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Rev. W. Amos, of Aurora, preached a week ago Sunday morning in the Presbyterian Church, Newmarket, and conducted the communion service. In the evening the sermon was by Rev. Mr. Giffin, from north of Barrie.

Rev. W. G. Jordan, B.A., of Strathroy, conducted preparatory services in the Petrolia Presbyterian Church last Friday evening. Mr. Jordan, it is understood, will fill the pulpit of St. James' Square Church, Toronto, for two Sundays during the coming August.

At a meeting last week of St. Peter's congregation, Madoc, the resignation of Rev. Mr. Wiseman was accepted according to his wishes. Messrs. A. F. Wood and Wm. MacIntosh were selected as delegates to attend the meeting of Presbytery at Kingston and lay the position of the church before the Court.

Toronto loses a valuable citizen in the person of Mr. Joseph Oliver, who last week left for Tonawanda, N.Y., where the large business interests of his firm are now chiefly located. As an Alderman and member of High School Board, Mr. Oliver proved himself a capable administrator; and as a member of the Board of Management of Old St. Andrew's Church, where he gave efficient service for many years, he will be greatly missed.

The Gospel Carriage of the Faith Mission of Canada left Toronto last week in charge of four students of the Toronto Bible Training School. They are journeying toward Owen Sound, conducting open air gospel services in the various towns and villages en route, and expect to be back in Toronto about September in time for the next school session. Further information may be had from the superintendant, Thos. A. Rodger, 25 Wood St., Toronto.

The Presbyterian Church at Millbrook was completely destroyed by fire between one and two o'clock Friday morning last. So great was the headway the fire had got before it was noticed that the building was entirely gutted before the firemen arrived on the scene. None of the contents were saved. A good organ and a library were among the things consumed. The cause of the fire is a mystery. There was choir practice the night before, but the caretaker is satisfied that the lights were carefully put out and there was no fire in the furnaces for weeks. There was \$2,000 insurance on the church, but nothing on the contents.

The anniversary and re-opening services of Ealing Presbyterian Church, Meaford, on a recent Sunday, were conducted by Rev. A. Gilray, who preached in the morning, afternoon and evening to good congregations. His discourses were both interesting and instructive, and the friends of the church were well pleased with the success of the services. The collections in behalf of the repairs to the church amounted to about \$100. On Monday evening Mr. Gilray lectured on "The Greatest City," a fair audience being present. His description of Old London proved an intellectual treat to all present. His graphic references to Westminster Abbey, the British arsenal, the 100 ton cannon, and many other places of interest, held the closest attention of the audience. Mr. Gilray also described the powers of preaching of such men as Liddon, Stanley, Spurgeon and Parker. The proceeds of the lecture amounted to \$18.50.

Rev. Alexander King delivered a lecture on Tuesday evening in Knox Church, Acton, on "Scotland Before the Reformation." The lecture was a very full description of the religious life of the country from the early centuries to the time of the Covenanters. Some portions of the lecture were better explained in the native tongue of the Highlanders to the delight of a number in the audience. A collection was taken at the close which was applied to funds of the Y.P.S.C.E. Miss Jessie McDonald, president of the Christian Endeavor Society, presided.

At the approaching Summer School, to be held in Halifax under the auspices of the Presbyterian College of the Maritime Provinces, the lectures to be given by Dr. H. M. Scott will be those delivered by him last winter in Princeton as Stone Lecturer and which brought him so much commendation. His subject is: "The Origin and Development of the Nicene Theology, with some Reference to the Ritsdelian Theology and History of Doctrine." Dr. Watson's lectures will be on "Balfour's Foundations of Belief." The fee for registration is \$2.50, and the fee for board in the College from July 14th to 25th is \$10, including registration. All applications or requests for information should be made to the Rev. Robt. A. Falconer, B.D., Pine Hill, Halifax, N. S.

The monthly meeting of the Toronto Auxiliary of the Canadian McAll Association was held on the 4th inst., in the parlor of the Y.M.C.A. building. The chair was occupied by Mrs. Duncan Clark. After devotional exercises, an interesting letter from Miss Annie B. Beard, of Paris, France, was read by Mrs. George Kerr. It gave an encouraging account of the work and referred to the mother's meeting recently held in one of the halls in Paris, at which twenty-five mothers were present. It also touched on the gratifying increase in attendance at the mission schools throughout France, which have not been so prosperous for over six years past, as they are at present. Miss Caven sang a solo after which Mrs. Bilder gave a Bible reading. The treasurer's report showed \$71.25 on hand.

The death of Rev. Donald H. MacVicar occurred at Crowland mission, near Fort Pelly, on Wednesday, the 20th ult. Mr. MacVicar was a full blooded Indian, a ward of the Presbyterian Church, adopted by Rev. Jas. Nisbet in the early days of the Prince Albert mission, and had taken a full course in arts and theology in Manitoba College from which institution he graduated with first class honors in science and winning a silver medal in 1887. Since graduation Mr. MacVicar had been in the service of the Church as missionary and teacher among the Indians, and had recently prepared a translation of part of the Gospel of St. Luke into Cree, which is highly spoken of by competent critics. Mr. MacVicar will be much missed by his mission and by the Church. He leaves a wife and one child.

On Wednesday evening, the 27th ult., at the close of the prayer meeting, an interesting congregational meeting was held in the Barrie Presbyterian Church. Mr. Ault, an elder, was called to the chair, and Mr. Hay, another elder, read an address to the pastor, Rev. D. D. McLeod, and presented him, in the name of the congregation, with a purse containing a generous check, to defray the expenses of his contemplated visit to the old country, the congregation having asked Mr. McLeod to take a holiday of three months for this purpose. The address referred appreciatively to Mr. McLeod's faithfulness as a pastor, to his careful preparation for the pulpit, and his clear expositions of the gospel and to his many and varied services as a public citizen. Mr. McLeod made a suitable reply referring to some of the principal facts in the twelve years of his ministry to the congregation. The Rev. R. Moodie and Allan Findlay, superintendent of missions in Muskoka, also made addresses suitable to the occasion, which was a very enjoyable one.

On the 26th ult. the Presbytery of Glen-garry inducted the Rev. John Campbell, late of the Free Church of Scotland, to the pastoral charge of Kenyon. The large church was crowded on the occasion, and at the close of the services Mr. Campbell received a very hearty handshaking from the large congregation present. On Sabbath, the 31st ult., Mr. Campbell was introduced to his congregation by Rev. F. A. McLennan, Lucknow, Ont., a former pastor of the congregation and an old friend of the newly-inducted minister. Mr. McLennan preached in the forenoon, and towards the close of the service congratulated the congregation on

having secured for their pastor one whom he had known in Scotland while a mere youth, and whose character, training, qualifications and attainments were of a high order. In the afternoon the pastor preached a sermon on Redemption and Forgiveness, and in conclusion stated that in that discourse he had struck the keynote of his ministry, and that as "Jesus Christ and Him crucified" had been the burden of his ministrations in the past it would be the same in future. There were crowded congregations at both services.

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

HAMILTON: This Presbytery met in St. Catharines on May 19th. The only matters of public interest were: Delhi was transferred to the Presbytery of Paris after May 24th. Rev. J. Black and Mr. T. D. Cooper were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly. A petition from Rev. W. M. Roger was transmitted to the Assembly. Rev. M. Cruickshank was granted leave of absence for two months, and Messrs. H. A. McPherson and J. S. Hall, of Knox College, and C. G. Young, of Queen's University, were licensed to preach the gospel.

MAITLAND: This Presbytery met at Wingham on the 19th ult. An overture to the General Assembly on public worship was adopted by the Presbytery. Messrs. McLeod and Fairbairn were appointed to support the overture before the Assembly. In accordance with the resolution of the Synod of Hamilton and London, the pastoral charge of North Kinloss, Riversdale and Ennis-killen was placed on the list of congregations in the Presbytery, and the Rev. A. Mackay was appointed interim moderator of the session. A call to the Rev. John Rose, of Ashfield, from Malaga-scaith and River Dennis, Cape Breton, was considered, and at the request of Mr. Rose he received a month's time to consider the call. The Presbytery agreed to hold an adjourned meeting at Lucknow on June 3rd, when final action shall be taken regarding it. A petition to the General Assembly from Mr. Robt. Douglas, about appointing a day of humiliation, etc., and another from Mr. Robert Douglas and others, about the attitude when at prayer in the public assembly, were transmitted. The Presbytery will make application to the General Assembly on behalf of Rev. A. Sutherland, of Ripley, for leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry, and to place his name on the list of beneficiaries upon the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. The total period of Mr. Sutherland's ministerial service is over fifty years. Mr. MacLeod was appointed to support the application before the Assembly.—JOHN MACNABB, Clerk.

THE CHURCH SERVICE SOCIETY.

MR. EDITOR,—In your issue of the 3rd inst. there appears a communication from the Rev. Dr. McAdam Muir, of Edinburgh, Scotland, secretary of the Church Service Society, referring to a brief article which I wrote on the above subject, and which appeared in your issue of March 25th.

In reply to the Doctor's questions, I beg to say the conference to which I referred was held in Edinburgh, early in 1895. I stated that one of the members advocated the erection of altars in churches. What fixes this incident, and the word "altar" in particular, upon my mind is the fact that the speaker cited Heb. xiii. 10. On resuming his seat a stranger in the audience arose, read the verse and commented upon it in a way quite adverse to the teaching deduced by the speaker. As the stranger appeared to be getting the better of the argument, the chairman asked if he were a member of the Society, for it appears only such had a right to debate. "No," said the young man, "I am thankful to say I am not," and sat down amid much applause. I will be glad to learn that the Society is opposed to the substitution of "altars" for communion tables; at the same time I would respectfully ask, why it is that in such churches as St. Giles', and St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh; East Church, Perth; the Cathedral and Barony, Glasgow; East Church, Aberdeen; St. Mary's, St. Andrew's and others, whose ministers I think will be found among the leaders of the Society's "five hundred," why in these churches has the pulpit been removed from that significant place assigned to it in the Reformed Churches; and why has a structure of wood or stone, fashioned so perilously like, and occupying that position in the building given to the "altar" in the Catholic Churches, been

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made to do the duty of the ordinary communion table?

During the conference a reception was tendered to the students of the Divinity Hall by some of the members, whether or not by authority of the Society I am not positive. In view of the fact that the Euchologion is claimed as the Society's crowning work, I fail to see any cause for surprise that the reading of prayers from a book should have been advocated instead of extemporizing.

My knowledge of the Society has been gained largely from such sources as the *Euchologion*, different editions; the *Scottish Church Reports*; articles which have appeared from time to time in the public press, e.g., the *Scotsman*, *Courant*, etc.; the writings of A.K.H.B. vide *Blackwood*; and of other acknowledged leaders.

That ritualism, or sacerdotalism as some prefer to call it, is growing in certain quarters of the Church of Scotland, I do not think any one will deny. During my sojourn in Scotland I took pains to ascertain the cause and extent of this growth and from the opinions of the many ministers with whom I came in contact I was invariably given to understand that the Church Service Society was the leading factor in encouraging the movement. I sincerely hope my impressions in this respect were greatly exaggerated, and for the sake of that Church I revere I will be glad to know that my information was incorrect, and if I have said anything unjust or untrue regarding the Society I cheerfully retract.

GEORGE H. SMITH.

Thamesford, Ont.

PRESENTATION TO A BRITISH COLUMBIA PASTOR.

Rev. James Buchanan, late pastor of Richmond congregation, Eburne, B.C., on leaving this field of labour for the East, preached farewell discourses to crowded congregations on Sabbath, May 17th. On the following evening the elegant residence of Captain W. F. Stewart was crowded by the congregation and friends from other Churches to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, on leaving B.C. The Captain presented the following address, with a beautiful native gold chain, and Mr. W. Oliver presented a seal as a souvenir from the wreck of the first Pacific steamship, the *Beaver*:

To Rev. James Buchanan, M.A.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—We the members and adherents of Richmond Presbyterian Church, on the occasion of your leaving this district and the sphere where you have ministered during the last three years and over, beg to tender to you the assurance of our appreciation of the earnest and zealous work you have carried on amongst us. Your pulpit ministrations have been of a high order, indicating careful and faithful preparation and a desire to set forth plainly the whole counsel of God and the plenitude of the Gospel of His Grace. We also appreciate the fact that you were the first to begin, and that you have faithfully carried on the Sabbath evening services in the church, which has been a great privilege to so many of the congregation, who would otherwise have been largely debarred from taking part in the public worship of the sanctuary. We desire to thank you for your efforts to assist in the reformation of the Chinese in this district, and we also tender our thanks to Mrs. Buchanan, who has laboured so faithfully in this cause, and who did so much in the general interests of the congregation during your absence last summer. In taking leave of you and Mrs. Buchanan, it is our earnest hope and desire that God in His Providence may long spare you both for useful work in the Church and ministry to which He has called you, and that a suitable sphere of labor may soon be opened up for you. We desire you to accept herewith this small gift as a visible token of our high appreciation of the efforts you have made on our behalf.

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