

Rev. W. MACONACHIE has been called to Guthrie church, Aberdeen.

Rev. J. C. LAWSON, B.D., assistant at Stockbridge Free church, Edinburgh, has been called to Rathen church.

REPORTING to the commission on the religious condition of the people, the Presbytery of Garioch takes a hopeful view of the situation. The religious condition in the small towns is confidently said to be improving. Church-going is well maintained. Since the disruption the number of church-goers has very much outrun the population. Christian liberality is increasing, especially in support of such institutions as the Royal Infirmary.

DR. MONRO GIBSON preached on Sunday 5th inst., at Merchiston United Presbyterian church, Edinburgh, the minister of which is Rev. Duncan Sillars, formerly minister at Oxendon church, Haverstock Hill. The church is a new one, and was opened on the previous Friday by Rev. Dr. Andrew Thomson, of Broughton-place, Edinburgh. Mrs. Nairn, sister the late Dr. John Ker, has virtually paid for the new church, having given a donation of £8,000 on condition that it should be called the "John Ker Memorial Church." Mr. Sillars since his removal to Edinburgh, had been preaching in a hall in which there was a debt amounting to £1,000. His success is now assured, as the population round Merchiston is increasing rapidly; and Mrs. Nairn's generosity sets him free from the incumbrance of a heavy debt, which so often presses disastrously on new churches.

THE Presbytery of Belfast is pushing the cause of temperance within its bounds.

AN increase in the Sustentation Fund is reported from the Presbytery of Ards.

COLERAINE Presbytery reports a gratifying increase in the Sustentation Fund.

THE reports submitted to the various meetings of Presbytery for November show that the Church throughout the land is in a very prosperous condition.

THE Belfast Witness says that it is probably to Dr. Waugh this floating anecdote refers. While he was preaching one Sunday, a little boy of his, about three or four years old, slipped out of the pew unperceived, and wandered into the street. A policeman found the little creature, who was not able to give his full name or tell where he lived. All he could say was—"My father preaches on Sunday and takes toddy." This was enough to show Dogberry that it must be the Scotch minister, and the guileless little waif was led safely home.

THE Grand Jury has the nomination of Governors for the Down Asylum. The small proportion of Presbyterians nominated called forth a protest from the Presbytery of Comber. It appears that although the Presbyterians number nearly 40 per cent. of the population of the county, they have only two representatives at the Board, while Roman Catholics have six, and Episcopalians and others ten. It was resolved at the last meeting of Presbytery that a letter be addressed to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, showing the inequality of the representation, and asking, in the interests of fair play, for Presbyterians a full, equitable share in the honour and privileges of representation. It was also agreed to forward a list of the names of persons from whom an election might be made.

ON Monday afternoon, the 6th inst., the cemetery at Highgate, London, received the remains of all that was mortal of the Rev. Robt. Redpath, M.A., formerly of the once famous but now extinct United Presbyterian congregation of Well-street, Oxford-street, who passed away at the ripe age of ninety-one. Mr. Redpath, who was born in 1802, and was ordained as far back as 1828, was the oldest Presbyterian, and probably also the oldest Nonconformist minister in England. He had been a minister for sixty-five years, and a member of the Presbyterian Board of the three denominations for exactly half a century. Mr. Redpath took an active part in the controversy which led to the expulsion of the Unitarian members from the three de-

nominations, and he was one of the two members who represented the orthodox Presbyterian element in the reconstituted Board. Possessed of rare intellectual gifts and ripe scholarship, he was a man of mark in his day, although almost unknown to the present generation. Mr. Redpath was an ardent voluntary of the old school, and did not fall in with the Union of 1878. Although he spent the closing years of his life in Kensington, he kept up his connection with the Church of his fathers by having his name, we believe, on the roll of the Presbytery of Dumfries. He was a man of strong personality and was greatly beloved by all who knew him. He leaves behind him two daughters. The service at the grave was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Walter Morrison, Moderator of Synod.

AT a recent meeting of the South London Presbytery, a notice of motion was tabled asserting the right of the minors to a living wage.

THE depression of trade in the north west of England has been accompanied with a decrease in the Ministerial Support Fund.

A CONFERENCE will be held in Stockton on Dec. 14th, at which Rev. N. A. Ross, LL.D., will deliver an address on "Work among the young."

THE centennial celebration of Presbyterianism at Washington, Pa., which began on the 12th inst., was most successfully carried out.

THE Presbyterian church of Iola, Kansas, devotes one Sabbath evening in each quarter to its Endeavor societies. The meeting is conducted on the convention plan.

REV. MATTEO PROCHET, D.D., chairman of the Waldensian Committee on Evangelization of Rome, Italy, and pastor of the Waldensian church of that city, is visiting the United States.

AT the meeting of the Presbytery of Spokane one evening was given up to the Christian Endeavor Societies of the three Churches in Spokane. The members were present in large numbers. Rev. Donald Ross, chairman of Presbyterial Committee, conducted the service, and, besides reports from the societies, interesting addresses were made.

REV. T. W. J. WYLIE, D.D., senior pastor of the Wylie Memorial Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, celebrated recently the fiftieth anniversary of his settlement in that charge. Dr. Wylie's father was ordained pastor of the same congregation in 1808, and continued until his death. His son succeeded him, and thus there is the very unusual occurrence of a Church being served for 86 years by father and son.

Dr. Campbell.

(From Men of Canada, in the Canadian Album.)

REV. JOHN CAMPBELL, M.A., Ph.D., whose sermon appears this week, was born in Argyllshire, Scotland, 1845. His father was a relative of Sir James Brown, Edinburgh, and Sir Colin Campbell, whose name became immortalized by his bravery at the relief of Lucknow and by the "Thin Red Line" of Highlanders at Balaklava. His mother was Margaret Anderson, a relative of Sir John Dick, of Glasgow. His parents came to Canada about the year 1851, and settled in Nottawasaga. Dr. Campbell was educated at Stayner public school, Toronto Collegiate Institute, University of Toronto and Knox College. He received the degree of B.A. at the University of Toronto in 1873, M.A. in 1883, and graduated in theology in Knox College in 1874. He took a post graduate course of four years at Bloomington University, obtaining the degree of Ph.D. in 1885. Of all the honours he secured during his college career, the one he valued most highly was the first prize as a public speaker in the graduating class at Knox College. Prior to entering college he taught school with marked success for a few years. He was ordained and inducted into the Presbyterian church at Cannington, Ont., 1874. In 1878 he accepted a call to Knox Church, Harriston, and remained there until 1886, when he accepted a call to Collingwood. In 1892 he accepted a call to First Presbyterian

church, Victoria, B.C., which, according to the last blue book, has the largest membership of any Presbyterian congregation in that Province. He declined a number of calls from the United States and Canada. Dr. Campbell as a preacher is eloquent, clear, logical, evangelical and impressive, and as a pastor endears himself to his people by his strong social qualities. He has been most successful as a minister of the Gospel, being faithful, conscientious and energetic, filling every church of which he has had charge to its utmost capacity. The roll of his Sabbath school at Collingwood numbers over six hundred. He has been Moderator of three different Presbyteries, a member of the General Assembly, the Home Mission Committee and Sabbath Observance Committee.

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