N.B.—The Sub-Committee on Augmentation meets in Kingston, on Tuesday, 29th April. If there is any modification in the amounts desired for supplemented congregations for the year beginning 1st April, 1884, Conveners of Presbyteries' Home Mission Committees will please notify Mr. Warden of the same prior to the 29th inst. The Annual Report of Mission Stations (No. 1) should be in Mr. Warden's hands by the 20th April.

MARCH, 1884.

MINUTES OF MEETING

OF THE

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

(WESTERN SECTION,)

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, TORONTO, 25th 26th and 27th March, 1884.

AT TORONTO, and within the vestry of St. Andrew's Church there, on Tuesday, the 25th day of March, 1884, at two o'clock in the afternoon, the Home Mission Committee (Western Section) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met and was constituted with prayer. Rev. W. Cochrane, D.D., Convener. The Committee continued in session till 10 p.m., on Thursday, 27th March.

The following members were present:—Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Laing, Rev. Messrs. J. R. McLeod, W. A. Lang, F. W. Farries, J. A. Carmichael, R. Campbell, (Renfrew), G. Burnfield, J. Cleland, M. W. Maclean, A. Findlay, E. Cockburn, R. Moodie, J. Somerville, J. Campbell, (Harriston), D. J. Macdonnell, J. H. Ratcliffe, R. Torrance, J. Rennie, W. Walker, R. Hamilton, A. Gilray, G. Cuthbertson, J. Robertson, J. A. Turnbull, D. Cameron, A. Tolmie, C. B. Pitblado, W. T. McMullen, A. B. Mackay and R. H. Warden, Ministers; and Messrs. W. Mitchell, R. Kilgour, T. McCrae and D. McKenzie, Elders.

CLAIMS FOR THE PAST HALF YEAR.

The claims of the respective Presbyteries in Quebec and Ontario, for services rendered in Mission Stations during the past six months, were carefully considered and the following sums ordered to be paid:-

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Quebec \$219 00 Montreal 487 00 Glengarry 00 Ottawa 404 00 Lanark and Renfrew 462 50 Brockville 34 00 Kingston 209 00 Peterboro 20 00 Whitby 00	Owen Sound \$ 26 00 Saugeen 30 00 Guelph 100 00 Hamilton 348 00 Paris 20 00 London 39 00 Sarnia 20 00 Chatham 15 00 Stratford 72 00
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NEW APPLICATIONS.—CHANGES IN GRANTS, &c.

The Committee proceeded to consider new applications from Presbyteries on behalf of mission fields. The following are the applications, changes made, &c :--

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC-

Massawippi, - Grant reduced to \$2 per sabbath. Metis,-Grant increased to \$300 per annum, for an ordained Missionary. Chaudière, -No grant.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL-

Mille Isles,—Transferred to list of mission fields with grant of \$3 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF OTTAWA-

Cantly and Portland, -Granted \$450 per annum, and the re-appointment of Mr. D. Findlay for three years approved.

Plantagenet,—Granted \$300 per annum, and the appointment sanctioned of Mr. W. H. Geddes, as ordained Missionary for two years.

Bearbrook and Cambridge,—Granted \$350 per annum for ordained Mission.

ary, or \$2 per sabbath for student.

Aylwin and Desert, -Granted \$5 per sabbath for a student for the summer. Hull,—Granted \$3 per sabbath. Chelsea, — Granted \$3 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF LANARK AND RENFREW-

Wilberforce and Grattan, -Granted \$200 per annum for ordained Missionary, or \$3 per sabbath for licentiate, or \$1 per sabbath for student. Castleford and Dewars,—Grant increased to \$250 per annum.

Canadian Pacific Railway,-The grant of \$500 per annum made available for such supply as the Presbytery may obtain for the summer months.

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PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE-Winchester Springs and North Williamsburg,—No grant. Morton and Seeley's Bay,—Granted \$2 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON-

Portsmouth, -Asked \$2 per sabbath, -declined. Shannonville, —Granted \$2 per sabbath. Mississippi, —Granted \$3 per sabbath. Poland and Lavant Mines, -Granted \$3 per sabbath.

Mill Haven,—Granted \$4 per sabbath.

Newbury and Camden,—Granted \$4 per sabbath for ordained Missionary.

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY-Coboconk, &c. - Granted \$4 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO-

Caledon East, -Granted \$1.50 per sabbath.

Stouffville, -Asked \$200 per annum for ordained Missionary, -declined on the ground that this is not the kind of field intended by the Assembly to be supplied by an 'ordained Missionary.

PRESENTERY OF BARRIE-Rosseau and Turtle Lake, -Grant increased to \$3.50 per sabbath. Emsdale, &c. - Grant for student increased to \$3 per sabbath. Trout River and Conger, -Granted \$3 per sabbath.

Longford and Black River,—Granted \$2 per sabbath.

Uffington, &c.—Granted \$2.50 per sabbath.

Wyebridge, &c.—Granted \$200 per annum for ordained Missionary, or \$2 per sabbath for student.

Supervision of Muskoka field,-It was agreed to place at the disposal of the Presbytery of Barrie, a sum not exceeding \$200 for the work of supervision during the ensuing six months.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND-Woodford and Caven,-Put on list of mission stations. Johnson and Daywood,— do do Big Bay and Lake Charles, - do Sarawak, -Removed from list of Mission Stations.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN-Ayton and E. Normanby,-Granted \$2 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON-Springfield, -Granted \$6 per sabbath for a licentiate, or \$4 per sabbath for a student.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM— Buxton,—Granted \$2 per sabbath.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA-Duthel Church and Sombra Village, -Granted \$2 per sabbath. Black Creek, Wilkesport, &c.—Granted \$2 per sabbath. Forest,—Granted \$4 per sabbath.

APPOINTMENT OF STUDENT AND OTHER MISSIONARIES.

The list of Missionaries desiring work for the ensuing summer was made up, and appointments given to Presbyteries, as follows:-M. McLennan, and H. S. McAyeal.

MONTREAL Messrs. J. P. Grant, D. Hodges, J. H. Higgins and D.

GLENGARRY Mr. Alex, McLachlan.

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OTTAWA Messrs. John Moore, Robert Gow and W. E. Wallace.
BROCKVILLE Messrs. N. Waddell, F. W. Johnston, and J. A. McLean.
LANARK AND RENFREW . Messrs. A. R. Linton, Johnston Henderson, W. D. Roberts, Jas. A. Brown, J. W. McLeod, T. E. Calvert and Rev. M. Turnbull.
KINGSTONMessrs. Jas. Bennett, Alex. McAulay, L. Perrin, R. Whiteman, D. J. Hyland, S. Childerhose, A. K. McLeod, J. P. McNaughton, J. McKinnon, J. W. H. Milne, W. Allan, G. R. Lang, J. F. Smith, Alex. McDonald, W. Hay and P. Pollock.
Peterborough Messrs. D. C. Cameron, R. McKnight, Orr Bennett, A. S. Grant and J. H. Boyd.
LINDSAY Messrs. J. M. Gardiner and Geo. Kinnear.
TORONTO Messrs. Jas. Argo, Alf. Gandier, John Mackay, J. B. McLaren, Jas. Rattray, R. J. M. Glassford, and Rev. Jos. Elliot.
BARRIE
OWEN SOUND Messrs. D. A. McLean, R. Haddow, A. U. Campbell, G. Ballantine, W. J. Hall and John Hay.
SAUGEENMessrs. T. W. Wilson, J. Tolmie, G. A. McLennan and John A. Ross.
GUELPHMr. James A. Grant.
HAMILTON
CHATHAMMessrs. W. M. Fleming, John McLeod, J. J. Dobbin, and P. Uzelle.
SARNIA
STRATFORDMr. J. I. Hardie.
HURONMr. A. McGillivray.
MAITLANDMr. R. McNair.
BRUCEMr. A. Blair.
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N.B.—The attention of Presbyteries and students is directed to the regulation

of the General Assembly fixing the salaries of Missionaries as follows:-Students

of Divinity, during the summer, six (\$6) dollars per Sabbath, with board and travelling expenses to the field of labour; Catechists (including students in the literary course), five (\$5) dollars per Sabbath, with board. Students appointed to Manitoba receive six (\$6) dollars per Sabbath, with board and travelling expenses

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AUGMENTATION OF STIPENDS.

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE. - Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, on behalf of the sub-committee on augmentation, reported that all the Presbyteries had been visited by deputies during the last six months, and that the scheme had met with a hearty reception throughout the church generally. The sub-committee recommended that the regulations adopted in October last be amended to read as follows:

r. That in carrying out the instructions of the General Assembly regarding congregations in Manitoba; Resolved, that the stipends of ministers duly inducted be supplemented in the first place to \$850 per annum, and participate in the surplus fund up to \$950 per annum, -corresponding with the \$750 per annum and manse in the other Presbyteries of the church—it being understood that where there is a manse \$50 per annum will be deducted from the supplement, but this shall not be applied so as to reduce the present salary of any of the ministers now settled in supplemented congregations. That congregations receiving supplementing accordance with this regulation be required to set the confidence with this regulation be required to the confidence with this regulation because of the confidence with this regulation because of the confidence with th ment in accordance with this regulation be required to pay at least \$500 per annum; no supplement to exceed \$400 per annum.

2. That the salaries in cities, and in towns where living is exceptionally high, be supplemented in the first place to \$800 per annum, with allowance of \$100 per annum for house rent, and may, at the discretion of the committee, participate in the surplus fund up to \$1,000, with the same allowance for rent.

3. That congregations receiving supplement in cities or towns, in accordance with the above regulation, be required to pay at least \$500 and \$100 for house rent, before being put on the list; no supplement to exceed \$400 per

4. That before a settlement takes place in any vacancy requiring to be supplemented, the congregation be visited with a view to increase the contributions of the people, and the result of the visitation reported to the committee.

The sub-committee further recommended that no grants be made meanwhile to supplemented congregations for the past half year, but that they be empowered to order payment of these in the end of April, to the extent of the money then on hand, retaining a sufficient sum for a working balance or reserve fund.

The report was received and its recommendations adopted.

EXCEPTIONAL LIBERALITY IN CERTAIN CASES. -Attention was directed to the fact that in consequence of the regulation that "no congregation shall receive from the fund more than \$300 per annum," the salary of some ministers was only augmented to \$700 per annum and manse. The sub-committee were empowered to increase the grant in such cases, (provided the fund will admit of it), where there is exceptional liberality on the part of the congregations

GRANT TO SECRETARY.-It was unanimously agreed, on motion of Mr. Macdonnell, to place at the disposal of Mr. Warden, the sum of \$150 for services in connection with the Augmentation scheme during the past six months.

EXCEPTIONAL CASES RECOMMENDED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—In the case of the following congregations not complying with the regulations, the committee agreed to recognize them as exceptional, and to recommend the General Assembly to make grants to them, notwithstanding their inability to fulfil the conditions required of congregations on the list:—Kennebec Road, Arundel, New Glasgow, St. Hyacinthe, Aylwin and Desert, McNab, Middleville and Dalhousie,

LANGSIDE.—The following resolution was adopted in regard to an application from the Presbytery of Maitland for a grant to Langside: Whereas in October last the committee notified the Presbytery that in their opinion the field around Langside should be rearranged with a view to avoid the unnecessary expenditure of the augmentation fund, and whereas the Presbytery has again made application to have the congregation put on the list as requiring aid: Resolved that the congregation be reported to the General Assembly, with the recommendation of this committee that no supplement be granted.

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LIST OF AID-REQUIRING CONGREGATIONS.

The applications of Presbyteries for Supplements to congregations within their bounds for the past six months were carefully considered, and the list made up as follows:-

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.—Rev. James Robertson presented a report of his labors for the past six months, with details as to his visits to Prince Albert, Edmonton, and Battleford. The report was received, and Mr. Robertson's expenses, amounting to \$304, for the half-year, ordered to be paid.

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY.—It was unanimously agreed to recommend the General Assembly to increase the salary of Mr. Robertson, by \$200 per annum, from 1st April, 1884.

SUPERINTENDENT'S WORK.—Dr. Laing, Messrs. Pitblado and Warden, were appointed a committee to revise the regulations affecting the superintendent of missions, to report to the executive sub-committee in April, and the executive were instructed to notify the Presbytery of Manitoba of any changes proposed, prior to 1st May.

SPECIAL CLAIMS, &c.—The Convener reported that he had paid the following claims:—Minnedosa, \$60; Rev. D. McRae, \$37; Rev. A. H. Cameron, \$84; Carrot River, \$119.65. The Convener's action was approved. It was agreed to pay a claim of \$149.50, being one-half the expense of printing the Presbytery's Home Mission report, and the Church and Manse Building Fund report for 1883.

PRINCE ALBERT.—Letters were read from Rev. W. MacWilliam, giving particulars as to the present condition and future prospects of this field. The people agree to contribute \$800 per annum towards salary. Mr. MacWilliam's expenses to the field were \$142.70.

INCREASE OF SALARIES.—It was resolved to increase to \$850 per annum the salaries of ordained missionaries appointed by this committee, and engaged by the Presbytery for a term not less than one year; the liability of this committee not to exceed \$400 per annum for any field supplied by such missionaries; the increase of salary to date from 1st April, 1884.

EXPENDITURE OF LAST HALF-YEAR'S GRANT.—Rev. C. B. Pitblado submitted a statement in detail of the expenditure of the \$6000, granted the Presbytery for the past six months. The expenditure included the sum of \$100 paid Mr. T. Smith, Catechist. The report was received, and it was agreed to express regret that the Presbytery had used part of the grant in payment of the services of a catechist who is not one of the recognized laborers of the committee.

Grant to Presbytery for ensuing year.—After consideration, it was agreed to grant the sum of \$13,000 to the Presbytery of Manitoba for carrying on the work during the year beginning 1st April, 1884, this sum to cover the entire expenditure from the funds of this committee, excepting grants to supplemented congregations and the salary and travelling expenses of the superintendent of missions; the grant to be payable in four instalments, viz: \$4,250 each, on 30th June and 30th September, and \$2,250 each, on 31st December and 31st March next.

SUB-DIVISION OF PRESBYTERY.—The Assembly's remit as to the sub-division of the Presbytery of Manitoba, together with the Presbytery's recommendation thereanent, was referred to a sub-committee, consisting of Dr. Laing, (Convener,) Messrs. Farries, Robertson, Pitblado, McRae, and McKenzie. At a later stage the sub-committee presented the following report:

The sub-committee appointed to consider the division of the Presbytery of Manitoba having considered the matter, as far as it was possible, in all its bearings, beg leave to report:—

That there is good ground for difference of opinion, as to the advisability of dividing the Presbytery at all, as to the number of Presbyteries that should be erected, and as to the relation which the superintendent shall bear, hereafter, to the several Presbyteries and the Synod of which the Presbyteries shall consist. Nevertheless they are agreed to report as the most advisable course to be pursued:—

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2.—That these three Presbyteries shall constitute the Synod of Manitoba.

3.—That the superintendent of missions shall devote his whole time to the mission work in the western Presbytery of Portage la Prairie or Brandon, and that his relations to that Presbytery be the same as they now are to the Presbytery of Manitoba.

4.—That the Presbyteries of Pembina and Winnipeg shall work the mission fields under the same regulations as are in force for the other Presbyteries of the Church, and that the Presbytery of Brandon shall conduct its operations in general accordance with the special provisions framed for the conduct of the work in the present Presbytery of Manitoba.

The report was received, and the following resolution adopted: The committee, having carefully considered the whole subject recommend, in view of the changed circumstances during the year in the working of the mission field of the North-West, that no action be taken meantime.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NEW WESTMINSTER.—There was read a letter from Rev. R. Jamieson, dated 1st November, 1883, proposing that a minister be appointed to take full charge of St. Andrew's Church, New Westminster, and outlying stations—Mr. Jamieson acting as assistant; the congregation in the city to contribute \$1,200, the outlying district \$600, and the Home Mission Committee \$600; the salary of the Minister to be \$1500 per annum, and that of Mr. Jamieson \$900 per annum with manse for the first year, \$800 the second, and \$700 the third year. There was also read a letter from Mr. Jamieson, dated 11th December, withdrawing the proposal. The report of the congregation for 1883 showed 45 families, 25 single persons, and 60 communicants; Sabbath School, 60 pupils and 7 Grant asked for year begining 1st July next, \$300. After consideration, the following resolutions were adopted:—

I.—That the attention of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, New Westminster, be directed to the decision of last assembly, making provision for the reception by the Church of any congregation in British Columbia that may see fit to make application, and in the event of the congregation connecting itself with this Church, this committee promises to aid it in every way calculated to advance its interests.

2.—That the grant to Mr. Jamieson cease on 1st July, 1884, and that this action be reported to the General Assembly.

PANDORA STREET CHURCH, VICTORIA.—It was agreed to call the attention of the Presbytery of Toronto to the resolution of last General Assembly placing this congregation on its roll.

NANAIMO AND COMOX.—There was read a letter from the convener of the colonial committee of the Church of Scotland, stating that, in response to a request from Nanaimo, they had sent a minister to that field, and were about to send another to Comox.

LADNOR'S LANDING.—A letter was read from Mr. John McRae, asking the committee to send a missionary to Ladnor's Landing. Mr. J. C. Campbell was appointed to this field for the summer, the committee agreeing to give any reasonable aid towards his salary and expenses.

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Grants from British Churches.—The Convener reported that he had received and suitably acknowledged a grant of £250 stg. from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and of £175 stg. from the Free Church of Scotland. He further reported that the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland had agreed to make a grant of £50 stg. for four years, to each of two Missionaries to be sent out by them to labour in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The report was received and gratification expressed therewith.

BYNG INLET.—There was read a letter from the Superintendent of the Georgian Bay Consolidated Lumber Company, asking the appointment of an ordained missionary to Byng Inlet for a term of years, agreeing to provide a free house and a portion of his salary, in addition to the sum of \$400 per annum to be raised in the field.

STATE OF THE FUND.—The state of the fund was reported as follows:

Received	to 26th	March,	y, 1883, 1,416 Mission work 31,820
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Expenditure to date\$	28.472	44-75-
Claims for Mission fields passed at this meeting	3,869	
Required for supplements for past six months	13,607	
Other claims for Manitoba, Lake Superior, etc	4,725	
Required for working balance or reserve, say	15,000	

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Amount	still	required	before	30th	April,	say	 \$19,365

SUB-COMMITTEE ON AUGMENTATION.—The sub-committee on augmentation is as follows:—Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, (Convener) Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Laing, Messrs. R. Campbell, (Renfrew), A. B. Mackay, F. W. Farries, Wm. Mitchell, (Toronto), and R. H. Warden.

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE.—The following is the executive sub-committee for the current year:—Dr. Cochrane (Convener) Dr. King, Dr. Laing, Messis. Macdonnell, Warden and Kilgour.

EXPENSES PAID.—The expenses of members of committee were noted and paid.

CLOSE.—The committee adjourned at ten o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 27th March, and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

ROBT. H. WARDEN, Secretary. WM. COCHRANE, D.D., Convener.