

Western Ontario.

Rev. W. Erskine Knowles, was the preacher in St. James Square church, Toronto, last Sunday.

Rev. R. M. Hamilton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Brantford, has announced his resignation.

Rev. Dr. J. K. Smith and Mrs. Smith, formerly of Gall, are residing for the winter at 581 Jarvis street, Toronto.

Anniversary services were held at Kibridge, conducted by Rev. E. F. McL. Smith, M. A., of Milton, last Sabbath.

Rev. Mr. Pogue, Hespeler, created a deep impression in Ayr on Tuesday night, when he spoke to the combined Endeavorers of Ayr on "Religious Enthusiasm."

The friends at Everton held a pleasant social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Whearhston, last Tuesday evening, when a handsome sum was realized for the debt on the church at Ospringe.

Rev. J. S. Henderson, of Hensall, in company with his elder, Mr. Wm. Moir, on Sabbath last visited St. Andrew's Sabbath School for the purpose of giving encouragement and counsel along the line of Sabbath School work. Rev. Mr. Henderson is no less enthusiastic in the Sabbath school than in the pulpit.

Mrs. Watt, Guelph, while in Stratford attending a meeting of the W. F. M. S., in response to a request, gave an interesting talk at the Congregational church on "Lepers and Leprosy." She told how the first mission was founded in the Old Country in Dublin about 26 years ago by Rev. Mr. Bailey, a clergyman who had visited India and had been shown a number of poor lepers, some of whom were sadly mutilated, having in some cases their limbs virtually eaten away and were unable to help themselves. He was deeply touched at the sight and felt that if ever there was a Christ-like work it would be the helping of these poor creatures, so that when he returned to Ireland and spoke to an audience on the subject, they too, were moved, and in a short time £500 was subscribed towards the work. From that day on the leper missions have been steadily gaining ground until now they have large branches in Canada and the United States, besides Europe. The Royal family have taken great interest in these missions, and Lady Dufferin, who is at their head, has visited India to see for herself the sufferings of the poor outcasts of which there are about a million in that country alone. The Prince of Wales had a commission of the best medical men attainable appointed in 1893 to visit all the countries where leprosy was prevalent, and in their report they said there was no cure for the disease; that it was not hereditary, that it was not contagious, except by inoculation, and it was not infectious. A conference in Berlin in 1897 demonstrated the same facts. In conclusion Mrs. Watt said that there are 14 auxiliary missions in Canada, and about the same number in the United States. The annual convention for 1901 will be held at Pittsburg.

A Suggestion in Connection with the Century Fund,

Editor Dominion Presbyterian:—Your Owen Sound correspondent, in speaking of the Century Fund, has touched a sympathetic chord in many a heart. While I do not agree with him that the spiritual side of the question has been entirely neglected, I do think it has not been sufficiently emphasized.

The whole scheme is so very practical that it appears to everyone as being worked on common sense principals; and moneyed people are more likely to be reached where the scheme is presented in a business like way, than by appealing to their emotions.

While this is true there are thousands of people making small contributions who are hoping and praying, yea believing, that the money given will not only put the funds of the church on a good footing and forward mission work, but will bring a rich blessing on the church. God's promise, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in my house; prove me now herewith saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not pour out a blessing, that there will not be room enough to receive it is still good."

Surely this promise should be made use of now as never before. Will anyone say that this is figurative language? Will the church ever make a greater effort to bring in all the tithes? If not

this is a grand opportunity for her to claim the fulfillment of this wonderful promise.

Something ought to be done to keep the mind of the church looking toward a revival in connection with the Century Fund. Could not arrangements be made for a great evangelistic conference of some kind in connection with closing of Assembly when it is hoped the money will be all in.

Such a meeting would have the prayerful sympathy of every contributor. Were such a meeting in anticipation it would be preceded by days of prayer in unexpected and unknown places. Christians all over Canada are wanting a revival.

Some may say that until the money was raised it would not be fitting to prepare for anything like a dedication service. I believe if plans were laid for a convention with definite expectations attached for a special outpouring of the Spirit, that greater sums of money would continue coming in.

The Globe correspondent who went to Africa with the first contingent, said, "Leaving Quebec was a most impressive moment, but it was not the thousands who crowded the wharves who made it so; it was the thought that the eyes of all loyal Canadians were upon them."

Were a great convention in connection with the bringing in of this money, to be held where the most spiritually minded and talented would take part with one object only in view—a deepening of spiritual life—the eyes of all Canadian Christians would be turned to that convention in prayerful sympathy and interest; and hundreds would be praying at home.

Seaforth.

M. J. L.

British and Foreign Items.

Dr. Clark has been kicked out of Calthness amid general applause.

Fifty years ago news from Europe reached America in two weeks. Now it comes in two minutes.

On his semi-jubilee Rev. L. Davidson, Mayfield Free Church, has been presented by his congregation with £232.

Mrs. Fletcher, of London, offers the last £5000 of the £20,000 required to endow a Chair of History in Aberdeen University.

Rev. David Mackie, of the Townhead U.P. Church, Dunfermline, has received a call from the congregation of Partick East U.P. Church.

The Prince of Wales is a member of the Church of England (Protestant), and attends the Established Church in Scotland, like the Queen.

One of the most frequent uses to which the telephone is put by French country subscribers is that of an alarm to wake them in the morning. The Buffalo Bird Protective Society defends the Scotch sparrow, ascribing to the birds the disappearance, in that vicinity, of the canker-worm.

The Rev. David Macrae, Glasgow, is to winter at Monte Carlo, and will by permission of the Prince of Monaco, conduct Scottish services on Sundays.

A Paisley committee is trying hard to devise "other means" of conveying drunken women to the lock-up. At present they are trundled along in wheelbarrows.

At St. John's Church, Stratford, a child has been christened "Khaki." The father was born during the Crimean war, and had the name of Alma bestowed upon him.

Rev. Andrew Doak contemplates retiring from the pastorate of Trinity Free Church, Aberdeen, where he has ministered for over 22 years. He went there from Bothwell.

Rev. John Wesley, the last of the Wesley family, founders of Methodism, died at Detroit, Mich., on the 22nd ult., aged 82 years. He was a native of Birmingham, England.

A cheque on the National Bank of the Orange Free State, signed by ex-President Steya, found in his brother's house at Bloemfontein, will shortly be offered for sale in London.

St. James' Church, Alnwick, holds the distinction of being one of the few churches in the English Presbyterian body with a membership larger than the seating accommodation.

Germany is preparing to offer fierce competition against England for the trade of South Africa, and agents are even now on the spot learning the requirements of the country.

The congregation of Holm Church, Kilmarnock (Rev. John Cairns), will adopt the name Glencairn Church, as the distinctive name of the congregation in the United Free Church.

MARRIED.

At Lindsay, on October 24th, 1900, by the Rev. J. W. Macmillan, M.A., Dugald A. Brown, of Fenedon, to Miss Martha S. Spence, of Eldon.

At Arnprior, October 18th, by Rev. D. J. McLean, Miss Jennie Dodd to Dr. Allan McGregor.

At Arnprior, October 18th, by Rev. D. J. McLean, Miss Mabel Thompson to Mr. Wm. G. Robinson.

By Rev. J. A. McKeen, B.A., October 18th, Mr. Aaron Heard, Port Hope, and Mrs. Jane Miller.

In Orono, October 25, by Rev. J. A. McKeen B.A., George W. Allin and Lily M. Thompson, both of Clarke.

On October 27th, 1900, at the residence of the bride's father, Perth, Ont., by the Rev. D. Currie B.D., Clayton Halsey Sharp, Ph. D., of Ithaca, N.Y., to Kathleen Hamilton, daughter of Ed. Ward G. Malloch, Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace of the County of Lanark.

On October 25, 1900, at the residence of the bride's father, Chesley, Ont., by the Rev. J. J. Patterson, Mary Munsie, (Marie), eldest daughter of Dr. Bonnar, to Chasley Herbert Breerton, M.D., also of Chesley, eldest son of Dr. Breerton, Schomberg.

On October 20, 1900, at the residence of the bride's parents, 262 St. Antoine street, by the Rev. Jas. Fleck, B.A., John Doig, to Jessie Frances, eldest daughter of David McKenzie, all of Montreal.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Leamington Wharf," will be received at this office until Friday, 10th day of November, 1900, for the construction of a wharf at Leamington, County of Essex, Ont., according to a plan and specification to be seen at the office of H. A. Gray, Engineer in charge of Harbour Works, Ontario, Confederation Life Building, Toronto, on application to W. C. Coulson, Town Clerk, Leamington, Ont., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of the tenderers.

An accepted cheque payable to the order of Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for three thousand dollars (\$3,000) must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

JOS. R. ROY,

Acting Secretary.

Department of Public Works,

Ottawa, October 26th, 1900.

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Works at Port Colborne" will be received at this office until Friday the 9th of November inclusively, for the construction of a breakwater and for rock excavation at Port Colborne, Welland County, Province of Ontario, according to a plan and specification to be seen at the offices of H. A. Gray, Esq., Engineer in charge Harbour and River Works for Ontario, Confederation Life Building, Toronto; the Resident Engineer Room 411 Merchant's Bank Building, St. James St., Montreal; and Mr. Ph. Beland, Clerk of Works, Post Office, Quebec, on application to the Postmaster at Port Colborne, Ont., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signature of tenderers.

An accepted cheque on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, for thirty thousand dollars, \$30,000 must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

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