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*The Commission of Synod*—Meets at Montreal, on the first Thursday after the first Wednesday in November, 1863, at Noon, and at Toronto on the first Wednesday after the third Tuesday in February, 1864, at Noon.

*The next Meeting of Synod.*—Is appointed to begin in St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, on the first Wednesday in June, 1864, at eleven o'clock, A.M.

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## MINUTES OF COMMISSION OF SYNOD.

*Montreal, 6th November, 1863.*

The Commission did not meet for want of a quorum.

*St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, Wednesday, the Eighteenth Day of February, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three Years :—*

Which day the Commission of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met by appointment of Synod and was constituted with prayer.

*Sederunt.*—John Barclay, *Moderator*, Alexander Lewis, John H. Mackerras, John Brown, William Cleland, James Bain, John Campbell (Brock), William McKee, Donald Ross, James Carmichael, Kenneth McLennan, Walter R. Ross, *Ministers*, and James Curry, *Elder*.

Mr. Mackerras was appointed to act as Clerk.

### CHINGUACOUSY.—APPLICATION TO COLONIAL COMMITTEE.

There was submitted a petition from the congregation of Chinguacousy, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Toronto, to the Colonial Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, making application for a grant of money to assist them in liquidating the cost of the place of worship recently erected by them. Said petition was accompanied with a copy of the title deed of the site, and also an extract minute of the Presbytery of Toronto, craving on its behalf favourable consideration. After due deliberation on the merits of this case, it was unanimously agreed to transmit the application of the Congregation of Chinguacousy to the Colonial Committee with the accompanying documents, and to recommend the same as an object deserving of aid.

### MEMORIAL FROM MR. DUNCAN TURNER, SALTFLEET.

There was produced and read a Memorial from Mr. Duncan Turner, of Saltfleet, stating that he is one of the parties who had signed the Bond for the payment of Mr. Niven's stipend, complaining that a pecuniary burden of undue weight is now laid on him individually in consequence of a certain state of matters alleged by him to exist in the Congregation, and craving the Commission of Synod to take such measures as it may deem proper for granting him the necessary relief in the premises. Inasmuch as said memorial contains certain allegations respecting the circumstances under which Mr. Turner signed the Bond, as well as the present state of the Congregation, the truth of which this Court has no means of testing, the Commission resolved to return the same to Mr. Turner, and to inform him that the Presbytery of the bounds is the proper Court to which to present his complaint; and that, in the event of his being dissatisfied with the action which the Presbytery may take in the matter, it is open to him then to bring the case before the Synod by way of appeal.

No other business having been brought forward, the Commission of Synod adjourned *sine die*, and was closed with prayer.



# SYNOD ROLL.

&c., &c.,

JUNE 3rd, 1863.

REV. JOHN CAMPBELL, M.A., NOTTAWASAGA, *Moderator.*  
REV. WM. SNODGRASS, MONTREAL, *Clerk.*

The column of dates gives the times of the appointment of Ministers to the first charges held by them in connection with the Synod.

1. PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.—REV. JAMES PATTERSON, *Clerk.*

*Meets at Montreal on the first Wednesday in February, May, August, and November.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
Alex. Mathieson, D.D.	19 Oct. 1826.	A. Morris, D.C.L.	Montreal, St. Andrews.
James C. Muir, D.D.	29 Sep. 1836.	William Wilson	Georgetown, a.
William Simpson	16 Mar. 1840.	John Larmonth	Lachine.
Alexander Wallace, B.A.	1 Oct. 1845.	Hugh Barr	Huntingdon.
James T. Paul	5 June 1850.	Robert Selkirk	St. Louis de Gonzague.
John McDonald	31 Mar. 1854.	Hugh McLeod	Beechridge, b.
Frederick P. Sym	29 Sep. 1852.	Thomas Clark	Beauharnois.
William Snodgrass	4 Nov. 1856.	John Greenshields	Montreal, St. Pauls.
James Patterson	8 Sep. 1858.	Hugh Merlin	Hemmingford.
William Masson	15 Sep. 1858.	Alexander Ross	Russeltown, c.
James Black, M.A.	4 Sep. 1861.	Robert Wilson	Chatham, d.
John Cameron, M.A.	5 Dec. 1861.	John Cruikshanks	Dundee, e.
William Darrach	24 Dec. 1861.	John Melville	Montreal, St. Matthews, f.
James Sieveright, B.A.	30 July 1857.	Neil Campbell	Ormstown.
			Laprairie.
			St. Eustache.

John Merlin, Hemmingford, 1st Sept., 1841. }  
Thomas Fraser, Montreal, 14th June, 1844. } *Retired Ministers.*  
Thomas Haig. }

William M. Inglis, M.A., *Assistant, St. Andrew's Church, Montreal.*

William Cochrane, *Ordained Missionary.*

Elgin, *Mission Station.*

Post office addresses of Ministers when not expressed by the names of their charges.

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2. PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.—REV. ROBERT DOBIE, *Clerk.*

*Meets at Cornwall on the first Wednesday in February, May, August, and November.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
Hugh Urquhart, D.D.	18 Feb. 1827.	Walt. Colquhoun.	<i>Cornwall.</i>
Thomas Macpherson, M.A.	28 Dec. 1836.	Donald Ross.	<i>Lancaster.</i>
Donald Monro.	19 Dec. 1850.	Alex. MacMillan.	<i>Finch, a.</i>
Robert Dobie.	7 Oct. 1853.	Wm. Colquhoun.	<i>Osnabruck, b.</i>
Peter Watson, B.A.	4 Sep. 1856.	James Dingwall.	<i>Williamstown.</i>
John Davidson.	Sep. 1844.	Hy. G. Merkley.	<i>Williamsburgh, c.</i>
Thomas Scott.	12 Jun. 1844.	James Donaldson.	<i>Matilda, d.</i>
James Mair.	27 Sep. 1860.	Alex. Robertson.	<i>Martintown.</i>
George D. Ferguson.	16 May. 1855.	Charles P. Tread-	<i>L'Original and Hawkes-</i>
		well.	<i>bury, e.</i>
John Darroch, M.A.	29 Aug. 1861.	Roderick McLeod.	<i>Lochiel, f.</i>
Archibald Currie, M.A.	23 Oct. 1861.	Finlay McCuaig.	<i>Cote St. George, g.</i>
			<i>Dalhousie Mills.</i>
			<i>Indian Lands.</i>
			<i>Plantagenet.</i>

Colin Grigor, L'Original, 15th Jan., 1844, *Retired Minister.*

William Ferguson, M.A., *Catechist.*

Roxboro, Morrisburgh, Winchester, *Mission Stations.*

*a*, South Finch; *b*, Dickinson's Landing; *c*, North Williamsburgh; *d*, West Williamsburgh; *e*, L'Original; *f*, Kirkhill; *g*, Peveril.

3. PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON\*—REV. ROBERT BURNET, *Clerk.*

*Meets at Hamilton on the third Wednesday in April, August, and December.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
John Skinner, D.D.	12 Oct. 1853.	Andrew Hall.	<i>Nelson and Waterdown, a.</i>
Robert Burnet.	26 Oct. 1853.	James Hutchison.	<i>Hamilton, St. Andrews.</i>
Martin W. Livingstone.	19 May 1858.	George Jackson.	<i>Simcoe.</i>
William Stewart.	26 Dec. 1860.	John Turnbull.	<i>Milton, Hornby and Traf-</i>
			<i>algar, b.</i>
		Alex. Mitchell.	<i>Ancaster.</i>
			<i>St. Johns, Hamilton.</i>
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Dover, Lynedoch, Windham Centre, *Mission Stations.*

*a*, Waterdown; *b*, Milton.

4. PRESBYTERY OF NIAGARA—REV. GEORGE BELL, B.A., *Clerk.*

*Meets at Clifton on the first Wednesday in April, August, and December.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
George Bell, B.A.	30 May, 1844.	John Burns.	<i>Clifton.</i>
Hugh Niven.	17 Feb. 1857.	James Duff.	<i>Saltfleet and Binbrook, a.</i>
James Herald.	30 June, 1858.	Js. Hamilton.	<i>M. D. Dundas.</i>
Charles Campbell.	25 Aug. 1858.	James McFarland.	<i>Niagara.</i>

Beamsville, *Mission Station.*

*a*, Mount Albion.

\* The Roll of this Presbytery was received after the Meeting of Synod.

5. PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH—REV. GEORGE MACDONNELL, *Clerk.*

*Meets at Guelph on the second Wednesday in April, August, and December.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
George Macdonnell.....	17 Nov. 1852.	A. S. Cadenhead.	<i>Fergus.</i>
James Thom.....	13 Oct. 1844.	James Burnett, ..	<i>Woolwich, a.</i>
John Whyte.....	6 Aug. 1851.	Duncan Saunders	<i>Arthur.</i>
John Hogg, .....	30 June 1859.	John McCrea ....	<i>Guelph.</i>
John Hay .....	31 Jan. 1861.	.....	<i>Mount Forest.</i>
Robert Campbell, M.A....	10 Apr. 1862.	Alex. Turnbull....	<i>Galt.</i>
.....	.....	George Brockie....	<i>Paisley.</i>

Kincardine, Durham, Priceville, Leith and Johnson, Allan-Park,  
Puslinch, *Mission Stations.*

☞ *a*, Winterbourne.

6. PRESBYTERY OF LONDON—REV. FRANCIS NICOL, *Clerk.*

*Meets at London on the first Wednesday in January, and May, and at  
Goderich on the first Wednesday in September.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
Alexander Mackid.....	18 Jan. 1844.	Alex. Young.....	<i>Goderich.</i>
William Bell, M.A., .....	17 May, 1848.	Charles McTavish	<i>North Easthope, a.</i>
William McEwen, M.A..	9 Nov. 1850.	James Stothers, ..	<i>North Dorchester, b.</i>
James McEwen, M.A....	12 Oct. 1854.	Dun. M'Pherson.	<i>Westminster, b.</i>
Robert Stevenson.....	25 Oct. 1855.	Andrew Douglas.	<i>Williams, c.</i>
John Rannie, M.A.....	15 Sep. 1859.	Hy. Robertson ..	<i>Chatham.</i>
William Barr .....	28 Sep. 1849.	David McElwain, .	<i>Wawanosh, d.</i>
Francis Nicel.....	22 Dec. 1859.	Dun. MacKenzie.	<i>London.</i>
Hamilton Gibson.....	13 Nov. 1850.	Charles Tough....	<i>Bayfield and Varna, e.</i>
James George, D.D.....	4 Aug. 1834.	Henry Byers.....	<i>Stratford.</i>
William Miller.....	9 Dec. 1857.	.....	<i>West Zorra, f.</i>
.....	.....	.....	<i>Woodstock and Norwich.</i>

James Stuart, 22 Aug., 1849. *Retired Minister.*

Donald Strahan, *Gaelic Catechist.*

Southwold and Ekfrid, *Mission Stations.*

☞ *a*, Shakspeare; *b*, London; *c*, Nairn; *d*, Dungannon; *e*, Bayfield; *f*, Embro.

7. PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.—REV. WILLIAM BAIN, M.A., *Clerk.*

*Meets at Perth and Ottawa alternately, on the second Wednesday in January, May, and September.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
Joseph Anderson, M.A.	20 Aug. 1840.	Hugh Hyndman.	<i>South Gower, a.</i>
Alexander Mann, M.A.	16 Feb. 1841.	William Blair.	<i>Pakenham.</i>
William Bain, M.A.	29 Oct. 1845.	William Allan.	<i>Perth.</i>
John McMorine.	29 June 1839.	Robert Bell.	<i>Ramsay, b.</i>
Alexander Spence.	27 July 1848.	John McKinnon.	<i>Ottawa.</i>
Solomon Mylne.	16 Oct. 1850.	Peter Hunter.	<i>Smith's Falls.</i>
Duncan Morrison.	22 Oct. 1851.	George Malloch.	<i>Brockville.</i>
George Thomson, M.A.	19 Nov. 1851.	Henry Airth.	<i>McNab and Horton, c.</i>
Peter Lindsay, M.A.	12 Oct. 1853.	James Blair.	<i>Arnprior.</i>
James Sinclair.	24 Oct. 1853.	Robert Walker.	<i>Huntly, d.</i>
William White.	24 June 1857.	George Brown.	<i>Richmond.</i>
William C. Clark.	27 Oct. 1858.	John Mitchell.	<i>Middleville</i>
Joseph Evans, M.A.	3 Nov. 1858.	Dun. Carmichael.	<i>Litchfield.</i>
William T. Canning.	10 Oct. 1859.	John McAvoy.	<i>Oxford, e.</i>
Hugh J. Borthwick, M.A.	19 Feb. 1862.	And'w, Blackburn.	<i>Chelsea.</i>
James Wilson.	11 June 1862.	Alex. Stewart.	<i>Lanark.</i>
James B. Mullen.	23 July 1862.	James McGowan.	<i>Spencerville.</i>
Hugh Cameron.	8 Oct. 1862.	John Benny.	<i>Ross &amp; West Meath, f.</i>
Walter Ross, M.A.	15 Oct. 1862.	Don. McLaurin.	<i>Beckwith, g.</i>
Donald J. McLean, B.A.	11 Feb. 1863.	John Hunter.	<i>Kitley, h.</i>
		Archibald Petrie.	<i>Buckingham &amp; Cumberland</i>
			<i>Bromley.</i>

David Evans, 2nd June, 1841, Prescott, *Retired Minister.*

*a*, Heckston; *b*, Almonte; *c*, Renfrew; *d*, Carp; *e*, Oxford Mills; *f*, Forrester's Falls; *g*, Franktown; *h*, Toledo.

8. PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—REV. ARCHIBALD WALKER, *Clerk.*

*Meets at Kingston and Belleville alternately, on the first Wednesday in February, May, August, and November.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
Robert Neill.	29 Jan. 1840.	Gilbert Ketchison.	<i>Seymour, a.</i>
James Williamson, LL.D.	25 Feb. 1845.		<i>Queen's College, b.</i>
Archibald Walker.	10 May 1854.	George Neilson.	<i>Belleville.</i>
Alexander Buchan.	12 Nov. 1856.	G.H. Boulter, M.D.	<i>Stirling.</i>
John B. Mowat, M.A.	2 May 1850.		<i>Queen's College, b.</i>
George Porteous.	22 Aug. 1860.	Azel Cook.	<i>Wolfe Island.</i>
William Leitch, D.D.	9 Nov. 1859.		<i>Queen's College, b.</i>
		John Creighton.	<i>Kingston.</i>

William Bell, M.A., *Missionary.*

Pittsburgh, Roslin, Tyendinaga, *Mission Stations.*

*a*, Burnbrae, Seymour; *b*, Kingston.

9. PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO—{ REV. JOHN BARCLAY, D.D., *Clerk*  
REV. J. H. MACKERRAS, M.A., *As. Clerk.**Meets at Toronto on the third Tuesday in February, May, August, and November.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
John Tawse, M.A.	8 Mar. 1837		<i>King.</i>
Alexander Lewis	4 Aug. 1840.		<i>Mono.</i>
John Macmurchy	19 Jan. 1842.	John Campbell	<i>Eldon.</i>
John Barclay, D.D.	6 Dec. 1842.	John Cameron	<i>Toronto.</i>
John Campbell, M.A.	8 Jan. 1853.	John Macmurchy	<i>Nottawasaga, a.</i>
David Watson, M.A.	30 Aug. 1853.		<i>Thorah. b.</i>
John H. Mackerras, M.A.	20 Sep. 1853.	Neil Gray	<i>Darlington, c.</i>
William Cleland	2 Aug. 1854.	William Sinclair	<i>Scott and Uxbridge, d.</i>
John Brown	30 Aug. 1854.	Jacob Wells	<i>Newmarket.</i>
James Gordon, M.A.	26 Sep. 1854.	Archibald Barker	<i>Markham.</i>
James Bain	10 Oct. 1854.	Thomas Brown	<i>'Scarboro', e.</i>
John Campbell, M.A.	10 Sep. 1856.	Arch'd. Stewart	<i>Brock, f.</i>
William McKee	3 Mar. 1858.	Robert Tannahill	<i>West Gwillimbury, g.</i>
James S. Douglas, M.A.	27 Sep. 1858.	John Edmison	<i>Peterboro'.</i>
Wm. E. Mackay, B.A.	29 Oct. 1856.	James H. Curry	<i>Orangeville.</i>
Donald Ross	20 July 1859.	Neil Milloy	<i>Vaughan, h.</i>
David Camelon	12 Dec. 1859.		<i>Port Hope.</i>
James Carmichael	2 Oct. 1860.	James Burns	<i>West King, i.</i>
Kenneth McLennan, B.A.	8 Mar. 1853.		<i>Whitby.</i>
Walter R. Ross	6 Feb. 1861.	George Milne	<i>Pickering, j.</i>
William Johnson, M.A.	15 Nov. 1852.		<i>Lindsay.</i>
James S. Mullan, B.A.	31 Dec. 1861.	Alex. Bradley	<i>Clarke, k.</i>
Alex. McLennan, B.A.	2 July, 1862.	Henry Graham	<i>Mulmur, l.</i>
		James Curry	<i>Chinguacousy.</i>
		Hugh McKinnon	<i>Caledon.</i>
			<i>Cobourg.</i>
			<i>Dummer, Otonabee, and</i>
			<i>Belmont.</i>
Samuel Porter, Toronto,	29th April, 1846.		} <i>Retired Ministers.</i>
Archibald Colquhoun, Mansfield P.O.,	14th July, 1832.		
Thomas Johnson, Norval, P.O.,	4th August, 1840.		

David Stott, *Ordained Missionary.*Islay and Fenelon, Sunnidale and Osprey, Artemisia and Melancthon, Manchester and Stouffville, *Mission Stations.*

a, Bowmore; b, Beaverton; c, Bowmanville; d, Uxbridge; e, Woburn; f, Sonya; g, Bradford; h, Maple; i, Laskey; j, Brougham; k, Newtonville; l, Rosemont.

10. PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC—REV. DUNCAN ANDERSON, M.A., *Clerk.**Meets at Quebec.*

MINISTERS.	APPOINTED.	ELDERS.	CHARGES.
John Cook, D.D.	25 Dec. 1835	John Thomson	<i>Quebec.</i>
David Shanks	2 Jan. 1841.	Robert Ross	<i>Valcartier.</i>
Duncan Anderson, M.A.	26 Dec. 1854.	Wm. G. Russell	<i>Point Levi, a.</i>
Alexander Forbes	5 Jan. 1859.		<i>Leeds and Inverness, b.</i>
Robert G. McLaren, B.A.	14 Aug. 1862.	John Houlieston	<i>Three Rivers.</i>
Thomas G. Smith	1 Oct. 1862.	Robert Ross	<i>Melbourne.</i>

Windsor and Brompton, *Mission Stations.*

a, Point Levi West; b, Inverness.

## ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

**Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with  
the Church of Scotland, begun at Montreal on the 3rd, and  
concluded on the 10th, day of June, 1863 years.**

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SESSION XXXV.

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### DIET I.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Wednesday, the Third Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three Years:—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met, according to appointment, after sermon by the Very Rev. William Leitch, D.D., Principal of Queen's University and College, Kingston, their Moderator, on this text, Psalm LXXXV, 6, "Wilt thou not revive us again?"—and was constituted with prayer by the said Very Rev. William Leitch.

The Synod Roll made up from Presbytery Rolls was read.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT.

John Campbell, *Moderator*, Alexander Mathieson, James C. Muir, William Simpson, Alexander Wallace, James T. Paul, John McDonald, Frederick P. Sym, William Snodgrass, James Patterson, William Masson, James Black, John Cameron, William Darrach, James Sieveright, Hugh Urquhart, Thomas McPherson, Robert Dobie, Peter Watson, John Davidson, Thomas Scott, James Mair, George D. Ferguson, Archibald Currie, Martin M. Livingstone, George Bell, Hugh Niven, George Macdonnell, Robert Campbell, Francis Nicol, Alexander Mann, William Bain, John McMorine, Alexander Spence, Solomon Mylne, Duncan Morrison, George Thomson, Peter Lindsay, William White, William C. Clark, Joseph Evans, William T. Canning, Hugh J. Borthwick, James Wilson, James B. Mullen, Hugh Cameron, Donald J. McLean, Robert Neill, James Williamson, Archibald Walker, George Porteous, William Leitch, John Macmurchy, John Barclay, John Campbell, John H. Mackerras, James Gordon, James S. Douglas, David Camelon, James Carmichael, Kenneth McLennan, Walter R. Ross, William Johnson, James S. Mullan, Alexander McLennan, John Cook, Duncan Anderson, Robert G. McLaren, Thomas G. Smith, *Ministers*; and John Larmouth, Hugh McLeod, John Greenshields, Alexander Ross, James Dingwell, Charles P. Treadwell, Roderick McLeod, Alexander S. Cadendead, William Allan, John McKinnon, George Malloch, John Mitchell, Alexander Stewart, James McGowan, Archibald Petrie, George Neilson, John Creighton, Archibald Barker, Thomas Brown, John Thomson, John Houlieston, Robert Ross, *Elders*.

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### THE LATE DR. MACHAR.

The Synod having had their attention called to the death, since last meeting, of the Rev. John Machar, D.D., of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, agreed to the following minute:—

The Synod record with profound sorrow the departure of the late Rev. John Machar, D.D., Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, from among them. Dr. Machar died at Kingston on the seventh day of February last, in the 65th year of his age and 35th of his ministry. As a member of this Synod from its first formation, he exercised an influence inferior to none there by the wisdom of his words and the Christian meekness of his deportment. As a member of the Church of Christ, while strongly attached to that branch of the visible church with which he was immediately connected, he never failed to embrace every opportunity which presented itself to promote and maintain a spirit of unity and brotherly kindness among all, of whatever name, who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. His was indeed the "charity that suffereth long and is kind." As a Christian pastor he was preëminently distinguished for the faithful discharge of the duties of his sacred office. While he faithfully observed the Apostolical practice of visiting his people from house to house, and was ready at every call of the sick, the poor, and the afflicted, his preparations for the pulpit were incessant, and as a preacher he was excelled by few. In the prosperity of Queen's College, of which he was a Trustee from its foundation, he uniformly maintained the deepest interest, while he exercised the most beneficial influence in its management. At a great sacrifice of time and labour he undertook, at the solicitation of the Board of Trustees, to act as Principal of the Institution, when a vacancy occurred on the resignation of Dr. Liddell. This high office he held for six years to the great advantage of the College and the Church at large; and its duties he ceased to perform only when he found that the performance of them became so laborious as to interfere with his pastoral engagements, which he regarded as paramount to all other duties. As a private friend many members of this Synod will long deplore his loss. The kind, genial, and Christian intercourse which, for so many years, they enjoyed with him, will be long and affectionately remembered. And now that he has ceased from his labours, and entered into his rest, the Synod believe that the influence of his example will continue long after his departure, and they trust that the remembrance of his faithfulness will stimulate all to more devoted diligence in the work of the Lord.

The Synod do also record their deep sympathy with Mrs. Machar and her family; and it is their earnest prayer that the God of all comfort may sustain them under this sore bereavement. It is the Synod's desire that this their testimony to the worth of their departed brother, and their sympathy with his sorrowing family, may be communicated to Mrs. Machar.

## MINUTES OF SYNOD, MONTREAL, JUNE 3RD, 1863. 15

### ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

It was moved by Dr. Mathieson, seconded by Mr. Mann, and passed unanimously, that the Rev. John Campbell, M.A., minister at Nottawasaga, be Moderator for the year,—and he being present took the chair.

### THANKS TO THE RETIRING MODERATOR.

On motion of Dr. Urquhart, seconded by Mr. Spence, and passed unanimously, the Moderator tendered to Principal Leitch the thanks of the Synod for his whole conduct as Moderator, and for his discourse this day at the opening of the Synod, and requested him to print his discourse in such way as he may think best.

### REPORT ON BUSINESS.

The Report of the Committee on Business was called for and read. The Synod agreed to follow the order of business prepared by the Committee and the recommendations contained in their report.

### COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

1. On Bills and Overtures :—The Moderator, *Convener*, the Clerk, Dr. Mathieson, Messrs. George Bell, J. McDonald, Nicol, Mackerras, W. Bain, G. Thomson, T. G. Smith. J. Greenshields, and Judge Malloch, with instructions to meet to-day, and thereafter by adjournment as they see cause, to consider all papers intended to be brought before the Synod, and to report any recommendations that may occur to them in regard to their disposal.

2. To revise Presbytery Records :—Mr. Mann, *Convener*, Messrs. Patterson, Campbell (Brock), Mair, Sym, Wallace, Ferguson, McPherson, Clark, G. Bell, Niven, Livingstone, Macdonnell, R. Campbell, Mylne, Lindsay, Wilson, Neill, Walker, Gordon, McLaren, A. Robertson, Colquhoun, Cadenhead.

3. To revise Synod and Commission Records :—Mr. Spence, *Convener*, Messrs. Wallace, P. Watson, and Colquhoun.

4. To draft an Address to the Queen :—Dr. Williamson, *Convener*, Principal Leitch, Dr. Barclay, and Judge Malloch.

5. To draft an Address to the Governor General :—Mr. G. Bell, *Convener*, Messrs. Walker and Barker.

6. To Report upon Returns on Overtures and Interim Acts :—Mr. Black, *Convener*, Messrs. Patterson, K. McLennan, and Neilson.

### REPLIES TO ADDRESSES.

There was read a letter from the Secretary of the Governor General, of date 31st July, 1862, intimating that the Secretary of State for the Colonies laid before the Queen the Synod's Address of last year, and that Her Majesty received, with much satisfaction, the expression of loyal attachment it contains. There was also read, the reply of His Excellency, the Governor General, to the Synod's Address of last Session.

The Minutes of Commission of Synod were read and sustained.



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### QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE.

The Report of the Trustees of Queen's College, having been called for, was read by the Principal. It was moved by Mr. McKerras, seconded by Mr. McKinnon, and passed unanimously, That the Report be received; that the Synod record their high gratification at the many evidences furnished thereby of increased efficiency, more especially at the fact that the number of graduates and of students sent forth from the Divinity-Hall considerably exceeds that of any former year; and resolve to regard these evidences of extended usefulness as a renewed call to more generous support of this Institution throughout the Church, and more fervent prayer in its behalf.

### CURRICULUM OF STUDY FOR THE MINISTRY

The Report of the Committee on Curriculum of Study for the Ministry being called for, Dr. Mathieson, *Convener*, reported verbally, that in consequence of his absence from the Province he had not called the Committee together. Principal Leitch read a Report of his endeavours to comply with the request given by the Synod last year respecting this matter, and Dr. Mathieson was appointed to prepare a minute recording a vote of thanks to the Principal.\*

### STATUTES OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE.

Statutes numbered 18, 19, 55, and 109 of Queen's University and College were submitted to the Synod for approval. It was agreed that these matters be referred to the Examining Committee to be appointed tomorrow.

### ELECTION OF TRUSTEES OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

The Synod proceeded to the election of three Trustees of Queen's College in room of the Revs. Robert Burnet, Duncan Morrison, and Professor Williamson. It was moved by Mr. Creighton and seconded by Dr. Cook, That the Revs. George Bell, Duncan Morrison, and Dr. Williamson be chosen. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Snodgrass and seconded by Mr. Mann, That the Revs. George Bell, Duncan Morrison, and Kenneth McLennan be elected. The motion was carried by a vote of 31 to 16, and the Moderator declared accordingly. From this decision Dr. Mathieson dissented, because it is illegal for a Professor of Queen's College to act as a Trustee; to which dissent Mr. Mann adhered.

It was moved by Principal Leitch and seconded by Dr. Mathieson, That the Synod remit to a Committee, consisting of Judge Malloch, *Convener*, Alexander Morris, Esq., and Judge Logie, the consideration of the question whether a Trustee of Queen's College can legally be elected a member of the Board of Trustees, and that they be requested to report to next meeting of Synod. The motion passed by a vote of 37 to 21.

## MINUTES OF SYNOD, MONTREAL, JUNE 4TH, 1863. 17

### TEMPORALITIES FUND.\*

The Report and Financial Statement of the Temporalities Board were read by Dr. Cook. There was also read a memorial from Dr. George, Minister of Stratford, claiming his allowance as a commuting minister.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

### DIET II.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Thursday, the Fourth Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-Three Years :—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met according to adjournment and was constituted ; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. James Wilson ; and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and after correction sustained. The Roll was called.

The Rev. Martin W. Livingstone, Minister of Simcoe, in the Presbytery of Hamilton, the Roll of which had not been received, was admitted as a member of Court.

### APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE.

Application was made by the Presbytery of Kingston, for leave to take Alexander Dawson, B.A., John Barr, John D. Robertson, and Duncan McDonald, M.A., Students of Divinity, on trials for License. The same application was made by the Presbytery of Bathurst, in behalf of John K. McMorine, M.A.; by the Presbytery of Glengary in behalf of Joshua Fraser, B.A.; and by the Presbytery of Toronto in behalf of Donald Ross, M.A., B.D. The Synod, having ascertained that circular letters had been duly issued intimating the intention of these Presbyteries to make this application, instructed these students to appear before the following

### EXAMINING COMMITTEE,

hereby appointed for this year, namely, the Moderator, *Convener*, Dr. Cook, *Vice-Convener*, Principal Leitch, Dr. Barclay, Dr. Urquhart, Dr. Muir, and Messrs. Mackerras, Robert Campbell, Walker, Neill, McKid, Simpson, Wallace, Masson, Dobie, G. Bell, Niven, Macdonnell, Nicol, W. Bain, Morrison, McMurchy, T. G. Smith.

### MORRIN COLLEGE.

The Synod elected Dr. Muir of North Georgetown and the Rev. James Patterson of Hemmingford, to be Governors of Morrin College.

Application was made by Dr. Cook, Principal of Morrin College to have its course in Arts recognized by the church, which application was referred to the Examining Committee for consideration.

## 18 MINUTES OF SYNOD, MONTREAL, JUNE 4TH, 1863.

### TEMPORALITIES FUND.

The Report of the Temporalities Board, with the Memorial of Dr. George, and also a Memorial from the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church, Campbellton, New Brunswick, in behalf of the Rev. James Steven, their Minister, for a grant from the Fund, was referred to a Committee, consisting of Mr. Spence, *Convener*, Dr. Muir, Judge Malloch, and Messrs. McMurchy, McKinnon, Cadenhead, Neilson, Barker, McKerras, and R. Campbell, with instructions to prepare a deliverance on the whole subject for submission to the Court to-morrow evening at seven o'clock.

### APPLICATION OF MINISTERS FOR LEAVE TO RETIRE.

There was read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of London, recommending that the Rev. William McEwen of North Dorchester be allowed, in accordance with his application, to retire from the active duties of the Ministry, with full allowance from the Temporalities Fund, on the ground of age and infirmity; also an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Toronto to the same effect, on behalf of the Rev. Alexander Lewis of Mono. The Synod agreed that these Presbyteries may accept the resignations of Mr. McEwen and Mr. Lewis respectively, subject to the condition, that, in the discretion of the Presbytery, their services may still be available to the Church in so far as the improved state of their health and other circumstances may warrant; and that the Retired Ministers be required to report themselves to their Presbyteries, either personally or by letter (in the discretion of the Presbytery), semi-annually in sufficient time to admit of their names being returned to the Synod and Temporalities Board.

The Rev. Professor Murray of Queen's College, Rev. William M. Inglis, minister-elect of St. Andrew's, Kingston, Rev. William Cochrane, a minister of the Church of Scotland acting as missionary in the Presbytery of Montreal, and Rev. William Bell, missionary in the Presbytery of Kingston, having been introduced to the Synod, were invited to take part in its deliberations.

### FRENCH MISSION.\*

The Report of the French Mission Scheme having been read by Mr. Snodgrass, the Convener, it was moved by Mr. George Bell, seconded by Mr. Mann, and unanimously resolved, That the Synod receive the report; record their continued interest in the work of the mission and its progressive results; regret the smallness of the means placed by the Church at the disposal of the Committee; learn with satisfaction the erection, under the operations of the Committee, of the first French Protestant Church in Montreal; and with reference to the debt on the property, earnestly solicit a collection from the congregations which have hitherto contributed nothing to the Building Fund, said collection to be made if possible within the next month; and appoint the Committee of Manage-

\*Appendix D.

## MINUTES OF SYNOD, MONTREAL, JUNE 5TH, 1863. 19

ment as follows :—Rev. William Snodgrass, *Convener*, William C. Menzies, Esq., *Secretary*, Archibald Ferguson, Esq., *Treasurer*, Revs. W. Simpson, G. D. Ferguson, J. C. Muir, D.D., J. Patterson, F. P. Sym, J. Sieveright, W. Darrach, J. Black, and Messrs. A. Morris, J. Greenshields, J. Goudie, M. Ramsay, W. Christie, J. Smith, and J. Mitchell, with power to add to their number, the members resident in Montreal to be an Executive Committee.

A draft deed of the property, transferring it in trust from Dr. Mathieson to Rev. William Snodgrass, Rev. W. Darrach, and Dr. Mathieson, in accordance with the provisions of Synod, 1845, renewed in 1851 thereanent, was read and approved of with this amendment, that the blanks therein for the insertion of the name of an elder of the French Protestant Church, Montreal, be filled up with the name of the Rev. John Emmanuel Tanner, he being a preaching elder.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

### DIET III.

*St Andrew's Church, Montreal, Friday, the Fifth Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-Three Years :—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met according to adjournment and was constituted ; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. James Black ; and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

#### NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD.

An understanding was come to by the Court as to the time and place of next Annual Meeting of Synod.

#### ELECTION OF MANAGERS OF TEMPORALITIES FUND.

The Synod re-elected Dr. Urquhart, Hugh Allan, Esq., and John Thomson, Esq., and chose the Rev. Alexander Spence in room of the Rev. William Snodgrass who declined re-election, to be members of the Temporalities Board.

#### APPOINTMENTS FOR SABBATH.

The Synod appointed services for Sabbath next as follows :—St. Andrew's, morning, Professor Murray, afternoon, in Gaelic, Rev. J. McMurchy, evening, Rev. R. Campbell ; St. Paul's, morning, Rev. J. Cameron, evening, Rev. J. B. Mullen ; St. Mathew's, morning, Very Rev. Principal Leitch, evening, Rev. G. Macdonnell ; French Mission Church, afternoon, opening service in English, the Very Rev. Principal Leitch.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.\*

The Report of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund was read by Dr. Mathieson, Chairman. A Committee, consisting of Judge Malloch, and Messrs. McMorine, Campbell (Brock), and Cadenhead, was appointed to report thereon.

BURSARY SCHEME.†

The Report of the Bursary Scheme was read by Dr. Williamson. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously resolved, That the Synod receive the report; earnestly commend the Bursary Scheme to all ministers and congregations; recommend that on the first Sabbath of April special prayer be offered up for Queen's College, and that the claims of the Gospel Ministry be urged upon our godly and talented young men; advise Presbyteries to correspond with the Committee; express their deep sense of the value of the services of the late Dr. Machar who so long acted as Convener, and so efficiently performed the duties of the office; approve of the diligence of the Committee; and re-appoint the same with Professor Mowat as Convener.

FOREIGN MISSION.‡

The Report of the Foreign Mission Scheme was read by Principal Leitch. It was moved by Mr. Borthwick and seconded by Mr. T. Macpherson, That the Synod, having heard the report, is very much gratified by the missionary zeal displayed therein, yet, considering that the Church represented by this Synod is not now prepared to enter into the scheme propounded with reference to the Jews, but still, believing that every Christian church must be of necessity a missionary church, and seeing that the wants of our brethren on the West Coast of this continent are of more urgent necessity than the scheme referred to, this Synod hopes that steps will be taken as soon as practicable to organize a mission to Vancouver's Island and British Columbia. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Snodgrass, seconded by Mr. Black, and carried by a large majority, That the Synod receive the report, and inasmuch as the Synod did last year express itself hopefully, in regard both to the institution of a mission to Vancouver's Island and British Columbia and to the continuance of the Jewish Mission, now direct the Committee to make use of that portion of the funds raised for the Jewish Mission for that purpose if they see fit, but at the same time renew the expression of their deep sense of the urgent claims of Vancouver's Island and British Columbia upon the missionary enterprise of the Church, and solicit in their behalf the attention of the Committee, which is hereby re-appointed.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

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DIET IV.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Saturday, the Sixth Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three Years :—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met, according to adjournment, and was constituted ; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. James Sieveright ; and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

TEMPORALITIES FUND.

The Report of the Committee on the report and financial statement of the Temporalities Board and accompanying documents was read by Mr. Spence, Convener, as follows :—

The Committee, having duly considered the remit of the Synod bearing reference to the Temporalities Fund, report :

1. That the report of the Board for the management of the Fund ought to be received and adopted by the Synod.

2. That whilst it is to be deeply regretted that the revenue at the disposal of the Board, during the last year, has been found considerably short of what was originally expected that it would be when the Board was appointed, yet the Committee are firmly persuaded that this has arisen partly from circumstances over which the Board has had no control, and which could not have been anticipated by members of it, but mainly from the great increase of ministers in this Church, which ought to be regarded as a matter of gratitude to Almighty God on the part of the Synod.

3. That the Synod has every reason to be satisfied with the continued safety of the investments.

4. That the thanks of the Synod are eminently due to Thomas Paton, Esq., Chairman, and the other members of the Board, not only for the wisdom manifested by them in devising a plan, through the medium of a Committee of which Dr. Cook was Convener, by which all the non-commuting ministers have received their allowances to this date, but also for their disinterested zeal, faithfulness, and diligence in managing the whole of the most important trust committed to them.

5. The Committee beg leave to recommend the Synod to enact the following as a by-law in connection with the management of the Fund in future :—That it shall be necessary to any minister remaining or being placed on the list of recipients of two hundred dollars per annum, that his congregation shall pay to the Board yearly the sum of fifty dollars. And the Synod further recommend to the congregations of privileged ministers to give an equal sum, and in the case of wealthy congregations recommend a large and liberal contribution. At the same time earnestly recommend the permanent fund to the liberality of the people.

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6. The Committee report that they approve of the resolution of the Board, "that the expenditure in future shall be strictly governed by the actual amount at the disposal of the Board."

7. In reference to the memorial of the Trustees or Committee of management of St. Andrew's Church, Campbellton, Restigouche, New Brunswick, the Committee are of opinion that the prayer of said memorial ought not to be granted, inasmuch as the Rev. James Steven, minister of said Church, is not a member of any Presbytery of this Church, and consequently the granting of aid to him might establish a precedent, which might lead to the alienation of funds which undoubtedly belong to those who have been duly inducted ministers of this Church.

8. The Committee report in reference to the application from the Rev. Dr. George, claiming the full allowance made to commuting ministers, that the Synod recommend to the Board to take steps to ascertain Dr. George's legal rights and act accordingly.

9. The Committee have read with great pain a letter addressed to the Rev. Dr. Cook, from the Rev. James Mair, Minister of Martintown, and report that, in the opinion of the Committee, not only has Mr. Mair been guilty of great indiscretion in writing and publishing such a letter, but also that the contents are in many respects incorrect, unjust, and disrespectful to the members of the Temporalities Board, and that Mr. Mair ought to be admonished by the Synod to greater caution in future, in reflecting on the character of individuals and in dealing with subjects with which he has shown that, as yet, he is but imperfectly acquainted.

The Synod considered the foregoing report in detail, when paragraphs one, two, three, four, six, seven, and nine were agreed to. In regard to paragraph five, Mr. Snodgrass moved, That the first and second sentences be amended as follows:—Recommend the Board to alter its bylaws, so that while new and unprivileged ministers, that is, all ministers except those who commuted, and the ten who were not allowed to commute, may receive allowances of two hundred dollars each per annum, as far as the funds will allow, according to the order of their induction, it shall be a condition of the payment of each such allowance, that fifty dollars be obtained for the fund by the authority of the recipient, it being understood that the congregations are the parties to be looked to for said sum of fifty dollars. Which amendment was seconded by Dr. Urquhart, and, having been put, the Moderator declared it carried, from which decision Rev. J. Campbell (Brock) dissented.

Paragraph eight having been put and declared carried, Mr. Snodgrass entered his dissent, to which Rev. R. Campbell and Rev. W. Darrach adhered.

The Rev. James Mair submitted to an admonition from the Moderator.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place on Monday morning next, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

DIET V.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Monday, the Eighth Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three Years:—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met, according to adjournment, and was constituted; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. Hugh J. Borthwick. The minutes of Saturday's proceedings having been read, it was moved by Mr. Livingstone and seconded by Mr. Mylne, That the minutes of Saturday's proceedings be sustained as a correct record of what was done. It was moved in amendment by Dr. Barclay and seconded by Mr. Dobie, That the minutes be sustained, but that the reasons of dissent given by Mr. Snodgrass be not received, as the same are incompetent, because they do not yet bear directly on the question but refer to another and entirely different one, which has not been submitted for the decision of the Synod. The question was put, and the amendment carried.

The Moderator then declared the report of the Committee on Temporalities, as amended on Saturday, to be adopted and the Synod decerned in terms thereof.

Dr. Urquhart, Mr. Mann, Mr. Mair, and Mr. J. Cameron, gave in their adherence to the dissent of Mr. Snodgrass taken on Saturday.

PRINCIPAL LEITCH'S REPORT ON CURRICULUM OF STUDY.

Dr. Mathieson read the following draft minute relative to the report of Principal Leitch, presented on the first day of the Session, respecting the assimilation of the curriculum of study for the ministry required by this Church and the Church of Scotland:—The Synod having heard the excellent report of Principal Leitch, rejoice to know that Dr. Stevenson, the much respected Convener of the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, and other influential and distinguished ministers of the Church entered so warmly into a matter that so intimately concerns, if it be not essential to, the harmony and welfare of this Church, as that with which Dr. Leitch was charged by us at last meeting. The Synod cordially thank Dr. Leitch for the able and efficient manner in which he has brought the subject before leading members of the Church at home, and, earnestly desiring a closer connection—a vital and not a nominal union with the Parent Church—hereby remit to the Committee on curriculum of study for the ministry, to take such steps as in their wisdom may seem needful for the maturing of this important measure. The minute was adopted and ordered to be recorded.

JUVENILE MISSION.\*

The Report of the Juvenile Mission was read, when on motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Black, it was unanimously resolved, That the Synod receive the report; express their gratitude to Almighty God



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for the success which has attended the mission ; commend the scheme to the Church and Sabbath Schools ; and reappoint Mr. Paton, Treasurer, with the thanks of the Synod.

### SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Mr. Macdonell, Convener of the Committee on Sabbath Schools, reported that, in consequence of the decision of Synod last year not to publish the statistics prepared by him, he understood there was no call for the preparation of statistics this year. The Synod received the explanation and resolved that the Sabbath School Committee be reappointed, with Mr. Macdonell as Convener, and that the usual Sabbath School statistics be in future printed as an appendix to the Synod minutes.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.\*

The Report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was read by Mr. Bain, Convener. It was moved, seconded, and unanimously resolved, That the Synod receive the report and thank the Committee for their diligence in discharging the duties intrusted to them ; approve of the recommendation of the Committee that each minister should preach to his congregation on the subject of Sabbath Observance on the first Sabbath of August, or on such other Sabbath as may be deemed suitable ; and reappoint the Committee, with Mr. Bain as Convener.

### CHURCH PROPERTY.

Letters were read from Judge Logie, as Convener of the Committee on Church property, respecting property at Picton and Zorra, and as Convener of Committee on sale of Church property at Goderich, intimating that he had not been able to call the Committee together or obtain evidence as to the merits of the matter. The Synod agreed to record their thanks to Judge Logie and reappoint the Committees of which he is Convener.

The Synod agreed to the following

### *Act for Special Collections.*

WHEREAS it is desirable for various reasons to make alterations in the Act of Synod, 1854, anent the regulation of public collections for Missionary and other operations of the Church, and otherwise provide for the due observance of Synodical injunctions in regard to the matter, the Synod hereby repeal the said Act, and appoint the following public collections to be made in all the Churches during the ensuing year, namely : *First*, For the Jewish Mission—On the first Sabbath of July ; *Second*, For the French Mission—On the first Sabbath of October ; *Third*, For the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund—On the first Sabbath of January ; *Fourth*, For the Bursary Scheme—On the first Sabbath of April ; Provided always, that when the celebration of

the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall happen to fall on any of the said Sabbaths, or when any of the said Sabbaths shall be deemed unsuitable and inconvenient for making the collection, then another day may be selected by the Session within three months thereafter; Provided also, that in case of any congregation preferring to raise their contributions in any other way, as by subscriptions and donations, or to furnish them out of any fund under their control, they shall be at liberty to do so.

The Synod, while rejoicing at the increased fruits of Christian effort in this Church, would earnestly urge on all their people the duty of still further augmenting the means supplied by them for promoting the cause of the Redeemer, hitherto so inadequate to the extent of the field daily opening up to the operations of the Church, and so far within what might be expected from the gratitude and love due to a crucified Saviour. They strictly enjoin all Ministers of the Church to fulfil the duty incumbent on them, of at least exhorting their Congregations to embrace the opportunities afforded them of contributing towards the maintenance and spread of the Gospel of Christ on all the days above specified: And the Synod enjoin every minister on a Sabbath preceding that on which each collection is to be made, to give due intimation thereof from the pulpit, together with such information on the object of the collection as he may have been able to acquire; And they enjoin the Conveners of the several Committees and Boards for the management of the Schemes herein specified, to forward, in good time to all the ministers, notices of the appointments herein made as they shall become due respectively, together with such statements as it may be of use and interest to read from the pulpit along with their intimations; And in particular the Synod enjoin the several Presbyteries, at their meetings next after the times specified, to inquire into the diligence of all their Ministers and Congregations in this matter, and record reports thereof in their Presbytery books, and likewise instruct the Committee of Synod for revising Presbytery Books to notice how far Presbyteries attend to this injunction; And the Synod earnestly urge on all the people seriously to consider the duty of contributing liberally for the advancement of Christ's cause, according to the ability wherewith God has blessed them; And the Synod ordain a sufficient number of copies of this Act to be printed forthwith and distributed among all Ministers and Missionaries, who are hereby enjoined to read it from their pulpits on the first Sabbath after receipt thereof. This Act shall be annually renewed, with such amendments as the Synod may deem called for, and the expense of printing it shall be borne equally by the several Schemes, and the funds of each Scheme shall be charged with all expenses connected with its own management.

FORM OF JUDICIAL PROCESS.

Dr. Barclay reported progress in behalf of the Committee on a form of judicial process, and requested the Committee to be continued. The Committee was continued.

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### DIVISION OF BATHURST PRESBYTERY.

The Synod heard an Overture from the Presbytery of Bathurst praying to be divided into three Presbyteries, to be called :—the Presbytery of Perth, the Presbytery of Ottawa, and the Presbytery of Renfrew. Mr. Borthwick supported the Overture and moved its adoption. Mr. Evans seconded the motion. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Geo. Thomson and seconded by Mr. MacKerras, That the Presbytery of Bathurst be divided into two Presbyteries; the Presbytery of Perth, as proposed in the Overture, and the Presbytery of Ottawa, consisting of the proposed Presbyteries of Ottawa and Renfrew. It was also moved in amendment by Mr. Clark and seconded by Dr. Cook, That the Overture be rejected. The second amendment was put against the first and carried. The motion was then put against the second amendment, and was carried by a vote of 23 to 17. The Moderator declared accordingly, and in name of the Synod appointed as follows :—The Presbytery of Perth, consisting of the congregations of Kitley, Perth, Ramsay, Smith's Falls, Brockville, Middleville, and Lanark, to have its seat at Perth, and its first meeting at Perth on the 24th inst. at ten o'clock, the Rev. J. McMorine to be Moderator; The Presbytery of Ottawa, consisting of the congregations of South Gower, Ottawa, Cumberland and Buckingham, Huntly, Richmond, Chelsea, Oxford, Spencerville, and also the congregation of L'Original and Hawkesbury hereby transferred from the Presbytery of Glengary, to have its seat at Ottawa, and its first meeting at Ottawa on the first Wednesday in July next at ten o'clock, the Rev. Alexander Spence to be Moderator; and, The Presbytery of Renfrew, consisting of the congregations of Pakenham, Renfrew, Litchfield, Douglas, Arnprior, Ross and West Meath, to have its seat at Arnprior, and its first meeting at Arnprior on the first Wednesday of August next at ten o'clock, the Rev. Alexander Mann to be Moderator.

The Synod appointed the Records of the Presbytery of Bathurst to belong to the Presbytery of Perth.

### SYNOD FUND.\*

The Report of the Synod Fund and of the Finance Committee was read by Mr. MacKerras. It was moved by Mr. Mylne, seconded by Mr. K. McLennan, and passed unanimously, That the Synod receive the report, adopt its recommendations, and record their thanks to the Committee which is hereby re-appointed.

### SALE OF PROPERTY AT WOODSTOCK.

There was read an extract minute of the Presbytery of London recommending the Synod to authorize the Moderator to give his signature to the indenture of sale of part of the Church property at Woodstock. This matter was referred to the Committee on Church Property, with instructions to report to next meeting of Synod.

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\*Appendix B.

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### MANSE PROPERTY, HAMILTON.

There was read a memorial from the Trustees of the Manse property, belonging to the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, in the city of Hamilton, Canada West, soliciting the sanction of the Synod to a mortgage on the property as security for debt. It was moved by Mr. G. Bell, seconded by Mr. MacKerras, and unanimously resolved, That the prayer of the memorial be granted on the following condition, namely, that the Trustees provide that the sum of two hundred pounds, being the amount of the original manse fund, be a first claim to be secured as payable to the Temporalities Board, in case the property should ever be alienated from the Church.

### APPLICATION FROM RAMSAY TO COLONIAL COMMITTEE.

There was read an application from the minister and managers of the congregation of Ramsay, to the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland for aid to build a new Church. The Synod unanimously sanctioned and recommended the application.

### PROTEST AND APPEAL OF THOMAS KYDD.

The Synod proceeded to take up a Protest and Appeal of Thomas Kydd against a judgment of the Presbytery of London of date 30th October, 1862, in reference to his complaint and memorial against the Rev. Alexander MacKid. Documents having been read, parties were called, when Rev. F. Nicol appeared for the Presbytery of London.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

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### DIET VI.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Tuesday the Ninth Day  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three years :—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in Connection with the Church of Scotland met, according to adjournment, and was constituted ; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. James B. Mullen ; and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

In regard to the protest and appeal under consideration last evening, it was moved by Mr. Greenshields and seconded by Dr. Cook, That inasmuch as parties have not appeared, the Synod do not now enter upon the consideration of this matter. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Borthwick, That inasmuch as it appears from the Records of the Presbytery of London, that there are grave reasons for apprehending that the Church is suffering serious damage from the existing state of things in the congregation of Goderich, the Synod appoint the following Commission, namely,

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with full powers to investigate all matters bearing on the subject and to bring things to such an issue, as in their judgment and wisdom may best tend to promote the glory of God and the honour and welfare of the Church, and to report to next meeting of Synod. The motion was carried, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

Mr. Nicol, in behalf of the Presbytery of London, entered protestation of the Appeal having been fallen from, and craved extracts of its being admitted, which were granted.

### MEMORIALS OF D. TURNER AND OTHERS.

There was read a memorial from Duncan Turner of Saltfleet, praying to be relieved from his pecuniary obligations in the support of ordinances; also a memorial from parties describing themselves as representatives of the congregation of Saltfleet and Binbrook, craving that the decision of last Synod in the case of Rev. H. Niven against the Presbytery of Hamilton be reconsidered, and giving reasons for the application. The Synod deferred judgment.

### REPORT ON RECORDS.

Mr. Mann, Convener of the Committee appointed to revise Presbytery Records, read their report, bearing, That the Records of the Presbyteries of Toronto, Niagara, Glengary, Montreal, and Guelph, are carefully and correctly kept, that there are no Records from the Presbytery of Hamilton, and that the following Records are carefully and correctly kept *cum his notis* ;—

The Records of the Presbytery of London, page 127, show that a student of Divinity was permitted to occupy the pulpit of the Rev. A. Mackid, during his absence in Scotland; in the Records of the Presbytery of Quebec, page 62, Mr. Thomas Kydd is designated the Rev. Thomas Kydd.—pages 67 and 68, the words, “as wish to defend their right to their minister”, are used instead of, “should offer objections why he should not be translated”—page 69, it is not recorded of an Elder's Commission that it had been sustained—and page 72, the words, “who are present,” are superfluous; in the Records of the Presbytery of Kingston, page 111, the meeting held at Toronto during the meeting of Synod is improperly styled a *pro re nata* meeting, and from statements on page 114 it appears that the minutes of the former meeting were not read before proceeding to business; and in the Records of the Presbytery of Bathurst, page 128, the examination, ordination, and induction of the Rev. J. B. Mullen at Spencerville are recorded as having taken place on the same day, and this also appears to have been the case in other three settlements, and that no mention is made of collections for the Temporalities Fund and the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The Synod, having heard the Report, adopted the same, and the Moderator having asked if any member had any other observations to make on any of these Records, none were offered, and the Synod instructed their Clerk to attest them accordingly, and ordered Presbyteries to at-

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tend to the remarks made, and cause the necessary corrections as far as is now practicable; and further appointed the Presbytery of Hamilton, which, as reported by the Rev. M. W. Livingstone, has become defunct, to meet in St. Andrew's church, Hamilton, on the seventeenth instant at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

The Synod heard and adopted the Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Synod and Commission Records, bearing that the same are carefully and correctly kept, and instructed their Moderator to attest them accordingly.

### ADDRESSES TO THE QUEEN AND GOVERNOR GENERAL.

Dr. Barclay read a draft address to the Queen,\* and Mr. G. Bell a draft address to the Governor General† which were approved of, and ordered be transmitted in the usual manner.

### OVERTURES AND INTERIM ACTS.

The report of the Committee on Overtures and Interim Acts was read. Agreeably thereto, the

### COLLECTION OF HYMNS,

Published by authority of a Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, was declared to be unsuitable to supply the want of the Synod, and a Committee consisting of the Rev. Francis Nicol, Convener, Dr. Cook, and Dr. Barclay, was appointed to take such steps as they may consider meet in the preparation of a Hymn Book, and report to next meeting of Synod.

Agreeably to the same report the Interim Act on the representation of the Eldership, having been approved by a majority of Presbyteries, was passed, and is hereby passed, into a permanent law of the Church, as follows:—

### *Act anent Representation of the Eldership.*

IT shall be the duty of every Kirk-session to elect one of their number, being a *bond fide* acting elder of the congregation, to represent the Session in the Superior Courts for the year; and it shall be the duty of the Minister or any Ordained Minister of the Church acting by his authority, or, in the case of a vacancy, by the authority of the Presbytery, to call a meeting of Session for the purpose of such election on some convenient day within two months after the annual meeting of Synod; and it shall be the duty of the Elder elect to transmit or present his Commission to the Presbytery without delay, it being competent for any meeting of Presbytery to receive and sustain Elders' Commissions.

II. It shall be the duty of Presbyteries to ascertain that Kirk-sessions and Ministers perform their several duties in this respect, and take order, where from any cause an election has not taken place within the two months specified in this Act, that it be made with all convenient speed.

III. The Representative Elder shall in every case hold office till his successor is appointed, or till the expiry of the two months, whichever shall first happen.

IV. It shall be competent for Representative Elders to resign and for Sessions to appoint successors, whose Commission shall be valid when sustained by the Presbytery, or Synod if no meeting of Presbytery intervene.

V. The Elders of a Charge consisting of more than one congregation shall constitute one Session for the purposes of this Act.

VI. All former Laws, Regulations, and Resolutions passed by this Synod anent the representation of the Eldership in the Superior Church Courts, are hereby repealed.

Agreeably to the same Report, and as approved of by a majority of Presbyteries, the Synod amended the Act of 1840, entitled an "Act prohibiting the collection of contributions for building churches," &c., and in lieu thereof passed, and hereby passes, the following requirements into a permanent law of the Church :—

*Act anent soliciting contributions for church purposes.*

WHEREAS, the soliciting of contributions from the public for ecclesiastical purposes by unauthorized individuals, is a practice which is liable to abuse, and it is proper to subject the said practice, so far as this Church is concerned, to suitable regulations, it is hereby enacted :—

I. That no minister or member of any congregation under the jurisdiction of this Synod shall collect contributions, beyond the bounds of his congregation, for local ecclesiastical purposes, until he has first obtained from his Presbytery permission to that effect, and an attested subscription list to be used in collecting.

II. That it shall also be necessary to have the sanction of the Presbytery within whose bounds it is intended to apply for contributions ; and individuals proceeding to collect are required to follow the directions which such Presbytery may give as to time and mode of collecting.

III. That accounts of all moneys so collected, together with statements of their application, shall be laid before the Presbytery to which the collector belongs, for the purpose of being audited.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Synod on Presbytery Records to inquire what evidence is furnished, by said Records, of the attention paid by Presbyteries to the requirements of this Act.

FORM OF PROCESS FOR THE CALLING AND SETTLING OF MINISTERS.

Agreeably to the same Report the Interim Act, on form of process for the calling and settling of ministers, was rejected, because disapproved of by a majority of Presbyteries. A new draft of process, submitted by the Presbytery of Montreal, was, after amendment, converted into an Interim Act, and transmitted to Presbyteries to be reported on to next Synod. The said draft is as follows :—

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I. A congregation in the meaning of this Act is the people of any pastoral charge now upon the Synod Roll, or of any charge which may hereafter be constituted by any Presbytery of this Church.

II. The conditions of admission to the status of a congregation shall be :—

1. That the applicants number at least forty families.

2. That they declare to a Presbytery in writing their desire for admission, their adherence to the faith, government, worship, and discipline of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in Connection with the Church of Scotland, and their submission in all matters affecting their interests to the jurisdiction of the Courts of the said Church.

3. That they adopt, as their constitution, "The Model Constitution" adopted by the Synod in 1847, and make the Title Deeds of their property conformable to its requirements.

III. The steps to be taken by a congregation for obtaining a minister shall be :—

1. To agree, in public meeting summoned under authority of Presbytery on a Sabbath at least ten days previous, upon the choice of a qualified minister, by a majority of valid votes.

2. To appoint at said meeting the Elders, Trustees, and Managers, or any number of them, to represent the result of the meeting to the Presbytery and make application to moderate in a call to the minister-elect.

3. To depute the said parties to assure the Presbytery that the congregation will be ready, on the day of moderation, to submit a guarantee of the minimum annual stipend required by the Synod.

IV. The electors and callers of a minister shall be :—

1. For the first minister,—male persons above twenty-one years of age, resident within the bounds of the congregation, and professing their adherence to the Presbyterian form of worship and their willingness to support the Church.

2. For any minister after the first,—male communicants, free of Church censure, and of at least three months standing on the Roll.

V. That a minister be eligible for election to a charge, it is necessary :—

1. That he be of good standing as minister of a charge, an ordained minister or missionary, or a probationer within the bounds of a Presbytery.

2. That he have taken the oath of allegiance to the British Throne.

3. That he have conducted public worship on at least one Sabbath, before the congregation calling.

VI. The steps to be taken by a Presbytery for the calling of a minister shall be :—

1. To agree to the request for moderation, and appoint a meeting for that purpose or depute one or more of their number to attend to the duty.

2. To cause notice of the said meeting to be given to the parties concerned, in the way which appears most practicable and efficient.



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3. To appoint one of their number to conduct public worship on the occasion.

VII. The process of calling shall be as follows :—

1. The minister appointed to officiate shall, before pronouncing the Benediction, intimate the occasion of the meeting and notify parties concerned to remain.

2. The officiating minister shall, after prayer, produce and read the Form of Call and section IV. of this Act, and invite parties qualified to subscribe the Call.

3. Sufficient opportunity having been allowed for signing the Call, the presiding minister shall make attestation thereon of the fulfilment of the appointment of Presbytery, of the name of the minister called, and of the number of subscribers.

4. It being desirable that persons not qualified to act as Callers should signify their pleasure in the choice of a minister, all persons belonging to the congregation, being of the years of discretion, may be allowed to subscribe a form of concurrence in the Call, but this shall not imply any right of objection.

VIII. The process between moderation and induction shall be :—

1. On the day of moderation, or at their first meeting thereafter, the Presbytery shall consider the Call, and, having judged it sufficient to warrant them in proceeding thereon, shall sustain it.

2. They shall inquire for the guarantee of minimum stipend if it has not been embodied in the Call, and consider its sufficiency, judging of the competency of the whole provision, both as to the amount and manner of payment proposed.

3. They shall present the Call to the minister named therein, and ask him to state in writing whether or not he accepts it, time for consideration being allowed if required.

4. On the acceptance of the Call, the Presbytery shall require of the acceptor certificate of his having taken the oath of allegiance, also, if he be an ordained minister without a charge, an extract of his ordination and a presbyterial certificate, or, if he be a licentiate, an extract of his license and a presbyterial certificate.

5. These documents being judged to be satisfactory the Presbytery shall appoint a meeting for the Induction, if the acceptor of the Call be an ordained minister, which meeting may be held on as early a day as may be convenient, and notice thereof shall be given to the congregation in the most practicable way.

6. The Presbytery shall appoint one of their number to conduct public worship on the occasion.

IX.—The process of Induction shall be as follows :—

1. The Congregation having assembled, and the Presbytery having been constituted, proclamation shall be made three several times in these terms :—If any person has to offer, against the Induction of (A. B.) as minister of this Congregation, any objection bearing upon his life, doctrine, or conversation, let him appear before the Presbytery and lodge

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certification thereof with proof. If objections be offered, proceedings shall be stopped until they are disposed of. If no objectors appear the minister appointed to officiate shall begin the usual order of public worship.

2. After sermon and prayer, the officiating minister shall state the occasion of the meeting, narrating the principal steps taken towards filling the vacancy.

3. He shall then call on the Intransigent to answer the following questions in the presence and audience of the congregation :—

1st.—Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and manners ?

2nd.—Do you sincerely own and believe the whole doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith, approved by the General Assemblies of the Church of Scotland, and ratified by law in the year 1690, to be founded upon the Word of God ; and do you acknowledge the same as the confession of your faith ; and will you firmly and constantly adhere thereto, and to the utmost of your power assert, maintain, and defend the same, and the purity of worship as presently practised in this Church, and asserted in Act xv. Assembly 1707, entitled, Act against innovations in the Worship of God ?

3d.—Do you disown all Popish, Arian, Socinian, Arminian, Bourignonian, and other doctrines, tenets, and opinions, whatsoever, contrary to and inconsistent with the aforesaid Confession of Faith ?

4th.—Are you persuaded that the Presbyterian government and discipline of this Church are founded upon the Word of God, and agreeable thereto ; and do you promise to submit to the said government and discipline, and to concur with the same, and never to endeavour, directly or indirectly, the prejudice or subversion thereof, but to the utmost of your power, in your station, to maintain, support, and defend the said discipline and Presbyterian government by Kirk Sessions, Provincial Synods, and General Assemblies, during all the days of your life ?

5th.—Do you promise to submit yourself willingly and humbly, in the spirit of meekness, unto the admonitions of the Brethren of this Presbytery, and to be subject to them, and all other Presbyteries and superior judicatories of the Church, where God in his providence shall cast your lot ; and that, according to your power, you shall maintain the unity and peace of this Church, against error and schism, notwithstanding of whatsoever trouble or persecution may arise, and that you shall follow no divisive courses from the present established doctrine, worship, discipline, and government of this Church ?

6th.—Are not zeal for the honour of God, love to Jesus Christ, and desire of saving souls, your great motives and chief inducements to enter into the function of the holy ministry, and not worldly designs and interest ?

7th.—Have you used any undue methods, either by yourself or others, in procuring this Call ?

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8th.—Do you engage in the strength and grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master, to rule well your own family, to live a holy and circumspect life, and faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully to discharge all the parts of the Ministerial work, to the edification of the body of Christ?

9th.—Do you accept of and close with the Call to be Pastor of this Congregation, and promise, through grace, to perform all the duties of a faithful Minister of the Gospel among this people?

10th.—Do you assent to the following Act of the Synod of this Church :—

WHEREAS, this Synod has always, from its first establishment, possessed a free and supreme jurisdiction, over all the Congregations and Ministers in connection therewith; and although the independence and freedom of this Synod, in regard to all things spiritual, cannot be called in question, but has been repeatedly and in most explicit terms affirmed, not only by itself, but by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, yet as in present circumstances it is expedient that this independence be asserted and declared by a special act;

It is therefore, hereby declared, That this Synod has always claimed and possessed, does now possess, and ought always, in all time coming, to have and exercise a perfectly free, full, final, supreme, and uncontrolled power of jurisdiction, discipline and government, in regard to all matters ecclesiastical and spiritual, over all the Ministers, Elders, Church Members, and Congregations under its care, without the right of review appeal, complaint, or reference by or to any other Court or Courts whatsoever, in any form or under any pretence; and that in all cases that may come before it for judgment, the decisions and deliverances of this Synod shall be final. And this Synod further declares, that if any encroachment on this supreme power and authority shall be attempted or threatened, by any person or persons, Court or Courts whatsoever, then this Synod, and each and every member thereof, shall, to the utmost of their power, resist and oppose the same. And whereas, the words in the designation of the Synod, "in connection with the Church of Scotland," have been misunderstood or misrepresented by many persons, it is hereby declared, that the said words imply no right of jurisdiction or control, in any form whatever, by the Church of Scotland over this Synod, but denote merely the connection of origin, identity of standards, and ministerial and church communion?

4. Satisfactory answers to these questions having been received the officiating minister shall give the Intransigent the right hand of fellowship, saying :—By the authority of the Presbytery of            and in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I induct you to the pastoral charge of this Congregation, and admit you to all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto. Thereafter all the ministers of the Presbytery shall give the Intransigent the right hand of fellowship.

5. The Minister and people shall then be suitably exhorted as to their respective duties; after which the officiating minister shall conduct the devotional exercises with which public worship is usually concluded, and

before pronouncing the Benediction shall request the Elders, Trustees, and Managers to remain with the Presbytery after the congregation is dismissed.

6. Subscription of the usual Formula and of duplicate Bonds for payments to the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund shall then be required, and having been given, the Intrans' name shall be added to the Roll

7. The Presbytery shall then, in a kind and affectionate manner, consult with the officebearers of the congregation, respecting their affairs both spiritual and temporal, and give such advice and direction as may seem to be called for.

X. The process for ordination shall be as follows :—

1. If the acceptor of the Call be a licentiate only, the Presbytery shall with a view to his ordination prescribe the same trials as for License, namely, a Homily, a Lecture, an Exercise and additions on some part of the Greek New Testament, an Exegesis in Latin on some controverted point in Divinity, and a Popular Sermon, also an examination on the Greek of the New Testament, on the Hebrew of the Old Testament, and on Church History and Divinity, and shall appoint a meeting, to be held after a reasonable time, for hearing the trials.

2. The Presbytery having met, and having heard and sustained the trials, shall arrange for Ordination and Induction as in Section VII, Clauses 5 and 6.

XI. The process of ordaining and inducting shall be the same as in section IX, except as regards the provisions of clause 4, in lieu of which the following procedure shall be observed :

The officiating minister having descended from the pulpit, the members of Presbytery shall stand around him and the Intrans, the latter kneeling, and he shall then by solemn prayer and the laying on of hands, in which he shall be joined by the other ministers present, set apart the Intrans to the office of the Holy Ministry, and shall thereafter give him the right hand of fellowship, saying unto him :—By the authority of the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_ and in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only Head of the church, I invite you to take part of this ministry with us, and admit you to the pastoral charge of this congregation, and to all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto. Thereafter all the ministers of the Presbytery shall give the Intrans the right hand of fellowship.

XII.—The process of translation shall be as follows :—

1. In the translation of a minister from one charge to another in the same Presbytery, all the steps for calling and inducting required by this Act shall be taken, except that the production of documents, mentioned in Clause 4, Section VIII., is unnecessary.

2. In the translation of a minister from a charge within the bounds of another Presbytery, after the call is moderated in and sustained, the Presbytery shall transmit it by commissioners or by letter to the Presbytery having jurisdiction of the minister called, together with a guarantee

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for stipend, extracts of proceedings taken, and reasons for the translation, and shall crave an early deliverance in the matter of acceptance by the minister called, and their concurrence in his translation.

3. The Presbytery, to which the call is transmitted shall, at least ten days before they meet, cite the congregation of the minister called, to appear in their own interests, and show cause, if they have any, against the translation.

4. If no sufficient objection be offered to the translation, the Presbytery shall concur therein, appoint the minister called to wait for and obey the orders of the other Presbytery, transmit extracts of their procedure, crave notification of the Induction, and, with all convenient speed after its receipt, cause the congregation vacated to be declared vacant.

5. The Presbytery inducting having received said extracts and found them to be satisfactory, shall then follow the requirements of this Act, beginning with Clause 5 Section VIII.

The following forms are to be used in carrying out the provisions of the foregoing Act:

### 1. *Requisition for admission as a Congregation.*

To the Rev. the Presbytery of

Your Memorialists, numbering at least forty families, residing in  
and neighborhood, desirous of being admitted to the status of a Congregation within the bounds of your Reverend Presbytery, crave to be so received, as we, by these presents, declare our adherence to the faith, government, worship and discipline of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, our submission in all matters affecting our interests as a Congregation to the jurisdiction of the Courts of the said Church, and our adoption of the Model Constitution adopted by the Synod of said Church in the year 1840, to the requirements of which the Title Deeds of our Church property are conformed.

### 2. *Requisition to the Presbytery to moderate in a Call.*

Your Memorialists, representing by appointment the Congregation of  
, respectfully request your Reverend Court to take steps to moderate in a Call to  
chosen at a meeting of the electors of the said Congregation on the  
, unanimously (or by majority of votes), and we assure you, that a guarantee of minimum stipend (or more) will be ready on the day of moderation.

### 3. *Form of Call.*

We, Elders, Managers, and Members of the Congregation of  
being Communicants, desirous of promoting the glory of God and the good of His Church, being destitute of a fixed pastor, and being satisfied, by good information and our own experience, of the ministerial abilities and prudence, and also the suitableness to our capacities of the gifts of you (A. B.), have agreed to invite, as we, by these presents, do invite and call you to undertake the office of pastor among us,

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promising you all dutiful respect, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord. In witness whereof, we have subscribed this Call, &c.

*Or for the first Minister.*

We, the subscribers, declaring ourselves to be of the age of majority, residents within the bounds of the Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_ and supporters of the ordinances of the Gospel, being destitute, &c.

### *4. Form of concurrence in Call.*

We, the subscribers, declaring ourselves to be adherents of the Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_ being destitute, &c., &c., concur with the members of the Congregation in inviting you, &c.

### *5. Form of guarantee for Minister's stipend.*

We, the Managers of the temporal affairs of the Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_, hereby represent to the Reverend the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_ in connection with the Church of Scotland, that the estimated annual revenue of the said Congregation for the maintenance of Gospel ordinances, from all sources, is \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, and we, in our capacity as Managers only, hereby agree for ourselves and for our successors in office in such capacity, to pay out of the said sum, as it shall be collected or received by us, and as the first charge thereon, in semi-annual (or quarterly) payments, falling due on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the months of \_\_\_\_\_ severally and in every year, to the Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ during his incumbency as minister of the said Congregation; and further, we bind and oblige ourselves, under a solemn sense of the responsibility we are hereby undertaking, to use our utmost diligence and all lawful endeavours, to the end that the said Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ may regularly and fully receive the stipend guaranteed by these presents, and enjoy all the temporal rights and privileges pertaining to his office as the duly inducted minister of the said Congregation.

### *6. Formula to be subscribed by Intrants.*

I do hereby declare that I do sincerely own and believe the whole doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith, approved by the General Assemblies of the Church of Scotland, and ratified by law in the year 1690, and frequently confirmed by divers acts of Parliament since that time, to be the truths of God; and I do own the same as the confession of my faith: As likewise, I do own the purity of worship, presently authorized and practised in this Church, and also the Presbyterian government and discipline, now established therein; which doctrine, worship, and church government, I am persuaded are founded upon the word of God, and agreeable thereto: And I promise that, through the grace of God, I shall firmly and constantly adhere to the same; and, to the utmost of my power, shall, in my station, assert, maintain, and defend the said doctrine, worship, discipline, and government of this church by Kirk Sessions, Presbyteries, Provincial Synods, and General Assemblies; and that I shall, in my practice, conform myself to the

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said worship, and submit to the said discipline and government, and never endeavour directly, or indirectly, the prejudice or subversion of the same : And I promise that I shall follow no divisive course from the present establishment in this Church : Renouncing all doctrines, tenets, and opinions whatsoever, contrary to or inconsistent with the said doctrine, worship, discipline, or government of this Church.

### TEMPERANCE.

There was read a Memorial of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, Canada West. It was moved by Mr. McDonnell, seconded by Mr. Mylne, and unanimously resolved, That this Synod have heard with satisfaction the memorial of the Sons of Temperance just read, and earnestly concur with them in the necessity of employing every Christian and proper effort to remedy the evils of intemperance.

### ANNUAL DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

There was heard an Overture, from several members, on the appointment of an annual day of Thanksgiving for the bounty of God in the harvest—which was dismissed.

### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

There was read an Overture, from several members, praying the Synod to give a clear deliverance on the subject of Instrumental Music, either by forbidding the use of it or by declaring the liberty of congregations, with or without exceptions, to employ it in the public devotional exercise of praise. It was moved by Mr. Mair, and seconded by Mr. Cadenhead, That this Synod extend the principle it acted on in 1862, in reference to St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, and leave it to the opinion of individual congregations, whether they shall avail themselves of Instrumental Music in the worship of God or not ; yet that this Synod do reserve to itself its right, through Presbyteries, to prevent the introduction of it, when it is likely to disturb the peace and harmony of a congregation. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Dobie, and seconded by Mr. Clark, That the Overture be rejected. The amendment was carried, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

### THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

was read and adopted as follows :—

The Examining Committee beg leave to report, that having examined the students applying for license, namely, Messrs. Alexander Dawson, John Barr, John D. Robertson, Duncan McDonald, John K. McMorine, Joshua Fraser, and Donald Ross, they recommend the Synod to grant leave to the several Presbyteries concerned, to take these students on probationary trials for license.

The Committee beg leave to impress on the Synod the necessity of making the Synodical Examination of students more efficient ; for which purpose they believe it essentially necessary to adopt the following or the like regulations :—

1. That the Examining Committee appoint individual members of its

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number, at each Synod, to prepare written questions on the several subjects of examination for next Synod, and forward them in good season to the Secretary of the Committee.

2. That under Act xxxv of this Synod, the subjects of examination be as follows:—

(1.) LATIN:—Odes of Horace, Book First.

(2.) GREEK:—Acts of the Apostles.

(3.) PHILOSOPHY:—Alexander's Moral Philosophy.

(4.) CHURCH HISTORY:—Wharey's Church History: History of the Church of Scotland.

(5.) BIBLICAL CRITICISM:—Angus' Bible Hand Book, Chap. 4th, Rules of Interpretation.

(6.) HEBREW, &c.:—First twenty-five Psalms: Daniel, 2nd and 3rd Chapters.

(7.) DIVINITY:—Paley's Evidences: Butler's Analogy: Hill's Theology (the Evidences excepted.)

(8.) HOMILETICS, &c.:—A written Exercise in composition, or a skeleton sermon on a prescribed text.

3. That a Secretary be appointed by the Synod, whose duty it shall be to arrange the examination papers prepared as above, and that the examination shall be partly written and partly *viva voce* at the discretion of the Committee.

4. That there shall be two written examinations during the sitting of the Synod, and as early as practicable, and that three hours shall be allowed for each.

5. That the Committee be re-appointed, with Mr. McKerras as Secretary for the ensuing year.

The Committee consider it highly desirable, and recommend, that the course for students for the Ministry, in Logic, Metaphysics, and Moral Philosophy, shall extend over two Sessions; and that it be understood that one Session each in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy be required from them; and further, that one Session in Natural Science be henceforward required.

The Committee recommend that a more extensive course of Theological reading be enjoined on the students in the Divinity course.

The Committee transmit to the Synod for consideration a draft of a resolution anent the staff of Professors in Morrin College.

### STATUTES OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

Numbers 18, 19, 55, and 109 of the Statutes of Queen's University were read, and approved of, and the Moderator and Clerk were instructed to attach their signatures to them.

### REFERENCE ANENT MORRIN COLLEGE.

The Synod heard the Reference from the Examining Committee bearing, that so soon as Morrin College shall possess the following staff of Professors, namely, a Professor of Classics, a Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, and a Professor of Logic, Mataphysics and



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Moral Philosophy, the certificates of such Professors shall be accepted as qualifying for admission to the study of Divinity, in the same way as certificates from the Professors of Queen's College; and if, in addition to the Professor of Divinity appointed by the Deed of Dr. Morrin, there be also a Professor of Hebrew and Church History, their certificates of attendance shall in like manner be accepted, as qualifying students to come before the Synod and Presbyteries of the Church as candidates for license, the time of attendance on said College and the course of study to be in accordance with the laws of the Church, provided always that Theological Professors must be ministers or probationers of the Church.

It was moved by Mr. R. Campbell, and seconded by Mr. Clark, That the Synod decern in terms of the reference. It was moved in amendment by Mr. J. Cameron, and seconded by Mr. Niven, That whereas the Synod has already given a deliverance on the status of Morrin College, the reference be dismissed, and the Synod adhere to the deliverance of Synod, 1861. The motion was carried by a vote of 21 to 16, and the Moderator declared accordingly.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this Diet was closed with prayer.

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### DIET VII.

*St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, Wednesday, the Tenth Day,  
of June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three Years :—*

Which day the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland met according to adjournment and was constituted; devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. D. J. McLean; and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and sustained.

#### REPRESENTATIVES TO SYNODS OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Synod agreed that if Principal Leitch or any other member of Synod should visit the Lower Provinces, at the time of the meetings of the Synods of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the Clerk shall give a Commission to represent this Synod at the said meetings.

#### MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The Report of the Committee on reports of managers of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund was called for, and the Synod agreed to receive the reports of the Managers, and record their thanks for the services of those gentlemen.

#### MEMORIAL OF D. TURNER.

In reference to the memorial of Duncan Turner, the Synod instructed the Clerk to inform him that it has not the power to relieve him of his pecuniary obligations.

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### MEMORIAL FROM PARTIES IN SALTFLEET AND BINBROOK.

In reference to memorial from parties describing themselves as representatives of the congregation of Saltfleet and Binbrook, the Synod resolved that it be referred to the first meeting of the Commission of Synod, with instructions to consider the matter submitted and the position of the Church as affected thereby.

THE MEMORIAL OF REV. WILLIAM MILLER, OF ZORRA, was also referred to the first meeting of Commission of Synod.

### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS FOR 1864.

The Synod appointed the Moderator, the Clerk, Presbytery Clerks, Dr. Cook, Dr. Mathieson, Rev. D. Morrison, Rev. K. McLennan, the Minister of Kingston, and the Representative Elders from Montreal (St. Andrew's and St. Paul's,) Brockville, and Kingston, their Committee on Business for next Session.

### COMMISSION OF SYNOD.

The Synod appointed their Commission to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, to-day at one o'clock ; in the same place on the first Thursday after the first Wednesday in November next, at noon ; in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on the first Wednesday after the third Tuesday in February next, at noon ; and oftener by adjournment when and where the Commission may choose. Nine Commissioners shall be a quorum, of whom five must be Ministers. In all their actings, the Commissioners shall proceed according to the Act of Synod, 1859, anent the nature, powers, and duties of the Commission of the Supreme Court of this Church.

The Synod appointed Dr. Mathieson, Rev. W. Simpson, A. Morris, Esq., and J. Greenshields, Esq., to revise the Minutes of this Session previous to their being engrossed and printed.

It was moved by Mr. Livingstone, seconded by Mr. Borthwick, and carried by acclamation, That the Synod record their most hearty thanks to the friends of the Church in Montreal, for their great kindness and hospitality to the members in attendance at their present meeting, and especially to Messrs. Greenshields and Mitchell, for their great attention in making the necessary arrangements.

The Minutes of this Diet were read and sustained.

### CLOSING OF SESSION.

The Moderator then addressed the Synod, and, after praise and prayer, said,—

In the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the KING and ONLY HEAD of this Church, and in the name of this Synod, I dissolve this meeting, and appoint the next annual meeting of Synod to convene in St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, on the first Wednesday in June, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-four years, at eleven o'clock, forenoon :

Of which public intimation was made, and the Moderator pronounced the Apostolic Benediction.

## MEMORANDA FROM PRESBYTERY RECORDS.

## FOR THE SYNODICAL YEAR, 1862-1863.

- 1862—June 11th.—The Rev. James Wilson, M.A., Ordained Missionary, inducted to the Charge of Lanark, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- 18th.—The Rev. Peter Lindsay, M.A., formerly of Buckingham and Cumberland, inducted to the Charge of Arnprior, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- 25th.—The Rev. William T. Canning, formerly of Bromley, inducted to the Charge of Oxford, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- Messrs. James B. Mullen, and Donald J. McLean, B.A., Students of Divinity, licensed to preach the Gospel by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- July 2nd.—Mr. Alexander McLennan, B.A., Licentiate, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted to the Charge of Mulmur, by the Presbytery of Toronto.
- 23rd.—The Rev. David Evans, Minister of Kitley, with leave of the Synod, resigned his Charge on the ground of age and infirmities, and his resignation was accepted by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- Mr. James B. Mullen, Licentiate, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted to the Charge of Spencer-ville by the Presbytery of Bathurst.
- August 14th.—The Rev. Robert G. McLaren, B.A., Ordained Missionary, inducted to the Charge of Three Rivers, by the Presbytery of Quebec.
- 20th.—Mr. Walter Ross, M.A., Student of Divinity, licensed to preach the Gospel, by the Presbytery of Toronto.
- The Rev. Thomas Johnson, Minister of Chinguacousy, with leave of the Synod, resigned his Charge on the ground of ill health, and his resignation was accepted by the Presbytery of Toronto.

September 13th.—The Rev. David Stott, Ordained Missionary, appointed anew by the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, to labour under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Toronto.

October 1st.—The Rev. Thomas G. Smith, formerly of the Presbyterian Church (Old School), United States, and Minister at Kintyre, Illinois, inducted to the Charge of Melbourne, by the Presbytery of Quebec.

—8th.—Mr. Hugh Cameron, Licentiate of the Presbytery of Kingston, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted to the Charge of Ross and West Meath, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.

—15th.—Mr. Walter Ross, M.A., Licentiate, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted to the Charge of Beckwith, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.

November 24th.—Mr. John C. Murray, installed to the Professorship of Logic and Moral and Mental Philosophy, in Queen's College, Kingston.

1863—February 7th.—The Rev. John Machar, D.D., Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, died, in the 65th year of his age, and 35th of his ministry.

—11th.—Mr. Donald J. McLean, B.A., Licentiate, ordained to the office of the Holy Ministry, and inducted to the Charge of Kitley, by the Presbytery of Bathurst.

—17th.—The Rev. Peter Ferguson, Minister of Esquesing, from April 11th, 1832, and of Milton from 1848 to June 1st, 1857, when he retired from the ministry, died at Esquesing, of ulceration in the stomach, in the 67th year of his age.

May 6th.—The Rev. William Cochrane, Ordained Minister from the Church of Scotland, received by the Presbytery of Montreal.

## APPENDIX A.

REPORT OF THE BOARD FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE  
TEMPORALITIES FUND.

*To the Very Reverend the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in  
connection with the Church of Scotland.*

The Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund beg to lay upon the table, for the consideration of the Synod, a balance sheet of the financial affairs of the Board, exhibiting the receipts and disbursements of the Board during the past year. They also submit a statement of the investments of the Board. In these, with the exception of some new investments, no change has taken place during the year. A statement of the Home Mission Fund is further submitted.

The Board have again to entreat the earnest attention of the Synod to the state of the funds. Neither in January or July of last year, was the revenue at the disposal of the Board sufficient for the payment of all the Ministers on the Roll. This was caused partly by the increase of Ministers, and partly by a diminution in the dividend paid on certain stock held by the Board. In both these months, however, the Board, unwilling that any Minister should be disappointed of his expected allowance, and trusting to an increased liberality in the collections for the Contingent Fund, continued the usual payment, borrowing for this purpose the sum of £750.

At the stated meeting of the Board in November last, the estimated deficiency for the payment of all the Ministers on the roll was £650, and as it was manifestly improper to resort again to the expedient of borrowing, it became necessary either to strike off a large number of Ministers from the list of recipients, or to make some special exertion to obtain the necessary increase to the income of the Board. The latter course was that adopted by the Board, and a committee was appointed to take such steps as might seem most expedient for the end proposed. With the operations of that committee, whose report is herewith transmitted, the members of the Synod have already been made acquainted through the columns of *The Presbyterian*. It is sufficient to say that by means of the collections to the Contingent Fund, and the support given to the plan proposed by the committee, the necessary sum was raised for the payment in January.

The Board are happy to say that in consequence of certain contributors to the Home Mission Fund, who were aware of the circumstances in which the Board was placed, having expressed their desire that their contributions should be transferred from the Investment to the Contingent Fund, the Board have been enabled to liquidate the debt of £750 incurred for the payment of Ministers in January and July, 1862.

It has been resolved that the expenditure in future shall be strictly governed by the actual amount at the disposal of the Board. The effect of this resolution, unless a special effort is made, must of necessity be to cause a large number of Ministers to be struck from the list of recipients. But this would bear heavily upon many excellent Ministers, and tend, as the Board thinks, to prevent the increase of the Church.

They have, therefore, instructed their committee to proceed zealously in their exertions to raise the required sum, according to the plan pro-

posed in the circular of the 15th November, and to urge collections when that plan cannot be adopted. The Interim Report of the committee is herewith transmitted. Although the scheme proposed by the committee is not a new one, it gives the Board much satisfaction to reflect that it may be justly said to have added, even already, well nigh £600 per annum to the resources of the Church; for while the congregational collections to the Contingent Fund rarely exceeded £250, over £800 a year has now been promised to the Board.

It is now for the Synod to say whether these efforts are to be countenanced and continued, or in what way they may be advantageously modified. Till a meeting of Synod should take place, the Board felt it their duty to do what seemed to them best for the good of the Church, and for the increase of the revenue under their control; but they feel also that henceforth the responsibility of the course to be pursued will devolve upon the Synod, to whose wisdom they refer, without further remark, the reports and recommendations of their committee.

The Board have to call the attention of the Synod to the several vacancies in their number, and to request the Synod to fill up the same.

The lamented deaths of two commuting ministers, the Reverend John Machar, D.D., of Kingston, and the Reverend Peter Ferguson, of Esquesing, may be noted by the Board. In accordance with the By-Laws, their half-yearly allowances will be paid to their families at the next payment. While the death of these Ministers reduces the charges on the Board to the amount of £225 per annum, eleven clergymen have, during the year, been added to the list.

The Board herewith transmit an application from the Reverend Dr. George, in respect of which they desire to have the advice of the Synod.

The Board having had laid on their table a letter addressed to the Reverend Dr. Cook, from the Reverend James Mair, Minister of Martintown, which letter the writer had also published in *The Globe* newspaper, beg to transmit their resolution thereanent. It was, on motion of Dr. Mathieson, seconded by Mr. Cameron,

*Resolved unanimously*,—"That the said letter be transmitted to the Synod, and that the Synod be informed of the perfect willingness of every member of the Board to resign the management of the Fund entrusted to them, if that management does not meet with the approbation of the Synod; but, that if it does, the Board are of opinion that it should be protected by the Synod from attacks which they cannot designate as otherwise than calumnious and insulting."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. PATON, *Chairman*.

#### TEMPORALITIES BOARD.—STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

1862.

May 24—Balance overdrawn this day.....\$ 709 28

July 1—Payment to Ministers per statement..... 19324 00

1863.

Jan. 1—Payment to Ministers per statement..... 20046 00

May 25—Salary of Secretary for one year..... 400 00

Paid travelling expenses of Members attending meetings of Board during year 90 00

Paid accounts for printing, postage, telegraphs, and sundries..... 86 20

40655 48

1862.

May 1—Received Interest on 114 Bonds City of Montreal Debentures.....	5520 00	
June 5—Received Interest on 620 Shares Bank of Montreal Stock, (\$200 each).....	4960 00	
Received Interest on 590 Shares City Bank Stock (\$80 each).....	1652 00	
July 7—Received Interest on Montreal Harbour Debentures.....	520 00	
Received Interest on Debentures of the United Counties of Peterborough and Victoria.....	144 00	
Received Interest on 1264 Shares (\$100 each) Commercial Bank of Canada..	4424 00	
Nov. 3—Received Interest on Montreal City Debentures, as above.....	5520 00	
Dec. 1—Received Interest on Bank of Montreal Stock.....	4960 00	
Received Interest on City Bank Stock....	1652 00	
1863.		
Jan. 5—Received Interest on Commercial Bank Stock.....	4424 00	
Received Interest on Montreal Harbour Debentures.....	520 00	
Received Interest on Peterborough and Victoria Debentures.....	144 00	
May 1—Received Interest on Mortgages.....	224 00	34664 00

Overdrawn.....	\$ 5991 48
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*Contingent Scheme.*

Received in Cash and Deductions from their allowances authorized by Ministers..	2656 96
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25—Amount overdrawn this day.....	\$ 3334 52
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J. W. COOK,

*Secretary Treasurer Temporalities Board.*

Montreal, 25th May, 1863.

Paid in Montreal.....	2656 96	140 00
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\$ 2796 96

Making amount at debit \$3194 52

Examined and found correct.

JAMES MITCHELL, *Auditor.*

## TEMPORALITIES BOARD—STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS.

	<i>Par value.</i>	<i>Cost.</i>
Commercial Bank account, 1264 Shares.....	\$126400	\$142101 82
Bank of Montreal account, 620 Shares.....	124000	144546 07
City Bank of Montreal account, 590 Shares...	47200	52120 00
City of Montreal Debenture account, Water-work and Market Bonds.....	184000	165478 18

City of Montreal Harbour Debentures account.	16000	16336 44
United Counties of Peterborough and Victoria Debentures account.....	4800	4413 16
Mortgage Investments.....		6294 21
Invested as above.....		<u>\$531289 88</u>

E. E.

J. W. COOK,

*Secretary-Treasurer Temporalities Board.*

Montreal, 25th May, 1863.

Examined and found correct,

JAMES MITCHELL,

*Auditor.*

## STATEMENT OF HOME MISSION FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged.....\$12444 38

## SINCE RECEIVED :—

Dalhousie Mills.....	36 00	
George Neilson, Esq., Belleville.....	100 00	
Mulmur.....	12 00	
Caledon.....	5 00	
Ramsay.....	73 11	
Martintown.....	100 00	
West Guillimbury.....	50 00	
Laprairie.....	11 00	
Kingston.....	591 50	
Cornwall.....	80 00	
Bowmanville.....	46 00	
Ottawa.....	419 75	
Osnabrock.....	72 15	
Milton.....	5 00	
Toronto.....	1000 00	
Lachine.....	29 00	
Montreal.....	442 00	
		<u>\$15516 89</u>
Less, Paid account for printing, postages and sundries.....		29 00
Invested to Date.....		<u>\$15487 89</u>

E. E.

J. W. COOK,

*Secretary-Treasurer Temporalities Board.*

Montreal 25th May 1863.



## STATEMENT OF HALF YEARLY PAYMENTS TO MINISTERS.

## PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.

1862.

30th June. 31st Dec.\*

John Cook, D.D., Commuted.....	\$ 219 00	219 00
David Shanks, do.....	219 00	219 00
Duncan Anderson, Refused Commutation....	194 00	194 00
Alexander Forbes.....	94 00	94 00
John Wells.....		69 00
Do. (for preceding half year).....		94 00
Robert G. McLaren, Inducted 14th August..		56 00
Thomas G. Smith, Inducted 1st October.....		69 00

## PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

Alexander Mathieson, D. D., Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
James C. Muir, D.D, do. ....	219 00	194 00
William Simpson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Alexander Wallace, do. ....	219 00	219 00
James T. Paul, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Merlin, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Frederick P. Sym, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Thomas Fraser, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Thomas Haig, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Macdonald, Refused Commutation....	194 00	194 00
William Snodgrass.....	94 00	94 00
James Patterson.....	94 00	69 00
William Masson.....	94 00	94 00
James Black.....	94 00	69 00
John Cameron.....	94 00	69 00
William Darrach.....	94 00	69 00
James Sieveright.....	94 00	94 00

## PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON

John Machar, D.D., Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
Robert Neill, do. ....	219 00	194 00
Archibald Walker, Refused Commutation....	194 00	169 00
Alexander Buchan.....	94 00	94 00
George Porteous.....	94 00	69 00

## PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

Hugh Urquhart, D.D., Commuted.....	219 00	194 00
Thomas Macpherson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Donald Monro, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Robert Dobie, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Davidson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Thomas Scott, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Colin Grigor.....	219 00	219 00
George D. Ferguson, Refused Commutation..	194 00	169 00
Peter Watson.....	94 00	94 00
James Mair.....	94 00	69 00
John Darroch.....	94 00	69 00
Archibald Currie.....	94 00	69 00

## PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.

Joseph Anderson, Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
Alexander Mann, do. ....	219 00	194 00
David Evans, do. ....	219 00	219 00
William Bain, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John McMorine, do. ....	219 00	194 00

\* The difference between second and first payment is explained in most cases by authorized deductions.

Alexander Spence, Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
Solomon Mylne, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Duncan Morrison, do. ....	219 00	219 00
George Thomson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Peter Lindsay, do. ....	219 00	194 00
James Sinclair, Refused Commutation.....	194 00	169 00
William White.....	94 00	69 00
William C. Clark.....	94 00	69 00
Joseph Evans.....	94 00	69 00
William T. Canning.....	94 00	69 00
Hugh J. Borthwick.....		69 00
James Wilson, Inducted 11th June.....	10 00	75 00
James B. Mullen, Inducted 23d July.....		60 00
Hugh Cameron, do. 8th October.....		33 00
Walter Ross, do. 15th October....		25 00

## PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

Peter Ferguson, Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
John Tawse, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Thomas Johnson, do. ..	219 00	219 00
Alexander Lewis, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John McMurchy, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Barclay, D.D., do. ....	219 00	219 00
Samuel Porter, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Kenneth McLennan, do. ....	219 00	219 00
William Johnson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Campbell, do. ....	219 00	219 00
David Watson, do. ....	219 00	194 00
John H. McKerras, do. ....	219 00	194 00
Arch. Colquhoun, do. ....	219 00	219 00
William Cleland, Refused Commutation....	194 00	194 00
John Brown, do. do. ....	194 00	194 00
James Gordon, do. do. ....	194 00	194 00
James Bain, do. do. ....	194 00	194 00
John Campbell.....	94 00	94 00
William McKee.....	94 00	94 00
James S. Douglas.....	94 00	69 00
Donald Ross.....	94 00	69 00
William E. McKay.....	94 00	69 00
David Camelon.....	94 00	69 00
James Carmichael.....	94 00	86 00
Walter R. Ross.....	94 00	69 00
James S. Mullen.....	94 00	69 00
Alexander McLennan, Inducted 2nd July....		79 00

## PRESBYTERIES OF HAMILTON AND NIAGARA.

George Bell, Commuted.....	219 00	194 00
John Skinner, D.D., do. ....	219 00	219 00
Robert Burnet, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Hugh Niven.....	94 00	94 00
Martin W. Livingstone.....	94 00	69 00
James Herald.....	94 00	94 00
Charles Campbell.....	94 00	94 00
William Stewart.....	94 00	69 00
David Stott.....	94 00	

## PRESEYTERY OF LONDON.

Alexander McKid, Commuted .....	219 00	219 00
William Bell, do. ....	219 00	219 00
William McEwen, Commuted.....	219 00	219 00
James Stuart, do. ....	219 00	219 00
William Barr, do. ....	219 00	219 00
Hamilton Gibson, do. ....	219 00	219 00
James McEwen, Refused Commutation.....	194 00	194 00
Robert Stevenson, .....	94 00	94 00
William Miller.....	94 00	94 00
John Rannie.....	94 00	69 00
Francis Nicol.....	94 00	69 00

## PRESEYTERY OF GUELPH.

George Macdonnell, Commuted.....	219 00	194 00
James Thom, do. ....	219 00	219 00
John Whyte.....	219 00	219 00
John Hogg.....	94 00	94 00
John Hay.....	94 00	89 00
Robert Campbell, Inducted 10th April.....	45 00	94 00
Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund...	618 00	678 00
Queen's College.....	1000 00	1000 00
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	\$19,324 00	19,061 00

## APPENDIX B.

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee beg leave to submit their Report, together with the Treasurer's Statement for the past Synodical year. Your Committee have received during the period embraced in their Report \$497.67½. Of this sum \$401 were for the year 1862, \$73 for arrears, and \$23.67½ from the sale of Printed Minutes, Acts of Synod and Model Deeds, together with the cost of Extracts from Minutes of Synod and Fees for recording Dissents. The arrears still due amount to \$359.68. Of this large sum \$169.68 are due for 1862, and \$190 for previous years. From this it will be seen that the revenue for the past year proper would have been \$570.68, had each Session done its duty in this matter, and contributed its quota, which with the amount derived from incidental sources would have swelled the income for 1862 to \$594.35½.

Your Committee regret that they have to report so large an amount of arrears. These are due by 40 Sessions. Of the Sessions thus in default to the Fund 15 are for 1862, and 25 for both 1862 and previous years combined.

Though your Committee have to report a larger list of arrears, both as respects the number of Sessions indebted and the amount due, than that embraced in the Treasurer's statement of last year, yet they have much satisfaction in drawing the attention of the Synod to the large reduction in the liabilities of the Fund. These have been reduced from \$290.11 in

1861 to \$118.29½. To meet this, the Treasurer has in hand \$77.78, leaving a balance of \$40.51½ against the Fund. If however the arrears were paid up, this sum could be wiped off and a considerable surplus remain to the credit of the Synod.

Your Committee would suggest that the paragraph of last year's report, recommending that no printed Synodical matter be furnished to Sessions that have allowed themselves to fall two years in arrear, be so amended as to substitute the following words, viz.: "So long as they give no evidence of an intention to liquidate the same," for the clause: "until such time as they have liquidated their indebtedness." And further that the scale of distribution of Printed Minutes be so arranged as to be at the rate of one copy for every dollar contributed.

Your Committee would further recommend the Synod to request the Clerk to prepare, and to authorize him to publish a reprint of the Acts and Proceedings of the Synod for 1837 in full, as the printed supply of the Abstract of these is now exhausted.

The estimated expenditure for the present year amounts to \$550 distributed as follows:

Synod Clerk's Salary.....	\$200
Expenses of Clerk, Stationery, Postages, &c.....	25
Printing.....	250
Church Officer, for attendance on Synod.....	10
Contingent Expenses.....	65

\$550

To meet this sum, and to liquidate all outstanding claims against the Fund, your Committee respectfully recommend the Synod to adhere to the scale of assessment at present in force in the case of each Session, with the following alterations and additions, viz.: Point Levi to be reduced from \$6 to \$4, said reduction to take effect from 1859; West Zorra, Spencerville, Ross and Westmeath, to be assessed each at \$4. Further to strike from the list of arrears those due by the congregation of Mulmur for the years 1856, '7, '8, '9, '60.

All which is respectfully submitted by

J. H. MACKERRAS.

### SYNOD FUND.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF THE SYNOD FUND, RECEIVED FROM: ]  
MAY 26, 1862, TO JUNE 1, 1863.

#### PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

	\$	cts.		\$	cts.
King.....	1862	4 00	Peterboro'.....	1862	6 00
Chinguacousy.....	"	4 00	Orangeville.....	"	4 00
Eldon.....	1861, '62	12 00	Port Hope and Knoxville.....	"	5 00
Toronto.....	1862	10 00	West King.....	"	5 00
Nottawasaga.....	"	6 00	Whitby.....	"	6 00
Darlington.....	"	6 00	Milton.....	"	4 00
Scott and Uxbridge.....	"	5 00	Clarke.....	"	4 00
Newmarket.....	"	4 00	Mulmur.....	1861, '62	8 00
Markham.....	"	6 00	Caledon.....	1 of 1861	2 00
Scarboro'.....	"	8 00			
Brock.....	"	6 00			
					115 0

## PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.

Quebec.....	1862 12 00	Melbourne.....	1862 4 00
Valcartier.....	" 4 00		
Point Levi.....	1859, '60 8 00		28 00

## PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

Montreal, St. Andrews.....	1862 12 00	Hemmingford.....	1862 4 00
Georgetown.....	" 6 00	Chatham.....	" 4 00
Lachine.....	" 6 00	Dundee.....	" 5 00
Huntingdon.....	1 of 1860, 3 of 1861 8 00	Montreal, St. Matthews.....	" 4 00
St. Louis de Gonzague.....	1859 4 00	Ormstown.....	1860 6 00
Beauharnois.....	1862 5 00		
Montreal, St. Pauls.....	" 12 00		74 00

## PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

Cornwall.....	1862 8 00	Martintown.....	1862 6 00
Osnabruck.....	" 6 00		
Williamstown.....	" 6 00		39 00
L'Original and Hawkesbury...	" 4 00		

## PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

Nelson and Waterdown.....	1862 8 00	Simcoe.....	1862 5 00
Hamilton, St. Andrews.....	1861, '62 20 00		
			23 00

## PRESBYTERY OF NIAGARA.

Clifton.....	1862 4 00	Niagara.....	1862 6 09
Saltfleet and Binbrook.....	" 4 00		
			14 00

## PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

Fergus.....	1862 8 00	Galt.....	" 6 00
Woolwich.....	" 4 00		
Arthur.....	" 4 00		30 00
Guelph.....	" 8 00		

## PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

Goderich.....	1862 6 00	London.....	1862 4 00
Williams.....	" 4 00	Stratford.....	1860 4 00
Chatham.....	1861 5 00		
Wawanosh.....	1862 4 00		27 00

## PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.

South Gower... 1 of 1861, 1 of 1862	4 00	Huntly.....	1862 4 00
Pakenham.....	" 4 00	Richmond.....	1861 4 00
Kitley.....	1861 4 00	Middleville.....	1862 4 00
Perth.....	1862 8 00	Litchfield.....	" 4 00
Ramsay.....	" 5 00	Lanark.....	" 4 00
Ottawa.....	" 10 00	Oxford Mills.....	1861 4 00
Smith's Falls.....	" 4 00	Beckwith.....	1862 5 00
Brockville.....	" 8 00	Arnprior.....	1861, '62 8 00
MacNab and Horton.....	" 5 00		
Cumberland and Buckingham	" 4 00		93 00

## PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

Kingston.....	1862 12 00	Stirling.....	1862 4 00
Seymour.....	" 6 00		
Belleville.....	" 8 00		30 00
Sold Minutes, Deeds, and Acts of Synod.....			19 55
Extracts from Minutes of Synod and Dissents.....			4 12½
			13 67½
Total amount received.....			497 67½

## DISBURSEMENTS.

	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Synod Clerk's Salary, Balance of, for 1861.....	48	38		
Do. do. do. part payment for 1862.....	139	91½		
Cash paid Synod Clerk, for Postages, Stationery and other expenses incurred by him.....	7	76	196	05½
Church Officer, for attendance on Synod.....	10	00	10	00
Expenses incurred by Convener of Committee on Sabbath Schools....	1	00	1	50
Expenses incurred by Deputation to Goderich.				
Cash paid Mr. Macdonnell.....	6	00		
Do. Colonel Thomson.....	10	21	16	21
For printing, cash paid John Lovell.....	277	09		
Do. do. "Fergus Freeholder" office.....	4	50		
Do. do. "Bowmanville Statesman" office.....	2	00		
Do. do. Lovell & Gibson.....	4	75	288	25
Cash paid Rollo & Adam for Stationery, Ruling, &c.....	3	66	3	66
Postages and other expenses.....	3	75	3	75
Total amount disbursed.....			\$519	42½

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Balance on hand from 1861.....	99	53		
Amount received during 1862.....	497	62½	597	20½
Receipts.....			597	20½
Amount disbursed.....			519	42½
Balance on hand.....			77	78

## LIABILITIES.

	\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Due Synod Clerk, balance of Salary for 1862.....	90	08½		
Due to John Lovell, balance of account for printing.....	58	21	118	29½
Total amount due.....			118	29½

## LIST OF ARREARS DUE TO SYNOD FUND UP TO JUNE 1, 1863.

## PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

	\$	cts.		\$	cts.
Thorah.....1862	8	00	Pickering.....1862	5	00
W. Gwillimbury & Innisfil 4-5 of '62	4	00	Caledon.....½ of 1861, 1862	6	00
Yaughan.....1862	8	00			
Hornby.....1861, '62	8	00			37 00

## PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.

Point Levi.....1861, '62	8	00	Three Rivers.....1859, '60, '61, '62	16	00
Leeds and Inverness 1859, '60, 61, '62.....	16	00			40 00

## PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

Huntingdon.....½ of 1861, '62	8	00	Ormstown.....1861, '62	12	00
St. Louis de Gonzague. '60, '61, '62	12	00	Laprairie.....1859, '60, '61, '62	16	00
Beech Ridge.....1862	4	00			60 00
Russelltown.....1861, '62	8	00			

## PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

Lancaster.....1860, '61, '62	18	00	Indian Lands.....1860, '61, '62	12	00
Finch.....1861, '62	8	00	Plantagenet.....1859, '60, '61, '62	16	00
Williamsburgh.....1860, '61, '62	12	00			80 34
Matilda.....7-12 of 1862	2	34			
Dalhousie Mills.....1860, '61, '62	12	00			

## PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

Ancaster.....1860, '61, '62	12	00	Brantford.....1860, '61, '62	12	00
St. Johns, Hamilton.....1860, '61, '62	12	00			36 00

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### PRESBYTERY OF NIAGARA.

Dundas.....	1862 6 00	Beamsville.....	1860, '61, '62 12 00
			18 00

### PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

Paisley.....	1860, '61, '62 12 00
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### PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

Dorchester.....	1862 4 00	Woodstock and Norwich..	1858, '62 20 00
Westminster.....	1861, '62 8 00		
Chatham.....	1862 5 00		45 00
Stratford.....	1861, '62 8 00		

### PRESBYTERY OF BATHURST.

South Gower.....	1 of 1862 2 00	Chelsea.....	1 of 1862 1 34
Kitley.....	1862 4 00	Oxford Mills.....	1862 4 00
Richmond.....	" 4 00		
Bromley.....	1860, '61, '62 12 00		27 34

### PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

Wolfe Island.....	1862 4 00
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Total amount of arrears..... 359 68

P.S. Lancaster has paid \$8 of its indebtedness to the Fund since the accounts were closed.

All which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN BARCLAY, D. D.  
J. H. MACKERRAS.

For

JOHN CAMERON, *Treasurer.*

## APPENDIX C.

### MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

#### SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Board of Managers of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, submit the following report of their transactions for the year ending 1st April, 1863.

The Board have much satisfaction in stating that the Revenue from Congregational collections, though a little short of the preceding year, shews that congregations continue to manifest an undiminished interest in the prosperity of this most important scheme of the Church; the amount received being \$1343 31, the number of congregations who have not yet remitted their collections being 25 as per schedule A. When their collections are received the Board anticipates that the revenue from this source will equal that of any preceding year.

The amount of ministers' contributions for the year is \$1296, being \$72 more than last year.

Vacant charges, where Presbyteries were enjoined to take order that contributions should be made, but who have made no return, are 17 as per schedule B.

The Board have again to complain of the evils arising from such remissness, not only as it prevents the Board from submitting a full and

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complete statement of the condition and prospects of the trust, but also as it tends to introduce confusion into the management of the scheme. Some more stringent measures must be adopted than have hitherto been employed to ensure regularity in making and transmitting collections to the Treasurer. The Board would therefore beg to request the Synod, before giving a deliverance on this report, to appoint a committee of their number to confer with the Board on this matter, and also on the propriety of adopting certain standing rules in regard to investments, in order to render the practical working of the Scheme more easy and equitable than it has heretofore been.

The number of annuitants on the roll is seventeen, to whom \$1790 have been paid for the year. Two others will be added before the next term of payment, viz., Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Machar.

In a former Report it was stated that, in the opinion of the Board, the invested fund should be \$40,000 00, before an increase be made to existing annuities, with a reasonable hope of being able to maintain with regularity such increased rates. By last Report the amount of the

Invested fund was	\$35,171.81.
Arrears then due, since collected.....	67.00
Congregational collections for year.....	1,343.31.
Ministers' Contributions.....	1,296.00.
Interest on Investments (paid).....	1,889.62.
Discount on N. Y. Drafts.....	18.42.

Which is humbly submitted.

ALEX. MATHIESON, Chairman.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

*For year ending May, 1863.*

#### MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

##### *New Investments.*

1862.			
Dec. 11.	Loan.....	\$ 400 00	
1863.			
Jan. 27.	" .....	400 00	
Feb. 4.	" .....	1600 00	
May 11.	Ontario Bank Stock, and Prems.....	829 00	
"	Banque du Peuple do .....	860 00	
			\$4089 00

##### *Charges Account.*

1862.			
June 21.	Paid Gibb & Hunter .....	\$5 00	
July 27.	" J. Lovell, printing.....	12 75	
Dec. 20.	" Minute Book.....	7 00	
1863.			
April 15.	Paid Torrance & Morris.....	50 00	
	" Postages and Registrations for the		
	year.....	12 00	
May	" Accountant's services.....	100 00	
			\$186 75



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## Annuity Fund.

	1862. June.	1862. Dec.
Mrs. McGill .....	\$125 00	\$125 00
" Roach.....	65 00	65 00
" Dickey .....	40 00	40 00
" Mair.....	50 00	50 00
" Bryning .....	40 00	40 00
" King.....	40 00	40 00
" Brown.....	35 00	35 00
" McLean .....	65 00	65 00
" Ross.....	40 00	40 00
" E. Bell.....	50 00	50 00
" McLauren.....	65 00	65 00
" Milligan.....	65 00	65 00
" Smith.....	50 00	50 00
" Moody.....	50 00	50 00
" Lambie.....	25 00	25 00
" Anderson.....	50 00	50 00
" McLatchey, 2 half years.....		80 00
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	\$855 00	\$935 00
		855 00

Total Annuity paid for year..... \$1790 00

## Congregational Collections.

1863.

Jan. 7.	Quebec.....	Rev. Dr. Cook .....	\$100 00
	L'Orignal and Hawkesbury. "	G. D. Ferguson.....	13 65
8.	North Williamsburg.....	John Davidson .....	12 00
	Lanark.....	James Wilson.....	5 00
9.	North Georgetown .....	J. C. Muir, D.D.....	12 50
12.	Beauharnois .....	F. P. Sym.....	24 25
	St. Andrew's, Montreal.....	A. Mathieson, D.D..	120 00
	Valcartier .....	D. Shanks.....	4 00
15.	Clifton .....	George Bell.....	12 00
	Cornwall .....	H. Urquhart, D.D..	20 00
	Orms town.....	J. Sieveright .....	13 30
16.	Lindsay.....	W. Johnson.....	5 00
	Middleville and Dalhousie ..	W. C. Clarke.....	12 00
19.	Lachine.....	W. Simpson .....	19 00
	Spencerville.....	J. B. Mullan.....	6 00
	Arnprior .....	P. Lindsay .....	12 00
20.	Hamilton .....	Robt. Burnett.....	44 00
21.	St. Paul's Montreal.....	Wm. Snodgrass....	129 80
24.	do do .....	do. additional	5 00
22.	Arthur.....	John Whyte.....	6 00
	Martintown.....	James Mair.....	12 00
23.	Perth.....	Wm. Bain .....	17 55
	King West.....	James Carmichael..	11 00
	King.....	John Tawse .....	7 00
24.	Niagara.....	Charles Campbell..	21 00
	Ottawa.....	Alexander Spence..	25 60
27.	Osnabruck .....	Robert Dobie .....	12 00
	Williamstown .....	P. Watson .....	7 00

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	29.	Orangeville .....	Rev. W. E. McKay .....	3 00
	31.	Pakenham .....	" A. Mann .....	12 00
Feb.	2.	Melbourne .....	" T. G. Smith .....	24 00
	4.	Huntingdon .....	" A. Wallace .....	13 50
	5.	Hemmingford .....	" Jas. Patterson .....	12 50
		Chateauguay .....	" F. P. Sym .....	3 25
	7.	Saltfleet and Binbrook .....	" H. Niven .....	12 00
	9.	Goderich .....	" A. McKid .....	14 60
		Litchfield .....	" Jas. Evans .....	7 15
	10.	Lachine, in addition <i>G.D.W.</i> .....	" W. Simpson .....	2 00
	11.	Toronto .....	" John Barclay, D.D. .....	37 00
	13.	Guelph .....	" John Hogg .....	28 00
		Ross .....	" H. Cameron .....	5 00
		Westmeath .....	" do. ....	5 00
	14.	Ramsay .....	" John McMorine .....	14 00
	17.	Wawanosh .....	" Wm. Barr .....	5 00
	19.	Point St. Charles St. Mathew's Montreal .....	" Wm. Darrach .....	10 60
		Lancaster .....	" Thos. McPherson .....	9 25
	20.	Peterborough .....	" J. S. Douglass .....	20 00
	23.	Newmarket .....	" John Brown .....	12 00
	24.	Woolwich .....	" James Thom .....	8 00
	25.	Fergus .....	" George McDonald .....	24 00
		McNab and Horton .....	" George Thomson .....	20 95
		Scott and Uxbridge .....	" W. Cleland .....	5 00
	26.	St. Andrew's, Kingston .....	" Dr. Machar .....	74 60
	27.	Tossoronto .....	" A. McLennan .....	5 00
March	4.	Caledon, vacant .....	Elder Hugh McKinnon .....	2 00
		Wolfe Island .....	Rev. G. Porteous .....	5 00
	14.	Scarboro .....	" Jas. Bain .....	17 00
		Beckwith .....	" Walter Ross .....	8 00
		Galt .....	" Robt. Campbell .....	20 00
	16.	Markham .....	" James Gordon .....	12 00
	18.	Brock .....	" John Campbell .....	8 00
	21.	Cote St. George .....	" Archibald Currie .....	10 00
	31.	North Easthope .....	" William Bell .....	5 00
April	7.	Huntly .....	" James Sinclair .....	5 00
	9.	Mount Forrest .....	" John Hay .....	4 00
	13.	Whitby .....	" K. McLennan .....	14 72
		Darlington .....	" J. H. McKerras .....	12 00
	15.	Port Hope .....	" D. Camelon .....	8 00
		Stirling .....	" A. Buchan .....	10 00
	17.	Pickering .....	" Walter R. Ross .....	12 00
		Elden .....	" John McMurchy .....	14 00
		Thorah .....	" David Watson .....	16 00
	23.	Smith's Falls .....	" Solomon Mylne .....	4 00
	24.	Milton .....	" William Stewart .....	3 00
		Chatham, C.W. ....	" John Rannie .....	12 00
	25.	North Dorchester .....	" W. McEwen .....	6 00
May	4.	Lochiel .....	" John Darroch .....	7 29
		Chatham; C.E., & Grenville .....	" J. Black .....	12 00
		Nelson and Waterdown .....	" Dr. Skinner .....	14 00
		South Gower .....	" Jos. Anderson .....	4 00
		Simcoe .....	" M. W. Livingston .....	10 25
	8.	Nottawasaga .....	" John Campbell .....	12 00

\$1343 31

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### *Arrears due before last Annual Meeting.*

1862.			
May 23.	Finch .....	Rev. D. Munro.....	\$ 12 00
	Perth, additional .....	" W. Bain.....	1 00
26.	Arthur .....	" John Whyte.....	6 00
30.	Douglas .....	" W. T. Canning...	2 00
June 9.	Simcoe .....	" M. Livingstone...	12 00
July 15.	Point Levi.....	" D. Anderson.....	12 00
Sept. 5.	North Williamsburg .....	" John Davidson....	12 00
1863.			
Jan. 15.	Clifton.....	Rev. George Bell.....	10 00

Total arrears received..... \$ 67 00

Interest received since May, 1862..... \$1,889 62  
 New Investments..... 4,089 00

By Report, 1862, apparent Fund was ..... \$35,938 31

Say Invested..... \$35,171 81  
 Cash on hand..... 766 50  
\$35,938 31

### *Revenue, year ending May, 1863.*

Interest on Investments collected ..... \$1,889 62  
 Less rebate Interest..... 8 00  
\$1,881 62  
 Ministers' Contributions..... 1,296 00  
 Congregational Collections..... 1,343 31  
     do. do, arrears ..... 67 00  
 Discount on N. Y. Drafts..... 18 42  
\$4,606 35

### *Disbursements.*

Annuities to Widows..... \$1,790 00  
 Incidental Charges ..... 186 75  
 Loss on R.R. Bond..... 306 00  
2,282 75      2,323 60  
\$38,261 91  
 Now invested say cost.....\$38,066 81  
 Cash on hand..... 195 10  
 Present amount of Fund..... \$38,261 91

NOTE. The Interest account is in arrears, but owing to certain changes in contemplation and also as some interest is collected in advance, the difference will likely be but trifling.

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## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

### RECEIPTS, &c.

	1862.	1863.	Increase.	Decrease.
Balances at commencement each year ...	\$1,527 35	\$ 766 50	\$	\$ 760 85
Congregational collections, arrears.....	90 03	67 00		23 03
do. do. for the year.	1,444 64	1,343 31		101 23
Ministers' contributions .....	1,224 00	1,296 00	72 00	
Interest account .....	3,036 36	1,889 62		1,146 74
Returned Loans for reinvestment.....	600 00	888 00	288 00	
Charges account received for Dist. on N. Y. Drafts.....		18 42	18 42	
	<u>\$7,922 28</u>	<u>\$6,268 85</u>		

### DISBURSEMENTS, &c.

Sundry charges, Postages, Attorneys, and Accountant .....	195 97	186 75	9 22
Investments, new for the year.....	5,117 81	4,089 00	1,028 81
Annuities to Widows.....	1,806 00	1,790 00	16 00
Interest account returned.....	36 00	8 00	28 00
Balance in Bank.....	766 50	195 10	571 40
	<u>\$7,922 28</u>	<u>\$6,268 85</u>	

## SCHEDULE A.

*Ministers who have not sent in their Congregational Collections due since January, 1863.*

Presbytery of Quebec ...	Point Levi .....	Rev. D. Anderson.
" "	Leeds and Inverness....	" A. Forbes.
" Montreal.....	St. Louis de Gonzague..	" Jas. T. Paul.
" "	Beech Ridge .....	" John McDonald.
" "	Russeltown.....	" Wm. Masson.
" "	Dundee.....	" John Cameron.
" Glengary ....	Finch.....	" Donald Monro.
" "	Matilda.....	" Thos. Scott.
" Hamilton ....	Dundas.....	" James Herald.
" London ....	Westminster.....	" Jas. McEwen.
" "	Williams.....	" Robt. Stevenson.
" "	Bayfield and Varna....	" Hamilton Gibson.
" Bathurst ....	Kitley .....	" David Evans.
" "	Brockville.....	" Duncan Morrison.
" "	Cumberland & Buckingham	" P. Lindsay.
" "	Richmond .....	" Wm. White.
" "	Bromley .....	" Wm. T. Canning.
" "	Chelsea .....	" H. J. Borthwick.
" Kingston ....	Seymour.....	" Robt. Neill.
" "	Belleville.....	" A. Walker.
" Toronto ....	Chinguacousy .....	" Thos. Johnston.
" "	Mono .....	" Alex. Lewis.
" "	West Gwilliambury ....	" Wm. McKee.
" "	Vaughan .....	" Donald Ross.
" "	Clarke.....	" Jas. S. Mullan.

## SCHEDULE B.

*Vacant Charges or Congregations who have not sent in their collections.*

Presbytery of Quebec, .....	<i>Three Rivers.</i>
" Montreal, .....	<i>Laprairie.</i>
" " .....	<i>St. Eustache.</i>
" Glengary .....	<i>Indian Lands.</i>
" " .....	<i>Plantagenet.</i>
" Hamilton, .....	<i>Ancaster.</i>
" " .....	<i>Beamsville.</i>
" " .....	<i>St. John's Church, Hamilton.</i>
" " .....	<i>Brantford.</i>
" Guelph, .....	<i>Paisley.</i>
" London, .....	<i>Stratford.</i>
" " .....	<i>Woodstock and Norwich.</i>
" Bathurst, .....	<i>Oxford Mills.</i>
" Toronto, .....	<i>Mulmur.</i>
" " .....	<i>Cobourg.</i>
" " .....	<i>Dummer,</i>
" " .....	<i>Otonabee.</i>

JOHN GREENSHIELDS, *Treasurer.*

## APPENDIX D.

## REPORT OF FRENCH MISSION SCHEME.

*To the Reverend the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland.*

In presenting to the supreme court of the Church their report of the operations of the French Mission during the past year, your Committee would first submit some account of the labours of your missionaries and of the present state of their fields, and next notice the encouragement which the Church has enabled the Committee to extend to these devoted men.

The missionaries are, as formerly, two; namely, the Rev. Louis Baridon and the Rev. John E. Tanner.

Mr. Baridon continues in his old field, applying himself, your Committee believe, with all diligence to the vocation of an Evangelist, embracing the varied opportunities which, in the course of Providence, arise, to instruct and edify a poor, ignorant, and scattered people, and striving with strong faith and hope to communicate to them the precious knowledge and experience of the love which never faileth.

From his last report to the Committee the following information is gleaned.

SCIOTA.—A regular station; preaching fortnightly; about thirty French families, for many years out of the Church of Rome, now rooted and steady in the Bible's doctrines. There is no danger of any one of them returning to the Romish Babylon. Our meetings during the year have been held in the schoolroom or private houses, according to convenience of the attendants living at a distance. Many of them have no comfortable clothes nor shoes.

CHASY EAST.—Seven Protestant families. I preach to them when able. They gladly attend the meetings every time.

CHAMPLAIN.—No regular meetings here. Four French Protestant families are visited from time to time.

PERRY'S MILLS.—Six or eight Protestant families welcome me every time I visit them, which is regularly once a month.

**CENTREVILLE.**—Fifteen French Protestant families in the village and vicinity. Some are several miles from the village ; most of them poorly clad. Preaching every fortnight in the schoolroom, or in a farmhouse, according to convenience. I have good hope of this place, though the Romish priests do their best to keep their inconstant followers under subjection. There are several hundred French Canadian families, most of whom are accessible to me.

**MOOERS.**—This is my centre. I visit a few families that are Protestant, and others that are mixed. There is opportunity every day to talk to a small number on religious topics. We are also in communication with many Romish families, though it is not so easy as desirable to preach to them. Good has already been done, and we hope to do more.

Mr. Baridon has thus the oversight of at least seventy French Protestant families,—about the average number in the congregations adhering to the Synod. The circumstances of their situation obviously render congregational organization an impossibility ; but they form a group of churches, Though a scattered people, it is pleasing to think of them as a united charge. We ought to be thankful that our scheme has been the means of placing them under pastoral care, and providing them with gospel ordinances, while the amount of labour entailed upon the Missionary ought to command our prayerful sympathy and cheerful support. We will incur no small responsibility if we leave these people without some one to care for their spiritual interests. Should the Committee's fears in this respect be realised, it will be to them a melancholy satisfaction that they have repeatedly warned the Church of this evil.

Mr. Baridon's labours include all the duties of an ordained minister, more especially preaching, visiting the sick, and officiating at baptisms, marriages, and funerals. In the discharge of these, he considers himself bound, in the peculiar circumstances of his position, to improve the opportunities they afford of proclaiming the gospel. Besides all this, he feels himself called upon to be as much as possible among the Romish families ; for, as he observes, "These more than the others have need of the physician, because they are sick, very sick indeed, having never been directed to look upon Jesus, through whom they must be healed." There are also scattered in the woods here and there, many poor people, who have no religious help except what our missionary offers them. "They are as sheep," says he, "in the midst of wolves. They cannot read, have but few experiences in the Christian life, and are much exposed to the arrow of the subtle hunter." Mr. Baridon unites in himself, in an eminent degree, the offices of Pastor and Missionary.

Some affect to treat this effort as if it were more a name than a reality. For ourselves we know not what is wanting to substantiate its character convincingly in regard to the latter particular ; not extensiveness of field, not variety of operations, not abundance of self-sacrificing labours, not the faithfulness of a Missionary who has ever borne a good report, not precise and definite information—nothing we know of, except a kindlier interest and a heartier effort in its behalf. Far distant be the day when the Convener of this Committee, driven by the insufficiency of the Church's contributions, shall communicate to so worthy a labourer as Baridon that he is no longer in the employ of the Mission.

He (Mr. Baridon) knows the hankering after marvels of some minds ill-advised as to the perils of such an adventure,—knows it too well to be moved by its demands. This is good. But it is better still that he apprehends the nature of his work so thoroughly as to feel at once the need of patience and the privilege of encouragement. On these points we shall let him speak for himself in the concluding words of his annual report.

"It is possible that some one will ask, How many persons have been converted to the Gospel or drawn out of the Romish Church throughout the year. I know for certain and can testify in good faith that I have announced the counsel of God to a great number, both Catholics and Protestants, so far as it was possible for me to do it among a people unlearned, as you know, poor, and getting hardly their daily bread. So many misfortunes are unquestionably an obstacle to the spiritual progress of our French Canadian countrymen to become Protestant. This needs to be well understood, and it is easy to comprehend also why there are so few resounding their conversion from Rome to Protestantism. However, I know that many Catholics are become attentive to the truth, a few are enlightened, others strengthened, and many more, I fear, have heard good things joyfully without being better Christians for it.

"For sum ; we have preached the word, *the word of God* ; we have exhorted, warned, supplicated. Believers and unbelievers have heard it. The key of the heart is in God's hands.

"Our work is a work of faith and patience, not of a nature to make a great noise, having consequently few attractions for that class of Christians who are looking at all things through the eyeglass of worldly pride. Don't let us be discouraged."

We turn now to the French Protestant Congregation in Montreal under the charge of the Rev. John E. Tanner. It has been a year of trial to both minister and people. The latter have had to bear the loss of many members ; the former has suffered much from ill health and also from severe domestic affliction. Mrs. Tanner died in February last. In her husband's labours she took much interest, of which one of her latest acts—the bequeathing of four hundred dollars for the benefit of the congregation—is a noble proof. The following statements from Mr. Tanner's report are so exact and full that they leave nothing to be added in the way of information, while they are sufficiently hopeful and encouraging to enlist the active sympathy of the friends of the mission.

"Since the last assembly of the Synod the religious services of the French Canadian Presbyterian Church of Montreal have been as formerly—every Sabbath morning and evening. The attendance has been from about twenty to sixty persons. Besides myself, the Rev. Mr. Doudiet has preached often, as also lately the Rev. Mr. Wolff—the first, formerly a Missionary of the French Canadian Missionary Society, the latter its general Secretary before the Rev. Mr. Kemp assumed that office.

Some time ago the Rev. Mr. Cyr, pastor of the French Canadian Baptist Church of Montreal, thinking to go on a journey, asked me our hospitality for his congregation. Believing it to be very important for Christians to be united, though they differ in secondary views, I thought it my duty to grant him his request. Since then both congregations have met together, and till now are mutually benefited.

Our prayer meetings are twice a week, on Tuesday and Friday evenings—attendance from eight to twenty-five persons.

The attendance at Sabbath School has varied from four to twelve several children not being able to attend regularly during the winter for want of shoes and warm clothing.

Our membership has changed a good deal. During the year we have lost ten members. Two died in the precious peace which faith in the Lord Jesus Christ produces. One left this world miserably, having gone back to a former vice, drunkenness ; the other seven have left Montreal, being obliged to do so for want of employment. These ten have been replaced by thirteen others. Nine of them have been admitted to the Lord's Supper for the first time ; one was formerly a member of the late

Rev. Mr. Lapelletrie's congregation, who for years led a godless life, but has repented and found again pardon by faith. The three others are ancient members, who, having returned to Montreal, have united again with us. So that notwithstanding our loss, we number thirty-two communicants, three more than a year ago. Seventeen of them were formerly Roman Catholics and fourteen are French Canadians.

A great drawback to our missionary work is our poverty, which makes it impossible for us to relieve our suffering poor as we ought. Another is, that our people, who do not understand English, have trouble in finding work among English Protestants, and as very few French Roman Catholics will employ them, some are obliged to go elsewhere, in order to avoid starvation or beggary.

We feel thankful to God and the Synod for the erection of our neat little church. We have occupied the lower part of it since the beginning of the year till lately. We now assemble in the upper flat though it has not yet been formally opened. We hope and pray it may become a place where many souls shall find salvation by the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus Christ our Lord."

In their last report your Committee intimated that Messrs. Baridon and Tanner had been sent on a missionary tour to some of the townships on the banks of the Ottawa, and that the latter had also been appointed to visit the township of Bayfield, on lake Huron shore, at the solicitation and for the most part at the expense of Protestant French Canadians living there, who had children to be baptized, and otherwise felt their need of the ministrations of the Gospel. The result shows that there is much to be done, were the means employed, to supply the French Canadians in these quarters with the light and knowledge they are seeking more and more. The limits of this report will not allow particulars to be given, but, as a specimen, it may be noticed that Mr. Baridon gives an interesting account of a six day's sojourn at Grenville, where he held meetings with Protestants and Catholics concerning the doctrines of the Bible, every evening until past midnight, and at length left them much interested in the Gospel. If we could have sent a missionary there, it would have been a most desirable extension of the mission. The French Canadian Missionary society very soon took the field, and has now a missionary at work in it.

From this report of the labours of the missionaries and the present condition of their work, the true friends of the mission will gather much that is encouraging. But looking now to the financial department of the scheme, the feelings it occasions are a heavy weight in the other scale, the disheartening effect of which, continued year after year, the Committee are left to realize and lament, with scarcely a single indication of improvement. The circular issued in intimation of the Synodical appointment of a collection, to be made on the 5th of April last, has been responded to by thirty congregations, *considerably less than one third of the number on the Roll*. The whole revenue has been \$612.78, not quite \$63 in excess of that of last year when a falling off, from the receipts of the preceding year, of more than that amount was reported ; while the addition to the ordinary expenditure of a donation of \$200 to Mr. Tanner, which is all he has received from the fund, leaves the Treasurer with less than the balance on hand at the commencement of the year, by \$178. Your Committee have no fault to find with the collections received ; some of them are very gratifying indeed ; and did the non-contributing churches give at the same rate, or even less, the fund could be reported in a flourishing condition. What the Committee do complain of is the evidence on which they are forced to believe that congregations do not get an opportunity of contributing—a circumstance which they are unable to account for, except upon grounds, the thought of which is far



from agreeable. A scheme of this kind to be at all successful depends, of necessity, upon the favouring opinion and pecuniary support of the people at large, and an opportunity of contributing, after its nature and claims are submitted to them, is the most satisfactory method of ascertaining their judgment in regard to it. Were it certain that the majority of congregations, from whom nothing has been received, refuse to give in response to the appointment of Synod and the appeals issued by the Committee, the conclusion that they are not favourable to the scheme, or that they are unable to do anything for it, would be warranted. Until assured of this, your Committee are of opinion that the time has fully come for concluding, that notwithstanding your annual appointment of a Board of Management, and your unanimous reception of their reports, there is but a small section of the members of Synod who feel it to be their duty to enlist the sympathies of their people in behalf of the enterprise, and that therefore its affairs should be forthwith wound up, or committed to others who will manage them more successfully.

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

*Congregational Collections, from 23rd May, 1862, to 6th April, 1863.*

Bayfield and Varna, Rev. H. Gibson,.....	\$ 3 00	Lancaster, Rev. T. Macpherson,...	6 00
Beauharnois, Rev. F. P. Sym.,...	6 25	Markham, Rev. J. Gordon,.....	20 00
Beckwith, Rev. W. Ross,.....	4 00	Milton, Rev. W. Stewart,.....	3 00
Bowmanville, Rev. J. H. Mackerras,	5 00	Mono, Rev. A. Lewis,.....	4 00
Bromley, Rev. W. T. Canning,....	1 35	Montreal, St. Matthews, Rev. W. Darrach,.....	7 25
Clarke, Rev. J. S. Mullan,.....	6 00	North Easthope, Rev. W. Bell,....	4 00
Cornwall, Rev. H. Urquhart, D.D.	16 00	Orangeville, Rev. W. E. Mackay,...	5 00
Dundas, Rev. J. Herald,.....	6 65	Orms town, Rev. J. Sieveright,....	13 80
Georgetown, Rev. J. C. Muir, D.D.	7 00	Pakenham, Rev. A. Mann,.....	6 00
Guelph, Rev. J. Hogg,.....	18 00	Perth, Rev. Wm. Bain,.....	13 79
Huntingdon, Rev. A. Wallace,....	6 00	Stirling, Rev. A. Buchan,.....	12 00
Huntly, Rev. J. Sinclair,.....	5 00	Williams, Rev. R. Stevenson,....	4 50
King, Rev. J. Tawse,.....	4 00		
Kingston, per the late Dr. Machar,	17 32		\$232 60
Do. collected at prayer meetings	27 68		

*From 6th April to 23rd May, 1863.*

Arnprior, Rev. P. Lindsay,.....	\$ 6 00	Middleville, Rev. W. Clark,.....	7 00
Beauharnois, Rev. F. P. Sym.,....	8 25	Milton, Rev. W. Stewart,.....	2 25
Chatham, C. W., Rev. J. Rannie,...	5 00	Mono, Rev. A. Lewis,.....	5 00
Fergus, Rev. G. Macdonnell,....	22 55	Montreal, St. Paul's, Rev. W. Snodgrass,.....	83 45
Galt, Rev. R. Campbell,.....	12 00	Niagara, Rev. C. Campbell,.....	12 00
Guelph, Rev. J. Hogg,.....	24 00	North Easthope, Rev. W. Bell,....	8 00
King, Rev. J. Tawse,.....	4 00	Nottawasaga, Rev. J. Campbell,...	5 00
Kitley, Rev. D. J. McLean,.....	8 00	Pakenham, Rev. A. Mann,.....	4 00
Lachine, Rev. W. Simpson,.....	9 70	Perth and Bathurst Rev. W. Bain	17 27
Lanark, Rev. J. Wilson,.....	5 25	Peterboro, Rev. J. S. Douglas,...	10 00
Lancaster, Rev. T. Macpherson,...	6 00	Stirling, Rev. A. Buchan,.....	10 00
Lindsay, Rev. W. Johnson,.....	3 00	Toronto, Rev. J. Barclay, D.D.,...	29 00
Litchfield, Rev. J. Evans,.....	1 00	West King, Rev. J. Carmichael,...	10 00
L'Original and Hawkesbury, G. D. Ferguson,.....	8 00	Woolwich, Rev. J. Thom,.....	4 00
MacNab and Horton, Rev. G. Thomson,.....	8 00		\$343 72
Martintown, Rev. J. Mair,.....	6 00		

## DONATIONS.

A widow in Guelph,.....	\$ 1 00	St. Joseph Street Mission Sabbath School	\$ 5 21
Sundry subscriptions received by Rev. J. Tanner, at Goderich, Hay, Stephens, and Bayfield.	25 25	Rev. L. Baridon,.....	5 00
			\$36 46

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Balance on hand May 23, 1862...	280 56	Postage and stationery,.....	\$ 8 19
Congregational collections.....	576 32	Printing, Lovell's acc.....	16 25
Donations.....	36 46	Travelling expenses of Messrs.	
		Baridon and Tanner to Ottawa,	
		and of Mr. Tanner to Bayfield,	66 34
		Rev. L. Baridon's salary to 1st	
		June next.....	500 00
		Rev. J. E. Tanner, donation,.....	200 00
		Balance on hand, .....	102 56
	\$893 34		\$893 34

Montreal 23rd May, 1862

ARCHD. FERGUSON,  
Treasurer.

## FRENCH MISSION CHURCH, MONTREAL.

In their last report your Committee proposed the erection of a Church upon the Mission lot in Dorchester Street, Montreal, according to a plan the estimates for which were at least \$4000. The amount required over and above the Reserve Fund then on hand was a little more than half the estimated cost, and it was suggested that it might be obtained by a subscription of small sums, averaging in amount \$24 for each of the hundred congregations on the Synod Roll, a sum which the Committee thought would not fall heavily upon the people, or interfere perceptibly with any of their ordinary obligations. In your deliverance upon this proposal you were pleased to remit to the Committee to proceed with it at their discretion, and you were further pleased, earnestly to commend it to the support of the congregations. As soon as arrangements could be completed, your Committee, having confidence in the success of the plan thus sanctioned, proceeded to issue circulars and subscription sheets, and shortly thereafter to commence building operations. Thinking that returns would be received in the course of a few months, the Treasurer kindly advanced what was necessary in addition to the reserve fund to forward the work, and it went rapidly on. To the regret of the Committee it soon became apparent, however, that the anticipated interest was not taken in the project either by the ministers or the people, or both, at least the few and tardy receipts indicated as much to them. Renewed appeals were made in vain, and the consequence was that the building ceased to advance so rapidly as at first, and the time of its expected completion went far past. The continued indulgence of the Treasurer, however, has enabled the Committee to see the enterprise all but finished, and it is now arranged that the Church will, (D.V.) be publicly opened next Sabbath, and it is thought that the opportunity, which the members of the Synod may embrace, of being present at the afternoon service, will have its advantage, by interesting them, and through them their people, in what remains to be accomplished in liquidating the debt. Only seventeen Congregations have as yet responded to the Committee's appeal and the Synod's recommendation, and for the prompt and liberal manner in which most of these transmitted their contributions the Committee desire to record their warmest thanks.

The whole amount spent, as will be seen by reference to the appended statement, is very little above the minimum estimate, but as there are still some payments to be made, and as a little additional expenditure will have to be incurred before the building is suitably enclosed and thoroughly finished internally, it is believed that about \$700 more will be required. In the meantime it is submitted to the eighty congregations which have made no pecuniary investment in this important undertaking, that they might with scarcely an effort supply the balance reported as due to the Treasurer. A very little more than an

ordinary Sabbath day collection from each is all that is needed ; let it not be said that this will fail to be forthcoming in the course of a few weeks.

With reference to the tenure of this property, it has hitherto been held in trust by the Rev. Dr. Mathieson. A deed is in course of preparation as far as practicable in accordance with the instructions of Synod, 1845, renewed in 1851, and the original design with which the reserve fund now expended upon the property was collected ; and it is hoped that a draft of said deed may be submitted for the approval of this Synod.

In conclusion your Committee express their thankfulness that this long projected scheme is so far advanced, that the first French Protestant Church in Montreal has been erected, and a door thereby opened for the French Canadians in the City of Montreal to hear the Gospel ; and they further express their ardent prayerful hope, that the Lord, who hath desired Zion for his habitation, will in this house bless her provision and abundantly satisfy her poor with bread.

All which is respectfully submitted in name and by appointment of the Committee.

W. SNODGRASS, *Convener.*

#### BUILDING FUND.

##### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, May 23rd 1862. \$	50 15	Interest of MacNaughton's mortgage on Sorel property.....	24 00
3 Shares Montreal Bank Stock sold at 16½ per cent.....	691 00	Sale of Mortgage on Sorel Property, .....	371 86
3 Shares do. do. at 16½ do.....	699 00		
Sale of Old Building on Mission lot.....	50 00		1886 01

##### Congregational Contributions.

Beckwith, per Rev. W. Ross....	4 00	Montreal, St. Paul's, collected by Messrs. Tanner and Christie,	257 50
Brockville, per Rev. D. Morrison	26 82	Mulmur, per Rev. A. McLennan,	18 83
Cornwall, per Rev. Dr. Urquhart.	16 00	Tossoronto Sab. School do.	17 55
Eldon, per A. Macpherson, Esq.,	5 00	Oxford Mills, per Rev. W. T. Canning.....	5 57½
Fergus, per Rev. G. Macdonnell,	11 70	Do. Bishop's Mills do.	2 95½
Galt, per Rev. R. Campbell.....	7 00	Pakenham, per Rev. A. Mann..	2 00
Hemmingford, per Rev. J. Paterson.....	15 12	Perth, per Rev. W. Bain.....	17 26
Kingston, per John Paton, Esq..	86 75	Whitby, per Rev. K. MacLennan collected by Miss L. Dow,..	25 50
Lochiel, per Rev. J. Darroch,...	16 00		
Melbourne, per Rev. T. G. Smith,	25 00		822 81
Montreal, St. Andrew's, collected by Messr. Tanner and Goudie,	262 25		

##### Donations and Individual Subscriptions.

Fergus Ladies' Association.....	10 00	Mis Jane Dawes, Lachine.....	5 00
Perth Missionary Society.....	13 80	Rev. L. Baridon, Sciota,.....	5 00
James Aitken, Esq., Montreal,...	2 00		
Mrs. Thomas Wilson, do. ....	4 00		49 80
Thomas Dawes, Esq., Lachine,...	10 00		

Collected by R. M. Murray, Glasgow, Scotland.

John Walker,.....£2 stg.		Total Receipts.....	2787 82
John Houston,.....2 "		Balance due the Treasurer.....	1231 53
John Cameron.....1 "			
A. A. Ferguson.....1 "	\$29 20		\$4019 35

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Mavor & Wand, masons..	\$1590 00	Paid for coke, for heating Church,	19 00
" E. Maxwell, carpenter.....	1597 06	" Labour attending stoves,...	10 00
" Reid & Co., slaters,.....	316 97	" Gibb & Hunter, notarial	
" McGinnis & Co., plasterers..	150 00	services.....	5 00
" G. Nunn, painter.....	200 00	" Telegraphing to Kingston..	3 65
" Lawford & Nelson, archi'ts,	100 00	" For remittance from Brock-	
" Insurance .....	17 00	ville.....	0 17
" Lithographic view of the			
Church.....	10 50		
			\$4019 35

ARCHD. FERGUSON,  
*Treasurer.*

Montreal, 23rd May, 1863.

## APPENDIX E.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1862-63.

The Committee beg leave to report,—

That they have during the year been engaged in correspondence with the Conveners, respectively of the Jewish and Colonial Committees of the Church of Scotland, with the view of co-operating with these Committees in Missionary operations.

The Jewish Committee suggest Beyrout as a field to be occupied, being a station where there is a Scottish population, among whom the Missionary could labour in part. The Jewish Committee will, it is expected, aid in the support of a Missionary there to the extent of £100 sterling, and local assistance may also be looked for, while eventually the advantage of the Consular Act would be obtained. Moreover, the Missionary could stately visit Jerusalem, and thus with Dr. Aiton's consent, which, it is understood, would be given, the money collected by him might be appropriated in aid of the Mission. It is hoped that the Synod of New Brunswick would also assist in the support of this effort. The negotiations are still pending for the establishment of this Mission, but with good prospect of success. The Committee ask authority to continue their negotiations and would remind the Synod that the possession of funds entails upon the Synod the duty of appropriating them in conformity with the purposes for which they were obtained.

The Colonial Committee are prepared to co-operate with the Synod in Missionary work, but prefer Ceylon for immediate occupation; and it is suggested that the Synod of Nova Scotia should be invited to unite with this Synod, in a Missionary enterprise in that country.

Jaffna is pointed out as the locality best suited for the purpose. There are six Ministers of the Church of Scotland in Ceylon, and correspondence is now going on for the possession of a fine old Dutch Church at Jaffna, so that there is the prospect of having a resident minister there, which would be an advantage. The friends of the church in the colony would aid the Mission; and, with assistance from the Colonial Committee, and the co-operation of the Nova Scotian Synod, the scheme is one of easy attainment. The salary of a Missionary at Jaffna would require to be £300 sterling, but native helpers would, when required, be had at much less cost. The Treasurer's Report is also submitted.

The Committee trust that by the combination of these different sources of support, the Synod may be enabled to enter upon promising Missionary efforts, and so do somewhat, to obey the command of the Master to preach the Gospel to every living creature.

ALEXANDER MORRIS, *Treasurer.*

## ALEXANDER MORRIS, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH JEWISH AND FOREIGN MISSION.

*Dr.*

To balance from last account..	\$2168 99	Orangeville, per Rev. W. E. McKay.....	3 00
May, 1862. To received from—		Pakenham, per Rev. A. Mann.....	5 50
Georgetown, per Rev. J. C. Muir.....	8 00	Wolfe Island, per Rev. G. Porteous.....	5 00
Dundas, per Rev. J. Herald.....	4 10	Chinguacousy, per Rev. T. Johnson.....	3 00
Uxbridge, per E. Bascom.....	6 00	Galt, Per Rev. R. Campbell.....	10 00
Arthur, per Rev. J. Whyte.....	4 00	Nottawasaga, per Rev. J. Campbell.....	8 00
Peterboro, per Rev. J. S. Douglas.....	5 00	Nelson, per T. Cooper.....	16 00
Arnprior, per Rev. P. Lindsay.....	10 00	Matilda, per Rev. T. Scott.....	1 00
Huntingdon, per Rev. A. Wallace.....	5 20	Hamilton, per G. A. Young.....	29 78
Litchfield, per Rev. J. Evans.....	13 00	South Gower, per Rev. J. Anderson.....	4 00
Lanark, per P. McLaren.....	5 20	Port Hope, per Rev. D. Camelon.....	10 00
Beauharnois, per Rev. F. P. Sym.....	8 00	St. Andrews church.....	
Perth, per Rev. W. Bain.....	43 22	Hamilton, per Jas. Hutchison.....	30 00
Whitby, per W. McPherson.....	6 00	Cornwall, per Rev. Dr. Urquhart.....	8 00
Fergus, per Rev. G. McDonnell.....	12 00	Interest from Savings Bank.....	50 84
St. Paul's, Montreal, per J. M. Ross.....	64 73		\$2577 56
King West, per Rev. J. Carmichael.....	10 00		
Beckwith, per Rev. J. McMorine.....	4 00		
Martintown, per P. W. Conroy.....	10 00		
Lachine, per T. Allan.....	6 00		

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1862.			
August 8.—By undercharged, remittance of November, 1861.....	\$1 11		
By Discount, American and Lower Province Notes.....	4 55		
By Postages, &c.....	6 19		
By paid Insurance.....	39 48		
By balance.....	2526 23		
		\$2577 56	

To balance in hand.....\$2526 23

ALEXANDER MORRIS, *Treasurer.*

F. & O. E.  
Montreal, May, 1863.

N. B.—Owing to the absence of the Treasurer this account was not submitted to the Synod.

## APPENDIX F.

## REPORT ON BURSARY SCHEME.

The Committee on the Bursary Scheme beg leave to submit their Annual Report.

The following sums in aid of students for the ministry have been received since last Report.

Colonial Committee, £50 stg.....	\$245 00
St. Andrew's University Missionary Association.....	48 67
Aberdeen do do do.....	34 06
Toronto Endowment Scholarship.....	49 00
St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, April 9th, 1862.....	64 00
do do do February, 27th, 1863.....	64 00
Quebec.....	50 00
Hamilton.....	43 25
Belleville.....	10 00
Milton.....	3 10
Brockville.....	20 00
Arnprior.....	5 00

Kingston.....	28 00
Valcartier.....	2 00
Perth.....	20 60
Spencerville.....	16 00
Cornwall.....	40 00
Ross and Westmeath .....	5 00
Anonymous for a French Mission Bursary.....	40 00
Hugh Allan, Esq.....	50 00

\$838 28

From the printed College Accounts it will be seen that the expenditure has this year exceeded the income by \$81.63; that we are indebted to the munificence of the Parent Church for considerably more than one third of the amount placed in the hands of your Committee; and that only fourteen of our own congregations have contributed to a Fund which is set apart for assisting in the education of Canadian clergymen.

During the last Session of the University, aid was given to twenty-seven students. The aid afforded was so far from being superfluous, that even after receiving it, several of them were scarcely able to meet their expenses. It was not intended to supersede their exertions for their own maintenance; and it had not this effect. All who were assisted are spending the College Recess laboriously and usefully either as catechists or as teachers.

Of the twenty-seven Bursars, nine were Arts Students, who purpose entering the Hall when they complete the curriculum of Literature and Philosophy. Before being placed on the list they are required to sign a declaration, that they intend studying for the ministry, and that if they change their intention, they will refund the moneys they receive from your Committee. There is a risk in aiding such students; for in former years several who came to the University with the sacred calling in view, were induced to turn aside to one or other of the more lucrative professions. It would be wrong, however, to reject all applications from them, for they sometimes find it even more difficult to pay their way when pursuing their Arts course, than after they have joined the Divinity classes.

Ten of the Bursaries were competed for under the name of Scholarships. They were established by the congregations of Toronto, Hamilton, and St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, by the Missionary Associations of the Universities of Aberdeen and St. Andrew's, and by Hugh Allan, Esq.

The longer the experience of your Committee, the more fully are they impressed with the importance of the duty with which they have been intrusted, and the more deeply do they regret the apathy of most of our congregations in cooperating with them. They hope that the Synod will again appoint a collection to be taken up on the second Sabbath of February, and will urge our ministers and people to support the Bursary Scheme with greater liberality. To such an extent have we already had to encroach on the income of next year, that if larger contributions are not made to the Fund, several of our most valuable students, who, through the aid they have received from it, had been enabled to pay their way at College, will be cast entirely upon their own resources; and finding the remuneration for their summer labour to be quite inadequate for their support during the whole of the year, will probably be compelled to abandon the University, and make choice of some secular pursuit. It is to be hoped, that your Bursary Committee in their next Report will have the satisfaction of announcing, that in compliance with the injunction of the Synod, at least four times fourteen congregations have manifested

an interest in those who are struggling, in the face of many discouragements, to fit themselves for the glorious work of the gospel ministry.

There would be an advantage in two or more congregations uniting their contributions to form a distinct bursary—the bursary to be called by the name of the donors, and the recipient to give to them an account of his studies and occupations. The contribution of a single congregation has sometimes been sufficient for the purpose—the value of a bursary seldom exceeding forty dollars.

Your Committee also beg leave to suggest that the Synod would renew its recommendation, that on the above-named day special prayer be made for Queen's College by our congregations, and the claims of the gospel ministry urged upon those who have the gifts and graces suitable for its right discharge. There can be no doubt, that the character of many of our ministers will be greatly affected by the influence exerted on them by an Institution, at which they spend a large portion of their lives, during the period when their minds are most easily moulded ; and therefore Queen's University ought to be affectionately remembered in the prayers of all who have the interests of our beloved Church at heart. There can be as little doubt that not a few of our pious and talented young men, who now engage in secular employments, would devote themselves to the ministry, if the claims of that sacred office upon them and the facilities supplied by Queen's University for carrying on their preparatory studies were prominently and frequently brought before them.

All which is respectfully submitted in name and behalf of the Committee.

J. B. MOWAT, Convener.

June 1st, 1863.

## APPENDIX G.

### REPORT ON THE INDIAN ORPHANAGE SCHEME AND JUVENILE MISSION.

The Treasurer has much satisfaction in again submitting to the Synod a statement of his accounts for the past year, and also a brief report upon the position and prospects of this humble, though, it is hoped, useful scheme.

Since last report the receipts have been as follows :—

For the support of orphans,.....	\$479 20
Canadian or Calcutta school,.....	127 15
Further towards Miss Hebron's present,.....	5 00
For the Scottish Ladies' Association,.....	5 00
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	\$616 35

The receipts of the scheme since its commencement may be stated as follows :—

For year ending May 1856,.....	\$117 50
“ “ 7,.....	392 70
“ “ 8,.....	542 00
“ “ 9,.....	477 53
“ “ 1860,.....	427 75
“ “ 1,.....	505 22
“ “ 2,.....	759 33
“ “ April 3,.....	616 35

Total receipts since commencement,..... \$3838 38

The income of the scheme this year shows some little diminution, which however cannot be said to result from falling off either in point of interest or of support. Several of the Sabbath schools of our Church in New Brunswick have found it more convenient to remit their contributions to Edinburgh instead of to the Treasurer here, which will account for a portion of the deficiency; and it may be added that the accounts are necessarily closed this year a month earlier than usual, leaving a few contributions unpaid.

#### ORPHANAGES.

These are now four in number, Sealkote in the Punjaub having been lately added to the list. The institutions are all supported by the Ladies' Association for Female Education in India, which enjoys the fullest confidence of our India Mission Committee as well as of the whole Church. At each of the stations, the superintendence of the Church of Scotland missionaries and chaplains is kindly given to the orphanages. The number of orphans supported in connection with this scheme now amounts to 29, of whom 2 are boys; and the stated reports and accounts of these are almost uniformly satisfactory and pleasing. A few years since the plan of educating heathen children in this manner was an untried experiment, and was even regarded with great doubt by many warm friends of missions. Such is no longer the case. From these institutions are now being drawn female teachers, whose aid is found to be invaluable, and who have ready access to classes of the native population, especially of their own sex, who hitherto had never been reached by the gospel or its missionaries. Not a few of our own schools have the exceeding pleasure of knowing that orphan girls, supported by them, are now labouring with diligence and success in the great work of evangelizing India. Thus is the influence of Sabbath school children in distant Canada brought to bear upon the millions of their heathen fellow subjects.

#### CANADIAN SCHOOL.

Under the care of Miss Hebron, at Calcutta, this interesting school continues to prosper. Boyhonto has proved a valuable teacher, and his wife Jessie is most successful in gaining the attention of the younger children. It is pleasing to learn that the attendance at our school is only limited by the capacity of the building. Could we afford a larger school and an increased staff of teachers, there would be no lack of scholars. Many of our Sabbath schools being unable to afford the \$20 required for the support of an orphan, they are invited to unite with others in the support of this school. In order to fix the interest of Sabbath scholars upon individuals, the Canadian school has been divided into classes of 4 or 5, and one of these classes can be appropriated to any Sabbath school contributing \$10.

#### THE JUVENILE PRESBYTERIAN.

Through the kindness of the Lay Association of Montreal this interesting little paper continues to render most valuable aid to the mission, and to afford a channel for communicating to the great majority of our Sabbath schools all the information from India or elsewhere which the Treasurer receives.

#### CONCLUSION.

The Treasurer begs anew to convey his heartfelt thanks to the many ministers and office-bearers of our Church, both in Canada and the Lower Provinces, who have so kindly and cordially co-operated with him. The heavy correspondence connected with the scheme has thus





**STATEMENT OF REMITTANCE TO JOHN WRIGHT, ESQ., EDINBURGH,  
TREASURER LADIES' ASSOCIATION FOR FEMALE EDUCATION IN  
INDIA, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S  
COMMITTEE.**

Remitted For support of Orphans.....	£98 00 0 Stg.
" To purchase present for an Orphan (Pharos).....	7 6 "
" For support of Canadian School at Calcutta, from 1 Sept., 1863, to 1 Sept., 1864, .....	30 00 0 "
" From Mrs. Paton, Kingston, subscription to Ladies Asso- ciation for Female Education.....	1 00 0 "
" News of Female Missions.....	12 0 "
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Bill of Exchange, ... \$646 99 at 12 per cent. ....	£129 19 6 "
Also remitted for Gunn Deen and Kaim Ullah, .....	£ 8 00 0 "
Bill of Exchange, .... 12 per cent. \$39 82	

**LIST OF ORPHANS, WITH NAMES, &c., OF SUPPORTERS.**

No.	BY WHOM SUPPORTED	PLACE.	ORPHAN'S NAME.	ORPHANAGE.
1	St And. Ch. Sabbath Sch.	Kingston, .....	Margaret Machar, .....	Calcutta, .....
2	" " "	" " " " " " " " " "	Hannah Tooney, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
3	" " "	Toronto, .....	Not yet advised, .....	Madras, .....
4	" " "	Fergus, .....	Anna, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
5	" " "	Hamilton, .....	Mary Esprunse, .....	Bombay, .....
6	" " "	Perth, .....	Jessie Fraser Bain, .....	Madras, .....
7	Cong'tion and S. School.	Scarboro', .....	Antonia, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
8	St. And. Ch. Sab. School.	Quebec, .....	Marion Chinaya, .....	Bombay, .....
9	St. John's Ch. S. School.	Brockville, .....	Elizabeth Antonia, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
10	St Andrew's " " "	Hamilton, .....	Mary Hamilton, .....	Calcutta, .....
11	Sabbath School, .....	Markham, .....	Keren Happuch, .....	Madras, .....
12	Cong'tion and S. School.	Ottawa, .....	Esthma, .....	Bombay, .....
13	Mrs. Bissett, Vancouver	British Columbia, .....	Tegee, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
14	Sab. School, Fredericton	New Brunswick, .....	Janet Brooke, .....	Madras, .....
15	" " "	Martintown, .....	Sarah Mair, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
16	St. James S. S., C. Town	P. E. Island, .....	Rachel, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
17	St. Andrew's Sab. School	Montreal, .....	Phoebe, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
18	St. Paul's " " "	" " " " " " " " " "	Elizabeth, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
19	ab. School, Chatham	Miramichi, N. B., .....	Susannah, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
20	St. And Sabbath School	Seymour, .....	Ruth, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
21	Sabbath School, .....	Portsmouth, .....	Peggie, .....	Calcutta, .....
22	" " " " " " " " " "	Miramichi, N. B., .....	Helen Chinamai, .....	Bombay, .....
23	St. And. Sabbath School	St. Johns, N. B., .....	Catharine Donald, .....	Calcutta, .....
24	St. Matthew's " " "	Montreal, .....	Gunn Deen, .....	Sealkote, .....
25	Sabbath School, .....	Pictou, N. S., .....	Lydia, .....	Calcutta, .....
26	Family of R. Cassels, Esq.	Toronto, .....	Jessie Cassels, .....	Madras, .....
27	Ladies' and Cong'tion	Milton, .....	Pharos Milton, .....	Sealkote, .....
28	St. Matthew's S. School	Montreal, .....	Kaim Ullah, .....	" " " " " " " " " "
29	Sab. School, Chatham	Chatham, .....		
	Archerfield Miss. Box...	Archerfield, .....		
29	J. D. Mason, C. Town.	P. E. Island, .....	Papa, .....	Bombay, .....

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.**

Receipts.		Disbursements.	
For Orphans per statement, .....	\$479 20	Remittance per statement, .....	\$646 99
" Canadian School, .....	127 15	Cost of Present for Miss Hebron (as contributed), .....	39 82
" Miss Hebron's present, .....	5 00	Paid for Photographs, .....	12 72
From Mrs. Paton for Ladies' Association, .....	5 00	Indian and Canadian Postages, &c. &c., .....	4 00
Balance from last year, .....	184 70	Stationery, .....	35 39
		Balance on hand, .....	10 00
	\$801 05		52 13
			\$801 05

1863, 6th April.—To balance \$52 13.  
Kingston, Canada West.

JOHN PATON,  
Treasurer to the Synod.

## APPENDIX H.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, 1863.

*To the Reverend the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in Connection with the Church of Scotland :*

The Committee on Sabbath Observance beg to report, that with the view of carrying out the instructions of Synod, they have, in course of the past year, addressed communications on the important subject of Sabbath Observance to the Grand Trunk Railway, the Great Western Railway, the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Companies, and the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company.

In these communications, while conveying the thanks of the Synod, in accordance with the deliverance of last meeting, to those Companies who replied favorably to a previous communication addressed to them, for their co-operation in this important matter, the Committee, setting forth the great importance of the Sabbath to the best interests of men, in time and through eternity, respectfully reminded them of the great influence which, in the providence of God, they exercise throughout the Province, on all that conduces to its material prosperity and the moral well-being of its inhabitants.

They more especially drew their attention to the beneficial influence which they shall exercise in behalf of Sabbath observance, if their operations be conducted in harmony with the Word of God ; but, to the prejudice of the interests of the Sabbath and of religion and morality in general, should their operations evince a disregard of that Word, and interpose difficulties in the way of any of their employees enjoying the advantages of God's ordinances, or should they furnish facilities and temptations to any portion of the community for dishonoring or disregarding these ordinances.

The Scriptural observance and success of the other ordinances of religion, and, in connection with these, the best interests of men, depending much on the Scriptural observance of the Sabbath, the Committee would recommend your Reverend Court to appoint that each Minister of the Church should, on the first Sabbath of August next, or on the first Sabbath convenient to him thereafter, preach on this subject, impressing on his Congregation the many important interests involved in the right observance of the Sabbath, and the strong obligations under which the Word of God places all men to remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

All of which is respectfully submitted in name and behalf of the Committee.

WM. BAIN,  
*Convener.*

## APPENDIX J.

## CURRICULUM OF STUDY FOR THE MINISTRY.

*Principal Leitch gave in the following report :*

At the last meeting of Synod, it was resolved that " The moderator be requested to place himself in correspondence with the committee of the General Assembly for colonial purposes, and other influential men in the Church, with the view of obtaining the same ecclesiastical privileges in Scotland for the students and probationers of the Church as belong

to those of the Church of Scotland." As the object contemplated could be best effected by personal interviews, I seized the opportunity of my visit to Scotland last summer, to put myself in communication with the Convener of the Colonial Committee and other influential parties, in the Church. Dr. Stevenson, the Convener, entered most warmly into the proposal and all without exception considered it a most desirable thing, that our curriculum should be so adjusted as to render the object in view practicable. All hailed, with great satisfaction, the desire manifested at last meeting of Synod to seek a closer alliance with the Church of Scotland, and the strongest assurances were given that the Church would meet this desire in any way consistent with its constitution.

At present, there is no organic connection between this Synod and the Church of Scotland. We no doubt derive valuable aid and sympathy, but this might exist without any ecclesiastical connection. But it seemed to be the general desire of last Synod, that there should be a real, instead of a nominal connection, and it was thought that the best plan for securing this object, would be the recognition of our licentiates as the licentiates of the Church of Scotland. At present, the ministers of this Church, who have been licensed here, are no more members of the Church of Scotland than any dissenting ministers in Scotland. No doubt, they may be admitted on certain terms into the Church of Scotland, but they are only the terms on which the ministers of any other Church may be admitted. At present, the Synod is composed of two classes of minister, those who are ministers of the Church of Scotland, and those who are only ministers of this Church; and, at last meeting of Synod, the general conviction was, that it was not desirable that this invidious distinction should be kept up, and that harmony of feeling would be greatly promoted were the distinction abolished. In my interviews with leading men in the Church at home other points were mooted, such as the desirableness of representation in the General Assembly. It is however not in the power of the Church to alter the constitution of her courts, though she has full power to define the qualifications of her licentiates. It is true that the Presbyteries in India are represented in the Church of Scotland, but an Act of Parliament was required for this purpose, and such a step at the present time, in reference to the Canadian Church, would not be deemed expedient. It was also thought unnecessary that there should be the right of an appeal from the Canadian Branch to the Parent Church, in order that the desired object might be granted. The Church of England in Canada presents an example of the nature of the connection that might be most desirable. The ministers ordained by Canadian Bishops are ministers of the Church of England, while the action of Bishops and courts is independent of the Church at home. The various points brought up in the course of many conversations may be arranged under two heads, viz., the advantages and difficulties of the proposed plan of a closer connection.

The ecclesiastical advantages flowing from a real connection with the Church of Scotland are similar to the civil advantages which we enjoy from our connection with the government of Great Britain. England is willing that Canada should, if it sees meet, set up as an independent nation, but Canada for her own sake feels it best to remain in connection with the mother country, and this, not because of the material aid she derives, but because of the elevating national influences to be derived from union with the best and greatest empire in the world. And so with the national Church of Scotland. We seek a closer union, not because of any direct aid we expect, but from the conviction that it is good for us to draw life and inspiration from the Church of our fathers, a Church whose history is full of associations with all that is great and good. It may be said that this is a mere idea, that it is not a practicable

view of things, but there is nothing that so moulds the character of nations and determines their destiny as ideas, and the idea that we are part and parcel of one of the greatest historical Churches of the Reformation is an idea that ought to be potent in the hearts of Scotchmen, however far removed from their native land. The Church of England has acknowledged the strength of such an idea, and wherever British sway is established, there she provides religious ordinances by establishing churches vitally connected with the mother church; and wherever an Englishman goes, he can worship in a church, which he knows and feels to be the national Church of England; and who will deny that this idea has been of immense service to religion, as well as to the Church of England? And why should it not be so with the national Church of Scotland? The duty is equally binding to make her ecclesiastical machinery co-extensive with the British empire, so that Scotchmen may have, everywhere, the opportunity of worshipping in the Church of their fathers. It is to be regretted, that a closer bond was not established between the branches in the colonies and the mother Church. The connection has been, in some cases, so loose, that it was broken on the slightest emergency. It is, besides, important for the cause of religion generally, that there should be at least one Church in this country forming part and parcel of the Presbyterianism of Scotland. If a Church is entirely cut off from the bodies at home the probability is, that it will assume a type alien to the Presbyterianism of Scotland. But it is far from desirable that this should be the case, when, for a long time to come, the stream of emigration from Scotland to this country will probably continue. It is, therefore, highly desirable, that there should be one body, at least, which shall form a centre of union for all purely Scottish feelings and sympathies in religious matters; so that the settler, when he lands here, may feel that he is in the atmosphere of the good old Presbyterianism of Scotland. It may be that a better type of Presbyterianism may be devised on this side of the Atlantic, but the mission of this Church will be a sufficiently important one, if it only perpetuate the venerable Presbyterianism of the Church of Scotland. Though we shall derive the chief benefit from a closer connection with the Church of Scotland, still the Parent Church will be a gainer. She will gain in moral prestige and influence at home, when her services are enjoyed, her name revered, and her history remembered abroad.

I shall now mention the difficulties which have been started, but started chiefly in this country.

It has been supposed, that the church as an established church, could not recognize our licentiates as licentiates of the Church of Scotland. But, by her constitution, she has the sole power of determining the conditions of license, and she can, therefore recognize, if she sees fit, the licentiates of this Church as those of the Church of Scotland.

The chief difficulty lies in the course of study. Here, the course is three years in arts, and three years in theology, whereas at home the course is four years in arts, and four in theology. There is, however, a growing feeling at home, that a change ought to be made, the time being too long for most students. In the Scottish Colleges, the degree of M.A. can now be taken in three years; and it has been proposed that graduates should be entitled to enter the Hall after their three years' course, and the probability is that this will be carried. A four years course will now be taken by those only who enter college ignorant of the elements of Greek and Mathematics. This will make the arts course at home coincide with that in Queen's College. In all Canadian Universities, the entrance of matriculative examination, is much more rigid than it was formerly in the Scottish Universities. It corresponds to the examination now required of those who mean to take only a three years' course. As to

the theological course, that of the Church of Scotland does not essentially differ from our own. Only three years' attendance is required, though an additional partial session is exacted. There is a probability, then, that, without any change on our part, the home curriculum will be made to coincide with our own. There is this further argument in favour of recognizing our course in arts, that the government of the college is exclusively in the hands of members of this church, and that the Professors of the Arts Faculty are also members of the Church. So that the strongest guarantee is given for the soundness of the teaching. The Scotch Colleges having now no connection with the Church of Scotland in the secular departments, there is a general desire to accept the education given at other Universities. There are, for example, overtures before the Assembly in favour of regarding a degree from Oxford or Cambridge as qualifying for the Divinity Hall. This renders it more probable that the object of the Synod may be attained.

Another objection is, that our licentiates, who are so much needed in Canada, might be induced to desert this field for spheres of labour at home. This is not an evil that need be apprehended. Though the Episcopal clergymen of Canada may hold livings at home, yet such instances are extremely rare. Canadians love their native soil as much as Scotchmen, and few would be tempted to leave it for another country. Besides, the great demand for labourers here and the over-supply at home, would be a check on any extensive emigration of preachers from Canada.

It has been thought, here, that the admission of Canadian licentiates to livings at home, might be viewed with jealousy by the Church of Scotland. This feeling, I find, did not exist in the least degree. It was considered unreasonable that the church at home should reject Canadian preachers, while the Canadian church freely received preachers of the Church of Scotland : the course of study being in both cases equivalent.

Even granting that Canadian licentiates might occasionally be induced to accept livings at home, only good could result from it. The interchange of ministers would tend to unite the churches more closely together. Still it is not the actual enjoyment of livings at home, but the constitutional right to hold them, that we regard as the strongest bond of union.

While it is important to look to the curriculum before admitting our licentiates to the same privileges as those of the Church of Scotland, still it is important to look to the actual results ; and I am persuaded that the ministers of this Synod, who have received license at home, will be the most ready to admit, that the Canadian ministers are, in no respect, inferior in learning, or in the zealous and efficient discharge of the various duties of the ministry.

I cannot close this report, without alluding to the important services of Dr. Mathieson in bringing the same subject before the attention of the leading men of the church during his late visit to Scotland. His large experience and intimate acquaintance with the history of this Church gave great weight to his representations. After these preliminary enquiries, it is for the Synod to determine whether any more formal steps should be taken for the accomplishment of the object in view.

## APPENDIX K.

*Unto The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, gladly embrace the opportunity afforded us, by our annual meeting in Synod, of tendering anew the assurance of attachment and loyalty to Your Majesty's Royal Person and Government.

While other portions of this Continent have unhappily been afflicted by sanguinary and desolating wars, which still rage with unabated violence, we in this land have abundant cause of thankfulness to Almighty God that, under the protection of Your Majesty's Sceptre and the happy influence of British Institutions, we, in common with our fellow-subjects, continue in the enjoyment of the blessing of Peace. In the fulfilment of the duties of our sacred office in our own Branch of the Christian Church, we have felt ourselves specially called upon to take advantage of a position so favourable, by endeavoring with greater earnestness to instil into the hearts of our people that "righteousness" which alone exalteth a nation; and we fondly hope that our efforts for this end have, by the blessing of God, been not unattended with success.

Cherishing a happy remembrance of the visit of His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, to this portion of Your Majesty's dominions, we rejoiced that so favourable an opportunity was thus afforded for the expression of those sentiments of loyalty to the Crown, and of affectionate regard for the Royal Family, which are deeply seated in the hearts of Your Majesty's Canadian subjects.

Interested, as we cannot fail to be, in whatever concerns Your Majesty's happiness, it was with extreme gratification we read the first announcement of the then approaching nuptials of the Heir-Apparent to the British Throne with Her Royal Highness the Princess Alexandra of Denmark. And we now humbly beg permission to lay at the foot of the Throne our most respectful and sincere congratulations that this auspicious family alliance has been completed amid the general rejoicings of the Empire; and to express our fervent hope and prayer that this union may prove a source of continued satisfaction to Your Majesty, of unalloyed happiness to their Royal Highnesses, and of lasting benefit to the State.

That Your Majesty may be long spared in health and happiness to reign over Your widely extended dominions; that the Divine favour may ever encompass You with all temporal and spiritual blessings; and that You may finally exchange an earthly for a heavenly crown, is our earnest and constant prayer.

Signed, in name and by authority of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, at Montreal, this Ninth day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, by

JOHN CAMPBELL,  
*Moderator.*

## APPENDIX L.

### ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

*The Right Honourable Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, Baron Monck of Ballytramon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, in Annual Synod assembled, approach your Excellency to express our devoted loyalty to our most gracious Sovereign, our attachment to the British Constitution, and our respect for your Excellency as the Representative of our Queen in the government of this Province.

We rejoice that it has fallen to our lot to be subjects of a Sovereign under whose mild sway we enjoy, in peace and safety, the blessings of Divine Providence abundantly granted to us in this land.

We assure your Excellency that while our duty, as office bearers in a Christian Church, calls on us to devote ourselves to the special work of extending the direct influence of Christianity upon the minds of the people at large, we are not insensible to those matters of public interest which have an important bearing on the moral and material prosperity of the community. On this account it is, that we take the deepest interest in all measures for the advancement of Education in all its departments; and in particular we beg to inform your Excellency that the prosperity of Queen's University and College, with which we are connected, is steadily increasing.

It is our earnest prayer, and that of the people under our spiritual oversight, that God may guide your Excellency and your Advisers with abundant heavenly wisdom in the government of this land;—that He may abundantly enrich your Excellency with the treasures of His grace; and that guarded by Him through life, you may at length receive a heavenly inheritance.

Signed in name and by authority of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, at Montreal, this ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three years, by

JOHN CAMPBELL,  
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