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THE Rev. S. W. Fisher, B.A., and family, of West Flamboro and Lynden, are enjoying a short vacation. They visited Port Perry last week.

PROBATIONERS and others desirous of a hearing in Waterford and Windham Centre are requested to communicate with Rev. R. G. Sinclair, Mohawk, Moderator of Session.

The Rev. J. A. McLean, late of St. Andrews Church, New Richmond, in Miramichi Presbytery has accepted a call to Carberry, Man. Stipend, \$1,000 per annum, paid weekly, with manse.

THE Rev. Professors Hart and Baird, of Manitoba College, recently visited Birtle, where they took steps for the selection of a site for the Indian school to be built shortly by the Presbyterians in that town.

THE pulpit of Division Street Church, Owen Sound, was occupied Sunday week by Rev. Dr. McRobbie. The *Times* says Dr. McRobbie is a forcible and thoughtful speaker, and his sermons were much enjoyed.

THE Stratford *Beacon* says: The Rev. M. L. Leitch occupied his own pulpit Sunday week. The sermons, both morning and evening, were excellent, going to show that a pastor is benefited both physically and mentally by a vacation.

THE Rev. Dr. Smith, the agent for Queen's College, Kingston, speaking about the bequest of \$40,000 to Queen's by the late John Roberts, of Ottawa, said the money was not altogether unexpected. He thinks the legacy will be used to endow a chair of Philosophy.

MR. GEO. HUNTER, of Smith's Falls, who had for some time been secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of that town, has resigned his position and will go to Petrolia, having accepted the permanent secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. there. He was presented with an address and a purse of money by the choir of St. Andrews Church.

THE Huntsville C.O.O.F. attended St. Andrews Church last Sabbath morning. An appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. J. Sieveright, from Mat. xii. 46-50. Extra seat accommodation had to be procured. This is the fifth society that has attended divine worship in the same building in four months, the others being Masonic, I. O. O. F., Sons of England and Orangemen. The church is now lighted with electricity.

WE are glad to learn that the Young Ladies' College at Ottawa—Coligny College—in connection with our Presbyterian Church, continues to attract large numbers of pupils. Many boarders have been enrolled for the approaching session, which promises to be most successful. The staff is maintained in thorough efficiency, and the home life is all that can be desired. Parents sending their daughters to Coligny can rely on their receiving a first-class training. Circulars with full particulars may be had on application to Rev. Dr. Warden, Dominion Square, Montreal.

THE Edmondville correspondent of the *Huron Examiner* says: The young ladies of the sewing society for the Indians of the North-West in connection with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Edmondville Church, have been doing splendid work during the past season, the result of which will be seen and felt in many a cabin during the coming winter, and these ladies will have the pleasing satisfaction, when winter's storms are raging, that they have been the means of rendering the lives of some of their fellow creatures much more tolerable. A blessing for themselves will surely reward such unselfish labours.

To aid in relieving the sufferers by the St. John's, Newfoundland, fire, Dr. Reid has received and forwarded the following sums: For general fund, St. Peters, Madoc, \$10; St. Andrews, Renfrew, \$75; St. Johns, Toronto, \$17.50; Windsor, \$35; Joseph Hood, \$5; J. O. Galt, \$1. For rebuilding Presbyterian church: St. Peters, Madoc, \$10; Mrs. Ewart, Toronto, \$25; Windsor, \$35; Mrs. Shortreed, Toronto, \$5; Rev. A. U. Campbell, Uxbridge, \$5; Joseph Hood, \$5; J. O. Galt, \$1; a few members of Knox Church, Woodstock, per Rev. Dr. McMullen, \$96. Total for general fund, \$143.50; total for rebuilding church, \$182.

A GOODLY company from the Binbrook congregation visited the manse on August 1. In the course of the evening the pastor, Rev. W. P. Walker, was presented with an address by Mr. M. G. Patterson, Glanford, expressive of kindly feelings, and requesting him to take five weeks' holidays, Mr. McBride, elder, at the same time handing him a purse liberally filled with the means to induce him to comply with the request. Mr. Walker thanked the donors. A pleasant evening was spent, and after worship the party left the manse. This was only another of the many tokens of regard shown Mr. Walker during a pastorate of seventeen years by a kindly people.

SOME time ago, says the *Signal*, the Rev. Mr. Anderson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Goderich, had the misfortune to lose his driving horse by death. The members of his congregation soon set to work to raise money with which to purchase another horse for their pastor, but in the meantime Mr. Anderson, being unaware of what was going on, bought a horse himself. But, not to be outdone, his good-hearted people collected the money that had been subscribed, and instead of buying another horse presented their pastor with the money. So that he not only got a horse that suited him, but considerably more money than the animal cost him.

A CONGREGATIONAL meeting of Kilmartin Church took place recently, at which Rev. E. H. Sawyers, Moderator of Session, presided. The names of Rev. Messrs. John Currie, of Kintyre, and Neal Shaw, of Tilbury Centre, candidates for the pastorate, were submitted to the meeting, when the former obtained nineteen votes and the latter eight. The minority subsequently showed its concurrence, making Rev. John Currie the unanimous and hearty

choice of the congregation of Kilmartin Church. The stipend is to be fixed at not less than \$1,000, with free manse and two weeks' holidays. At Knox Church, Rev. John Currie got forty votes and Rev. Neal Shaw thirty-two. The Moderator entertained the minority to fall in line with the majority. James Shields, Thomas Harkness and Archibald Smith were elected delegates to prosecute the call. Stipend, \$4,000, with manse and two weeks' holidays.

OVER 5,000 people visited Woodland Park on Sunday week. The largest meeting was in the evening, when 3,000 persons were seated in the vast auditorium. The orchestra included 150 singers. The Rev. W. A. McKay, B.A., of Woodstock, gave an address of great earnestness and power. For an hour he spoke of the "Evil and the Remedy," urging the necessity of making temperance a part of Christianity. "The bar-room," said Mr. McKay, "is as good as the law makes it, the law is as good as Parliament makes it, and Parliament is as good as you make it, therefore the bar-room is as good as you make it."

THE *Winnipeg Free Press* says: In connection with the announcement of the re-opening of the arts department of Manitoba College, on October 1, the arrangement of the work of the summer session of April 1 to August 31, 1893, of the theological department, the names of the professors and the chairs which they will severally fill are published as follows: Rev. John M. King, D.D., principal—New Testament Exegesis and Biblical Theology. Rev. A. B. Baird, B.D.—Hebrew: Introduction and Church History. Rev. William McLaren, D.D. (Knox College, Toronto)—Systematic Theology. Rev. John Scrimger, D.D. (Presbyterian College, Montreal)—Old Testament Exegesis. Rev. R. Y. Thomson, B.D. (Knox College, Toronto)—Apologetics. Rev. Peter Wright, B.D., Portage la Prairie, will give a course of lessons on Homiletics and Church Government. Principal Grant, D.D. (Queen's University), will give a course of lectures should circumstances permit.

THE induction of Rev. D. Y. Ross, late of Westport, into the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church at Cannington, took place on Wednesday, the 10th inst., and is thus described by the *Ontario Gleaner*: Divine service was held in the afternoon, and Rev. Mr. McAulay preached an able discourse from Hebrews iv. 12: "The Word of God is quick and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword." The usual questions were then put to Mr. Ross by Rev. J. McMillan, of Wick, who presided. The questions being satisfactorily answered, prayer was offered, and Mr. Ross was formally settled as pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Cannington. Mr. McMillan very earnestly congratulated both the minister and congregation. The call bore all the evidences of being truly a Gospel call, and he felt sure the settlement now effected would be a happy and harmonious one. This solemn ceremony was immediately followed by an address from Mr. McDonald, of Glenora, to the minister, and from Rev. Mr. McEachern to the people. Both addresses were admirable in tone and instructive in matter. After the benediction was pronounced, Rev. Mr. McAulay and Mr. McEachern escorted Rev. Mr. Ross to the door of the church, where he was introduced to the congregation as they retired.

THERE was a large gathering of the members of Cookes Church, Toronto, last week in the lecture room, who had met to accord their popular pastor, Rev. W. Patterson, a hearty welcome home. As soon as Mr. Patterson entered the room every one rose to their feet and cheered. Mr. T. Caswell was elected chairman, and made a most eloquent address of welcome to Mr. Patterson on behalf of the congregation. In reply Mr. Patterson thanked the people for their very cordial reception, and said he was as glad to get back to Toronto as his congregation were to see him. He gave a vivid description of some of the scenes in the Old Country, pointing out how much work there was to do for the Master. Mr. Patterson's address was listened to with the greatest attention, and was greeted with loud cheers at the conclusion. A short intermission enabled most of those present to shake hands and have a short talk with Mr. Patterson, and the warmth of their greeting must have been very gratifying to the pastor. Mr. John McNeill also addressed the meeting, and gave a humorous recitation. Representatives of the Session, trustees and the various societies also delivered short addresses of welcome. Refreshments were served, and a most delightful evening was enjoyed.

FLEMING is a village on the main line of the C. P. R., just outside the western boundary of Manitoba. It is a part of the Moosomin congregation of which the Rev. J. M. Douglas is pastor. Services have been conducted at Fleming by our Church since 1883, but no church was erected by any religious body till this year. The congregation is not strong but spirited, and the people felt that the school-house did not afford sufficient room for their growing congregation and took steps last year to build. A neat frame church on a stone foundation has been erected, capable of seating 175 people, at a cost of about \$1,200. The Rev. Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions, conducted services morning and evening, and at both diets of worship the church was crowded. On Monday evening there was a social gathering and concert, addresses being delivered by Mr. Douglas, the Methodist minister and the Superintendent of Missions. The Moosomin charge furnishes an illustration of what a little judicious nursing will do. Mr. Douglas began his work there three years ago when the congregation was at a low ebb. Step by step the congregation gathered strength. A year ago there was a revival of religion in Moosomin and about one hundred communicants have since been added to the roll. The congregation informed the Presbytery a short time ago that henceforth they would require no further assistance to support their pastor. The growing congregation rendered necessary an enlargement of the Moosomin Church. This furnishes an illustration of what the Home Mission and Augmentation Funds are doing.

THE Prince Albert correspondent of the *Winnipeg Free Press* writes: A case of peculiar sadness occurred here last week. Just a year ago the Rev. F. O. Nichol, B.A., of Brantford, was married to Miss Manson, of Port Hope, and with his wife immediately left for the North-West to act as missionary for the Presbyterian Church at Mistawasis reserve, some distance north-west of Prince Albert, the mission formerly in charge of the late Rev. John Mackay. About three months ago Mrs. Nichol revisited her former home, and while in the East devoted her time towards obtaining practical help and sympathy for the Indians with whom her husband was labouring. The toil, want of proper rest, etc., incident to this work resulted in great physical exhaustion. Three weeks ago Mrs. Nichol returned en route to join her husband at the reserve, but on reaching Prince Albert was prostrated with fatal illness, and, after intense suffering, death took place on Friday, 5th inst., at the residence of Miss L. M. Baker, 2nd Street. While among the Indians Mrs. Nichol exerted great influence for good, ably assisting her husband in his efforts to spread amongst them the civilizing influence of the Gospel and education, and it was in their interests that the illness which resulted in her death was brought on. Rev. Mr. Rochester, Miss Baker and other friends did everything possible for the deceased lady and the bereaved husband. The funeral took place on Sunday, 7th inst., to the Presbyterian cemetery, and was largely attended. The late Mrs. Nichol was a daughter of Capt. Manson, of Port Hope, Ont. Dr. Nichol, of Brantford, father of the young missionary, arrived here on Saturday, having come to be with his son in his time of trouble.

A RACY correspondent of the *Victoria, B. C., Times* in a recent communication says: The First Church, on Pandora Avenue, was organized in 1862 by the Rev. John Hall, missionary of the Irish Presbyterian Church, and is the oldest Church of the denomination in the Province. Amidst church discouragement and difficulty the Church has held on its way, until to-day it has assumed strong and splendid proportions, having probably the largest membership and the most numerous congregation in the Province. Two years ago the building was enlarged and improved. Doubtless the architects and builders did the best they could with the old building and the means at their disposal, but to an outsider it appears as if the congregation would have been wiser to have pulled down the old church and to have erected a new building entirely. Still, it is comfortable, especially in the summer time, as the doors opening on the street afford abundance of air, that great necessity to a long-suffering congregation. A good congregation of 300 or 400 greeted the newly-settled pastor, Rev. Dr. Campbell, as he assumed his place in the pulpit. Of middle age, grave deportment, weighty and sincere, "serious in a serious cause," the minister of the First Church is the beau ideal of an orthodox Presbyterian clergyman. No jest could possibly pass his lips, quip or retort, satire or sarcasm would be most unseemly. With gesture prompted by the subject, with evident desire to retain and impress his people, Dr. Campbell is—well, he is Dr. Campbell. He is natural. His intonation, although peculiar, is natural. The raising of the voice at the end of a sentence is "Campbellian," and if to be natural, plain, simple, earnest, homelike is to reach the acme of perfection as a preacher, then the people of the First Presbyterian Church are to be congratulated in the choice of a minister. The preacher chose for his text Joshua iii. 4—"Ye have not passed this way heretofore," and likening the passage through the Jordan by the children of Israel who followed the Ark of the Covenant to his hearers passage through this life, he sought to enforce the truths arising therefrom. Young men starting in life, young women about to be married, the difficulties of daily life, the troubles of domesticity, and the terror of death itself, would all be helped, aided and removed by following the "Ark of the Covenant"—the Lord Jesus Christ. Many

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