

**THE CHURCH ABROAD.**

The congregation of Moville, in the Derry Presbytery, has given a unanimous call to the Rev. Joseph MacCorkell, of Roscommon.

Rev. H. Montgomery, M.A., Belfast, has been conducting a series of special services in Saokville Hall, Dublin, this week, to large congregations.

Rev. D.M. McCalman has been presented by the Gaelic congregation of Greenock, in which he was lately assistant, with a purse of sovereigns on his leaving for Thurso.

A volume has just been published in Glasgow, entitled "After Five Years in India," by Mrs. Anne C. Wilson, a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Norman Macleod.

Rev. Dr. Williamson of Belfast, at one time in a charge in the Huntly district will probably be moderator of next assembly of the Irish Presbyterian church.

Rev. D.J. Allison of Galston was married on 6 inst to Miss Margaret Eadie Henderson, younger daughter of Dr. T. Brown Henderson of Glasgow, and grand-daughter of the late Rev. Professor Eadie, D.D., LL.D.

The 230 Presbyterian churches in Glasgow and suburbs have agreed to unite in welcoming to that city the General Presbyterian Alliance, the next international gathering of which will be held in 1895.

Ayr presbytery approves of local control of the liquor traffic, and favours an experiment in one or more of the larger towns of management of the public houses by the local authority.

The ceremony has been performed of cutting the first sod in connection with the new church, and other buildings for Trinity Presbyterian Church, New castle-on-Tyne (Rev. Dr. Ross's). The cost of all will be about £16,000, of which £12,000 is already assured.

The Rev. John MacNeil Evangelist of the Victorian Church, has returned from a very successful tour in the Coolgardie district. After two months spent in mission work in Melbourne, Mr. Macneil proposes to again return to West Australia.

Dr. Stalker preached at Selton Park Presbyterian Church, Liverpool, on Sunday Feb. 8rd, his own pulpit at Glasgow being occupied by the Rev. John Watson. The collections at Glasgow after "Ian MacLaren's" two sermons amounted to over £218.

There has just been erected in the vestibule of Carlisle Road Presbyterian Church a classic mural tablet of elegant design in memory of the late Rev. Robert Ross, D.D., formerly minister of the congregation worshipping in Carlisle Road Church.

The convener of the New Hebrides Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church desires it to be known that the "Croydon" leaves Sydney for the islands on or about January 25th. This will be the first mission trip for 1895. The second trip will be in March, and the third in May, which will be the Synod trip.

A union has at length been agreed upon between the two congregations at Whitehaven, in the Presbytery of Carlisle—Market Place, which was founded in 1694, and High Street, which has been in existence since 1759. The pastorate of High Street is at present vacant, and the Rev. Matthew Young, of Market Place, will become the minister of the united congregation.

As a medium between the orthodox "stipend" and free seats the following is noteworthy:—Shamrock Street U.P. Congregation, Glasgow (Rev. John Pollock), has abolished the exaction of seat rent from young people under seventeen years of age. congregation has resolved that in future the making of the offering shall form part of the ordinary service.

Mr. Richard Stobo, Glasgow, whose personality amounted to £72,269, has bequeathed £5,900 to religious and benevolent institutions, including £400 each to foreign and home missions of U.P. church and National Bible Society.

**Obituary.**

On the 18th day of February last Thomas Anderson, Stonewall, Manitoba, passed into rest in his 80th year. Born in Fifeshire, Scotland, educated in the High School, Edinburgh, he came to Canada at the age of 18, and after a temporary residence in Toronto removed to Paisley Block near Guelph, Ontario, and took up a farm. There he resided some 40 years during which with Mrs. Anderson he was received into church fellowship under the late Rev. Mr. Christie of Flamboro, and became a member first of the church of Dr. Torrance, in which he was ordained to the eldership, and after in that of Rev. Mr. Ball. In 1873 he removed with his family to Kildonan, Manitoba, where he lived for 9 years. Thence he came to Stonewall, where he was conspicuous in his interest in the establishment of the congregation there and to which he has ever been a steadfast friend. By paralysis he was some 18 months ago withdrawn from an unassuming but useful service as elder and manager. He possessed a good education, a just and intelligent view of duty and a quiet disposition. His illness involving mental darkness for a time was marked by clear and coherent testimony and plain exhibition of interest in divine things. His partner in life for 52 years, and five daughters and three sons, one of whom is the Rev. David Anderson of Munro, Wisconsin, survive him.—*Conr.*

In the course of the service on the Sabbath before last, at St. James Square church, Toronto, Rev. Louis H. Jordan made reference in appreciative terms to "Tompo's" article on Congregational singing in St. James Square, which had appeared in the PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW on the previous week. He said he agreed with the criticism offered by the writer of the article. The writer had expressed a very high opinion of the manner in which the organist and choir performed their duties, and he, the pastor, would also take the opportunity of expressing his appreciation of their services, but the congregation, he knew, did not do their part with the same success and he would urgently press upon each individual to realize the responsibility which lay upon him and her with respect to the service of praise. Concluding, he very strongly urged any one who had not seen the article to see it, give it thoughtful consideration, and, having done so, to pay the writer a compliment by deriving some benefit from his suggestions and criticism.

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