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"IT IS I; BE NOT AFRAID."

Matthew xiv. 27.

Toss'd with rough winds, and faint with fear,
Above the tempest soft and clear.
What still small accents greet mine ear!—
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

'Tis I, who led thy steps aright;
'Tis I, who gave thy blind eyes sight;
'Tis I, thy Lord, thy Life, thy Light;
" 'Tis I, be not afraid."

These raging winds, thy surging sea,
Bear not a breath of wrath to thee;
That storm has all been spent on Me;
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

This bitter cup, I drank it first;
To thee it is no draught accurst;
The hand that gives it thee is pierced;
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

Mine eyes are watching by thy bed,
Mine arms are underneath thy head,
My blessing is around thee shed;
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

When on the other side, thy feet
Shall rest mid thousand welcomes sweet,
One well-known voice thy heart shall greet;
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

From out the dazzling majesty,
Gently he'll lay his hand on thee,
Whispering, Beloved, leavest thou me?
'Twas not in vain I died for thee:
" 'Tis I; be not afraid."

—Eng. Pres. Acc.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

A special meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Cooke's Church, Toronto, on Wednesday 6th current, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the induction of the Rev. A. Marshall.

Next ordinary meeting will be held in the basement of Knox's Church, Toronto, on Tuesday 30th Sept. at 11 A. M.

T. WIGHTMAN, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Peterboro' on the 4th Tuesday of August, at 11 A. M.

Jas. Howie, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Chalmers' Church, Kingston, on the first Wednesday of September, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

WILLIAM GREGG, *Presb. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA.

The next meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Perth on the first Tuesday of September, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

S. C. FRASER, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Chalmers' Church, Quebec, on the first Wednesday of August, at 10, A. M.

D. FRASER, *Pres. Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in London on the second Tuesday of August, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held within Knox's Church, Hamilton, on Tuesday 30th September, at 2 o'clock.

M. Y. STARR, *Pres. Clerk.*

FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

This Committee will meet (D. V.) at Montreal, in the vestry of the Free Church, Côté Street, on Tuesday 12th August, at 3 P. M.

D. FRASER, *Convener.*

MEETING OF BOARD OF COLPORTAGE.

At Hamilton, in McNab Street Church, 7th July, 1856, the Board of Publication of the Presbyterian Church, Canada, met and was constituted. Present—Rev. D. Inglis, Convener, Rev. Dr. Burns, Revs. W. Reid, J. Alexander, R. F. Burns; Messrs. Osborne, Stewart, Young, Dewar. Meeting opened with devotional exercises.

It was Resolved—That the following be the

order in which the members of the Board hold office, viz: to retire

1st year—Dr. Burns, Rev. Messrs. Scott, Reid, Ure, Messrs. Dickerman, Osborne, Young, McNurich.

2nd year—Rev. Messrs. Burns, Irvine, J. Alexander, Wardrope, Messrs. Hopkins, Dewar, Mitchell, Stewart.

3rd year—Rev. Messrs. Kemp, Young, Nesbet, Inglis, Messrs. Cowan, Court, Bezz, Clark.

Mr. Dewar was appointed Recording Secretary; Mr. James Osborne, Treasurer. The Rev. W. Inglis was appointed Agent for one year, with a salary of £200 currency per annum and free house.

Messrs. Irvine, Hopkins, Stewart, and Young, with the Convener, Secretary and Treasurer *ex-officio* were appointed Executive Committee.

Messrs. Osborne, Stewart and Hopkins were appointed a Committee to select a Deputy.—They having retired to look after a place, returned and reported. They were empowered to secure a house at the corner of King Street and Bay Street.

The Convener was authorized to procure a stamp and device; also, the Committee were authorized to look after the publication of the Fly Sheets.

The ministerial members present, were appointed a Committee to select books out of the catalogues of Nelson & Sons, Carter & Brothers, and the Philadelphia Board, and to report.

Adjourned till to-morrow during the Sessions of the Presbytery of Hamilton.

Closed with the benediction.

ROBERT F. BURNS, *Clerk P. T.*

Tuesday, 8th July, 1856,

Basement Story of Knox's Church.

Board met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted. Present—Rev. D. Inglis, Convener; Dr. Burns, Rev. Messrs. Irvine, Alexander, Burns, Messrs. Cowan, Young, and Mitchell.

Minutes of last meeting were read and sustained. The Convener, in name of the Committee on ordering books, submitted a list which was adopted.

The Convener was requested to furnish the Colporteurs with schedules and note books.

Closed with the benediction.

ROBERT F. BURNS, *Clerk, P. T.*

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

On the 3rd of July, a special meeting of the Presbytery was held to take up the case of Dr. Burns' proposed translation in terms of the Synod's deliverance. The minute of last meeting relative to the case having been read, and it having been reported that Knox's Congregation had been duly cited to appear for their interests, parties were called, when there appeared,—Dr. Burns for himself; and on the part of the Congregation, Messrs. Alex. McDonald, Alex. Mason, John Kerr, Robt. Simpson, Capt. Thor. Dick and John Laidlaw. The members of the deputation were heard; when they in name of

the Congregation expressed their acquiescence in the Synod's deliverance in the case. Dr. Burns was also heard, who expressed his acceptance of the appointment to the chair of Church History in Knox's College.

After lengthened conversation on the exact meaning of the terms of the Synod's deliverance, and after due deliberation on the whole case, the following motion was unanimously agreed to.

Dr. Burns having intimated his acceptance of the appointment of Synod as Professor of Church History, and the Evidences of Christianity in Knox's College, the Presbytery, in accordance with the instructions of Synod, now release Dr. Burns from the pastoral charge of the Congregation of Knox's Church.

In thus formally dissolving the connection between Dr. Burns and the Congregation of Knox's Church, as Pastor and people, the Presbytery would put on record their sense of Dr. Burns' untiring zeal, energy, and diligence, both in the discharge of pastoral duties, and also in evangelistic labours in other parts of the Church. They cheerfully bear testimony, also to the great attention which he has given to the general business of this Presbytery.

The Presbytery might say more, were it not that they will still have the presence and aid of Dr. Burns as a co-Presbyter, and they would, therefore only add, the expression of their earnest desire and trust, that he may be greatly blessed in the new position, which in the providence of God he is called to occupy.

The Presbytery appoint Rev. Mr. Harris to act as Moderator of Session, and Messrs. Wightman, Nisbet, and Reid ministers, with Messrs. John Armour, Alex. Wallace and Donald Elder, elders, as assessors, instructing them as a Session, to deal with all papers in their hands affecting this cause, in the spirit of the Synod's deliverance, with the view to the avoidance of heart-burning in the Congregation, and the re-establishment of harmony.

The Presbytery further appoint Rev. Mr. McLachlan to preach in the pulpit of Knox's Church on Sabbath 27th inst., and declare the pulpit vacant from that date.

On motion it was further agreed, that Messrs. Lowry, Reid and Young be appointed a Committee to confer with the Trustees of Knox's Church with a view to the carrying out of the Synod's deliverance in the matter of the alteration of the constitution of Knox's Church.

On the 16th of July, an ordinary meeting of Presbytery was held, which was attended by fifteen Ministers and three Elders. Rev. J. Nisbet was appointed Moderator for the year. The principal matters before the Court were the following:

Rev. A. C. Geikie was formally received as an ordained Minister of this Church, in terms of the Synod's deliverance. The case of Mr. Laing of Scarboro, who had been called by the Synod to labour as a Missionary in India was then taken up. A large deputation of Mr. Laing's Congregation appeared, and most urgently entreated the court not to sever the pastoral tie, binding a united and attached flock to their highly esteemed pastor, who is labouring in a field so promising, in which his labours having been so manifestly blessed during the short period of his incumbency. A minute of Congregational meeting containing appointment of the deputation—also a petition numerously signed, were handed in and read. A letter from Mr. Laing, who was necessarily absent on the mournful occasion of the death of his only brother, was received and read, Mr. Lowry was heard on behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee. After mature deliberation the following was unanimously agreed to:—

That considering, as appears from the statements made by the representatives of the Congregation of Scarboro, that the Lord has been, especially for the last few months, honour-

ing the labours of Mr. Laing in a very marked manner, in his present sphere of labour; considering also, the very strong opposition made by them to his removal from them; and considering further, that though his sense of the importance of the Foreign Mission field is not altered, and he is quite willing to leave the whole matter in the hands of the Presbytery, and enter cheerfully on the duties of the Foreign Mission, it set apart for that work, he feels the importance of those considerations which operate on the minds of the Presbytery, the Presbytery, believing that the Synod did not intend to enjoin them to loose Mr. Laing, without regarding any statement that he or his congregation might make before the Presbytery, as indicated in that the Synod merely call and invite Mr. Laing to enter on the Foreign Mission work, find that it is inexpedient in the circumstances to loose him from his present sphere, and direct their clerk to intimate this deliverance to the Foreign Mission Committee.

Parties being recalled, the decision come to was intimated to them, in which they all acquiesced. It was agreed, that the documents given in be transmitted along with the deliverance to the Foreign Mission Committee.

Mr. Edward D. Montgomery, probationer of the Free Church of Scotland, designated a Missionary to Canada by the Colonial Committee of that Church, was introduced to the Presbytery; and received as a probationer of this Church, and, with the concurrence of the Convener of the Home Mission Committee, was appointed to labour within the bounds of the Presbytery in the mean time.

The case Caledon West and Erin was next taken up. The report of the Committee appointed to visit the Congregations was given in. The report of the Committee was received. A petition signed by a considerable number of members and adherents connected with these congregations, was laid on the table and read.

After a full deliberation, the following motion by Dr. Burns was agreed to, viz.

That taking into consideration the statement of the Committee, and the petition laid on the table by the Committee, and from information otherwise furnished, the Presbytery are of opinion that in order to secure the great ends of usefulness and comfort, in both congregations and the adjoining districts, a Gaelic speaking Minister is essential to the pastoral charge of Caledon W. and Erin, and therefore decline to concur in the election of a Minister who has not the Gaelic, and appoint this resolution to be communicated to the parties interested, that they may with all convenient speed make a selection of a Minister from among the clergymen or licentiates of this Church, who is able to officiate among them in English and Gaelic.

At the same time the Presbytery record their opinion, that on each Sabbath, one service in English will be needed in both places. The Presbytery further appoint Dr. Willis to preach in the Congregations, and intimate this resolution with the grounds of it, and to express the sympathy of the Presbytery, with the Congregations in the prolonged vacancy to which they have been subjected, and the resolution of the Presbytery to give the best supply they can possibly find.

The East Toronto case was next brought up. Mr. Ure Convener of Committee of inquiry in the case gave in a verbal report. It was on motion agreed to receive the report, and adopt its suggestions, to the effect that things remain as they are in the meantime, and until some satisfactory arrangement can be made, for otherwise supplying East Toronto Congregation, and for the purpose of bringing about such arrangements; continue the Committee with the addition of Messrs. Adams and Wightman.

It was reported on behalf of the brethren previously appointed with Presbyterial powers, to act in moderating in a call to a Minister in

Cooke's Church, Toronto, and taking the necessary steps to give effect to such call, that they had met in Cooke's Church on the evening of Monday 3rd of July. That after service by Rev. Dr. Willis, a cordial and unanimous call had been given to the Rev. Andrew Marshall, Minister of the Gospel; and having witnessed the call signed by all present they had sustained the same, and had transmitted it to Mr. Marshall at present labouring as a Missionary in New Brunswick. This report was received; and the action of the Committee in the premises was sustained by the Presbytery. Mr. Marshall's letter of acceptance of the call was laid on the table and read, whereupon the Presbytery, on motion, agreed that Mr. Marshall's induction take place in Cooke's Church, Toronto, on Wednesday the 6th of August, at seven o'clock in the evening. The Edict to be served on the two preceding Sabbaths; Mr. Lowry to preach on the occasion, and Dr. Willis to address the Minister, and Mr. Reid to address the people.

Messrs. Ure, Gray, and Reid, were appointed a Committee, for making arrangements and holding meetings within our bounds, for the purpose of bringing before the people the claims of the College, more especially of the Building Fund.

Mr. McTavish brought before the Court the duty of using some more direct efforts towards promoting the revival of religion throughout our bounds, either in connexion with our Missionary meetings, or in some way, as may be deemed most likely, with the Divine blessing, to promote this most desirable result. After some conversation, it was agreed to hold a conference on the revival of religion, at next ordinary meeting.

Mr. John Murray delivered, with approbation, several of his trial discourses, and Mr. John McKay after going through all his public probationary trials, was licensed to preach the Gospel.

THOS. WIGHTMAN, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

This Presbytery met at Melrose, on the 16th July. In accordance with the resolution of Synod, the name of Mr. James A. Thompson, of Tronton, who was present, was added to the roll of the Presbytery, and he was invited to take part in the proceedings. Mr. D. Pearce was appointed Moderator for the ensuing year.

Mr. Gregg having reported that the Edict of induction had been regularly served, the Presbytery proceeded to induct Mr. James Hume to the pastoral charge of the Congregations of Huntingdon and Tyendinaga.

Mr. Pearce preached from 1 Tim. i. 15. Mr. Young offered up the Induction prayer; the pastor was addressed by Mr. Gregg, and the people by Mr. Chambers. There was a large attendance of the Congregation, and the call having been unanimous, Mr. Hume enters on this extensive and important field of labour, with encouraging prospects of success.

Professor Young brought before the Presbytery the subject of Knox's College Buildings. He narrated the circumstances which led to the purchase of Elmsley house; described the plan of enlargement, so as to render it capable of accommodating 70 students, and urged the importance of having the whole amount for purchase and repairs paid off as soon as possible.

The Presbytery cordially resolved to take steps towards raising subscriptions for this purpose, and appointed a Deputation, consisting of Messrs. Wilson and Chambers to visit the different Congregations of the Presbytery, and present to them the claims of Knox's College.

A letter was read from the Presbytery of Brockville and Ottawa, transferring Mr. Forrest, a candidate for license, now labouring in Madoc, to this Presbytery. Trial pieces were prescribed to him.

In compliance with petition, Messrs. Wilson and Pearce were appointed to moderate in a call

in the Congregations of Ballinahinch and Storington. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Kingston on the first Wednesday of Sept., at 3 o'clock P.M.

WILLIAM GREGG, *Pres. Clerk*

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The ordinary meeting of the Presbytery of Hamilton, took place within Knox's Church on the 8th and 9th inst., when there was a considerable attendance of Ministers and several Elders. The routine business was important in itself, but not of sufficient general interest to occupy space in the *Record*.

Mr. Cuthbertson and John McMillan, passed their probationary trials in a very satisfactory manner, and were licensed to preach the Gospel.

The Home Mission arrangements occupied a considerable portion of the time of the Presbytery. It was felt that some steps were necessary to secure a more prompt attention of Missionaries to the appointments of the Synod's Home Mission Committee, and that they report themselves, as soon as they come within the bounds of the Presbytery, to the Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee.

Dr. Burns addressed the Presbytery on the subject of the College Buildings, and a Committee was appointed to assist him in making arrangements for visiting the different congregations and stations within the bounds, to solicit contributions towards that very essential object.

The Session Records of such congregations as have neglected to send them forward, are enjoined to be sent forward to next ordinary meeting. It is requested, that Ministers see that this injunction is attended to.

The next ordinary meeting was appointed to be held at Hamilton, and within Knox's Church, there, on Tuesday the 30th Sept., at 2 o'clock P.M., in order that students might present themselves for examination, previous to the opening of the College Session.

M. Y. STARK, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

This Presbytery met at Cobourg, on Monday the 9th day of June. The Presbytery having reason to believe that mis-apprehension exists on the part of some adherents in regard to the law of the church on marriage with a deceased wife's sister, and that it is desirable that it be clearly known, appoint Messrs. McKenzie and Bowie to prepare an overture to the Synod, craving a declaration of its mind on that subject.

The clerk reported that he had written to the Kingston Presbytery, as instructed, regarding the application from Conseccon to be united to Trenton, but as yet had received no reply. Mr. Thomson stated, that the Murray Congregation had been regularly cited, that a congregational meeting had been held, and that, by request, he laid on the table the resolution of the said meeting, which was, "that they were glad to learn that there was a prospect of Presbyterian worship being permanently established in their neighbourhood, by the union of Trenton and Conseccon, and that it was their opinion that the Murray station should still be continued in connexion with Trenton, on condition that they get monthly supply, or as often as may warrant the Presbytery in deciding upon." It was agreed accordingly, that Mr. Thomson preach monthly at Murray, and that he devote the rest of his time between Trenton and Conseccon.

A letter was read from the Rev. Robert Boag, tendering his resignation of Cartwright and Manvers, on account of certain alleged difficulties. The Presbytery delayed consideration till another meeting.

There were two meetings of Presbytery held

during the Synod at London. The following are the chief items of business which were transacted at them:—

Mr. John Smith submitted an overture on separate schools, of which notice had been given at a former meeting, and which it was agreed to transmit to the Synod.

The Rev. Mr. Gregg, being present, reported that he had received a letter from this Presbytery anent the Conseccon station, and that it was agreeable to the Kingston Presbytery, that Trenton and Conseccon be united. He also proposed, in the name of the Kingston Presbytery, that these Congregations be connected with that Presbytery. The Presbytery, who sorry to part with Mr. Thomson, nevertheless, agreed to the proposed arrangement, for the greater ease and convenience of Mr. Thomson in attending meetings of Presbytery.

The Presbytery again met at Cobourg on the 2nd Tuesday of July.

The Presbytery took up the resignation of the Rev. Robert Boag, when it was agreed to cite the Session and Congregation to appear at next meeting.

Professor Young, being present, as deputy from the College Committee, gave a statement as to what had been done in the securing of premises for Knox's College, and from which it appeared, that, to render the buildings obtained suitable for College purposes, alterations costing £1200 would require to be made, and that as a contract for them had been entered into, that sum would require to be raised immediately. He was also anxious that the entire debt upon the College should be wiped away, and it freed from all encumbrances of that kind. The Presbytery agreed to do their best to forward the wishes of the College Committee, and appointed a deputation to visit the several congregations, that funds might be raised.

It was found that the Session records of six of the Congregations had not been produced, as required by the Presbytery, and instructions were renewed to have them produced.

Mr. Chesnut was appointed to preach at the Plains, July 27th, and Aug. 3rd; at Percy, Aug. 10th, and 17; at Cartwright, Aug. 24, and 31st.

Mr. Tait was appointed to succeed Mr. Chesnut at the Plains, but to preach at Percy, one of the Sabbaths, he is at Cartwright.

Mr. Thomson was requested to preach at Murray once in the two months, and the Missionary at Percy, it was agreed, should do the same, thus giving the Murray congregation monthly supply.

The next meeting was appointed to be held at Peterboro', on the 4th Tuesday of August, at 11 A.M.

JAMES BOWIE.

Presbytery Clerk.

COLLEGE REPORT.

In presenting their Report for the year your Committee may be expected to advert to the change which has occurred since last meeting of Synod, by the transference of the seat of study to Elmsley House. We believe that the transaction which was gone into for the purchase of that building and the adjacent ground, has met with general approval. A departure from the noisy, and now altogether unsuitable locality in Front Street, had become necessary; and the premises recently secured, if not possessing all the adaptations of a new structure, has the advantage of providing, at once, accommodation for the lodging of Students, in combination with a retired and very healthful position. The site chosen is also most eligible by its proximity to the University College, at which so many of the Students attend for the sake of their preliminary education. The far greater number of the young men reside, as before, under one common roof. A certain proportion provide themselves with

lodging elsewhere, but the advantages of such a central domestic establishment are so appreciated by the Students generally that your Committee do not hesitate to recommend such additions to be made in the building as may provide for the accommodation of a larger number of inmates; and suggestions with this view will be submitted by the Building Committee of the Synod. It must be manifest to all that the comforts of a home during their winter terms of study cannot be easily found in the more private or dispersed system, at a rate suited to the means of our young men, and it was satisfactory to the Committee to be able, though not without relief from the Bursary fund, to arrange with the head of the College Boarding House, for terms of admission that may be regarded as economical in these times. They had they drew upon, for this purpose, to the extent of one hundred pounds.

Passing from more external matters to the state of the Seminary itself and the business of the late Session, it may be mentioned that the number enrolled in all the classes amounted to fifty-six, including Theological Students, proper and a larger proportion in the under-graduate list. A few are also included, who as yet attend only on classes at the University College, though announcing themselves prospectively as Theological Students of Knox's College.

The arrangements of the classes, and the distribution of the work of teaching, are known to many of the members of the Synod, very full information on these particulars having been given through the *Record*, so generally read by the ministers and congregations. It may be stated however, for the information of all, that in the preliminary classes superintended by Mr. Smith, the students were exercised in English Grammar, and grounded in the Latin and Greek languages and Mathematics. Professor Young conducted the third year's students in the study of Logic and Metaphysics; and the students of the fourth year, or first year of Divinity course, in the department of the evidences of Revealed Religion. The Divinity Class, in the two latter years of the six years' course, were conducted by Dr. Willis over the field of Systematic Theology. He also superintended the studies in Biblical Criticism, and Hermeneutics, and in Church History (as to the Text books, &c., several particulars in the Report being already published in the *Record* for February last, are omitted here.)

It is only necessary to advert to the great variety of duties assigned to each Professor to make manifest the necessity for some addition to the professorial staff, as soon as means shall be found for it. The existing Professors undertake for so multifarious a charge, only while no other provision is made; but the Committee continue to anticipate as highly desirable the circumscribing of the duties of each chair—acting not more reasonably towards the Teachers in respect of their comfort, than in respect of their efficiency, or their power of concentrating their energies on their special departments.

The result of the Session, of most immediate interest to the Church, is, that eight students are reported to have finished their curriculum, and have been certified to their respective Presbyteries to be taken on the usual trials for license; and, that, in addition to these, the services of twenty students as Catechists, have been placed at the disposal of the Home Mission for the present summer.

One student, recently from Scotland, had joined the senior Theology class, with the view of completing his course, which he had been prosecuting at Edinburgh, but had to leave College, early in the Session, from indisposition. The delicate constitution of another, who, after an interruption of some years, had thought of resuming his studies at our Institution, was found not to admit of his close application to the work on which his heart was bent. With these excep-

tion, both Professors and Students were favoured by Providence with general good health.

Your Committee have still to renew the expression of their desire that ministers and other friends of our Seminary would continue to interest themselves in its welfare and the extension of its usefulness. One means is by exciting pious and talented youths to devote themselves to the service of Christ in the Gospel. Yourself know as well as the Committee the necessities of this great country. Another is, by stimulating congregations or individuals whom God has blessed with large worldly substance, to assist young men who are worthy of encouragement in meeting the expenses of their education. During the years of their attendance on the classes they necessarily abandon the opportunities of acquiring worldly gain, or if capable of doing something towards their support by engaging in the work of Teachers or Catechists, still such engagements seldom place them entirely beyond the need of aid from other sources. Cases occur in which, to the loss of the Church, young men, honourably desirous of maintaining themselves, either interrupt their attendance at the classes, or suffer in their health by their multifarious labours. While, therefore, aware how desirable it is to cherish the spirit of laudable independence in students as well as others, your Committee but accord in the sense of the Church in all ages, and assert the result of all experience, when they remind their fellow Christians addicted to good works, that no offering of Christian love is more called for than the proffering of aid to young men struggling with narrow circumstances, yet with honest purpose, choosing, from love to Christ and to souls, a vocatio yielding no present temporal return, however rich in the prospect of spiritual returns in due season.

In this conviction your Committee have much pleasure in acknowledging the continued liberality of individuals and congregations to the Bursary fund. Some congregations have charged themselves with the entire support of one or more students, whom they may be said to have sent to the College. It may not be too much to expect that some others may be induced to follow their good example, and if they will put themselves in communication with our Treasurer, he will be happy to supply them with all information on the subject. Parties thus charging themselves with the support of a particular student from their own locality, may possibly take a livelier interest in his progress, and may be able to estimate more generally the result of their benevolent appropriations. But whether by thus individualizing their aid, or contributing to the fund generally, we feel that in whole or in part, a considerable class of students must look for encouragement to other sources than either their own scanty means, or of their immediate relatives; and we know few ways, in which Christians whom the Lord has prospered, can better manifest interest in the prosperity of the Church.

It now remains that we should indicate briefly the points to which the Committee would suggest that the attention of the Synod should be turned.

First, in immediate connection with what has been last mentioned, it may be well to consider if any thing definite could be effected to increase the Bursary fund, or to enable students to meet the expenses of their education without harassing anxiety. In reference to the same subject the question of increasing the allowance to those employed during summer as Catechists will no doubt be considered.

Secondly, provision being now made at University College for the preliminary education of the young men, on a plan that meets the case of our entrants more than heretofore, the time seems to have come, when it is unnecessary to embrace in the internal plan of Knox's College, arrangements for giving instruction to students

in the first year of their literary course. Thus, what has all along been in view, the making of our own College a purely Theological Institution, is so much nearer to being realized, and the wishes expressed at last meeting of Synod gratified.

But, though the office of a Tutor is thus superseded, yet on the supposition that some one is still required to head the boarding establishment, it has been suggested that in addition to the duties of that department, Mr. Smith, or the party undertaking that charge, might still render valuable supplementary service under the direction of the Professors' Court, in the capacity of a private Tutor to such of the students as may require his assistance, from their having enjoyed less advantage in their particular localities for making the usual preparation for College. This instruction, however, will not be understood by the students as constituting any part of the required curriculum, or as superseding attendance at same time at University College; nor as being meant by us to encourage students to neglect to take advantage of grammar schools, where provided, previous to their coming up to the College seat. The Synod will feel it right to consider on what terms the present Tutor may still be retained in these capacities in connection with our Institution.

Another subject to which we respectfully call attention, is the examination of students. First, as regards the respective shares of responsibility which should be borne by the College Committee, and by Presbyteries; secondly, as regards the proposal of a Central Board of Examiners.

In connection with this, a desire, it may be stated, is felt that the relations of the College Committee generally to the Theological Institute, should be more precisely defined.

Again, it may be necessary to pass more specific rules defining the limits within which students should be required to act as Catechists or Missionaries, while yet in the course of their education. Especially, the demands on their services during the College Session have, it is felt, been carried to a degree injurious to their progress. Considering the larger number of preachers now available for the work of the Church, it becomes a question whether any other than the senior students should be called on for such service at all; and as to them, it seems expedient that the amount of service to be expected, or even permitted to be undertaken by them, should be distinctly understood. A rule existed in former years by which students were not expected to go out to supply churches more than six Sabbaths during one session. This has been greatly exceeded. Indeed, during last winter, some students were engaged—preaching every alternate Sabbath, or still more frequently. The long journeys occasionally lost the opportunities for receiving valuable instruction at the classes; and labours in the city or its vicinity also deducted from their time the power of applying their minds to their appropriate studies. A considerable addition to their distractions in this way arises from applications being often made to them direct'y, which the young men are averse to decline, rather than convinced that it is their duty to comply with them. It seems essentially necessary that there should be an end of such interferences; and that, besides re-establishing some such rule as formerly existed, it should be understood that all applications for extra service by any student, in the way of supplying pulpits of Ministers, should be first submitted to their Professors, and only allowed with their approbation and consent.

The Committee anticipate on another point the ready assent of the Synod; that is, as regards the change required in the time of commencing and closing Session term. In order to accommodate our arrangements to those of University College, it has become necessary to substitute 1st October for 1st November; and by substituting 1st April for 1st May, the students

will still be available for the same proportion of the year as before, for the work of Missionaries or Teachers during vacation of course, the present summer is an exception, the recess being shorter for this time by one month, on the supposition of their re-opening on 1st October next.

It only remains to advert again, in the close of this report, to the proposed improvements on the College premises. Plans will be laid before the Synod by the competent parties. In addition to enlarged accommodation for the students it has been suggested that advantage might be taken of the vacant ground, now the property of the Church, for the erection of dwelling houses for the Professors. The great advance in the rate of rental on houses in Toronto, as well as on the expense of living generally, will recommend some such proposal; and the Committee doubt not that the whole question of College repairs, or building will be sustained with the same spirit of liberality which has already called forth such prompt compliance with the proposal to purchase a College property, instead of continuing to depend on leased premises.

If at length, a call is made on the Church, for exertions on a larger scale in behalf of its Theological Seminary, it will at least be allowed that the parties more immediately interested forbore, from year to year, to press the claim for better accommodation than those leased premises afforded; deferring to the convenience of the Synod, and to the other objects of common interest which seemed to have a prior claim on the Church's attention. The exertions now expected have not been asked till after the means and resources of the Church have been greatly increased; it being not too much to assume that our congregations have been sharing in the general prosperity of the Province; and, finally, it is satisfactory to your Committee, that all these suggestions come before a Synod now largely composed of former pupils of the College Institute for which we are now reporting; who know its desiderata, as well as appreciate its value, and who will not fail to sustain it by their active exertions and prayers.

M. WILLIS, *Convenor.*

When people will not learn, it is just with God to remove their teachers into corners.

Many get very comfortably through this world, that know very little how the world goes.

REPORT ON PUBLICATION AND COLPORTAGE.

In presenting their Report your Committee have much pleasure in stating that active and enlarged efforts have been displayed by some of the Presbyteries in the distribution of a sound Theological Literature. The Presbyteries of London, Montreal, and Hamilton have had Colporteurs employed within their bounds to the number of 20 and upwards. There are now in the field about 13—of whom several are students of Knox's College, who are employing a part of the summer vacation in this good work. Thousands of families have been visited during this period, and with the most of these the Colporteurs have held religious conversations. Books to the number of many thousands have been sold; chiefly the publications of Nelson & Sons, Carter & Brothers, and the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia. In this way much precious seed of the kingdom has already been scattered, which may yet bring forth fruit thirty-fold. But those more immediately engaged in the work, feel increasingly the necessity of a

General Board to superintend the conduct and extension thereof. It is however to be distinctly understood that all the Colporteurs employed by the Board shall be under the direct ecclesiastical supervision of the Presbyteries in whose bounds they are labouring—they beg leave to submit the following draft of a Constitution.

Draft of a Constitution laid before the Committee of Publication, and Ordered to be Printed and sent to the Members of Committee.

I. The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, shall superintend and conduct the publication and circulation of religious books, designed for general diffusion among the Churches under its care. The immediate superintendence of this work shall be entrusted to a Committee appointed for that purpose, to be called the "Board of Publication and Colportage," said Board to be directly amenable to the Synod.

II. The Synod shall, at its present meeting, elect twelve Ministers and twelve Laymen as members of the Board of Publication and Colportage, who, at their first meeting, shall divide themselves into three classes: the first class of eight members shall serve for one year, the second for two years, and the third for three years,—the vacancies occurring by the expiration of these terms to be filled up by election, at the annual meeting of the Synod.—Each class after the two first, serving for three years.

III. To this Board, under the direction and inspection of the Synod, shall be entrusted the superintendence of the publication of works pertaining to the History, Discipline, Government, Doctrine, and General Religious Literature of our Church. Also the circulation of similar religious works published by other parties, and shall superintend and conduct the diffusion of such books by Depositories and Colportage.

IV. The Board, at its first meeting after the annual meeting of Synod, shall elect a Secretary, Treasurer, Agent, and Executive Committee, for the ensuing year. The Convener being elected by the Synod, and he, together with the Secretary and Treasurer being (ex-officio) members of the Executive Committee.

V. The Executive Committee shall consist of seven Members, and the duty of said Committee shall be to select books, to examine manuscripts submitted for publication and to superintend the publication of such as may be approved, making all contracts for printing, binding, &c.; to direct the work of colportage, and to take particular direction and management of the whole matters of publication and distribution, subject to the control and direction of the Board.

VI. All property, whether in books, fixtures, or permanent funds, shall be held by the Board, for the use and benefit of the Synod.

VII. The seat of operations shall be in the City of Hamilton, but the Committee shall have power to locate Branch Depositories at any other place which they may deem expedient.

VIII. The financial operations of the Board shall, in all cases, be conducted on cash principles.

BY-LAWS.

I

MEETING OF THE BOARD.

The Board shall meet steadily on the first Monday of each alternate month, and shall hold an annual meeting on the first Monday of the month succeeding the annual meeting of Synod. Seven members shall constitute a quorum. Special meetings may be called by the Convener,

notice of such meeting to be given to each member of the Board. The following shall be the order of business at each meeting.

1. Prayer.
2. Reading minutes of last meeting.
3. Do. do. Executive Committee.
4. Report of Secretary.
5. Do. Treasurer.
6. Do. Agent.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New Business.
9. Prayer.

II

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

§ 1. *The Convener.*—It shall be the duty of the Convener to take the general supervision of the affairs of the scheme, to call special meetings of the Board, to preside at meetings of Board and Executive Committee, to enforce the by-laws and preserve order. In the absence of the Convener, the Board shall elect a Chairman, *pro-tem-pore*, on whom those duties shall devolve.

§ 2. *Secretary.*—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a fair record of the minutes of the Board, and also of the Executive Committee, and to conduct the correspondence of the Board.

§ 3. *Treasurer.*—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the funds of the scheme, to pay all orders signed by the Agent, and counter-signed by the Convener, to report to the executive Committee at each of their meetings, or as often as called upon, on the state of the funds, and to prepare an annual account up to the first of May, for presentation to the Synod.

§ 4. *Agent or Superintendent.*—The Agent shall take charge of the Depository keeping all the property thereof in good order. He shall take charge of all the publications, receive orders from Colporteurs, Depositories and others, he shall lay before the Executive Committee, at each meeting, all bills and accounts against the scheme, and debts, and see that the books and accounts are properly kept; He shall also conduct the whole business correspondence of the scheme, and shall lay before the Executive Committee what purchases and arrangements are necessary, as well as what books and tracts are required—no purchases and arrangements being made by him without the sanction of the Executive Committee.

§ 5. *Executive Committee.*—This Committee shall meet on the first Monday of each alternate month, being these months in which there are no stated meetings of the Board. Five members shall constitute a quorum.—The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Prayer.
2. Reading Minutes of last Meeting.
3. Report of Agent.
4. Do.. Treasurer.
5. Do Standing Committees.
6. Do. Special Committees.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.
9. Prayer.

The Executive Committee shall decide on all works for publication and distribution, and in order to read and revise such works as may be presented for publication, they shall appoint a standing Committee on Publications.

They shall conduct all arrangements with publishers, authors, and others, in reference to the preparing and publishing of tracts and books, and to this end they may, if deemed necessary, appoint an editor to prepare such works for the press and to attend to the correction of the proofs.

The Executive Committee shall determine prices, style for binding, and other arrangements connected with publication.

All books, documents, or periodicals offered for publication by the Synod, shall be published under the supervision of this Committee.

The whole business of the Agent or Superintendent shall be under the supervision and control of this Committee.

The Committee shall elect all the Colporteurs of the scheme from nominations made by the Agent after trial and careful inquiry.

The Committee shall be empowered, if they see necessary, to elect from their number Standing Committees on Finance and Colportage.

The Committee shall keep a careful record of their proceedings in a suitable book to be submitted at each meeting of the Board.

III

MISCELLANEOUS.

§ 1. Each publication of this scheme shall bear the imprint, "Presbyterian Church of Canada—Publication Board" and a stamp bearing this imprint shall be prepared, with which all books purchased from other publishers shall be stamped on one of the fly leaves. No book shall be thus stamped that has not been voted upon and adopted by the Executive Committee, and no books without the stamp, except the sacred Scriptures and Psalms and Paraphrases, authorized versions, shall be issued from the Depositories.

§ 2. The Burning Bush with the legend "*non tamen consumebatur*" shall be imprinted on all books and periodicals directly published by the Committee.

§ 3. A discount of 20 per cent. shall be allowed on all cash purchases by Ministers, Theological Students, and Sabbath Schools, and an additional discount of 3 per cent. on all purchases by the same parties to the amount of £5 or upwards.

§ 4. All persons contributing at one time to the amount of £12 0s., shall be allowed each year tracts and books for private distribution to the amount of 5s. in value.

§ 5. Provision shall also be made in the case of benevolent individuals wishing to effect the publication of an approved work at a low price that any contribution they may make for that purpose will be applied so as to secure that end.

§ 6. The Agent shall be required to devote his time to the interests of the Society, and shall be paid an annual salary of £—

While the Board cannot in the mean time undertake any extended plan of publication, your Committee beg leave to submit to the Synod the following terms from Messrs. Nelson & Sons, Edinburgh and Toronto.

"York Chambers, Toronto,
"April 29th, 1846.

"Terms offered to the Committee of Publication of the Presbyterian Church of Canada."

"Thomas Nelson & Sons agree to supply the Committee of Publication with the books named in their catalogue at one-fourth off the retail prices.

"The prices affixed to the specimens presented are the nett cost to the Committee in currency; the retail price being one-third above nett price.

"Where an order for 200 or upwards of any one book is given, the name, motto, or designation of the Committee, or any information the Committee may desire, will be printed free of extra charge, and no other imprint will appear in the title page.

"When an order for 500 or upwards of any one book is given a reduction of 5 per cent. will be made, being in all one-third off retail price and 5 per cent. extra.

"And when an order for 1000 or upwards is given a further reduction of 5 per cent. will be made, being in all, one-third off, and 15 per cent. extra.

"Thomas Nelson & Sons agree to publish any reprint of any existing book or original work desired by the Committee, on the lowest terms consistent with good work, and to hold for the Committee stereotype plates and engravings, or other property connected therewith, and to produce editions of such books when ordered in the same ratio as the specimens presented, or when such books are suitable for Thomas Nelson & Sons general trade, they will offer for the copy right and for permission to sell them.

"Also to furnish catalogues of their own publications with the imprimatur of the Committee at cost price, or will add any list of other publications at a slight advance at cost price.

"Also to deliver in Toronto, free of charge, all orders received from the Committee.

"Accounts to be rendered 1st January and 1st July. An average credit of 6 months being allowed.

"For THOMAS NELSON & SONS,
"JAMES CAMPBELL.

"To the Committee of Publication of the
"Presbyterian Church of Canada."

Terms in many respects similar have been submitted by Messrs. Carter & Brothers of New York. The Committee respectfully recommend that the Board be directed and empowered to arrange fully with Messrs. Nelson & Sons as Synod's Publishers, and to secure a supply of such volumes published by Messrs. Carter & Brothers, and the Presbyterian Board of Publication Philadelphia, as the Board may agree to adopt according to the provision of the Constitution.

Your Committee would add here that the advantages resulting from obtaining such a quantity of books as a general Synodical scheme will render necessary, will go far to defray the expenses of the Depository and the Agent's stipend. The funds required from the Churches being thus applied to the purely Missionary work of the Board.

A reference from last Synod in regard to the American Tract Society was taken up by your Committee, and it was unanimously agreed that there should be no connection, under present circumstances, between that Society and the contemplated Board.

Your Committee further report:—That in accordance with the reference of the Synod last year, a book on the duties of the Eldership has been carefully prepared, and is now under the consideration of your Committee. They are authorized further to say in behalf of the Committee on Ministers' Libraries, that the provision made in the Constitution for the discounts to Ministers will, in a great measure, attain the end designed by that Committee.

Your Committee would further direct your attention to the necessity of employing a Lay Agency in the evangelization of these lands.—Colportage is in the opinion of your Committee, the safest, most efficient, and economical mode of employing such agency. Those who have given themselves fully to the work, feel a growing conviction of its importance, as giving access to Romish and other families, where the door would otherwise be closed, as well as carrying the Gospel to the remote districts of our land where preachers of the Gospel are seldom seen. Colportage is admirably adapted for counteracting the profane and demoralizing literature which is being scattered over our towns and hamlets, as well as for diffusing information as to the doctrines of our Church, and in time strengthening the faith of our people in our great and characteristic doctrines. All these considerations give importance and value to the work, which the Committee earnestly and respectfully commend to the consideration of the Synod.

DAVID ISGLIS, *Concener.*

REPORT ON STATISTICS.

The Committee on Statistics in presenting their Annual Report have to observe that, notwithstanding the decided recommendation of Synod, the returns given in this year do not exceed those of last year, considering the increase in the number of settled charges. It was reported at last Synod that twelve congregations had omitted to send in their returns, and the Committee regret to state that, at least, an equal number are in default this year; two of which were unrepresented last year. It is but an act of justice to all parties to record them for the information of the respective Presbyteries:—

Presbytery of Montreal; 6—Indian Lands, Osnabrock, Lingwick, St. Sylvester, English River, Leeds.

Brockville and Ottawa; 1—Osgoode and Gloucester.

Kingston; 3—Gananoque, Madoc, Roslin, and Melrose.

Cobourg; 3—S. Cavan, Cartwright, Percy.

Toronto; None

Hamilton; 2—Wellesly, E. Puslinch.

London; 1—Port Stanley.

Total, 16.

It is to be noted that vacant congregations are not included in the above list, that in the case of the *Presbytery of Kingston*, the minister of Gananoque is absent from the country, and that the other places mentioned have since become vacant. Cartwright and Percy in the *Presbytery of Cobourg* are vacant.

(It will be seen from the statistical tables that returns have since been received from English River, Gananoque and S. Cavan.)

MEMBERSHIP.

The Committee report with great satisfaction an increase in the membership, although the returns do not nearly embrace all the congregations. It is delightful to note progress in any department of the Church's great work; but it is still more pleasing to record improvement in the spiritual element. The silver and the gold do not constitute the strength of any Church—its efficiency and permanency depend on the purity and spirituality of its members. It may be asserted with confidence that if all were included, the tabular statement hereto annexed would present even a more pleasing appearance than it now does. Still, an increase in one year of 2,531 members is matter of great thankfulness:—

PRESBYTERIES.	No. of Ministers		Members		Increase in 1856		Cong'l Libraries		No. of Vols. in		Manses & Glebes		Value of Manses & Glebes		Value of Church's	
	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	1855	1856	
Montreal	19	17	1776	71	5	964	1929	19170								
Brockville and Ottawa	13	1804	75	3	681	5	975	8000								
Kingston	5	518	26	9	282			6020								
Cobourg	11	1498	160	21	325			4250								
Toronto	19	1116	912	6	1302	4	1430	11400								
Hamilton	22	3553	518	4	2930			14895								
London	21	2457	315	4	619			13457								
Total	110	13729	1773	97	3743	23	11067	77312								
Last year	104	11101	1509	95	3036	25	10042	49805								
Increase	6	2531	264	2	707	2	1925	27507								

It thus appears that there is an increase in all the items save the increase of members on the year, while the total increase of the membership, as already noted, approaches nearly 3000. This apparent discrepancy arises from the changes in the congregations reported and not reported.

It is gratifying to notice the increase in the number of Congregational Libraries, and likewise of Manses and Glebes. The Committee would renew their recommendation that congregations would pay particular attention to these matters, with a view to subserve their own improvement and the comfort of their pastors.

By referring to the report of last year, it may be seen that the material property of the Church amounted to between £60,000 and £70,000; this year it reaches to within a trifle of £90,000, and if the other congregations were reported it would exceed £100,000.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

It is matter of regret that some congregations that elicited remarks last year, have abstained from presenting a statement of their affairs for the year just closed. It is thus impossible to say whether good has been done by the remarks made on former occasions, or whether Presbyteries have done their duty. Shame, probably, has been the cause why a report has not been given in.

STIPENDS.

In the matter of ministerial support there is a favourable and unfavourable phase, but, upon the whole, there is ground of encouragement. The Committee would submit to the Synod the case of the following congregations that pay their ministers less than £100 per annum:

Presbytery of Montreal, 3—Metus, £60, St. Thereso, £50, Richmond, £55.

Presbytery of Brockville and Ottawa, 3—Dalhousie, £30, Aylmer & Nepan, £20, S. Gover, £25.

Presbytery of Hamilton, 1—Owen Sound, £76.

Presbytery of London, 1—Amherstburgh, £82. The Presbyteries of Kingston, Cobourg, and Toronto have reported no minister in the receipt of less than £100 per annum.

The salaries throughout the bounds of the Synod, as far as reported, range through the following scale.

Under £100	8 this year to	7 last yr.
£100 and under	150 44	50 "
£150 "	200 25	13 "
£200 "	300 7	6 "
£300 "	400 4	2 "
	400 2	2 "

It thus appears that there has been a considerable rise in the amount paid to ministers. It is to be hoped that another year will present a still more pleasing state of things in this respect.

KNOX'S COLLEGE.

It was reported last year, that 13 congregations had failed to contribute to the funds of our Theological Institute; and notwithstanding the earnest appeals made on that occasion, 17 are reported this year with this column blank—an increase of 4 in the wrong direction. The deliberations of Synod in connection with this Institution have already, no doubt, superseded the necessity of pressing on the churches the duty of being more than usually liberal. An increase in the expenditure, calls for an increase in the donations of the people.

The congregations who have failed are:—*Presbytery of Montreal*; 3—St. Thereso, Leclaire, St. Louis and Durham.

Brockville and Ottawa; 4—Dalhousie, S. Gover, Wakefield, Aylmer and Nepanec.

Kingston; 1—Chalmers' Church Kings on.

Cobourg; 2—Baltimore, Trenton.

Toronto; 1—Barnie.

Hamilton; 2—Niagara, Paris.

London; 4—Stratford, Woodstock, (Eng.) Buxton Sauguen.

Although the number in default is greater than last year, yet the amount reported, as will be seen in the subjoined table, exceeds considerably the contributions of that year.

In point of fact the contributions for the ordinary College Fund are rather less than last year, the apparent increase arising from the circumstance that two or three congregations have included their contributions to the Building Fund in their returns.

P. C. MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Only 4 congregations are reported this year, to 8 last year, as not having taken up the Synodical collection for this scheme, viz: Nassagaweya, Paris and Blenheim, in the Presbytery of Hamilton, and N. Easthope in the Presbytery of London.

BUXTON MISSION AND SYNOD FUND.

The following six congregations have not contributed to this object:

- Presbytery of Montreal; 2—St. Gabriel Street Church, Montreal; Metis, Cobourg; 1—Trenton.
- Hamilton; 2—Paris, Wellington Square.
- London; 1—Brucefield.

In the Presbyteries of Toronto, and Brockville, and Ottawa, there are no blanks!

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The recent decision of Synod has given this scheme a new and increased interest. We have a Foreign Mission of our own, and there is little doubt that the contributions of the people will respond to the act of faith of the Synod in God and in them. Only 7 have failed to collect for the last year, and the committee believe, that next year's report will present few or no blanks.

The 7 who have not reported contributions are Metis, Trenton, Chinguacousy, Streetsville, King, Wellington Square, Ingersol.

WIDOWS' FUND.

The contributions to this deeply interesting scheme are upon the whole encouraging, although there are still eleven congregations who are unrepresented. They are the following:—

- Presbytery of Montreal; 2—Metis, Richmond.
- Kingston; 1—Chalmers' Church, Kingston.
- Cobourg; 1—Trenton.
- Toronto; 2—Chinguacousy, Acton.
- Hamilton; 4—Nassagaweya, Niagara, Paris, Blenheim.

Brockville and Ottawa, and London Presbyteries have no blanks!

PRESBYTERY H. M. FUND.

All the congregations in the Presbyteries of Brockville and Ottawa, Kingston, and Toronto, have contributed to their respective local funds, and the same may be said of the Presbytery of Montreal. The congregations of Norwood in the Presbytery of Cobourg, and Guelph and Niagara in that of Hamilton have given nothing. Saugceen is the only non-contributor in the Presbytery of London.

BURSARIES.

The Synod has had its attention already called to the importance of this subject, and it is hoped that the facts stated will have their influence on the next year's contributions. Young men of promise have often been deterred from entering College, on account of their inability to meet the necessary expense. A few dollars from each of our congregations would greatly supplement the means of the student. Only seven congregations, within the bounds, have sided this fund. They are St. Gabriel Street Church, Montreal; Ramsay, Dundas, Galt; Knox's Church, Hamilton; St. Catharines. As the sums are scarcely noticeable in themselves, they are added to the miscellaneous in the following comprehensive table:

TABULAR STATEMENT, 1856.

PRESBYTERIES.		Stipend.		Knox's College		F. C. Mis'y So'y		Buxton Mission		Foreign Mission		Widows' Fund		Pres. Home Mis		Paid on Build'ngs		Miscellaneous		
Montreal	2090	301	121*	41	110	47	127	1077	1195	438	1365	12803	1294	455	324	591	754	792	6102	5564
Brockville and Ottawa	1548	30	57	31	31	40	610	980	133	293	5664	1469	840	445	307	531	148	765	5664	4199
Kingston	678*	49	94	15*	21	10*	42	133	293	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
Cobourg	1641	102	23*	25*	63	31*	58*	885	923	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
Toronto	2228	189*	80	74	76	59	94	988	1088	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
Hamilton	3198	505	89	89	179	135	197	1164	1087	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
London	2420	108*	61	56*	97*	56*	234	1252	1287	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
Total	12803	1294	455	324	591	754	792	6102	5564	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
In 1855	11469	840	445	307	531	148	765	5664	4199	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	
Increase in 1856	934	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	438	1365	444	10	17	60	6	97	438	1365	

Those Presbyteries whose contributions this year are less than those of last year, are marked with an *

The following is a recapitulation of all the contributions in the several Presbyteries:—

Montreal	£5109
Brockville and Ottawa	2691
Kingston	1254
Cobourg	3905
Toronto	4876
Hamilton	7157
London	5096

Grand Total: £20,088

Last year the amount was about £25000—there is thus an increase on the year of at least, £5000.

Hamilton, as last year, is the Presbytery that raises the greatest amount of money, and Knox's Church, Hamilton, the congregation. The amount contributed by this congregation, is £1566, about £40 more than Colé Street Church, Montreal, the next in order.

The Committee in concluding their report, have pleasure in stating that the devotedness of the ministers to missionary and pastoral work is matter of thankfulness. With few exceptions all the Pastors within the bounds visit the families of their congregations, at least once a year. Bible classes and Sabbath Schools are found in connection with almost all the congregations, and it is believed that few laborers are more zealous and self-denying than the majority of the ministers of this Synod. Your Committee, would not overlook the lesson taught by Paul that "God giveth the increase."

The Committee would submit in an appendix changes which they believe, would render the report more full as well as less laborious in time to come.

All the papers have now been gone over, and the Committee feel that they are called upon to thank God, and congratulate the Synod for the encouraging results that are achieved. In all departments there has been an increase, and the Committee believe they are warranted to hope that our people will show the same diligence in years to come. The sum of £13,983, raised for

stipends, divided by 110, would give each minister upwards of £125—an increase of £5 on the proportion of last year; and although the sum is small, it is an indication of progress.

In fine, our church now consists of 110 settled ministers, about 20 ordained missionaries or probationers, 1349 reported members, upwards of 29000 average attendance on Sabbath, raising upwards of £30000 for its various schemes, and possessing property to the extent of at least £100,000.

In the name of Committee,
S. C. FRASER.

COLPORTAGE AND PUBLICATIONS.

(To the Editor of the Record.)

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—Having been informed of a discussion or conversation, which took place at a recent meeting of the Presbytery of Toronto, in reference to the Board of Publication and Colportage, and believing that the members of that Reverend Court are mistaken in regard to the sum which the Board proposes to raise, I am anxious at once to correct that mistake, and respectfully ask a small space in the Record for this purpose.

In speaking of the sum which it is necessary to raise for this important missionary effort, one of the members of the Board mentioned a sum so large, that were that sum necessary I would quite agree that the effort is impracticable. That gentleman was however misunderstood, for I learn from conversations with him since, that his meaning was that in order to explore the whole country, by means of Colporteurs, the sum he mentioned would be necessary; but he never imagined that we could obtain either the men or the means for such an extensive work at present.

But having now given much time and attention to this work, I do think my own views on the subject are entitled to consideration, and I stated distinctly to the Board that I never contemplated asking the Church for such a sum.—The sum of £500 I spoke of as something to be aimed at, but that sum contemplates an enlarged scheme of operation, which will not be attempted until the funds are secured. A still more careful investigation of the expense of the Colporteurs already in the field, has confirmed me in the correctness of the statement which I made in Synod, that £12 10s. will support a Colporteur for one year; that is, that sum is necessary in addition to the profits on the books sold by them. Hence for £250 we can maintain twenty of these self-denying laborers; and the number of Colporteurs as well as the amount of gratuitous contributions, must depend simply upon the liberality with which the Church responds to the call. The expenses of Agent and Depository will in a great measure be met by the liberal terms of publication for which we have arranged.

Of course I anticipate opposition and misunderstandings in this as in every good work, but I am anxious to remove these misunderstandings from the minds of esteemed brethren who I know have the good of the cause as deeply at heart as I can have. As to those who oppose the movement itself, I must be allowed to express my surprise and regret that when the subject was fully and freely discussed in the Synod by its tripartite, not one voice was raised in opposition to it.—From the experience of those who have been engaged in the work in the United States, and from the brief trial we have already had of its operation among ourselves, I am firmly convinced that this is a missionary effort eminently suitable to the wants of Canada, and I do confidently and earnestly ask the prayers and liberality of the Church on its behalf. That it will interfere with our other efforts I do not believe. On the contrary, it will add greatly to the extension of our church and to the efficiency of all our other missionary efforts.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID INGLIS.

Hamilton, July 21st, 1856.

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PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.																			
1 Metis.....	William McAlister.	48	71	18	5	1	1	120	1	2	16	67	166	40	4	
2 Quebec.....	William B. Clark	89	193	18	11	42	1	.....	.....	12	400	1	1	45	163	161	400	occasion'l
3 St. Therese de Blainville.....	David Black	23	70	3	1	.....	4	.....	.....	1	55	occn	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	.....
4 Lachute.....	Thomas Henry	160	165	9	1	6	6	.....	.....	2	450	1	.....	.....	75	200	200	.....
5 Richmond.....	R. C. Swinton	75	85	.....	10	.....	5	.....	.....	2	310	.....	.....	40	60	.....	175	occasion'l
6 Cote Street, Montreal.....	D. Fraser, A. M.	.....	344	34	35	61	6	9	.....	2	900	.....	5	20	346	306	200	.....
7 Lochiel.....	Duncan Cameron	150	101	7	3	.....	10	11	.....	5	600	.....	13	20	100	145	157	occasion'l
8 Cornwall.....	Hugh Campbell	48	64	14	2	12	2	4	.....	.....	150	2	1	30	70	.....	160	occasion'l
9 Lacaster and Dalhousie Mills.....	John Anderson.	55	57	17	4	2	4	7	.....	3	260	1	4	60	60	.....	.....	do.
10 St. Louis and Durham.....	Robt. McArthur	15	40	1	1	20	3	4	.....	3	50	2	.....	12	10	.....	.....	do.
11 Inverness.....	John Crombie	35	70	11	2	1	3	4	.....	3	80	2	.....	12	10	.....	.....	do.
12 Vankleekhill.....	Peter Currie	55	70	.....	.....	4	4	.....	.....	4	200	1	1	25	60	.....	150	occasion'l
13 St. Eustache.....	Peter Currie	60	60	.....	.....	4	5	3	.....	.....	250	1	1	30	90	.....	100	.....
14 Laguerre.....	Vacant	86	86	5	3	2	4	.....	.....	.....	160	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....
15 St. Gabriel St. Church, Montreal.	Do.	50	50	9	1	1	3	5	.....	.....	100	.....	1	.....	30	.....	.....	.....
16 English River.....	Alex. F. Kemp	130	186	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	400	.....	2	50	120	.....	300	.....
17 Indian Lands.....	John Milne	76	141	10	46	8	3	4	.....	1	280	1	1	25	45	92	150	.....
18 Leeds.....	Daniel Gordon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19 Winslow.....	J. McConcechy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20 Osnabrock.....	E. McLean	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	J. C. Quin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.																			
1 Dundas.....	M. Y. Stark, A. M.	69	110	7	25	31	4	4	.....	9	230	2	1	18	80	.....	500	occasion'l
2 Galt.....	John Bayne, D. D.	.....	500	15	20	13	.....	.....	.....	15	80	.....	.....	.....	190	.....	150	.....
3 Fergus.....	George Smellie	440	11	46	70	11	6	.....	.....	1	350	wk'y	1	35	100	.....	275	occasion'l
4 Saltfleet and Binbrook.....	George Chyno	62	138	3	15	13	9	.....	.....	9	200	1	.....	30	100	120	100	occasion'l
5 Cumminsville and Nairn.....	Alexander McLean	165	145	.....	.....	4	4	1	.....	.....	400	1	.....	.....	80	120	312	4
6 Owen Sound.....	John McKinnon	87	96	12	8	7	5	5	.....	.....	200	1	1	15	40	.....	100	occasion'l
7 Brantford.....	John Alexander	75	119	28	33	19	5	.....	.....	.....	250	often	1	25	.....	.....	100	occasion'l
8 Ayr.....	Duncan McRuar	162	283	18	36	3	6	.....	.....	7	540	1	1	.....	32	.....	150	5 Sabb.
9 Guelph.....	Samuel Young	81	192	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	11	260	1	.....	.....	100	.....	100	.....
10 Caledonia, &c.....	James Black	13	280	30	38	22	9	6	.....	.....	500	1	1	.....	116	.....	200	.....
11 Nassagaweya.....	Andrew J. McAulay	100	87	90	11	5	5	.....	.....	12	230	1	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	4 weeks.
12 Hamilton, Knox's Church.....	Robert Irvine	.....	547	61	67	58	16	8	.....	3	775	1	1	80	20	700	500	.....
13 Niagara.....	James Pirie	4	58	.....	.....	5	39	4	.....	.....	90	1	.....	15	30	.....	150	10 days.
14 Hamilton, McNab Street Church.	David Inglis	95	165	40	79	14	5	6	.....	.....	375	1	1	80	145	.....	150	occasion'l
15 Paris.....	Andrew Steven	32	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16 Wellfleet.....	Robt. D. McKay	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17 St. Catharines.....	Robt. F. Burns	65	7	15	32	11	2	.....	.....	7	175	2	3	55	80	304	260	.....
18 Blenheim.....	John Gillespie	60	123	17	18	11	5	.....	.....	6	250	1	.....	.....	80	.....	200	.....
19 East Puelinch.....	Alex. McLean, recently settled	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20 Wellington Square & Waterdown.	William McIndoe	53	50	6	8	2	3	2	.....	6	150	2	2	24	15	50	.....	.....
21 Port Dover and Simcoe.....	William Craigie	25	40	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	70	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	120	newly set.
22 Elora.....	Jas. Middlemiss, a new charge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23 Danville.....	Vacant	20	51	.....	.....	15	3	.....	.....	5	80	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
24 Doon and New Hope.....	.....	41	42	3	5	3	.....	.....	.....	2	180	1	2	52	78	.....	.....	.....
BROCKVILLE & OTTAWA.																			
1 Prescott.....	Robt. Boyd, D. D.	80	160	20	.....	10	7	.....	.....	13	220	1	1	25	80	.....	200	.....
2 Osgoode and Gloucester.....	William Lochhead	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 Dalhousie.....	James Geggie	.....	84	6	1	12	3	.....	.....	12	20	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 McNab & Horton.....	S. C. Fraser, A. M.	120	209	10	13	2	6	3	.....	7	200	1	.....	.....	120	.....	500	.....
5 S. Gower, Oxford and Mountain.....	Wm. J. McDowell	90	120	4	.....	1	7	.....	.....	7	300	1	.....	.....	80	.....	200	.....
6 Ottawa, Knox's Church.....	Thos. Wardrop	.....	195	9	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	1	3	50	120	100	200	.....
7 Wakefield.....	John Corbett	56	116	3	.....	2	5	.....	.....	5	180	2	.....	60	24	.....	84	.....
8 Beckwith and Goulburne.....	Peter Gray	46	110	.....	6	9	5	.....	.....	5	250	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	200	.....
9 Perth.....	James B. Duncan	30	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	150	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....
10 Avlmer and Nepean.....	John L. Gourlay	130	227	3	19	14	9	.....	.....	7	400	.....	1	60	70	300	250	.....
11 Ramsay.....	James Smith	110	112	12	.....	9	4	.....	.....	10	320	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	.....
12 Bristol.....	James Smith	146	28	8	7	.....	4	.....	.....	9	520	reg.	2	45	140	250	.....	.....
13 Brockville.....	David Wardrop	126	25	10	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	250	1	.....	.....	53	.....	100	.....
.....	Vacant	58	12	4	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	250	.....	1	15	75	.....	200	.....

N. B. In consequence of the size of the columns, some supplementary clauses contained in Congregational Returns have been omitted. We observe that in some instances moneys contributed for the College Buildings have been included in sum for ordinary College Fund.

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PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.																				
1	Knor's Church, Toronto.....	Robert Burns, D. D.	250	380	17	80	27	7	5	2	950	1	5	100	280	520	250	8 weeks.		
2	West Gwillimbury.....	Thomas Lowry.....	72	65	6	8	11	2	10	2	300	occ	2	20	90	100	420	occasion'l		
3	Vaughan.....	William Meldrum.....	53	71	6	6	3	6	7	2	160	1	1	8	38	100	5	5		
4	Chingacousy.....	A. T. Holmes.....	89	149	10	14	11	6	1	8	65	1	occ	50	50	134	160	3 weeks.		
5	York Mills.....	Thomas Wightman.....	87	110	6	13	21	7	11	2	240	2	2	84	100	900	2	2		
6	Thorn and Eldon.....	John McTavish.....	171	139	26	6	5	2	12	1	175	occ	occ	100	60	500	250	2		
7	Acton.....	John McLachlan.....	90	116	15	5	7	5	12	1	290	1	1	15	140	600	700	2		
8	Oakville and Dundas Street.....	James Niobot.....	45	77	1	5	3	6	8	3	300	1	1	15	140	600	700	2		
9	Streetsville.....	Robert Ure.....	70	150	9	10	9	6	6	2	300	1	1	vars.	100	600	700	2		
10	{ Orillia..... Oro..... Medonte.....	John Gray.....	114	152	7	5	8	7	4	2	270	2	2	25	90	450	3 weeks.			
11	Union and Norval.....	J. Alexander, A. M.	130	182	10	7	10	5	11	2	300	1	1	100	115	450	2 Sabb.			
12	King.....	James Adams.....	80	93	8	11	12	2	9	2	180	1	1	40	20	30	occasion'l			
13	Harrie and Innisfil.....	Robert McKenzie.....	80	100	7	10	3	2	14	2	250	1	1	40	130	100	400	2		
14	Scarboro' and H. Creek.....	John Laing.....	113	163	22	24	17	7	11	2	350	1	1	40	130	100	400	2		
15	Cooke's Church, Toronto.....	Vacant.																		
16	Markham.....	Vacant.																		
17	Brock and Reach.....	Vacant.																		
18	Whitby.....	Vacant.	70	105	23	8	1	10	2	270	1	15	25	100						
19	Boston Church, Esquimaux.....	Vacant.	28	64	7	14	2	3	1	95										
PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.																				
1	Zorra.....	Donald McKenzie.....	300	212	4	6	7	14	2	800	occ	1	150	200	400					
2	North Easthope.....	Daniel Allan.....	50	78	1	3	8	1	8	1	150	yr'ly	1	20	45	100	6			
3	Stratford.....	Thos. McPherson.....	120	180	10	10	3	4	9	2	300	yr'ly	1	12	50	150	200	4		
4	Edmondville.....	William Graham.....	80	131	6	16	4	4	9	1	150	yr'ly	1	62	80	450	4			
5	Ingersoll.....	Robert Wallace.....	98	106	12	14	8	3	7	2	250	yr'ly	1	62	80	450	4			
6	Elfrid and Moss.....	Wm. R. Sutherland.....	180	186	9	5	3	9	3	2	300	yr'ly	1	40	271	100	7			
7	Chatham.....	Angus McColl.....	120	4	4	3	3	5	2	300	yr'ly	1	12	100	100	4				
8	Williams.....	Lechlan McPherson.....	80	79	5	3	4	8	2	250	occ	1	25	40	4	4				
9	Woodstock, Knor's Church.....	W. S. Ball.....	130	290	14	33	3	7	11	2	400	1	60	130	130	4				
10	London.....	John Scott.....	930	377	31	75	25	3	10	6	550	yr'ly	1	50	200	125	250	4		
11	Buxton.....	William King.....	21	50	4	6	3	1	3	1	140	yr'ly	1	20	141	174	234	8		
12	Bracefield.....	John Ross.....	120	128	7	10	3	6	6	2	350	occ	3	60	200	5				
13	Woodstock, Chalmers' Church.....	Duncan McDiarmid.....	72	74	16	15	10	4	2	3	300	yr'ly	2	21	80	120	5			
14	Ambertsburgh.....	William McLaren.....	43	45	1	2	2	3	2	100	occ	1	15	35	195	4				
15	Blandford.....	Andrew Tolmie.....	75	135	15	5	6	3	14	2	350	yr'ly	1	15	50	195	4			
16	Aldersburgh.....	Duncan McMillan.....	93	6	3	1	8	6	2	350	yr'ly	1	30	75	300	4				
17	Sarnia.....	David Walker.....	50	100	11	6	3	3	5	2	200	occ	2	40	70	100	5			
18	Port Stanley.....	William Deak.....																		
19	Saugus.....	James McNaughton.....	52	79	8	16	3	5	2	100	occ	2	20	50	240	4				
20	Lobo.....	James Ferguson.....	75	75	10	5	2	2	12	2	250	occ	2	20	50	240	4			
PRESBYTERY OF COBURG.																				
1	South Cavan and Millbrook.....	James Douglas.....	109	238	20	6	3	6	5	2	250	2							3 Sabb.	
2	Coburg.....	Donald McLeod.....	155	261	31	14	10	5	5	2	500	yr'ly	1	60	120	100	2			
3	Peterborough.....	John M. Roger.....	150	300	16	20	20	7	10	2	500	yr'ly	1	50	130	300	200	Every S.		
4	Grafton and Colborne.....	John Wilson Smith.....	126	168	11	11	3	8	9	8	350	yr'ly	2	40	10	360	3			
5	Baltimore and Coldsprings.....	Wm. J. McKenzie.....	190	18	13	18	9	10	2	400	occ	2	30	100	500	3				
6	Ottawa.....	Francis Andrews.....	85	170	27	6	9	11	9	450	yr'ly	1	100	400	3					
7	Darlington.....	John Smith.....	110	160	2	9	3	10	8	6	400	yr'ly	1	30	60	250	2			
8	Cartwright and Maovers.....	Robert Boag.....																		
9	Springville.....	William Blain.....	84	128	13	6	5	3	5	2	250	yr'ly	occ	30	60	occasion'l				
10	Newwood.....	James Bevie.....	75	63	2	12	5	5	6	2	350	yr'ly	2	12	35	100	occasion'l			
11	Trinton.....	James A. Thomson.....	63	58	3	11	4	25	2	120	frq't	2	12	35	234	3 weeks.				
12	Ferry and Alawick.....																			
PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.																				
1	Belleville.....	William Gregg.....	110	130	15	9	18	3	7	2	250	2	4	70	125	60	150	occasion'l		
2	Brock Street, Kingston.....	Andrew Wilson.....	135	120	21	5	30	4	7	2	250	1	1	45	140	220	200	2 Sabb.		
3	Chalmers' Church, Kingston.....	David B. Pearce.....	100	125	5	11	5	2	7	2	250	1	1	50	150	130	130	5 Sabb.		
4	Pictou.....	Thomas S. Chambers.....	66	93	11	3	9	2	7	2	150	2	1	12	64	40	40	40		
5	Gananoque.....	Henry Gordon.....	66	66	3	3	8	8	1	1	180	2	1	1	1	1	1	1		
6	Madoc.....	No Minister.....																		
7	Reelin and Melrose.....	No Minister.....																		

DEATH OF WILLIAM ROSS, ESQ.,
RED RIVER.

Mr. Enrot.—The insertion of obituary notices, from time to time in the columns of the *Record*, ought to exercise a wholesome influence. For my part, I can say, that I never read such notices without feeling that another solemn warning is addressed to me. I am led to pause and reflect—to consider the fact embodied in the notice, and the more general facts of men's mortal nature—the uncertainty and unsatisfactory character of all things earthly—the certainty of an eternity of bliss or woe after death; and all this in connection with my privileges and consequent responsibilities. Such is my humble experience, and such, I am sure, is the experience of most, if not all, of the readers of the *Record*; and such, indeed, is the legitimate and direct effect. Besides, is there not in every Christian's death an additional proof given of the reality and power of religion, by the manifestation of hope and joy at a time when all else fails, and when the mere worldling sinks and despairs? Convinced as I am, therefore, from these and similar considerations, of the utility of these notices, I submit to you, for insertion, the following sketch.

Mr. Ross died at the Red River Settlement, on Sabbath the 11th May, 1856, aged 31 years. He was one of the most devoted and influential members of the Free Church there, and his loss is felt not only by the circle of his immediate friends and relatives, but by the whole congregation of which he was a member. His father is a much-esteemed Elder in Mr. Black's Church, and his mother (who is, by the way, a native of Oregon Territory) is a high-minded and decidedly pious woman. He received a good "English education," and commenced business on his own account, as a merchant, when he was 21. In Mr. Ross, there was a beautiful blending of the "Christian" and the "man of business." He could mingle with the world and take an active part in civil affairs; but he did all things "as unto the Lord." He held, at the time of his death, the offices of Sheriff, Councillor, and Postmaster, and is unanimously admitted to have discharged their functions with fidelity and ability. As an evidence of this, the following note of sympathy addressed to his widow, by the Governor and Council of the River, will speak for itself:—

"Upper Fort Garry, May 29th, 1856.

"To Mrs. Ross.—Madam,—At a meeting of the Governor and Council of Assiniboia, held yesterday, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

"Moved by the Lord Bishop of Rupert's Land, seconded by the Rev. M. Lalleche,

"That the Clerk of the Council be directed to communicate to the widow of the late William Ross, Esq., the regret which they feel at his untimely death, their deep sense of his fidelity and efficiency as a public officer, and their sympathy with his bereaved family.

(Signed) "W. R. SMITH, Clerk."

And yet honored and beloved as he was by the people, as well as by his colleagues in office, he manifested, on all occasions, a marked humility. He was always of a cheerful disposition, and unassuming though firm. His piety was unobtrusive, but real and deep, and shown with peculiar brightness in his last moments. He died in hope. A lovely serenity beamed in his countenance as he held his aged father's hand and said, "Ah! I know that my Redeemer liveth. I know in whom I have believed. Come Lord Jesus!" His departure from this world was not accompanied by any signs of violent pain; it was calm and peaceful, reminding one of that sweet and out-of-the-world expression "he fell asleep in Jesus." The Roman poet said, "Somnus inuictus inuago."—"Sleep is the image of death"—and said truly; but is not the converse true also, in the case of

the Christian? that dying is a falling-asleep? And yet it is not true of the impenitent sinner. Misspent days, an neglected or despised privileges haunt him, and his soul is convulsed at the thought of the Judgment. No wonder that his death should be unlike a gentle falling-asleep!

Mr. Ross has left behind him a widow and four children. The widow bears her affliction with Christian resignation; and though deprived of her main earthly stay, she has been left with ample means. In my remark in conclusion, that his father is the Alex. Ross who, at the head of Lord Selkirk's colonists (staunch Presbyterians from the Highlands of Scotland) long fought the battles of Presbyterianism in that colony, and ultimately succeeded in having it established there, notwithstanding the frowns of Episcopacy. They all belong to the Free Church, and are at present enjoying the able services of the Rev. John Black. In reference to this instance, and all similar ones, we may well exclaim with the Apostle Peter,—“All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof fadeth away; but the word of the Lord endureth for ever!” J. R.

Spiritual strength and stability are to be found at the door of God's temple when using means of grace, we must wait for the gifts of grace

Disobedient Children think that they are well enough off, if they can but keep their good old parents ignorant of their evil courses; but a bird of the air will carry the voices.

Office of Ecclesiastical and Missionary
Record, &c.

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Communications intended for the *Record* should be in the Editor's hands by the 15th of the month.

The Record.

TORONTO, AUGUST, 1856.

REVIVAL IN CAMBUSLANG, SCOTLAND, IN 1742.

Towards the middle of last century a revival of religion was very generally experienced, both in America and in Great Britain. God put it into the hearts of faithful men, in places very distant from each other, at the same time, to preach more fully and practically than was then the custom, the cardinal doctrines of christianity. On account of what was termed their irregularities in preaching the gospel, not a few devoted men in England and Wales were put out of the Established Church. But the more that

the Gospel was thus opposed, the more faithfully did these men preach—the more did God's word prevail, and the more did converts multiply. No place was more favoured by the presence of God with power for the salvation of souls than Cambuslang. This is a small parish about five miles from Glasgow, on the southern bank of the Clyde; at the time of which we write the population was nine hundred souls. The minister, Mr. McCulloch, was a man of much prayer and true godliness, but not distinguished by eminent gifts. He had for many years been faithfully labouring among his flock, and during the year 1741, had been preaching almost constantly on the doctrine of regeneration as exhibited in the word of God. The attention of the people gradually increased, and Mr. McCulloch used to spend the evening of the Sabbath in narrating, to those who were assembled, the work of God as then going on in revivals in England, Wales, and America. About this time Mr. Whitfield visited Glasgow, and his preaching no doubt, had some effect in producing the subsequent revival in Cambuslang. In the beginning of the year 1742, a deep concern about religion manifested itself among the people of Cambuslang, and Mr. McCulloch was requested by the people to establish a week day service, which was thereafter observed on Thursday afternoon. Little more than two weeks after the Thursday meeting began, there was a meeting for prayer held at the manse by all the particular societies for prayer which had long been kept up throughout the parish. This was on Monday; on Tuesday it was repeated, and again on Wednesday. The great object of prayer was the revival of the Lord's work throughout the world. On Thursday, immediately after the ordinary service, not fewer than fifty persons went to speak with the minister under deep religious impressions. The time occupied in speaking to each was considerable; and as on the following days more came, it was at length necessary to preach a sermon every day to three inquirers. The work went thus quietly on for about three months, until not fewer than three hundred were hopefully converted. The next period that appears fraught with more than ordinary interest is the first communion season. This ordinance was observed on July 11. By that time about five hundred had been brought under deep concern.

As was the custom, very many of the neighbouring ministers and others from a distance were present, all deeply interested in the work which was going on. Among these we find Mr. Whitfield taking a prominent part. He writes of this season as follows:—"At noon I came from Glasgow to Cambuslang, the place which God has so much renowned. I preached at two, to a vast body of people, again at six in the evening, and afterwards at nine. Such a commotion was surely never heard of, especially about eleven o'clock at night. It far outdid all that I ever saw in America. For about an hour and a half there was such weeping, so many falling into deep distress, and manifesting it in various ways that description is impossible. The people seemed to be smitten by scores. They were

carried off and brought into the house like wounded soldiers taken from a field of battle.— Their agonies and cries were deeply afflicting.— Mr. McCulloch preached after I had done, till past one o'clock in the morning, and even then the people could scarcely be got to retire.— Throughout the whole of the night, might the voice of prayer and praise be still heard in the fields. On Friday night I came to Cambuslang to assist at the blessed Sacrament. On Saturday I preached to above thirty thousand people. The power of God was felt by numbers. Surely it was a time much to be remembered. On Monday morning I preached to nearly as many, but so general a stir I never saw before. The motion passed, swift as lightning, from one end of the audience to the other. You might have seen thousands bathed in tears, some wringing their hands, some almost swooning and others crying out and mourning over a pierced Saviour.— Much prayer had been previously offered up, and during the whole night you might have heard the different companies praying and giving praises to God."

At the earnest desire of many who had been greatly benefited by the first communion, and of many others who wished for an opportunity of making a profession of their love to the Saviour, by sitting down at his table, the communion was dispensed a second time on August 15. The attendance on this occasion was greater even than in July. About thirty thousand persons were present, and about three thousand sat down at the Lord's table. The services were conducted, as on former occasions, in the open air. The good fruit attending this sacramental season was greater than the preceding. Mr. Webster, who was present, thus describes it:—

"During the time of Divine worship, a solemn profound reverence overspread every countenance. They hear as for eternity, not knowing but the next moment they must give an account to their Great Judge. Thousands are melted with tears; many cry out in the bitterness of their soul. Some of both sexes, from the stoutest man to the tenderest child, shake and tremble, and a few fall down as dead. Nor does this happen only when men of warm address alarm them with the terrors of the law, but when the most deliberate preacher speaks of redeeming love. Bring them to Mount Sinai, where the thunders roar and lightnings flash, and this may cause a greater outcry; but lead them to the consolations that are in Jesus, and then vastly greater numbers fall under the most kindly impressions. Talk to them of a precious Saviour, and all seem to breathe after him. Describe his glory, and how ravished do many appear! how captivated with his loveliness! Open the wonders of his grace, and the silent tears drop from almost every eye. Such eternal, such glorious themes seem the delight of their souls, and reign triumphant over each power and faculty."

Along with these manifestations during public exercises, we must notice the blessed effects of the private character. Many open sinners and scoffers were reclaimed; family worship and private devotions were either begun, or performed

in a more regular and spiritual manner; a spirit of forgiveness and a readiness to make amends for past faults was manifested; an increase in the number of societies for prayer took place, and in all converts there was seen an earnest desire for christian instruction; so great, indeed, was the thirst for knowledge, that men and women, who could not read, learned to do so.

The effects of this great revival were very marked. At least four hundred who were converted in 1742, were attested many years after as either having died in the faith, or then maintaining a godly profession. Many more, no doubt, were benefited to the saving of their souls, of whom we shall have no account till the great day declare it. Many proved that their concern, tho' deep, never issued in conversion, and of these, it is worthy of remark, that more had been brought in with great bodily agitation, excitement, cries and tears, than in a quiet, orderly, and, by man, scarcely perceptible manner.

The effects also remained throughout that district for many years, and perhaps to that revival may be traced some of the fairest features which have distinguished that part of the country for the last fifty years in the profession of evangelical religion.

J. L.

OUR PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

Since our last issue the prorogation of Parliament has taken place, after a session of some considerable length, but which has not been marked by the passing of any great public measure. Indeed the session has been rather characterized by corruption, by an evident want of principle on the part of the government, by a shameful pandering to Popish influence, and by a tendency to sacrifice the great interests of the country to mere party, if not mere private ends. It was supposed that Parliament would have been dissolved, but there is no indication of such an intention. In the meantime there are evidences of dissatisfaction on the part of the people in various parts of the country. The dangers to which our school system, and to which Protestantism itself is exposed, appear to have the effect of leading the constituents in many sections of the country to speak out, and there have been some petitions got up, calling on the Governor General to dissolve the present Parliament, and call another.

Whether a dissolution is to take place now or at a later period, it is time for the people to be looking out for men of principle, and integrity, and Christian worth. By far too little attention is paid to personal character in the selection of representatives. A mere party man is often preferred to a man of Christian principle and sterling integrity. It is not to be wondered at, if such a person disappoints his constituents, and betrays their interests. There was perhaps scarcely ever a more important crisis impending. Things cannot long remain as they are. There must be a check put to the miserable succumbing to Popery, of which we have seen so much of late, or else our school system will be overthrown, and our Protestantism laid in the dust. We have no co-

sire to meddle in mere party politics, but we regard it as our duty to urge all voters to pause and think well, ere committing themselves to any one who may solicit their suffrages. Let them remember that the right use of their privileges as freemen is one of the things for which they will be held responsible at the great day; and let them ask counsel and direction by prayer to God that they may know what they ought to do in these critical times.

COLLEGE BUILDINGS.

According to the instructions of Synod, the alterations and additions to the buildings of Knox's College have been commenced. Indeed they are now far advanced, and there is every prospect that (D. V.) they will not only be completed by the 1st October, but that the buildings will be quite ready for occupation. Several members of the Building Committee are engaged at present in visiting various portions of the bounds, for the purpose of enquiring into the state of the object, and especially in seeking the diligent and zealous co-operation of the several Presbyteries. The success which has attended these efforts has been very satisfactory. Still it is necessary that the work be carried on with vigour. The truth is, it cannot be carried on with perfect success, unless each Presbytery takes it up with zeal, and canvasses, thoroughly and systematically, each congregation, presenting to each member and adherent an opportunity of contributing to this truly important and most interesting object. We remind brethren generally that money will be needed *forthwith*. The Building Committee have done as they were directed by the Synod, and we doubt not every minister and congregation will feel as if they were individually pledged to do their utmost promptly and cheerfully.

OUR FOREIGN MISSION.

From the minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto, our readers will observe that our esteemed brother Mr. Laing, remains in Canada. The deliverance of Presbytery will explain the reasons, which influenced them in coming to the decision to which they were brought, better than we can do in any other terms. The truth is, the Presbytery felt itself shut up to the course which has been adopted. The way was apparently hedged up by the Lord. But let us not be daunted or discouraged. This slight check, if such it may be regarded, may be blessed to us, and may yet result in good to Canada, and in good to India. We believe Mr. Stevenson will, God willing, proceed, and we trust that he may be soon joined by some young man from our own College, and that the work may still be carried on. The friends of the mission are loudly called to engage in special prayer for the direction and blessing of God.

SYNOODICAL REPORTS.—Most of the Synodical Reports have now appeared. The remainder will appear in our next issue. Several articles have been omitted this month, in order to make room for the statistical tables.

REV. D. MCKENZIE, ZORRA.—Several members and adherents of the congregation of Zorra have lately presented a very handsome and valuable buggy to their pastor, the Rev. Donald McKenzie, as a token of their esteem for his ministerial labours among them, and his services in the Bible Class. It is delightful to recollect that this is but a renewed expression of esteem and attachment on the part of his flock to the minister of Zorra. Such substantial and repeated expressions of good-will towards him must be very gratifying and encouraging indeed.—*Communicated.*

COOKE'S CHURCH, TORONTO.—We are glad to state that the Rev. Andrew Marshall has accepted a call to this congregation, and that his induction has been appointed to take place on the 6th current. Mr. Marshall will enter on his charge with the prospect of extensive usefulness.

REV. J. SCOTT, LONDON.—Before Mr. Scott's departure on a short visit to Scotland, he was waited on by a deputation from the congregation, and presented with the very handsome sum of one hundred and twenty pounds. This really useful gift was accompanied by an address expressive of the warmest attachment to Mr. Scott on the part of all the members of the congregation, and of their ardent hope that he may be soon restored in the enjoyment of so-energized health and strength.

REV. DR. BAYNE.—We rejoice to understand, that, from letters lately received from this esteemed Minister of our Church, there is reason to look for his return in the course of this season. Dr. Bayne proposed to sail in the end of August, or beginning of September. The state of his health has prevented an earlier return.

SYNOD OF FREE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.—We received at the very close of the month the July number of the *Record*, containing the proceedings of the Synod. We shall give a synopsis in our next number.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.—The Minutes will be issued immediately, and parcels of them sent to all the Ministers of Synod. They would have been printed sooner, but it was necessary to delay in order to have the statistical tables as full as possible.

REV. R. IRVINE OF KNOX'S CHURCH, HAMILTON.—The honorary degree of D. D. has been conferred by the University of New York on this respected minister.

OVERTURE ON DUTIES OF ELDERS AND DEACONS.—We are under the necessity of deferring the publication of this overture till next number.

ERECTION OF NEW CHURCH, MILTON.

It is not very long ago since a station in connexion with the Presbyterian Church of Canada was opened at Milton. The progress of the cause since its commencement has been highly satisfactory. There is now a respectable and

large congregation, and the foundation stone of a church, the expense of which will be about £1000, was laid on Monday 7th ult. The communion had been dispensed on the preceding Sabbath by the Rev. James Nisbet of Oakville, who has taken a great interest in the congregation. A large assemblage attended on the occasion of laying the foundation stone, which was formally done by John Martin, Esq. Suitable and eloquent addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Nisbet, Irvine, and Geikie. We trust that ere long a faithful and devoted Minister will be settled over this congregation, in connexion with Boston Church, these two stations being in the meantime connected together.

OPENING OF NEW CHURCH AT FISHERVILLE.

Fisherville is a station that now forms part of the pastoral charge of Mr. Wightman of York Mills. In that locality, a monthly service, and that only on week day evenings, was given during the time that York Mills and Scarboro' formed one pastoral charge. In the fall of 1852 regular Sabbath supply was asked by the Presbyterian friends in that neighbourhood, and granted by the Presbytery—the Students of Knox's College giving the supply till February 1853, when York Mills and Scarboro' were separated into two distinct pastoral charges. A temporary place of meeting was secured, but it was felt to be desirable both for the comfort and increase of the Congregation, that a suitable place of worship should be erected in that vicinity. After some delay in carrying out this contemplated object, the congregation meeting there, with the help of others friendly to the cause of Church extension, and of Presbyterianism in that neighbourhood, have now completed a very comfortable small Church, which was opened for public worship on Sabbath the first of June. The services on the occasion were conducted principally by the Rev. Dr. Willis, of Knox's College. The collection on behalf of the building fund amounted to £14 14s. While the labours of our Ministers ought to be concentrated as much as practicable, so that it may not be desirable to multiply stations in the outskirts of the regular pastoral charges, yet in many parts of this country such out stations seem necessary in order to gather in our scattered adherents.—*Communicated.*

NOTICES OF PUBLICATIONS.

MEMOIRS OF JOHN KITTO, D. D., F. S. R., author of *Daily Bible Illustrations, &c., &c.*, compiled chiefly from his letters and journals by J. E. Ryland, M. A. New York: R. Carter & Brothers. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton, and J. C. Geikie, Toronto.

Few names of the present age have been more familiar to Biblical students than that of Dr. Kitto. Nor has his celebrity been undeserved. Both the success which he attained in the walk of biblical literature, and the means by which he attained that success have been sufficient to gain the highest respect and admiration of the community, and may well stimulate others to strive to overcome difficulties and encounter hardships

in the pursuit of knowledge. Dr. Kitto's principal works were, "The Pictorial Bible," "Pictorial History of Palestine and the Holy Land," "Cyclopædia of Biblical Literature," "Journal of Sacred Literature," and what will perhaps continue to be the most popular of all his works, "Daily Bible Illustrations." To these works there is frequent reference in these volumes, which indeed may be said to contain an autobiography of Kitto. We have read them with much interest, and have no doubt others will do so too.

THE BIBLICAL REPOSITORY AND PRINCETON REVIEW, for July 1856.

We have just received this able periodical. We have not had time fully to examine its contents, but may give a more extended notice of it next month. In the meantime we just announce the contents. They are as follows:—1. Harmonies of the Gospel. 2. Sydney Smith as a Minister of Religion. 3. Principles of the Philosophy of Language. 4. Ruskin's Lectures on Architecture and Painting. 5. Lyall's Mental Philosophy. 6. Waldegrave on Millenarianism. 7. The General Assembly of 1856.

EVENING INCENSE. By the author of "Morning and Night Watches," &c., &c. New York: R. Carter & Brothers. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton.

We have had occasion more than once to notice and recommend the works of the author of this volume. The volume before us contains a series of evening prayers, and is intended to be companion to the "Morning Watches." They breathe a spirit of ardent devotion and deep spirituality of mind. The volume will, we doubt not, be as popular as the rest of the productions of its excellent author.

A MEMOIR OF ADLAIDE J. NEWTON. By the Rev. J. Baillie, author of "Memoirs of Hewitson." New York: R. Carter & Brothers. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton.

This is a very delightful memoir. The subject of it was during her brief sojourn a most devoted follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. Her mind was of no common order. She gave much attention to the study and exposition of the word of God, and was the author of a work on the "Song of Solomon." Her holy life was an illustration of the power and excellence of the Gospel.

NORTH BRITISH REVIEW FOR MAY, 1856.

The May number of this excellent Review sustains its character. Our space will enable us merely to give a list of the articles which it contains. They are the following, viz:—1. Plays and Parities. 2. Life and Writings of the late Mr. Justice Talford. 3. Historical Painting—Macaulay. 4. British New Testament criticism. 5. Grote's History of Greece. 6. The weather and its prognostics. 7. Indian Literature. 8. Outrages on women. 9. Peace and its political duties.

THE ROCK, AND ITS MISSION, PAST AND PRESENT. Dedicated to the British and Foreign Bible Society, and to the friends of Bible circulation throughout the world. London: Samuel Bagster & Sons.

The special object of this periodical is to give

information relating to the circulation of the Bible throughout all the various fields where the work is being carried on. It promises to be interesting and ably conducted. The typography and general getting up are very superior. It may be ordered through the depositary of the Upper Canada Bible Society.

THE VICTORY WON. A brief memorial of the last days of G. R. By the author of the "Memoir of Captain H. Vicars." New York: R. Carter & Brothers. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton, and J. C. Geikie, Toronto.

This little volume contains a deeply interesting and beautifully written memorial of one, who, almost at the last hour was brought from darkness light, to and from the power of Satan, to the knowledge, love, and obedience of the living God. The narrative may illustrate the efficacy of prayer, and the power of the Gospel when accompanied by the influence of the Spirit, and may tend to encourage Christians to seek the spiritual good of those to whom they may have access.

SYNOD OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

This Synod met lately at St. John's. There was a considerable amount of business before the Court, a large proportion of it being connected with the Home Missionary operations.

The subject of Sabbath observance was laid before the Synod, and means adopted to collect and diffuse information on the subject.

A report was given in on the subject of Education, from which it appeared that progress had been made in the establishment of an Educational Institute at Woodstock. The Rev. Mr. Glass was loosed from his charge for six weeks and deputed to advocate this object in the northern part of the Province.

Collections were appointed for Jewish and Foreign Missions; for the Sustentation Fund; for the Home Mission; and for the Incidental Fund.

A Committee was re-appointed with the view of carrying out a union with the Free Church of Nova Scotia.

SYNOD OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In the July number of the *United Presbyterian Magazine*, we find a notice of part of the proceedings of this Court. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Torrence of Guelph, and Rev. Mr. Duff was appointed to succeed him as Moderator. Reports were given by Presbyteries as to the changes which had taken place during the year. It appeared that six preachers had been settled during the year, and that one had become unfit for the duties of preaching.

An overture, proposing a change in the formula for Ministers and Elders at Ordination was taken up, but it was resolved to decline entertaining the prayer of this overture.

A new Presbytery was formed called the Presbytery of Brant, comprising various congregations around Owen Sound.

A deputation from the Committee on Union, appointed by the Presbyterian Church of Canada, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Lowry and Inglis were introduced and addressed the Synod. The Moderator, in name of the Synod, made a suitable reply.

General harmony appears to have characterized the meeting.

MONEYS RECEIVED UP TO 22nd JULY.

KNOX'S COLLEGE.

Beekwith	£6 9 4
Goulburn.....	1 14 4
Ayr, additional.....	8 3 9
Acton.....	3 0 0
Tyendingaga.....	4 10 0
York Mills and Fisherville.....	7 10 0
Pictou.....	9 5 0
St. Catharines.....	10 0 0
Sarnia.....	3 15 0
Peterboro' additional.....	14 11 3
Cartwright and Manvers.....	5 0 0
Prescott.....	6 0 0
Orillia.....	5 1 3
Oro.....	£2 5 0
Oro.....	1 5 0
St. Gabriel Street, Montreal.....	3 10 0
Ramsay additional.....	13 0 0
Gananoque, additional.....	4 6 2
Nairn Church and Cumminsville....	4 0 0
Union and Norval.....	8 5 0
Oakville and Dundas Street.....	5 0 0
Spencerville and Edwardsburgh.....	3 6 10 1/2
London.....	1 2 6
Leeds.....	25 5 0
Bristol.....	1 17 0
Richmond, C. E.....	2 10 0
Amherstburgh.....	0 15 0
Per Rev. J. M. Roger, Peterboro'...	1 5 0
King.....	1 11 3
King.....	4 7 0

KNOX'S COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

Nairn Church and Cumminsville ...	8 5 0
Peterboro', per Professor Young...	30 0 0

BURSARY FUND.

St. Catharines.....	1 5 0
Ramsay, additional.....	1 0 0

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Seneca	1 5 0
Kingston, Brock Street.....	2 0 0
Aldboro'.....	4 0 0
Belleville.....	10 0 0
Tyendingaga.....	5 0 0
Indian Lands (Jews).....	4 15 0
Pictou.....	5 0 0
Brucefield.....	3 12 3
Peterboro',.....	10 6 8
Do. (Jews).....	14 1 0
Cartwright and Manvers.....	4 13 8 1/2
Orillia Missionary Box.....	2 5 0
Hamilton, Knox's Church.....	12 18 2
Ottawa.....	6 0 0
Hamilton, Knox's Church.....	12 18 2 1/2
Aylmer, 25s.; Nepean, 13s. 9 1/2d.; Bell's Corners, 6s. 7d.; Eardley, 3s. 9d.....	2 9 3 1/2
Ramsay, additional.....	5 5 7 1/2
Gananoque.....	2 5 0
Willie & Johnnie McIntosh, London	1 1 9
Kemptville, &c.....	1 13 7
Grafton.....	1 5 0
Brucefield.....	7 5 0
Woodstock, Knox's Church.....	9 5 0
Beaverton Sab. School Miss. Box.	0 15 0
do. do. Jews..	0 10 0

COLONIAL SCHEME OF FREE CHURCH.

Wellesley	2 10 0
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PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO'S HOME MISSION FUND.

Weston, per Mr. McMurchy	3 0 0
Mono.....	2 0 0

WIDOW'S FUND.

Osgood	£1 2 6
Gloucester	0 17 6

Williams	2 0 0
St. Louis de Gonzague.....	3 10 0
Durham, Ormstown.....	1 0 0
La Chute.....	0 15 0
Beckwith.....	1 5 0
Goulburn.....	£1 13 9
Goulburn.....	0 16 1

Owen Sound, additional.....	2 9 10
Laguerra.....	1 4 0
Ayr.....	6 10 0
Norwood.....	3 7 0
Belleville.....	1 7 0
Pictou.....	4 0 0
Lochiel.....	2 10 2
Thorah and Eldon.....	2 0 0
Brucefield.....	5 15 0
Saltfleet and Binbrook.....	1 3 3
Streetsville.....	2 5 0
Cartwright and Manvers.....	3 12 8 1/2
Hamilton, Knox's Church.....	2 19 11 1/2
do. do.....	20 10 0
do. do. paid to Mr. Robb.....	12 10 0
Ottawa.....	37 10 0
London.....	6 0 0
North Carradoc.....	5 0 0
Lancaster and Dalhousie Mills.....	1 3 4 1/2
Quebec.....	1 17 6
McNab and Horton.....	7 13 0
Aylmer, 15s.; Bell's Corners, 10s. 6d.; Nepean, 10s. 2d.; Eardley, 5s. 3d.	1 12 6
Waterdown and Wellington Square.	2 0 11
Ramsay, additional.....	1 15 0
Gananoque.....	0 1 4
Nairn Church and Cumminsville....	2 5 0
Union and Norval.....	3 12 1
Oakville and Dundas Street.....	3 15 0
Peterboro',.....	2 18 2 1/2
Ekfrid, additional.....	2 0 0
Kemptville, &c.....	0 2 6
Tilbury East.....	1 2 6
Indian Lands and Roxborough.....	0 15 0
Also, yearly rate from Rev. J. Gourlay, Rev. T. Lowry, and Rev. J. Middlemas.	2 5 0

BUXTON MISSION AND SYNOD FUND.

Belleville.....	2 10 0
Tyendingaga.....	2 10 0
Pictou.....	6 0 4
St. Catharines.....	5 0 0
Peterboro'.....	11 8 11
Cartwright and Manvers.....	3 12 3 1/2
Orillia.....	0 17 6
Hamilton, Knox's Church.....	15 0 0
Ramsay, additional.....	5 0 0
Gananoque.....	5 0 0
English River.....	1 0 0
Kemptville, &c.....	2 10 4
Richmond.....	0 10 0

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Belleville.....	5 0 0
Tyendingaga.....	2 10 0
St. Catharines.....	5 0 0
Cartwright and Manvers.....	3 18 6 1/2
Ramsay, additional.....	4 6 10 1/2
Gananoque.....	2 5 0
English River.....	1 12 0
Kemptville.....	1 10 7 1/2
Ayr Ladies Association.....	5 0 0
C. Humbly, Ayr.....	0 5 0
Egmondville.....	4 7 1 1/2
Georgetown, C. E.....	1 5 0
Elora.....	2 1 8

RECEIPTS FOR THE RECORD.

VOL VIII—H McCremnan, Mariposa.
VOL IX—H McCremnan, Mariposa; R Dougan Thorold; E Golden, Thamesford; J Thomson, Wick.

VOL X.—H McCremnan, Mariposa; Capt T Dick, Toronto; J McAlister, N Easthope; R Dougan, Thorold; E Golden, Thamesford; Walter Ross, Esq, Picton; A Sherwood, (in full), A Starr, D Scott, Brockville; J Thomson, Wick; Mr McCaskell, Eldon; A Telfer, A Bertram, Scarborough; J Bryson, Larky.

VOL XI—Miss McDonald, Toronto; H McCremnan, Mariposa; Capt T Dick, W Clyne, A McGlashan, W Hogg, W McDonald, Toronto; A Stewart, White Lake; G Teller, Ingersoll; D McTavish, J Campbell, Wallacetown; J Fisher, T McCoomb, Grafton, J Lander, Oro; J McAlister, N Easthope; R Dougan, Thorold; E Golden, H Davidson, Thamesford; W Ross, Esq, Picton; A Sherwood, Esq, A Starr, D Scott, Brockville; Capt Sutherland, Port Talbot; J Thomson, Wick; Mr McCaskell, Eldon; A Telfer, A Bertram, Scarborough; J Bryson, Larky.

VOL XII.—Per Rev J McKinnon, Owen Sound, 11; Mrs McDonald, Toronto; J Stevenson, J Coombs, Agnes Beatty, Kingston; Mrs Fiset, Montreal; H McCremnan, Mariposa; Capt T Dick, W Clyne, A McGlashan, W Hogg, S Marshall A Durie, W McDonald, Toronto; G Walker, Brucefield; J McMurchy, Nobileton; W Robinson, S Anderson, J Howey, It Montaguery, Carriwight; A Stewart, White Lake; J McRae, Rentfrew; A McKanghan, Nasagaweya; W Row, East Oxford; D McTavish, J Campbell, Wallacetown; D Edmonds, N Haggart, J G McGregor, J McKerracher, R Brush, A Smith, Rdgtown; D McRae, Mrs Robson, J Carruthers, G Gillespie, T McCoomb, J Fisher, 2s, Grafton; H McPherson, Wallacetown; Mr Mitchell, Toronto; J Coburn, H McKenzie, R Hadden, E-q, J Cross, J McGeary, H G Campbell, J Thompson, F Arnot, W McRae, A P Robinson, Owen Sound; J Johnston, Drby; J Lander, Oro; A Smith, A McGregor, J Ritchie, D White, Komoka; J McAlister, N Easthope; R Dougan, Thorold; E Golden, C Cowan, H Davidson Thamesford; W Ross, Esq, Picton; Rev A Melville, D Marchbank, Spencerville; A Gillespie, Lunenburg; per Mr A Stewart, Kingston, £11 12s; J F Wright, Vienna; Rev J Lachlan, Acton; Mr Rogers, Toronto; Mr McOwan, Lachute; A Sherwood, A Starr, D Scott, Brockville; Capt Sutherland, Port Talbot; Mr Ewing, Branford; Mrs Johnston, J Thomson, A Henry, J Tocher, W Innes, Wick; Mr McCaskell, Eldon; A Telfer, A Bertram, Scarborough; W R Matheson, London; G Smith, Beansville, J Bryson, Larky.

VOL XIII—J Lander, Oro; Rev A Melville, 1s 3d; Mr McOwan, Lachute, 1s 3d; Capt Sutherland, Port Talbot, 2s 6d; Mrs J. Inuston, J Thomson, J Tocher, Wick.

HENRIANA.

We are truly serving God, when we are preparing and furnishing ourselves for his service.

Silence and quietness both become and befriend religious exercises.

God's work should be done, with as much care, and with as little noise as possible.

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