudicious word. On the other hand, how much good, from a word in season, Prov. 15: 23. V. 6. *The tongue is a fire*—the evil thoughts which it utters defile the speaker and the baneful influence spreads like fire, Matt. 15: 11-20. *Of Hell*—here is the origin of sin, 1 John 3: 8. Vs. 7, 8. Even these wild creatures are tamed every day by the skill of man, but nothing short of a miracle of grace can keep a bad tongue under control. It is *unruly*—will not yield to ordinary means of restraint. Its effect on society is like that of poison which permeates the whole human system, Rom. 3: 13. Vs. 9, 10. It is the height of *inconsistency* that those who use their tongues in praying to God and singing His praises should ever use them in cursing their fellowmen made in His image. The use of bad language should be carefully guarded against; it easily becomes a habit, Matt. 12: 36. Vs. 11, 12. These additional illustrations shew that it is *unnatural* for God's children to speak unkindly of each other, Matt. 7: 16. Vs. 13, 15. Many seem to regard profane swearing as a fashionable accomplishment and pride themselves on it. *Wise men* regard it as foolish, vulgar and sinful, Matt. 5: 34-37. V. 17. True wisdom is akin to "true religion;" it is also known by its *fruits*. *It is pure*—free from defilement—seeking holiness of heart and life. *Peaceable*—the truly wise are peacemakers, Matt. 5: 9, 1 Pet. 3: 11. *Gentle*—the true gentleman is never harsh and uncharitable. *Easy to be entreated*—not too self-opinionated, but always willing to listen to the just and reasonable counsels and arguments of others. *Full of Mercy*—having a kind and forgiving disposition and a readiness to relieve those who are in want. *Without partiality*—or "variance," R. V.—who do not argue for argument's sake. *Without hypocrisy*—true wisdom needs no mask. It is outspoken, sincere, and consistent with itself.

Living in God's Sight.

JANUARY 27.

JAMES IV: 7-17.

Golden Text, James 4: 10.

IN the preceding verses the evils resulting from a worldly spirit are illustrated in the divisions and contentions that existed among the Jews. That being evidently an unsatisfactory line of conduct, the writer exhorts them to adopt a better course of life. V. 7. *Submit*—be subject to God, listen to his word and obey like good soldiers. *Resist*—stand out against temptation in whatever form it assails, as Christ did, Matt. 4: 10. Every time we yield to temptation we lessen our power of resistance, Ephes. 4: 27. V. 8. *Draw nigh to God*—in prayer and obedience, 2 Chron. 15: 2. *He will draw nigh to you*—will give you strength to resist evil, ch. 1: 5. *Cleanse your hands*—by ceasing to do evil, Ps. 26: 6. *Purify your heart*—be sincere. The heart is the source of all impurity and must be sacredly guarded, Prov. 4: 23. Outward appearances are of small account in the sight of God, 1 Sam. 16: 7. *Doubleminded*—who halt between God and the world. V. 9. *Be afflicted*—repent of your sins, 2 Cor. 7: 10. *Laughter*—stands here for vain mirth and sensual pleasure, Eccles. 7: 3. V. 10. *Humble yourselves*—the worst feature of sin is that it is against God, Ps. 51: 4. *Lift you up*—will forgive your sins, Isa. 1: 18. V. 11. Evil speaking in every form is to be avoided. It is not brotherly. It is a species of self-exaltation at the expense of another—all too common. It often proceeds from imperfect knowledge and degenerates into a habit of censoriousness. Better say nothing about others than speak evil of them. None of us are perfect, Matt. 7: 1-5. V. 12. As God is the supreme Lawgiver, so is He also the sole Judge of men's actions, inasmuch as He only can execute His judgments; our inability to do this makes it presumptuous in us to set ourselves up for judges. *Who art thou?*—The consideration of our own imperfections should make us charitable and very tender in dealing with our neighbours. V. 13. *Go to now*—an obsolete form of expression equivalent to "Behold now," or consider. Most of the mischief done is because people don't consider, 1 Sam. 12: 24; Isa. 1: 3. It is folly to speak thus, Luke 12: 16-20. V. 14. God has mercifully veiled the future, why should we pry into it? *What is your life?*—How transitory it is! Job compares it to a dream, 20: 8; to a weaver's shuttle, 7: 6; to a shadow, 8: 9. David compares it to smoke, Ps. 102: 3; a tale that is told, 90: 9; to "nothing!" 39: 5. He only lives long who lives well. Vs. 15, 16. The providence of God extends to all His creatures and all their actions, Sh. Cat. 11; we ought therefore in all we undertake to be mindful of our dependence upon Him for life and for the ability to do this or that, avoiding especially vain boasting about what we intend doing, seeing that many things may intervene to thwart our purposes. V. 17. We are held accountable for sins of omission as well as of commission. The greater our light and opportunity the greater our responsibility, 2 Cor. 8: 12; Luke 12: 48.

Paul's Second Missionary Journey.

FEBRUARY 3.

ACTS XV: 35-16; XVI: 1-10.

Golden Text, Acts 16: 9.

SIX months ago we followed Paul from Antioch to Cyprus, thence to Perga, Antioch in Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra and Derbe, and back again to Antioch where he continued preaching the Word for "a long time," ch. 14: 28. Vs. 35, 36. During this interval the Council at Jerusalem was held, vs. 1-29, and now Paul suggested to Barnabas that as Antioch was so well supplied with teachers and preachers it would be a good time for them to revisit all the places where they had founded churches. Paul had no desire to settle down in comparative ease and comfort, but felt that his true vocation was to proclaim the Gospel far off among the Gentiles. Vs. 37-39. Their plans were marred at the very outset by an altercation between Paul and Barnabas which shewed that these good men were subject to like passions with others. Barnabas would not go without his cousin John Mark: Paul would not go with him, because he had deserted them at Perga, ch. 13: 13. Neither party would yield. The result was high words which led to separation. We may be sure there were faults on both sides, but can hope that they parted amicably. It is certain that the quarrel was overruled for good, for instead of one missionary party there were now two. Each set out for his native country. Barnabas to Cyprus, and Paul to Cilicia. *Silas* was one of the brethren sent from Jerusalem to inform the Church at Antioch of the decision of the Council, ch. 15: 22-27. Ch. xvi. In order to reach Derbe and Lystra Paul would have to cross a very rough country. Probably he visited his native town *en route*, and then proceeded through the famous Pass in the Taurus range of mountains called the "Cilician Gates." Fancy him at Lystra, where he had been first deified and then stoned! ch. 14: 18-19. Lystra is supposed to have been the birth-place of Timothy, who was probably converted at the time of Paul's first visit, 1 Tim. 1: 2. He had studied the Bible from boyhood, 2 Tim. 3: 15. Though his father was probably a heathen, he had a pious mother, 2 Tim. 1: 5. V. 3. *Because of the Jews*—a clear case of expediency, 1 Cor. 6: 12. Paul's mission was to preach to both Jews and Gentiles, and he could only reach the former by shewing respect for their scruples in this matter. This was one of the ways in which he became "all things to all men," 1 Cor. 9: 22. V. 4. *The decrees*—the authoritative decision of the Council, which assured all Gentiles that they need not be burdened with a yoke galling to their consciences. Ch. 15: 24-28. V. 5. Paul's prudence and policy furthered his work. He himself set no importance upon any mere outward observances. He wanted that their hearts should be enlightened, Rom. 10: 10. That is ever the main thing, Prov. 4: 23. V. 6. Their route is uncertain, nor do we know why they were forbidden to visit Ephesus and other large cities in that part of Asia.

Our Own Church.

BE it remembered that the annual collection on behalf of the Manitoba College is appointed by the General Assembly to be taken up on the *fourth Sabbath of January*. The Church having recently given one of its best ministers to that College, has now this additional inducement to provide generously for its support. It is a grievous wrong that the principals of any of our colleges should be obliged to become "peripatetics." The Church owes it to them that they should have the where-with-all provided for them. We do hope that in this behalf, there will be a liberal response. The agent of the Church, East, has received from a generous member of Mr. McNeill's congregation, St. John's, Newfoundland, \$500 to be divided as follows:—\$250 for Dr. Mackay's work in Formosa, and \$250 for Manitoba College.

AUGMENTATION OF STIPENDS.—Good progress has been made during the past month. Nearly all the Presbyteries have been visited by deputies of the Committee and Presbyterial Committees appointed to take charge of the work. Certain of the large city congregations have also been visited with good results. About \$4000 have thus far been subscribed in the city of Montreal. Rev. A. B. Mackay of Montreal, spent a week in Toronto and received subscriptions in Knox Church of upwards of \$1100 which will probably be increased to \$2000. St. James Square promises \$2000. A beginning was made in Old St. Andrew's and the Central Churches. Mr. Mackay spent a Sabbath in Galt and Cuelph in the interests of the scheme. The Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, visited Hamilton, where about \$2,000 is expected from the Central Church and about \$1,000 from McNab Street Church. He also spent a Sabbath in Ottawa and received subscriptions of about \$500. Mr. Macdonnell's own congregation in Toronto have since July last appropriated one fifth of every Sabbath's collections for the scheme, and in addition made a special collection on the 2nd Decr., which amounted to the really magnificent sum of \$2,234. The contributions were put into the collection plates in envelopes which were distributed among the people prior to the Sabbath. Why should not every congregation in the Church follow their noble example by adopting some similar plan on behalf of the fund?

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCH.—The article in December *Record* on the "Acts and Pro-

ceedings of Assembly," has given occasion to several parties to question the accuracy of the figures in the statistical department. Erskine Church, Montreal, for example, is credited in the statistical report, page 197, as having given \$2800 to the schemes of the Church for the year ending April 1st 1883, and Crescent Street Church, \$1711, whereas, the actual amount given by the former during the past year for the Schemes was \$7,578.71, and by the latter \$3,840.87. The true explanation, no doubt, is that the congregations make up their returns for the Calendar year, whereas the Ecclesiastical year ends with 30th April. It would save a great deal of trouble and misunderstanding, if *all the accounts* of the Church were made up with reference to the Calendar year.

OUR FOREIGN MISSIONS.—The visit of Rev. H. A. Robertson, and Mrs Robertson of Bromanga, was highly appreciated by the members of the Church in Quebec and Ontario who had the privilege of meeting them. The zeal of many in the cause of missions to the heathen has been quickened, and great interest manifested in the particular work, in which Mr. Robertson is engaged. The feeling grows stronger every day, that the sooner the committees, east and west, are united, the better it will be for the cause of missions. A missionary pamphlet has been issued by the western committee on Foreign Missions, giving, in small compass, a very comprehensive view of the work they have in hand. It is worthy of careful perusal, and must do good. If there are any congregations who have not received them, they should apply to Rev. Thomas Lowrie, Toronto, for a supply.

FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.—The Board of French Evangelization met last month and transacted a large amount of business. Several new mission schools and stations have been opened with encouraging prospects. The Pointe-aux-Trembles schools have an attendance of 84 pupils this session. A committee was appointed to consider the whole question of the salaries of the missionaries of the Board. It was resolved to increase the staff of collectors, and with the view of securing trained men to correspond with parties in France. Attention was called to the fact, that in most of the many fields occupied by the Board, with exception of Montreal and Ottawa cities, there is any other French Protestant missionary labouring—the policy of the Board being never to send a missionary where they know the field to be already occupied by a French Protestant missionary of another denomination. The receipts thus far are nearly \$4,000 less than the amount required to meet the salaries due.

COLLEGE FUND.—In appropriating the contributions for the schemes of the Church the

attention of congregations is specially directed to the requirements of the Union College Fund. Of the \$10,000 asked for this year, only \$2,200 has been thus far received. It is earnestly hoped that every congregation will contribute liberally towards this fund, and that in the wealthier charges grants will be made proportionate to the requirements of the scheme.

SABBATH-SCHOOL. HYMNAL.—The Assembly's Committee on a hymnal for the use of our Sabbath-schools is making satisfactory progress. They hope soon to publish a collection of at least 200 hymns with the music selected with great care, and which will be sold for five cents. Schools contemplating a change of book would do well to wait until this new one appears.

JUBILEE OF REV. HUGH MACLEOD, D.D.—The "jubilee" of the venerable pastor of the congregation of Mira, Cape Breton, was celebrated on the 7th of November. A suitable address was presented to Dr. Macleod, and accompanying the address was a "purse of money as a slight token of esteem, affection and gratitude." In his reply Dr. Macleod reviewed briefly the history of his ministry. He was ordained in 1833. The Disruption found him minister of Logie Easter. He and his people joined the Free Church. He visited this country as a F. C. delegate in 1845, and was received with enthusiasm. He came out again in 1848. In 1853 he accepted a call to Mira and Sydney, Cape Breton, his parish then including an area which is now formed into six congregations. His ministry was most acceptable, and extensive revivals prevailed throughout the bounds of the Presbytery. Dr. Macleod was moderator of Presbytery twenty years, moderator of Synod four times, moderator of the General Assembly once. He has been a powerful and faithful preacher of the Gospel. He is still pastor of Mira, and takes a deep interest in all that concerns his people.

ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

WEST FLAMBORO, Hamilton:—Rev. S. W. Fisher, formerly of Elora, was inducted on the 6th of December.

ST. ANN'S, AND SMITHVILLE; Hamilton:—Rev. George Crombie was inducted on the 17th of December.

RODGERSVILLE; Huron:—Mr. R. Y. Thomson was ordained and inducted in October last.

PAISLEY, Bruce:—The Rev. J. B. Duncan, formerly of Forest, was inducted into St. Andrew's Church on the 22nd of November.

HARBOUR GRACE, Newfoundland:—Rev. Richmond Logan, formerly of Sheet Harbour,

N. S., has been inducted in room of Rev. Alex. Ross, retired,

KINGSTON:—Rev. Samuel Houston, formerly of Elgin and Athelstane, Montreal, was inducted into Brock Street Church on the 6th of December.

CANARD; Halifax:—Mr. William Dawson, B. D., was ordained and inducted on the 18th of December.

SHELBURNE; N. S.:—Rev. James Rosborough, of Musquodoboit Harbour, was inducted on the 20th of December.

NELSON; Manitoba:—Rev. D. G. Cameron was inducted on the 22nd of November.

BRANDON, Manitoba:—Rev. James Douglas, formerly of Indore, India, was inducted in November.

CARMAN CLEV, Manitoba:—Rev. W. Ross has been inducted.

GUELPH.—Knox Church:—Rev. R. J. Beattie, formerly of Port Hope, was inducted on the 18th of December.

NORWICH AND WINDHAM; Paris:—Rev. R. T. Myers was inducted on the 27th of December.

CALLS:—Rev. John Wells of East Williams, to Jarvis and Walpole, *Hamilton*, Rev. T. M. Christie, formerly of Couva, Trinidad, to Cote des Neiges, *Montreal*. Rev. R. J. Beattie has accepted a call to Knox Church, Guelph. Rev. John Anderson of Tiverton, to Second Innisfil. Rev. James Hastie of Lindsay, to Knox Church, Cornwall. Rev. R. Pettigrew of Weston, to Glenmorris, accepted. Rev. Alex. Henderson of Hyde Park and Komoka, to Parkhill and McGillivray, declined. Rev. Hugh Cameron, of Kippen, to Summerstown, Glengarry, accepted. Rapid City, Cadurcis, and Battleford, Manitoba, are each wishing to call ministers.

DEMISSIONS:—Rev. Nathaniel Paterson, of Bayfield and Bethany, Huron.

NEW CHURCHES.

MANITOBA—New churches have been opened at Stonewall, Rat Portage, Broadview, Troy, &c., but unfortunately no particulars regarding them have been sent to us.

NOTTAWASAGA.—The West Church, Nottawasaga, was re-opened for worship on the 28th of October. Rev. J. C. Smith of Guelph, preaching in the morning and in the evening. Rev. A. McDonald, the pastor, preached in Gaelic in the afternoon. The old frame building has been cased with brick; a graceful spire has been placed on the tower; the interior has been decorated, the whole at a cost of \$1,300. This counts for the third new church in the parish since the Union.

FIRE.—The church and Sabbath-school room belonging to the First Presbyterian Church, Victoria, B. C., were destroyed by fire on the 4th September last. The property was insured for \$2,000. The cost of rebuilding is \$5,100, and the whole was expected to be completed by Christmas.

MANITOBA ITEMS.

The Superintendent of Missions has returned from his trip to Prince Albert, Battleford, and Edmonton. Prince Albert is becoming a considerable village, and our church building there is too small. At Battleford an increase of population has taken place and the people are willing to contribute \$400 or \$500 per annum to have a minister sent there. At Edmonton the people have, it is said, agreed to raise their contributions from \$300 to \$800. Several missionaries are called for at new points in the North-west Territories. The Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery have allocated all their moneys allowed by the Assembly's Committee, and yet have a number of important points to supply. The amount of \$6,000 for the half year is too small for the mission stations. Several messages were sent to labourers willing to come from Ontario announcing that the funds are all appropriated. One energetic elder who had made his arrangements for coming, said "If the want of money is all, I'll pay my expenses and labour for the winter for nothing." On he came and now he is labouring in the Territories. May many more such self-denying men be found! New churches have been opened by Dr. King at Balmoral, and Rev. D. M. Gordon, at Broadview. Mr. Douglas, formerly of India, has been settled in Brandon over an important charge. Public opinion throughout Manitoba is very unsettled at present. Farmers' meetings and leagues are crying out from all directions against what they deem oppression. The grain trade, it is said, is in the hands of monopolists, who by the arrangements as to elevators with the C. P. R. depreciate the price of wheat. Some of the wheat, too, was damaged in appearance by frost, but not enough to render it useless for flour or seed. This sells for about 45c, if any market at all is afforded. We are afraid the missionaries will fare badly this winter, probably worse than ever before. The cry is universal, and though sometimes disloyal sentiments are expressed, yet the heart of the country is sound if anything like justice is granted. Manitoba College has now 31 boarders in residence; and about the same number of students outside. The theological students proper are eight in number; two expect to graduate in spring. Dr. King is assisted by Rev. John Pringle of Kildonan, in Church history; Rev. D. M. Gordon

of Knox Church, Winnipeg, in Apologetics; and later on will be aided by Rev. C. B. Preblado of St. Andrew's, in Pastoral Theology. The other Professors and teachers are very fully occupied with University, honor, and pass work. Students of Manitoba College will present themselves in May next, in all four honor departments of classics, mathematics, mental and moral science and natural science. A new medical college is being organized in connection with the University of Manitoba, and begins with an encouraging attendance. Dr. King and Professor Hart expect to spend their holidays in Ontario.—B.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

LUNENBURG AND SHELBURNE: Nov. 21: at Bridgewater: intimation was received of a grant from Home Mission fund to Riversdale, and \$200 from the Supplementing Fund to Lockport and East Jordan. Resolved, to grant the petition of these two stations, and to erect them into a separate pastoral charge, to be known as the congregation of Lockport and East Jordan. Upper Clyde was then transferred from the Clyde and Barrington congregation and joined to the congregation of Shelburne. The call from Shelburne, to Rev. James Rosborough, was sustained. Mr. Millar was appointed to prepare the Presbytery's report on the state of religion, sessions to send in returns to him before the middle of January. A conference on the State of religion will be held at Mahone Bay on the first week of February.—D. S. FRASER, *Chk.*

HALIFAX, Dec. 4:—Mr. W. Dawson accepted a call from Canard, Cornwallis, and arrangements were made for his ordination and induction. The subject of paying expenses of commissioners to the General Assembly was discussed, and a committee was appointed to consider it more fully. Suggestions for the emendation of the book of Rules and Forms will be received up to the 1st February. In the evening the congregation at Richmond was visited, and the people were urged to increased diligence and zeal in such matters as attendance at services, larger support, and heartier interest in the Lord's work generally.—A. SIMPSON, *Chk.*

TRURO, Dec. 4:—The committee proposed an organization, for the more efficient working of Sabbath-schools throughout the Presbytery, the Presbytery to have a standing committee on the subject, each congregation a secretary; regular conferences; regular annual reports; reports on Sabbath-schools to be forwarded this year to Rev. James Sinclair, on the state of religion to Rev. J. B. McGillivray, and on temperance to Rev. J. Logan, Rev. E. Smith and E. Grant to prepare

the statistical returns. Mr. Logan was appointed to meet the Presbytery of Wallace, and give reasons for the proposed transfer of certain stations to that Presbytery. A committee was appointed to receive suggestions regarding the book of forms, consisting of Messrs. McGillivray, Grant, and Smith. J. H. CHASE, *Clk.*

ST. JOHN: *Nov. 13.*—Permission was given to the St. John's Church to mortgage its property \$2000 for building purposes. Arrangements were made to moderate in a call at Glassville, the people promising in connection with Florenceville \$400 a year, a free house and feed for a horse. This congregation was vacant for about twelve years! The Presbytery's Home Mission work has been unusually prosperous and extensive this year. Dr. McKae's report was very highly commended by the Presbytery. The field embraced 12 stations, 532 families, and 855 communicants. amount required to meet expenses of supply, \$2,620; amount raised by the stations, \$2,407.25, balance required from the Home Mission Fund \$122.75. Six fields paid all their own charges. There were 14 catechists employed. New Kincardine is now willing to sustain its own minister. Mr. Sutherland is to labour at Grand Falls and Tobique. A Sabbath-school Convention of great interest was held under the auspices of the Presbytery.—J. BENNET, *Clk.*

LANARK AND RENFREW, *November 27th* :—The Home Mission report was considered and such arrangements made for supply as were available. Reports of missionary meetings held in the fall afforded evidence of the growing interest of our people in support of the schemes of the Church. Mr. Ballantyne gave in a special report of a visit paid to the region beyond the Mattawa, along the line of C. P. Railway. He spoke of the state of the scattered Presbyterian families there, and the necessity of obtaining help to build places of worship at three central points. A committee was appointed to devise a scheme for raising \$1000 for that purpose, Rev. R. H. Warden appeared in behalf of the committee on augmentation of stipends, and explained the proposal in a clear and satisfactory manner. The Presbytery was asked for \$2,200 for this purpose, and appointed a committee to take charge of the matter. Conferences on the state of religion, sabbath schools, and temperance, will be held at the February meeting, and also a meeting at the same time of the W. F. M. S. in connection with the Presbytery.—J. CROMBIE, *Clk.*

OTTAWA: *November 6th.*—Mr. Warden was heard, in explanation of the augmentation scheme and received the thanks of the Presbytery. Deputations were appointed to visit the congregations in furtherance of the Assem-

bly's directions. It was agreed to hold conferences on Sabbath-schools, and French Evangelization at the February meeting.—J. WHITE, *Clk.*

LINDSAY, *November 27* :—Rev. John Smith, Toronto, addressed the court in reference to the endowment fund of Knox College. Thanks were tendered, and a committee appointed to canvass all the congregations. Rev. D. I. MacDonnell, the convener of the Assembly's committee on augmentation of stipends, also addressed the Presbytery and received assurances of hearty co-operation.—J. R. SCOTT, *Clk.*

BROCKVILLE, *December 11.*—Mr. Farries, of Ottawa, addressed the court upon the details of the Supplementing Scheme, calling special attention to certain particulars, in which the co-operation of Presbyteries with the Home Mission Committee is desired. A committee was appointed to draw up a scheme of work by deputations, by which to stimulate the liberality of the congregations. Since the union, fifteen new churches have been built within the bounds of this Presbytery. The building of these, with extensive improvements made in two or three cases besides, represents a sum of not less than \$100,000 aside from the value of their sites. There is very little debt remaining on these churches in the aggregate. This shews that good solid work has been done within it during the past eight years. A conference will be held on Sabbath-schools, at the next regular meeting.—W. M. MCKIBBIN, *Clk.*

TORONTO, *20th November.*—A letter was read from the Hon. the Minister of Militia in reply to a communication from the Presbytery as to the impropriety of ordering an inspection of the militia on Thanksgiving Day, stating that said order did not proceed from Ottawa, and hoping that such an anomaly would not occur again. A call from Listowell to Rev. Issac. Campbell of Richmond Hill, was considered, and it was agreed to grant his translation. Rev. W. Meikle was released from the oversight of Dundas Street section of his congregation. Rev. A. Gilray was appointed convener of the Home Mission Committee, as Rev. J. M. Cameron was unable to see his way to accept the appointment. Dr. Gregg reported in a call from Charles Street Church Toronto, to Rev. W. R. Cruickshank, of St. Matthew's Church, Montreal; the call was sustained, and ordered to be transmitted to said Presbytery, Rev. Dr. Reid, with others, to support it there. On report of a committee, Mr. Malcolm Bethune was received as a student for the ministry and commended to the Senate of Knox College. Mention was made of a circular received, with questions anent the state of religion, and also of another circular with questions anent Sabbath-schools; answers to the former are to be sent to the Rev. R. P. Mackay, Agencourt; and in the latter

case to Mr. W. B. McMurrich, Toronto. At a meeting held on the 13th December, the Rev. R. Pettigrew of Weston, signified his acceptance of a call from Glenmorris. R. MONTEATH, *Ck.*

LONDON, 11th Decembe.—Dr. Laing, of Dundas addressed the Presbytery in behalf the Assembly's Committee on augmentation of stipends. The Presbytery thanked Dr. Laing for the information he imparted, and pledged themselves to give the movement their hearty support, and Rev. James A. Murray was appointed convener of a committee charged with the care of this business. The congregation of East Williams was formally received into connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada.—GEORGE SUTHERLAND, *Ck.*

GUELPH, 20th Novembe.—The Clerk submitted an elaborate tabulated statement of the statistics of the congregations. The Committee on Conferences reported in favour of holding such meetings at Acton, commencing on the third Tuesday of January, when the following subjects will be discussed, viz.: The State of Religion, Temperance and Sabbath-schools, A call from from Knox Church, Guelph, to Rev. R. J. Beattie of Port Hope was sustained. The resignation of Rev. S. W. Fisher, was accepted. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, addressed the Presbytery in reference to the scheme for augmentation of stipends, and asked this Presbytery to raise \$4,500 as its quota. A committee was appointed to take charge of the matter.—R. TORRANCE, *Ck.*

Obituary.

REV. ALEXANDER FRASER, late of Beulah, Manitoba, died on the 24th of October, in the 55th year of his age. Mr. Fraser was a native of Esquesing, Ont. He entered Knox College as a member of its first class. His first charge was at Port Elgin, Bruce Co.; thence he proceeded to Selkirk, Manitoba, between which place and High Bluff he ministered for some years, encountering with his young family all the privations of the pioneers during "the grasshopper plague." His next charge was Longwood and Melbourne, in London Presbytery. In the spring of 1883 he removed with his family to Beulah, where he with his sons had taken up some 1280 acres of land, and where he combined agricultural pursuits with ministerial labour. One Sabbath in October he severely overtaxed his strength in reaching appointments; brain fever resulted which caused his death. His many friends and fellow-workers in Manitoba and Ontario rejoice to know that he died the death of the righteous.

REV. SAMUEL BERNARD died at Noel, Nova Scotia, in the fifty-third year of his age. Mr. B. was a native of Prince Edward Island, and his pastor in boyhood was the late Dr. Geddie. He prosecuted his studies for the ministry at Truro, Halifax, and Princeton, and was a preacher of much energy and ability. His first charge was Florenceville and Glassville, New Brunswick, where he was ordained and inducted in 1867. His second and last charge was Noel, in the Presbytery of Halifax, where he was inducted in 1874. Ill health compelled him to demit his charge over two years ago. His last appearance in public was on the 28th August at the ordination of his successor in the pastorate of Noel. His taking part in the "laying on of the hands of the Presbytery" was the last act of his ministry. He suffered much, but bore pain and weakness with exemplary patience. He fell gently asleep on the 24th November. He leaves a widow and three children.

REV. W. C. CLARKE, Rector of Christ's Church, Belleville, Ont., died after a long and painful illness on the 16th of October last in the 49th year of his age. Mr. Clarke was for a number of years a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. He joined the Church of England in 1874.

LYDIA RICHAN, wife of the Rev. G. M. Clark of New Edinburgh, Ottawa, died on the 8th of October. She was distinguished for christian activity. Her death was sudden, but she had often said that sudden death would be sudden glory. So she passed away in peace.

Ecclesiastical News.

REV. SIR HENRY WELLWOOD MONCRIEFF, minister of Free St. Cuthberts, Edinburgh, and principal Clerk of the General Assembly of the Free Church, died at Edinburgh on the 4th November, in the 75th year of his age. The deceased baronet was probably the only titled minister in the Presbyterian Church. Sir Henry did not shine as a preacher, and his congregation was not a large one, but he was a tower of strength in his General Assembly. For many years he was a "leader" in the church courts, and by his writings became an acknowledged authority on all points of church law and practice. He was among the few disruption ministers, though he himself did not take an active part in the struggle which culminated in 1843. Rev. Dr. Donald Fraser, of Mary-le-bone Church, London, has been laid aside from indisposition. Rev. Thomas Duncan, formerly of Halifax, N. S., has been supplying the North Merchiston Church, Edinburgh, for a considerable length of time and

now leaves it in a high state of efficiency with a communion roll of 780 members. Mr. Duncan received a very handsome recognition of his services from the congregation in the shape of an address accompanied by a purse of money. It is said that he intends returning to Canada. The Moderators of the Scottish Assemblies for this year will both be from the Highlands, Rev. Peter McKenzie, D. D. of Ferintosh, of the Church of Scotland, and Rev. Walter R. Taylor, D. D. of Thurso, of the Free Church, having been respectively nominated. Rev. John Snodgrass, son of Dr. Snodgrass, of Canonbie, formerly Principal of Queen's College at Kingston, Ont., has been elected minister of Lossiemouth Church in the Presbytery of Elgin. Mr. Henry Fawcett, Postmaster General, has been elected Lord Rector of Glasgow University and Sir Stafford Northcote, and Mr. J. Russell Lowell as Lord Rectors of the Universities of Edinburgh and St. Andrew's respectively.

St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh, recently restored to its original beauty by the late William Chambers, was lately the scene of a very interesting ceremony in connection with the depositing within its walls the old colours of fifteen Scottish regiments. The ceremony which combined religious services with military observances was attended by a very large number of people. A case of heresy has cropped up in the Australian Presbyterian Church in the person of Rev. C. Strong of the Scots' Church, Melbourne. The chief charge against Mr. Strong is the failure on his part to give due prominence in his teaching, to the incarnation, the atoning life and death, and the resurrection and ascension of Christ. In short, he is charged with promulgating Unitarian or pantheistic ideas. Mr. Strong tendered his resignation, but the question arises, can the Presbytery in such circumstances accept a minister's resignation? What kind of Presbyterial certificate should they give, if any? The matter was referred, simpliciter, to the Assembly. In the meantime the congregation has seceded from the Presbyterian Church of Victoria in the hope, it is alleged in some quarters, that it will be recognized by the Church of Scotland, though most are inclined to think that the good old Mother Church is not so fond of schismatics as to endorse Mr. Strong's vagaries.

Had Martin Luther risen from the dead and been seen walking the streets of Eisleben he could not have created a greater sensation than has the four hundredth anniversary of his birthday. The 10th of November was fittingly commemorated by all the Protestant churches in Europe and America, more enthusiastically, of course, by some branches of the church than others, yet by all the old story of Luther's life and struggle was rehearsed and the les-

sons to be derived therefrom were anew brought to remembrance. The Presbyterians were not behind in honouring the day. Neither were the Canadians, we are happy to say, of all denominations. It was not to be expected that the demonstrations should have been quite so pronounced in France, where Calvin is rather looked up to as the founder of the Reformed Church. In Germany, however, the occasion was marked by special enthusiasm. A series of celebrations extending over a length of time were observed in the principal towns, but that at Eisleben surpassed them all. On the birthday of the great Reformer 30,000 visitors streamed into the little town to take part in the festivities. The clergy and civic authorities marched in procession to the Church of St. Andrew's in which Luther's pulpit was decorated with laurel. As the clock struck twelve the ceremony of unveiling the Luther memorial commenced with the singing of "Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott." Stirring addresses were delivered. Then came a historical procession representing Luther's reception by the Count of Mansfield on his last journey to Eisleben. The cavalcade was of the most imposing description, the central figure being a representation of Luther seated in a richly decorated carriage, having at his side his friend Justus Jonas and his three sons, Johannes, Marten, and Paul. The town authorities marched in holiday attire. Youthful choristers, wearing long black coats, sang melodious hymns composed by the Reformer, while a large body of retainers, armed with javelins and cross-bows, closed the procession. The meaning of all this is that the nineteenth century recognizes its indebtedness to Luther and a few other men, likeminded, for the priceless boon of our open Bible and freedom of thought and speech.

CANADA.—Rev. Dr. Duff, minister of the Congregational Church at Sherbrooke, P. Q. died suddenly in London, England, on the 19th of November, aged 74. Dr. Duff was minister of Fraserburg, and of Hawick, Scotland, before he came to Canada. In consequence of the provisional union of the four Methodist Churches in Canada, soon to be legalized by Dominion and Provincial Legislature, it has been found necessary to consolidate the educational work of the uniting churches. A Commission charged with full powers in this matter, recently met in Toronto and decided upon the consolidation of Albert College at Belleville, belonging to the M. E. Church, with Victoria University at Cobourg. The former thus surrenders its University charter. It continues work however, as a grammar school or seminary affiliated to Victoria University. The three ladies' colleges in Ontario, at Whitby, Hamilton and St. Thomas, continue as heretofore, as also the

Theological College at Montreal, the College at Stanstead and the Mt. Allison University at Sackville, N. B. The question of the removal of Victoria University from Cobourg, to some western city was considered, but circumstances were not deemed such as to warrant any definite action in this matter at present. At the close of the meeting of the Commission, strong resolutions were passed in favor of denominational Universities and against using the public funds of the Province of Ontario for building up a secular university at the expense of Queen's, Victoria, and Trinity Colleges, in which denominational Universities it is claimed 60 per cent of the undergraduates of the Province, are being educated. Whatever may be thought of the merits of denominational as compared with state Universities we congratulate our Methodist friends upon the educational consolidation being accomplished and we think it an advantage to the cause of higher education in our sparsely settled country, that thereby, there is one University less.

No small stir has been created in the staid old city of Halifax, N. S., by the presence of certain priestly "missioners," to wit "Father Davenport" and "Father Maturin," whose mission seems to have been an attempt to restore auricular confession in the Anglican Church. The latter preached a sermon which gave forth no uncertain sound. He said that Christians are divided into two great branches, first, the Holy Catholic Church, comprising the churches of England and Rome; second, the Protestant sects from Quakers to Presbyterians, the former holding that all approaches to God must be by means of the "keys," *i. e.*, those appointed by Christ to hold the keys of the kingdom of Heaven. This, he said, was the teaching of the Church of England, and in virtue of this, he invited the faithful to confess their sins to him, assuring them of his power to forgive them. It is scarcely necessary to add that the Protestant clergy of all denominations denounced such impious pretensions. The movement is said to have begun with the approval of the Bishop, who must surely have been ignorant of its true purpose. At least one of the rectors of the Episcopal Church had the courage to protest against the whole proceedings. A much respected minister of the Church of England, at Kingston, Ontario, recently incurred the displeasure of his Bishop, by taking part in the services of the Salvation Army and joining in the communion service with them, and in consequence was "rusticated" for a term of three months. Bishop Ussher of the Reformed Episcopal Church and Rev. W. R. Cruikshank of St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church, Montreal, lately exchanged pulpits. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

UNITED STATES:—The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, *i. e.*, the church in the northern States, is by far, the largest in the great Presbyterian family, having on its roll, no less than 5218 ministers. It says a good deal for the elasticity of Presbyterianism that so ponderous a piece of machinery, operating over so vast a territory, has hitherto been managed with so little friction. That it is becoming, however, inconveniently large is apparent from the difficulty of reaching a satisfactory basis of representation in the General Assembly. The Assembly has been perplexed what to do with itself for a number of years past, and now its presence has come to be regarded by its best friends in most places as an infliction. The idea of billeting over five hundred men in a town of moderate size for two mortal weeks is a serious business. Another consideration is the expense connected with it arising out of the mileage paid the commissioners. Each meeting, it is said, costs the church nearly \$40,000, and that sum cannot easily be collected. There are only two remedies for the case—either to break it up into three or four Assemblies or to reduce the representation. As the Americans pride themselves upon having and doing everything upon a large scale they will not easily be induced to part with this huge overgrown Assembly; on the other hand it seems almost impossible to reduce the number of delegates without destroying its representative character altogether. Several propositions have been made in late years to cope with the difficulty but nothing has yet been done to meet it. An overture on this object is now running the gauntlet of the presbyteries, 182 in number, and a lively discussion on the subject is in store for next General Assembly which meets at Saratoga on the third Thursday of May. The contributions of this Church last year for Home Missions amounted to \$582,360; for Foreign Missions, \$501,578; and for all purposes \$9,661,493.

IRELAND:—Notwithstanding the disgraceful riotous proceedings that have transpired in different parts of the country, betwixt the Orangemen and the so-called Nationalists, the Presbyterian Church prosecutes its own proper work undismayed and undistracted by the political, agrarian, and social evils, which are so rampant. Three young brethren have lately been designated to the foreign field. One of them is a son of the Rev. George Shaw, who is one of the most devoted of the ministers of Belfast. Some others have gone or are preparing to go to the colonies of the southern hemisphere. The congregation that was left vacant in Dublin, by the removal of Dr. A. C. Murphy to London, are taking steps to call Rev. John McDermott of Belmont, which is a suburban Church of Belfast. Mr. McDermott is a fellow-

student of the writer of these lines. He is a fine scholar and has already made his mark as a preacher and worker. The Rev. John MacNaughton, once of Paisley, now the Nestor of Belfast, has been quite ill, but at last accounts was somewhat better. One of the Magee College Professors, the Rev. James Brown Dougherty, has been chosen by the Liberals of the County of Londonderry as their candidate, when the next vacancy occurs in the county. The political leaders are going on the principle of being prepared for whatever may arise. One of the members is Attorney General for Ireland and may be raised to the Bench or the office of Chancellor any day. Mr. Dougherty is a native of the county, being a grandson of Rev. James Brown, who was long the minister of Garvagh. Before he was elected Professor, he was a number of years minister of Nottingham in the English Presbyterian Church. His chair is that of Logic and Belles Lettres. The Derry Standard very cordially endorses the selection. We, in Canada, find it difficult to fall in with the idea of ministers of the Gospel going into political life to that extent. The idea appears to be growing in Ireland lately. Dr. Richard Smith was the first, but he was no ordinary man. At the present time the Rev. Dr. Kinnear and the Rev. Isaac Nelson are members of the House of Commons. The Belfast Presbytery has done an eminently wise and practical thing in arranging for a series of lectures on missionaries such as Carey, Judson, W. C. Burns, etc., with the increased attention paid to the subject in conferences, lectures, and so on, we are led to infer that a revival of missionary zeal is in operation there just now. In this we rejoice: for this we are thankful. Since writing the above we observe in the telegrams to the daily papers, that the vacancy in County Derry has taken place, the Attorney General having been appointed Master of the Rolls, which is equal to a Judgeship of the Supreme Court. Rev. Archibald Robinson of Broughshane, Presbytery of Ballymena, has been nominated for the Moderatorship of the next General Assembly.—H.

FRANCE—The most eminent, perhaps, of all the French philosophers now living, has recently written the following: "I cannot divest myself of the idea, that it is, perhaps, the libertine, after all, who is right, and practices the true philosophy of life!" Can anything more monstrous be found in the writings of any heathen philosopher! Here is philosophy's last word; and such a word! Totally subversive of all right and pure ideas of duty and morality; Could anything more clearly show the need that France has of the Gospel, when her most learned men are found preaching such demoralizing doctrine? It is gratifying to

know that, while philosophers are seeking to undermine the foundations of duty and virtue, noble men, of Christ-like spirit, are using their best efforts to preach the blessed Gospel as widely as possible. Mr. McAll recently opened his *eightieth* mission hall in *France*. There were, in April, 1880, scarcely more than half this number in operation, so that, in the short space of *three years*, the number of gospel halls has been all but doubled. Many more could be opened, were men and means at the disposal of the Committee. There are now *thirty-three* of these hall in *Paris* alone. At the one recently opened, *two hundred* were present. Another effort of a novel character was made during the summer by Mr. McAll, with the greatest success. A vessel was hired at *Calais*, for the purpose of preaching the gospel in it. *Two meetings* were daily held in it for *two months*, when it was filled with hearers, and some blessed results reaped. M. Maxton has long devoted his sabbaths to evangelization in *Calais*, and is well and favorably known there. Quite recently he has been the means of the conversion of a pilot, who has been decorated with nineteen medals, and with the legion of honour, only given to such as have rendered distinguished service to the state. This pilot, in his turn, is seeking to advance the cause of the gospel, and a regular mission hall will probably soon be opened there.—C. H.


MADAGASCAR—A public reception was lately given in Exeter Hall, London, to a party of returned missionaries from Madagascar, including Mr. and Mrs. Briggs and Mr. and Mrs. Shaw. Mr. Cousins, gave an interesting address on the literature, the social, political and religious life of the Malagasy. Having lived for nineteen years at Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar, he was in a position to speak from personal observation. The natives have got hold of the idea that there is a future before them. They want to rise—to be like the white man. Religious life in Madagascar has still many blemishes, but, making all allowances, there has been wonderful progress. Where the idols reigned there are now, in Imerina alone, upwards of 800 churches, and large numbers meet every Sunday to listen to the preaching of the Word. The Malagasy give, and give well for the support of the work that is now being carried on amongst them. In reference to the aggressive claims of the French, Mr. Cousins bears high testimony to the wonderful courtesy and forbearance of the Queen and her advisers. They have done what they could to avoid the evil of war, but they will never surrender their country. The people have also declared that they will never give up their meetings for Christian worship.

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In *Asiatic Turkey* this year has been marked by cheering and extensive revivals, and also by serious external and internal difficulties in the field. The Ottoman Government is jealous, reactionary, blood-thirsty, unable or unwilling to protect converts, ever ready to engage in repressive courses. The Armenian converts are too eager to rid themselves of the leading-strings in which they suppose themselves to be held by the missionaries. *Africa* has been the scene of more than usual trouble. War has uttered its thunder in various directions, sadly marring the work of the Prince of Peace. However, Egyptian missions have made some progress during the year, and more extensive operations are contemplated. We do not yet know what changes for good or evil may arise from the wicked and cowardly aggression of France in Madagascar. The good queen is dead—she who was truly a nursing mother to the infant church. Her successor is probably like-minded. Tribal wars in South Africa have seriously interfered with mission work. In Central Africa the stations occupied by Scottish Presbyterians have flourished grandly and have before them a most hopeful future. But the greatest share of attention has been given to the vast valley of the Congo, a region now found to be not only very fertile but also densely peopled. Missions have been commenced in this region under promising circumstances. Our own mission in *Trinidad* has taken rank among the most successful and useful that have been established for the benefit of the Hindus; and we trust soon to see its operations embracing the coolies of Demerara. Few expected when Mr. Morton went to Trinidad in 1867 that in sixteen years our mission schools should be giving instruction to 1,500 heathen children. Our survey is necessarily incomplete, but enough has been said to direct the attention of the thoughtful reader to the fact that the Kingdom of Christ is advancing among the heathen, and that it has ever-increasing claims upon our prayers and our purses.

Foreign Missions.

EASTERN SECTION.

 OUR missionaries Messrs. Morton and Robertson, have been addressing meetings, East and West, to about an equal extent, and their statements, to congregations and by notices in the press, have kept the leading facts connected with the New Hebrides and Trinidad before the public mind.

Demerara Mission.—It is my special duty to remind the ministers of the Church that the two missionaries wanted for Demerara have not yet been obtained. Two ministers have,

indeed, offered their services, men unexceptionable in character and qualifications; and would, doubtless, be accepted, were it not that while in their prime, and comparatively young men, they have nevertheless passed the age when a spoken language is most readily acquired. They are usefully employed, and for the present at least have not been accepted. No. 1 is to be jointly supported by a local Presbyterian Society in Demerara, and by the Western Committee of the Assembly, and his work carried on on the same plan and with some connection with our Trinidad Mission. No. 2 is to be employed on the estate of F. Crum Ewing of Glasgow, who has written expressing earnest desire for an early appointment. The missionary will have a house provided on the estate, can at once do English work, and prepare for the Hindi work on the estate of "Better Hope." The minister there has hitherto been in connection with the United Presbyterian Church, but the object sought is not the extension of that church, but the evangelization of the coolies. From a printed report of the Christian work carried on on the estate I select the following on the *Hindi work* :—

"This branch of the Society's operations has grown in extent during the year, and has been carried on with unflagging zeal. Our Catechist continues to give entire satisfaction, is most regular in the discharge of his duties, and exemplary in his general deportment. We have now four Hindi Sabbath classes on Plins, *Montrose Vryheids Lust*, *Chateau Marzot*, and *Success*, the two latter are in that part of the district which belongs to the Presbyterian Missionary Society. The school at *Success*, which had long been given up owing to the want of a room to hold it in, has been renewed. Mr. Munro, the manager, kindly granted the use of one of the immigrant houses, where the school is now held. Much progress has been made by the scholars in the few months during which the school has been carried on. One other class has been started during the year. On Tuesday and Saturday evenings the Catechists and others meet in the manse for instruction from the minister. Upon Tuesday the Bible is read in Hindi, and during the year most of the Old Testament stories have been read, and the history in the Books of Moses on to Joshua consecutively studied. On Saturday evening various tracts and small books in the vernacular have been gone over, and the class is now engaged in reading Line upon Line in English. This class was opened in answer to the earnest request of three or four of our Christian young men, for further instruction. The class is a conversational one, and it affords an opportunity for any difficulties arising in the course of reading being stated and answered. Upon one evening in the week the catechist holds a class in one of the houses on the estate where a few are being taught to read their own language, and the night school is still being carried on."

Finance.—At a committee meeting held during the recent session of the Maritime Synod, directions were given to the secretary to bring before Synod the figures, which have taken the Committee itself by surprise, shewing the extent to which expenditure was out-running income. This was done, but doubtless many ministers and elders forgot the figures before they reached their homes. Since then nearly the whole remittances for 1884 to the New Hebrides have been made, so that the balance is greater, and of such dimensions that it is likely to be remembered by the more thoughtful. Foreign Missions :—Received to

December 1st, 1883, \$2,966.79; expended to December 1st, 1883, \$7,025.84; balance due Treasurer, \$4,059.05. Dayspring and Mission Schools:—Received to December 1st, \$848.42; expended, \$3,737.37; balance due Treasurer, \$2,888.95, the two balances making \$6,948.00. In other words, we began the year with a debt of \$900, which by the way members of the Assembly *talked of removing*, and we have added to it six thousand, involving inevitably about thirty-five dollars interest, monthly, till reduced. Doubtless it will be reduced very soon, but with a half year's expenditure in Trinidad maturing and to be met in January, it can be removed ONLY by efforts great, united and persevering.

It should be noticed that in former years when returned missionaries visited the churches, the collections made flowed into the general fund, and provided for the inevitable expense of such return; but during the present summer, such collections, with a few exceptions, have been for specific objects selected by the donors, and not controlled by the Committee. The fund has been affected perhaps not largely, by the growing desire of Sabbath-schools and societies for a specific object, to which they give for the benefit of some pupil or teacher, or missionary, in return for which a periodical letter is expected. Doubtless, such contributions aid the mission, but they resemble donations to ministers while the regular salary is unpaid, and the Treasurer at his wits end as New Year's Day comes round, and the deficit is unprovided for. In Trinidad the Mission Council will meet in a fortnight. Each missionary presents his estimate for the year. When sanctioned, it is passed by the Committee here, and the money is expected in Trinidad as regularly as the semi-annual term comes round, and the *main effort* ever should be to provide means to honour these drafts as they become due. The Mission Council know their wants better than any Sabbath-school or society. A few hundred dollars have also been passed along for missions provided for by the West, a very pleasing protest against sectionalism, a very enjoyable luxury too, but unfortunately being handicapped with debt, we are pretty effectually debarred from this course, which, however, is happily quite open to our cousins who are blessed with a larger and fuller purse. On their part we anticipate many entries, and wish the competitors much success and joy in this race, and all the more because it is becoming too evident that they will not this year have the blessedness of giving anything to the mission to Demerara.—P. G. MCGREGOR, *Secretary*.

MISSIONARIES WANTED.

Two Missionaries for Demerara, the first to be supported jointly by a local Presbyterian Committee, and by funds provided by the General Assembly, the second to be paid by F. E. CRAWFORD, Glasgow. Apply to Rev. Dr. McGregor, Halifax, N. S.

Trinidad.

THROUGH the kindness of Rev. T. M. Christie, for a number of years missionary of our church at Couva, Trinidad, we are enabled to present our readers with a map of that island which we have had engraved for the RECORD. It will be found very useful for reference, as nearly all the mission stations and preaching places are clearly indicated. The several stations are connected by a railway which to us, seems, almost, to have been constructed for the use of the missionaries. So convenient is it, at all events, Mr. Morton can leave his home at Tunapuna in the morning, take breakfast at Couva, dine at San Fernando, and return to Tunapuna for tea. Trinidad, the most southerly of the British West India Islands, lies off the north-eastern extremity of South America, separated from the mainland by the Gulf of Paria, into which fall the northern mouths of the Orinoco river. The northern entrance to the Gulf is called the Dragon's Mouth; that on the south, the Serpent's Mouth. This inland sea abounds in natural harbours with good anchorage and is much frequented by shipping. The length of the island is about fifty-five miles and its breadth from thirty to thirty-five miles. Its area is about 1,122,880 acres. The total population is about 153,000. The negroes and coloured creoles number 96,000; the Indian coolies and their children, 50,000; the white creoles and Europeans, 7,000. The census by religions is as follows:—Roman Catholics, 60,000; Church of England, 30,000; Hindoos, 40,000; Mahomedans, 10,000; Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists and Moravians, 13,000.

Trinidad was discovered by Columbus in 1498, and was first settled about the year 1730. In 1797 it was captured by the English, at which time the population was 17,718. A reference to the map will show that the population is chiefly confined to that portion of the island bordering upon the gulf. The interior of the island is mountainous while that bordering on the Atlantic is marshy and unfit for cultivation. It is well watered, some of its rivers being navigable for a considerable distance. The soil is generally fertile. The area under cultivation is 98,171 acres. The chief products are: sugar, 64,000 tons; cocoa, 12,000,000 lbs.; cocoanuts, 4,500,000; and asphalt, 23,000 tons. Of the last named article there is an unlimited quantity in a lake 100 acres in extent and of unknown depth. Except in the lowlands, the climate is healthy. The temperature, usually ranging from 70° to 85°, seldom rises above 92°. The dry season is from January to May, inclusive, the wet season, from June to December. The average rainfall is 71 inches per annum. The plantations chiefly belong to Scotch and English

capitalists. On the abolition of slavery it was found necessary to obtain labourers from abroad, which accounts for the large coolie population for whose benefit the mission is carried on. These coolies are natives of India and China, but chiefly of India, who have been imported under Government inspection, as indentured labourers. They are bound to remain five years in the colony, and are then at liberty to return to their native country, or to make engagements for themselves as free labourers. If they remain five years longer they are entitled to a free passage to India, or a grant of ten acres of land. An average of about ten per cent. do return, but the number of permanent settlers is rapidly increasing. The great majority of the coolies speak Hindustani, and it is in that language that the Gospel is made known to them.

Our Trinidad Mission originated in a visit to that island by the Rev. John Morton for health some eighteen years ago, when he noticed that, while the Government took good care of the bodies of those coolies, seeing to it that they were supplied with wholesome food and medical attendance, no provision appeared to be made either by Church or State for their spiritual wants. On returning to Nova Scotia, Mr. Morton laid the facts before his Synod and asked them to institute a mission to the coolies. Full enquiry having been made, the Synod unanimously determined to take up the work, and sent Mr. Morton as their first missionary in the autumn of 1867. In 1870 he was followed by Rev. Kenneth J. Grant, and in 1873 by Rev. T. M. Christie. A fourth missionary, Rev. J. W. Macleod, was appointed in 1881. Miss Blackadder joined the mission as a teacher in 1876, and Miss Semple in the end of 1882. In 1882 Mr. Lal Behari, a converted Hindoo, was ordained to the office of the ministry, and is now actively engaged in the work.

The principal stations are four in number,—Tunapuna, San Fernando, Couva, and Princetown. (1) The first-named is situated inland about eight miles from Port of Spain—the capital of the island, which has a mixed population of about 35,000. The mission here was opened by Mr. Morton only a few years ago. It embraces out-stations at Caroni, Curepe and Arouca, shewn upon the map. Stated Sabbath services, weekly prayer meetings, and classes for teachers are regularly held at all these stations. It is in this district that Miss Semple teaches. There are five or six day schools, all well equipped, with some 200 scholars on the roll, and already 18 communicants. (2) Mr. Grant has his headquarters at San Fernando, a town of some five or six thousand inhabitants. His reports indicate steady and rapid progress. He is ably assisted by Mr. Lal Behari, above referred to, and also by Mr. J. W. Corsbie, a very clever native

teacher, as well as by Mr. George Sadaphal, a native catechist. Besides these there are eight teachers who meet weekly at the manse on Friday evenings, give in their reports, receive instructions, and on Saturdays disperse again, so that on the Lord's day eleven stations are supplied with religious ordinances in this district; the number of communicants is 113. (3) Couva was a few months vacant by the retirement of Mr. Christie on account of impaired health. This station is situated halfway between Port of Spain and San Fernando, and includes Esperanza, Exchange Village, Waterloo, Calcutta Village, shewn on the map. Besides these, a number of other places have been visited more or less regularly, and with good results. The number of communicants in good standing is 35, and the number of scholars attending the schools upwards of 250. It is to this station that the Rev. John Knox Wright, late of London East, Ont., has been appointed. (4) Princetown, it will be noticed, is connected by rail with San Fernando, from which it is distant eight miles. It was so named in honour of the two sons of the Prince of Wales who visited this place some years ago. This is Mr. McLeod's station, in the centre of the Savanna Grande district. Regular services are conducted at St. Julian, Jordan Hill, Pipero and Princetown, besides other places that are not named on the map. Prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings and fellowship meetings on Friday evenings, for mutual improvement, are well attended. Miss Blackadder superintends the Princetown school, on the roll of which are the names of upwards of 100 scholars. Connected with this station there are 49 communicants and eight schools, with an average attendance of 227. Altogether there are at the present time 36 schools in operation in connection with these four stations, with a daily average attendance of 1,059. The whole number of communicants is 215. The total expenditure in support of the mission for the year 1882 was about \$18,000, of which nearly \$8,000 was sent from Canada. The proprietors of estates contributed upwards of \$5,000, the Government gave \$2,500 to assist the schools, the balance being made up of donations, and about \$1600 contributed by the native churches.

It is easy to see from the above imperfect sketch that our Trinidad Mission is a very important and interesting one. It has been carried on quietly, but prudently, for about sixteen years, and has been crowned with a measure of success for which we should be devoutly thankful. So successful have our missionaries been, indeed, others have taken knowledge of them in a very practical way. A short time ago, the Presbytery of Demarara, which is composed chiefly of missionaries from the Church of Scotland, sent a communi-

cation to the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, in which reference was made to the large number of coolies in that colony also, and in true Macedonian fashion imploring the Canadians to go over and help them establish a mission. And this, with the consent of the General Assembly, we have agreed to do. Hence the advertisement of Dr. McGregor upon another page asking for two missionaries. Surely they will be forthcoming soon. The Presbyterian element in the community is comparatively small. The Roman Catholics have their Archbishop, Bishop, and twenty-five parish priests; the Anglican Church has a Bishop and seventeen clergymen; the Methodists have five ministers; the Baptists, two; the United Presbyterians, three; the Free Church, one. *But*, the Canadian Church has hitherto been the only one that has taken any part in the instruction and conversion of the coolies. Quite recently the United Presbyterian church of Scotland has appointed Rev. John Hendrie to co-operate in the work among the coolies. He is stationed at St. Joseph, between Tunapuna and Port of Spain.

The New Hebrides.

THROUGH the kindness of Rev. Hugh A. Robertson of Eromanga, we are in possession of a pile of letters from missionaries, and from their wives, in the New Hebrides, giving the latest news (August 1883) and from which, by permission, we make a few extracts. *Mr. Mackenzie*, writing from Pango, Efate, one of his out-stations, says that since his return from his furlough the work on Efate has been progressing steadily. "At two villages, one of which we have been visiting for about eight years, several natives have thrown off the yoke of heathenism. We have a small lime house here, but at Eratap we sleep in the chief's house, also a lime one. I have just had a small grass house built at Fila and intend going there frequently. I am not able to give much news from Eromanga. We called there on Sabbath and they were in church. Mr. Michelson and I addressed them. We called also at Potinia Bay. I was the only passenger who went ashore. Did not see Yomot. He was inland at the funeral of a chief—a heathen I think. Atnello told me that two teachers had died, but that he had sent another to take the place of one, and that the work of the other had been taken up by a teacher living near. We had a very pleasant and harmonious meeting of Synod—eight of us present. We were all accommodated on shore." *Mrs. Mackenzie* says.—"When the 'Dayspring' arrived at Erakor she only had Mr. and Mrs. Mylne and Mr. Murray on board. Dr. and Mrs. Gunn remained on Futuna and Mrs.

Murray on Aneityum. Mr. Mackenzie went north with Mr. Murray, and they decided in favour of opening a station upon Ambrym. We had quite a time getting home from the meeting this year. Just as it closed the wind began to blow, and continued to do so for two weeks. Mr. Laurie and Mr. Watt walked over to Aname, the others, after waiting for a week, got the captain to put to sea, but the following day they were sorry they had done so, as a boat could not get into Aname. In the afternoon we landed at Mr. Caron-tadt's, intending to walk round. They advised us to spend the night with them. Just as we finished breakfast next morning, a terrific storm of wind and rain came on which settled the question of us walking round. Mr. Gray, however, thought he would try it, but had to wade to his waist in water. We had a very pleasant visit to Eromanga notwithstanding your absence. The natives were very pleased to see us and did their best to make us comfortable. I put some camphor in places most needed in the house. We helped ourselves to oranges. Since our return in November we have been exceedingly busy. Up to the end of April we each taught five hours a day. This we found very wearing. We have had a good deal of housebuilding to do. In addition to the two lime houses built for the boys, we have a new cook-house and wash-house just finished. The cook-house is such a comfort. The work has been going on encouragingly, both in the Christian and heathen villages."

Mr. Watt, missionary of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand in the Island of Tanna, also sends his cordial greetings to Mr. Robertson. *Mrs. Watt's* letter, however, contains a great deal more information, although she confesses to the difficulty of writing while travelling. Their letters are dated from the Island of Aniwa. *Mrs. Watt* says:—"You will notice we are again on Aniwa. Our stay this time will extend over eight weeks, and I trust our visit will be blessed to this people, as the change of work is refreshing to our spirits. We have not been without encouragement at our own station (Tanna), having had an attendance of one hundred all season, and a manifest improvement in their clothing, while we note with pleasure a growing intelligence. In January we ceiled in the whole roof, in February we got a new dining-room mat made, and had our cleaning done up as far as the inside was concerned. In March Mr. and Mrs. Gray came round—Mr. Watt going for them in our boat. They remained with us till the 5th of July, having been four months our guests. We enjoyed their society very much, and Mr. Gray gave very good and hearty help in the printing office, from which has issued during the past year a small book for Mr. Michelson in Tongoan, another for Mr. Fraser in Epian, a third for Mr. Gray in

Weaslian, a twenty-page edition of hymns for our people—bringing up our Hymnal to fifty-one hymns, and the whole Book of Genesis in the Kwamera dialect. I never met any one who wrought more willingly than Mr. Gray did at the printing. On the 8th of May Master John Ewin Gray was born. 'The boy of the season' was much admired in Tanna, and no wonder, for he is a fine child. They only left again in our boat four days before we started for here; so he was two months old then."

Rev. James H. Lawrie, missionary of the Free Church of Scotland, in Aneityum, says:—"I am sorry to tell you that an epidemic of influenza broke out among our people in June last, and continued for about a month. About eighteen persons on both sides of the island died. Dr. Gunn has taken up his residence in Futuna; both he and his wife will make good missionaries. Messrs. Mylne, Michelson, and I were appointed to assist in building Mr. Murray's house on Ambrym. We are busy at that work at present. The natives are friendly and we sincerely hope that this settlement is the opening of a bright future in this heathen island." A few days later, Mr. L. says:—"On our way home (from Ambrym to Aneityum) "I called at your station on Eromanga, and found the people all well. Saw Adenello, and talked Aneityunese to your cowherd. The people meet every morning for school, and regularly every Sabbath for divine worship. *Mrs. Lawrie* adds:—"We have much encouragement to labour on. The arrowroot from the Aname side of the island amounts this year to 2600 lbs. The boys and girls made 500 lbs. of this as their own special contribution. With part of the proceeds it is proposed to buy the frame of a new church, the rest to go to the Foreign Mission Fund.

Rev. Oscar Michelson, missionary of the Church of Otaga and Southland, on the island of Tongoa, writes in hopeful strains, "We have finished the building of our fourth church and hope to have one or two more built this year. There has been some fighting since you were there, but not very many killed or eaten. I have got a horse. It is a great help to me in my work."

Mr. James Anderson, of the Royal Mint, Sydney, writes on October 4:—"The Synod held at Aneityum was a harmonious one. The subject of a steam vessel instead of the *Dayspring* engaged their attention, and a committee was appointed to make enquiry as to the cost of a Clyde-built steamer of steel or iron, and also as to the working expenses of such a vessel. The *Dayspring* is now found to be unequal to the work of the mission. Quantities of cargo have had to be left over on several occasions, and now two new churches have been ordered, which will still further tax her

carrying powers. It would be a great boon to the missionaries to have four visits in the year instead of two."

The latest from the islands is a short note from *Rev. Joseph Annand*, our missionary on Aneityum, dated September 7:—"The *Dayspring* has returned from the north, on her way to Sydney. She reports all well throughout the group, excepting Mr. Murray who has just been settled on Ambrym. He seems to be no worse, however, than when he left us seven weeks ago. He has been settled under hopeful circumstances, so far as the natives are concerned. It is reported that one language with dialectical differences extends over the whole island. The people are friendly and numerous. A sad murder occurred on a part of the island about fifteen miles from the station, just before the *Dayspring* went up there. While there, at the housebuilding, a man-of-war came along and punished the natives, by killing six or eight, and levying a fine of 20 rifles and an equal number of pigs. The affair cost the life of one seaman and a second badly wounded. H. M. S. "Dart," Captain Moore, was the avenger. The victim murdered was Captain Belbin, of a labour vessel—a more decent man than many in the trade. We are all well and plodding along in our work."

Missionary Meetings.

THE seventh series of the Montreal Anniversary Missionary Meetings was held in Erskine Church on the evenings of 20th, 21st and 22nd November. The attendance was better than usual and the interest was well sustained.

I.—HOME MISSIONS.

Mr. Andrew Robertson, Chairman, introduced the subject in a business-like manner by a few well chosen remarks, in which he claimed a first place for Home Missions on the ground of duty to our neighbours and our country. It was a common saying that "distance lends enchantment to the view," and it was sometimes easier to get up sympathy for people living in distant countries, about whom we knew very little, than for those very near our own doors. Whatever diversity of opinion there might be as to the relative claims of home and foreign missions, there was no uncertain sound in the Master's orders, to "Preach the Gospel to every creature—beginning at Jerusalem." Our own country, both on account of its vast extent and the rapid influx of population, stands in need of all the missionary effort which the Presbyterian Church can exert. The progress of settlement in Manitoba and the North-West was unpre-

cedented in the history of the country. Cities and towns were rising in fertile districts where only a year or two ago was an unbroken wilderness. A very large proportion of the settlers in that new country were Presbyterians, and we are bound by many considerations to give them all reasonable assistance in the establishment and maintenance of religious ordinances. The committee of the Western Section had expended last year \$42,000, and next year they would like to spend a great deal more; \$100,000 would not be too much, for every dollar that is judiciously spent now is worth ten times the amount a few years hence, when the people will be well able to look after their own interests. Since 1871 the Church in the North-West had increased marvellously; there were ten times the number of congregations and preaching stations; fourteen times as many clergymen, and twenty-six times the number of ministers.

Rev. James Barclay of St. Paul's, Montreal, then addressed the meeting. Being a stranger, as yet, he could not enter upon the details of the home mission work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada—a work which he knew, however, to be of vast magnitude and importance. The duty and urgency of home mission work was the same in all countries. Connected with it there is a responsibility upon the Christian Church of which it cannot divest itself. It is not enough to say that "charity begins at home." Were this all, then had Galilee been at once the cradle and the grave of Christianity. We must not turn a deaf ear to the cries of heathendom; neither must we neglect our duty to those at home. There are too many who profess to love God whom they have not seen but who manifest no love to His children whom they do see, and who stand in need of their sympathy. It seems easier to create sympathy for the poor African across the sea than for the poor sinful neighbor across the street. We are glad to hear the results of Christian work in heathen lands, at the same time we are too often saddened by the thought that many homes in our own land are as bad as heathen huts. It seems, almost, as if there were more hope of converting the heathen than of reclaiming the drunken and the profligate at home. The Church must go to them and seek to save them. The causes that led to the seeming failure of the home missions were many,—want of information largely explains want of interest and want of support. Alleged want of success most frequently uttered by those who have never done anything to help the work, has been another hindrance. Sectarianism, too, has a great deal to answer for. One thing is certain, it is better to live Christ than to preach Christ, and when this comes to be recognized throughout the world the power of the Church will be boundless and invincible.

Rev. Principal Grant of Kingston, followed with an eloquent and stirring address. He advocated the claims of home missions on two grounds, patriotism and religion, and these two are one. Of the former a remarkable illustration was found in the history of the Jewish nation; and surely he might say that what Judea was to the Jew, Canada is to the Canadian. Our country is, indeed, one that should inspire patriotism. When we think of its history, its boundless resources, its people, there is enough to make us proud of and love our country. If some parts of it are too cold, well, parts of other countries are too hot. After giving a graphic description of the great Dominion—as became the editor of "Picturesque Canada" and the author of from "Ocean to Ocean," the learned principal spoke of the duty devolving upon the churches to lay the foundation of Christianity broad and deep as the only guarantee for the lasting prosperity of the country. The church of the future must be simple in ritual, strong in faith, elastic in polity; clinging closely to the old standards, yet ever widening. By the unions of the Presbyterian and the Methodist Churches much has already been done towards a far larger and more comprehensive union. Speaking of the effort being made to increase the stipends of the ministers to at least \$750 with a manse, he held that it was the bounden duty of the cities and towns, which depend so entirely on the country for their very existence, to take the lead in this matter. If they do their duty, and he was glad to know that Montreal had already responded to this appeal right nobly, their example would be followed in every part of the country, and the result would be not only creditable to the Church, but advantageous to it, to an extent far exceeding our present anticipations.

II.—FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

The second evening was occupied with the discussion of this subject. Principal MacVicar, the Convener of the Assembly's committee on French Evangelization, occupied the chair. The meeting was opened with a chant very effectively rendered by a French choir. The chairman then presented a few solid facts as to the extent and progress of the work:—The population of Canada, he said, was 4,350,000, of whom 1,300,000 were French-speaking Roman Catholics. In the Province of Quebec there are 1,171,000 Catholics and only 184,000 Protestants. The Presbyterian Church employed three distinct agencies—colportage, schools, and churches. They have now seventeen colporteurs in their service, who last year visited 25,000 families and distributed 2,598 copies of the Scriptures and 26,000 religious tracts. They have fifteen schools in which twenty-one teachers are employed; the number of pupils is 585. The central school at

Point-aux-Trembles has between eighty and ninety pupils residing in the mission buildings. The chief object of this school is to train young men to be teachers and colporteurs. The Board employs thirty-one missionaries of whom twenty are ordained ministers who conduct stated services at seventy-three stations with an aggregate attendance of 5,000 worshippers. Twelve French students are studying for the ministry in the Presbyterian College, Montreal. The Board is doing its work quietly yet efficiently, and without interfering in the smallest degree with similar work undertaken by other Protestant churches. There is no such thing as unseemly denominational rivalry, on the contrary, they are in the fullest accord with the other evangelical churches. The only points, indeed, at which their work coincides with that of other churches is in the cities of Ottawa and Montreal, where there is ample room for their united efforts. At one of the stations, quite recently, no less than thirty-three persons publicly renounced Roman Catholicism in terms that shewed that they were acting under the impulse of intelligent conviction and that they were able to give good and valid reasons for the faith that is now in them.

Rev. Professor Campbell followed with a very able and eloquent address. It was not a bad sign that their work was freely commented upon in the public press, although many things had been said about it that were not in accordance with facts. He attached very little importance to taunts about the divided state of Protestantism. That divisions existed no one denied. They had just to make the best of them, and certainly the work was not thereby hindered. And it had been said, disparagingly, that the progress was "so slow" and the results so insignificant. It was not true that during the first four centuries Christianity had gained more converts than in all the succeeding centuries. It was quite true that much was accomplished in the apostolic age and that which immediately succeeded it; but it must be borne in mind that these early missionaries possessed advantages, in many respects, superior to ours, and yet their conquests scarcely extended beyond the shores of the Mediterranean. It was not to swell the ranks of Presbyterianism that the work of French Evangelization was carried on, but to put an open Bible into the hand of every French Roman Catholic. The quarrel that we have with the Church of Rome is that it withholds the Word of Life and substitutes for it the traditions of men. Historically, and essentially, the Presbyterian Church had no nationality. It was, and is to-day, the Church not only of Scotland and Ireland, but of Holland and Belgium, of Germany and Bohemia, of Spain and France. The Church to which we belong does not claim to be the Canadian

Church, it is something far grander, it is the Presbyterian Church in Canada. If we have faith in this church of ours, that has been baptized by the blood of the martyrs, we will use our utmost endeavours to extend its usefulness. We have reached a turning point and an important crisis in the history of French Evangelization. We have asserted and made good our right of free speech and unmolested work. Let us only be true to ourselves and in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

Rev. W. D. Armstrong of Ottawa, who had recently spent six months in the old country in the interests of this French work, was glad to say that he found many warm friends of the cause on the other side of the Atlantic. For himself, he could testify that the best way to become interested in a work of this kind was to work for it. He had frequent opportunities in the Presbyteries, Synods, and General Assemblies, and also before the Colonial Committees of the home churches, to give information respecting the work, and everywhere he had been received most cordially. We owed a special debt of gratitude to the Presbyterian Church in Ireland which, with their hands full enough of work at home, had sent us a tangible expression of their sympathy in the generous gift of £300 sterling. It seemed to the speaker as though we were on the eve of important changes. For one thing the vigorous prosecution of this mission may become, if it is not now, a political necessity. We do not sufficiently realize the danger of our present environment. The peace of our families and the prosperity of our country are at stake, so that for our own sakes, as well as in the best interests of our fellow-citizens, we should use all legitimate means to further the work of French Evangelization. We had ample encouragement to do so. The days of overt opposition and intimidation had passed away. The power of the hierarchy had been weakened, and it was impossible that the Roman Catholic Church in this country, or elsewhere, can ever regain its lost supremacy. The colporteur with the Bible in his hand—humble agency if we choose to call it—was probably the very best agency that could be employed. Let it only be strengthened and increased commensurate with the magnitude of the work and grand results will follow. Can we love our Lord and Master and see without holy indignation the crown taken from His head and placed on that of the Pope? Can we believe that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation and make such feeble efforts to give it to our fellow-countrymen? The spirit of Protestantism is advancing and must advance until all forms of ecclesiastical tyranny are swept away.

Rev. Professor Coussirat made a brief and eloquent address in French, in which he contrasted the spirit of Jesuitism, which threatens

our political liberties, with the glorious liberty of the Gospel which we are endeavouring to proclaim to the French-speaking people of Canada.

III.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The last of the three meetings, when the subject of Foreign Missions was taken up, was the largest of all. Mr. John L. Morris occupied the chair. The object of these meetings, he said, was to impart such information in regard to the progress of the Gospel throughout the world as would increase our interest and stimulate our efforts for the advancement of Christianity. The survey of what had already been done is full of encouragement. In earlier times the great question was how to gain an entrance into foreign fields, but now there are open doors every where and the heralds of the cross are invited to enter in and take possession in the name of the Lord. Railways, telegraphs and steamships have brought the ends of the world together. Schools have been established in every land. The Bible has free course and nearly all peoples and tribes may read it in their own languages. The number of preachers and teachers in heathen countries has greatly increased. The Presbyterian Church in Canada has five distinct missions—two of them being under the care of the Foreign Mission Committee of the Eastern Section of the Church, viz., the New Hebrides, and Trinidad Missions. The Western Committee have charge of the work among the Indians in the North-West, and of the mission to Formosa and Central India. The expenditure by both committees last year was about \$50,000. The number of ordained missionaries employed was fifteen, and the total number of labourers, including the wives of the missionaries, the female teachers and the native assistants, was upwards of one hundred and twenty. Dr. Mackay had already twenty-six chapels in Formosa, and as many native evangelists. Mr. Robertson had thirty-three native teachers who also conducted religious services in Eromanga. A converted Hindoo in Trinidad was lately ordained to the office of the ministry by our Mission Presbytery of Trinidad. The time seems to have past when God called for missionary martyrs. A brighter day has dawned and the Gospel is spreading its benign influence over all lands.

Rev. J. Edgar Hill of St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, delivered an earnest and stirring address. It was a sad and humiliating fact that, notwithstanding all the good that had been done, the Church had yet to argue about the wisdom and duty of missions with professing Christians. He thought that the pulse of the Church beat closer to missions twenty-five years ago than it does now. There are many people now who tell you plainly that they do

not believe in missions to the heathen, and there are others who give an unwilling assent and support them grudgingly. After quoting and answering a number of stale objections the speaker said it was high time that the churches and individuals realized their responsibilities in this matter. It was, indeed, a matter of life and death for the churches. There have been churches that lacked the missionary spirit, but they were either dead or decaying churches. No church can long survive that does nothing for the spread of the Gospel. As individual members of the Church, it is our privilege quite as much as our duty to give our money, our prayers, and our sympathies to aid in carrying the work on. Let us not forget that "it is more blessed to give than to receive," and that, whether seeming failure or success result, each should be able to say honestly and sincerely that they have done what they could.

Rev. Hugh A. Robertson, who has been for eleven years a missionary of our Church in the New Hebrides, was received with hearty applause as he rose to give an account of his work on the island of Eromanga. He and his accomplished young wife commenced under circumstances that were enough to discourage and appal the stoutest hearts. If ever devoted missionary took his life in his hand, it was certainly this man when he deliberately chose this bloodstained island as his field of labour. But by the good hand of God upon him, and doubtless in large measure by his prudence and tact in dealing with the natives, he soon gained the confidence of a number of them and his work amongst them has been eminently successful and encouraging. During all these years he and his family were the only white people residing on the island—the heathen natives, who are still a majority of the inhabitants, being notoriously the most degraded savages. Mr. Robertson is home upon furlough at present, with the double object of benefiting his health and also of superintending the printing of the four Gospels in Aneityumese. His speech at this meeting was a model missionary address. We shall refer to it more particularly next month.

Missionary Cabinet.

JOHN WILLIAMS.

IT was on a Sunday evening in January, 1814, that a Christian woman in London was on her way to attend public worship. As she passed a well-known place of resort, she saw a young man of her acquaintance standing near, as if waiting for some one. She accosted him, and learned that some of his companions had engaged to meet him to spend the evening in these "Tea Gardens," as they were called. She endeavored to persuade him not

to waste the Lords day evening in this way, but to accompany her to the Whitefield Tabernacle, Moorfields. He was unwilling to do this; but at length, vexed by the tardiness of his friends, and moved by her kind persistence, he reluctantly yielded.

This was the turning point in this young man's life. He had a pious mother, but he had reached his eighteenth year, thought himself a man, believed it was time to choose his own way, and resolved to enjoy himself, free from the trammels of his Christian friends, and thus he was not in a frame of mind to receive good. The text was Matthew xvi: 26—"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" The sermon which followed was a powerful one, and was the means of this young man's conversion. After joining the church, he became a member of the "Youth's Class" for religious and mental improvement. He became interested in missions to the heathen, and after a while offered himself to the London Missionary Society, was accepted by the Committee, and, at the end of 1816, when only a little over twenty years old, he set out with his newly married wife for the South Sea Islands.

His missionary career was a very successful one. In ten months from the time of his reaching his station, he was able to preach in the native tongue, and in due time some of the natives were converted, and were formed into a Christian church. Being a skilful mechanic, he not only preached the gospel, but taught the ignorant people some of the useful arts of civilized life, such as building houses, making furniture, etc. He visited neighbouring islands, and preached the gospel there also with success. He made several voyages to a distance, and discovered numerous islands which had not been visited by Europeans, and left native teachers on them; and thus while he was the direct means of the conversion of many hundreds, he opened the way for the conversion of thousands more, and for the entire abolition of idolatry in various places.

In 1834, this missionary, now widely known as John Williams, the apostle of Polynesia, visited England and spent several years in effective work for missions. In 1838 he returned to Polynesia, in a ship which had been purchased for his use in visiting the various islands where missions had been established, and others where Christian teachers might be stationed. But his valuable life ended soon after this, Landing at Eromanga, one of the New Hebrides group of Islands, on November 20, 1839, the savage people, who knew nothing of his character or his purpose, murdered him and one of his missionary brethren, in revenge, as they afterwards alleged, for ill treatment which they had received from former visitors; and, being cannibals, they ate the bodies.

John Williams died at the early age of 43; but in his short life he accomplished a large amount of very important Christian work. And whenever that work is named we should remember that Mrs. Tonkin, a retiring Christian woman, was the means under God of his conversion; and thus of the great work which he accomplished. And every Christian should be stimulated to imitate her example in seeking to bring the unconverted under the influence of the gospel.

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Ottawa, Knox Church, Feb. 5, 7.30 p.m.
Stratford, Knox Church, Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
Quebec, Sherbrook, March 18, 10 a.m.
Barrie, Barrie, Jan. 29, 11 a.m.
Brockville, Brockville, March 4, 2.30 p.m.
Toronto, Knox Church, Jan. 15, 11 a.m.

A Page for the Young.

WORK AWAY!

Work away,
For the Master's eye is on us,
Never off us, still upon us
Night and day.
Work away!

Keep the busy fingers plying,
Keep the ceaseless shuttles flying,
See that never thread lies wrong;
Let not clash nor clatter round us,
Sound of whirring wheels, confound us.
Steady hand! let woof be strong
And firm, that has to last so long.
Work away!

Work away!
For the Father's eye is on us,
Never off us, still upon us
Night and day.
Work and pray!
Work, and prayer will be the sweeter;
Pray, and work will be completer;
Love, and prayer and work the fleetest
Will ascend upon their way.
Work away!

A RECEIPT IN FULL

Do you remember the story of Martin Luther when Satan came to him, as he thought, with a long, black roll of his sins, which truly might make a swaddling band for the round world? To the arch enemy Luther said:

"Yes, I must own to them all. Have you any more?"

So the foul fiend went his way and brought another long roll and Martin Luther said:

"Yes, I must own to them all. Have you any more?"

The accuser of the brethren, being expert at the business, soon supplied him with a further length of charges, till there seemed to be no end to it.

Martin waited till no more were forthcoming and then he cried:

"Have you any more?"

"Were these not enough?"

"Aye, that they were. But," said Martin Luther, write at the bottom of the whole account, "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin."

BIBLE RULES FOR GIVING.

(Continued from page 277.)

12. Q. How often should we give?

A. Upon the first day of the week let every

one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.—1 Cor. xvi, 2.

13. Q. What promise is made to those who consider the poor?

A. Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.—Psalm xli, 1.

14. Q. What measure shall be given to those who give liberally?

A. Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again.—Luke, vi, 38.

15. Q. What does Isaiah say of liberal people?

A. The liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he stand.—Isiah, xxxii, 8.

16. Q. What command does God give about the poor?

A. Thou shalt open thy hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy in thy land.—Deut. xv, 11.

17. Q. How should we treat those who ask for favours?

A. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.—Matt. v, 42.

18. Q. What about the first fruits?

A. The first of the first fruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God.—Ex. xxiii, 19.

19. Q. Give another promise about liberal souls.

A. The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.—Prov. xi, 25.

20. Q. What is God's greatest gift to man?

A. God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John iii, 16.

21. Q. What should we say for this?

A. Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.—2 Cor. ix, 15.

SEEING THE GOSPEL.

"Have you ever heard the Gospel?" asked a missionary at Ningpo of a respectable Chinaman, whom he had not seen in the mission-room before.

"No," he replied, "but I have *seen* it. I know a man who was the terror of his neighborhood. If you gave him a hard word, he would shout at you, and curse you for two days and two nights without ceasing. He was as dangerous as a wild beast, and a bad opium smoker; but when the religion of Jesus took hold of him, he became wholly changed. He is gentle, moral, not soon angry, and has left off opium. Truly, the teaching is good."

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Nelson.....	10.00
Montreal, Chalmers' Ch S S,	40.00
Executors of the late D J Greenshields, of Montreal half year's interest on Bequest.....	300.00
Executors of the late D J Greenshields, of Mont- real, 1-3rd of his Be- quest, Per his Exrs.....	3333.33
Bequest of the late Wm Cooper, of Picton, Per his Exrs, 1st instal't.....	62.00
McKillop, Duff's Church....	10.00
Winthrop Church.....	10.20
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	\$115,13.99

STIPEND SUPPLEMENT FUND.

Three Rivers, St Andrew's.	19.00
Mainsville, Thanks'g day...	2.50
Cardinal, Thanks'g'g d y..	3.50

FOREIGN MISSION.

Received to 6th Nov, 18 3...	\$7509.88
Ottawa Woman's F. M Soc'y.	250.00
Special for China.....	
John McKay, Paisley, spec'l for China.....	10.00
Primrose, Thankg'v g day, special for China.....	9.50
A Friend, Vernon, spec'l do.	5.00
Nrs J F Blanchard, Truro, N S, special for China....	5.00
Mrs J F Crowe, do do.....	5.00
Bayfield, St Andrew's....	3.50
A Friend, Bensfort, special for China.....	2.00
Springville, Thank-offering.	17.00
A Friend, Tuckersmith, sp'l for China.....	5.00
Erin, Burns Church.....	27.00
Member of Burns Ch, thank- offering, spec'l for China...	2.00
North Brant S S, China....	5.00
Three Rivers, St Andrew's.	36.00
Bequest of the late Mr Wm McKenzie of West Zorra, per his Exrs, special for China.....	85.00
A Friend, Caledon, special for China.....	5.00
Mrs Wm Cochrane, King- ston, spec'l for China.....	5.00
Galt, Knox Church.....	70.00
Mrs D A Creasor, Owens Sound, tuition of con- verted <i>Brahmin</i> at Indore for 1 year.....	33.00
Beckwith, Knox Church....	15.00
Mrs Mgt Frame, Gays River N S, for China.....	1.00
Mimosa S S, spec'l for China	4.00
Eramosa Miss'y Soc'y, do.	50.00
Eramosa S school, spec'l do.	7.60
An Unknown Friend, Mont- real, special for China....	5.00
Mrs Mgt Eadie, Sherbrooke, special for China.....	5.00
John Linton, Galt, special for China.....	10.00
Collingwood.....	18.00
S Ross, Cardinal, special for Primosa.....	5.00

Ayr, Knox Ch S school.....	17.45
Woodlands.....	12.00
A Friend, Toronto, special for Ferosa.....	2.60
Ayr, Stanley Street S school	20.00
Galt, Knox Ch, add'l.....	75.00
Pembroke, Calvin Church..	16.00
Pembroke, Calvin Church S school, Ferosa.....	14.00
Rev. David Wardrop, Tees- water, special for China..	25.00
Newtonville & Kendall....	21.00
A Friend.....	5.00
W O B, Montreal, special for China.....	20.00
Fergus, St Andrew's.....	30.00
Mary Kellie, Skye, special for China.....	10.00
Toronto, East Ch, Thank- sgiving day, spec'l for China	33.25
A Friend, Ingersoll, Oxford College, spec'l for China..	10.00
A Friend of Missions, Lan- ark, special for China....	10.00
Miss S Creelman, Upper Stewiacke, spec'l for China	5.00
English Settlement, add'l, special for China.....	1.00
Woodville.....	60.00
Primrose S school, China..	11.00
Hawkesbury.....	2.33
L'Orignal.....	3.68
Hulllett.....	25.00
North Normanby Station...	8.50
Bluevale.....	18.00
Camden 8th & Tamworth..	4.15
West Williams.....	8.00
Scott & Uxbridge & St An- drew's.....	54.00
T A G, Barrie, Thank-offe- ring, spec'l for China.....	10.00
Elora, Chalmers' Church, special for China.....	7.50
Palmerston, Knox Church..	45.00
Jno McIntyre, G Con, Egrem- ont, N W Indians.....	2.00
M, Westminster, spec'l for China.....	2.00
M Westminster, N W In- dians.....	2.51
A Helper.....	4.00
Montreal, Chalmers' Ch S S, China.....	50.60
Beauharnois, Monthly Meet- ing, Chins.....	9.10
Beauharnois, Thanksgiving day, Chins.....	6.00
Chateauguay, China.....	5.40
Miss Agnes Muir, Montreal, China.....	2.00
J Allan Kinuear's Mills, China.....	10.00
Barrie S school, China....	30.00
Wm McRae, South Finch..	12.00
Bequest of the late Wm Cooper, of Picton, 1st instalment, per his Exrs..	62.00
Jas Sutherland, Codrington	10.00
Chas Blair, West Fushinch	1.00
Chatham Township, Chal- mer's Church.....	5.00
Bequest of the late Mr Jas Munro, of Kincardine, per his Exrs.....	15.00
McKillop, Duff's Church....	10.60
Winthrop, Duff's Church....	10.00
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	\$8999.44

COLLEGES ORDINARY FUND.

Received to 6th Nov, 1883.	\$1297.31
Minesing, add'l.....	1.00
Fl. ss, Knox Church.....	1.00
Carlton Place, Zion Church	19.00
Hyde Park.....	10.00
Georgia.....	15.00
Galt, Knox Church.....	60.00
Baltinafad.....	8.66
Collingwood.....	15.60

Coulange	7.00
Upper Litchfield	2.00
Jr. Stanley Street	30.00
Galt, Knox Church, add'l.	64.00
Pembroke, Calvin Church	16.00
Wroxeter	12.72
Aaburn	9.50
English Settlement	28.00
Warwick, Knox Church	3.75
Derry West	6.00
Lucan & Fraser Ch.	6.00
Hullett	5.50
Londesborough	3.83
Teeswater & Westminster Church	30.00
West Williams	4.00
Owen Sound, Division St.	20.00
Cornwall, St John's Ch.	30.00
Prescott	16.00
Prince Albert & Port Perry	10.58
North Mornington	19.30
Milverton	13.40
Bequest of the late Wm. Cooper, of Picton, 1st instalment, per his Exrs.	50.00
Madoc, St Peter's	18.00
McKillop, Duff's Church	10.00

— \$1843.15
KNOX COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.
 Received to 6th Nov. 1883. \$ 17.00
 A Friend, Owens Sound... 10.00

— \$108.00
KNOX COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.
 Received to 6th Nov. 1883. \$1893.57
 M F Barclay, Glencoe..... 10.00
 Robt Merryfield, Toronto... 10.00

— \$1913.57
KNOX COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.
 Received to 6th Nov. 1883. \$11,076.75

Oshawa.

William Sinclair, full	5.00
Mrs J McIntosh, full	5.00
Archd Balmer, full	5.00
Thomas Guy, full	5.00
Alexr Adamson, full	5.00

Newtownville and Kendall.

J J Jones, on acc't	10.00
John Barrie, do	10.00
R Rutherford	1.00
T & D Moffat	5.00
Jas S Stark	5.00
Wm Ballagh	5.00
Walter Moffat	5.00
James Henry	3.00
William Jones	1.00

Scarborough, Knox Church.

John Thompson, full	15.00
Thomas Gray, do	5.00
Alexr Docherty, do	10.00
John Henry, do	100.00

Fergus, St Andrew's Church.

G H Reid, on acc't	10.00
Peter Barnett, full	10.00
Robt Kerr, do	5.00
Wm Pattison, do	5.00
Joseph Tweddle, do	5.00
John Moffatt, do	5.00
Hugh Mitchell, do	5.00
Mrs Prichard, on acc't	1.00
Wm F Beattie, full	1.00
Miss Hewlett, do	1.00
Mrs Anderson, do	1.00

Grafton.

Tohn Russell, full	5.00
James Ross, on acc't	2.00
Andrew Ross, do	2.00
James Aird, do	2.00
Alexr Aird, full	5.00
J Underwood, Jr, on acc't	5.00

Gavin Craig, do	5.00
Wm E Johnston, do	5.00
J F Malloy, full	10.00
William James, Jr, do	1.00
Alexr Jamsesn, do	5.00
William Fraser, do	5.00

Vernonville.

Adam Miller, full	10.00
George Gillespie, on acc't	5.00
George Robson, full	10.00
George Johnston on acc't	2.00

Cobourg.

George Spence, on acc't	10.00
A Pringle, do	5.00
Christopher Carruthers, do	5.00
Thomas Pratt, full	1.00
A Holmes, on account	5.00

Delaware.

Charles Robertson, full	2.00
Chinguacousey 1st	20.00
Andrew Giffin, full	3.00
Peter Speirs, on acc't	5.00
Robert Giffin, do	5.00

Toronto.

Andrew Robb, full	20.00
Robt Merryfield, on acc't	10.00
John Samuelson, full	10.00
P H Bryce, MD, on acc't	16.67
Robt Rennie, do	25.00
John Fiskin, do	134.00
Hon Oliver Mowat, do	200.00
Messrs J & A Clark, full	100.00
J C Smith, on acc't	8.34
George Laidlaw, do	8.34
George Craig, full	100.00
James Brown, on acc't	50.00
Messrs McDonald, Davidson & Paterson, on acc't	100.00
John Kerr, do	133.33
Glover Harrison, full	150.00

Hamilton.

J D McDonald, MD, on acc't	50.00
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Perth

James Allan, full	12.00
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North Easthope.

John Stewart, on acc't	10.00
Donald Cameron, do	5.00
Donald Fisher, do	5.00
Rev Archd Stewart, do	8.00
Jeremiah Curtis, Jr, do	4.00
Alexr Crearer, do	5.00
Mrs A Crearer, do	3.00
Mrs D Carroll, full	1.00
Peter McTavish, do	5.00
Donald McTavish, do	5.00
Dugald McDougall, do	5.00
John McTavish, do	5.00
Jeremiah Curtis, Senr, do	5.00
Alexr McGillawee, do	5.00
Daniel McFarlane, do	7.00
John Hay, do	7.00
John Smith, do	5.00
Duncan McCallum, do	5.00
James Fraser, do	6.00
Alexr Fisher, Jr, do	5.00
John Fisher, do	3.00
James McCallum, do	5.00
Duncan Stewart, do	15.00

Tavistock.

Peter Scott, do	1.00
James G Field, Senr, do	1.00
James G Field, Jr, on acc't	4.00
Mrs Harney, full	1.00
John Sutherland, do	1.00
William Bell, do	1.00

Thedford.

D McKellar, on acc't	5.00
Thomas Crawford, do	5.00
W N Ironsides, do	5.00
R Rae, do	10.00

Alexr Brebner, full	5.00
W J Ratray, do	5.00
F Carmichael, do	10.00
T J Culham, on acc't	2.00

Ravenwood

John McIntyre, on acc't	4.00
Mrs Jno Munro, full	5.00
James McFarlane, do	1.00

South Plympton.

John Simpson, on acc't	5.00
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Vaughan, Knox Church.

William Archer, full	10.00
Donald McGillivray, do	5.00

Guelph.

Robert Forbes, full	100.00
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Alma.

Charles McColin, full	2.00
Henry Halls, do	5.00
William Davidson, do	1.00
William Marshall, on acc't	4.00
Alexr McQueen, do	5.00
John Fairbairn, do	5.00
James Deans, full	6.00
Albert Deans, do	2.00
Adam Phillips, do	2.00

— \$12,936.48
MANITOBA COLLEGE ORDINARY FUND.
 Received to 6th Nov. 1883. \$273.48
 Holstein..... 9.00
 Fairbairn..... 6.50
 Vaughan, Knox Church, Thanksgiving d.y..... 6.00
 Bolton, Caven Ch, Thanks-giving day..... 5.52
 Martintown, St Andrew's and Burns' Churches..... 4.60
 Bequest of the late Mr Wm Cooper, of Picton, 1st instalment, per his Exrs.... 12.00

— \$322.10
WIDOWS' FUND.

Received to 6th Nov, 1883,...	\$570.44
Monkton	2.00
Eden Mills	2.50
Teeswater, Westminster Ch.	6.00
Vankleekhill	8.00
Wroxeter	8.10
Minesing	0.75
Floss, Knox Church	0.75
Dunblane	3.00
Wendigo, Guthrie Church	3.50
Georgina	10.00
Toronto, Carlton Street Ch.	3.25
Beaverton	9.8
Three Rivers, St Andrew's,	3.50
Cayuga	8.00
Galt, Knox Church	30.00
Port Hope, 1st Church	7.68
Collingwood	19.00
Desboro	2.25
Galt, Knox Church, add'l.	20.00
Rock Lake	5.00
Colchester	0.84
Amherstburg	3.16
Lower Windsor	3.50
Heapley	3.00
Keady, Chalmers' Church	1.00
Huntingdon 2nd	6.00
Hampstead	2.11
Hampden	5.00
Ber e	4.00
Lachute, Henry's Church	6.00
Derry West	4.00
West Williams	2.25
Avonmore	8.00
Palmerston, Knox Church	15.00
Ayr, Knox Church	9.00
Prescott	10.00
Bequest of the late Mr Wm Cooper, of Picton, 1st instalment, per his Exrs....	31.00

Farnham Centre	2.00
St Louis de Gonsague	5.00
Madoc, St Peter's	2.00
Chingacousey Znd	3.08
Mosa, Burns' Church	6.15
—	\$841.29

With Rates from Rev'ds J Stewart, \$12; D Wardrope, W Forrest, J Ferguson, D Stewart, R McKenzie, F Ballantyne, \$12; W Graham, J A McConnell, W C Windel, J K Wright, J Eadie, A Henderson, \$16; C Fletcher, J Burton, \$20; A F McQueen, W King, \$48; R H Warden, S H Eastman, R Rogers, N McKinnon, A McKay, Jno Ferguson, J A Anderson, L Cameron, A Young, F W Farries, R Wallace, J Watson, J Black, Jno J Murray, Archd Stewart, A McColl, W Walker, A Norris, J Morrison, T Alexander, M Fraser, J Alexander, D Findlay, J Turnbull, Archd McDiarmid, P Nicol, W T McMillen, Angus McKay, W Robertson, A M McClellan, A D Fraser, Archd Currie, J Tees, A Leslie, J M Well wood, \$16; J Johnston, \$24; J Middlemiss, S W Fisher, L McPherson, G Bremner, D Sutherland, A M Hamilton, D Wishart.

AGED & INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Received to 6th Nov, 1883 ..	1987.42
North Carrodoc	6.19
Moncton	4.00
Teeswater, Westminster Ch ..	6.78
Eden Mills	3.00
Point Edward	11.84
Rev'd Wm Forrest (Annuity Returned)	100.00
Vanki ekhill	12.09
Wroxeter	8.11
Minesing	0.75
Floss, Knox Church	0.75
Hillsgreen	3.10
Stonewall	3.00
Grassmere	2.25
Rockwood	1.00
Dumblane	5.00
Tiverton, Thanksgiving day ..	12.60
Lanark	12.00
Hyde Park	5.00
Worligo, Guthrie Church	6.50
Toronto, Carlton Street	5.00
Beaverton	14.60
Three Rivers, St Andrew's	5.00
Port Dalhousie	8.00
Smith Hill	6.58
Manchester	6.42
Galt, Knox Church	20.60
Port Hope, 1st Church	10.00
Collingwood	19.00
Desboro	2.50
Niagara Falls	5.00
Galt, Knox church, add'l	20.00
Kokkiak	7.27
Colchester	1.00
Amherstburgh	4.00
Lower Windsor	3.50
Hespeler	4.18
Hemmingford	5.00
Keady, Chalmers' Church	5.00
Hamilton, Central Church	51.80
Huntingdon Znd	6.00
Mount Pleasant	4.11
Burford	2.43
North Easthope	6.35
Rockburn & Gore	8.00
Hampstead	2.11
Dunwich, Duff's Church	8.00
Lanenburg	5.00
Hampden	5.00
Berne	4.50
Lachute, Henry's Ch	8.60
Norval	7.20
Cantley & Port and	4.65
Vaughan, Knox Ch	12.00

Bolton, Caven Ch	7.62
Cheltenham	4.07
Mount Pleasant	3.83
Derry West	5.10
Hullett	5.50
Londesborough	2.97
West Williams	2.00
Avonmore	5.00
Minrossa	3.00
Toronto, Old St Andrew's	100.00
Palmerston Knox Ch	15.00
Esqueving Union Ch	14.15
Ayr, Knox Ch	9.74
Cornwall, St John's Ch	45.60
Bequest of the late Mr Wm Cooper of Pictou, 1st instalment, per his Ears	31.00
Farnham Centre	2.00
Madoc, St Peter's	3.00
Chingacousey Znd	4.00
Mosa, Burns' Ch	8.00
Markham, St Andrew's	8.25
—	\$2745.83

Rates received to 6th Nov, 1883, \$56.25. With rates from Rev'ds J Stewart, \$3; D Wardrope, \$2.50; W Forrest, \$2; J Ferguson, \$4; R McKenzie, \$3; F Ballantyne, \$4.50; J Eadie, \$4.25; J A McConnell, \$3.50; R H Warden, \$9; S H Eastman, \$4; J Pritchard, \$4; N McKinnon, \$4; A McKay, \$4; J Gordon, \$5; J Ferguson, \$4; S Farries, \$3; J A Anderson, \$3.75; L Cameron, \$4.50; A Young, \$4; F W Farries, \$10; R Wallace, \$7; J K Smith, \$60; D M Beattie, \$12; J Watson, \$3; J Black, \$4; J G Murray, \$3.20; Archd Stewart, \$4; A McColl, \$4; W Walker, \$4; W A Johnston, \$2.25; J Morrison, \$2.50; A McPaul, \$3; W E McKay, \$3; J Little, \$5; N McNish, \$7.50; T Alexander, \$2; R Stevenson, \$4; M Fraser, \$7; Jas Tait, \$10; J Alexander, \$3.50; D Findlay, \$3; J Turnbull, \$2; R V McKibbin, \$3; Archd McDiarmid, \$4; P Nicol, \$4.50; W T McMillen, \$7.50; Angus McKay, \$3.75; W Mathieson, \$3; V Meikle, \$3.50; W Robertson, \$5; A M McClellan, \$3; R D Fraser, \$4.50; A W Waddell, \$3.00; Archd Currie, \$3; J Beckett, \$4; A Leslie, \$4; J M Wellwood, \$4; J Hastie, \$5; R Neill, \$6; J Johnston, \$12.25; S Hutchinison, \$3; J Middlemiss, \$4.50; S W Fisher, \$3; A H Kippen, \$3.75; P C Goldie, \$3.50; A M Hamilton, \$4; G Bremner, \$3; D Sutherland, \$4; A Sutherland, \$3.50; Wm McConnell, \$3.50; D Wishart, \$5; J Wilson, \$3.50. **\$375.70**

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH UNAPPROPRIATED.

Received to 6th Nov, 1883 ..	\$676.35
Toronto, Charles Street Ch ..	100.10
Brussels, Meville Ch, add'l ..	45.00
—	\$821.33
CHURCH AND MANSE BUILDING FUND IN MANITOBA AND NORTH-WEST TERRITORY.	
Received to 6th Nov, 1883 ..	\$1034.68
Preacot, collected at Mr Roberson's Meeting	6.13
A Friend's Subscription in Prescott	1.00
Rev James Stewart, Prescott ..	5.00
Mrs Nelson Mills, Hamilton ..	17.10
Robt Ferguson, Thamesville ..	50.00
John Ferguson, Thamesville ..	20.00

Daniel McFarlane, Thamesville ..	10.00
Mrs Stamford, Thamesville ..	1.00
Alexr McKay, Thamesville ..	1.00
James McLennan, QC, Toronto ..	75.00
James Scott, Toronto ..	100.00
Hon Justice Patterson, do ..	75.00
Hon Alexr Morris, MPP, do ..	500.00
John Leys, Jr, do ..	50.00
Glenallan & Hollin, Thanksgiving day ..	16.00
Wm Fisher, Boston Church ..	5.00
George Harvey, do ..	5.00
—	\$1972.31

RECEIVED BY REV. DR. MACGREGOR, AGENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES TO DEC. 4TH, 1883.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Acknowledged already ..	\$2540.49
Ladies Soc, Churchville ..	12.00
Carleton, N. B. ..	11.25
Mrs. H. McKay, Richmond, N. B., special for Mr Grant's new building ..	10.00
St. Matthew's, Pugwash ..	10.00
St. Andrew's, N. B. ..	10.00
Leitch's Creek ..	8.00
McDonald McMillan, Blackland, N. B. ..	5.00
Cote des Neiges & St. Laurent Sab. Schools; Cotes des Neiges Corg. for Mr. McKee; zie's Native Teacher ..	55.20
An old friend, Scotch Hill, Pictou, Trinidad ..	30.00
United Cong., West River, for Mr. Robertson ..	25.00
Lockport & East Jordan ..	4.50
Two friends W. E., Alberton ..	2.00
Redbank ..	4.00
J. H. Salisbury ..	2.00
Ladies Soc., Springville ..	25.00
Stewiacke Th. Col ..	30.00
John Cumming, Sherbrooke ..	5.00
Salem Ch., Green Hill ..	13.86
Lake Ainslie, C. B ..	5.00
United Ch., New Glasgow, Special ..	65.00
New London North ..	25.00
Friend per Rev. R. Cumming ..	3.00
Economy ..	10.00
Kirkland ..	6.65
Oak Mt. & Benton ..	2.31
Canterbury ..	1.15
Brookfield Miss'y Soc. ..	10.00
Pleasant Valley S. S. ..	1.47
Blue Mt., Part Thk. Col. ..	23.00
do do ..	10.00
Elmsdale, for Formosa ..	1.00
—	\$2966.79

CORRECTION. In Nov. Record the \$22.00 from Union Meeting St. Andrew's Sydney, should have been credited to St. Andrew's Church.

DAYS PRING AND MISSIOV SCHOOLS.	
Acknowledged already ..	\$649.00
Johnnie Burnfield, Brockville for Cedar Hill Sch. House Bdg - Mr. McLeod's Mission ..	5.00
New Carlisle S. S. ..	10.00
Merigomish ..	15.00
Antigonish S. S. ..	30.00
Hermion Ch. S. S. West River ..	10.45
St. John's Ch., Yarmouth ..	48.83
Redbank, S. S. ..	3.00
Brookland S. S., Pictou Co. ..	2.25
Kentville do ..	35.00
S. Sc House, S. Sc. St. Andrew's Cong, Little River ..	4.00

Lake Ainslie.....	3.00
Rev. T H Murray's children	
Miss. Rox. Kempt.....	2.00
Gore and Kennetcook.....	24.50
Brookfield per Mrs A D Mackay.....	1.00
Elmsdale.....	56
Middle Stewiacke S S.....	14.7
	\$848.42

HOME MISSION.

Acknowledged already....	\$1517.22
St Matthews Pugwash.....	5.00
St Andrew's N B.....	22.00
Leitch's Creek, C B.....	40.00
"An old friend" Scotch Hill, Pictou.....	10.00
New Kincardine for Mr. Jas Ross.....	35.00
Lockeport & East Jordan... ..	4.50
Kentville.....	6.00
Clifton, New London, P E I.....	19.00
Fisher's Grant.....	10.00
New London North P E I.....	30.00
Kempt & Walton.....	6.00
Three Brooks, Tobique.....	2.00
Economy.....	6.00
Kirkland.....	3.10
Oak Mt & Benton.....	5.60
Canterbury.....	1.70
Hartin Set.....	1.27
Brookfield Miss Soc.....	5.64
Blue Mt. Pictou.....	11.46
	\$1741.49

SUPPLEMENTING FUND.

Acknowledged already....	\$1604.71
St Matthews, Pugwash.....	20.00
Pres Ch of Ireland £100 Stg	486.67
Poplar Grove Hfx Part Thk Coll.....	35.14
Lunenburg.....	23.00
"An old friend" Scotch Hill Pictou.....	10.00
St Andrews, Hamilton, Bermuda.....	17.64
Kentville.....	5.00
Mr Andrew Johnson, Middle Stewiacke.....	2.00
Sherbrooke.....	13.00
Boularderie C B.....	10.00
Malagawatch.....	3.54
River Dennis.....	4.46
United Ch New Glasgow... ..	173.10
Little Harbor.....	7.00
Kempt & Walton.....	14.00
Kincardine.....	9.24
Economy.....	5.00
Brookfield, Part Thk Col... ..	15.00
Middle Stewiacke do do.....	60.00
Blue Mt Pictou.....	10.00
Elmsdale.....	14.00
	\$2542.55

COLLEGE FUND.

Acknowledged already....	\$3653.95
Int on \$2500 1/2 year.....	75.00
Colat "opening of Pine Hill" for Library.....	15.60
Interest.....	21.00
Canard Thk Col.....	5.00
Dalhousie.....	9.31
"Maple Green.....	3.86
"An old friend" Scotch Hill, Pictou.....	10.00
Boularderie C B.....	8.00
Kempt and Walton.....	8.00
Knox Ch, Wallace.....	5.00
Kirkland.....	1.30
Oak Mt & Benton.....	95
Canterbury.....	95
Brookfield, Part Thk Col.....	10.00
Middle Stewiacke do do.....	30.00
	\$3557.92

COLLEGE BURSARY FUND.	
Acknowledged already....	\$53.75
Milford & Gays River.....	12.10
	\$65.85

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS FUND.	
Acknowledged already....	\$783.65
St Matthew's Pugwash.....	3.12
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Hartin Set.....	30
Brookfield Part Thk Col... ..	4.14
Middle Stewiacke do do.....	11.25
Nine Mile River.....	5.25

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do John Cameron do do.....	4.00
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Oak Mt & Benton.....	2.10
Canterbury.....	7.5
Brookfield, Part Th. Coll... ..	10.00
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Blue Mountain.....	10.00

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