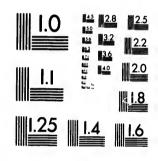
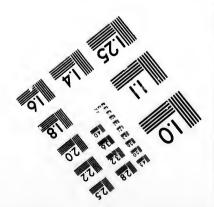


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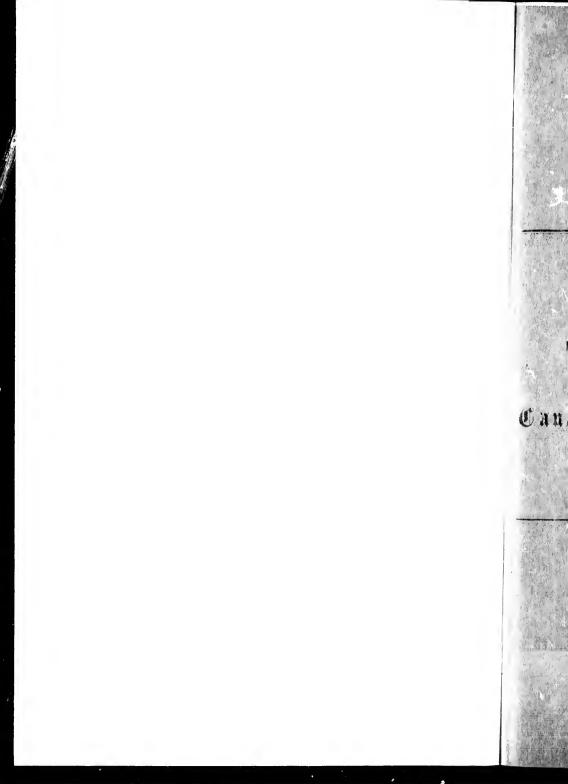
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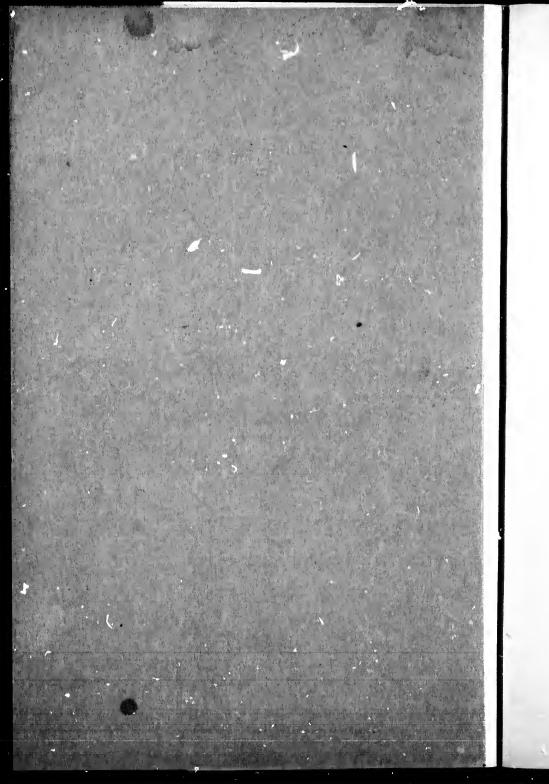
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*A. Henderson, MA.Oct. 10, 1810 * Peter Martin .	St. Andrews	St. Andrews, Q.
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*W. B. ClarkSep. 1839*Jas. Hossack Thomas Henry 1840 *R. Irvine, D.DNov. 30, 1840*W. Rowan	Chalmers' Ch., Quebec	Quebec.
Thomas Henry 1840	Henry's Ch., Lachute,	Lachute, Q.
*R. Irvine, D.D.,, Nov. 30, 1840*W. Rowan	"Knox Ch., Montreal	Montreal.
*John Irvine	Mille Isles	Mille Isles, Q.
*Jas. Watson, A.M.Aug. 29,1849 * W. McIntosh .	Huntingdon, &c	Huntingdon, Q.
*Daniel GordonOct. 1849*Chas, McDonald	I.Indian Lands	Athol, Ont.
*Daniel GordonOct. 1849*Chas. McDonald William ScottFeb. 29, 1853	New Carlisle	New Carlisle, Q.
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*James McConechy. Mar. 1854	Leeds	Kinnear's Mills, Q
James Mc. Jonechy. Mar. 1854 John AndersonOct. 11, 1854*Donald Cameron	a.Lancaster, &c	Lancaster, Ont.
*John Crombie AMAug. 8, 1855*Philip Peebles.	Inverness	Inverness, O.
*Robt. FlemingJune 5, 1856 •Aler. Young	Farnham	Farnham Cen., Q.
•Aler. Young Feb. 28, 1857 Jas. Davidson .	St. Jos. St. Montreal .	Montreal.
Alex. Allan	St. Eustache	St. Eustache, Q.
Adam F. McQueen. Dec. 15, 1858 * D. Cattanach	Kenyon	Dunvegan, Q,
•John Milloy Feb. 2, 1859 •John M: skie May 18, 1859 Thos. Pollock .	Lingwick	Gould, Q.
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*John M. :Kay May 26, 1859 *W. Dickson	Richmond	Richmond, Q.
*Donald H. McVicarOct. 19, 1859 *James Court	Cote St., Montreal	Montreal.
*Nat. Paterson 1859*D. Munro	Martintown, &c	Williamstown,) .
*D. Paterson, AMOct. 24, 1860	St. Andrews	St. Andrews, Q.
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*James HanranJuly 4, 1861 *O. M. MackeracherAug.22, 1861*W. McKell	St. Sylvester	St. Sylvester, Q.
*C. M. MackeracherAug.22, 1861*W. McKell	English River	Howick, Q.
*John Eadie May 19, 1862 William Fraser.	Henry's Ch., Lachnte	Lachute, Q.
*John McDonald Feb. 26. 1864 Donald McKay. *J. M. Gibson, A.M. Dec. 16, 1864	Winslow	Stornaway, Q.
*J. M. Gibson, A.M.Dec. 16, 1864	Erskine Ch., Montreal	Montreal.
*Arch'd Gillles May 26, 1868*William Boa	Cote de Neiges	Cote de Neiges, Q
*T. Fenwick, O. M.Oct. 31, 1861	Metis	Metis.
Vacant	mVankleekhill	ſ
"*William McRa	e.Roxboro' and Finch.	
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JAMES WATSON, M.A., Presbytery Clerk.

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*William Aitken Oct.	1839 * George Forster Smith's Falls Smith's Falls.
*S. C. Fraser, M.A., Mar.	1844 * W. Hutchison McNab Whitelake.
*Thos. Wardrope Aug.	1845*D. RobertsonOttawa, Knox's ChOttawa.
*J. L. Gourlay, AM. Mar.	1851 Hugh Gourlay Aylmer & Nepean Aylmer, Q.
*David WardropeJune	1855*L. CuthbertsonBristolBristol, Q.
*James WhyteNov.	1858 W McGirrOsgoodeOsgoode.
*W. MoKenzieDec.	1858*A. ToshachAlmonteAlmonte.
John McEwanSep.	1859 David Bell Pembroke
*. Jos. White, A.B Aug.	1862 * W. D. Leslie Wakefield
*William MooreMar.	1866 * W. Taylor Ottawa, Bank St Ottawa.

*James	Tait	rbolton Fitzroy Harbor.
*W. M.	Roger, M A.Nov 29, 1864. *John Riddell Perth	Perth.
+James	Carswell Oct. 17, 1867 Beckwith, &c	a Cariton Place.
Vacant	*David WylieRamsay	Almonte.
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SIMON C. FRASER, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF BROCKVILLE.

MINISTERS.	DATE OF	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.	POST OFFICES.
Robt. Boyd, D.D.	ORDINATION. Feb 8. 1821		W thout Charge	Prescott.
*William Lochead,	. Dec. 1831	Thos Duncan .	Waddington, US Gloucester, N. Gower	Kars.
*Andrew Melville			y.S. Gower & Mountain 	Maitland.
*John Burton	Nov 7, 1864	*Peter Byrne	Winchester Prescott	Prescott.
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PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

William SmartAp. 11, 1811	
*James McIntosh July 30, 1828 Samuel Girvin Amherst IslandAmherst Island	d
Henry Go don May 14, 1833	
*Patrick Gray.,	
*Andrew Wilson Jan 29, 1851., *Samuel Gaw Brock St., Kingston Kingston	
*Wm McLaren June 1, 1853 *Geo Keith Belleville	
*John Scott June 29, 1853*John Ballantyne. Napanee	
*Thos. S ! hambers May 23, 1855*James GibsonStorrington	
Davin Wishart Ap. 6. 1837 Henry Cook Madoo	
*John McMe han., Dec 15, 1857 W. Grant Kemp Picton Picton.	
*Join TurnbullJune 24, 1862 Robt F. Pegan Meirose & Lonsdale Meirose.	
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Jas. WightmanCamden & Snemeid	
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(smith & Gienburgie	

THOMAS S. CHAMBERS, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

James Douglass June.	1823 J. D. Armstrong, Millbrook & Centreville Millbrook.
	1833 *Lt-Col Haultain Peterhoro' Peterboro'.
*T Alexander, M.A.March.	1835 George Angus Percy
	1840 . Alex. Orr
John Ewing Jan.	1846 *Thos. Best Emily, &c Mt. Pleasant.
*John W Smith March,	1819*Jas. Curruthers Grafton & VernonvilleGrafton.
Francis Antirews	
*John LaingJune.	1854 Alex FraserCobourg
William BlainJuly 4,	1854 Win. LockieSprinkfield & LakevaleSpringville.
	1854 John McLean Norwood & Hastings. Norwood.
	1857 Dr. GrossColborne & Brighton Colborne.
	1959 Sam Corbett Perry own & Oakhilla Perrytown.
	1859 F. Sanderson Lakefield & N. Smith.N Douro.
	1861 *W. Donglas Port Hope Port Hope.
W. McWilliam, MASep. 23,	1863 Wm. Isaac Bethesda & Alnwick Bowmanton.

Vacant	David Haig Baltimore & C. Springs Baltimore.
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	F. Fails & Somerville, Fenelon Falls.
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	Kinmount, &oKinmount.
34	Haliburton, &c
	Anstruther & Chandos

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PRESBYTERY OF ONTALIO.

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*R.H.Thornton, D.DApril, 1833*John MichaelOshawaOshawa.
Alex. Kennedy Sep. 30, 1835 * John Parker Dunbarton, & Dunbarton.
George Lawrence,Apr. 28, 1837 John GlbonClarkeOrono.
*John McTavish. 1844*Colin McCuaigWoodvilleWoodville.
*John McLachianOct. 26. 1846*Robert ValderB-avertonBeaverton.
W. C. Windell Nov. 27, 1847 John H oey Cartwright & Ballyduff Burton.
J. R. Scott
•John SmithSep. 28, 1851 Peter MurdochBowmanville, &cBowmanville.
Hugh Campbell Sep. 20, 1854 Alex. Leask Manilla
*Robert McArthur. Sep. 29, 1854
*George RiddellNov. 2, 1858*David ContieNewtou & Newcastle.Clarke.
*Robert BinnieMay 26. 1861 Lindsay Lindsay Lindsay.
George Jamieson Mar. 24, 1866 Thos. C. Foreman Prince Albert Prince Albert.
*J. B. EamondsonAug. 21, 1867 *John RateliffeColumbus & BrooklinColumbus.
James DouglasOct. 16, 1867 Wm. Welsh Uxbridge & LeaskdaieUxbridge.
VacantClaremontClaremont
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" "Wm. Heron, Ashburn and Utica. Ashburn.
James Irwin

GEORGE RIDDELL, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

Robert Burns, D D July, 1811
James Harris July 10, 1823
*Wm. Fraser
* Mex. Tupp, A. M. Jan, 25, 1838. * Hou J. McMurrich Knux's ch. Toronto
*J. Jennings, D.D., July 12, 1838 . *Thos. Drysdale., Bay St. Toronto
(Jas Somerville, (Vaughan, Coleraine,
*Peter GlasfordOct. 10, 1888 {Jas. Somerville. { Vaughan
*William Reid, M.A.Jan. 29, 1840Agent of the Church . Toronto.
*Robert MonteathApr. 29, 1841 Wm Miller
Janues Dick Dec. 22, 1848 Richni'd b'i Thornbill Richmond Hill.
James Dick
*Rubt. Wallace July 15. 1816 *James Gibson West ch., Toronto Toronto.
*Wm. Greve, A.M., Jun, 22, 1847., Wm. Hunter., Cooke's ch., Toronto., Toronto.
James PringleJun 19, 1848 Brampton, &c
James Pringle
*James NisbetJune. 1850 Missionary to Indiana
*James NisbetJune, 1850
*John Gray
J. Alexander, M.A.May 29, 1851 John Lewile Union and Norval Norval.
John BlackJuly 31, 1831
James Adams,Juiy 28, 1852 Nathan IrvineKingNobleton
*William CavenOct. 7 1852Prof. Knox CollegeToronto.
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*James FergusonNov. 21, 1855 Knox's ch., Oro East Oro.
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J. M. King, M.A., O t. 1837., *Arch. McDonald Gould St., Toronto Toronto
Alex. McFaul Mar. 17, 1858
*James Greenfield Nov. 24 1859 Stayner and Bowmorel untroon.
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James MilliganAug. 27, 1861 Wm, Goodfellow.King and LarkeyLaskey.
John K. HisiopNov. 19, 1862Aillston, &cAlliston.
Robert Moodio, Mar. 1863Tecumseth, 1 & 2Tottenham.
*Robert EwingApr. 1865 Hugh McKayGeorgetown, &cGeorgetown,
*Francis DuncanSep. 26, 1865
Robert Knowles, Oct. 31, 1866
*Wm. A JohnstonSep. 25, 1867
*Mungo FraserOct. 10, 1867
*R. M. Croll
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George Chavne	July 6 1831	John Wohh.		Tanleytown.
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James Black	NOV. 9, 1853	J. McClaggan	ArgyleSt.Caledonia &c	seneca.
*John Lees	J uly 10, 1855	J. Robertson.	Ancaster village	Ancaster.
		Robert Forbe	B Ancaster East	
		Wm. Smith.	Ancaster West	
*Wm. Craigio	Jun. 5, 1856	T. M. England.	Port Dover & Simcos	Port Dover.
*John McRobio	Oct. 21, 1857		Ancaster Village Ancaster East Ancaster West Port Dover & Simcoo Jarvis and Walpole	Jarvis.
"John G. Muriay.	JULY 7. 1828	ROOM, Drown.	Grimsoy, Chinton, ac	Grimany,
*Thomas Wilson .			Sutherl'd St.Caledonia	Seneca.
*Alex Grant	Jan. 27, 1864		Oneida, Indiana, &c	.Dufferin.
*George Burson	June 6, 1864	Jas. Dougan	St. Catherines	St. Catherines.
A B Simpson	Sen 12 1865	J. McLaughlar	Knox Ch., Hamilton	Hamilton.
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*George Smellic March, 1836 * Samuel Dobbin Melvillo ch., Fergus Fergus
*John DuffAug. 19, *836*Moses DouglasKnox's ch., EloraElora
William BarrieJan. 4. 1843 Henry Scott1st Eramosa
Robert Torranco Nov. 11, 1846 Thos. McRrae 1st Guelph
Wm. S. Ball. Feb. 28, 1849., E. McGnire, M.D. Knox's, Guelph. Guelph
James K. SmithJan. 13, 1853*John GillespieKnox's Galt
Tames R. contra
James Bowle
James A. ThomsonJuly 25, 1855 Johnston SpiersErin & Caledon WErin.
*James Middlemiss June 3, 1856*Alex. BurnettChaimers', EloraElora
*Andrew McLeanMar, 10, 1857
*Andrew McLeauMar, 10, 1857 West Puslinch
William Millican., Sep. 21, 1859., *R. J. Black.,St. John's, GarafraxaGarafraxa.
Malcolm McKenzie Feb. 12, 1862 William Ross Doon and Hespeler Doon.
*Wm. T. Murdoch., Sep. 10, 1862 John HabbickMelville, Galt
*Lachian Camerou Nov. 5, 1862 Arch. Campbell Knox's, Acton
*Thos. McGuireMar. 8, 1864 M. HendersonGlenallen and Hollin . Glenallan.
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*Char'es ChiniquyOct. 7, 1833	St. Ann's, Kankakee	St. Anu's Kan. ili.
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R. F. Burns, D.D. July 17, 1847	1st Scotch ch. Chicago	Chicago.
R. F. Burns, D.D. July 17, 1847 Alex. W. WaddellNov. 30, 1847 J. Laird	Harwich	Ridgetown.
*W. R. Sutherland, Feb. 16, 1848*Wm. McBain	Ekfrid .	Strathburn.
Angus McCollFeb. 1848	Adelaide St. Chatham	Chatham.
Angus McCollFeb. 1843 *J. J. A. Proudfoot July 16, 1848 Alex. Smith	1st London	London.
L. McPherson,, Feb. 7, 1849.	Williams	Williams.
L. McPhersonFeb. 7, 1849 *John ScottOrt. 1850*Wm. Begg	St. Andrew's, London	London
*Alex. F. Kemp Jan. 20, 1851 *Alex. Bartlett	Windsor .	Windsor
*William King May, 1851 R. Vanvrankin	Ruyton	Buston
James W. Chestnut Nov. 10, 1853 John Duncan	Maudawmin	Mandaumin
*William WalkerOct. 25, 1853	Wellin'n st Chatham	Chatham
John Stewart Mar. 8, 1855 "Thos Gordon	Cheimore oh Dunwich	Cours
*Peter Currie	Now Clasgow to	Aldhows'
*Geo. CuthbertsonOct. 7, 1857 John McLean	St Thomas	St Mhaman
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*William FletcherFeb. 17, 1859 James Campbell.		
*Arch. MoDiarmid.Sep. 21, 1859 Alex. Callam	Amnerstuuren	Amnerstburgh.
Arch. Currie Feb. 17, 1860 John Ferguson		
Robert Scott Nov.23, 1860 Wm. Robertson	N. & S. Plympton	Camlachie.
*Nell McKinnon Feb. 21, 1861 Robt Calderwood	Wardsville	Wardsville.
Peter McDermidMar. 3, 1861	Moore	Birkhall.
Peter Goodfellow Jan. 29, 1862 Donald Fraser		
George Simpson July 21, 1862 JamesArmstrons		
*Arch. Stewart Nov. 26, 1862 D. Chisholm	Mosa	.Glencoe.
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*George Grant, B.A. Jan. 29, 1865 J. Malloch	.Delsware	.Delaware.
Wm. CavenOct. 26, 1865	.Ridgetown	Ridgetown
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*John Thmopson Apr. 25, 1866 * Hon. A. Vidal Sarnia, St. Andrews Sarnia.
"George Sutherland Nov. 14 1866 P. Barber
Bolt. H. Warden Nov 15 1866 William Webster Bothwell and Florence Bothwell.
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*E H BauldNov 27, 1867 Jas. McNaughton. Warwick
*A C. Mc Donald Der. 31, 1867*A McKenzie Thamesford
M DeMarsJan. 15 1863St. Jean Baptist, Kan. Kankakee. *G. M MilliganFeb 4 1868 Thos. RobsonEng. Set. & Proof Lune Telfer.
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Daniel AllanNov. 21, 1838 Jas. WaddellNorth EasthopeStratford.
Wm MeldrumMarch, 1840 Geo. McLeodHarrington
wm Meldrum
James BoydJuly 7, 1547 Wm. Barbour Wellesley
A. A DrummondOct. 20, 1847 W. Rutherford Shak & Humpstead . Shakespeare.
Wm, Doak, B.A Feb. 14, 1855 Mich Ballantyne Avonton & Carlingford, Avonton,
John Fotheringham Feb. 27, 1856 Gilbert McIntyre, Hibbert
*Robt. Hamilton Jane 30, 1858 John Caven Avonbank & Fullarton Motherwell.
Robert Hall
Robt, Renwick Jan 28, 1363 Wm. Robertson Elma Centre, & Newry,
Allan FindlayJan 30. 1837 Jas. WeirBiddalph & Fish CreekGrant n.
*J. W. Mitchell May 23, 1867 Chas. Gordon Mitchell
Peter Musgrave
Vacant
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WILLIAM DOAK, B.A., Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF HURON.

James Duncan June,	1836 Jam	es Pollock	Bayfield	.Bayfield.
Charles Fletcher May 31	1842		Without Charge	.Goderich.
Walter Inglis Nov.	1842 Wm.	McCalley	W. Ch., Kincardine,	Kingardine.
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*Goorge BrownAug.	1855 Bobt	McLachlan.	Wroxeter & Howick	Wioxeler.
Alex. Grant	1858		Ashfield & Haron	Kingsbridge.
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Alex McKay	1862 John	McRae	Tiverton & Greenock	Tiverton.
Wm, Mathieson, May 1,	1862 Edw	ard Brown	N. & Centre Brace	North Bruce.
Adam McKayJuly 24,	1862 Willi	am Pringle .	Culross	Teeswater.
Adam G. Forbesliec. 6,	1862 Jame	s Wuddall	Riversdale, &c.	Riversdale.
*John FergusonJan. 31,	1865 Gilbe	rt McCallnm	Mel. Ch., Ainleyville	Dingle.
Henry Gracey Mar. 22,	1845 Rohe	rt Kirk	Themesroad Kirkton	Exeler
*Robert LeaskNov. 21	INGE LION	Ratherford	St Holusta & Kinkus	St Hulana
*Robert Leask	1000 Hugi	" L'illingt	Hallott & Mauchaster	Aubum
*Siephen Young Sept. 19,	1000 Jaine	a Fallott.	Diment & Manchester,.	Auburn.
*James Hastle Oct. 23,	1866 John	Messer	Bluevale, &c	isiuevale.
*Archd. McLean Nov. 6,	1866 Walt	er Scott	Blyin & Belgrave	Blyin.
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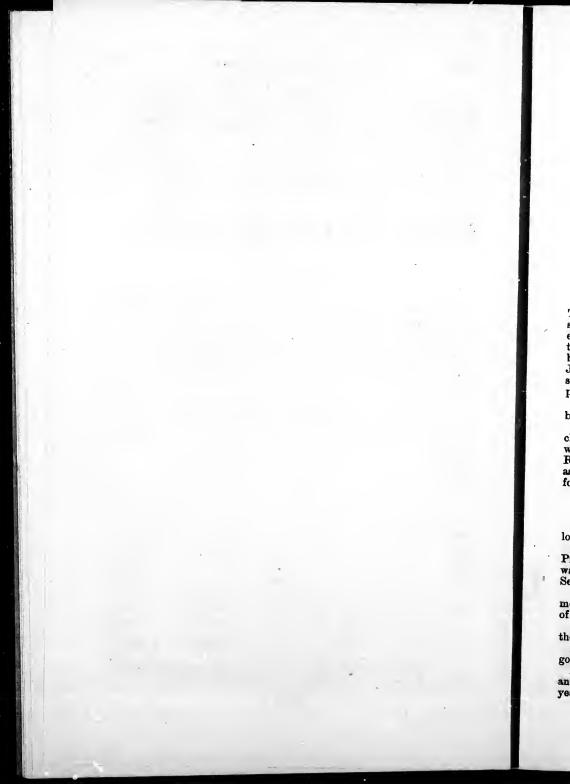
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William Park	Chataworth.
*George Bremuer Feb. 16, 1869 James Dodds Durham	Durliam.
*Charles Cameron May 1, 1861 Thomas Rimin. Palsley, &c	Paisley.
*Chailes Cameron May 1, 1861 Thomas Ranken Paisley, &c *Alex, FrazerOct. 2, 1861 Thomas Rinnie Rocky Stageen, &c	Priceville.
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MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD

OF THE

Canada Presbyterian Church.

FIRST SEDERUNT.

At the City of Montreal, and within Erskine Church there, June 9, 1868 Tuesday, the ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and P. M. sixty-eight years, at half an hour after seven of the clock, in the evening, which time and place the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church met; and, after preliminary devotional exercises by Mr. Alexander Topp, and Sermon by the Moderator, Mr. John J. A. Proudfoot, from Luke xvii. 5, "And the Aposites said unto the Lord, increase our faith," was constituted with prayer.

The roll of Synod, compiled from the rolls of the several Pres- Boll called. byteries, was called, and the attenuance of members marked.

The Recording Clerk submitted a tabulated statement of the Summary changes affecting the Synod roll and the list of Probationers, in Roll, &c. which had occurred since the last meeting, as set forth in the Reports of the several Presbyteries. The statement was taken as read, —was ordered to be engrossed in the Minutes, and is as follows :—

DEMISSIONS.

The following Ministers gave in their demissions, and were Twelve deloosed from their respective charges :-- missions.

In the Presbytery of Brockville—William Ferrie, A.M., of W. Ferrie, Prescott, on the 28th day of August; Martin Lowrie, of Corn-A.M. wall, on the same day; and Andrew Melville, of Colquhoun M. Lowrie. Settlement, on the 5th day of November, last year.

In the Presbytery of Ontario—John Baird, M.A., of Clare- J. Baird, mont, and Erskine Church, Pickering, on the 5th day of May M.A. of the present year.

In the Presbytery of Paris—William Inglis, of Woodstock, on W. Inglis. the 6th day of August, last year.

In the Presbytery of Montreal-Robert Binnie, of New Glas- R. Binnie. gow, on the 25th day of September, last year.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton-John Rennie, of Dunnville J. Rennie. and North Cayuga, on the 7th day of February, in the present year.

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In the Presbytery of London-William Troup, of East and West Tilbury, on the 12th day of April, in the current year.

In the Presbytery of Toronto-David Coutts, of First and Second Chinguacousy, on the 6th day of August, last year ; Jas.

J. Mitchell. Mitchell, of Boston' Church and Milton, on the 5th day of J. Milligan. February ; and James Milligan, of King and Laskey, on the 20th day of May of this current year-Mr. Milligan's demission to take effect on the 26th of July next.

Wm. J. Mc. - In the Presbytery of Cobourg-Wm. J. McKenzie, of Balti-Kenzie. more and Cold Springs, on the 5th day of May, in the current year; the Presbytery's Report stating that Mr. McKenzio was at the same time declared to be no longer a Minister of this Church.

TRANSLATIONS.

Two translations.

The following Ministers, having accepted calls, were loosed from their respective congregations, and were inducted into new charges, namely :-R. Wallace.

Robert Wallace, from Thorold and Drummondville, in the Presbytery of Hamilton, on the 24th of September, to West Church, Toronto, in the Presbytery of Toronto, on the 6th of

November, last year. John Burton, from Lyn, in the Presby-tery of Brockville, on the 4th day of February, to Prescott, in the same Presbytery, on the 19th of the same month, in this present year.

ORDINATIONS.

The following Probationers were ordained, and, at the same Sixteen ordinations. time, inducted as pastors of the respective congregations, as undermentioned.

In the Presbytery of Huron, John McNabb, Lucknow, on J. McNabb. the 11th day of December, last year.

J. Douglas. In the Presbytery of Ontario, James Douglas, Uxbridge and Leaksdale, on the 16th of October, last year.

A. C. Gillies. In the Presbytery of Montreal, Archibald C. Gillies, Cote de Neiges, on the 26th day of May, in the current year.

P. Musgrave.

J. Aull.

In the Presbytery of Stratford, Peter Musgrave, West's Corners and Gamble Settlement, on the 20th day of May, of the present year.

In the Presbytery of London, William Lundy, Strathroy, W. Lundy. E.H. Bauld July 17th, last year; E. H. Bauld, Warwick, on the 27th of November; and A. C. McDonald, Thamesford, on the 31st of December, last year; Mr. DeMars, Kankakee City, on the 15th A. C. Macdouald M. DeMars. G. M. Milliof Jannary ; George M. Milligan, English Settlement and Proof-A. McDiar- Line, on the 4th of February; N. McDiarmid, Wallacetown, on mid. T. Backet, the 6th of February; and John Becket, Thamesville, Indian Reserve, &c., on the 27th of May, of the current year.

W.A. John- In the Presbytery of Toronto, Wm. A. Johnston, Willis ston. M. Fraser. Church, Oro, on the 25th of September ; and Mungo Fraser, ston M. Fraser, Church, Oro, on the 25th of September ; and Mungo Fraser, K. M. Croil. Barrie, and Guthrie Church, on the 10th day of October, last year ; R. M. Croll, First and Second Chinguacousy, on the 19th May; and John Aull, Knox Church, Brampton, and Malton, on the 20th day of May, in the present year.

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In the Presbytery of Ottawa, James Carswell, Beckwith and J. Carswell. Ashton, on the 17th of October, last year.

INDUCTIONS.

The following Ministers were inducted into the Charges named Twelve Inbelow, at the dates annexed to each respectively :--

In the Presbytery of Ontario, J. B. Edmondson, Columbus J. B. Edand Brooklin, on the 24th of March; and Robert Binnie, Lind- $\frac{\text{mondson}}{\text{R. Binnie}}$, say, on the 7th of April, in the current year.

In the Pres' ytery of Montreal, Robert Fleming, Farnham, on R Fleming the 8th of October, last year; and Wm. Scott, New Carlisle, ^{W. Scott.} Hopeton, and Port Daniel, on the 6th of May, in the present year.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton, George Burson, St. Catherines, G. Burson. on the 22nd day of October, last year.

In the Presbytery of Grey, Daniel Duff, North Brant, on the D. Duff. 19th of May of the present year.

In the Presbytery of London, Robert Scott, North and South R. South Plympton, on the 11th day of November, last year.

In the Presbytery of Toronto, William McGoorge Christie, W.M.Chris-Mono Centre and Mono West, on the 2nd day of July; and the Howard D. Steele, Orangeville and Mono Mills, on the 19th of W. Meikle. November, last year; Wm. Meikle, Oakville, on the 15th E. Moodie, day of Jannavy; Robert Moodie, Tecumseth, First and Second, on the 2nd day of June, in the current year.

In the Presbytery of Cobourg, W. C. Young, Norwood and W.C.Young Hastings, on the 29th of October, last year.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

By the Presbytery of Ontario, John McLean, late of the Con-J. McLean, gregational Church, as a minister in full standing, on the 9th of July, last year; and on the same day, Jas. Douglas, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, United States, as a probationer; and, on the 10th of March, of the present year, J. B. Edmondson, as a minister in full standing.

By the Presbytery of Paris, Wm. Meikle, of the Presbyterian W. Meikle. Church, (O.S.) United States, on the 6th of August, last year,; chard. and, by transference from the Presbytery of Ottawa, J. Pritchard, as a probationer.

By the Presbytery of Toronto, J. Irvine Dunlop, from the J. Dunlop Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, on the 6th of August; H.D.Steele. last year; on the seventh of the same month, James Carswell, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, (O.S.) United States; Howard D. Steele, from the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, on the 6th of November, last year.

By the Presbytery of Cobourg, George Milligan, B.A.

G. M. Milligan, B.A.

LICENSURE.

Thirteen students

The following Students were licensed as Probationers :--

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J. McNabb. By the Presbytery of Huron, on the 9th day of July, last year, John McNabb.

By the Presbytery of Brockville, John Becket, on the 7th of J. Becket. August last.

A. C. Gillies. R. M. Croll. By the Presbytery of Kingston, on the 9th of August, last year, Archibald Christie Gillies, and Robert Milne Croll.

J. Auli. By the Presbytery of Ontario, on the 9th of July, last year, John Aull.

By the Presbytery of Paris, J. W. Bell, on the 6th day of J. W. Bell. August, last.

D. Davidson By the Presbytery of Montreal, Duncan Davidson, on the 26th D. J. McIn. of September, last year.

By the Presbytery of Grey, on the 27th of September, last, N. McDiar- Duncan J. McInnes, and Neil McDiarmid.

M. McDiar-mid. A. C. Mc-Donald. By the Presbytery of London, on the 3rd of July, last, A. C. McDonald; and on the 24th of September, last, J. R. Riley.

J. R. Rilcy. M. Fraser. By the Presbytery of Toronto, on the 7th of August, last, W. Burns. Mungo Fraser, and William Burns.

RETIRING MODERATOR'S ADDRESS.

Address of retiring Moderator.

The retiring Moderator addressed the Synod, thanking them for the honor which they had, last year, conferred upon him, by putting him into the chair, and for all the courtesy and kindness which he had received in the discharge of its duties, and closing with the intimation that the time had now come for the election of a new Moderator.

MODERATOR ELECTED.

Moderator elected.

The Synod proceeded to make choice of a new Moderator. The nominations for the office by the several Presbyteries being called for, it was stated that Mr. Alexander Topp, of Knox's Church, Toronto, had been nominated by all the Presbyteries. Whereupon, the retiring Moderator declared Mr. Topp chosen to the office of Moderator by the unanimous voice of the church. Mr. Topp then took the chair and addressed the Synod.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPC'AT.

Business Committee

The Committee on Business gave in a report, which was read by the Clerk of the Committee, Mr. David Waters. The report was received; and, in accordance with its recommendations, the following appointments were made :--

First,-To be members of the Committee of Bills and Overtures, for the Presbytery of Cobourg, Mr. John Laing and Lt.-Col. Haultain ; the said Presbytery having omitted to make the requisite appointments according to the Standing Orders.

It being stated the Presbytery of Grey had omitted to appoint an elder on the Bills and Overtures Committee, and no elder from that Presbytery being present, the appointment was deferred till tc-morrow.

Secondly,-To be a Committee on the Commissions of Elders, Messra. Thomas Lowry, Wm. Moore, and James Black, ministers; Mr. Wm. Begg, and Dr. Edmondson, elders; Mr. Lowry, [582]

Report.

Bills' Com. Members appointed.

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Thirdly,—To be Committees for examining the Records of the Presbytery several Presbyteries, as follows, namely :—Of the Presbytery of Records, Montreal—Messrs. D. Inglis, Jas. Robertson, (Paris,) and Committees on,

Hon. J. McMurrich.

Ottawa-Messrs. G. Cuthbertson, W. Craigie, and James Henderson.

Brockville-Messrs. T. S. Chambers, J. Scott, (L.) and Donald Robertson.

Kingston-Messrs. R. Monteath, Alex. Young, and W. Rowan.

Cobourg-Messrs. W. Cochrane, J. Scott, (N.) and David Wylie.

Ontario-Messrs. James Watson, T. Wardrope, and Alex. Fraser.

Toronto-Messrs, Jas. Middlemiss, Jas. Thom, and Adam Spence.

Hamilton-Messrs. S.C. Fraser, J. McMechan, and Lt.-Col. Haultain.

Paris-Messrs. J. Burton, T. McPherson, and William Douglas.

Guelph-Messrs. Geo. Riddell, Geo. Brown, and Andrew Whitlaw.

London-Messrs. D. Waters, J. McRobie, and Sam. Gaw. Stratford-Messrs. W. Gregg, W. Richardson, and Alex. Bartlett.

Huron-Messrs. W. McLaren, Jas. W. Mitchell, and David McKay.

Grey-Messrs. Dr. Thornton, H. McQuarrie, A. Toshach.

The names placed first on the foregoing lists to be the con- Conveners. veners of the respective committees.

Fourthly,-To be a Committee for examining the Records of Synod the Synod :- Dr. Ormiston, convener, A. F. Kemp, and the Records Hon. Alex. Vidal. on.':

Fifthly,-To be a Committee on the Returns to Remits of Remite, Re-Synod sent down last year, to Presbyteries and Sessions :-Mr. turns, Com-John M. Gibson, convener ; Messrs. A, Wilson, James Whyte, mittee on. D. H. McVicar, ministers; Thomes Kirkland, and Peter Byrne. elders.

DIETS FOR BUSINESS.

It was agreed, on the recommendation of the Business Com-Business mitteee, that the diets of Synod, for business be the same as diets for. formerly, that is to say : to meet in the morning at ten o'clock, and continue in session till one; meet again at three o'clock, and adjourn at six ; resume at half past seven and close at ten. Meet 10-It was, at the same time, agreed, so far to depart from this morrow at order, that, to morrow morning the Synod shall meet at eleven eleven. o'clock, and the first hour shall be spent in devotional exercises.

BILLS' COMMITTEE-FIRST MEETING,

The Committee on Bills and Overtures were instructed to hold Bills' Com. their first meeting in the Basement of this Church, at nine first meet's. o'clock, to-morrow morning.

PRESBYTERIES HAVE LEAVE TO MEET, ETC.

Pres., leave

On the suggestion of the Business Committee, it was agreed to grant leave to the several Presbyteries to meet on competent business, on the call of their respective Moderators, or Clerks, during the intervals between the Sederunts of Synod.

THANKS TO RETIRING MODERATOR.

Thanks to retiring Moderator.

On motion of Mr. D. H. McVicar, seconded by Mr. D. Inglis, the Synod tendered thanks to Mr. Proudfoot, the retiring Moderator, for the ability with which he had discharged the duties of the Moderatorship last year, and for the excellent sermon by him now delivered.

The Synod adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock, and the diet was closed with the Benediction.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

WEDNESDAY, June 10th, 1868, 11 o'clock, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, by the Moderator, Mr. Alexander Topp.

Devotional Exercises. t

As agreed upon, last night, the first hour was spent in devotional services, Dr. Thornton, Messrs. W. T. McMullen, J. M. Roger, and Daniel Gordon, succeeding the Moderator in prayer, with the singing of Psalms and the reading of the Scriptures in the intervals.

Minutes read. The minutes of the first Sederunt were read and sustained.

PRESBYTERY GREY -ELDER-BILLS' COMMITTEE.

Com. on The Synod took up the matter of appointing an elder on the Bills, Elder, Committee of Bills and Overtures for the Presbytery of Grey, Pres. Grey. deferred last night. There being yet no elder present from that Presbytery, the appointment was again delayed.

ELDERS' COMMISSIONS-FIRST REPORT.

Eiders Mr. Thomas Lowry, from the Committee on the Commissions, Commissions of Elders, gave in a report, setting forth that certain elders ...Report on named therein, had been regularly appointed by their respective

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Kirk Sessions, as their representatives in Synod; and that certain others had, in like manner, been appointed to be substituted for elders whose names were now on the Roll. Mr. Lowry stated, also, that the Committee had received a Commission in favour of an Elder representing the Kirk Session of the congregation of Alexandria, in the Presbytery of Montreal, while the name of said congregation did not appear on the Roll of Synod, and, on behalf of the Committee, asked for the decision of the Synod in the premises. 1

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The report in so far as it related to Commissions about which Report there was no question was adopted, and the names contained adopted in therein were ordered to be entered on the Roll, as recommended by the Committee.

In regard to the latter part of the report, relating to Alex-Alexandria, andria, it was, on motion of Mr. D. Inglis, duly seconded, Montreal agreed, that, the Roll of the Presbytery of Montreal be referred to referred back to said Presbytery with instructions to amend the said Pressame by adding the congregation of Alexandria thereto.

It was further ordered, on motion of Mr. Kemp, seconded by Elder from Mr. McPherson, that the name of the Elder returned as repre-Alexandria senting the congregation of Alexandria be forthwith added to Roll. the Synod Roll.

BILLS' COMMITTEE-FIRST REPORT.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures gave in their first Bills' Comreport, which was read by the Clerk of the Committee, Mr. D. 1st Report. Waters. The report was received, and the order of business therein recommended sustained.

MARRIAGE-NOTICE OF MOTION.

In regard to one item mentioned in the Report of the Commit-Marriage tee on Bills, namely, that relating to the question of marriage with deceased wife's sister, Mr. T. McMullen gave notice of a sister, - noresolution which he should move on the subject, when the same tice of mocame up for discussion. which resolution was read by Mr. Mc-Mullen at length.

THE QUEEN-ADDRESS TO.

On motion of Principal Willis, duly seconded, the Synod agreed The Queen; to appoint, as they did and do hereby appoint, a committee to address to draft an Address to Her Majesty, the Queen, in reference to the late murderous attempt on the life of the Duke of Edinburgh, in Australia, and expressive of the Synod's recognition of the good hand of God in the escape of the youthful prince from instant death. The Moderator then named the committee, as follows : Principal Willis, Professor Cayon, Mr. Proudfoot.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

There was read and received a letter from the Young Men's Young Christian Association of Montreal, cordially inviting the mem-tian Assobers of Synod to visit the Reading Rooms of the Association, -- ciation-letstating also, that a union Prayer-meeting was held at the rooms ter from. daily, at three quarters after twelve o'clock, and inviting members of Synod to their regular social meeting on the evening of Tuesday next.

. The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the Benediction.

THIRD SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL

Wednesday, June 10th, 1868, 3, P.M.

June.

The Synod met and was constituted with praise, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, -Mr. Archibald Henderson, of St. Andrews, at the request of the Moderator, leading in the devotional exercises.

Min. read.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Presby. of Montreal to sit.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL TO SIT HALF AN HOUR.

The Presbytery of Montreal, on leave asked, had permission to sit for half an hour during this Sederunt.

Elders' Commissioners-2nd Report. ELDERS' COMMISSIONERS-2ND REPORT.

Mr. Lowry, from the Committee on Elders' Commissions, handed in and read a second Report, recommending that the names of certain Elders mentioned therein be entered on the Synod Roll. The report was received and its recommendation sanctioned.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS-APPLICATION FOR.

Students application to take on triais.

There was read an application from the Presbytery of Toronto, for leave to take the students following on public probationary trials for license, namely :--James P. Baikie, James A. F. Mc-Bain, Hugh Currie, Andrew Milne, John Edgar Croly, Anson Forster, Nathaniel Clarke, Edward Reeve, and Wm. Mitchell, students of Theology of Knox College, who had completed their Curriculum. Extracts from the Records of the Presbytery, in reference to the said application, as also certificates, (with certain explanations), from Principal Willis in favour of said students were read.

There was also read an application from the same Presbytery for leave to take on trials John Campbell, who, it was stated, had attended Knox College for two sessions, and who was in attendance at the Divinity Hall of New College, Edinburgh, during the last session of that Institution. Also, an application from the same Presbytery, for leave to take on trials Mr. James Barron, who had attended Knox College for two sessions, and who had studied last winter in the Divinity Hall of the Free Church College, Glasgow. Various certificates in favour of the students named were read.

Leave granted.

The Synod agreed to grant leave, as craved, to the Presbytery of Toronto, to take the several students above named on trials for license.

RECEPTION OF MINISTERS-APPLICATION FOR.

Reception Applications were laid before the Synod from Presbyteries for of Ministers; leave to receive as Ministers of this Church the persons named in such applications, as follows :-- From the Presbytery of Strat-

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ford to receive as a Probationer, John L. Murray, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, New Jersy, United States. From the Presbytery of Ottawa, to receive as a Probationer, Hugh Crozier, a licentiate of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, afore named. From the Presbytery of Brockville, to receive as a Minister of this Church, Wm. Harvey Hew DeBourck, formerly a Minister of the Congregational Church. Several certificates bearing upon the applications foregoing, setting forth the standing and character of the parties named, were read.

It was agreed to refer the applications foregoing and all the Reception papers relating to the same to a committee to consider and reportCom. thereon. The committee was then appointed as follows :- Mr. Thomas McPherson, convener; Messrs. James Black, D. H. Fletcher, J. Middlemiss, A. F. Kemp, G. Smellie, Ministers; W. Heron and James Gibson, (Kingston) Elders.

REMITS-RETURNS.

There were handed in Returns from Presbyteries and Sessions Remitsto certain Remits sent down last year. It was agreed to refer Returnsreferred to the said Returns to the committee on this matter appointed at Com. the first sederunt last night.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL TO SIT.

The Presbytery of Montreal, on leave again asked, had per- Presby. of mission to continue in session for another half hour.

Montreal leave to sit.

MARRIAGE-OVERTURE.

The Synod took up the Overture from the Kirk Session of Marriage, Knox Church, Woodstock, transmitted by the Presbytery of Overture-Paris, on the subject of marriage with a deceased wife's sister, Woodstock consideration whereof was, at a certain stage, delayed at last Session. Synod.

The Overture was read.

A point of order was here raised by Mr. Andrew Wilson as to Point of the incompetency of an inferior court authoritatively to impugn Order. the doctrines of the Church, as set forth in the Confession of Faith, as it was maintained, was done by the terms of said Over- Point of orture. After reasoning for some time it was ruled by the Moder-der sustainator that the point of order was properly raised, and that the ed. Overture could not therefore be further entertained.

PSALMODY.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Psal-Psaimodymody, read and received last year, but consideration of which report on. was then delayed. The Report was read.

It was moved by Mr. David Inglis, seconded by Mr. David Motion. Waters,-That this Synod grant leave to such congregations as may desire it to make use of the Book of Psalms and Hymns for public worship sanctioned by the Synod of the English Presbyterian Church.

After reasoning, the hour of adjournment arrived, and, Mr.

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Andrew Wilson being in presession of the floor, the diet was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTEEAL,

Wednesdr , ne 10th, 1868, 7h P.M.

The Synod met and was constitution in praise, the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, Mr. Thomas Wardrope leading in prayer.

Min. read.

The Minutes of last Sederant were road and sustained.

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fise. The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Home Missions. The Report was handed in and read by Mr. John Laing, the Convener of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. D. Inglis, seconded by Mr. A. F. Komp, the Synod agreed as follows :--

1. That the Report be received, and the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the committee, and especially to the convener.

Resolutions 2. In reference to the suggestions contained in the report on report. adopt the first and fourth, and ordain accordingly.

3. In reference to the second suggestion, appoint a small . Committee to consider the matter, and report to-morrow afternoon.

Recommendations adopted.

The suggestions of the report adopted and ordained under the second resolution above, are as follows:--

1. That Presbyteries be, as they are hereby instructed to adopt at once such measures as shall prevent the accumulation of arrears in supplemented congregations; and not allow any minister to remain in a place, where, for any reason, the people neglect the duty of contributing to his support, as the Lord enables them.

2. That Presbyteries be, as they are hereby enjoined to take prompt and decided action in reference to congregations and stations within their bounds, which either neglect to send contributions to the funds, or contribute inadequately.

3. That the Synod repeat the instructions of last year, as the same are hereby repeated, to the effect that the names of students who may be licensed during the summer, and of ministers and probationers who may be received after this Synod be not put on the roll of probationers till October next, but that these continue to labor in the Mission Field till that time.

and Suggestion of Report.

The second suggestion referred to in Mr. Inglis third resolution above. is as follows :---

2. The Synod will render assistance to the Committee, if it will give instructions whether expenses incurred by Presbytories in doing the mission work within their bounds are to be defricted from the Central Fund, or from a separate fund raised by each Presbytery:

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The Committee on this suggestion was then appointed, as Committee follows: --Messrs. A. F. Kemp, D. Inglis, W. Cochrane, D. H. on Second McVicar, J. Laing, Ministers; the Hon. J. McMurrish and the Hon. A. Vidal, elders; Mr. Kemp to be convener.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed; the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

FIFTH SEDERUNT.

ERSEINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

THURSDAY, June 11, 1868, 10, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. George Riddell, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

DR. BAYNE INVITED TO SIT.

At the request of Dr. Taylor, the Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pictou, Dr. Bayne Nova Scotia, was invited to take his seat in Synod as a corres- invited to ponding member.

REPORT BILLS' COMMITTEE.

Mr. D. Waters, from the Committee on Bills and Overtures, Bills' Comread a second report, arranging the order of business for the 2nd Report. day. The report was received, and the recommendations thereof were adopted.

The Bills' Committee, in giving in their report, called the Bills' Com. attention of the Synod, to the fact that the Presbytery of Huron appointment had appointed two ministers on the the said Committee, instead ¹⁰. of a minister and an elder. The Synod, thereupon, appointed Mr. James Aikenhead, elder, instead of Mr. John Ross.

THE QUBEN-ADDRESS TO-REPORT.

Principal Willis, from the Committee appointed yesterday, to The Queen draft a loyal address to the Queen, in regard to the late attempt draft adon the life of the Duke of Edinburgh, submitted and read a draft address. The report of the Committee was received, and the draft address approved, with instructions to the Committee to make such verbal alterations in the same, as in their discretion may appear necessary, in the sense of suggestions now offered by several members of Syncd.

APPLICATION-PRESBYTERY BROCKVILLE.

There was read an application from the Presbytery of Brockville, Application for leave to rotain the name of Mr. Andrew Melville, now with Pres. Brockout charge, on the Roll of the said Presbytery.

It was moved by Mr. W. McLaren, seconded by Mr. W. Gregg, Motion. that in view of the important principles involved in the application of the Presbytery of Brockville, the Synod do not, in the

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meantime, grant the application ; but direct the Presbytery, if they see fit, to bring up by Overture the status which should hereafter be accorded to ministers in the position of the Rev. Mr. Melville.

1st Amendment.

It was moved in amendment by Principal Willis, seconded by Mr. S. C, Fraser, that the Synod, having regard to the importance of the question involved in such applications, and reserving any general rule for future consideration, grant the present request on the special grounds stated by the Presbytery of Brockville.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. D. Waters. 2nd Amendseconded by Mr. J. McMechan, that the prayer of the petition be granted, and Mr. Melville's name added to the Roll of the Presbytery of Brockville.

> Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. Waters was successively carried over the amendment of Principal Willis and over the main motion of Mr. McLaren, and the Synod decided in terms of the said amendment.

Extracts were craved, on behalf of the Presbytery of Brockville, by Mr. W. Lochead.

Mr. D. B. Cameron.

Application Presbytery London.

There was read an application from the Presbytery of London, for leave to take on trials for license, Mr. D. B. Cameron, a student of divinity under the charge of the Presbytery, should it be found expedient to do so, before the new meeting of Synod.

APPLICATION-MR. D. B. CAMERON-PRESBYTERY LONDON.

Extracts from the minutes of the Presbytery of London in relation to the said application were read, and favorable testimony was borne to the character and attainments of Mr. Cameron by members of the Presbytery and others.

The Synod agreed to grant the application of the Presbytery Application of London as craved. granted.

MR. BENNETT INVITED TO CORRESPOND.

At the request of Dr. Irvine, the Rev. Mr. Bennett, from the dr. Bennett Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, being present, invited to it is solved to take his seat in the Synod as a corresponding member.

KNOX COLLEGE-REPORT.

The Synod called for the Report of the Board of Management Knox Colof Knox College. The Report was handed i and read by Mr. of Board. David Inglis, the chairman of the Board.

The Report of the College Senate was read by Principal Willis. Senate Mr. Inglis then submitted certain other papers, which it was Report. Recommen- not deemed necessary to read, and also stated several recomdations. mendations adopted by the Board, and submitted for the sanction of the Synod.

Examina-It was here stated that the Report of the Board of Examination tion Board, was not quite ready, but would be forthcoming in a short time. Col. Report Board was received. On motion made and duly seconded the Report of the College

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On motion of Mr. Waters, seconded by Dr. Thornton, it was Recommenagreed, that the Synod proceed now to consider the recommendations of the College Doard Report; seriatim.

The first recommendation was read and adopted, and it was 1st Recomagreed to remit to a small Committee to bring in a motion as to mendation the lecturers to be appointed and on the details of the subjects, for the consideration of the Synod.

The recommendation is of the following tenor :--

1st Recom-

1. That the lectureships in the College be continued, and that mendation, the regulations in reference to the time when the classes shall meet, and the order in which the subjects shall be taught be left with the Board of Management.

The second recommendation was read in reference to the rule 2nd Recomformerly adopted, limiting the number of times which students read, might be allowed to take Sabbath Services, during the Session of the College, to three times; and submitting to the Synod that the regulation on this subject be amended so as to leave the matter at the discretion of the Senate.

It was moved by Mr. Ure, and seconded,—That this recom- Motion. mendation be adopted.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Waters, seconded by Dr. Amendment Ormiston,—That the students of the first and second Theological years be not permitted to go out to preach oftener than six times, during the session, and that the students of the last year be permitted to preach as often as the Senate may consider advisable.

A vote being taken, the amendment was carried, and the Amendment. Synod decided in terms thereof.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE.

The committee to nominate the Standing Committees was now Standing appointed by the Moderator, as follows :--Messrs. D. H. McVicar, Committee W. Moore, W. Bennett, W. McLaren, D. Waters, Dr. Thornton, nominate. W. Gregg, J. Porteous, T. Lowry, G. Cuthbertson, R. Hamilton, A. D. McDonald, A. Tolmie, J. Middlemiss, Ministers; the Hon. J. McMurrich, Messrs. D. McKay, J. Henderson, W-Begg, Elders. Mr. Lowry, Convener.

NOTICE OF MOTION-MR. KEMP.

Mr. A. F. Kemp read a resolution, as an instruction to the Nomination Committee, in reference to certain arrangements which it would be expedient to make in regard to the appointment of the Standing Committees, as to the localities which should form the seats of the respective committees; and gave notice that he should move the said resolution at the next Sederunt.

THANKSGIVING-NOTICE OF MOTION.

Notice was given by Principal Willis that, at a future Sede-Thanksgivrunt, he should move that certain instructions be given to the ^{ing} Day.: Moderator in regard to his calling on the Church, at a seasonable time, during the current year, to recognize, in some suitable manner, the goodness of God in His Providence toward this land.

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The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the benediction.

SIXTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Thursday, June 11th, 1868, 3, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. Andrew Tolmie, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

Minutesread The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

M. DESISLET INVITED TO SIT.

At the request of Mr. Gregg, M. Desislet, minister of the M. Desislet invited to French Church, Craig Street, Montreal, was invited to sit with correspond. the Synod as a corresponding member.

KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox Col-

lege-Con-siderationof Report resumed. Appoint. ment of Mr. G. P. Young

The Synod resumed consideration of the recommendations contained in the Report of the Board of Knox College.

Mr. D. Inglis read the next recommendation, submitting to the Synod the expediency of appointing Mr. George Paxton Young to take charge of the preparatory training of candidates

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for the ministry, attending Knox College. It was moved by Mr. T. Wardrope, seconded by Mr. Tolmie, and agreed,-That this Recommendation be cordially complied with, and authority given to the Board of Management to carry out the arrangement with Mr. Young.

The next Recommendation, in relation to students of this tending Church taking their Theological course, wholly, or in part, at * oreiga Colany Foreign Theological Institution, but intending to labour in the Ministry, in connection with this Church, was read.

The first specification under this recommendation was read 1st. Specifiand adopted.

The second specification, embracing three particulars, marked 2nd adopted a, b, c, was read. The first and second particulars were adopted without discussion. After reasoning, the third particular was adopted.

Regulation as whole.

The regulations as adopted by the Synoc are as follows : I. That students of this class be required not to omit any part of the LiteraryCourse which this Church has prescribed as preparatory to the entrance on Theological Study.

II. (a.) That, in order to facilitate the admission of said class of students to the status of preachers in this Church, they be strongly urged to present themselves, on the completion of their Theological course, for trials for license, before one of the Presbyteries of this Church.

(b.) That, in the case of students of the class specified, who may take license in any Foreign Church, previous to the termination of their Theological Curriculum, such Curriculum must be completed before the license so obtained shall be recognized by this Church,

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(c.) That students who shall, on the completion of their Curriculum, have obtained license in a Foreign Church may be received as preachers by any of the Presbyteries of this Church, on the production of the necessary evidence of licensure, as well as of their having completed their Theological studies; but preachers thus received shall not be employed as probationers, nor be eligible for settlement sconer than students of the same year who shall have been licensed by this Church.

On motion the Report, as amended, was adopted as a whole, adopted as and was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of whole, ordered to Synod.

LECTURESHIPS COMMITTEE.

The Moderator now named the Committee, agreed upon in Lecturethe morning, to bring in a motion as to the Lecturers to be mittee ou. appointed in Knox College for next Session, and the details requisite in ca. rying out the purpose of such appointment, as follows:--Messrs. D. Inglis, J. Laing, D. Waters, A. Wilson, J. Scott, (London), W. Cochrane, Dr. Jennings, Hon. J. McMurrich, and Lieut. Col. Haultain. Mr. Laing, Convener.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Moderator read a letter from the Board of the Mercantile Mercantile Library Association of this city, cordially inviting the members sociation, of Synod, during their stay in Montreal, to visit, and make use Letter from of, the Rooms of the Association in Bonaventure Street.

The Synod agreed to record their thanks to the Board of the Mercantile Library Association for the kind invitation, and instructed the Clerk of Synod to acknowledge the receipt of their communication and to inform the Board of the action of the Synod thereon.

PSALMODY.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Report of the Com-Pasimody mittee on Psalmody, interrupted by the adjournment yesterday Report reafternoon, --Mr. Wilson, of Kingston, being in possession of the floor.

After reasoning for some time, Mr. D. Inglis asked and 1st. Motion obtained leave to withdraw the motion which he had, yesterday, another suboffered on this subject, and to substitute another motion therefor. stituted. The motion is as follows :---

Moved by Mr. Inglis, seconded by Mr. Cochrane,—That the Synod having considered the Report of the Psalmody Committee, and having had their attention directed to the Book of Psalms and Hymns for Public Worship, sanctioned by the Synod of the English Presbyterian Church, agree to send this book to Presbyteries and Sessions, with a view to its adoption by this Church, and that Presbyteries report to the next Synod.

The discussion was continued to the hour of adjournment, when the diet was closed, Mr. John Ross being in possession of the floor.

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The Moderator pronounced the benediction.

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SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

THURSDAY, June 11th, 1868, 7.30, P.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. Morrison, of Madrid, at the request of the Moderator,

offering prayer.

Minutes read The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

CORRESPONDENT.

Mr. Roy in-At the request of Mr. W. Fraser, the Rev. Mr. Roy, from the vited to cor- Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, being present, was respond. invited to take his seat in the Synod as a corresponding member.

DEPUTATION FROM LOWER PROVINCES.

Deputation The Rev. Dr. McCulloch, of Truro, Nova Scotia, and the Rev. from Pres. Mr. Bennett. of St. John's, New Brunswick, were introduced to Church. Lower Pro- the Synod by Dr. Taylor, of Montreal, as a deputation from the vinces. Dr. Synod of the Presbyterian Presbyterian Churches of the Lower McCulloch. Mr. Bennett Provinces, and were welcomed by the Moderator. There was

handed in at the same time, and read, a Commission under the hand of the Clerk of the Synod of the said church, appointing these brethren to convey to this Synod the fraternal and christian salutations of the church represented by them.

Dr. McCulloch's Address.

Dr. McCulloch then addressed the Synod, at length, giving several details of interest regarding the extent and work of the church in the Lower Provinces, as respected both their Home and Foreign operations; and expressing the warm interest taken by the church in those Provinces in the prosperity and progress of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Bennett's address.

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The Rev. Mr. Bennett next addressed the Synod, dwelling especially on the desirableness of more extended union among the separated branches of the great Presbyterian family in this and other lands, and the duty of cultivating an enlarged christian charity, extending beyond the bounds of denominational relationships, and closing with the renewed expression of the christian salutations of the church whose commission he held.

The Rev. Dr. Bayne and the Rev. Mr. Roy, from the church Dr. Bayne of the Lower Provinces, who had previously been invited to sit Roy add ess as corresponding members, on the invitation of the Moderator, the Synod. briefly addressed the Synod.

> It was moved by Mr. Irvine, seconded by Dr. Jennings, and agreed, that this Synod has heard with much pleasure the statements made by the deputation, from the church of the Lower Provinces, regarding their position, progress, ministerial, and missionary labors :- that the Synod reciprocate the friendly feelings expressed by said deputation, and desiderate their mutual cultivation, and requests the deputation to assure the Synod of the Lower Provinces that it is their earnest desire to draw closer the bonds which already unite them, by frequent interchange of . sentiment, while cherishing the hope that the time may soon come, when all the branches of the Presbyterian Family in the

Motion by Dr. Irvine

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Dominion of Canada shall be gathered into one General Assembly.

REPROT OF DEPUTATION TO LOWER PROVINCES.

Mr. James Court, one of the deputation appointed by this Report: Mr. Synod last year, to visit the Synod of the Presbyterian Church, of Court, from the Lower Provinces, here gave a brief report of the discharge deputation by that deputation of the duty intrusted to them, and of the Provinces. very cordial reception which had been accorded them.

The Moderaior then addressed the deputation, thanking them, Deputation in the name of the Synod, and requesting that they would addressed convey to the church in the Lower Provinces the expression of by the Modthe deep interest which this Synod feel in the prosperity and advancement of their Sister Church.

HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was moved by Mr. Motion to D. Waters, seconded by Mr. T. Alexander, that the Syned con. sit longer. tinue to sit some time longer, and that the report of the Committee on the Kankakee Mission be now read.

It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. Kemp, and seconded, 1. Amendthat the Synod do now adjourn, and that the Kankakee Mission ment. be taken up to-morrow evening.

It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr- John Ross, and 2. Amendseconded, that the Synod do now adjourn. ment.

A vote being taken, the motion for adjournment was carried, Adjourment and the diet was closed with the benediction. -carried.

EIGHTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL.

FRIDAY, June 12th, 1868, 10, A.M.

The i nod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. William Moore, Ottawa, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

ROLL TO BE CALLED.

Mr. Thomas Lowry, on behalf of the Committee on the Com-Roll to be missions of Elders, requested that ten minutes be allowed at the close of this Sederunt, to call the Roll of Elders, whereupon, it was agreed that the Roll, both of Ministers and Elders, be called at four o'clock to day.

BILLS' COMMITTRE-THIRD REPORT.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a third Bills' Com., report, which was read by Mr. D. Waters, the Clerk of the ^{3rd} report. Committee. The report was received, and the order of business therein recommended sanctioned, with certain additions suggested by Mr. Waters.

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RECEPTION COMMITTEE-REPORT.

Reception

Previously to entering upon the business on the docket for the Com.report. day, the Committee on applications from Presbyteries for leave to receive ministers of other churches, were permitted to give in

The report was handed in and read by Mr. Thos. their report. Brockville- McPherson, the Convener, setting forth that they had examined Mr. Hew de the papers relating to the application of the Presbytery of Bourck. Brockville, for the reception of Mr. Hew de Bourck as a minister of this church, and recommended that leave should be granted. as craved, to the Presbytery of Brockville to receive Mr. Hew

de Bourck as minister of this church. Ottawa, Mr. Crozier.

In the case of the application, on behalf of Mr. Crozier, by the Presbytery of Ottawa, the Committee found that Mr. Crozier came under the rule for the reception of licentiates of other churches, and recommended accordingly.

Mr. Hew de The Synod agreed to grant leave to to the Presbytery of Bourck to Brockville to receive Mr. Hew de Bourck as a minister of this church, as craved. Mr. Crozier

The Synod further decided, that Mr. Crozier be not subjected to be receiv to the rule adopted yesterday, in regard to students of this church receiving licenses from Presbyteries of Foreign Churches. and that leave be granted to the Presbytery of Ottawa to receive Mr. Crozier, under the general regulations for the reception of Ministers from other Churches.

Stratford-Mr. J. L. Murray.

The Committee reported, also, on the application of the Presbytery of Stratford, on behalf of Mr. John L. Murray. After reasoning, the report, as far as it respected this application, was referred back to the Committee for reconsideration and amendment, to be brought up at another time.

MR. A. THOMPSON-APPLICATION WITHDRAWN.

A. Thomp-The Presbytery of Montreal, asked leave to withdraw the son-Pres. of Montreal application before the Synod last year, for leave to ordain Mr. application Alexander Thompson a lay missionary; and consideration of withdrawn. which application was then delayed. Leave was granted to the

Presbytery of Montreal to withdraw the application, as craved.

STANDING COMMITTEE-MR. KEMP'S MOTION.

Standing

Mr. A. F. Kemp now submitted the motion, of which he had Mr. Kemp's given notice yesterday, in relation to the appointment of Stand-Notion. ing Committees The motion to the appointment of Stand-The motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel ing Committees. Paterson, of St. Andrew's, and is as follows :-

That for the more effectual working of the Missionary and other Schemes of the Church, the Committee on the nomination of Standing Committees be instructed as follows :-

1. That the regular places of meeting of the several Committees be appointed as follows :-

1. The Foreign Mission Committees and the various committees connected with the Montreal College, at Montreal.

2. The Committee on the State of Religion at the city of Ottawa.

3. The Committees on Saboath Observance, Sabbath School

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and Temperance, at Kingston.

4. The Committees on the Home Missions, on Statistics, and the various committees connected with Knox College, at Toronto.

5. The Committees on Widows' and Orphans', and on Disabled Ministers' Fund, in Hamilton.

6. The Committees on the St. Anne Mission, and the Buxton Mission at London.

II. That the Conveners and Members of these Committees be the Ministers and Elders, residing at, or near, the above mentioned places; that the Committees do not exceed eighteen in number; and that, in nominating said committees consultation be had with the existing Committees.

It was moved in amendment by Principal Willis, seconded by Amendment Mr. A. Cross, -That the Synod see no sufficient ground for altering the mode of appointing the Standing Committees, and that the method hitherto in use be adhered to.

A vote being taken, the amendment of Principal Willis was Amendment carried by a majority, and the Synod decided in accordance carried. therewith.

DIVISION OF TORONTO PRESBYTERY.

There was read a Memorial from certain ministers of the Pres- Division bytery of Toronto, praying that the said Presbytery be divided, Presbytery. and a new Presbytery formed within the bounds thereof, to be Pennion for, composed of certain ministers and congregations named.

There were read, also, extracts from the minutes of the Pres- Extract bytery of Toronto, transmitting the Memorial, and appointing Minutes. Messrs. Rodgers and Gray, and Professor Caven to support the same before the Synod.

The Moderator here left the Chair, which, at his request, was Moderator taken by Mr. Proudfoot, the last Moderator.

nessrs. Rodgers and Gray, and Professor Caven were heard in Messrs. Rodgers & Giay, "upport of the Memorial.

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After reasoning, it was agreed to appoint a Committee to bring ven heard. in a Finding, with a view to carrying out the prayer of the Me-Petition erated. granted. morial. The Committee was appointed as follows :- Dr. Taylor, Com. on. Messrs. A. F. Kemp, Cochrane, Pro. Caven; Mr. J. Gray; Mr. Gray, Convener.

The Moderator returned to the Chair.

APPEAL-MISS BAIRD.

Moderator resumed Chair. Appeal, Miss Baird.

The Synod proceeded to consider a protest and appeal of Miss Baird, against a finding of the Presbytery of Ottawa.

Parties were called and appeared, viz :-- Miss Baird, appellant Parties for herself, Messrs. Moore and Gourlay, for the Presbytery of called. Ottawa, Mr. McKenzie, for the Session of Ramsay, and Mr. Toshach, for himself and his wife.

The papers in the case were read.

Papers read. It was moved by Mr. D. Inglis, and seconded, -That in accor- Appeal to be dance with the recommendation of the Committee on Bills, this sent to Com. case be at once sent to a Committee, to consider and bring in a deliverance for the adoption of Synod.

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Amend. ment.

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Committee.

It was moved in amendment, by Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Mr. W. McLaren, that before putting the matter into the hands of a Committee, the parties in the case be first heard.

A vote being taken, the motion was carried, and the Synod ordered accordingly.

The Moderator then named the Committee as follows :-- Messrs. D. H. McVicar, W. Gregg, A. Wilson, J. J. A. Proudfoot, R. Hamilton, with the Hon. A. Vidal, and Mr. James McDonald, Elders ;- Mr. McVicar, Convener.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

NINTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Friday, June, 12th, 1868, 3, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. John Duff, of Elora, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the Sederunt were read and sustained. Minutesread

COM. ON PROTEST OF MISS BAIRD.

Miss Baird's appeal, Changes in Committee.

Mr. D. H. McVicar, appointed in the morning as Convener of the Committee, on the appeal of Miss Baird, requested for reasons assigned by him, that he be now relieved from serving on the said Committee ; that additional members be appointed thereon ; and also, that the Committee be allowed to sit for some time during this Sederunt.

The request of Mr. McVicar was granted, and he was thereupon relieved from further service on the Committee.

Mr. D. Inglis, Mr. Monteath, and Mr. T. McPherson were then added to the Committee,-Mr. McPherson, Convener.

Com to sit Leave was also granted to the Committee to sit as requested, during this Sederunt. Sederunt.

DIVISION, TORONTO PRES., ETC.

Toronto division of. Presby tery of Simcoe.

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Mr. John Gray, from the Committee appointed to bring in a Presbytery, Finding for the division of the Presbytery of Toronto, and for Frection of the erection of another Presbytery within the bounds of the same, handed in and read a Report of the tenor following :---

That the prayer of the application, from the Presbytery of Toronto, be granted.

1. That, accordingly, a new Presbytery be set apart from the Presbytery of Toronto, to be called the Presbytery of Simcoe.

2. That the said Presbytery shall comprise all the Ministers, Congregations and Stations in the County of Simcoe, excepting those in the Township of Mono, together with those in the Townships of Melancthon and Osprey, in the County of Grey.

3. That Mr. William Fraser be its first Moderator, and that [548]

its first meeting be held in the Barrie Presbyterian Church, on the first Tuesday of July next, at eleven o'clock, A.M.

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The Report was adopted and the Synod ordered in accordance therewith.

RECEPTION COM. REPORT.

Mr. Thomas McPherson, from the Committee on applications Reception for the reception of Ministers, to whom was recommitted that Committee part of their Report, submitted in the morning, relating to the Reports. position of Mr. J. L. Murray, handed in and read the Report as amended, setting forth in substance, that after due inquiry they were satisfied that Mr. Murray had gone through the regular Curriculum of study, prescribed by the Church, previous to licensure, and recommending that he be received as a minister from the Old School Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Report was received and adopted, and the Synod ordered Report in accordance therewith.

HOME MISSION.

Mr. A. F. Kemp, from the Committee appointed to frame a Home Misdeliverance on the second recommendation of the Report of the 2. Recom-Home Mission Committee, submitted for the adoption of Synod mendation. the following resolutions, which, on motion, were received and adopted as under :--

1. That all incidental expenses connected with the operations of the Home Mission Work in Presbyteries be defrayed by the Presbyteries, and be not a claim on the Central Fund.

2. That the costs of all exploring and aggressive Missionary Work undertaken and sanctioned by the Presbyteries, be defrayed out of the Home Mission Fund.

HOME MISSION REPORT ADOPTED, ETC.

On motion of Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. P. Currie, the Re-Home Misport of the Home Mission Committee was adopted as a whole, as whole, and was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of adopted. Synod.

GERMAN MISSION.

Mr. Leutzinger, as recommended by the Committee on Bills, German in the morning, was heard in regard to the Mission in which he Leutzinger is engaged among the German population of the County of heard. Waterloo.

THANKS TO H. M. CONVENER.

The Moderator, on behalf of the Synod, now addressed the Home Mis-Convener of the Home Mission Committee, thanking him in cortoCouvener. dial terms for the ability, and diligence, and zeal with which, during the last year, he had discharged the very onerous duties of the important trust committed to him.

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Reply.

Mr. Laing replied.

PREACHING BEFORE SYNOD.

Preaching before The Synod here appointed Dr. Taylor, Mr. D. H. McVicar, Synod. Com. and Mr. D. McKay, Elder, a Committee to make arrangements for the supply of the pulpit of Erskine Church on the ensuing Lord's Day.

APPEAL-MISS BAIRD.

Appeal-Miss Baird. Mr. Thomas McPherson, from the Committee on the Appeal Miss Baird, banded in and read a Report of the following Com. on. tenor:—The Committee appointed by the Synod in the matter of Appeals from the Presbytery of Ottawa by Miss Baird, beg to report, that after reading the various papers in the case, they unanimously agreed to recommend to the Synod that the Ap-

tained.

It was moved by Mr. J. Laing, seconded by Dr. Thornton,— That the Report be received and adopted.

peals be dismissed, and that the action of the Presbytery be sus-

lst Amendment.

d- It was moved, in amendment, by Mr. D. H. McVicar, and duly seconded,—That the Minutes of the Kirk Session of Ramsay, bearing on the case be read, and that the parties be now heard.

2nd Amend-It was moved in further amendment, by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. D. Inglis,—That in the meantime the Report do lie on the table, and that the Synod proceed with the business on the docket.

1st Amend. Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. McVicar was carinent carried. ried over that of Mr. Kemp, and over the main motion of Mr. Laing, and the Synod decided to proceed in terms of said amendment.

Ramssy Scs- The Minutes of the Kirk Session of Ramsay, and also extracts ion Mintron the records of the Presbytery of Ottawa, in the case were tes read.

> The hour of six o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned; the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

TENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL.

FRIDAY, June 12th, 1868, 71, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises; Mr. Gregg, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer. The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

ELDERS' COMMISSION.

Elders' Mr. Thomas Lowry, from the Committee on Elders' Com-Commissing missions, reported on the commission of an elder in the Presbytery of Montreal, whose name the Committee recommended to be placed on the Synod Roll. The recommendation was sanctioned and the Synod ordered accordingly.

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REMITS-REPORT ON RETURNS-ORGAN QUESTION.

The Synod called for the report of the Committee on the Remits-Returns of Presbyteries and Sessions to the Remit sent down Returnsfrom last Synod, respecting the use of Instrumental Music in Organ Ques-Divine Worship, and with especial reference to the Overture tion. and Memorial of Knox Church, Montreal. The Convener of the Committee, Mr. J. M. Gibson, handed in and read a report, setting forth in substance, that returns had been received from all the Presbyteries : that of these five recommend that the prayer of the Overture be granted, two approving simpliciter, viz.,-the Presbytery of Ottawa and Kingston; and three, viz., the Presbyteries of Brockville, Cobourg, and Paris, approving with conditions, that, of the remaining Presbyteries eight disapprove, viz., those of Montreal, Ontario, Toronto, Guelph, London, Stratford, Huron, and Grey ; and one, namely, the Prestytery of Hamilton, resolves that it would be inexpedient in present circumstances to pass any declaratory Act on the subject, but that a due measure of liberty should be granted to congregations unanimously, or by very large majorities, desiring to introduce Instrumental Music as an aid in leading the praises of the Congregation. That, further, the Committee found that the Presbytery of Montreal alone furnished a full return of reporting Sessions, and that of twenty-three Sessions reporting, seven approve, and sixteen disapprove, the granting of the prayer of the Overture. That twenty Sessions had reported directly to the Synod, and that of these, eighteen disapprove, one approves, and one declines to come to any finding on the subject; and that conbining the result of the Returns reported by the Presbytery of Montreal, and those sent directly to the Synod, the Committee found that of forty three Sessions making Returns, thirty four disapprove, eight pprove, and one declines to give a deliverance.

The Report was received.

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A question was here raised whether or not a communication Order of from the American Presbyterian Congregation of St. Catherines, proceeding, recommended by the Committee on Bills to be taken up at the Quest'n ousame time with the consideration of the Report on Returns relating to the Montreal Overture, should now be read.

It was moved by Mr. J. Laing, and duly seconded, that the Motion. Synod proceed now to hear the communication from the congregation at St. Catherines.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. John Ross, seconded by Amendment Mr. A. D. McDonald, that the Returns on the Overture be first considered.

The amendment was carried and the Synod decided accord-Amendment carried. ingly.

It was moved by Mr. James Middlemiss, seconded by Mr. Report-John Fraser, that the Synod having heard and considered the Motion on. Returns to the Overture from Knox Church, Montreal, anent the use of Instrumental Music in public worship, find that a majority of Presbyteries are, though on various grounds, opposed to the granting of the prayer of the said Overture, and therefore refuse to grant the same; and, after full consideration of the subject, declare that the use of Instrumental Music in public worship is contrary to the principles and

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immemorial practice of this church, and is not to be permitted in any congregation connected threwith. And, further, the Synod cannot refrain from expressing regret that, notwithstanding repeated recommondations, so little interest is taken generally with a view to the improvement of the service of Praise in Publie Worship, and again urge on Kirk-Sessions and congregations to consider their responsibility in the matter, and to be at pains and expense with a view to the improvement of this important part of Public Worship.

Report-Motion on. Amendment lo.

It was moved by Rev. Dr. Irvine, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Andrew Melville, -That the Synod having heard the Report of the Committee on the Remit of last year anent the Overture and Memorial of the congregation of Knox Church, Montreal, on Instrumental Music, and finding that five Presbyteries, as also respectable minorities in some of the other Presbyteries, are favorable to the prayer of the memorial, therefore the Synod resolves, that it is inexpedient to forbid the privilege of Instrumental aid in public praise to such congregations as may, unauimously, or by large majorities, wish the same.

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After long reasoning, the hour of adjournment having arrived. It was moved by Mr. T. McPherson, seconded by Mr. A. Tolmie, that the Synod do now adjourn. 1. Amend-It was moved by Mr. W. McLaren, seconded by Mr. D.

Waters, that the Synod continue in Session till eleven o'clock.

It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr. A. Wilson, and seconded, that the rule requiring the Synod to adjourn at ten o'clock be suspended, and that the Synod continue to sit until the discussion on the matter before the House is finished.

Motion car-Votes being taken, the motion of Mr. McPherson was carried, and the Synod resolved to adjourn.

After deciding upon adjournment, but previously to the actual rising of the Synod. a Report was handed in and read, from the Committee, to make arrangements for preaching in Erskine Committee. Church on the ensning Lord's Day, appointing Mr. Alexander Topp, the Moderator to preach at eleven o'clock in the morning, and Mr. David Waters, of Port Hope, at seven o'clock in the evening. The Report was received and adopted, and the Synod ordered accordingly.

The diet was then closed with the Benediction.

ELEVENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

SATURDAY, June 13, 1868, 10, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. George Smellie, of Fergus, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer. The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

APPLICATION-PRES. OF MONTREAL-REV. W. FORLONG.

Application, . There was read an application from the Presbytery of Montreal . [552]

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craving leave to receive, as a minister of this church, Mr. Wm. Presbytery Forlong, a minister of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Rev. W. Provinces. The papers accompanying the application bearing Forloag. testimony to the ministerial character and standing of Mr. Forlong, were read.

The Synod agreed to refer the application with, all the papers in the case to the Committee on the Reception of Ministers, already appointed.

COMMITTEE ON BILLS-FOURTH REPO: '.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a fourth Bills Com. Report alranging the order of business, which was read by Mr. 4th Report. D. Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. It was moved by Mr. Waters, and seconded, that the Report of the Committee be adopted. It was moved in amendment by Mr. R. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. J. M. Roger, that the appeal from Ottawa be first taken up. The amendment was lost and the recommendations of the Committee as to the order of business were sanctioned.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Returns to the Remit Instrumenon the Overture on Instrumental Music in public worship. Mr. ta! Music. Andrew Melville being in posession of the floor.

It was moved, in further amendment, on this subject by Mr. Instrumental Music, J. Laing, seconded by Dr. Ormiston, as follows :-

2nd Amend-

Whereas, although, from the roturns of a majority of the meat. Presbyteries of this Church, it is manifest that in their opinion liberty to employ the aid of Instrumental Music in conducting Divine Worship in their churches should not be granted to cougregations, nevertheless it does not appear that the majority affirms the use of Instrumental Music to be unscriptural :--

Whereas, also, opposing opinions are strongly held within this Church, as to the expediency both of using instruments as an aid in the Service of Praise, and of allowing them to be thus used in any congregation of this Church :---

Whereas, further, to use instruments in connection with the Worship of God, or to allow their introduction is a departure from the present practice of this Church, as hitherto understood :--

Therefore resolve-

I. To declare :-

1. That the use of Instruments of Music as an aid in the Service of Praise is sanctioned by Scripture, and is not inconsistent with the Standards of this Church.

2. That, though the general introduction of Organs into our Churches is not expedient nor desirable, chiefly in view of the strife and divisions which thus might be engendered, and the liability, through an improper use of the Instrument, of interfering with the general singing of congregations ; nevertheless, the use or disuse of Instrumental Music as an aid in the Service of Praise ought not to be made a term of Communion in the Church of Christ.

II. With the view of protecting Christian liberty of conscience 553

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and worship, and at the same time observing regularity of ecclesiastical procedure in making a change which affects the worship of the Church, to send down this deliverance to Presbyteries and Sessions, in terms of the Barrier Act,—Proposing that the Synod grant liberty to congregations to use Instrumental Music as an aid in the Service of Praise, subject to the following regulations :—

1. That Congregations, already organized, and not in connection with this Church, which have been wont to use Instrumental Music as an aid in the Service of Praise, may be received into this Church without giving up such use of Instruments.

2. That congregations to be hereafter organized, may be permitted to use Instruments as aids in the Service of Praise, provided that intimation of such intention has been given at the time of the organization of such congregations.

3. That Kirk Sessions of congregations already in this Church may introduce an Instrument when, after due notice and opportunity to object having been afforded to members in full communion, the congregation is unanimous; the unanimity being manifest by the absence of formal protest taken when the resolution to introduce the Instrument was adopted.

4. That in cases where there is not unanimity, but where the majority of the members in full communion are in favour of introducing an Instrument, this may be done with the knowledge and consent of the Presbytery of the bounds; provided, always, that violence is not thereby done to the conscience of such as cannot enjoy Gospel Ordinances without leaving the communion of this Church, nor the harmony of the congregation imperilled.

5. That, as to regulate the Service of Praise belongs primarily to the Kirk Sessions, these courts be instructed to take order in accordance with the above regulations, and, particularly, to see that the tunes and music used in Public Worship be such as will not interfere with general singing, or otherwise affect the becoming solemnity of Spiritual Worship.

6. That Presbyteries be instructed to take order that these regulations be observed.

It was moved, in further amendment, by Mr. A. F. Kemp, seconded by Mr. W. Cochrane, —That the whole question of the use of Instrumental Music, as an aid in conducting Public Worship, be left to the discretion of congregations, subject to the ordinary review of the Courts of the Church.

The hour of adjournment having arrived while Mr. Kemp was supporting his motion, it was moved and seconded that the Synod do now adjourn. It was moved, in amendment, and seconded, That the Synod continue in Session till Mr. Kemp shall have concluded. The amendment was carried by a majority, and the Synod agreed to continue in Session.

At the request of Mr. Kemp, the discussion was postponed, and the Synod then agreed to adjourn.

After this decision, but before the rising of the Synod, there were submitted and read, several motions, for the disposal of the question before the House, of which motions the numbers, and the names of the movers and seconders are as follows :--

No. 5. Mr. Andrew Wilson, Mr. Thomas Lowry.

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3rd Amendment. s

Hour of adjournm't. Synod to continue.

Discussion postponed. Synod Adjourned. Motions read.

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e đ No. 6. Mr. A. D. McDonald, Mr. John Scott, (London).

7. Mr. Thomas McPherson, Mr. David Inglis.

66 8. Mr. William McLaren, Mr. David Waters.

" 9. Principal Willis, Mr. John McTavish.

On motion of Dr. Jennings it was ordered that three hundred Printing or copies of the several motions as above, as well as those submitted der forlast night, be printed, so that copies may be put into the hands of members of Synod on Monday morning.

The diet was then closed with the Benediction.

TWELFTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Monday, June 15th, 1868, 11, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Principal Willis, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer. Minutesread

The Minutes of the last sederunt were read and sustained.

SIMCOE PRESEVTERY-1ST MEETING.

Mr. William Fraser, called the attention of the Synod to the SimcoePres fact that it would be impossible for him, on account of a pre-en-1st Meeting gagement, to be present at the first meeting of the newly erected Presbytery of Simcoe, on the first Tuesday of July, and requested that the Synod would either relieve him from the office of first moderator, to which he had been appointed, or change the day for the first meeting of said Presbytery. On motion, the Synod ordered that the first meeting of the newly erected Presbytery of Sincoe, be held at the place and hour first fixed upon, on the second Tuesday of July, instead of the first Tuesday, as first arranged.

DR. BAYNE-ADDRESS OF.

At the suggestion of Mr. Proudfoot, and on the invitation of Dr. Bayne's the Synod, Dr. Bayne of Nova Scotia, addressed the house in ForeignMix-regard to the condition of the Foreign Mission of the Church of sion or, the Lower Provinces, expressing the hope that this Church would Pres. Ch. furnish a Missionway or Missionaries to below with the in P. furnish a Missionary, or Missionaries to labour with their own in the South Sea Islands, and embracing the occasion to bid the Synod farewell.

On motion of Principal Willis, the Synod agreed to express Motion. their sympathy with the Church of the Lower Provinces in the work in which they are engaged among the Heathen, and cordially to reciprocate the kindly sentiments expressed by Dr. Bayne.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

The Synod resumed consideration of the question of the use of Instrumeninstrumental music in Public Worship, interrupted by the ad- tal Music. [555]

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journment on Saturday-Mr. Kemp being in possession of the floor.

10th Amendment.

It was moved, in further amendment on this question by Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. W. Gregg,-That the Overture on the use of instrumental music in Worship be laid on the Table.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the Synod adjourned, the diet being closed with the Benediction.

THIRTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Montreal, June 15th, 1868, 3, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Professor Caven, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

Minutes read The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

Organ Ques- The Synod resumed consideration of the question of instrumental music in public worship. tion.

TEN MINUTES RULE.

On motion of Mr. John Ross, seconded by Mr. David McKay, Ten Minutes Rule. Elder, it was agreed that in the further discussion of this subject the speakers shall be limited in their addresses to the space of ten minutes.

Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Mr. T. Lowry, now moved the 4th Amendamendment submitted and read by him on Saturday, as follows:

Whereas, a majority of Presbyteries disapprove of the Overture anent the use of Instrumental Music in the worship of God, therefore :--

Resolved, -That the said Overture be now rejected, adherence to the Standards and uniform practice of this church in the man. ner of praise affirmed ; and that Kirk Sessions and Congregations be strongly recommended to use all proper means in their power to cultivate sacred music, that they may join still more harmoniously in this delightful part of God's Worship.

5th Amendment.

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Mr. A. D. McDonald, seconded by Mr. John Scott, of London, moved the amendment submitted by him on Saturday, in terms following :--

That the majority of Sessions and Presbyteries having declared against the permission to use Musical Instruments in the Worship of God, the Synod decide in accordance therewith, and declare it inexpedient to discuss the subject further.

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Mr. T. McPherson, seconded by Mr. D. Inglis, moved the amendment submitted by him on Saturday, as follows :--

That the Synod having heard the Report of the Committee on Returns from Presbyteries and Sessions to the Remit of Synod, anent Instrumental Music, as brought before the Court, last

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year, by Overture and Memorial from Knox Church, Montreal:

Find that a majority of Presbyteries, for various reasons are opposed to granting the prayer of the Memorial, and that there are diversities of views on the subject in question, among the members of this Church, that no amount of discussion in present circumstances would be likely to harmonize. Therefore :--

Resolve.-That with all due regard to conscientious convictions, as well as to christian liberty and the right of private judgment, this Synod declines to sanction, by Synodical authority, the use of Instrumental Music in the Worship of. God, and therefore refuses to grant the prayer of the Memorial ; at the same time recommending all parties to exercise christian forbearance towards the views and conscientious practices of those who think differently from the majority on this and all kindred subjects.

Mr. W. McLaren, seconded by Mr. D. Waters, now moved the amendment submitted by him on Saturday, as follows :---

The Synod having considered the Returns from Presbyteries ment. and Sessions on the Overture of Knox Church, Montreal, in reference to the introduction of Instrumental Music into the service of praise, and finding that a majority of Presbyteries, and a still larger proportion of the Sessions decline to grant the liberty craved,-

Therefore, Resolved,-That the Synod, without pronouncing the use of Instrumental Music, in Public Worship, inconsistent either with the Word of God, or the standards of this Church, having respect to the peace and unity of the Church, and recognizing the importance, in a matter of such moment, of giving full time for the careful consideration of a proposal, affecting a long established usage of Worship in the Denomination, decline to grant the prayer of the Overture.

Principal Willis, seconded by Mr. McTavish, moved the 8th Amendamendment which he had read on Saturday, in terms following : ment.

That having considered the Reports on the Remits of Presbyteries and Sessions, on the subject of the use of Instrumental Music in the Worship of Ged, the Synod finds that a large majority disapprove of granting the prayer of the Memorial before the House; and, that, though a variety of sentiment is ascertained to exist throughout our congregations, the introduction of a practice so alien from Presbyterian usage, and so unknown to the church generally, for ages after Christ, would be deeply offensive to many consciences, and endanger the present peace and unity of this Church. The Synod do there. fore decline to give the sanction asked; and, gratified at the respect so far already evinced by the Congregations themselves favorable to the practice referred to, to the authority of the Courts of the Church, would earnestly urge on such Congregations to have continued regard to those general interests of order and peace, which we doubt not, they, in common with the Synod, appreciate as a duty of Christian fellowship, more especially in a Presbyterian Church. The Synod, moreover, sympathizing with the honourable desire to improve the singing in our Congregations, do earnestly recommend attention to this part of the Service of the House of God, so as to secure general concert in praise, with all due care for the honour of God, and

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was to the effect following :- That the Overture on the use of Instrumental Music in Public Worship, be laid on the Table. It was moved in further amendment by Mr. A. Tolmie. seconded by Mr. J. McMillan :-

That the Synod having taken up the returns from Presbyteries and Sessions, anent the Overture from Knox's Chuuch, Montreal, and finding from these, that the voice of the Church is against granting the prayer of said Overture, agree to express no judgment in the meantime as to the scripturality of the use of Instruments in the Public Worship of God; yet, believing that should Synodical sanction be given to their use, the peace and unity of the Church, would be endangered ; be it, therefore, resolved that the prayer of the Overture be not granted.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, a motion was made to continue in Session for a half an hour longer. This motion being negatived, the Synod rose, Mr. D. McKay, Elder, being in possession of the floor. The diet was closed with the Benediction.

FOURTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Monday, June, 15th, 1868, 7.30, F.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises. Mr. Lowry leading in prayer.

Knox College Lect'rs Report of

Report adopted. Lecinrers appointed.

Next Meet. of Synod. Motion to Meet at Hamilton.

Amendment to meet at Toronto.

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The minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained. The Committee appointed to consider and report as to the appointment of Lecturers in Knox College, presented their Report. committee. The Report recommended that Messrs. Ure, of Goderich, and Proudfoot of London, be appointed Lecturers in Knox College, next Session, and that the remuneration to each Lecturer be four hundred dollars.

> The Synod received and adopted the Report, and in terms thereof, appointed Messrs. Ure and Proudfoot, as Lecturers in Knox College next Session, the remuneration to each Lecturer to be four hundred dollars.

> It was agreed that the Synod now proceed to appoint the place and time of the next meeting of Synod.

> Thereupon, it was moved by Mr. Lowry, seconded by Mr. S. C. Fraser, that the next ordinary meeting of Synod be held in the City of Hamilton, and within the McNab Street Church. there, on the Tuesday after the first Sabbath of June, 1869, at 7,30, P. M.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. A. Cross, second by Mr. Gauld, that the next ordinary meeting of Synod be held in Toronto, and within Knox's Church, there, on the Tuesday after the first Sabbath of June, 1869, at 7.30. P. M.

The Synod proceeded to vote on the motion, and amendment Next Meet. submitted, when, by a majority, the motion was adopted ; and be at Ham the Synod consequently appointed the next ordinary meeting of Synod to be held in Hamilton, and within McNab Street Church,

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The Committee on the reception of Ministers presented a Re- Reception port on the case of Mr. W. Forlong, formerly a minister of the Rev. Mr. Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces. The Report sta-Forlong. ted that the Committee had examined the certificates of Mr. Forlong, and found them highly satisfactory, and that they therefore recommended that the Synod grant leave to the Presbytery of Montreal to receive Mr. Forlong as a Minister of this Church.

The Synod unaminously adopted the Report, and granted leave Report to the Presbytery of Montreal to receive Mr. Forlong as a Minis- Adopted. ter of this Church.

The Committee appointed to examine the Record of the Pres. Record of Pres. of bytery of London, presented their Report to the effect that the London-Record was carefully kept ; but directing attention to certain Report points, which appeared to the Committee as irregularities, con. on. nected with the induction of certain Ministers, by Committees of Presbytery, and the ordination of Mr. Demars, at Kankakee.

It was moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. McLaren, as fol- motion on. lows :- The Synod find that the action of the Presbytery in the case of Mr. Demars is irregular, and enjoin more care in matters of so much importance.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. McPherson, seconded by Amendment. Mr. J. W. Smith, that the Synod sustain the Report of the Committee, and order the Record of the Presbytery of London to be attested in the usual way.

On proceeding to vote on the motion and amendment sub-Right of mitted to the Synod, a question arose as to the right of members Voting. of the Presbytery of London, to vote on the matter. The point Pres. not was referred to the Moderator, who ruled that members of the to vote. Presbytery of London had no right to vote on the matter before the Synod. From this ruling, Mr. Kemp appealed to the Synod. The Synod by a large majority sustained the ruling of the Moderator. Mr. Kemp intimated his dissent.

The Synod then proceeded to vote on the motion, and amend- Vote. ment which had been submitted, when the amendment of Mr. McPherson was carried by a majority.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Synod then called for the report of the Foreign Mission Foreign Committee. The same was given in and read by Mr. W. Mc- Mission Report. Laren, the convener.

Thereafter, Mr. Nisbet, the Synod's Missionary to the Cree Indians, was heard at length, and gave various interesting details as to the Mission at Prince Albert, on the Saskatchewan.

HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of adjournment having come, it was moved and Hour of Adagreed to, that the Synod continue in session, until the Foreign journment. Mission business is finished.

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OVERTURE-ERSKINE CHURCH.

For. Miss. Overture Erskine Church.

There was then taken up and read in connection with the Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, an Overture from the Kirk Session of Erskine Church, Montreal, transmitted by the Presbytery of Montreal, setting forth in substance, that it is now universally admitted, that it is the duty of the Christian Church to endeavour to evangelize the heathen,-that the Great Head of the Church has not only rendered his Word effectual for the conversion of the heathen, but has also bestowed an abundant blessing on the Churches engaged in this work, for their revival and enlargement at home ; that it is believed that the Canada Pres. byterian Church, is able to sustain a Mission to the heathen ; and that many of her Congregations are anxious to take part in this work,—and praying the Synod to take such steps as in their wisdom may seem necessary, and with as little delay as possible, to give the Canada Presbyterian Church a Foreign Mission of its own.

Extract Minutes

There was read also an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Pres. Mont. Montreal, transmitting the overture, and stating that Dr. Dawson Principal of McGill College, and David Ross Kerr, Esq.,

were appointed to support the same before the Synod.

Dr. Dawson Dr. Dawson and Mr. Kerr were heard in support of the overand Mr. ture. Kerr heard.

On motion of Mr. T. Wardrope, seconded by Dr. Taylor, it was Report For. Mission. Referred to agreed that the Report of the Foreign Mission Committee be re-Committee ceived, and that the report, together with the overture from Erskine Church, Montreal, be referred to a small Committee,

with instructions to report concerning the same to morrow.

The Committee was then appointed as follows, Mr. W. Mc-Laren, convener, Mr. T. Wardrope, Dr. Taylor, Messrs. D. Inglis, D. Waters, Hon. A. Vidal, D. McKay, Dr. Edmondson and Dr. Dawson.

The Synod then adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

FIFTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

.Tuesday, June, 16th, 1868, 10 A.M.

The Synod met, and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. John McMechan, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Jas. Hos-A commission was handed in, in favour of Mr. James Hossack, sack, entered ou Synod as Synod Elder, for the Kirk Session of the Congregation of Chalmers' Church, Quebec, and without referring the same to Roll. the Committee on Elders' commissions, the Synod ordered that the name of Mr. Hossack, be placed on the Synod Roll.

Bills' Com. The Committee on Bills and Overtures, handed in a fifth re. 5th Report. · **[560**]

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port, which was read by Mr. David Waters, the Clerk of the Committee. On motion of Mr. Waters, the Report was received, and the recommendations thereof in regard to the order of business were sanctioned.

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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

The Synod resumed consideration of the question as to the use Instrumental Music. of Instrumental Music in worship, Mr. D. McKay being in possession of the floor. Mr. McKay stated that he gave way to the Hon. A. Vidal, who intended to move a resolution on the subject before the House, which he (Mr. McKay,) should second. 11thAmend-

It was then moved in further amendment by the Hon. A. Vi-ment. dal, seconded by Mr. D. McKay, that the motion of the Rev. T. McPherson, (No.7,) be amended by striking outall after the words "therefore resolved," and substituting the following :-

That the introduction of Instrumental Music, as an aid in singing Praise to God in the public worship of the Congregations of this Church, is an unnessary innovation upon its long established usage; but that, inasmuch as it is not unscriptural, the Synod cannot make a difference of opinion, or of practice in respect thereto, a barrier against receiving congregations in which the practice prevails, nor authoritatively interfere with the christian liberty of Congregations to adopt the use of Instruments of Music, where there may be unanimity, or a near approach to unanimity in a Congregation, in respect to its desirableness.

That while thus recognizing their right, the Synod enjoins upon such Congregations, that they be careful to regulate their action in this matter by the principles and rules given in the Word of God to guide them in the use of their liberty, "lest by any means it become a stumbling-block to them that are weak"

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. James Watson, 12thAmendseconded by Mr. Walter Coulthard, -That the use of Instrumen- ment. tal Music, in the Worship of God, being reasonable and scriptural, the Synod agrees to grant the petition of the Overture, subject to the provisions of the Barrier Act.

VOTES.

The Synod then proceeded to voice on the several motions, tal Music, thirteen in number, before the House, and after the final vote votes. was taken it was agreed that the numbers voting for the motions The votes were severally, should, as far as taken, be recorded. taken in the order following, with the results marked.

On the first vote the amendment of the Hon. A. Vidal was carried over that of Mr. Watson by a large majority-18 only voting for the latter. On the second vote the amendment of the Hon. A. Vidal was carried over that of Mr. A. Tolmie by 83 On the third vote the amendment of Dr. Jennings was to 63. carried over that of the Hon. A. Vidal by 97 to 89. On each successive vote thereafter the amendment of Dr. Jennings was carried over all the other amendments as follows :- Over that of Principal Willis by 111 to 68; over that of Mr. W. Mc-

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Laren by 114 to 45; over that of Mr. T. McPherson by 134 to 40; over that of Mr. A. D. McDonald by 110 to 70; over that Mr. A. Wilson by 126 to 51; over that of Mr. A. F. Kemp by 144 to 26; over that of Mr. J. Laing by 132 37; over that of Dr. Irvine by 142 to 21; and over the main motion of Mr. J. Middlemiss by 128 to 56.

The amendment of Dr. Jennings was declared to be carried.

Decision.

The Yeas and Nays being called for, 126 voted Yea and 3 Nay. The amendment of Dr. Jennings was then declared to be the decision of the Synod, to the effect,-That the overture on the use of Instrumental Music in Public Worship be laid on the Table.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the Benediction.

SIXTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Tuesday, June 16, 1868, 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted ; Mr. Thompson, of Sarnia, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

Minutes read.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. Mr. Kemp asked and obtained leave to give his reasons for his dissent last night from the resolution as to the right of voting on the question affecting the minutes of the Presbytery of London.

ST. CATHERINES CONGREGATION-REFERENCE, PRES. HAMILTON.

Ref. Pres.

There was taken up and read a Reference from the Presbytery Hamilton, of Hamilton, in regard to an application from the First Presby-st. Catha. of Hamilton, in regard to an application from the First Presby-rines Conterian Congregation of St. Catherines, in connection with the gregation. Presbytery of Buffalo, (U. S.) inquiring whether or not their use of an Organ in conducting public worship would be a bar to their admission into this church, and submitting the question for the action of the Synod.

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Motion.

There were read, also, extracts from the minutes of the Pres-Pres. Ham. bytery of Hamilton stating that Dr. Ormiston and Mr. John McColl, had been appointed to support the Reference before the Synod.

Dr. Ormis-Dr. Ormiston and Mr. McColl were heard in support of the ton, & Mr. McColl h'rd Reference.

It was moved by Mr. T. Lowry, seconded by Mr. A. Wilson, as follows :- The Synod 10 not find that in the Reference from Hamilton Presbytery there is a positive application from the First Presbyterian Congregation in St. Catherines for reception into connection with this Church, neither is there any statement in that Reference to the effect that the Standards of this Church were approved of by that Congregation; and that the Presbytery of Hamilton be instructed to give such reply to the application.

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It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Middlemiss, seconded 1st Amendby Mr. D. Gordon-That the Synod remit the case to the Pres-ment. bytery of Hamilton, to be dealt with in accordance with the laws of the Church.

It was moved by Mr. Cross seconded by Dr. Edmondson, as ²d Amend-llows :-- That the Synad system the Beforence and dealers follows :- That the Synod sustain the Reference, and declare that inasmuch as the use of instrumental music is not a term of communion in the Canada Presbyterian Church, this Synod authorizes the Presbytery of Hamilton to take the usual steps for the reception of the First Presbytorian Church of St. Catherines into the fellowship of this Church.

Votes being taken the amendment of Mr. Middlemiss was let Amendcarried by a large majority, and the Synod decided in accordance ried. therewith.

At the request of Dr. Taylor, the Rev. Mr. Bonar, of the Rev. Mr. Bonar invi-American Presbyterian Church, of the City of Montreal, was ted to sit in invited to sit in the Synod, as a corresponding member. Synod.

The Moderator left the chair, which was first taken by Mr. Moderator Gregg, and then by Mr. McTavish.

MARRIAGE-WITH DECHASED WIFE'S SISTER.

There was taken up and read an Overture from several mem- with deceasbers of the Synod in reference to the question of marriage with ed wife's a deceased wife's sister, praying that the portion of our Stand- sister. ards,---to wit, the 4th section of Chap. xxiv of the Confession of Faith, which implicitly teacher the unscriptural character of such marriages be carefully reconsidered, and such relief afforded to parties affected, as the Synod may deem to be conformable to the Word of God. Mr. Laing

Mr. J. Laing was heard in support of the overture. The Moderator again took the chair.

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On motion of Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. Begg, of London, received. the overture was received.

It was moved by Mr. W. T. McMullen, seconded by Dr. Ed-Motion. mondson, as follows :-- Whereas marriage with a deceased wife's sister has hitherto been forbidden by this Church, and treated as incestuous,-and whereas in the opinion of many learned and eminent Biblical scholars, in the Presbyterian and other churches, such marriage is not forbidden in the Word of God ; therefore resolved, that Presbyteries be instructed to consider this subject, and report to next Synod their judgment, as to whether the law of the church on this matter should not be so altered, as that the Church Courts may be relieved of the responsibility of casting out of church-fellowship, on grounds so much disputed, those who are so married.

It was moved in amendment by Principal Willis, seconded by 1st Amendment. Mr. Gregg,-That having regard to the importance of the subject brought before the Synod-one on which the Confession of Faith gives no uncertain sound, -declaring (Chap. 24 : Sec. iv.) on Scriptural grounds, there referred to, that marriages within certain degrees of affinity, including the relationship of a man to the sister of his deceased wife, are forbidden by the Divine

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Law, and can never be made lawful by any law of man, or consent of parties, the Synod sees no sufficient ground for modifying the existing ecclesiastical rule of its communion, in this particular, which is also in harmony with the civil law of Great Britain. But, willing to treat with respect the difficulties of some, among whom questions have arisen as to the relevancy or sufficiency of the scriptural grounds, on which the prohibition of marriage, within the specific degree of affinity brought under notice, is held to rest, agrees to appoint a committee to give its consideration to the subject, with the view of elucidating the Scriptural basis of said law, and showing, as far as may be, to parties aggrieved by our rules of discipline, that these do not rest on slight or arbitrary grounds.

2d Amendment.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. David Inglis. seconded by Mr. Andrew Wilson,-That the prayer of the overture be not granted, and that this Synod affirm their continued adherence to the declaration of the Westminster Confession on the subject to which the overture refers.

Hour of ad-The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod agreed to journment, take up the question now under consideration as the first busi-1st business to-morrow, ness to-morrow morning.

Moderator The Moderator asked leave f absence for the evening, which to be absent. was granted.

The diet was then closed with the Benediction.

SEVENTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Tuesday, June 16, 1868, 7.30 o'clock, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. John McColl, of Dundas, offering prayer.

In the absence of the Moderator the chair was occupied by Mr. David Inglis, a former Moderator.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

MR. KEMP'S DISSENT.

Dissent of

Mr. A. F. Kemp here handed in and read his reasons of dis-Mr. A. F. sent from the resolution of Synod last night, refusing to the members of the Presbytery of London the right of voting on the question of alleged irregularities in the proceedings of the said Presbytery, as brought before the Synod in the Report of the committee appointed to examine the said Presbytery's Records. The paper handed in by Mr. Kemp is to the following effect :--

"Reasons of dissent from the decision of Synod on the appeal from the ruling of the chair in the matter of the London Presbytery.

"1. That the undersigned was precluded by the voices of the Synod from stating the terms of his appeal, all which he was 564

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entitled to do in accordance with the regulations and usages in matters of order. His appeal was that the ruling of the Moderator was in regard to a matter which was not a point of order, but of privilege, namely, the right of a member of Synod to vote.

"2. That in no way known to the law and practice of the Presbyterian Church of Canada can a member of Synod be deprived of his vote in any case, unless, as a part of his Presbytery, he be sisted formally at the Bar of said Synod, or be himself a party thereat.

"3. That the dissentient's Presbytery was not sisted at the Bar of said Synod, nor was he a party thereat. Further, that the matter involved was of the nature of a Reference from the committee on the Records in question, in regard to which, by the recognized rule and practice of the church, Presbyteries have a right to vote; also, that the matter at issue was not a point affecting only the Presbytery of London, but had reference to a general practice in which other Presbyteries were as much interested as the Presbytery of London.

"4. Such a deprivation therefore of the right to vote, under the conditions noted, is a violation of the constitution of the church, and a refusal of a sacred right to the members of said Presbytery, against which the undersigned solemuly reclaims.

"For these reasons the undersigned for himself, and all who may unite with him, dissents from the said finding of Synod.

Signed,

ALEX. F. KEMP. A. WILSON."

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The Synod appointed a committee to answer these reasons of Com. to dissent, as follows:—Messrs. T. Lowry, J. Laing, T. McPherson, J. McTavish, Hon. J. McMurrich; Mr. McTavish, convener.

PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

The Synod called for the Reports of Committees appointed to Records of examine the Records of Presbyteries. Reports were handed in Rep. on. and read, on the minutes of the Presbyteries of Ontario, Grey, and Stratford, certifying that the minutes of the said Presby-teries were carefully and correctly kept.

The Synod agreed to receive the Reports, and ordered the minutes of the afore-named Presbyteries to be attested in the usual form.

KANKAKEE MISSION.

The Synod called for the Report of the Special Committee on Kankakee the Kankakee Mission. The Report was handed in and read by ^{Mission}. Mr. John Scott of London, the convener of the committee.

COBRESPONDENT.

On motion of Mr. A Wilson, and seconded, the Rev. Mr. Rev. Mr. Campbell, [565]

invited to correspond.

Campbell, of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, was invited to sit with the Synod as a corresponding member.

KANKAKEE MISSION.

Mr. Chiniquyaddress-ed Synod.

Mr. Chiniquy, the Pastor of the French Mission Church at St. Anne, Kankakee, the founder of the Kankakee Mission; then addressed the Synod in the interests of the work under his inspection in Illinois.

Com. on Kankakee Report.

On motion of Mr. McVicar, seconded by Mr. Kemp, the Synod agreed as follows :- Receive the report on the Kankakee Mission, and appoint Messrs. D. Inglis, W. Cochrane, J. Scott, (L), P. Glassford, D. H. McVicar, W. McLaren, A. F. Kemp, T. Mc-Pherson, D. Waters, a Committee to digest the Report, and to bring up a Finding to Synod ; Mr. McLaren Convener.

HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

Motion to sit } an hour--Lost.

The hour of adjournment having come, a motion was made and seconded, that the Synod continue in Session for half an hour longer, so as to hear the report of the Committee on Statistics. The motion was lost.

It was moved by Mr. Alexander Young, and seconded, that the report of the Board of the Montreal Theological College be the second item of business to be taken up to morrow morning.

It was moved in amendment, and seconded that the whole matter of the order of business be left to the Bills' and Overtures' Committee.

The amendment was carried, and the Synod ordered accordingly.

The diet was then closed, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

EIGHTEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Wednesday, June, 17th, 1868, 10 A. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises ; prayer being offered, at the request of the Moderator, by Mr. Robert Monteath.

The minutes of the last Sederunt were read.

Minutes read Moderator left the Chair.

The Moderator here left the Chair, which was taken by Mr. W.

Gregg. The Moderator then took exception to the minutes in relation to Mr. Kemp's reasons of dissent. The minutes were amended as suggested, and were then confirmed.

Moderator Resumed the Chair.

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

BILLS' COM. SIXTH REPORT.

Bills, Com.

The Committee on Bills, gave in a sixth report, which was [566]

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read by the Convener of the Committee, Mr. David Waters. On 6th Report. motion of Mr. Waters, the report was received, and the order of business, therein recommended, sanctioned.

MARRIAGE, OVERTURE ON.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Overture of Marriage Marriage with a deceased wife's sister, interrupted by the adjournment Overture. yesterday evening, taking up the motions offered on this subject at the former Sederunt, by Mr. McMullen, Principal Willis, and Mr. David Inglis, --Mr. McMullen being in possession of the floor.

On the motion of Mr. Inglis, it was agreed that the speakers Speakers to on this subject, after the mover of the first amendment, be limit- accurately only ed in their arguments to the space of fifteen minutes.

After long reasoning and no decision come to, the hour of one o'clock arrived, and the Synod adjourned,—the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

NINETEENTH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Wednesday, June, 17th, 1868, 3 P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises ; Mr. Thomas Wardrope at the request of the Moderator leading in prayer.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutesread

ANSWER TO MR. KEMP'S REASONS OF DISSENT.

Mr. John McTavish, from the Committee appointed last night Reasons of to draft answers to the reasons of dissent given in by Mr. Kemp, Mr.Kemp's, in the matter of the resolution adopted by the Synod, on the Answers to question of irregularities in the proceedings of the Presbytery of London, handed in and read a Report containing such answers as follows :---

The Committee beg to submit the following answers.

1. To Reason first it is answered:

That in cases where the Moderator has decided any point of order, the ruling is final, unless an appeal is taken to the House. The vote on such appeal is taken without argument; and the point submitted is simply, sustain or not sustain the ruling of the Moderator. Mr. Kemp was endeavouring to argue against the decision of the Moderator as unconstitutional, when he was prevented from doing so, inasmuch as his only right was to appeal to the Synod without remark.

To reason second, it is answered.

2. That the Presbytery of London, though not formally called to the Bar, were virtually at the Bar of the Synod, and that the Clerk of the Presbytery, with the Records in his hand, and Messrs. Proudfoot and Kemp, all answered in defence of the Presbytery, which they could not have done, unless the Presbytery was virtually at the Bar. Also, the general principle, that a man cannot be judge in his own case, justifies the decision of the Synod. Further, it is according to the practice of this Church, in such cases, to treat the Presbytery as at the Bar, though not formally called.

To reason third, it is answered.

3. That the matter in question was not a reference, but the Report of a Committee stating an irregularity on the part of the Presbytery of London, in its action as a Court, not in the merce form of the minutes, which were reported as regular, and correctly kept, which irregularity was submitted for the judgment of the Synod; and the particular motion on which the Presbytery of London, was denied the liberty of voting, was a motion declaring the action to be irregular, and admonishing the Presbytery; which admonition was not competent, except on the presumption that the Synod were required to pass judgment on the action of the Presbytery.

To the fourth reason, it is answered.

4. That on page sixteen, of the Book of Forms, it is explicitly stated that "the decisions of the Supreme Court of the Church, are final; and cannot be protested against, or appealed from." From such decision, dissent may be taken by any member of the Court; but he can only act thereafter in one of two ways, either submit to the decision of the Supreme Court, or move that such decision be reconsidered; neither of which courses has Mr. Kemp pursued.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) John McTavish, Convener.

Reasons received-ordered to be ordered that the answers as reported be entered on the minutes engrossed. of Synod.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving Day.

Principal Willis hauded in, and read, a Report on the subject of the acknowledgement, on the part of the Church, in some suitable way, at a seasonable time, of the good Providence of God to this land.

The Report was to the following purport :--

That the S₃ nod recognising the remarkable goodness of God in the seasons of the year, recommend to all their congregations the observance of the Divine dispensations, whether of mercy or of judgment; and authorize the Moderator, as he shall see fit, to appoint a day of Thanksgiving, or call the congregations to this exercise, either at a time that may be appointed by Civil Authority, or may appear likely to be concurred in by other churches.

The Report was received, and the Synod agreed to leave it to the Moderator to call the attention of the Church to this matter at his discretion.

MARRIAGE-OVERTURE.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Overture on mar-Mariago riage with a deceased wife's sister, interrupted by the adjournment in the morning. After the reply of the mover of the main motion, the Synod proceeded to take the vote.

A vote was first taken between the amendment of Mr. Inglis " and that of Principal Willis, when that of Mr. Inglis was carried—40 voting for the former, and 38 for the latter. A vote was then taken between the amendment of Mr. Inglis, and the main motion by Mr. McMullen, when the amendment of Mr. Inglis was again carried,—49 voting for the amendment, and 37 for the motion.

The Yeas and Nays being called for, 52 voted Yea and 37 Nay.

The Synod decided in terms of the amendment of Mr. lnglis Decision. —That the prayer of the Overture be not granted, and that this of Mr.Inglis. Synod affirm their continued adherence to the declaration of the Westminister Confession on the subject to which the Overture refers.

DISSENT.

Mr. McMullen asked and obtained leave to enter his dissent Dissent. from this finding. Mr. Archibald Cross, and Mr. David McKay, elder, joined with Mr. McMullen in dissenting.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE.

Mr. Thomas Lowry here asked leave to submit, out of the or-Nom. Com. der recommended by the Bills' Committee, the Report of the ask leave to Committee for the nomination of Standing Committees.

Mr. McKenzie moved that the Synod proceed in the order Proceed in stated in the docket. The motion was carried and the Synod docket. proceeded with the business in the order agreed upon in the morning.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Thomas Lowry now asked and obtained leave to be ab-Leave of absence. Mr Lowry.

APPEAL-MISS BAIRD.

The Synod took up again the Report of the Committee on the Appealappeal of Miss Baird from a decision of the Presbytery of Otta-Miss Bairdwa, consideration of which was interrupted by the adjournment on the afternoon of Friday last week.

Miss Baird was heard for herself, as was also Mr. William Miss Baird Baird, on behalf of his sister, Miss Baird.

Messrs. Aitken and Gourlay were heard on behalf of the Pres-Messrs. Aitken & Gourlay by tery of Ottawa.

Mr. W. McKenzie was heard on behalf of the Kirk-Session of Mr. McKen-

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heard. Mr. Andrew Toshach, as a party interested, was heard. Mr. Baird was proceeding with his reply, when the hour of Mr Baird in reply-in adjournment arrived, and the Synod rose-the Moderator propart. nouncing the benediction.

TWENTIETH SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH MONTREAL,

Wednesday, June 17th, 1868. 7.30, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. James Nisbet, at the request of the Moderator, leading in prayer.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained. RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Pres. Re-cords Reps. Cobourg, Hamilton. Kingston. Paris.

The Synod called for the Reports of Committees appointed to examine the Records of Presbyteries :- Reports were handed in and read, on the Records of the Presbyteries of Cobourg, Hamilton, Kingston and Paris, setting forth that the Records of these Presbyteries were correctly kept. The Synod received the Reports, and ordered the Records of the respective Presbyteries named, to be attested in the usual form.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Toronto Presbytery. gave in a report, noting an irregularity in the proceedings of the Presbytery, in receiving Mr. Howard D. Steele as a minister of the Church without the leave of Synod.

It was moved by Mr. J. Laing, seconded by Mr. T. McPherson, and agreed to,-That although in the reception of Mr. Steele with a certificate from a Presbytery, only, of the Church in the Lower Provinces, the Presbytery of Toronto have not complied with the letter of the Act regarding the reception of Ministers, still, inasmuch as he was specially designated to the Canada Presbyterian Church, and the church from which he came. has no Committee from whom such designation could be obtained, the action of the Presbytery of Toronto be sustained.

The Synod ordered the Minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto to be attested with the note above set forth.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Montreal stated in their Report that the minutes of said Presbytery were generally correct, but noting some peculiarities in the phraseology. The Synod received the Report, and ordered the Minutes of the Presbytery to be attested with note as above.

A Report was given in by the Committee on the Minutes of the Presbytery of Huron, setting forth that the Records were on the whole correctly kept ; but that the signature of the Moderator was wanting to several Minutes. The Synod received the

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Report, and ordered the Records to be attested, instructing the Presbytery to secure the necessary signatures.

A Report was handed in, and read, on the Records of the Ottawa Presbytery of Ottawa, setting forth that the said Records were Presbytery. correctly kept. The Synod ordered the Records to be attested in the usual form.

MONTREAL COLLEGE.

The Synod called for the Report of the Board of Management Montreal of the Montreal Presbyterian College. The Report was given in, Coll.-Reort of and at the request of the chairman, Dr. Taylor, was read by Mr. Board. Alex. Young, a member of the Board. There was read, also, Senate Rethe Report of the College Senate ; and further, extracts from the port. Minutes of the last meeting, of the Board, which, among other things, set forth that at that meeting, the Board had agreed to nominate Mr. Donald H. McVicar, of Cote Street Church, Montreal, to be Professor of Theology in the College, and to recommend his appointment by the Synod to that office ; Dr. Taylor and Dr. Irvine dissenting from the recommendation.

On motion of Mr. W. Laing, seconded by Mr. W. McKenzie, the Report re-Report was received. caived.

It was moved by Mr. W. B. Clark of Quebec, seconded by Prin- Motion to cipal Willis-That the recommendation of the College Board appoint Mr that Mr. Donald H. McVicar be appointed Professor of Divinity McVicar. in the Presbyterian College of Montreal be accepted, and that the Synod do now appoint the said Mr. D. H. McVicar.

It was moved in amendment by Dr. Taylor, seconded by Dr. Amendm'nt Irvine.—That the Synod cause notices to bepublished in the Or- to advertise gans of the Free Church in Scotland, and of the United Presby- for applica-terian Church in Scotland, inviting applications to be made for the Chair of Theological Professor in this College, by ministers of these churches, or of the sister churches in England and Ireland ; setting forth, at the same time, the peculiar claims of this College, and the salary attached to the above office ;-such application to be made in the first place to Professors Fairbairn and Eadie, and by them transmitted to such persons in this country as the Synod may appoint. Amend-

It was moved in further amendment, by Mr. J. L. Gourlay, ment to ap-seconded by Mr. Robert McKenzie, —That the Rev. W. Aitken Pro-Aitken Probe appointed Professor for the College of Montreal. fessor.

After long reasoning the Synod proceeded to take the vote, Motion car-when the amendment of Dr. Taylor was first carried by a major- ried. ity over that of Mr. Gourlay, and the motion of Mr. Clark was carried by a very large majority over the amendment of Dr. Taylor; and in accordance with said motion, the Synod appointed Mr. Donald H. McVicar, of Cote Street Church, Montreal, to be Professor of Divinity in the Presbyterian College of Montreal.

DISSENTS.

Dr. Taylor craved leave to have his dissent from this deliver- Dissents. ence marked in the Minutes. Dr. Irvine, of Knox Church, Mon-

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treal, and Dr. Edmonson, elder, joined with Dr. Taylor in dissenting.

The hour of ten o'clock having arrived, the Synod, before adjourning, agreed to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock. The diet was then closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-FIRST SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Thursday, June 18, 1868, 9, A.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises ; J. M. Gibson, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer.

COM. ON MR. MCVICAR'S APPOINTMENT.

Mr McVicar The Synod agreed to appoint a small committee to confer with fer with. Mr. McVicar, and to intimate to him his appointment as Professor in the Montreal Presbyterian College. The committee was then appointed as follows :--Mr. W. B. Clark, Principal Willis, the Hon, John McMurrich.

SALARY OF PROFESSOR.

Professor's salary.

A question having arisen as to the amount of salary which should be attached to the office of Professor in the Montreal Presbyterian College, it was agreed to refer the same to the College Board to consider the matter, and bring up a Report in the afternoon.

Dr. Taylor here intimated his retirement from the Board of Management, and that he could not meet with the Board to-day.
B. The Synod then appointed Mr. W. B. Clark, of Quebec, chairchr. man of the Board, pro tempore.

RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Records of Press. Brockress. Brock-Wile and Guelph. The Synod called for Reports on the Records of Presbyteries of Brockville and Guelph, stating that these Records were correctly kept, with slight exceptions to those of Brockville. The Reports were received, and the Synod ordered the Records to be attested in the usual form.

SYNOD RECORDS.

Synod Record, report a Report, setting forth that the Records were very carefully and correctly kept, and recommending that the date of ordination of each minister be annexed to the name of each, respectively, in the

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Dr Taylor retires from Board. Mr W. B. Clark chr. p. t.

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Synod Roll, and that the Records be attested in the usual form. The Synod received the Report, and ordered in accordance therewith.

DISSENTS.

Dr. Jennings and Mr. John L. Gourlay asked, and obtained Dissentsleave to enter their dissent from the Deliverance given yester-DrJennings day afternoon, on the subject of the Overture respecting marriage Gourlay. with a deceased wife's sister.

BILLLS' COM. -7TH REPORT.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures handed in a seventh Bills' Com. Report, which was read by Mr. David Waters, the clerk of the 7th Report. Committee. On motion of Mr. Waters, the Report was received, and the order of business, therein recommended, sanctioned.

STANDING COMMITTEES. - NOMINATION.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Standing nomination of Standing Committees. The Report was handed on, received in, and on behalf of the Convener, Mr. Lowry, was read by Mr. -part adop-* David Waters. The Report was on motion received, and with ted. certain amendments, was adopted, with the exception of that part thereof having relation to the Board of Management and the Senate of the Montreal Presbyterian College, which was recommitted to the Committee to be brought up again in the afternoon. Mr. Waters was appointed Convener of the Nomination Committee, in the absence of Mr. Lowry, first appointed.

The Boards and Committees recommended in the Report, were appointed as follows :---

KNOX COLLEGE BOARD.

David Inglis, Convener; A. Topp, M.A.; Principal Willis; Knor Col-Prof. Caven, Prof. Young, W. Reid, Dr. Burns, J. M. Gibson, lege Board. W. Moore, J. Burton, W. McLaren, D. Waters, J. McTavish, J. Gray, W. T. McMullen, J. K. Smith, John Thompson, R. Hamilton, John Ross, J. McMillan, Dr. Jennings, Dr. Ormiston, T. Lowry, W. T. Murdoch, J. Scott, (L.,) T. McPherson, J. McColl, J. Laing, Ministers; Messrs. Alex. Fraser, M.P.P., Hon. A. Vidal, Hon. J. McMurrich, A. I. McKeuzie, Lt.-Col. Haultain, J. Y. Reid, Jas. Brown, G. L. Beardmore, Elders.

FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

Messrs. W. McLaren, (Convener), A. Topp, Dr. Taylor, D. on Foreign Waters, J. McTavish, D. H. McVicar, W. Fraser, Dr. R. F. Mission. Burns, J. McColl, A. Young, James Black, A. Kennedy, J. James, Thos. Wardrope, A. A. Drummond, A. F. Kemp, H. McQuarrie, W. T. Murdoch, R. Hamilton, J. Middlemiss, John Smith, (B.,) D. Wishart, Geo. Riddell, W. Bennett, John Mc-

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Mechan, W. Moore, Ministers; Wm. Begg, Hon. A. Vidal, Dr. Holden, A. Fraser, M.P.P., James Campbell, James Henderson, Dr. Dawson, Warden King, J. W. Torrance, D. McKay, John Stirling, J. Court, Elders.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

Home Mission Com.

Mr. John Laing, Convener; Messrs. J. M. King, D. Inglis, Dr. Thornton, J. M. Gibson, W. Moore, J. Burton, A. Wilson, W. Cochrane, W. Doak, J. Middlemiss, John J. A. Proudfoot, A. D. McDonald, A. Tolmie, Mungo Fraser, D. Waters, James Watson, Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, W. Clark, James Henderson, Elders.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Widows' & Orphans Fund.

J. Osborne, Esq., Convener; Messrs. W. Reid, John James, Dr. Jennings, John Porteous, Thos. Lowry, James Black, John G. Murray, Ministers ; J. Alexander, Knox Church, Hamilton, A. I. McKenzie, M. C. Lutz, Thos. Fotheringham, Mr. Ogg, Dr. Clarke, Elders.

SENATE KNOX COLLEGE ...

Senate Knox Col.

Principal Willis, Convener; Dr. Burns, Prof. Caven, J. J. A. Proudfoot, R. Ure, W. Reid, J. M. King, J. McTavish, D. H. Fletcher, A. Topp, Dr. Jennings.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

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Board of Toronto Section. —Mr. W. Gregg, Convener; Messrs. J. M. Examiners. King, Dr. Thornton, D. Inglis, D. Waters, W. McLaren. Montreal Section .- J. M. Gibson, Convener ; W. Moore, Dr. Irvine, James Watson, A. Young, D. Paterson.

HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.

Record Messrs. Wm. Gregg, Convener; W. Fraser, J. M. King, A. Committee. Topp, Dr. Thornton, Ministers; Hon. J. McMurrich, J. L. Blaikie, W. Kerr, Elders.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Aged and Dr. Thornton, Convener; A. Kennedy, R. Torrance, W. Reid, Infirm Min D. H. Fletcher, J. McTavish, Robert Wallace, Ministers; John Sters Fund D. H. Fletcher, J. McTavish, Robert Wallace, Ministers; John Ratcliff, John McBain, Mr. Lindsay, Elders. Com.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Sabbath Schools.

Messrs. Wm. Cochrane, Convener; J. Robertson, T. Lowry, W. T. McMullen, W. Donald, J. W. Mitchell, J. Porteous, R. Hamilton, W. Craigie, Ministers ; Adam Spence, J. Chisholm, John McLean, Elders.

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ST. ANN'S MISSION, KANKAKEE.

Messra. A. F. Kemp, Convener; T. McPherson, John Scott, Kankakee (L.,) Geo. Cuthbertson, J. J. A. Proudfoot, J. Thompson, W. Walker, Dr. R. F. Burns, A. Wilson, Dr. Jennings, D. Wishart, J. W. Mitchell, C. Chiniquy, Ministers; Alex. Bartlett, John McLean, Wm. Begg, Eldors.

BUXTON MISSION.

Messrs. John Scott, (L.,) Convener; Thos. McPherson, Geo. Buxton Cuthbertson, W. Doak, Wm. King, W. Walker, A. F. Kemp, Mission. Ministers; A. McKellar, M.P.P., J. Laird, W. Clark, Elders.

STATISTICS.

Messrs. D. Waters, Convener; J. Gray, W. Fraser, T. Wight-Statistics. man, R. Hamilton, W. Reid, James Brown.

FINANCE.

Hon. J. McMurrich, Convener; Messrs. A. Topp, W. Gregg, Finance. Dr. Jennings, R. Wallace, J. L. Blaikie, James Campbell, J. Henderson.

STATE OF RELIGION.

Messre. John McTavish, Convener; R. Binnie, Dr. Thornton, State of Re-J. R. Scott, A. Kennedy, James Thom, J. M. Roger, John ligion. Smith, (B.)

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Messrs. J. Middlemiss, Convener; R. Torrance, M. McKenzie, Sabbath John Duff, G. Smellie, Kenneth McDonald, H. McQuarrie, Ministers; M. C. Lutz, Adam Ker, Elders.

ST. ANNE'S MISSION.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee, to whom St. Anne's was referred the Report of the Special Committee on the Mission at St. Anne's, Kankakee. The Report was handed in and read by Mr. W. McLaren, the Convener, of the tenor following: The Committee appointed on the Report of the St. Anne's Mission, Kankakee, after a very full consideration of its details, beg leave to recommend that the Synod adopt the Report, express its thanks to Christian friends belonging to other denominations for their liberal contributions during the year, and earnestly solicit their continued liberality. They further recommend that the Synod leave the matter in the hands of the Committee, with instructions to conduct the Mission, with as much economy as may be consistent with its efficiency, and that the proportion of Mr. Chiniquy's salary to be paid by the Congregation at St. Anne's be definitely fixed by the Committee.

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Appeal Miss Baird.

On motion of Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Kemp,-The recommendations of the Committee were adopted, and the Synod decided in accordance therewith.

APPEAL, MISS BAIRD.

The Synod returned to the case of Appeal of Miss Baird, against action of the Presbytery of Ottawa. Mr. W. Baird whose reply, on behalf of his sister, was heard in part at the afternoon Sederunt yesterday, proceeded with his reply, to the hour of adjournment.

At one o'clock, the Synod rose, the Moderator pronouncing the Benediction.

TWENTY-SECOND SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Thursday, June, 18th, 1868, 3, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. James Robertson, of Paris, at the request of the Moderator, offering prayer. The minutes of the last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutes read.

MONTREAL COLLEGE.

Montreal College. Salary of Professor.

The Board of Management of the Montreal College, to whom was referred in the morning the question as to the amount of salary to be attached to the office of Professor in the said College, presented a Report, which was read, unanimously recommending to the Synod, that the salary of the Professor of Divinity of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, should be two thousand dollars, (\$2,000,) per annum.

Salary \$2,000 The Synod received the Report, and ordered in accordance therewith.

COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH MR. MCVICAR.

Mr.'McVicar Com. to confer with,

Mr. W. B. Clark, reported verbally from the Committee appointed in the morning, to confer with Mr. D. H. McVicar, in regard to his appointment last night by the Synod, to the office of Professor of Divinity, in the Montreal Presbyterian College, with a view to his acceptance of the same, stating that Mr. McVicar required some time to give calm and prayerful consideration to the matter, before giving his decision.

Presbytery of Montreal to loose Mr. Mc of acceptance.

The Synod received the Report. On the motion of Mr. Waters, the Synod agreed that in the Vicar in case event of Mr. McVicar accepting the appointment to the Professorship, the Presbytery of Montreal be instructed to loose him from the charge of the Congregation of Cote Street Church, and induct him into the Professorship in the College.

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On motion of Mr. Laing, the Synod agreed that in case of Mr. In case of McVicar's declining to accept the appointment of the Synod to Vicar's nonthe Professorship, the Board of Management be empowered to acceptance, make such provision as they may think fit, for conducting the Instruction classes in the College during next session.

STANDING COMMITTEES-NOM. COM. REPORT.

Mr. Waters brought up again that part of the Report of the Standing Nomination Committee, re-committed in the morning, in rela-Committee. tion to the Board and Senate of the Montreal Presbyterian Report. College. The Report was received, and the appointments recommended therein, were made and are as follows :--

MONTREAL COLLEGE BOARD,

Mr. Thomas Wardrope, Chairman; Dr. Dawson, A. Topp, D. Montreal H. McVicar, A. Young, J. M. Gibson, W. B. Clark, J. Crom-College bie, D. Paterson, Jas. Watson, J. Anderson, W. Moore, J. Bur-Board. ton, J. Jones, W. McKenzie, Dr. Thornton, W. McLaren, P. Gray, John Laing, S. C. Fraser, Ministers; F. W. Torrance, Peter Redpath, W. King, A. Robertson, John Stirling, W. Rowan, J. Ross, (Quebec), Joseph McKay, Alex. McGibbon, D. Cattanach, Jas. Court, Dr. Edmondson, George Hay, D. McKay, W. D. McLaren, Elders.

MONTREAL COLLEGE SENATE.

D. H. McVicar, Chairman; W. B. Clark, Dr. Dawson, J. Montreal M. Gibson, John Anderson, James Watson, A Young, John College McKay, F. W. Torrance, George Rogers.

APPEAL, MISS BAIRD.

The Synod returned to the appeal of Miss Baird, interrupted Appeal Missby the adjournment in the morning. Mr. W. Baird came forward and said that he had nothing further to add in some

ward and said that he had nothing further to add in reply. The Synod agreed to hear Mr. Toshach, in reference to cer-

tain statements made by Mr. Baird in the course of his reply.

Questions were asked of the Presbytery, and were answered. Questions. Parties were then removed.

It was moved by Mr. D. Waters, seconded by M. W. McLaren, moved. as follows ;—Dismiss the protest and appeal, and sustain the ac-Motion. tion of the Presbytery.

It was moved in amendment, by Mr. J. Laing, seconded by ment. Mr. J. Ross as follows:—Sustain the first appeal so far; and as it is evident that, with the feelings manifested by the parties in the case, no satisfactory issue can be arrived at, take the whole matter out of the hands of the Presbytery, and send a commission of Synod to Ramsay, with Synodical Power to dispose finally of the case.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Mr. T. McPherson, that the Synod having heard all the facts in the matter, the Protest and Appeal be dismissed as frivolous and vexatious.

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Dissent.

Votes being taken, the amendment of Mr. Laing was successively carried, over the amendment of Mr. Wilson, and over the main motion of Mr. Waters; and the Synod decided in te of said amendment.

Decision an-Parties were called to the Bar, and the decision was announced to them from the Chair.

Mr. W. Aitken craved leave, which was granted, to have his dissent from this decision marked in the minutes of Synod.

EXTRACTS.

Extracts craved.

Mr. S. C. Fraser, on the part of the Presbytery of Ottawa, craved extracts, which were granted.

Commission.

The Commission was then appointed as follows :- Messrs, J. Appeal of The Commission was then appeal of Burton, John Anderson, Miss Baird. Laing, convener; W. McLaren, John Burton, John Anderson, Dr. Edmondson and Dr. Holden.

RETURNS TO REMITS.

Remits, Returns, General Assembly.

The Committee on the returns to remits handed in a Report on the returns to the Act for the erection of a General Assembly, which was read by Mr. J, M. Gibson, setting forth that only one return had been received, viz :- from the Presbytery of Montreal, approving simpliciter; and that the Presbytery of Hamilton gave as a reason for sending no return, that no communication had been received by them from the Committee of Synod thereanent.

The Report was received.

Mr. McLaren explained verbally in reference to his position, in regard to this remit.

The Report on Returns to Remits on this subject last year, were read from the printed minutes.

General Assembly. Com, Re appointed.

Committee.

The Synod agreed to re-appoint the Committee with instructions to take immediate action in this matter, with a view to maturing the Act for a General Assembly, with the name of Mr. W. Reid, substituted instead of Mr. W. Aitken, on said Committee.

The Committee as re-appointed is as follows :- Messrs. W. McLaren, convener ; D. Waters, J. Turnbull, A. Wilson, W. Reid, P. Gray, T. Wardrope, Dr. Holden, A. G. Northrup.

ACT FOR RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

Reception Act,

There was read by Mr. J. M. Gibson, from the Committee on Returns to Remits, on the Act for the Reception of Ministers, a Report, setting forth that five Presbyteries had made Returns one, that of Hamilton, approved simpliciter ; one, that of Ontario, recommended a thorough review, and three, those of Montreal, Guelph and Kingston, suggest certain verbal alterations.

Report on Remits. Rein.ns receiv. ed.

The Synod agreed as follows :- Receive the Report ; re-enact the Act for the reception of ministers ad interim ; again remit the Act for the consideration of Presbyteries, with instructions to report specially on the subject, and that the Act be printed in the appendix to the Synod's Minutes.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STIPENDS.

On motion made and seconded, it was agreed that the order of Order of business business on the docket should be changed, so as to take up now changed. the Report of the Committee on the Augmentation of Stipend. Moderator left Chair .-

The Moderator here left the chair, which was taken by Mr. D. Inglis.

The Report of the Committee on the Augmentation of Sti-SupendAugpend was read for the Convener, Mr. A. Topp, by Mr. W. Coch- mentation. rane, containing many details of the plans and operations of the Committee. Committee, and setting forth that though on the visit of the deputations, but in few congregations were resolutions adopted to increase the Stipend, yet that the Committee had learned that very decided results in this direction, since, might be traced to the visits of the deputations, and closing with certain recommendations for the adoption of the Synod. The Report was received.

There was read in connection with the foregoing Report, a pa. Elders' per agreed upon at a meeting of elders attending this meeting of Meeting, Minutes of, Synod, held during the intervals of the sessions of Synod last week, with a view to devising measures for the augmentation of ministers' salaries, -and containing recommendations for the adoption of the Synod.

On motion of Mr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Watson, it was Motion. agreed, that the Report on the Augmentation of Stipend be adopted, and the thanks of the Synod given to the Convener; further, that the attention of Presbyteries be directed to the suggestions therein contained, and that a standing Committee be appointed in terms of the recommendations.

The Recommendations of the Report are as follows ;--

Stipend. 1. That Presbyteries should follow up this movement by mak- Recommening special inquiry as to the result of the same, in every parti-dations, cular Congregation visited.

2. That Presbyteries should at some suitable time, during the year, take special cognizance of the matter of Stipend, so as to secure the regular payment of the same ; and that arrears be not allowed to accumulate.

3. That Presbyteries should see that in each Congregation within their bounds, there exists a regular organization for the collection of the various funds of the Church.

4. That if the Synod see fit, a Committee might be continued to watch over this whole subject, to aid Presbyteries in regard to any visitations that might be deemed necessary within their bounds, and generally to prosecute the work in connection with them.

The Synod then re-appointed the Committee of last year as Com, reap- The Synow then Polarpointed the Communication of the Synow compared to the pointed of the Synow service of the Synow servi Joseph McKay, Elders ; Mr. Topp, Convener.

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REPORT OF ELDERS' MEETING.

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Elders' Meeting Motion on.

In regard to the paper adopted at the meeting of Elders, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr. W. McLaren, that the Synod having heard the memorial of the Elders, expressed their cordial approbation of its design ; and remit it to the Committee on the augmentation of Ministers' Salaries, to consider its practical suggestions.

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

OVERTURE ON FRATERNAL INTERCOURSE, &C.

Fraiernul intercourse with other Churches,

There was taken up and read an Overture, signed by several Members of Synod, praying the Synod to take into consideration the propriety of opening up Fraternal correspondence with the Presbyterian Churches of Britain, America, and the Dominion of Canada, by sending deputations to the Supreme Courts of these Churches, in so far, as the same may be practicable; and that a Committee be appointed to make necessary arrangements for securing this object.

The Overture was supported by Mr. Kemp, Dr. Ormiston, and Mr. J. Ross.

LETTER FROM BELGIC SYNOD.

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There was read in connection with the Overture a letter from the Synod, Letter from. Synod of the Missionary Church in Belgium, of last year, conveying to this Synod, the Fraternal and Christian Salutatious of that Body.

Prin, Willis Principal Willis, who was present at the meeting of the Belgic Report of Synod, last year, gave some interesting information respecting visit to Belthe Church, from which the communication had come. gic Synod,

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, N. A.

United Pres-There was read also a letter from the General Assembly of the byterian Church, N.A. United Presbyterian Church North-America, conveying kindly Letter from. greetings to this Synod, and entering at large into a statement

of the principles, the numbers, resources, and operations, both at home and abroad of the Church, represented by the said Assembly.

Fraternal intercourse Overiure adopted.

Committee appointed,

It was moved by Mr. Kemp, seconded and agreed to,-That the Overture be received, and its recommendations adopted ; and that a Committee be appointed accordingly, to report at next Sederunt :- That they also report a deliverance on the communications now read, from representatives of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States, and from the Church in Belgium.

The Committee was then appointed as follows :- Messrs. A. F. Kemp, Dr. Taylor, D. H. McVicar, A. Wilson, J. Ross, Principal Willis.

PSALMODY.

Psalmody,

The Synod resumed consideration of the subject of Psalmody, interrupted by the adjournment of Synod, on the afternoon of Thursday of last week.

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Mr. David Inglis, who had at the time last referred to, moved Resolution a resolution on the subject, seconded by Mr. Cochrane, asked and ^{OIL} obtained leave to make an alteration in that resolution. The motion as amended is as follows :---

That the Synod having considered the Report of the Psalmody Committee, and having had their attention directed to the Book of Psalms and Hymns, for Public Worship, sanctioned by the Synod of the English Presbyterian (Church, agree to send this Book down to Presbyteries and Sessions for their consideration, and that Presbyteries report to the next Synod.

It was moved in amendment, by A Wilson, seconded by Amend-Mr. John Ross, that the consideration of this subject be post-^{ment.} poned till next year.

A vote being taken, the motion of Mr. Inglis was carried by a Motion large majority; and the Yeas and Nays being called for on Mr. ^{carried}, Inglis' motion, it was affirmed by a large majority.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the diet was closed with the Benediction.

TWENTY-THIRD SEDERUNT.

ERSKINE CHURCH, MONTREAL,

Thursday, June, 18th, 1868, 7.30, P.M.

The Synod met and was constituted with devotional exercises, Mr. W. Lochead, Son., offering prayer.

The Minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

Minutesread

TELEGRAM FROM CONGREGATIONAL UNION.

There was presented and read a Telegram from the Congrega. Telegram, tional Union of Canada, at present in Session, in the City of uonal Union. Hamilton, conveying the fraternal greetings of the Union to this Synod.

STATISTICS.

The Report on Statistics was read by Mr. Reid, on behalf of Statistics, Mr. John Gray, the Convener, from whom a letter was read Report on, excusing his absence.

On motion of Mr. Waters, seconded by Mr. Laing, it was Motion on. agreed, that the Report be received, printed in the Minutes; its recommendations and observations commended to the attention of Presbyteries, and the thanks of the Synod tendered to the Convener.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The Report of the Board of Examiners was taken up and Board of read, stating that examinations had been conducted at Montreal Examiners, and at Toronto, and giving details of the operations of that Board.

on motion of Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Mr. J. Laing, the

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almody, noon of Report was received, and its recommendations, that there should be two Boards of Examiners for Toronto and Montreal Colleges, respectively, adopted.

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Aged and Infirm Min-Infirm Ministers was called for, and was banded in and read. Report on. The Report was on motion received.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Widows' The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Fund Rep'l. Fund for the Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers. The Report was presented and read.

There was read also a lengthened Report by an Actuary, on the condition and prospects of the Fund, accompanied by certain tables exhibiting the results of his calculations.

On motion made and seconded the Report was received.

FINANCE.

Finance Report,

The Report of the Finance Committee was handed in and read —setting forth the receipts and disbursements connected with the various Schemes of the Church, to which there was appended a balance sheet, showing the results in one viev.

On motion of Dr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Ure, the Report was received.

ASSISTANCE TO CHURCH AGENT.

Agent of Church— Assist'ce to:

Investments left to Finance Com.

On motion of Mr. Ure, seconded by Mr. James Court, the Synod agreed to authorize Mr. Reid to employ such aid as he may require during the year, in the discharge of his duties as Agent of the Church.

A question here arose, as to the Securities, in which the moneys contributed for the endowment of Knox College, would be best invested. The Synod agreed to refer this matter to the Finance Committee to be dealt with at their discretion.

MR. THOM'S OVERTURF, &C.

Overture of Mr. Thom set askle,

The Synod took up an Overture, from Mr. James Thom, Minister of Lakefield, requesting the interpretation of the action of Synod, last year, on the question of the Liquor Traffic. Mr. Thom not being present, the Overture was set aside.

Appeal Set Aside.

There was also taken up an Appeal of Mr. James Thom, from a decision of the Presbytery of Cobourg. Mr. Thom being absent, the appeal was laid aside.

REFERENCE-PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

Reference-Presbytery Cobourg-

There was taken up and read a Reference from the Presbytery of Cobourg, in the matter of the refusal of Mr. Francis Andrews to lay before the United Kirk Session of Keene and Westwood, Mr. F. Aua proposal from the said Presbytery to the effect that the labors drews. of Mr. Andrews should be contined to Keene and the congregation assembling there, and that the congregation of Westwood should be associated with Warsaw, to form a distinct Charge.

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Extracts from the Records of the Presbytery of Cobourg were Extracts read at length, setting forth the action of the Presbytery on the Pres. Min. subject, at several meetings.

The Reference was stated and supported on the part of the Reference Presbytery by Mr. J. Laing.

On motion of Mr. S. C. Fraser, seconded by Mr. R. Ure, the Decision. Synod agreed as follows:—Sustain the Reference and declare that the action of the Presbytery of Cobourg, in suggesting to the Session of Keene and Westwood, the consideration of the propriety of the transference of Westwood to another Pastoral Charge, was competent.

2ND REFERENCE-PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

There was taken up and read a Second Reference from the ^{2nd} Refer-Presbytery of Cobourg, in regard to a complaint of oertain elders, Cobourgmembers of the Kirk Session of Keene and Westwood, that Mr. Mr.Andrews Francis Andrews, the Moderator of said Session refused to attach his signature, as such Moderator, to a certificate of ehurch membership to James Russell, and that he, Mr. Andrews, persisted, notwithstanding the instructions of the Presbytery to the contrary, in preventing the question of granting such certificate being entertained, by instantly closing the meeting of Session whensoever it was proposed to enter on the consideration of the subject.

Extracts from the Records of the Presbytery of Cobourg, Extracts bearing upon the case were read at length.

Mr. Laing supported the Reference on the part of the Reference supported.

On motion made and seconded, the Synod agreed as follows: Decision. Sustain the reference, and instruct the Presbytery of Cobourg to proceed in the case according to the laws of the Church.

APPLICATION-PRESBYTERY OF COBOURO.

There was read an application, from the Presbytery of Application, Cobourg, for leave to receive Mr. Peter Scott as a student in the Cobourgfirst year in Theology, notwithstanding his literary and classical Mr. P. Scott attainments did not come up to the standard laid down in the regular curriculum.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Presbytery, in the case, Extract minwere read.

Mr. David Waters, the Clerk of the Presbytery, was heard in Mr. Waters support of the application, bearing testimony to the mental and heard. moral qualifications of Mr. Scott, and to the great acceptance and success with which he had, for some time, discharged the duties of a Catechist within the bounds of the Presbytery.

On motion, the Synod agreed to grant leave to the Presbytery Application of Cobourg, to receive Mr. Scott as a Theological student of the granted. first year, in terms of their application.

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The Committee on Foreign Missions on leave asked, had per-Foreign mission to retire for business, for a short time, during this Sede-Mission Com. to runt ; and, on motion, the name of Mr. David Waters was added meet. Mr. Waters adto the Committee. ded

KNOX COLLEGE.

On motion, Mr. J. Laing was substituted for Mr. Thomas Knox College Board, Kirkland, on the Board of Management of Knox College. Mr, Laing ou

APPLICATION-PRES. MONTREAL-II. SINCLAIR.

H. Sinclairfor Presby. Montreal

There was taken up and read an application from the Presby-Application tery of Montreal, on behalf of Mr. Henry Sinclair, setting forth that the Presbytery had had before them a large number of documents bearing testimony to the character of Mr. Sinclair, as a christian and a missionary, along with a letter from himself, expressing his desire to prepare himself for the work of the ministry, but requesting, on account of the state of his eye-sight, that he might be excused from taking up certain specified st bjects of study, and craving leave to dispense, in Mr. Sinclair's case, with the branches of study named.

Application granted.

On motion of Mr. W. B. Clark, seconded by Mr. J. Scott, (N.) the Synod agreed to grant the application as craved, leaving it with the Presbytery to deal with the matter as they might see fit.

HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, it was moved and Hour to adjourn-Syn- agreed to, that the rule to adjourn be suspended, and that the od to sit Synod continue in session till the business is finished. longer.

APPLICATION-PRES. MONTREAL-MR. D. SUTHERLAND.

Mr. D. Suth-Presbytery Montreal.

There was read an application from the Presbytery of Monerland-Ap- treal for leave to receive as a minister of this Church, Mr. Donald Sutherland, formerly a minister of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces

Cettificate.

There was read, also, in connection with the application, a certificate under the hand of Mr. Kenneth McKenzie, Clerk of the Presbytery of Richmond and Victoria, Nova Scotia, bearing testimony to Mr. Sutherland's ministerial standing, and character, and labours.

Application granted.

The Synod agreed to grant leave to the Presbytery of Montreal to receive Mr. Sutherland, in terms of their application.

DELIVERANCE-FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign The Cammittee to whom was referred the Report of the Com-Deliverance mittee on Foreign Missions, and the Overture on a Foreign Mis-Missions sion, from Erskine Church, Montreal, presented a Report con-

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taining a Deliverance for the adoption of Synod.

The Report was received, and the recommendations thereof Report adopadopted, of the following tenor :---

That the Report of the Foreign Mission Committee be adopted, and that, in accordance with its recommendations, the Synod agree as follows ;-

1. That the support of pupils in the school for Red Indian children, at Prince Albert, be corvially commended to the attention and liberality of Sabbath Schools, and the youth of the Church.

2. That the Synod while keeping in view the propriety of relieving the Foreign Mission Committee of the work in British Columbia and Red River, do, in the mean time, authorize them to send missionaries to these fields.

3. That the Overture from Erskine Church, Montreal, be cordially approved, and the Committee instructed to take the necessary steps for initiating at an early day, an additional Mission to the Heathen.

4. That it be remitted to the Foreign Mission Committee to make such inquiries as shall enable them to select the Field to be occupied, and take such steps as may be necessary to excite a more general interest in the work throughout the Church.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on Sabbath Sabbath Ob-Observance. No Report was presented. Com.

On motion made and seconded, it was agreed, -That the Com- Instructions mittee on Sabbath Observance be instructed to take such steps 10. as they may deem necessary, to prevent the desecration of the Sabbath by the running of Trains on the Railroads during the day of Holy Rest, or in any other public manner; and that the Moderator be empowered to sign and forward, in the name of the Synod, any papers prepared by the Committee for the above purpose.

HOME AND FORELGN RECORD.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the Home and Home and Foreign Record. The Report was presented and read, Foreign setting forth that the circulation of the Record had considerably Record. increased during the year,-the number now issued being 6700 copies : that the receipts had been \$2226.28, and the expenditure \$2218.73 ; that the Committee had, for various reasons, not carried into effect the instructions of Synod last year, and submitting the whole subject anew to the judgment of the Synod.

On motion, the Report was received; and it was again remitted to the Committee to mature a plan for the future management of the Record, to be laid before the Synod.

STATE OF RELIGION.

The Synod called for the Report of the Committee on the State of Religion. State of Religion. No Report was presented.

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EVANGELIZATION OF FRENCH CANADIANS.

The Committee to whom was referred the Overture from the French Canadians,- Presbytery of Ontario, on the Evangelization of the French Ca-Evangelizanadians of Lower Canada, presented a Report. The Report was tion of, received, and the consideration of it deferred till next Synol.

PURITY OF WORSHIP.

Purity of Worship. Overture set aside.

There was taken up an Overture from the Kirk-Session of Brock Street Church, Kingston, on Purity of Worship, delayed from last year. No person appearing to support the Overture before the Synod, it was set aside.

BUXTON MISSION.

Buxton Mission Report.

Mr. King's Salary.

The Report on the Finances of the Buxton Mission was presented and read, giving details of the receipts and the expenditure, and of the present financial condition of the Mission. The Report was received. On motion of Mr. McVicar, seconded by Mr. W. B. Clark,

the Synod agreed to authorize the Home Mission Committee to supplement the salary of Mr. William King, of the Buxton Mission, up to the amount of six hundred dollars (\$600).

MR. GAULD'S MEMORIAL.

There was taken up a Memorial from Mr. John Gauld, minis-Mr. Gauld's memorial ter at Meaford. Mr. Gauld being absent, and no person appearing to support the Memorial, consideration of it was delayed till next Synod.

MEMORIAL-ANDREW KENNEDY.

Mr. Kennedy Memorial, Tax on Books.

delayed.

There was read a Memorial from Mr. Andrew Kennedy, agent of the Presbyterian Board of Publication in the United States, and bookseller at London, Canada, calling the attention of the Synod to the increased taxation on Books, by the Tariff lately enacted by the Dominion Parliament, and praying the Synod toadopt measures which might lead to the taking off, or lightening, such heavy imposts, and especially the tax upon the Holy Scriptures.

The Synod agreed to authorize the Moderator and Clerk totake such steps as they may judge best, with a view to the removal of the import duty on the Holy Scriptures.

APPEAL MR. A. MCLEAN.

Appeal Mr. A. MeLean delayed.

The Synod took up an appeal from Mr. Andrew McLean, minister at West Puslinch, from a decision of the Presbytery of Guelph. The appellant was not present, and it was understood. that he desired the case to be left over till next year. The Synod ordered accordingly.

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STATED COLLECTIONS.

The Synod ordered that in all congregations, in which there is Stated Colno organized plan, or association, for raising money for the lections. Schemes of the Church, collections be taken up for the several Schemes as follows :--

1. For the Synod Fund, on the third Sabbath of July.

2. For the Widows' Fund, on the third Sabbath of September.

3. For the Kaukakee Mission Fund, on the first Sabbath of November.

4. For the Home Mission Fund, on the third Sabbath of December.

5. College contributions, not later than the 31st of Jan-

6. For Foreign Missions, on the third Sabbath of March.

8. For the French Canadian Missionary Society, at such time as may be found most convenient.

FRATERNAL INTERCOURSE.

The Committee to whom was referred the Overture on corres-Fratenal pondence with foreign churches handed in a Report, which was read Intercourse and received, and the recommendations thereof adopted, as follows:

1. That the Moderator and joint clerks be a committee to grant commissions to ministers who may be proceeding to Europe to represent this church in the Free Church of Scotland; the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland; the Presbyterian Church in England; the Presbyterian Church in Ireland; the Free Church in France; the Waldenses; and the Belgian Missionary Church; and that in the event of no deputies being available for next year, they be authorized to send fraternal letters to these churches.

2. That the following deputations be sent to the specified churches :---

(1.) Mr. D. H. McVicar, Mr. J. M. Gibson, and Mr. James Court, to the French Evangelical Church of the Province of Quebec.

(2.) The Moderator, Mr. Alexander Topp, M.A., and Mr. W. B. Clark, of Quebec, to the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces.

(3.) Dr. Ormiston, and Mr. Thomas Wardrope, to the Presbyterian Churches (O.S., and N.S.,) of the United States.

(4.) Mr. Andrew Wilson, to the United Presbyterian Church of North America, United States.

(5.) The Rev. Mr. Gregg, to the Dutch Reformed Church, in the United States.

3. The Moderator to designate a representative to the Congregational Union of Canada, and to the Church of Scotland.

THANKS.

On motion of Mr. John Thompson, of Sarnia, duly seconded, the Thanks. Synod agreed as follows : [587]

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aof od I. That the Synod, record their thanks to the Accommodation Committee for their kindness, and for the efficient performance of their onerous duties.

II. To the Trustees of Erskine Church, Montreal, for the use of their Church Building, during the meeting of Synod.

III. To the Members of the Church and other friends in the City of Montreal, for their generous hospitality on the present occasion.

IV. To the Managers and Directors of the Grand Trunk, the Great Western and Northern Railways, for their kindness in granting a reduction of fares to those travelling over their respective lines, to attend this meeting of Synod.

V. Also, to the editors and proprietors of the Daily Witness and the Herald Newspapers, for a supply of their papers during the meeting.

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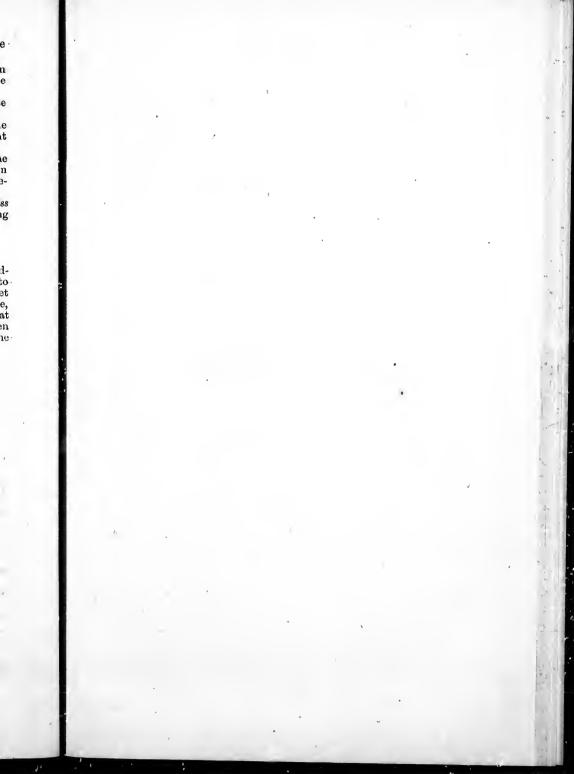
The business being finished, the Moderator after a brief address, declared the Synod closed; and called another Synod tobe held in the City of Hamilton, and within McNab Street Church, there, on the Tuesday after the first Sabbath in June, of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening. The Moderator, then gave out for praise, Psalm CXXII., 6-9, which being sung, the Session was closed with the Apostolic Benediction.

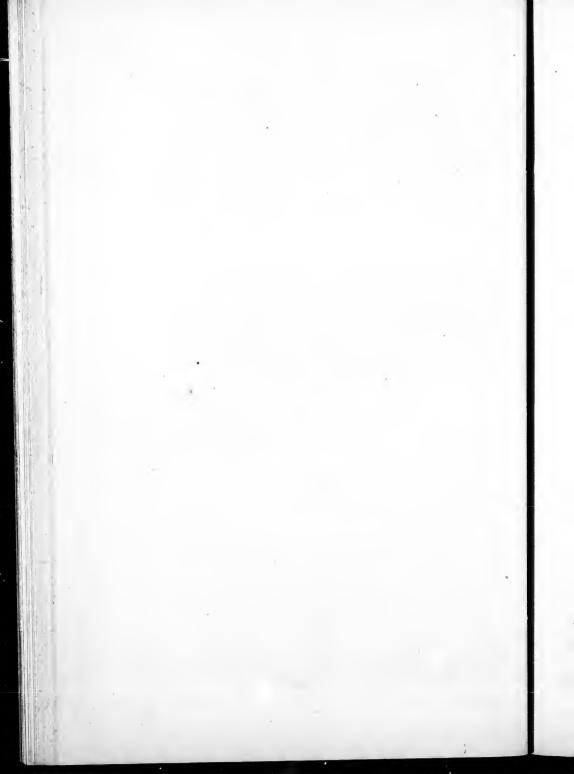
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ERSKINE CHURCH, Montreal, June, 18th, 1868.

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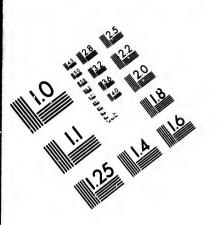
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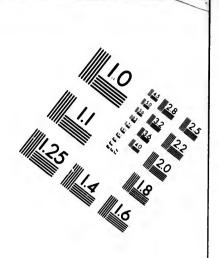
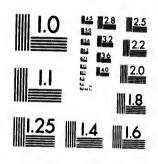
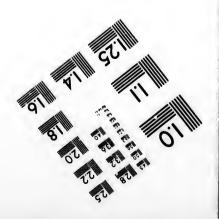


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REPORT

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

The Committee have endeavoured during the past year to carry on the Home Mission work of the Church as entrusted to them, and are happy to be able to state that a satisfactory degree of prosperity has by God's blessing accompanied their work. The following results are laid before the Synod for approval.

The half-yearly meetings have been held, and in general have been well attended, also quarterly meetings of a sub-committee for the distribution of the Probationers for the variables among the several Presbyteries.

The returns from Presbyteries are on the whole satisfactory. In some cases, as will be apparent from the tables appended, the required information has not been furnished, and it may be necessary to withold grants from such stations and congregations till they make the required returns. In other cases, where statistical information is not fully given, Mission Stations are not sufficiently organized to afford it.

I. STATIONS AND CONGREGATIONS.

The Table in Appendix I, exhibits every Mission Station in the Church, and that in Appendix II, every congregation receiving supplement from the Central Fund. In these lists are found the names of Stations and Congregations, which it has been resolved to remove; but as they were connected with the Committee's operations during the year, they fall to be reported. It is expected that, in accordance with the resolution of last Synod, Presbyteries will revise these lists at their first regular meeting after this Synod, and making such changes as they see fit. From the Returns of Presbyteries, as received in October next, amended Lists of Stations and Congregations will be made out as the basis of operation for next year. The following are the summaries of the Lists:—

SUPPLEMENTED SUMMARY.

	Congregations.	Churches.	Manses.	Debt on Church Property.	Families adhering.	Communicants.	Attendance.	Amount of Salary contri- buted by Congregations.	Amount granted by H. M. Committee.	Arrears of Stipend.
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From these Tables we learn that connected with the Committee's operations there are 77 mission fields, with 150 preaching stations, and 56 supplemented congregations. These represent altogether 4509 families, an adult membership of 6155, and an average attendance of 15091. These Mission Stations and Congregations contribute locally, besides board for Missionaries, \$22,762 41, and received in aid \$9,583 75.

Comparing these results with those of last year, we find a slight decrease in the number of Mission Fields, but au increase in the supply given to them, in the aid received to the amount of \$1,184 25, and in the amount contributed of \$3,374 33.

Of Supplemented Congregations we have an increase in number of 11, with 510 additional communicants. It is to be regretted that arrears due by congregations exist to the amount of \$1,074 22. The increase in the Supplemented Congregations compared with the decrease of Mission Stations, indicates that by means of the assistance afforded by the Committee, several stations have been so strengthened that they have been able to obtain a settled pastor, or feel themselves prepared to call. The amount paid from the Central Fund is in such cases almost necessarily increased, but the Committee, believing that the building up of congregations by settlement with liberal supplements, is the best way of advancing the Home Mission work of the Church, rejoice in this evidence of progress.

II. MISSIONARIES.

In Appendix IV. will be found the list of Missionaries.—It contains the names of 11 Ministers, 4 Lay Catechists, 22 Divinity Students and 14 Student Catechists The necessities of the Mission Work have led Presbyteries still to employ the last named class of valuable labourers. The demand for Missionaries by the Presbyteries this spring was however less than last year, being 49 as against 61, and the supply was so nearly equal to the demand that Presbyteries have not seen fit to employ Students of other Theological seminaries, to the same extent as in former years. The cases in which Ordained Ministers are employed in mission districts for long periods are more numerous this year, and the Committee are of opinion that this method of cultivating our mission fields, may be more extensively adopted by Presbyteries with success, where good men can be obtained for work.

During the winter months some of the Presbyteries, with laudable diligence, endeavoured to give occasional supply to mission stations in sending the members of the Presbytery for one or two Sabbaths at a time. And much good would result if this plan were adopted throughout the church.

III. FUNDS.

Besides the regular grantz to Mission stations, the Committee has paid, in accordance with the resolutions of last Synod, for Kankakee \$100; towards the reduction of the Buxton arrears \$100, and to the payment of arrears in the Presbytery of Grey \$100; sundry expenses in addition, amount \$156.70. In all \$456.70. All the money due to Missionarles and Ministers, so far as known to the Committee, is paid.

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The following is the Condensed Financial Statement :---

From this table it appears that as compared with last year Eight Presbyteries have increased their contributions to the amount of \$1313.25, while the contributions of the other six have decreased by \$607.50. Deducting this last sum from the former, and a.'ding \$401.60 of increase from other sources, we have a net increase of contributions from the whole Church of \$1167.35. Ten Presbyteries have increased their expenditure by \$1430.72, while the remaining four have decreased their expenditure by \$1430.72, while the remaining four have decreased their supenditure by \$1439.72 shows a net increase of \$775.00. Eight Presbyteries expend more than they contribute, amounting in all to \$2547.93, while six Presbyteries contribute \$1910.89 more than they expend. This sum with \$24.90 contributed from various sources, and in access of sundry expenses, when deducted from the above mentioned excess of expenditure, leave \$396.14 total excess of expenditure above contributions. That is, during last year \$396.14 more was paid out of the fund than came into it ; a sum very nearly equalled by the extraordinary expenditure mentioned above.

It further appears that the Presbyteries contributing the greatest amounts are the largest Presbyteries, viz., "Oronto which pays in \$1491.78, London which pays in \$1213.38, Montreal which pays in \$953.30, and Hamilton which pays in \$902.32. At the same time the rate of contribution per number by these Presbyteries is, in Toronto, 28 cents, London 31 cents, Montreal 22 cents, and Hamilton 22 cents; the Presbytery of Kingston shows the highest rate of contributions, viz., 51 cents per member. Ontarlo with 28 cents and Cobourg with 24 cents, rival the larger Presbyteries,—while Grey contributes only 9 cents, Huron and Brockville 11 cents, Paris 13 cents, and Ottawa 17 cents. The largest amount expended by any Presbytery is \$2012.40 by the Presbytery of London, this, however, includes \$400 for Buxton, and \$100 for Kankakee. The next largest amount is \$1652 expended by Presbytery of Montreal. The Presbyteries which pay most into the fund, after defraying their own expenses, are Hamilton, which shews an overplus of \$589 75, and Torouto, which shews \$556 93. The Presbyteries receiving the largest sums over their contributions are, London, which receives \$799.02, and Montreal, which receives \$698.74. The Presbytery of Grey receives more than three times what it contributes, Brockville more than two and a half times as much, Montreal and London not far from twice the amount.

The church in Ireland has not, as in former years, favoured us with a grant. The Committee, also, has considerably increased both the number of grants and their amount. The result has been that the expenditure has exceeded the inincome, as shown above, and consequently the balance on hand at the end of the year is less than last year.

The state of the fund is	\$2713.17
Balance on hand April 1, 1867	9804.62
Congregational and other contributions	\$12,517.19
Deduct amount paid to Presbyteries, &e	10,350.16

Leaving Balance on hand April 1, 1868 2,167.03 .

The Presbytery of Montreal has during the year kept a separate treasury, receiving and disbursing its own contributions. The payments made to stations by this Presbytery have been for the most part in accordance wilh the grants of the Committee, and the balance on hand has been paid over into the Central Fund.

There is a pleasing decrease in the number of congregations which have not contributed to the fund. The following is a list of such :

Montreal.-Quebec, (2 years,) Indian Lands; St. Joseph Street, Montreal; Richmond and Winslow, 5.

Ottawa .- Pembroke, Fitzroy and Tarbolton, 2.

Kingston.-Two vacancies.

Cobourg.—Springville and Lakevale, 1; with two var ncies, 2: Ontario.—One vacancy. Toronto.—Streetsville, Stayner. and Bowmore, 2, with nine stations. Guelph —Doon and Hespeler; Woolwich and Berlin, 3; with one station.

Hamilton.-Flamboro, Dunnville and Cayuga, 2; with two stations.

Paris.-Two mission stations and a vacancy.3.

London.-St. Thomas ; Ridgetown, 2; two stations.

Stratford .- One station.

Huron -St. Helen's, 1.

Grey -- Paisley ; Rocky Saugeen, 2 ; two vacancies.

In all twenty settled charges, and thirty-two mission stations, or vacancies, have not contributed. (Several of the above have since contributed.)

Though there is a decrease in some, in others a gratifying increase meets us. Still, however, it is to be regretted that such cases occur as the following:

From a congregation receiving a very large supplement, and having 111 communicants, the munificent sum of \$2 is received; while another congregation receiving a little more than one-third what the former does as supplement, and with 116 communicants, contributes \$55. A self-sustaining congregation in one of the best districts of the Province of Ontario, having 134 communicants, sends in \$2, while another one adjoining, with 68 communicants, sends in \$20.

One of our city congregations for two years has contributed uothing; another with 563 communicants pays in \$115, or 20c. per member; a second wealthy city congregation with 375 communicants, pays in \$38.53, or 11c. per member. A third city congregation with 273 communicants, pays in \$20, or 74cts. per member; a fourth with 425 communicants, pays in \$25, or at the rate of 54cts. per member; while in one of our large towns a congregation with 222 commune cants, pays in \$350, or a Dollar and a half per member; a city congregatiolpays at the rate of 80c. per member, and many of our small country congregan tions contribute at the rate of 50c. per member. These are only illustrations of the unequal manner in which the burden of our home mission operations is borne. This inequality of contributions is a serious evil, and the attention of Presbyteries is invited to it, that it may be remedied. With an average liberality throughout the whole church, our income would be almost doubled, and a just cause of dissatisfaction would be removed.

On review of the whole state of the finances it is manifest, that unless there is an increase in contributions throughout the church, the Committee must curtail its operations, and reduce the grants which have been made.

IV. GRANTS IN AID.

As already stated, the amount of the grants have been in a great number of cases increased during the year. In a few instances they have been reduced, and in one case the congregation has by an effort become self-sustaining, and the last half-year's supplement was paid back by the minister. Such unselfish conduct, both in people and minister, forms a pleasing contrast with the tendency too often manifested by congregations to lean on the Central Fund, and take as much from it as possible, sparing themselves. It would aid the Committee very much, if Presbyteries before transmitting the application of congregations for supplement, would *invariably* make careful enquiry as to what is being done by the people. The Committee have had during the year, in a few instances to delay to make grants, as they had no evidence to satisfy them that due enquiry had been made by the Presbytery; and in some cases when the attention of the Presbytery had been directed to the matter, the applications have not been followed up, as these courts found another course of procedure called for.

The addition to the lists during the year have been ten mission stations and sixteen supplemented congregations. While as has been already observed it is desirable that settlements should be effected in our mission stations as quickly as possible, and the Committee are disposed to do all in their power by liberal grants to accomplish this, the attention of the Synod is respectfully called to a serions drawback in the prosperity of our work, unless Presbyteries use discretion. Last Synod empowered the Committee to make, when they saw fit, the

salary of supplemented congregation \$600, at the same time the Committee told the Synod that the funds accruing would not warrant them in promising a minimum of \$5(0; the Synod, however, saw fit not in connection with the operations of this Committee, but independently. to instruct Presbyteries to endeavour to raise all the stipends of our ministers to a mini-um of \$600 with a manse. The consequence has been that several Presbyteries have found it all but necessary in orde: to secure the settlement of some of our probationers to make salary of supplemented congregations exceed \$500 and even come up to \$600, and have asked the Committee to aid them in so doing. In one or two instances this was done, and immediately, as might have been foreseen, dissatisfaction arose among ministers and congregations, whose stipend is less than the amounts secured to these newly ordained men in supplemented charges, which at the same time contribute to that supplement. Unless a stop be put at once to this course of procedure, the Committee will find it impossible to consent to the application of Presbyteries, for unless the income of the Fund be more than doubled, we cannot raise the salary of all our ministers to a mini. mum of \$600. It is unpleasant when the Committee appears to call in question the wisdom, and to disregard the express wishes of a Presbytery, and therefore there is the greater reason for Presbyteries considering well what may be the consequences of unduly raising the stipend in one place, even if it is desirable to see re the services of a superior man. In view of this difficulty it has been suggested that the supplemented congregations shoul I be separated from the Home Mission scheme proper, and that a separate fund be raised and separately administered for their benefit, leaving only mission stations with the Home Mission Committee.

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. In order to work our Mission fields it has been found necessary to make the grants in some new settlements comparatively large. It is, however, believed that a liberal outlay at first will prove to be true economy, as thereby congregations will be more quickly established.

V. VACANCIES AND PROBATIONERS.

Another matter entrusted to the Committie by last Synod, was the distribution of the probationers of the Church among the Presbyteries, so that they might visit the several vacancies with a view to settlement. The Committee submit with much satisfaction the result of their labours in this department. In appendix III will be found a list of all the vacancies reported to the Committee since July last, in all 58, also of all the probationers who were in the list during the year, in all 30, from the same paper it will be seen that fifteen vacancies have been settled, and twelve probationers That the number of the former exceeds the latter is owing to three vacancies having called ministers whose names were not on the roll of probation. The large number of settlements and the fact that only five out of twenty whose names were on the roll --- in October last are now unsettled, afford the best evidence possible of the practical utility of the present mode of distribution. Although there may have been cases of individual hardship or inconvenience, which no plan could prevent, the Committee have reason to believe that parties concerned are generally well satisfied, and that a solution has been found of a difficult practical question in the working of the Church. The distribution of probationers has been made quarterly, and the Committee are happy to be able to report that with the exception of two cases of sickness, and one of wilful disregard, which, however, the Presbytery concerned resolved not to prosecute, the appointments given to the probationers have been fulfilled. In some Presbyteries, probationers were employed part of the winter half year in the mission field, this the Committee regard as in perfect harmony with the wish of the Synod, as expressed in 1866.

VI. WORK DONE.

The Committee arc sorry to have to say that no reports of special interest have come in during the year. Presbyteries have been satisfied with giving such information as the printed forms contain.

In the Presbytery of Montreal great efforts have been made to get the stations and congregations into better order. The success which has attended these efforts is highly gratifying. Every encouragement should be given in the endeayour made by the Presbytery to overtake and cultivate the large scattered, destitute and difficult field of labour before the Church in the Province of Quebec.

Two settlements have taken place during the year; one new mission field has been opened up, and several stations have been revived.

The Presbytery of Oltawa has worked well. [There are here four vacancies. It is most desirable to have these well filled with a view to further progress.

In the Presbytery of *Brockville* much labour has been expended to good effect during the last year, and much yet remains to be done. The congregations here are much weakened, and the things that remain call for strengthening and fosttering care. Four vacancies are waiting for settlement, and will be found attractive to those who desire a wide field and plenty of work for the Master.

The Presbytery of *Kingston* goes on satisfactorily. The northern region has engaged the attention of the Presbytery; it has been visited by a missionary with good results. There are four vacancies within the bounds.

The Presbytery of *Cobourg* works away quietly, and is giving supply as it can to the settlements in the northern parts. There are *three* vacancies looking for settlement.

The Presbytery of Ontario has made three settlements during the year. Two of them in new congregations. The work goes on steadily and well. There are still two vacancies.

The Presbytery of Toronto has made great progress during the year. There have been nine settlements during the year, with three others in immediate prospect. Three of these, including Muskoka, where Mr. W. Wright labours as an ordinary missionary, are in places which have been hitherto only mission stations. Three others are in congregations receiving supplement. The largeness of the number of settlements may fairly be ascribed to the operation of our Home Mission scheme, in the liberal aid which it extends to mission stations and week congregations. In the city of Toronto, the mission work progresses favourably. The Yorkville station is building a commodious place of worship, and a missionary has been appointed to labour in the east end of the city, where a mission Sabbath School is in successful operation. In the Muskoka district steps are being taken for the erection of churches at three points; and in the Mulmur and Melancthon group it is proposed to build two churches. There are still five vacancies.

In the Presbytery of Hamilton one new mission station has been opened up. There are at present three vacancies.

The Presbytery of *Guelph* is diligently cultivating its mission field. There is oue vacancy. No information has been received regarding the German mission. Mr. Leutzinger's labours have been withdrawn from Berlin, and he now preaches at New Hamburgh and Preston. The Committee is not informed as the cause of the change, nor the result of his labours during the year. No other German missionary has been procured, and no progress can be reported.

In the Presbytery of *Paris*, the mission stations have been supplied, but there is no special report. There is one vacancy.

In the Presbytery of *Stratford* there is nothing to report. It has four vacancies.

The Presbytery of London has made marked progress during the year. There have been several settlements, and a decided advance may be noticed in several congregations and mission stations. There are still three vacancies reported, two of them being in the United States. Of the Buxton mission there is no report.

In the Presbytery of *Huron* there has been progress. One settlement has taken place. There are two vacancies still.

The Presbytery of *Grey* is working its new and somewhat difficult field, and progress, though slow, is noticeable. There are four vacancies.

The Bruce Mines were visited during last summer, and partially supplied, but the Presbytery has not been able to extend to the people there that aid and encouragement which they require. It would be well if a suitable man could be f, and, to send him there for a lengthened period.

La taking a review of the whole interests committed to their care, the committee see reason to be thankful to God for the past, and hopeful for the future. The church is evidently making progress. Resignations on account of inadequate support are becoming less frequent. Weak congregations are gathering strength. New congregations are being formed, and settlements long neglected are being overtaken. The supply of labourers is becoming more nearly commensurate with our wants. The hiberality of our people is becoming better developed.

At the same time the Committee desiderato, greater care on the part of Presbyteries before drawing on the funds of the church, and more steady efforts to secure contributions and stir up congregations to a sense of their duty. Let every minister feel that he has an interest in sustaining the Committee in its operations and lend a helping hand. The Committee would also ask for more full information on all matters of interest, and the regular transmission of such intelligence for publication. Too often even matters affecting the work of the Committee are not officially reported; but left to be found out by accident, or verbally stated by some person who happens to know the facts. This should not be; and the representatives of Presbyteries are particularly requested not to overlook this suggestion.

The attention of the Synod is respectfully directed to a few points.

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2. The Synod will render assistance to the Committes, if it will give instructions whether expenses incurred by Presbyteries in doing mission work within their bounds, are to be defrayed from the Central Fund, or from a separate fund to be raised by each Presbytery.

3. The Committee beg of the Synod to enjoin Presbyteries to take decided and prompt action in reference to congregations and stations within their bounds, which either neglect to send contribution to the Fund, or contribute inadequately.

4. The Committee requests the Synod to repeat the instructions of last year to the effect, that the names of students who may be licensed during the summer, and ministers or probationers who may be received after this Synod, be not put on the roll of probationers till October next, but that these men continue to labour in the Mission Field all that time.

Respectfully submitted by

JOHN LAING,

Convener.

APPENDIX I.

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APPENDIX III.

VACANCIES REPORTED-During 1867-68.

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		Spencerville, &c	April.			
		Osnabruck, &c	do			1
5		Lyn	do			1 1
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		St. Columba Ch	, do			1
		Camden, &o	do			1
5		Glenvale, &c	January.	-		1 ī
	Cobourg.	Campbellford	October.			1
2		Fenelon Falls	April.			î
•	Ontario.	Columbus, &c	October.	J. Edmonstou	April.	
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1		Orangeville	do	D. H. Steele.	January.	
		Newmark et, &c	do			1
		Bradford, &c	do			1
		Yorkville	do	1		1
		Tecumseh	do			1
1		Brampton, &c	do		April.	
Ì		Chinguacousy	do		April.	
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		Eng. Settlement, &c	do	G. Milligan.	January.	
		Wallacetown, &c	do .	N.McDiarmid		
		Thamesford	do	A.C.M'Donald		
		Detroit, U. S	do			1
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		West's Corners, &c	do			1 1
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	Huron.	Lucknow, &c	do	J. McNabb.	January.	
1		Seaforth	do			
		McKillop, 2	April.			1
1	Grey.	Egremont Brant	October.			1
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* Name not on List of Probationers.

APPENDIX IV.

Name of Probationers.	When put on Roll.	Settled.	Removed from list.	Still on list.
1. F. Bates	July, 1867.			1
2. N. McDiarmid		1		-
3. E. Bauld		î		•••
4. J. W. Bell	January, 1868.	-		
5. J. Carswell		ï		•••
6. A. Dawson		_		
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8. J. Howie		***		1
9. A. McLennan	July, 1866.	•••		1
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1. W. Metkle	July, 1867.	1º		
2. J. Pritchard			1	1
3. W. Reeve	October, 1865.		1	
4. W. Scott.	July, 1867.		1	
5. R. Binuie	October, 1867.	1		
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9. A. C. Gillies	November, 1867.	7		•••
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1. P. Musgrave		•••		1
2. R. Moodie				1
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5. D. Davidson	October, 1867.			1
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List of Probationers, and Ministers Supplying Vacancies, for 1867-68.

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APPENDIX V.

LIST OF MISSIONABLES.

I. Ordained Ministers.-J. McLean, J. Scott, C. Fletcher, A. T. Holmes T. Fenwick, J. McGlashan, G. Murray, J. Hume, W. Wright, A. Lees, J. F., A. S. Fayette.-11 in number.

II. Theological Students. -J. A. F. MoBain, J. P. Baikie, J. G. Croly, E. Reeve, N. Clarke, A. Milne, H. Currie, W. Mitchell. A. J. Foster, D. McDonald A. Urquhart, J. Rowat, C. C. Stewart, K. MoRae, L. Ritchie, J. Breckenridge, J. Baikie, J. Grey, W. McKay, R. McKerzie. -20.

III. Student Catechists.—D. Winters, R. R. Sutherland, D. Murray, J. Fraser, J. Abraham, A. Gilray, P. Scott, J. Gattisby, D. D. McLennan, J. Mc-Leod, J. Calder, D. B. Camepon, J. Munro.—14.

IV. Lay Catechists.-S. Armstrong, (Preebytery of London); W. Ferguson, (Huron); W. Clark, (London); Mr. Blythe, (Ottawa).-4.

V. Students at Princeton.-Recommended by the Presbytery of Toronto-J. Austin and G. L. McKay.-2. Total Missionaries, 51.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

In presenting the annual report of the Foreign Mission work of the Church, your Committee regret that they are not able to make a more encouraging statcment. The missionaries have been labouring on steadily and faithfully in their various fields; but no very brilliant results have yet been achieved. They have gone forth bearing precious seed, but the time of harvest, which faith assures us is certain, is not yet.

At the close of the last meeting of Synod, your Committee took immediate steps to carry out the instructions given them. Advertisements were inserted in the Record calling for volunteers prepared to labour in the British Columbian and Red River Missions. But while there is reason to believe that the notices were useful in calling attention to the demand for iabourers, they failed to draw forth any response. In the month of October, a sub-committee was appointed to look out for, and, if possible, to secure missionaries for these fields. After frequent correspondence in various quarters by the members of this sub-committee, your Committee, were led, in April last, to call to the British Columbian Mission, Rev. Edward Graham of Woolwich and Hawksville, a gentieman whom they regarded as well qualified for the work. This call was duly prosecuted before the Presbytery of Guelph, but proved in the issue unsuccessful. Mr. Graham feeling unable to decide between the competing claims for his services, left the matter wholly in the hands of the Presbytery, which decided, perhaps not unnaturally, to retain him at Woolwich and Hawksville. This result your Committee deeply regret, as it cannot but discourage the faithful band of Presbyterians in New Westminister, who since Mr. Duff's return to Canada have been nobly sustaining religious services among themselves, while pleading earnestly that a minister may be sent to them.

Your Committee also regret that they have not been able to make any appointment for the Red River. The attention of several gentlemen has been specially drawn to this field; and while it has received from most of them very favourable consideration, it has not as yet been accepted by any of them.

The Committee has, at present, the names of several ministers before them who are disposed to regard Foreign Mission work favourably. And had not the discouraging experience of the past taught your Committee that hopes which seem well founded may readily disappoint, they would confidently expect that with the Synod's approbation clearly expressed, there need not be any further delay in supplying both British Columbia and Red River.

At Nanalmo, Rev. R. Jamieson has been labouring with fidelity and assiduity in the interesting but comparatively limited field which he occupies. The average attendence on Sabbath, is reported about thirty. In the congregation there are twenty-one families and twenty-two communicants, and a Sabbath School attended by twenty-four scholars. The amount contributed during the year is \$679.78. Of this sum \$225 was paid for the rent of the Manse for five quarters, and \$231.28 was paid to the Foreign Mission Fund of the Canada Presbyterian Church, making, in all, a sum of \$456.28 contributed towards the support of their pastor. Mr. Jamieson's congregation has suffered much from the stoppage of the coal works, on which Nanaimo is largely dependent, and also from the general commercial depression felt throughout the colony. There is reason to believe that better days are now beginning to dawn on British Columbia, generally. Mr. Jamieson says that "those best acquainted with the country have an increasing confidence in its mineral, and even in its agricultural resources." Information also received from other sources fully confirms this hopefulview. And your Committee impressed with the necessity of sustaining a work already so well begun, in what, we trust, is yet destined to form an important Province of the Dominion of Canada, are of opinion that all due effort should be made to send a second missionary to British Columbia.

Your Committee, however, being well aware that the work on the Pacific coast cau only slowly reach a self-sustaining position, and considering that British Columbia, as, in the meantime, an independent colony, has claims upon the Home Churches, not less direct than it has upon ourselves, commissioned Rev. J. M. King of Toronto, who is at present on a visit to Great Britain, to lay the claims of this colony before the proper committees of the Free Church, the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland, and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and to solicit their co-operation or ald in the work of supplying it with Gospel ordinances. The result of his appeals we have not yet learned.

Rev. Alex. Matheson has been labouring on faithfully during in the important field which he occupies at the Red River. During the year he has preached regularly on Sabbath forencons at Little Britain, and in the afternoon at Kildonan, in the church of Rev. John Black, who by this arrangement is enabled to preach on alternate Sabbaths at Fort Garry and Fairfield. Towards the end of winter-Mr. Matheson visited also the Presbyterians in the rising settlements on the Assiniboine. From two of these, viz., Portage La Prairie and High Bluff, the former of which is about sixty miles due west of Fort Garry, a petition signed by 37 names has come asking for the services of Rev. Alex. Matheson. Your Committee trust that, while it may not be found possible to send Mr. Matheson, some other faithful minister may soon be found to labour in this promising field.

The mission to the Red Indians at Prince Albert, on the Saskatchewan, has been prosecuted with zeal and success. The work done is, of conrse, chiefly of a preliminary kind, but it is of a highly satisfactory character, and argues well for the future of the mission. An English school has been commenced during the year under Mr. Adam McBeath, of whose qualifications for the work the highest testimonials have been given. This school is designed chiefly for the benefit of the children of the officers and servants of the H. B. & Co., and of the families residing in the neighbourhood of the Mission. It is satisfactory to know that this school has hitherto been chiefly self-sustaining. It may, however, be well worthy of consideration in view of the influence exerted by Europeans over the Indians in the interior, whether leave should not be granted to Mr. Nisbet to receive, at reduced rates, some of the children of those who may not. be able to meet a scale of charges which may be necessary to make the school entirely self-supporting. Your Committee are of opinion that the expenditure of a small amount might, in this way, be most judiciously made. Instruction has also been given in the Cree language to six Indian children. During the period which has elapsed since Mr. Nisbet settled at Prince Albert, much of his time has been necessarily occupied in providing for the material wants of the mission, and he has had less opportunity of devoting himself to purely spiritual work than he will have hereafter. A farm had to be commenced and carried on and suitable mission buildings erected. It is pleasing to note that the former, has been successful, and that the latter will soon be completed. In the working of the farm it is intended to make use, to some extent, of the Indian lads who may be sent to the Mission for education, who will in this way acquire such a knowledge of agriculture as will enable them hereafter to engage successfully in the tilling of the soil

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Every encouragement is given by Mr. Nisbet to the Indians to settle in the neighbourhood of the Mission and engage in farming, and the prospects are that, during the present season a goodly number will make experiment of a settled mode of life. This will bring them habitually under the influence of the Mission, and remove the great barrier to missionary success presented by the wandering life and unsettled habits of theIndian tribes. Until this is accomplished, and even afterwards, it will be very desirable that means should be provided to enable the Mission to board and educate Indian children from a distance. It is estimated that by making their labour available on the farm, and practising the strictest economy, one Indian child can be trained at the Mission for the sum of fifty dollars per annum. Your Committee believe that if the attention of Sabbath Schools were directed to this department of missionary ezertion, it would have the happiest results, both to those who give, and to those who receive the benefit.

During the past year Mr. Nisbet has usually paid a monthly visit to Fort Carlton, and has held service among the Indians in the neighbourhood, and also among the H. B. Co. servants at that post.

In his mission work Rev. Mr. Nisbet has been ably assisted by Mr. John Mc-Kay, who acts as interpreter, and takes a general superintendence of the farming and building operations of the Mission. During the year Mr. Nisbet baptized twelve persons. Three of these were adult Indians; six were Indian children, and the remainder children of the officers and servants of the H. B. Co.

The Hon. H. B. Co. has very liberally granted the sum of £25 st., annually, towards the support of the Mission at Prince Albert. We hall this act as, at once, an expression of the interest felt by the Co. In the welfare of the aborigines, and a token of confidence in the Mission. The presence of your missionary, the Rev. James Nisbet, in the Synod renders further details unnecessary, as he will be able, personally to supply the Synod with full information respecting the Mission.

After the expression of opinion given at last Synod, your Committee did not feel warranted in taking immediate steps to break ground in any other portion of the heathen world. But fully alive to the importance of preparing the way for such an advance at the earliest moment practicable. Your Committee instructed their Convener to meet with the students of Knox College and address them on the subject of Foreign Missions. This duty was discharged by the Convener, and it is hoped, not without some resulting good. One promising young "man has since intimated his intention of devoting himself to the work of Foreign Missions when his studies are completed, and others are believed to be givling the subject serious consideration.

Should the Synod see its way to enter on another heathen mission speedily, a reconsideration of the field may be desirable. While the fact that by ontering on the work in the New Hebrides, we would be co-operating with our brethren of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, "trongly commends that field to us, your Committee think that it may be well worthy of consideration whether, on the whole, it would not be wiser to commence in some of the great centres of population. The attention of your Committee, and of many in the Church, has been turned towards China, where there are districts with a population of more than two hundred millions, which seem, at the present juncture, peculiarly open to Evangelistic effort, and have never yet been occupied by Protestant missions. Your Committee would suggest that the field of any additional mission to the heathen should be left an open question, and that the Foreign Mission Committee be instructed to make such inquiries as may guide them in making a recommendation to next Synod.

Your Committee would, however, beg to call the special attention of the Synod to the receipts and disbursements for Foreign Missions during the year.

Balance on hand at the beginning of the year	\$4,809.16
Received during the year, as against \$4,809.50, last year	4,341.18
Expenditure during the year	5,790.25
Balance on hand	3,360.29

From these figures which show that the balance on hand is \$1,448.87 less than last year, it is evident that this Committee is not prepared to embark on any new missionary caterprise, unless there are either (1) arrangements made by which the work in British Columbia and Red River, which in its character is more nearly allied to Home than to Foreign Mission work, can be taken in the course of a year or two out of the hands of this Committee, and other. ... provided for; or (2,) there is such a large increase in the contributions of the Church as will enable the Committee to carry on the work which it has already on hand, and go forward also to occupy new fields for Christ. There is no reason why this latter alternative should not be that chosen. It certainly is not to the credit of a church which has nearly 300 Ministers on its Synod Roll, and "about 45,000 communicants, and such a large proportion of the wealth of the

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country under its control, that it should allow its zeal for the conversion of pagan nations to be represented by a contribution of ten cents per member, and by a missionary staff of one ordained minister, in the whole heathen world.

There seems no reason why the contributions of the Church for Foreign Missions should not at once be doubled, and that too without any diminution in the funds required for other departments of ecclesiastical work. Indeed your Committee are satisfied that the vigorous and earnest prosecution of the work of Foreign Missions, by its reflex influence, throngh the Divine blessing be the means of strengthening the piety and quickening the energies of the Church for every form of the work. All which is respectfully submitted.

W. McLAREN, Convener.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KNOX COLLEGE.

The Board of Management of Knox College have to report to the Synod in reference to the various matters entrusted to their supervision.

I. THE ATTENDANCE OF STUDENTS.

The numbers of Students in attendance on the classes in the Theological department was 20, of whom 9 were in the senior, 4 in the second, and 7 in the junior class. Only 5 students were enrolled in the preparatory department; but this is exclusive of a large number of students who are taking a University course, with a view to the ministry of our Church.

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In addition to the regular staff of Professors, the Rev. Robert Ure of Goderich, and the Rev. John J. A. Proudfoot of London have taught the classes in Apologetics and Homiletics respectively, in accordance with appointment of last Synod. The Board recommend that these lectureships be continued, and that the regulations in reference to the time when the classes shall meet, and the order in which the subjects shall be taught, be left with the Board of Management. The Rev. Dr. Burns has, as in former years, taught the class in Church History, and the Rev. J. M. King has kindly rendered great assistance in the preparatory classes.

III. THE LIBRARY.

By the kind liberality of friends, large and valuable additions have been made to the library. Three new catalogues have been made out, (I) a stock, (2) an alphabetical, and (3) a classified catalogue; but there is still wanting a printed catalogue for the use of the students. From the duplicates in the library a thousand volumes have been sent to the Montreal Presbyterian College; for which cordial thanks have been returned.

IV. THE BURSARIES.

The Board desire to notice with gratitude the additions that have been made to the bursaries of the College during the year. G. L. Beardmore, Esq, has established two bursaries of \$50 each, having contributed the sum of \$100 for this purpose, and signified his intention of contributing a similar sum for the next five years. The same gentleman has also given \$50 for the library. J. Goldie, Esq., of Ayr, has sent \$500 for the purpose of founding a scholarship in connection with the College. W. Ross, Esq., of Stirling, Scotland, has contributed \$40, and W. Hall, Esq, of Peterboro, \$50 to be contributed for five years, as bursaries.

V. THE EMPLOYMENT OF STUDENTS IN PREACHING DURING THE COLLEGE SESSION.

It was agreed by the Board to recommend that the regulation in raference to this subject be amended, so as leave the matter at the discretion of the Senate. From this Mr. Waters dissented.

VII. STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETEND THEIR STUDIES IN THE THEOLOGICAL-SEMINARIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

This matter was remitted to the Board by the last Synod; and the Board recommend that the Synod enact the following regulations in reference to students of this Church taking their Theological course, wholly or in part, at any foreign Theological Institution, but intending to labour in the ministry, in conrection with the Church :--

1. That students of this class shall be required not to omit any part of the literary course which this Church has prescribed, as preparatory to the entrance on Theological study.

2. (a) That in order to facilitate the admission of said class of students to the status of Preachers in the Church, they be strongly urged to present themselves on the completion of their Theological conrse, for trials for License, before one of the Presbyteries of this Church.

(b.) That in the case of students of the class specified, who may take License in any foreign Church, previous to the termination of their theological curriculum, such curriculum must be completed before the License so obtained shall be recognized by the Church.

(c.) That students who shall, on the completion of their course, have obtained license in a foreign Church, may be received as Preachers by any of the Presbytories of this Church, on the production of the necessary evidence of licensure, as well as of their having completed their theological studies; but preachers thus received shall not be employed as Probationers, nor be eligible for settlements, sooner than students of the same year who shall have been licensed by the Church.

VII. FUNDS.

1. Ordinary Funds.—The amount received from congregations during the pre. sent year, for the ordinary fund has been \$5753.80. The expenditure has been \$6383.32, leaving a balance due at the close of the year of \$629.32. There is also a further sum of \$931.65 due to professors, making the total amount due \$1561.17. The sum due at the close of last year was \$1129.46; so that the debt on this fund has been increased by \$431.71. This is a matter of deep regret to the Board, who have used every effort in their power for some years past to reduce this debt. It must, however, be borne in mind that three Presbyterles formerly contributing to Knox College have been set off by the Synod, and attached to the Theological Seminary of Montreal. The Presbyteries contributing to Knox College have contributed more than they did last year, though not enough to prevent a very serious addition to the debt. This subject is earnestly commended to the attention of the Synod.

2. Endowment.— The sum of four thousand dollars has been received from W. C. McLeod, Esq., of Woodstock, towards the endowment of a chair in Knox College. This large donation was made on the payment of the sum of \$2000 due to Mr. McLeod on account of the Beachville Chnrch; of this \$2000 only \$1600 had been specially contributed, and the balance of \$400 was advanced by the Treasurer, and in the first instance it will be necessary to apply the interest of the \$4000 in repayment of the sum thus advanced. It is hoped that the wealthy members of our church, stimulated by Mr. McLeod's example, may see the importance of placing the college upon a more satisfactory hasis, by a liberal endow-

VII. PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.

The Synod have taken steps from time to time with a view to the encouragement of our students in prosecuting their studies at the University, and graduating there before entering on the Theological course in Kox College; yet it has always been found necessary to make provision for those who have not received a preparatory education of so thorough a kind, as to enable them to do this with advantage. The necessity has been increasingly felt for some provision to give this class of students more efficient literary training. With this view, it was proposed by certain ministers, and other office-bearers in the Church,

to ask the Synod to appoint the Rev. George Paxton Young, A. M., to take charge of this department of the work, and, with the cordial approval of this Board, they proceeded to solicit special subscriptions for the purpose of raising Mr. Young's stipend, in case of his appointment by the Synod; so that this arrangement might not impinge on the ordinary funds of the College. It is proposed that this arrangement shall be only for the next two years, thus meeting a present and pressing necessity, without pledging the Synod to the permanent maintenance of such a preparatory course. From the well known attainments and qualifications of Mr. Young, the Board have the utmost confidence in recommending his appointment to the charge of this department of the work.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID INGLIS,

Convener.

KNOX COLLEGE.

NAMES CF STUDENTS, 1867-68.

Third or Senior Theological Class.

J. A. F. McBain.	N. Clark.
J. P. Baike.	A. Milne.
J. Campbell, (Edinburgh.)	H. Currie.
J. E. Croly.	W. Mitchell.
Ed. Reeve.	A. G. Forster.

Second Theological Class.

John M. Munroe. Alexander Urquart. Andrew Rowat. D. McDonald.

First or Junior Theological Class.

Thomas Ritchie. James Breckinridge. John Baikie. Robert Fairbairn. Geo. Bronfield. John Gray. W. A. McKay.

Preparatory Department,—Third or Scnior Class. John Abraham. J. R. Battisby. Alexander McLaren.

First Preparatory Class.

John Campbell.

A number of the students in the Peeparatory Department are not enrolled.

Toronto, May 20th, 1868.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE PRESEYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

The Board of Management of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, beg to submit the following Report :---

In accordance with the appointment of last Synod of the Rev. George Paxton Young, A.M., as Professor of Theology, the Board at an early date thereafter, entered into correspondence with that gentleman as to his acceptance of the office. The result was that Mr. Young declined to accept the said appointment.

It then became a matter for the Board to consider whether in these circumstances the College should be put into operation, or postponed for another year. After due consideration it was agreed that an effort should be made to oper the

College, and carry out the permission granted by the Synod, viz.:—that in the event of the Rev. George Paxton Young, A.M., declining to accept the appointment, the Board be empowered, should they see fit, to make whatever provision may be thought desirable for the instruction of classes during the coming winter. In accordance with this permission it was agreed by the Board to open the College, and to invite the Rev. William Gregg, of Cooke's Church, Toronto, and the Rev. William Aitken of Smith's Falls, to undertake the work of teaching the classes for the first Session of six mont's, each of them to give three months to the work. The appointment having been accepted by these gentlemen, the Session was opened in Erskine Church, on the first Wednesday of October. Mr. Gregg delivering the opening lecture.

Ten students have been in attendance on the classes during the Session. Their names and standing are given below.

Application was made to the Corporation of McGill College University for affiliation with that institution. The application was received and concurred in, and in accordance therewith, the Presbyterian College of Montreel was admitted as an affiliated Theological College, under Chap. XIV., Sec. 3 and 10 of the Statutes of the University. The advantages of affiliation are, that students whether entered as Matriculated or Occasional, shall be subject to the regulations of the Faculty of Arts in the same manner as other students.

The k-aculty shall make formal Reports to the governing body of the Theological College, to which any such student may belong, as to: (1) His conduct and attendance on the classes of the Faculty; and (2) His standing in the several examinations; such Reports to be furnished, after the Christmas and Sessional Examinations, severally, if called for.

Matriculated students shall be allowed no exemptions in the course for the degree of B.A. till they have passed the intermediate examination, but they may take Hebrew in the first, second, and third years, instead of Modern Languages.

In the third and fourth years they shall be allowed exemptions from the following subjects :--

In the third year they may omit Astronomy and Optics, Experimental Physics, and Rhetoric.

In the fourth year they may omit Experimental, Physics and English Literature.

Certificates of attendance on the full course of lectures in the Theological College must be produced by students who avail themselves of these exemptions before entering the B.A. examination.

Through the kindness of the trustees of Erskine Church, a room together with fuel and light were given free of charges for the use of classes during the Session. The thanks of the Board are due to these gentlemen for their kindness and liberality.

At the commencement of the Session, application was made to the Board of Management of Knox College for the duplicates of such books as could be spared from the library of that institution. The application was favourably received and one thousand volumes have thus been obtained as the commencement of a library. The following valuable works have been presented by the Rev. W. B. Clark, of Quebec, viz.:—A copy of the "Ecclesiastica Concilia Binii," four vols., folio; and a copy of the "Hstorians of the Church, Eusebius, Socrates, Sozomen, Theodoret," one vol., folio; also, by the Rev. A. C. Gillies, a copy of Morgan's Bibliotheca Canadeusia," one volume.

FINANCES.

1. The Endowment Fund.—The amount received in the endowment fund during the year is \$8776 85, and has been invested as follows :—

Mortgage on real estate bearing interest at 8 per cent, per annum.	\$4000	00	ľ
City of Montreal consolidated stock, at 7 do do	4500	00	
Balance in Treasurer's hands at this date not invested	276	85	

Total amount received for endowment.

\$8776 85

About three hundred dollars has been added, to endowment subscription list.

2. Ordinary Fund.—Towards the ordinary fund there has been received the amount of \$1215 14, and disbursed as follows:—Salaries of Messra Gregg and Aitken \$500 each: \$1000. Oontingent expenses \$338 95, leaving a balance due the Treasurer of \$173 91.

The amount received for scholarships last year is \$242 45, and of this there has been paid to students \$185, leaving a balance in hand of \$62 45. The Treasurer's report herewith submitted will give detailed information in this matter.

Through the liberality of friends in Montreal eleven bursaries have been secured and are offered for competition at the opening of next Session in October, 1968.

The following are the Bursaries offered :--One of \$62, by the Sabbath School of Oote Street Church; one of \$50, by Robert Anderson, Esq.; one of \$25, by Joha Watson, Esq.; one of \$50, by Alex. Walker, Esq.; one of \$50, by Peter Redpath, Esq.; one of \$50, by Warden King, Esq.; one of \$50, by Geo. Roger, Esq.; one of \$50, by Alex. McGibbon, Erq.; one of \$60, by A. Robertson, Esq.; one of \$50, P. S. Ross, Esq., and one of \$50, by Hugh MacKay, Esq.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Montreal, June 12th, 1868.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE IN MONTREAL.

SESSION, 1867-68. Names of Students.

2nd Theological year. C. C. Stuart,

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J. H. Paradis,

K. McRae.

1st or Junior Theological year,

D. McLennan, D. M. McLellan, F. McLeod,

R. McKenzie, Gus. Munro.

Messrs. Thomson and Sinclair were admitted as students by special vote of the Senate.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The Board has to report that the examinations were conducted as during former years at Montreal and Taronto, one-half of the Board meeting in the former and the other half in the latter place, the questions used, however, being the same in both places. As the College in Montreal has now been put in operation, it is deemed expedient that a separate report be presented by each section of the Board, and they would such suggest to the Synod the propriety of considering whether it were not better that a separate Board of Examiners should be appointed for the College in Montreal.

The following is a statement of the number and standing of the Students examined at Toronto :--

1. Students in the preparatory course, fourteen.

Entering the 1st year, eight.		
E. Vincent,	A. Gilray,	D. Johnston,
E. Panton.	J. Campbell,	J. Stewart,
Sutherland,	Murray.	, ,
Entering the 2nd year, two.		
D. Fraser,	•	James Fraser.
Entering the 3rd year, four.		
A. McLaren,	J. R. Battisby,	J. Abraham,
Rothwell.	• •	
2. Students in the Theolo	gical course, twen	ty-one.
Entering the 1st year, seven	i,	
Thomas Ritchie	John Grav.	George Burnfiel

J. Breckenridge, Thomas McKee, R. Fairbairn. George Burnfield, John Baikie,

Entering the 2nd year, five.		
John M. Munro,	Alexander Urquhart,	D. McDonald.
A. Rowat,	J. H. Paradis.	
Entering the 3rd year, nine.		
J. A. F. McBain,	J. E. Croly,	James Barron,
A. G. Foster,	John Campbell,	W. Mitchell,
J. P. Baikie.	A. Milne.	E. Reeve.

The Board notice with much satisfaction that the candidates generally presented themselves punctually at the time appointed, and in most cases came well prepared. To this there are a few exceptions, on account of which the Board had to make arrangements for a second examination. It is however to be hoped and desired that such a necessity will not again occur, as, so far as the Board are informed, the Students themselves now see the propriety, and perceive the advantages of such a regular review of their studies. It would greatly tend to the regularity and efficiency of the examinations by the Board, were the Senate to make a special report upon the case of each Student, who attends the classes, without having first passed the requisite examinations.

The attention of the Senate was specially called to the case of one Student, who, though in other respects highly to be commended, was deficient in classical attainments.

As several of the Students in the preparatory course seemed somewhat at a loss as to what class they could attend in Classics, and Metaphysics, at the suggestion of the Board, the Rev. Mr. King, of Toronto, met with them twice a week, and gave them instructions in Latin and Greek, in which studies Mr. King states they have made very satisfactory progress. Professor Caven also, in addition to his regular work, kindly gave such Students much aid in the study of Philosophy.

As reported at last Synod, the Board had succeeded in raising funds for the purpose of giving Scholarships to under-graduates of the Toronto University, who are preparing for the Ministry in the Canada Presbyterian Church. This part of their work has been successfully carried on during the last year.

Nine candidates entered as competitors for the Scholarships offered. The following were successful.

Students	in the	4th	year	-J. E. Croly,	1st Sc	holarship.
66	"	3rd		R. M. Thornton,	1st	
**	"	2nd	"	W. Armstrong,	lst	"
				T. Ewing,	2nd	"
				P. T. Drummond,	3rd	"
. "	"	lst	٤.	A. Hamilton,	1st	"

The Board awarded to each of the other condidates, whose papers were all good, the sum of \$30, to aid them in the prosecution of their studies. The entire sum awarded by the Board amounts to \$365, an equal amount is promised for another year by the same congregations, and doubtless others will also contribute, so that our succession will be able successfully to carry out the scheme thus happily inaugurated.

It is pleasing to notice a growing desire on the part of candidates for the Ministry, to avoid themselves of every facility of attaining a thorough liberal culture before entering the Theological classes.

Respectfully submitted by

W. ORMISTON.

Convener.

BOARD OF EXAMINATION.

REPORT FOR MONTREAL.

The following students have passed all the examinations required by the regulations for their respective years :--Messrs. Paradis and McRae as 2nd years'

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students, and Messrs R. McKenzie and F. McLeod as 1st year students. Mr. C. C. Stewart was unable from severe illness to attend the entrance examination, but as the Board have the fullest confidence that he was prepared to pass it, they recommend that his standing as a 2nd years' student be accorded. Messrs. G. Munro and D. H. McLennan passed only in Latin and Greek, but they purpose to present themselves again for examination in the same year at the opening of next Session.

J. M. GIBSON.

REPORT OF WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

(The Receipts and Expenditure will be found in the accounts of the Church, in another part of the Appendix.)

The committee have received a report from the actuary who was selected to examine and report as to the condition and prospects of the Fund, A. G. Ramsay, Esq., Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, England, and Secretary of the Canada Life Assurance Company. His report is herewith transmitted to the Synod. It will be seen that he is of opinion that the continuance of the yearly collection is necessary, and that no part of it should be applied to any other purpose. The committee direct attention to this point, so that, if the portion of the collection for some years set apart for the fund for Aged and Infirm Ministers cannot be immediately withdrawn from that important object, means may be used for increasing the congregational collections, so that the interests of the Widows' Fund may not ultimately be injured.

Ah of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed,)

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J. OSBORNE, Convener.

REPORT ON THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND OF THE MINISTERS OF THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In compliance with the desire of the managers of the Widows' Fund of the Canada Presbyterian Church to be informed, lat, whether looking to the present income of the Fund, the present rates of annuities of \$120 to widows, and \$140 to \$160 to widows with children under the age of 14, can be safely continued to be paid; 2nd, whether the annuities could be safely increased; and 3rd, whether the yearly collections from congregations would be dispensed with, or one half of them set apart for other purposes, the Reporter has given the position of the fund his careful consideration.

fund his careful consideration. There are at present 220 "...isters contributing \$8 each annually to the fund. Of that number 10 are widowers, and 19 have not been married. These two classes are of various ages from 28 to 65; and the reporter has as a basis of ealculation assumed that they might each marry wives of the age of 25. This assumption it is true is quite an arbitrary one, and it may at first eight appear too unfavorable; but keeping in view the chances of second marriages the Reporter is not of that opinion.

While the Reporter is not advised that a large number of new contributors to the fund may be looked for, from year to year, he is informed that the average age of such new contributors may be assumed as 26. If such new contributors marry wives of the age of 25, the yearly payment during the hushand's life to secure an annuity of \$120 to his wife, without considering any allowances for children, would be \$1700, but as his contribution will be but \$8 a year, it will be seen that every such additional member beyond the present number is a very considerable charge upon the fund; unless he can bring into it with him some addition to its capital, or some addition to its revenue, in the shape of an increase of the existing yearly collection.

The calculations in reference to the Scheme have been based upon the Carliele tables of mortality; and it has been assumed that its funds will be improved at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

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With these preliminary remarks the Reporter finds the for of the fund.	llowing	is th	e posit	ion
The present capital is			51,588	42-
of \$8 per year, and the annual collection of \$2,085 is			55,844	79
Showing a valuation of assets amounting to		\$1	07.483	21
The value of the annuities to the 16 widows at present on the fund, is	1,331 71,178	20 12	78,178	12.
For expenses of the management of the fund, say 10 per cent. on the valuation of the contributions and annual collection	5,584 4	18		
Giving for the value of the liabilities	04:358	48 1	04,358	48
Showing & surplus of			\$3,074	73

It will be seen that the fund has been charged with the sum of \$7,000, on account of the probable temporary annuities to the children of contributors, and it is right to add that that is an arbitrary amount. While it is not based upon anyexact scientific data, for the materials for enabling that to be done are not obtainable, the Reporter is of opinion that is a fairly correct and safe estimate of the value of the children's anuuities. In the valuation of the annual collection of the \$2,085, the Reporter has assumed that such collection will be continued duringthe existence of the fund, and that it is a necessary element, of its success.

While it will be seen that the position of the fund shows a surplus, and therefore at prosent fairly warrants, (1st,) a continuance of the present rates of annuities. The Reporter is not of opinion (2nd,) that the amount of the surplus is such as would warrant an increase of the annuities; or (3rd,) that the yearly collections from congregations could be dispensed with, or any portion of them applied toother purposes.

Appended are one or two statistical tables which may be of interest to the members of the fund.

All of which is humbly reported by,

A. G. RAMSAY,

Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of England. Hamilton, 18th January, 1868.

ACT FOR THE RECEPTION OF MINISTERS.

ADOPTED, ad interim, AND SENT DOWN TO PRESBYTERIES.

1. Ministers and licentiate of other Evangelical Presbyterian Churches, who hold and accept the Westminister Standards, in the terms of the articles of Union, and who come in the way of orderly translation, or are expressly designated, or commissioned as ministers or missionaries to this Church, shall, on application to any Presbytery, and producing proper documentary evidence, be at once admitted as Ministers or Probationers of this Church.

2. That in all cases in which an applicant for admission does not come in the manner poovided above, but with Presbyterial or private certificates only, he shall not be received into full standing as a minister or probationer of this Church upless with the express sanction of the Synod ;- provided, always, that if on exam-

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ination of the certificates of such party, at an ordinary meeting of Presbytery, and on due consideration of the whole case, the Presbytery be ananimous, they may avail themselves of the services of such applicant in the meantime.

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3. That the certificate of such last mentioned applicant shall be presented to the Presbytery at an ordinary meeting thereof, and he shall be dealt with as the Presbytery may see fit, in the way of private conference, examination, and hearing discourse, with the view of ascertaining his soundness in the faith, personal piety, knowledge, ministerial gifts, prodence, and propriety of deportment, and if satisfied on all these points, the Presbyt-ry shall record their judgment, and instruct their clerk to issue circular letters, as early as possible, to the Presbyteries, in the usual form, to transmit the applicant to appear personally at the next meeting of Syned. In the event of the Synod granting permission, such applicant shall be received by the Presbytery, and recognized as a Minister or Probationer, as the case may be, of this Church.

SEVENTH REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Your Committee have to report that the change of the termination of the Synodical year, has enabled them to present to this court a somewhat full statement of our position, statistically considered; and it is moreover, their privilege again to exhibit progress and extension.

Out of the 278 ministers on the roll of Synod, 16 have no pastoral charge, leaving 262, who occupy this position of these 251 have rendered reports, and 1 in the Presbytery of Montreal, 2 in that of Ottawa. 3 in Guelph, 2 in London, 2 in Cobourg, and 1 in Grey, making 11 in all, have failed to report. Four of these have since been given in. On the other hand many of the vacant charges continue from year to year to give in no returns. The matter is again brought before the respective Presbyteries, and, if this state of things continue, your Committee will be constrained to recommend the year, for statistical purposes, to run from 1st of January to 31st December.

Though three city and town charges render no report, yet the increase indicates progress and may be stated thus :

In settled pastors, the increase is 11, making 30 in two years, or nearly 1 of the whole number,—in families 936, communicants 1,549, baptisms 238, Sabbath School children 3,065, Bible classes 17, elders 26, and other office-bearers 163, and church accommodation 3,831—while there seems to be a decrease in the number of stations not forming part of the regular charge principally from the fact that many of these are becoming settled charges. It is not pleasing to notice a decrease of 32 in the number of prayer meetings, and of 794 in the volumes in Sunday School Libraries.

Passing to the Financial Statement, the Stipend Fund it is to be regretted does not indicate that increase, which might have been expected from the effort put forth last year to augment it. The average stipend has been found however, to have raised to \$600 net, without the supplement, or to \$620 with it, making a general increase of about 25 cents.

The proposal made last year to make the minimum stipend \$600 was not intended to include a manse, from the fact, that valuing it as worth, throughout the whole church, \$100 per annum, our people are not prepared for so large a rise in the yearly income of our ministers, however desirable and necessary such may be—and as only 123 or considerably less than one-half of the regular charges possess homes for their pastors, in order that a proper comparison may be instituted, a distinction must be made between those with, and those without these useful edifices.

Your committee therefore, still believe that their proposal of last year is practicable and possible, if proper and continuous efforts be put forth, and that the minimum of stipend ought to be \$600 without, or \$500 with a manse. Such an arrangement would lead to the erection of manses in larger numbers, more especially in the country districts. That an effort to reach this comparatively

low standard, would demand continuous and persistent efforts for some years, is plainly evinced by the circumstance, that 80 charges, or nearly one third of the whole are below this standard. The grand remedy for this lamentable state of matters, is an augmented spirituality of mind on the part of eur people, which would eventually be followed by an increased liberality. As a subordinate means, the advice of an able political leader seems the most effectual— "Agitate, agitate, agitate."

A slight decrease of \$3,260 is observed in the arrears, but, while Paris and Stratford report none, the Presbytery of Montreal shews an alarming increase, and includes nearly one-half of the whole arrears \$2290.07 out of \$5097.11. No remedy seems practicable for curing an evil like this. It appears to be a law of ecclesiastical finance, whose cause it is not easy to ascertain, that arrearages of stipend are part and parcel of the working of every church system. Like the sore that is caused by internal causes, when checked on one spot, it breaks out in auother. For no sooner are these blots on our good name and ecclesiastical integrity wiped out in one quarter, than they appear in another. A perpetnal evil they must therefore become, unless some efficient remedy be devised ; and the returns indicate but a small proportion of the amount, as many thousands of dollars are cancelled by ministers, who will rather suffer personal loss and privations, than have their sensitive minds tortured by seeing arrears marked against their respective charges. Some mitigation of these evils might be produced by more close and constant Presbyterial visitation, and by an adjustment of claims and stipend in certain cases.

In contrast with this state of matters, it is pleasing to note an increase in the stipend and other funds, with the exception of that for widows' and orphans, and superannuated Ministers' Fund. It shows a decrease of \$151.84, and your committee take the opportunity of urging a greater liberality towards a scheme so promotive of ministerial comfort and efficiency.

The formation of a Theological College at Montreal has largely increased the amount of the College Fund,—that for Montreal being \$6,61907, and for Knox \$6,47736, making \$13,09643 in all.

The returns indicate a decrease of \$675.84 in the Home Mission Fund, a result chiefly cansed by a large diminution in the contributions of the Montreal Presbytery—angmented by a small decrease in the Presbyteries of Kingston, Cobourg, Ontario, Hamilton, and Grey, and reduced by an increase in those of Ottawa, Brockville, Toronto, Paris, Guelph, Stratford, Huron, and London. To this fund, however, are to be added the liberal contributions of \$3,551.17 reported for the Kankakee Mission. Still such decrease from whatever cause ensuing calls for enquiry, and demands increased exertions to remove it. The whole contributions reported amount to \$346,545.92, or \$45,336.13 more than last year, and shew an average contribution of \$8.22 for each communicant, being an increase of exactly a dollar over that of last year.

It is to be regretted that so many congregations still omit making collections for one or more of the various schemes. Taking the five chief funds of our church, viz, College, Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Widows' and Orphans' Fund, Synod Fund, if every charge made a contribution for each, the number of collections would be 1,255, but from the returns it is seen that only 975 were made, leaving 280 not attended to in a single year, and taking each at an average of \$4 more than \$1,100 have been lost tc our schemes, though neglecting to comply with the Synod's injunctions. This lies at the root of much of the debt and difficulty, that more or less firmly attach themselves to all church undertakiogs. Without attempting to explain this neglect, your committee again urge on congregations the importance of Congregational Missionary Associations, as the simplest and most satisfactory plan for remedying this defect.

In conclusion, the committee would respectfully impress on ministers and office-bearers the need of more punctuality and promptitude in forwarding their returns, as, for years, delay in sending them has entailed a considerable amount of additional labor.

June, 1868.

JOHN GRAY, Convener.

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STATISTICAL RETURN for the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT, from 1st APRIL, 1867, to 31st MARCH, 1868. TABULAR STATEMENT, No. 2.

AS MADE UP FROM CONGREGATIONAL RETURNS, CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

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ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCH FROM 1st MAY, 1867, TO 80th APRIL, 1868, AS AUDITED FOR TRESENTATION TO SYNOD.

KNOX COLLEGE-1867-68.

RECEIPTS.

Amount received from congregations, &c	.\$5753	80
Balance due at close of year	. 629	52

EXPENDITURE.

Amount due at beginning of year	\$ 721	46	
Paid on account of salaries	4677	00	
" to Mr. Willing	250	00	
" accounts for repairs, ac	197	74	
" Ior Library	102		
" Printing, advertising, stationery	76	00	
" Insurance	106		
" Interest on mortgage	146	55	
" Ior advances for ordinary expenditure	78	85	
" City Improvement Rate	30	13	
		-\$6,383	13
Amount at Dr. as above	\$6.09	59	•
Due Professors at date	981	65	
Total amount due on ordinary fund	51561	17	

Total amount due on ordinary fu 1867, was.	nd on 1st May	
Greater this year by		

BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 5	05	
Received as per statement	1387	14	

-\$1,392 19

EXPENDITURE.

Amount invested-Goldie Scholarship	500	00	
Bursaries and Scholarships paid	835	0.0	
Paid for Elocution Class and Literary Society	44	00	
Balance in hand	18	19	
		-\$1,392	19

COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

Amount	at Dr. as last year\$	537	64 .
"		1623	

SYNOD FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Amount received .	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	.\$2,147	88
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EXPENDITURE.

Balance due at begining of year\$ Paid_expenses connected with Synod meeting in	221	65	
Toronto	322	05 10	

" Express charges on minutes	21 60	
" Rev. W. Fraser, salary	100 00	
" Postage account	3 77	
" Rev. J. Gray, convener of committee on	•	
Statistics	60 00	
" Advertising, &c	15 04	
" Advertising, &c " John Lovell, Montreal, balance of account	49 71	
" Credited to arrears of Buxton Mission	100 00	
" Proportion of general expenses	58 85	
" " Salary of Gen. Agent	700 00	
Balance.		
	-\$2,147 8	38

FOREIGN MISSION.

Balance from last year\$480	9 16	
Received from congregation, &c 434	1 18	
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EXPENDITURE.

Paid	on Acct.	of Miss.	to British Colu	umbia	\$2050	00	
		"	Red River.		753	55	
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4.		Print	ing expenses	of convener,	&c 87	33	
ů	Proporti	on of gen	neral expenses		45	00	
66	, " u	Sal	ary of General	Agent	80	00	
Bala	nce at en	d of year			3360	29	
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HOME MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

\$12, 517 19

EXPENDITURE.

Paid Presbytery of Montreal (including \$688 75 ra

		directly to treasurer in Montrea.	\$1652	04	
	6.	Ottawa			
"	44	Brockville	. 657	00	
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66	**	Cobourg		00	
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66	56	Toronto		30	
66	**	Guelph		00	
=	**	Hamilton	308	53	
**	"	Paris		00	
	"	Loadon (including \$400 for Bux			
		ton and \$100 for Kankakee		40	
66	"	Stratford			
	66	Huron		00	
"	4 - 66	Giey		50	
- 46	For Printing			35	
66		embers of Committee last year		85	
		general expenses		00	
ũ		Salary of General Agent		00	
		ted to arrears of Buxton Mission		00	

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FRENCH CANADIAN MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 336	07
Received during year	1152	79

EXPENDITURE.

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Remitted	to M	ontreal\$	906	14	
Paid pro	portio	n of printing, &c	4	20	
"	• 4	General expenses	20	00	
"	48	Salary of General Agent	25	00	
Balance.			533	52	
		-			488 86

WIDOWS' FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year\$2191	87	•
Congregational collections and donations 2568	64	
Ministers' rates 1309	60	
Interest		
Investments falling due and paid 690	43	
	\$10,181	87

EXPENDITURE.

	Annuities paid to Widows and Children of Ministers \$2400	00	
	Rates repaid		
	Invested 4685		
		50.	
	Charge of Actuary for examination of Scheme 50	00	
	Amount credited to Fund for Aged and Infirm Min-		
	ters 1306	00	,
	Proportion of general expenses		
	" " Salary of, Agent 350	00	
	Balance	74	
		-\$10,181	37
The	following is the present state of Fund :		
	Invested in Debentures\$18,544	00	
	" Mortgages 38,439	44	
	Cash	74	

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FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

BECEIPTS.

Balance at beginning of year	2143	48	
Receipts during year from Congregations	1306	00	
Interest	96	00	
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EXPENDITURE.

Annuities to Ministers paid	660	001	
	968		

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Proportion for printing: of general expenses	20	00		
"Salary of Agent Balance	1891	48		
			,586	48
BUXTON MISSION.				
Amount of Dr. last year Credited from Home Mission Fund "Synod Fund	. \$ 100	00 00	745	
•		\$	200	00
Amount now at Dr.		\$	545	77
HOME AND FOREIGN RECORD.				•
RECEIPTS.				
Received from subscriptions and advertisements		\$2,	,226	28
EXPENDITURE.				
Balance at beginning of year Lovell & Gibson for Printing Buntin, Bro. & Co, on account of Paper Postage and express charges	. 692 . 750 . 197	56 25 00 92		
Proportion of General Expenses	. 80	00		
" " Salary	. 280	00		
Balance	. 7	55	000	
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KANKAKEE MISSION.				
. RECEIPTS.				
Balance from last year	. 56	29		
Receipts from all sources	. 3283	09		
		—\$3,	289	38
EXPENDITURE.				
Paid on account of Mission " J. W. Chiniquy, travelling expenses when co	l-			
lecting, &c	. 148	00		
" Mr. J. Paradis for travelling expenses " On account of travelling expenses of Committe	. 20	00 48		
" Proportion of General Expenses and Salary of	0 04	40		
Agent	. 65	00		
Balan ce		61		
		\$3,	289	38
BEACHVILLE DEBT.				
RECEIPTS.				
Balance from last year	. \$ 807	00		
Received during year	. 1207	60		
Balance due	. 493	40		
•		\$2,	008	00
EXPENDITURE.				
Amount paid W. C. McLeod, Lsq., Woodstock Incidental expenses		00 00 \$2,0	08 0	0.0
- ENDOWMENT FUND.			,	
Amount received from W. O. McLeod, Esq Previously rec'd from Executors of Mr. D. Chisholm.	\$4000 40			
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MISSIONS OF FREE CHURCH

Amoun	t received	*86 09
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MISSIONS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

MISSIONS OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LOWER PROVINCES.

Amount received \$41 01 Remitted 41 01

The above accounts have been examined, vouchers and balances compared and found correct.

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PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

WARDEN KING, TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

On account of	Endowment Fund	\$8776	85	
	Ordinary Revenue	1215	04	
				89

EXPENDITURE.

Investments on account of Endowment Fund \$850	0 00
Salaries of Messrs. Gregg and Aitken	0 00
Librarian's Salary	0 00
Porter's "	0 00
Printing, Stationery, Furniture, Travelling Expenses.	
dc	8 95
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SCHOLARSHIP FUND,

RECEIPTS.

Cash per A. Robertson	\$60 00
" G. Rogers	50 00
Warden King	50 00
" John Watson	20 09
" Cote st. S. S.	62 45

EXPENDITURE.

	Scholarships paid	to students	\$180	00
	Balance		62	
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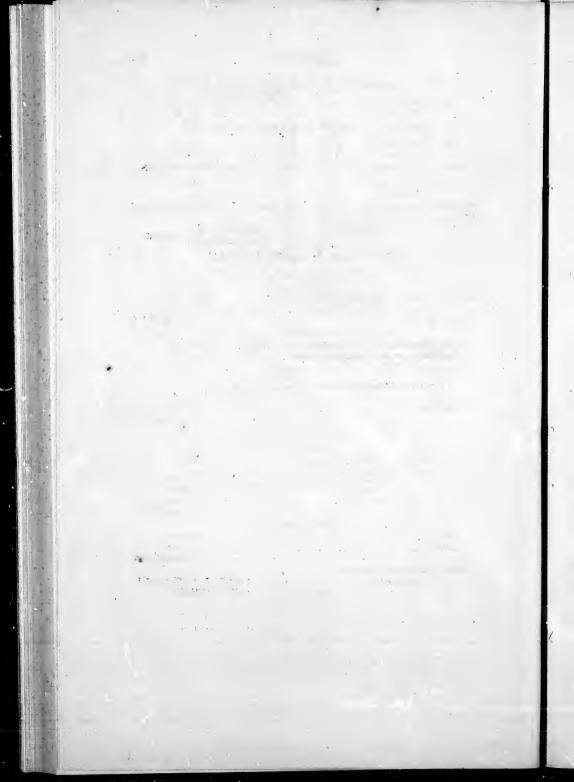
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