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OTTAWA.

The Board of French Evangelization granted \$100 for the school in Hull.

The adjourned meeting of Ottawa presbytery will be held in Knox Church on May 19th.

Rev. A. G. Cameron, of Merivale, was appointed interim moderator of the vacant charge at Billings' Bridge.

A call from Brasseide in favor of Rev. J. S. Dobbin, of Bryson, was considered and sustained by Ottawa Presbytery; and it was ordered to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew. Mr. Dobbin accepts.

At Ottawa Presbytery, Rev. Mr. Eadie introduced Mr. J. R. Mackay, representative of Zion church, Hull, who asked and obtained permission to mortgage church property for the purchase of a piece of land adjoining the church for a manse.

Rev. Mr. Turbull brought before Ottawa Presbytery the matter of separation between the fields of Merivale and Westboro. Evangelist Woods begins work at Westboro immediately. It is intended to connect the work at Britannia with that at Westboro. The loan of \$100 was granted for the purchase of a tent, chairs and organ for the Britannia field.

At the meeting of Ottawa Presbytery last week Mr. Sully Hay, Rev. J. A. MacDonald of East Gloucester, and Rev. W. W. Peck, of Arnprior, were introduced, and Rev. Dr. Wardrope was asked to sit as a corresponding member. The resignation of Rev. Mr. McLeod, Billings' Bridge, was accepted, the Presbytery formally expressing its appreciation of his faithful services.

Russell congregation unanimously calls Rev. E. L. Gordon, of Forrester's Falls; salary \$900, and three weeks' holidays. Call sustained by Ottawa Presbytery, and arrangements made for the induction of Mr. Gordon, should he accept, on a debate to be fixed, the moderator to preside, Revs. MacDonald to preach, Woods to address the people, and MacNabb the minister.

At the meeting of Ottawa Presbytery last Tuesday the following were appointed conveners of Standing Committees for the ensuing year: Church Life and Work, Rev. G. A. Woods; Sunday Schools, Rev. J. H. Woodside; Home Missions, Rev. Dr. Armstrong; French Evangelization, Rev. J. W. H. Milne; Statistics, Rev. R. Gamble; Examination for License, Rev. G. MacGregor; Church Property, Rev. A. S. Reid; Y. P. Societies, Rev. W. T. Prettie; Moral and Social Reform, Rev. P. W. Anderson.

In regard to a proposal that the 24th of May be the date of special ministerial reference to the Quebec Tercentenary celebration, the following resolution, moved by Rev. Dr. Armstrong, was passed by Ottawa Presbytery: "The Presbytery records its appreciation of the movement set on foot by His Excellency the Governor General to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of Quebec by Champlain by securing the historic battlefield as a national park to manifest and help to perpetuate the good will and amity existing between the two great races of Canada that once faced each other in hostile array. Ministers are recommended in such a way as may seem to them most fitting to take advantage of the occasion to promote the interests of patriotism, peace and good will. The 24th of May is suggested as a fitting time to make reference to this national event from the pulpit."

HAMILTON.

The Presbytery of Hamilton has appointed Rev. Mr. Cochrane, recently from Edinburgh, Scotland, to the temporary charge of Port Colborne.

The resignation of Rev. D. B. MacDonald, as pastor of Haynes Avenue Church, St. Catharines, has been accepted.

Knox congregation, Dundas, will build a new church, and asks permission of Presbytery to borrow \$12,000 for this purpose.

The ordination and induction of Mr. W. A. McKay, to the charge of Chippewa, will take place on 21st inst. Salary \$800, with a manse.

The Sherman Avenue (Hamilton) congregation will proceed to the erection of a new church. This remark also applies to the St. James' congregation.

At Hamilton Presbytery, last Tuesday, the call from Knox Church to Rev. E. A. Mitchell of Ottawa, was sustained. It carries a stipend of \$2,500 and six weeks' vacation. The call is unanimous, being signed by 775 members and 100 adherents.

The anniversary social of MacNab Street church was well attended by the congregation. Mr. G. A. Gow was in the chair, and introduced an impromptu programme that proved very pleasing. During the evening Rev. Dr. Fletcher, Mr. Donald McPhie, Rev. M. Black, Rev. Beverly Ketchen, Mr. W. H. Wardrope, K.C., Mr. James Chisholm and others gave short addresses of thankfulness at the splendid year that MacNab has experienced.

The Central church people are looking forward in joyous anticipation to the formal opening of their new church next month. Special dedicatory services will be held and arrangements are being made to mark this important epoch in the religious life of the congregation in a manner befitting the occasion. Dr. Black, of New York, has been invited to preach at the opening services, and Principal Gordon, of Queen's University, and other eminent divines will assist in these impressive services.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

The grounds about St. Andrew's Church, Williamstown, are being still further improved this season.

Rev. Mr. McLeod, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Finch, late of Howick, Que., was in Avonmore last week.

The new manse, purchased by Hephzibah congregation, Williamstown, is nearing completion. It is a commodious building, and will prove a comfort to the minister's family.

The 25th annual meeting of the Glenarry Presbyterian W.F.M.S. will be held in Knox Church, Lancaster, on June 10 and 11. An excellent programme has been prepared for the occasion.

Rev. Peter Nichol, late of Tottenham, preached in the Demorestville church last Sunday, and will take the services in the same place next Sunday. Should the congregation—without a pastor since the death of Rev. C. Gordon Smith—be able to induce Mr. Nichol to remain with them, they will secure a worthy successor to their late minister.

At the recent anniversary of Melville Church, Fergus, Rev. W. G. Wilson, of Guelph, was the preacher, St. Andrew's congregation uniting with the sister church for the day. Rev. Mr. Brown took the services in St. Andrew's, Guelph.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Mr. Caldwell, of Knox College, has been supplying Ardrea for two or three Sundays.

Rev. R. Stewart, of Motherwell, exchanged pulpits with Rev. J. W. Graham, of Avonton, on a recent Sabbath.

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, of First Presbyterian church, Chatham, exchanged with Rev. A. H. Cameron, of Emmanuel church, Detroit, last Sunday.

Mr. Milne popularized the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund by an interesting report and speech at the Orangeville Presbytery meeting on May 5th.

Rev. A. L. Burch, of Orangeville, has resigned. The Moderator of the vacancy is the Rev. Stanley Robinson, B.A., Caledon.

The next meeting of Orangeville Presbytery will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Orangeville, on Tuesday, July 14th, at 10.30 a.m.

Rev. R. G. McBeth of Paris read a paper at the meeting of the Woodstock Ministerial Association last week on the subject of "Applied Christianity."

Rev. J. B. Mullan, of Fergus, preached in Knox Church, Acton, on a recent Sabbath, and he is always welcome. The pastor, Rev. J. C. Wilson, was at Rockwood and Eden Mills.

The congregation of Knox Church, Guelph, will make a very vigorous effort to retain their pastor, Rev. R. W. Ross, who is under call to Fort Masey, Halifax.

The Galt Reporter very properly remarks: Rev. John Pringle, away out in the Yukon Territory, is a specimen of Muscular Christianity of which Canada and Canadians should be proud.

The Rev. L. W. Thom leaves Waldemar, June 28th, to become Children's Aid Society agent in Perth and adjoining countries. Rev. D. T. McClintock, of Grand Valley, is Moderator of this vacant charge.

Knox Church, South London, introduced individual cups some time ago, and the change is giving satisfaction. In London, St. Andrew's and the First Church have adopted the individual cup, and they will come into use in both congregations at an early date.

Callander congregation recently farewellled their pastor, Rev. J. Steele, and his wife, by a kind and appreciative address read by Mr. Fowler at the close of the prayer meeting. It was accompanied by a well-filled purse and a beautiful bouquet presented to Mrs. Steele by the ladies of the congregation. This charge is making steady progress and a substantial sum of money is on hand to begin a manse, which is to be proceeded with at once.

Under most favorable circumstances, on Thursday of last week, the induction of Rev. C. H. Cooke took place at Bradford, in the presence of members of Barrie Presbytery. Rev. L. McLean, of Churchill, presided; Rev. Mr. McDiarmid, of Stayner, preached the sermon; Rev. W. M. Morris, of Bond Head, charged the minister; and Rev. Dr. McLeod, of Barrie, addressed the people, in earnest terms, on their duty in the premises. At a social gathering in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Cooke received a warm welcome from members of the congregation and others.

Rev. Prof. McNaughton preached two thoughtful sermons in the Glebe Church, last Sunday, and lectured in the same place on Monday evening.