

and Strangfield, and Mr. Needham, probationer, to Amherstburg, *Chatham*.

DEMISSION.—Rev. A. A. Drummond of Newcastle, *Whitby*.

#### NEW CHURCHES.

WILLIAMSBURG, N.B.—A new church was dedicated at this place on October 13th. This is a section of Nashwaak and Stanley congregation. Cost of the new church \$1,500. Rev. James S. Mullan, pastor, was assisted by Rev. Mr. Parlee of the English church, and Rev. A. Gunn.

HAMPTON.—At Hampton, P. E. Island, a new church was dedicated on the 20th Oct. The pastor, Rev. A. Maclean, was assisted by the Methodist, Baptist, and Episcopal ministers. The church is 47 feet by 30 feet, with tower and spire, and presents a very neat and creditable appearance both inside and out. It was opened almost free from debt.

OMEMEE, *Peterborough*.—A fine new church at this place was opened for worship on 20th of October, the pastor, Rev. J. Ewing being assisted on the auspicious occasion by Dr. McTavish of Toronto, and Rev. Robt. Johnston of Lindsay. The church is seated for between 400 and 500, and cost about \$4,000.

GREENFIELD, Colchester Co., N.S.—The new church was dedicated October 13th. Dr. Bruce, pastor, was assisted by Rev. J. Layton and Rev. Mr. Bigney. It is free from debt. This is the second church dedicated in this congregation within eight months.

GLENBARD, *Pictou Pres.*—A new church was opened here lately, free of debt, and one is nearly completed at Mulgrave, an important point on the railway.

#### PRESBYTERIAL ITEMS.

BARRIE.—The Presbytery has sustained a great loss by the death of Mr. W. C. Ewing, one of its missionaries, whose services have been very valuable during the past two years.

QUEBEC.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at *Portneuf* on a recent Sabbath, by Rev. J. M. Whitelaw of Valcartier. It is upwards of thirty years since a communion service was held in that place, and at the preparatory service twelve members were received on profession of their faith. *Portneuf* was re-opened as a mission last spring by the Students' Missionary Society for Morrin College, and this is the first-fruits of their work. Are there not many other places in this and other presbyteries waiting for a similar revival?

MIRAMICHI.—There is joy in the Presbytery because of three inductions within the bounds inside of a month, and because the roll now embraces the names of twenty ministers, entitling the Presbytery to increased representation in the General Assembly.

TORONTO.—It is easy to see how the wind blows in this part of the country; there is scarcely ever a meeting of the Presbytery at

which there are not applications presented for the erection of new congregations. At its last meeting the court protested vigorously against the action of the Government which, having set apart one day for thanksgiving to God for abundant blessings, at the same time selected that day for a military display—thereby rendering it impossible for a large number of citizens to join in the religious services.... Mr. Macdonnell has given notice of his intention to bring an overture before the Presbytery at next meeting anent a revision of the Confession of Faith.

#### MANITOBA ITEMS.

Church building is going on apace. The Portage la Prairie church, under the impulse of its new pastor, is enlarging its building, adding 260 more sittings. A new church is being erected at Lake Dauphin in Minnedosa Presbytery; another at Poplar Point in Winnipeg Presbytery. Keewatin has been separated for supply from Rat Portage, and Rev. J. A. F. Sutherland, formerly of New Brunswick is at present in charge. Rev. J. L. Simpson was settled at Fort William. A year ago there were three vacancies in Winnipeg Presbytery. Within the year, graduates of Manitoba College, viz, Messrs. Anderson, Hall, and Simpson, have been settled in these three, Springfield, Stonewall and Fort William respectively. Such a benefit is a local college! Knox Church Sabbath-school has established a branch in a rented building on Langside street, in west Winnipeg. A prayer meeting has been begun, and a prospective station is in view. St. Andrew's Church, Winnipeg, has also a vigorous branch Sabbath-school in Point Douglas in Winnipeg North-East. Rev'ds. K. MacLennan, W. Caven and D. Campbell have been preaching hither and thither in the Northwest lately. Ten or twelve places are supplied every Sabbath by students from Manitoba College. There are now thirty-five students in the college who have been in the mission field and can give such aid when called on. Rev. Dr. Burrows, late of Boston, Mass., and formerly of Truro, N.S., has decided to throw in his lot with the Northwest. Rev. A. B. Winchester, a graduate of Manitoba College, who went out to China as a missionary, has returned to Manitoba. Many changes are taking place in the Indian Mission Schools. Rev. G. Laird who has been in Ontario addressing meetings, has returned, and takes out a teacher, Miss Armstrong, and a matron, Miss McLean, from Winnipeg, for his increasing mission school at Fort Pelly. Rev. D. H. Macvicar, B.A., a native Cree, has been appointed missionary at Filo Hills, and a competent teacher from Ontario been given charge of the boarding-school there. John Black, a Cree student of Manitoba College, has been appointed teacher at Okanase. A lady from Regina goes to Muscowpetung's Reserve as teacher. New