

## Ministers and Churches.

PRINCIPAL GRANT preached the anniversary sermons in Central Church, Galt, on Sabbath last.

THE Rev. W. A. Hunter, of Orangeville, is delivering a series of lectures to his own congregation on "Isms." The last was an able discourse on Agnosticism and Positivism.

THE annual concert in aid of the Sabbath School Fund of the Park Avenue Presbyterian Church, London, was given last week. Mr. Robert Reid occupied the chair, and a very interesting programme was pleasingly rendered.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, St. John, N. B., at its last regular monthly meeting in Calvin Church, made grants of \$50 each to eight mission stations within the bounds of the Presbytery of St. John.

THE Rev. Dr. Moffat gave a lecture in the Town Hall in the interest of the Mechanics' Institute on Monday evening last, which was one of the finest addresses ever delivered in Napanee. The subject was the life of James Garfield, President of the United States.

THE new Knox Church, Owen Sound, Rev. A. H. Scott, M.A., pastor, will be opened on May 9. The opening services will embrace three days, viz. the 9th, 10th and 16th. On the 9th and 16th the Principals of Queen's and Knox Colleges will be present.

THE Rev. W. S. McTavish, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, St. George, repeated his popular lecture on "The Catacombs of Rome" in the Baptist Church last week to a large audience. The chair was filled in a very able manner by the Rev. Professor Rae. The lecture was replete with information, the language chaste and elegant, and delivered in his usual pleasant way.

THE Owen Sound Times says. About forty members of Rev. A. H. Scott's Bible class took possession of his residence last Thursday evening, while a public meeting was being held at which he was present. On his return the house was found to be filled. The occasion was the presentation to Mr. Scott of a valuable writing desk, and to Mrs. Scott of a handsome silver service.

ON Easter Sunday the ladies of St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, presented some lovely floral decorations which adorned the pulpit and communion table. There were special services of praise both morning and evening, and the Easter lessons were read. The Rev. J. Edgar Hill concluded in the morning a series of sermons he had been giving on "Our Lord's Temptation," his text being St. Matthew iv. 6. In the evening he preached from St. John xx. 16. Large congregations were present.

MRS. HENDERSON, the esteemed wife of the Rev. Alex. Henderson (Presbyterian), of Hyde Park, died suddenly on the afternoon of the 27th ult. On the previous Saturday a slight indisposition was manifested, but nothing serious was apprehended, beyond a slight asthmatical tendency which had been a source of annoyance for the last few years. The deceased lady was highly esteemed for her many Christian virtues and her usefulness in the church and the neighbourhood at large. Mr. Henderson and his family have the heartfelt sympathy of the community at large in this sudden bereavement.

THE Rev. Hugh Rose, in his recent lecture in Knox Church, Elora, which was largely attended, struck upon a subject which proved highly attractive to his audience, and his vivid and pleasing descriptions were made more intelligent by the exhibition of about sixty photographic views, by Levy, of Paris, shown through a fine lens lent for the occasion by Mr. Thomas Connors. The views were of Vesuvius, its crater, the lava fields, Pompeii, the site of Herculaneum, the Bay of Naples from different points, and the various surroundings which have made this spot one of the most delightful in Europe. It goes without saying that this lecture is one of the best yet delivered by the Rev. H. Rose—and that is according to high praise.

THE Rev. H. Currie, B.A., Presbyterian minister, Thedford and Ravenswood, preached his tenth anniversary sermon on the 25th ult., taking as his text the words, "Except the Lord do build the house the builders build in vain," from which he delivered an excellent sermon. Taking a retrospective glance at the past, there was much that might have been done were it to do over again, still the Lord had dealt very kindly with the Ravenswood congregation. Though it had lost more in membership by death and emigration than any other congregation in the Sarina Presbytery, it was still in a fairly prosperous condition; it has the largest Bible class of any rural congregation around. Over forty young people meet with their minister each Tuesday night. There is also a Sabbath school in connection.

THE new church for St. Andrew's congregation, Peterborough, was opened last Sabbath. The Rev. Wm. Cochran, D.D., of Brantford, conducted the services morning and evening, and the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, former pastor of St. Andrew's Church, preached at three o'clock in the afternoon. On Monday evening a tea meeting was held and addresses delivered by the Rev. Dr. Cochran, the Rev. Mr. Munro and the Rev. Mr. Wallace. The window erected to the memory of the late Robert Nicholls is magnificent. It is situated in the southern transept. The plan of the window is that of circles joined together by diamonds, each being about a foot across. The ornamentation fills in with much richness of detail and colour. At the base there is inscribed these words, "Nicholls' Memorial." In the foil in the arch the monogram is neatly set.

By the kind invitation of the Faculty a number of the friends of the Ladies' College, Brantford, recently had the pleasure of spending a very pleasant and enjoyable musical evening in the College parlour. A capital programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered, under the leadership of Prof. Garratt and the other teachers in this department. Where all the numbers were so well executed it would be invidious to make detailed remarks. This much, however, should be said, that better vocal music has not

been heard in the College for years. The choruses, some of them very difficult, showed clearly the care and culture of a very high order. Professor Garratt is certainly the right man in the right place, and the musical department in his hands should be more popular than ever. The closing concert, to be given in June, promises to be one of unusually high order of merit.

AT Thursday's session of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa in Perth, Ont., the Rev. W. J. Dey, Dean of Montreal Presbyterian College, reported to the committee on Temperance and submitted the following for the adoption of the Synod as its finding on the subject of temperance. I. The Synod reaffirms (1) its oft repeated testimony against intemperance as a sin against God and a crime against society; (2) its conviction that the traffic in strong drink is one of the greatest hindrances to the progress of the Gospel and destructive of the best interests of mankind; and (3) its desire to see this evil exterminated. II. The Synod expresses its gratitude to God that, through the spread of the Gospel and the advocacy of temperance by the Church, by the press, and by temperance societies, there has been a marked increase of temperance and prohibition sentiment within our bounds during the past year, manifesting itself in increased sobriety and in the adoption and enforcement of legal protection against the evils of the liquor traffic. III. The Synod recommends all our ministers and people to seek, by example and precept, to promote the practice of total abstinence from intoxicating beverages; especially that they continue their earnest efforts to educate the young in this direction, and thus form a healthy public opinion. IV. Inasmuch as the Canada Temperance Act of 1878, wherever faithfully enforced, has greatly reduced the evils of intemperance, the Synod recommends that Presbyteries, Sessions and congregations use the influence proper to them to secure its adoption and rigid enforcement with a view to total prohibition; but, inasmuch as in some places where said Act has been adopted, means for its proper enforcement have been insufficient, the Synod hereby resolves to petition the Provincial Government to appoint for this purpose a sufficient number of officers in thorough sympathy with the provisions of the Act, and the Synod strongly urges our people to support such officers in the discharge of their duty, and, if need be, to adopt other means to give effect to the law, such as appointing vigilance committees. V. The Synod resolves to petition the Senate and House of Commons of Canada to sanction no changes in the Canada Temperance Act of 1878, except in the direction of greater stringency, and to make more ample provision for its enforcement. VI. The Synod being fully convinced of the necessity of legal protection against the evils of the liquor traffic, expresses its hope that electors in their choice of members of Parliament will seek to elect able and good men who are well known to be in thorough sympathy with prohibitory legislation.

### MONTREAL NOTES.

MR. JAMES CROIL, editor of the *Record*, with his family, have just left Montreal for a year's absence. After visiting friends in Ontario, they will sail from New York, in the end of May, for Great Britain, and do not expect to return to Canada till the end of April, next year. Mr. Croil has made arrangements for the conduct of the *Record* and his other business during his absence. His many friends will join in wishing him and his family a pleasant sojourn in the Old World.

THE annual closing examination of the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools took place on Tuesday last, and was most successful. The Rev. R. H. Warden presided, and the following took part: Prof. Coussirat, Prof. Scrimger, Messrs. Dey, Bennett, Duclos, Dewey, of Richmond, Morin, of Massachusetts, and Mr. S. Rondeau. The pupils were examined in English and French, reading and grammar, geography, history, literature, arithmetic, algebra, geometry, Latin, Greek, Scripture history and Bible doctrines. The examination was most satisfactory, reflecting credit alike on teachers and pupils. Prizes were delivered by Mr. S. Rondeau, B.A., a former pupil, to the three best scholars in Bible knowledge. These were Miss Vernier, Moise Menard and S. P. Rondeau. To Miss Victoria Schneider, the pupil who nursed a companion sick with small-pox for several weeks in the early part of the session, the committee presented a sewing machine, in appreciation of her noble self-sacrifice. The schools close this week. The session has been on the whole a satisfactory one, though there has been more sickness than for many years. The number of pupils having the ministry in view and the large number who are this summer to be engaged in mission work are most encouraging features.

IT is an open secret that in consequence of the failure of the Church to contribute the amount asked for the Common College Fund, the ordinary fund of the Presbyterian College here is in debt to the extent of \$1,500. It is hoped that the friends of the college may make good this amount, prior to the meeting of the General Assembly.

THE committee appointed by last Assembly on College Consolidation is called to meet next week. The Church will await with interest the result of the meeting in the hope that if a scheme of consolidation is propounded it will be a feasible one, and one that will merit the approval of all friends of theological education.

THE Rev. Hugh McLean, who came out four or five months ago with a commission from the Free Church of Scotland, has been unanimously called by the congregation of Laguerre. The call has been sustained and accepted, and the Presbytery meets in Laguerre on Tuesday, 1st June, to ordain and induct Mr. McLean. The Rev. A. Rowat, of Elgin, will preside, Rev. W. L. Leitch, of Valleyfield, will preach, Rev. J. B. Muir, of Huntingdon, will address the minister, and Rev. J. Turnbull, of St. Louis de Gonzague, the people.

THE session of the Crescent Street congregation have engaged the services of two of the Montreal College students, to do mission work in the city, chiefly in the Griffinton district. They will conduct a Sabbath evening service in the Nazareth Street Mission House.

### QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, KINGSTON.

The closing services in connection with the forty-fifth session of Queen's College commenced on the 24th ult., with the baccalaureate sermon, preached in Convocation Hall by Principal Grant. On the following day the names of the graduates in arts, medicine, law and divinity were announced, also the names of the honour men, winners of medals and scholarships and pass men. In the evening the science lecture was delivered by Dr. Bell, of Ottawa, on the Hudson Bay and Hudson Bay route. On Tuesday evening Chancellor Fleming, elected for a third time, gave his inaugural address. On the same day the representatives of the various graduating classes delivered their valedictories. On Tuesday a brilliant conversation was held, and on Wednesday morning the Endowment Association met, and in the afternoon the laureation of graduates took place.

**Honours.**—Mathematics: Second year, Patterson, first class; Goodwin, second class; Ross, second class. Third year, Findlay, first class. Final year—Horsley, first class; McKinnon, first class. Natural science—First year, Kilburn, first class; Miss Farrell, first class. Geology only—McRossie, first class; second year, Shorey, first class; Gardiner, first class. Zoology—McRossie, first class. Classics—Greek; Clyde, first class. Latin—Logie, first class. Chemistry—First year, Kilburn, first class; McClelland, first class. Second year, Shorey, first class—Gardiner, first class. Mental and moral philosophy—Gardier, first class. History and English—Hunter, Nicol, McRae and Elliott, first class; Miller, second class. Moderns—Miss M. Folger and Dunlop, first class; Elliott, McRae and Miller, second class.

**Medals.**—Gold; Carruthers, mathematics; H. E. Horsley, B.A. Carruthers gold medal, chemistry—E. C. Shorey, B.A. Mayor's gold medal, mental and moral philosophy—A. Gandier, B.A. Chancellor's gold medal, English language and literature—J. F. Hunter, M.A. Silver medals. Prince of Wales, modern languages—Miss M. Folger, Prince of Wales medal, natural science—E. C. Shorey, B.A. Governor General's special prize for general proficiency John Marshall, B.A.

**Theological Graduates.**—Twelve graduates in theology, of whom R. McKay, B.A., of Pictou, N. S., took the degree of B.D.

**Scholarships in Arts.**—George Dyde, Foundation No. 1, junior Latin. John H. Mills, Foundation No. 2, junior Greek. Alice Chambers, Foundation No. 3, senior English. T. R. Scott, St. Andrews, Toronto, senior Greek. W. A. Findlay, Toronto, senior Latin, with the honour of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto. T. H. Farrell, Glass memorial, junior mathematics. W. G. Bain and J. M. McLean, Foundation No. 4, junior philosophy. W. J. Patterson, Foundation No. 5, junior physics. John Marshall, Foundation No. 6, chemistry. T. G. Allen and C. A. D. Fairfield, Nickle, natural science. W. H. Cornett, Cataract, history.

**Scholarships in Theology.**—The Robert Anderson in third year divinity—Robert Gow, B.A., Wallacetown, and John McLeod, B.A., Belfast, P. E. I., equal. In second year divinity—Stephen Childerhose, B.A., Cobden. First year—Johnson Henderson, B.A., Pictou. The Hugh McLennan, in Church history—J. H. Smith, Latona. The Church of Scotland No. 2, in first year Hebrew—Thomas A. Cosgrove, Millbrook. No. 3, second year Hebrew—G. R. Lang, B.A., Beckwith, and Malcolm McKinnon, B.A., Belfast, P. E. I., equal. No. 4, third year, Hebrew—Roderick McKay, B.A., Pictou, N. S. The Mackerras Memorial in Greek Testament exercises—A. Givan, B.A., Campbellford. The Rankin in apologetics—A. Gandier, Fort Coulonge. The Spence for general proficiency in first year's work—W. J. Fowler, M.A., Doaktown, N. B.

**Pass list in Theology.**—Third year: R. McKay, B.A., A. Givan, B.A., R. Gow, B.A., and J. McLeod, B.A., equal; W. Allan and J. A. Grant, B.A., equal; N. Campbell, B.A., and A. McAuley, B.A., equal. A. McRossie, equal. Second year—A. Gandier, B.A., S. Childerhose, B.A., J. F. Smith and J. Steele, B.A., equal; H. R. Grant, B.A., J. Buchanan, B.A., A. McKossie and L. Perrin, B.A., equal. First year—W. J. Fowler, M.A., J. Henderson, B.A., and M. McKinnon, B.A., equal; W. J. Drummond, B.A., and J. H. Milne, equal; G. R. Lang, B.A., D. J. Hyland. New Testament criticism—R. McKay, B.A., A. Givan, B.A., J. W. Drummond, B.A., W. Allan, B.A., James A. Grant, B.A., and J. McLeod, B.A., equal; S. Childerhose, B.A., R. Gow, B.A., and J. Steele, B.A., equal; O. Bennett, B.A., W. J. Fowler, M.A., L. Perrin, B.A., J. Henderson, B.A., and G. R. Lang, B.A., equal; N. Campbell, B.A., H. R. Grant, B.A., D. J. Hyland.

**Apologetics.**—Senior division—H. R. Grant, B.A., J. Steele, B.A., J. F. Smith, L. Perrin and S. Childerhose, B.A., equal; A. McRossie, J. W. Buchanan, B.A. Junior division—A. Gandier, B.A., J. Henderson, B.A., W. J. Fowler, M.A., J. W. H. Milne, M. McKinnon and D. J. Hyland, equal; G. R. Lang, B.A., O. Bennett, B.A. Old Testament criticism—R. McKay, B.A., J. Henderson, B.A., W. J. Fowler, M.A.; A. Givan, B.A., and L. Perrin, B.A., equal; J. McLeod, B.A., J. A. Grant, B.A., H. A. Grant, B.A., J. F. Smith; O. Bennett, B.A., and W. J. Drummond, B.A., equal; G. R. Lang, B.A., R. Gow, B.A., M. McKinnon, B.A., J. Steele, B.A., N. Campbell, B.A., D. J. Hyland, W. Allan. Church history—R. McKay, B.A., W. J. Fowler, M.A., J. Henderson, B.A., J. F. Smith, R. Gow, B.A., O. Bennett, B.A., J. McLeod, B.A., W. H. Milne, A. McRossie, Jas. A. Grant, B.A., S. Childerhose, B.A., M. McKinnon, B.A., L. Perrin, B.A.; J. W. Buchanan, B.A., and N. Campbell, B.A., equal; W. Allan, H. A. Grant, B.A., A. Givan, B.A., D. J. Hyland, G. R. Lang, B.A., McAuley; W. J. Drummond, B.A., and F. W. Johnson, B.A., equal; J. Mills, D. Millar.

**Hebrew.**—Third year—R. McKay, B.A.; W. Allan and J. McLeod, B.A., equal; J. A. Grant, B.A., R. Gow, B.A. Second year—M. McKinnon, B.A., and G. R. Lang, B.A., equal; J. Steele, B.A., H. R. Grant, B.A., D. J. Hyland. Junior Hebrew—T. A. Cosgrove, J. J. Ashton, W. J. Fowler, M.A., P. A. McLeod, J. Henderson, B.A., W. J. Drummond, B.A., R. W. Whitman, J. G. Potter. Chaldean—R. McKay, B.A., W. Allan, J. McLeod, B.A.