

MANITOBA ITEMS.

Rev. Jos. Hogg, formerly of Moncton, N. B., was inducted into the pastorate of St. Andrews Church, Winnipeg, on the evening of July 2nd. Dr. Bryce presided and addressed the minister, Rev. W. H. Spence of Kildonan preached, and Rev. J. Lawrence of Stonewall, spoke to the people. On the following evening a magnificent reception was given the new pastor, and the retiring moderator was presented with a cheque of substantial value. Mr. Hogg enters upon his ministry with every prospect of success. Knox Church, Winnipeg, will also soon be settled. Rev. Dr. Duval of Toledo has accepted the hearty call of the mother church of Winnipeg, and will be inducted early in August. When the Americans are taking so many of our best pastors, it is fair to make reprisals. The Americans who have come among us have shown themselves strong sympathisers with the Home and Foreign Mission work—as witness Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Parsons, and Dr. Kellogg. So will it be with Dr. Duval. As a good preacher he will be an acquisition to Winnipeg and the Northwest. He is a Princetonian. A new church was opened at Elkhorn, Manitoba, on July 8th, by Rev. Dr. Bryce. Some \$120 was raised in connection with the opening services. Manitoba College grounds have been planted with trees, and the buildings are being put in order for another year. A commodious consulting library has been added, and an amount of money has been devoted to obtaining the most recent books in connection with the curriculum of study both in Arts and Theology. The members of the Assembly are returning from Halifax. The Nova Scotians of the Northwest have availed themselves of this being their year. Most of the Northwest Presbyteries are meeting in July. General elections are taking place in Manitoba at time of writing. Presbyterian members will be as thick as blackberries in this legislature. The Government will no doubt be largely sustained.

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 Obituary.

REV. W. R. FRAME died at Charlottetown, P. E. Island, on the 30th June. He was 54 years of age, and had been in the ministry 26 years. Mr. Frame was born at Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia, and received his training for the ministry chiefly in the seminary at Truro. He completed his theological studies in the U.P. Hall, Edinburgh. He was ordained to the work of the ministry August 15th, 1862. Richmond Bay East, and Summerside were under his charge from this date until Sept. 7, 1871, when he was translated to Mount Stewart and West St

Peter's. He continued there until failing health compelled him to retire, May 1st, 1885. Though in frail health, his pen was busy, and he was for some time editor of the *Island Guardian*, a paper having the support of the Presbyterians, Episcopalians and other Protestant bodies. Mr. Frame was a faithful minister of the Gospel, willing to work to the limit of his strength. He was true to the principles of the Presbyterian Church, and preached Christ and Him crucified.

REV. JAMES BOYD, of Crosshill, presbytery of Stratford, departed this life on Sunday morning, June 17th, in the 74th year of his age. He had been in delicate health for some years. Mr. Boyd was born at Pollokshaws, near Glasgow, and was educated for the ministry in the University of Glasgow, completing his theological course in Knox College, Toronto. He was licensed as a preacher forty-one years ago along with Rev. Dr. Burns, now of Halifax, they being the first two licentiates from Knox College. Mr. Boyd was held in high esteem by his co-presbyters. As a preacher he was logical, thoughtful, and earnest; as a citizen he was transparently honest and honourable and conspicuous for his candour and singleness of purpose, his kindly disposition and gentleness of character. He was minister of Crosshill and Wellesly for twenty-nine years, was for many years superintendent of schools in Wellesly, and took a warm interest in educational matters up to the time of his death. He has left a widow, six daughters and two sons.

 Reports of Standing Committees.

AS affording an insight into the working of the Presbyterian system of order and government, it is interesting to notice the means which are taken to secure full and accurate information respecting the work of the church in its various departments. As for example, the reports on the State of Religion, Temperance, Sabbath-schools, Sabbath Observance, Statistics, &c. Upon all these subjects a set of questions—approved by the General Assembly—is sent to every congregation. The congregations return their answers to a committee appointed by the Presbytery. These local committees