

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Mr. Macdonald, of Lanark, took the services for Rev. D. Currie, M.L. of Knox church, Perth on a recent Sabbath, owing to the illness of the minister. The Courier speaks in high terms of Mr. Macdonald as a preacher.

Dr. Thomson, of Montreal, well known for his successful work among the Chinese of that city delivered an interesting address under the auspices of King's Daughters Mission Band of Knox church, Cornwall.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Perth, has been conducting the services in St. Andrew's church, Ayrrior.

Rev. Rod. MacKey, B.D., a graduate of Queen's, has been called to Hallville, Ont.

Beachburg and Westmeath Presbyterian congregations are prospering under the pastorate of Rev. A. D. Menzies. During the last year the two congregations raised \$2,460 for ordinary expenditure and \$850 for missions besides reducing the debt and improving their property. Rev. Mr. Menzies' salary has been increased from \$800 to \$1,000.

The choir of Balderson church, on behalf of the congregation, presented a purse of money of over thirty-seven dollars to Miss Minnie Cavers, the organist, who has served the church for several years. Mr. J. W. McIntyre read the address and Mr. James Cowie made the presentation.

## NORTHERN ONTARIO.

Rev. J. Becket has been elected clerk of North Bay Presbytery in place of Rev. A. McVicar, removed from bounds; and the name of Rev. J. Sieveright, M.A., was at his request, placed on the appendix to the Presbytery roll.

The following appointments to the mission fields in North Bay Presbytery were made: Rev. J. Becket to Aspdin and Allensville; Mr. D. M. Reid, Berriedale, to Dunchurch; Rev. J. Garrioch, Warren, to Loring, and Rev. Mr. Anderson to Milberta. Rev. J. Becket, S. Childerhose and J. R. Mann were appointed delegates to the General Assembly; also the following elders, McDougall, North Bay, Proudfoot, Huntsville, and A. J. Young, Cache Bay.

At the recent meeting of North Bay Presbytery an interesting and encouraging report on Home Mission work was read by the Rev. Mr. Childerhose. All Missions asking for supply had received it and the work done during the winter months was in every way satisfactory. The report on augmentation was read by the Rev. G. L. Johnston and reported the removal of Sturgeon Falls and Cache Bay from the list as this field had become self sustaining while Mattawa was placed on the list. The Rev. Mr. Evans resigned the Mattawa charge and, as the congregation had signified their acquiescence, it was accepted.

St. Andrew's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Rev. W. C. Duncan, pastor, reports advancement in many directions. Owing to the commercial depression of the past two years, this congregation in 1904 lost 30 members, but added 25. The Sabbath school, over and above running expenses, paid \$100 to the building fund; and the Ladies' Aid Society raised \$500.00 for the same purpose. Total receipts from all sources \$3,372.00. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, was observed on the first Sabbath of March, when 17 new names were added, and 211 were present at the Table. The total membership is now 305.

Knox church, Owen Sound, Rev. R. J. McAlpine, pastor. The reports showed that 1904 was a banner year. Marked progress in almost every direction. During the year 187 names were added to the roll: 133 by profession and 54 by certificate, leaving the present membership at 858. A resolution of appreciation and thanks was heartily tendered the minister. Rev. R. J. M. Alpine, while at a later stage his stipend was increased to \$1,800 and free manse.

The good old Presbyterian practice of holding a "Diet of Catechising" was recently revived by Rev. J. Beckett, Sunridge, when the answers were surprisingly correct as far as memorized. Honorable mention was accorded to Norman Harkness, Flora Flanagan and Willie Duke for having at one sitting answered all the questions in the Primary Catechism.

On Thursday evening, February 9th, a gathering was held in the Bedford Church to say farewell to Mr. and Mrs. T. Birrell who for twenty-two years have been closely identified with the work of the church. A handsome clock and silver service were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Birrell, with the best wishes of the con-

gregation, and Mrs. McLan, another active worker in the church, who is about to leave Toronto, was given a cut glass fern bowl. Refreshment were then served by the ladies.

On Sunday February 12th Division street church, Owen Sound, celebrated its jubilee. Dr. Fraser and the pastor Dr. Sommerville, both gave historical addresses. Dr. Fraser sketched the history of the early days of the Presbyterian Church in Owen Sound and surrounding districts, while Dr. Sommerville continued the history as far as it related to Division street congregation; ending with a summary of the leading characteristics of the congregation—spirit of independence; Catholic spirit; work of the women; and the missionary spirit.

The tea meeting which was held on the 21st of February under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's church, Kemble, was a very enjoyable affair. There was plenty of good music and several excellent recitations; and Rev. Mr. Deuglass, the Methodist minister, gave an interesting talk on Mormonism. Mr. Douglas who visited Salt Lake City last summer collected a considerable amount of information about the Latter Day Saints, and the address was most instructive.

The opening services in connection with the new Sunday school addition to Division street church were held Sunday last. Rev. John Neil, D.D., of Toronto preached at the regular services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. At 3 p.m. a mass meeting was held at which addresses were given by Dr. Neil, Dr. Sommerville, and other Sunday school workers. On Monday afternoon from 5.30 to 7.30 the Ladies' Aid Society served a supper after which addresses were given. And on Tuesday evening a children's social was held at which lime-light views were exhibited by Rev. C. T. Cocking.

On February 19th Dr. Margaret McKellar spoke in the Woodville church on her work as a missionary in India, and the following evening gave an address illustrated by lime-light views.

## ALGOMA NOTES.

Massey is preparing to build a manse. Rev. J. A. Macdonald leaves Tarbutt and goes to Ophir.

Rev. M. N. Bethune leaves Blind River to take up work in the Presbytery of Owen Sound.

At a meeting of Algoma Presbytery three mission fields petitioned to be raised to the status of augmented charges, viz., Blind River, Massey and Welwood, thus indicating a fair measure of prosperity.

Several of Algoma mission fields have been differently arranged in order to more effective service. Soverby Livingstone Creek and Little Rapids constitute one field; Goldenburg, Billinghem and Iron Bridge will form another; and Bright and Dean Lake were placed together. Port Lock was removed from Tarbutt field and added to Aberdeen. Tarbutt is to have two services per Sabbath, with an afternoon service at Desbrats. Revs. D. McEachern, C. E. A. Pockock and Mr. J. H. Elliott were appointed a committee by Algoma Presbytery to visit Little Rapids, Soverby and Livingstone Creek to see if these stations can be suitably organized as one mission field.

Presbytery sustained call from Manitowaning to Rev. Mr. Cunningham, and arrangements were made for his induction.

An overture was sent down to the General Assembly by Algoma Presbytery, asking that the Committee in charge of the Century Fund be instructed to grant money on certain specified conditions, to mission fields and augmented charges, at 5 per cent. interest to aid them in erecting Church Buildings in New Ontario.

## ORANGEVILLE NOTES.

Presbytery met on March 7th with large attendance of members. Leventdale, a new station in West Luther is to be united with Kingscote in Saugeen Presbytery and worked by a student.

Waldeman it to get an ordained Missionary, and with Bates and Maples, makes a strong charge. Grants for the seven augmented fields were passed. All of the grants of previous year were reduced, and each augmented congregation has promised to increase its payments re pastors salary. The splendid work done by the Rev. J. H. Edmison, and the Brethren helping him, in visiting the augmented fields has borne good fruit. Mr. R. Fervile has been twenty-five

years pastor in Gim and Osprings. Presbytery passed a resolution of congratulation to be presented by the moderator, Rev. J. A. Matheson, at a public gathering of the people. Mr. Fowlie is a loved pastor and a faithful Presbyter.

Dr. Armstrong, of Ottawa, was nominated as moderator of General assembly and Rev. J. R. Bell, of Laurel, as moderator of Synod.

The following nominations as professors were made: Dr. Ramsay to chair of O. T. Exegesis in Montreal College; Dr. R. Johnstone to chair of Pastoral Theology in Montreal College; Rev. Mr. McDougal to chair of apologetics in Montreal College; Dr. Robinson, of Chicago, for N. T. Exegesis in Knox, Toronto.

## MONTREAL NEWS.

At a meeting of the Montreal Presbytery held last week, the work of French evangelization received very careful attention and very important steps were taken with a view of inaugurating a forward movement.

Rev. G. Colborne Heine, who has been convener of the Presbytery committee for many years, was constrained to resign the convener-ship because of illness. Mr. Heine was granted leave of absence for three months. A resolution of regret and sympathy was adopted.

The Rev. John MacKay was appointed convener of the Presbytery French Evangelization committee. The appointment gives general satisfaction to all, and to the French brethren in particular.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great Scotch reformer, John Knox. The Presbytery appointed the moderator, the Rev. Calvin E. Amaron convener, with Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. Jas. Fleck, Judge Archibald, Walter Paul and J. Miller a committee to take charge of the arrangements.

The Presbytery will send greetings to the Rev. Dr. Crombie of Smith's Falls, on the occasion of his jubilee. Rev. Dr. Paterson will convey these on behalf of the Presbytery.

## NOTES FROM GLENGARRY.

Rev. Roderick MacKay accepted the call from Maxville congregation and Presbytery arranged for his induction on the 21st inst., at 1 p.m. Rev. A. G. Cameron to preach, Rev. H. Leitch to address the pastor and Rev. Dr. McDonald the congregation. Standing committees were appointed for the year, with convenors as follows: Church Life and Work—Rev. N. Waddell; Augmentation—Rev. A. Gowan; Home Missions—Rev. P. F. Langill; Statistics—Rev. D. MacLaren; Systematic Beneficence—Rev. K. A. Gollan; Sabbath Schools—Rev. D. MacVicar; Young People's Societies—Rev. Dr. Harkness; Examination of Students—Rev. Dr. MacNish; French Evangelization—Rev. J. U. Tanner. The following are the Commissioners to the Assembly—Rev. Dr. Macintosh, J. Matheson, Dr. McDonald, Rev. A. Gollan and T. G. Thomson; and John Johnston, C. W. Craig, A. N. Cheney and Hugh St. John elders.

Presbytery unanimously adopted a resolution protesting against the education clauses of the Anatomy Bill.

Rev. W. G. Wallace, D.D., was nominated for the choir of N. T. Literature and Exegesis in Knox College, Toronto.

The reports of standing committees, while encouraging in some ways, left room for much self-examination on the part of sessions and congregations.

While permitting the Bible to be circulated in Turkey, the Turkish authorities suggested that the text: "Come over into Macedonia and help us," really ought to be omitted, and that, at any rate, wherever the word Macedonia occurs it should be changed to "the vilayet of Salonika and Uskub." These Turkish officials evidently belong to the Rip-van-Winkle clan.

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