

Presbytery of Barrie.

This Presbytery met at Barrie on Sept. 24th, and was largely attended by ministers and elders—Mr. James, moderator. A request of the congregation of North Bay, which becomes vacant by the resignation of Mr. Jas. McMillan was granted to the effect that instead of probationers being sent with a view to call, a minister should be appointed by the Presbytery to take charge for six months. Mr. J. J. Cochrane was appointed moderator of session during the vacancy. Dr. Gray gave report on the S. B. Ardagh manse, which was given some years ago to the Presbytery by His Honor Judge Gowan, that the building is in fair condition and insured for \$500 until August, 1898. He recommended that \$2 accruing from rent be applied to the Presbytery Home Mission fund. This was agreed on and thanks tendered to Dr. Gray for his management of the property. A committee was appointed to prepare a resolution for next meeting in regard to providing a refuge for the poor of the county, and members of Presbytery were recommended to use their influence to further the object. The circular of the Augmentation Committee asking \$600 was read. A resolution of sympathy with Mr. Macdonnell, convener of the committee, in his illness, was adopted. It was then agreed that the sum be apportioned to the congregations in the bounds. Mr. Carswell was allowed to withdraw the resignation of a part of his charge tendered at a former meeting. Leave was granted to mortgage the church property in Collingwood for \$3,000 in order to make extension and alterations made necessary by the increase of the congregation. The greater part of the afternoon was engaged with Home Mission business. Claims of grants from the Assembly's Committee for summer and winter services and the supply of missionaries for next six months were arranged, as were also claims of aid-receiving congregations on the Augmentation Fund. Mr. Findlay was requested to inquire into the condition of the mission at Rosseau. Mr. W. E. Wallace was nominated as ordained missionary at Minesing, Elmville and Midhurst. Mr. Gray reported that the Women's Home Mission Society of Orillia contributed \$75 in support of the mission at Carling and Shebeashong for summer services, and would contribute further during the winter without being held to any particular sum or to any stated mission field. Cordial thanks were tendered to the society. Arrangement was made for mission work in lumber camps. The nomination of professors to the vacancies in Knox College was postponed to the January meeting. Mr. W. Burns of the Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund was present and addressed the Presbytery on the fund and specially with regard to a motion carried on May 28th, in Presbytery, which reflected unfavorably on his work. He answered questions put to him on the administration of the fund, and explained the action of the committee in certain cases wherein that action has been thought to be at fault. His address was satisfactory, as appears from the amende honorable made in a motion moved by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Dr. Grant and carried without dissent in the following terms: "That having heard the statements of Mr. Burns with regard to the A. & I. M. fund with satisfaction, the Presbytery warmly recommends the congregations of the bounds to support the fund, and remit to the committee on A. & I. M. fund to take charge of the matter during the year, and with respect to the motion passed by this Presbytery at a former meeting in regard to Mr. Burns' services the Presbytery is satisfied that he has discharged the duties of his office with fidelity."—Rev. Moodie, Clerk.

Presbytery of Rock Lake.

This Presbytery held its regular meeting at Boisbrun and within St. Andrew's church there, on Monday, the 16th September, at a quarter past seven o'clock in the evening. All the ministers were present and a few elders. Mr. Munro, Deloraine, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. The Presbyterial conference, appointed at last meeting, was not held, owing to the people being busy at harvest operations. Reports were made re dispensing ordinances in mission fields as follows:—Mr. Farquharson, at Swan Lake; Mr. Fisher, at south half of Riverside and at Ninga; Mr. Howman, at Glenora; Mr. Andrew, at north half of Riverside and at

Killarney; Mr. Rumball, at Roland, and Mr. Caven, at La Riviere. Mr. W. S. Thomson, a graduate of Manitoba College, asked to be taken on trials for license, and after a satisfactory examination was licensed to preach the Gospel. Kirk session records from Crystal City, Miami and Nelsons were examined and attested. The Committee on the Examination of Students reported having read sermons from Messrs. Strachan, Stewart and Bayles, students, and recommended that they be certified to their respective colleges. Mr. Andrew, on desiring to be relieved from the moderatorship of Kiveraids session, owing to his great distance from the field, Mr. Fisher was appointed Moderator in his stead. A deputation from the Belmont field was heard in favour of making a change so as to lessen the labours of the missionary. But, owing to the difficulty to arrange regular supply for Huntley Station, no practical change was made. A circular re Augmentation Fund was read and disposed of. The death of Mr. John Affleck, elder and a member of Presbytery, was reported, and a committee appointed to draft a suitable minute and forward a copy to Mrs. Affleck and family. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Crystal City on the first week in March, 1896.—Wm. Caven, Clerk.

The McAll Auxiliaries.

The monthly meeting of the Toronto Auxiliary of the Canadian McAll Association was held in the Y. M. C. A. library on Thursday, Oct. 3rd. The president, Mrs. Howitt, occupied the chair. An interesting feature of the meeting was a letter, read by Miss Caven, from Monsieur Duocleman, the missionary supported by this Auxiliary in France. He gives hopeful news of his stations (Rochefort and La Rochelle) in which the Toronto Auxiliary is directly interested. An able article, relating to the succession of the Rev. Charles Greig to the leadership of Dr. McAll, was read by Mrs. Henderson. It is encouraging to know that the selection of this gifted man to fill the place of their honoured leader was the unanimous choice of the Board of Directors, and from that day there has been perfect accord in the mission counsels. Everything points to a wise administration and a widening power for good in France.

Synod of the Maritime Provinces.

The first meeting of the twenty-second Synod of the Maritime Provinces was held in St. James' church, Charlottetown, Oct. 2nd. The sermon was preached by Rev. P. M. Morrison, D.D., of Halifax, retiring moderator, who gave an impressive sermon on the life of Paul. He spoke of the waking up of the churches from the slumber of ages during the last hundred years. Rev. J. McGregor McKay, of New Glasgow, N.S., was elected moderator.

The moderator conducted the devotional exercises next morning. Prayer was made for the recovery of D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto. The report of the Hunter church building fund was satisfactory. Dr. Morrison reported a very good year for the ladies' college at Halifax. The revenue has exceeded the expenditure. Rev. A. Rogers presented the report on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. The fund has a deficit of \$300 this year. It is in debt about \$1,400. The committee was asked to consider ways and means to pay off the debt, and if possible to increase the endowment. A petition from the Presbytery of Miramichi asks the Synod to pray the Assembly to recall this year's decision debarring ministers who do not contribute to the fund from getting any benefit from it and also the regulation compelling ministers to join the fund at ordination and to again recognize the benevolent element as originally embodied in the scheme.

Foreign missions and the theological union were considered in the evening.

A LARGE crowd was in attendance at the Presbyterian church, Nanawec, on Oct. 3rd, to witness the ordination and induction of the new pastor, Rev. William W. Peck, M.A., LL.B. Besides the members of the congregation, there was a large representation from the different denominations of the town, all anxious to witness the service and welcome the new pastor to our town. Rev. W. S. McTavish, B.D., of Deserout, preached an excellent sermon from the text, Acts ii. 42, "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in

breaking of bread, and in prayers." Rev. Joseph Gandier, of Newburgh, moderator of session, narrated the steps that had been taken to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. Duncan MacEachern. The Rev. M. McGillivray, M.A., of Kingston, addressed the newly inducted minister on the duties and responsibilities of his office. Rev. John Mackie, M.A., also of Kingston, next addressed the people on their duties toward their minister who had now been placed as an overseer among them. Mr. Peck enters upon his work in Nanawec with every prospect of a successful and happy ministry. The clergymen present were Revs. M. McGillivray, J. Mackie, W. T. Wilkins, S. Russel, W. S. McTavish, A. Macdonald, J. Gandier, D. O. McArthur, Dr. Macdunnid and Rev. D. O. Crossley.

Children's Aid Society.

Editor PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW:

SIR,—A committee appointed by the Children's Aid Society, of Toronto, has invited the Sabbath schools to join in an annual collection in aid of its work of rescuing neglected, abused and abandoned children, and has met with a hearty response from a number of the schools, which have offered to take up collections in October and November. The plan adopted is for one of the officers of the Society to address a Sabbath school one Sabbath, when prepared envelopes are given out. The next Sabbath these envelopes will be returned sealed, with whatever money the scholars or teachers wish to give, and be placed on the collection plates. Where it is not possible for the address to be delivered a printed address is sent. The secretary of the Society will gladly send the printed addresses and envelopes to any Sabbath school outside the city where there is no Children's Aid Society at work, which would like to take part in the annual collection. It is a good way to interest happy children in the welfare of the sad and neglected ones, to encourage the collections for 'his merciful home mission.

The friends of the children we are helping are reminded that we have a number of little boys for whom we want homes, ages two to eight, Johnnie, Frankie and Donnie, all boys of five, might be especially mentioned.

J. STUART COLEMAN, Secretary.

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Going West.

THE advice given by Horace Greeley so many years ago, to go west, is being followed every day by an increasingly large number of men and women. Some go to stay, to build up new homes, others for pleasure, still others go to look after great business interests, but they go, and they one and all wish to go by a route which combines safety, speed, and convenience in travelling. This is the reason why so many choose the Nickel Plate Road. From Buffalo to Chicago its line lies almost as straight as an arrow, and intersected at such frequent intervals by connecting roads that the map looks as if the road should be named "Through Line to Everywhere." More than thirty connections are given, reaching out in every direction. Then too, many travellers demand a certain amount of luxury when travelling, and Wagner cars between New York, Boston, Buffalo and Chicago, the Uniformed Colored Porters in charge of day coaches, and the Unsurpassed Dining Car Service, supply this. Accommodation may be secured in advance by addressing Mr. F. J. Moore, 23 Exchange Street, Buffalo, N.Y. He can give details as to rates, connections, and all necessary arrangements, both east and west of Chicago.—From Elmira, N.Y., Journal.

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