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OTTAWA.

The death is announced of Rev. Evan McAulay, M.A., for some time a retired minister residing in this city. Deceased was 76 years of age, and had filled pastorates in several congregations.

In the absence of Dr. Herridge, who was preaching the Baccalaureate sermon at Queen's University, Rev. Professor McNaughton conducted the services in St. Andrew's.

Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, was the preacher in Erskine church last Sunday. He delivered two strong sermons on timely subjects to large congregations. Rev. E. A. Mitchell was in Pembroke, where he preached in two churches and gave an evangelistic address in the afternoon.

The F. M. Tidings for April gives the following new Life Members: Miss M. Jamieson, Knox Church Auxiliary, Ottawa; Miss Christina McGillivray, Port Elgin Auxiliary, Port Elgin; Miss Jean Miller, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Paisley; Mrs. J. L. Johnston, Glebe Church Auxiliary, Ottawa.

The corner stone of the new medical laboratories building at Queen's, for which the Ontario government voted \$50,000 will be laid on Wednesday, April 24, by Lieut.-Governor Clark, of Toronto, immediately following the convocation proceedings. The building is now well underway. Besides being used for biological purposes, the pathological, bacteriological and public health laboratories will be in it.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG.

A meeting of this presbytery took place in Manitoba College last week for the ordination of two young Hungarians who have just arrived from the college of the Reformed Church in Debreczin, Hungary. The Protestants of Hungary aggregate in their own land some three millions of people, and a number of their settlements are found in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. As the followers of the celebrated leaders of the earlier Reformation in Europe, led by John Huss and Jerome of Prague, the Hungarian church is Presbyterian in its tenets.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada, which is using its financial strength in a determined way to care for the foreign population in Western Canada, and to Canadianize them, has Hungarian congregations in Winnipeg, Bekevar, Othon, Wakaw, and Whitewood. Its missionary in the city is Rev. Louis Kovachy, who has a vigorous congregation of forty families, which worships on Sunday afternoons in the Point Douglas Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Koloman Kovachy is minister of the Bekevar congregation in Saskatchewan.

Rev. K. Kovachy has been visiting Hungary during the past winter, and will return this month with a number of his countrymen who are settling in Saskatchewan.

At the Presbytery meeting Dr. DuVal presided, and ordained Rev. John Kovachy and Rev. Charles Feyer to take charge of the remaining congregations in Saskatchewan. The Hungarians, like the greater number of our foreigners, are very anxious to learn English. The young men ordained, as well as the two brothers Kovachy, are thoroughly educated in arts and theology in their native country, and are fine representatives of a most intelligent and thrifty element which is taking up its home in Western Canada.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Dr. Douglas, Senator, has been preaching in Knox Church, Perth.

Rev. Dr. Bayne, who so long and so ably has filled the pulpit of Calvin Church, Pembroke, is called to Sudbury, with a promised stipend of \$2,000, free manse, and holidays.

The call of Rev. J. A. McLean from the Dalhousie congregation was sustained at a special meeting of Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery in Beachburg. It is expected that it will be accepted by him at once, and arrangements will be made for induction as soon as his answer is received.

The congregation of Knox Church, Cornwall, have been commemorating the fifth anniversary of Rev. Dr. Harkness' pastorate. There was a very large attendance. Dr. D. O. Algure presided. Robert McKay read an appropriate address and asked Rev. Dr. Harkness to accept a handsome Morris chair, and Mrs. Harkness a quartered oak parlor table, as a mark of their respect and esteem. Dr. Harkness made a feeling reply. Addresses were made by Dr. Algure and Hill Campbell, and after a musical programme, which included solos by Mrs. W. A. Craig, Miss Atchison and W. V. Boyd, refreshments were served by the ladies.

Rev. A. Bright, who has accepted a call to St. Paul's Church, Ingersoll, was presented with a substantial purse of money and a clock by St. Paul's Church, Peterboro; while Knox Church in the same city gave him an edition de luxe of Dickens' works. The Review says of the young minister: "Mr. Bright has been an active, earnest, and faithful worker and his discourses have been marked by originality, force and sound doctrine. He carries with him in his new field in the west the heartiest well wishes of the members of the church."

HAMILTON.

Rev. Mr. Laird, representing Queen's College, Kingston, has been laboring of late in our Presbytery.

Rev. A. Esler, of Cooke's church, Toronto, preached at anniversary services in Knox church on Sunday, the 14th inst.

Rev. Prof. Dyde of Kingston was the preacher in St. John's church on Sunday, April 21, in connection with the anniversary services there.

Bible Society Day in Hamilton was set for Sunday last, the 21st inst., and stirring addresses in connection therewith were given in the different churches.

The Hamilton Ministerial Association held its last meeting for the season on Monday, the 15th inst. Rev. W. H. Sedgewick and Rev. J. A. Wilson represent the Presbyterians on the new executive for 1906-07.

A welcome visitor to Hamilton recently was Rev. E. A. Henry, the former much-loved pastor of Knox church. He preached in his old charge on Sunday evening, the 14th inst., and was greeted by a large audience.

Rev. Dr. Nelson, the popular pastor of Knox church, had a close call the other day. Having a severe cold he purchased certain waters recommended by his druggist. The effect was not what he looked for. In the morning he was found rigid, life almost gone. Medical aid was quickly summoned, but it was with difficulty that his life was saved.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Mr. Nicholl, of Cargill, preached in the Hespeler Church at both services last Sunday.

Mr. Wm. J. Cooke, from Queen's University, commenced his duties at Spruce-dale last Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Dickson, of Galt, visited Waterloo on Friday week to install the newly-elected elders in the church there.

The next meeting of the London Presbytery will be held at St. Andrew's Church, London, on Tuesday, 7th May, at 10.30 a.m.

Last Sunday week the services in Knox church, Embro, were conducted by Rev. Mr. White, M.A., of Barrie Presbytery, who preached excellent sermons.

Rev. Mr. Sharp of Alliston has been preaching in Bradford. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Morden, was at Stratford for the day, assisting Rev. Mr. Thompson of St. Andrew's church there.

St. Andrew's Church, London, is advertising for a contralto soloist for their excellent choir. Professor Kilpatrick, of Knox College, was the preacher in the First Church last Sunday, both morning and evening.

Miss Jessie G. Ross, after ably filling the position of organist of Knox Church, Embro, for six years, was presented with a china cabinet and a buffet by the congregation. Miss Ross is shortly to change her name; hence the presentation.

PRESBYTERY OF WHITBY.

There was a good attendance of both ministers and elders at the last quarterly meeting of this Presbytery, which was held at Whitby.

A call from the pastoral charge of Inniskillen, Cadmus and Blackstock was laid before Presbytery. It was hearty and unanimous and was in favor of Rev. J. C. Foster, late of Red Deer. Mr. Forster has accepted the call and will be inducted at Blackstock, on April 30th. Mr. Cooper will preside and induct, Mr. Brown will preach, Mr. Tait will address the people, and Dr. Abraham will address the minister. The pulpit of this fine congregation has been vacant for fifteen months and the people are glad to have a settled pastor again. They give a salary of \$300 a year with manse.

The congregation of Dunbarton has been steadily advancing under the ministry of Rev. W. R. Wood. They have during the past year reached the status of a congregation giving the minimum salary. This is very creditable and Presbytery resolved to send to the congregation an expression of their very high appreciation of the progress made.

Grafting reports from the standing committees were presented. The committee on Church Life and Work recommended that the mid-week prayer meeting be made the subject of a presbyterial conference. This recommendation was adopted, and it was agreed to hold the conference at the October meeting of Presbytery. It is felt by many that the solution of the prayer meeting problem is becoming increasingly difficult.

During the discussion of the Sunday school report reference was made to the recent visit of Mr. Robertson, the General Secretary of Sunday Schools. The institutes held by him at three central places in the Presbytery proved helpful and were an inspiration to those who had the very great privilege of being present.