

Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. Hugh McKellar, formerly of High Bluff, Man., was inducted into the pastoral charge of North Luther and Woodland on the 9th April.

THE Rev. R. S. G. Anderson having accepted the call to the Presbyterian Church, St. Helens, his ordination and induction will take place on Monday the 13th of May.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, Smith's Falls, was re-opened on Sunday, after undergoing enlargement and repairs. Rev. Malcolm Macgillivray, Kingston, and Rev. James Ross, of Knox Church, Perth, preached.

THE Presbyterian congregation, Kapildy, held a meeting recently, at which a call was moderated in by Rev. James Todd, of McNodosa. The unanimous choice of the meeting was Rev. A. T. Colter, formerly of Meaford.

THE commissioners to the General Assembly from Saugeen Presbytery are, Messrs. Morrison, Cameron, Bickell and Aull, ministers, and Messrs. Martin, Neil McArthur, James Johnstone and Alexander McPherson, elders.

THE Young Peoples' Association of Old St. Andrew's gave a very successful concert on April 24, being the last meeting of the season. This Association has been well attended during the winter, and the officers are much pleased with the results.

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Smith's Falls, of which the Rev. T. Nixon is pastor, was reopened lately. On Monday evening following, a tea meeting was held, at which the Revs. Messrs. Scott, of Perth and Carleton Place, respectively delivered addresses.

THE Rev. Mr. Dickie, of the Central Presbyterian Church, Detroit, was tendered a reception by the congregation on the 11th inst. in honour of the tenth anniversary of his pastorate. The Central is generally regarded in Detroit as the Scotch Church.

THE Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, for the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew, stands next to that of Toronto in the extent of its contributions to the foreign work of the church. For the year just expired it contributed \$2,415.24.

THE Rev. W. Blaikie, D.D., Professor of Apologetics and Pastoral Theology in the Free Church College, Edinburgh, has arrived in the United States from Glasgow. He is accompanied by Mrs. Blaikie, and intends making a tour through a considerable section of that country and Canada.

THE congregation of Knox Church, Woodstock, of which the Rev. W. T. McMullen, Moderator of the General Assembly, is the esteemed pastor, have resolved on the erection of a larger, more commodious and more modern church, than the one in which they have so long and so harmoniously worshipped.

THE Presbytery of Truro, at its last meeting, nominated Rev. Principal Grant, of Kingston, for Moderator of next General Assembly. The following commissioners were also elected: Revs. J. McLean, F. Cumming, E. Smith, J. Robins, D. S. Fraser, ministers, and L. B. McElhinney, Allan Hill, Josiah Crow and J. S. Murray, elders.

THE Manitoba Free Press says: The St. Andrew's Church mission Sunday school in Point Douglas is prospering in a manner that has shown the wisdom displayed by the church authorities in opening a school in that vicinity. On the roll there are now over one hundred members, and a service is held every Friday evening for prayer.

THE Presbyterian congregation of Perth are bound to go ahead. St. Andrew's congregation has decided to build a handsome new edifice, towards which the necessary funds have been already subscribed, and a suitable site is the question now to be settled, whilst Knox Church people are going on with improvements to the extent of about \$5,000.

RECENTLY the Rev. J. C. Smith, B.D., preached two able sermons in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, on the Jesuit Estates Bill, in which he dealt principally with their location in Quebec, and their legal and moral right to any estates which they had at one time held as trustees. He held that they were not entitled to what was claimed by them.

THE General Assembly holds its next meeting in Toronto, June 12th. The committee are making all arrangements possible to make the meeting pleasant. Railway facilities will be secured as far as possible. Commissioners intending to be present should drop a card with full address to Rev. W. Burns, Drawer 2,607, before May 20th, to prevent disappointment.

THE St. James' Square Memorial Scholarship of \$50, competed for by theological students of Manitoba College, Winnipeg, has been won by Hope F. Ross, a former undergraduate of University College, Toronto. In making the award Dr. King stated that Mr. Ross had headed every list, not in his own year only, but in the three years both at the Christmas and Easter examinations.

MESSRS. R. C. STEELE, R. L. Nelles and William Ferguson were on Sabbath last ordained to the office of the eldership in St. James Square Church, Toronto. Dr. Kellogg preached an impressive sermon on "The Headship of Christ over the Church." He argued that the Church has no authority to teach or preach anything that has not been taught by the precept and example of Christ Himself.

TWENTY ONE new members were recently received into St. John's Presbyterian Church, St. John, N. B. Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, pastor, nine of these by profession of faith. A decided work of grace is in progress among the young people of the congregation, mainly due to the Society of Christian Endeavour. Special meetings have been held continuously since March 4th, with very marked general results.

THE Halifax Mail says: Mr. Thomas Kerr, inspector of the Standard Life Insurance Co., lectured recently in College Hall, Gerish Street, on "St. Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland." He treated the subject in a masterly manner, and in a broad and Catholic spirit. Those present enjoyed an intellectual treat. It is to be hoped that he will be induced to repeat his lecture in a more central part of the city.

At the thanksgiving services held in John Street Presbyterian Church, Belleville, last week, an excellent sermon was delivered by the Rev. John Burton, B.D., of Toronto, a former pastor of the church. This thanksgiving service was held on Monday evening following communion services on the preceding Sabbath. At the preparatory service held on the previous Friday evening fifteen were added to Church.

WORK has been received from India that Miss Dr. Beatty, Indore, a graduate of the Woman's Medical College, Kingston, has again been laid aside through fever, and the fear is expressed that she may be compelled to return to Canada at an early date to recruit her health. In connection with the hospital work at Indore two native women have been baptized, the first fruits of the ladies' medical work there. The baptisms occasioned much excitement in native circles in Indore.

THE Rev. D. McKae, for the past three years in charge of the Victoria and Esquimaux Presbyterian Mission, having obtained leave of absence, is at present on a six months' visit to Manitoba and Ontario. He expects to attend the meetings of the Synod and General Assembly at Winnipeg and Toronto in May and June. His place will be supplied during his absence by E. L. Knowles, of Manitoba College, Winnipeg. Mr. McKae expects to return about the 1st of November.

THE Rev. Mr. Ballantyne lectured recently in the Sunday school room of Knox Presbyterian Church, London South, to a large audi-

ence on Switzerland, giving in an interesting way his experience of a four weeks' walk among the beautiful scenery of the mountains and valleys of that wonderful country in 1884. He dwelt particularly on the physical features of the country, describing in graphic language the climbing of the heights, and also noticed briefly the character and customs of the people.

THE choir of Old St. Andrew's Church gave a concert last week in the Presbyterian Church in East Toronto. The programme was a varied one, and comprised choruses by the choir, solos, duets and trios by the different members. This choir has earned a splendid reputation during the past winter, with the result that their services have been largely in request. Their reputation was well maintained in the closing concert which they gave at East Toronto, as the choruses especially were rendered in a first-class manner.

A JUVENILE mission band was organized on Saturday of last week by Mrs. and Miss Smellie, in connection with First Presbyterian Church, Eramosa. In honor of their pastor the children gave the name of "Gardiner Mission Band" to their new society. The following are the names of the officers elected:—President, Miss Mary R. Armstrong; Vice-President, Miss Lizzie Armstrong; Treasurer, Robert Brydon; Secretary, Minnie Hall; Organists, Misses Emma Brooks and Martha Loghrin. The band begins work under the most favourable auspices.

IN Division Street Church, Owen Sound, Dr. Parsons of Knox Church, Toronto, preached morning and evening Sunday week to large and appreciative audiences. Both discourses were eminently practical and impressive, as was also the presentation of the Sabbath School lesson by the Rev. Dr. in the afternoon. The excellent choir of this church fully sustained its high reputation, in the rendering of the anthems, that of the morning being Stainer's "Sing, O sing and magnify the Lord," and in the evening "Awake, put on thy strength, O Zion," by Gounod.

A SHORT time since the Rev. E. Scott, of New Glasgow, delivered a most interesting and instructive lecture in Fort Massey Church lecture room, Halifax, under the auspices of the W. F. M. S. before an excellent audience. His subject was "The Lands of the Bible." As some time ago the lecturer had made an extensive tour in Palestine, he was able to speak from personal knowledge and observation. His lecture was a series of graphic and vivid word pictures. The scenes of sacred and classic story passed in rapid review and with life-like distinctness. The audience listened with attention and at the close an enthusiastic vote of thanks was passed.

KNOX CHURCH, Regina, was crowded to the very doors when the Rev. Alexander Orquhart preached his farewell sermon. He chose for his text, John xvi. and 9. "He hath brought us unto this place, and hath given us this land." and dwelling on the various phases of this new country as to immigration laws, education, development of resources, etc., said he could promise that if the history of the country was built upon gospel ordinances its future was settled. In closing he testified to the pleasure and benefits he had received during the years of his residence in Regina, and referred to the unity that prevailed between his own and other denominations. Rev. Mr. Orquhart leaves for Brandon about the end of the month.

THE Penthouse Observer says: The Rev. G. D. Bayne went to Kettew to conduct the services at the sixth anniversary of the opening of the Presbyterian Church there on Sunday last. The Rev. Robert Campbell, D.D., of Renfrew, preached in the church here morning and evening, and conducted the Bible class in the afternoon. Dr. Campbell's sermons were exceedingly powerful and brilliant. In the morning sermon he dwelt on the brotherhood of man, and showed the necessity of Christians regarding all men as brothers, and deporting themselves towards them accordingly. The sermon is well worthy of a wide circulation, and in that case it would assuredly accomplish untold good.

At a congregational meeting of the Presbyterian Church, Macgregor, Manitoba, held recently for the purpose of re-organizing, at which the Rev. D. Stalker, of Gladstone, and the Rev. W. H. Rowand, of Burnside, presided: T. Halliday, W. A. Moore and William Cairns, were appointed managers, and on the resignation of Mr. William Hay as secretary, J. L. Yould was appointed; and William Hay and W. A. Moore as auditors. William Cairns, secretary of the building committee, presented a statement of the financial standing of the church, which was highly creditable, and on the strength of which the congregation authorized the committee to obtain a loan of \$300 from the Church and Manse Fund.

THE members and adherents of Knox Presbyterian Church, London South, recently celebrated the fourth anniversary of the induction of Rev. Mr. Ballantyne as their pastor with a teaming, speeches and songs. During the early part of the evening, the ladies of the congregation served refreshments in abundance in the Bible class rooms of the lecture hall, and the tables and their contents were well patronized by the members of the Church and friends of the pastor. After the wants of the inner man had been fully satisfied, and those present had had a social chat, the company repaired to the lecture room. Mr. Daniel McFie took charge of the proceedings there, and after an opening prayer by Rev. Mr. Ballantyne, the chairman spoke of the happy relations which had existed between the pastor and his flock during the four years which they had lived together.

THE Rev. John McClung, formerly of Shakespeare, was formally inducted by the Presbytery of Hamilton into the pastoral charge of the united congregations of Ancaster and Alberton. Rev. Dr. Laing, of Dundas, presided: Rev. A. E. Doherty, of Carlisle, preached; Rev. Dr. Laidlaw, of Hamilton, addressed the pastor, and Rev. S. W. Fisher, of West Flamboro addressed the people. The church was well filled, there being a large number of visiting friends from neighbouring congregations present to join in congratulating the people of Ancaster and Alberton on the happy settlement after a prolonged vacancy. The church has had no settled pastor since the translation of Rev. Mr. Ross, to Ingersoll, over a year ago. At the conclusion of the service the ladies of the congregation invited all present to partake of choicely prepared refreshments before dispersing to their homes. The occasion was a very pleasant one throughout.

IN the annual report of Knox Church, Winnipeg, it is stated that during the month of May steps were taken which led to the formation of the present pastoral relation on the 3rd of August when the Rev. Frederic B. Duval, D.D. was happily settled over the congregation. The tie then formed has been already greatly blessed, and the session looks forward to a marked increase in the spiritual life of the church. The membership is 598. Additions during the year by profession, sixty-eight; certificate, fifty-six; total 124; purged from roll January 7, 1889, thirty; total seventy-five, leaving net total 147. Baptisms twenty-seven. The contributions of the congregation collected by the Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society for the schemes of the church amounted to \$1,025 which, with the special collection in aid of the Augmentation Fund, \$95.50 makes in all \$1,120.50 and is allocated as follows: Home Missions, \$200; Augmentation Fund, \$175; Foreign Missions, \$150; Manitoba College, \$450; French Evangelization, \$45.50; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, \$50; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$50. Including the amounts given by Bible Class and Sabbath School, \$225, the amount contributed by the congregation to the schemes of the church is \$1,345.50. Knox Church, Winnipeg, is evidently enjoying a period of spiritual and material advancement.

THE following resolution upon the Jesuit Estates' Bill was moved by Mr. Aull, seconded by Mr. Bickell, and carried unanimously:—That the Presbytery of Saugeen hereby expresses its condemnation of the Jesuit Estates' Act, passed by the Legislature of Quebec, for the following reasons: (1) Because we believe this Act to be a violation of the principles of civil and religious liberty. (2) Because it appro-

priates part of public funds to ecclesiastical and sectarian uses, a thing which does not seem to be contemplated by the Act of Confederation. (3) Because this Act recognizes the right of the Pope to interfere in our civil affairs, contrary to our Imperial Statutes, and derogatory to the supremacy of the Crown. (4) Because this Act incorporates and endorses a society which has been suppressed by nearly all European nations and by the Roman See itself, and disqualified to hold property by the Imperial Act of 1774. This Presbytery therefore regard it as a sacred duty of all good citizens, irrespective of creed, to sink all party considerations and to unite in such constitutional measures as may oppose and destroy a legislation that threatens the peace and prosperity of the Dominion, and we further regret that the Dominion Government did not see fit to disallow the Jesuits' Estates' Act, nor intervene for the protection and vindication of equal rights and interests. We would also express our great disappointment with the vote in the House of Commons on the question, and our admiration of those thirteen who, in the face of great odds, opposed the Bill, and we would call on all good citizens in every way to oppose the Bill and all other aggressions of the Church of Rome.

THE corner stone of the new St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Daly street, Ottawa, was laid last week by Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, the first pastor, in the presence of a large assemblage. On the platform on the tower among others were, the officials of the church, Rev. Dr. Moore, Rev. Dr. Wardrope, Mr. J. Hardy, Bank Street Church; Mr. J. McMillan, Knox Church; Mr. W. G. Perley, M.P.; Mr. Gray, Wm. Porter, Knox Church; Ald. A. McLean, Mr. Innes, M.P., and P. Laimonth. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Armstrong, called upon Rev. Dr. Moore to lead in prayer. The Rev. Dr. Wardrope was then presented with a silver trowel and proceeded to lay the corner stone. The stone was carefully lowered to its place by W. Whillans, chairman of the Building Committee, assisted by the workmen. Dr. Wardrope, in a few well chosen words, declared it to be well and truly laid. In the can laid in the cavity were placed copies of the Ottawa daily papers, a copy of the last annual report of the congregation, and a most interesting and accurate historical sketch of the old church, carefully prepared by Dr. Thorburn. The church is of native stone, in random coursed rock faced work with dressed trimmings. The basement, which is well above ground, contains a large lecture hall, ladies' parlour, Sabbath school class rooms, library, etc. The church will be amphitheatre in plan, sloping up every way from the pulpit, with circular seating all finished in native hardwood. The windows will be of ornamented stained glass. The furnishing of the new church has been undertaken by the Ladies' Aid, who in addition have given a large subscription. The heating has been undertaken by the Young People's Association. A meeting was subsequently held in the church. The Rev. Dr. Armstrong presided. Addresses of warm congratulation were given by Rev. Dr. Moore, Bank Street, Rev. W. T. Herridge, St. Andrew's, and Rev. Mr. Farnes, Knox. The Rev. Dr. Wardrope, says the Ottawa Journal, delivered in his happiest manner an address giving reminiscences of his early ministry in Ottawa and vicinity. The older members were very much affected by having these early memories brought up. Dr. Armstrong gave an interesting address in which he stated that it was now fifteen years since he was called to be pastor of the congregation, and only fifty-one of the original members were now on the roll; 48; had joined the congregation since, and of these not more than 200 remained. The members of the congregation were to be found in all parts of this country and the United States. They, when they left, blessed the old church, and will rejoice in its prosperity now. He referred in feeling terms to Mr. John Young, Mr. E. A. Perry and Mr. A. Anderson, elders, and others who had passed to the better land. The greatest meed of praise was due to the women of the congregation, who were first in hope and encouragement and first also in their subscription to the new church. Many difficulties had been overcome and many differences composed, and now the congregation was hearty and unanimous and the enterprise would surely succeed. Rev. Mr. Clark engaged in prayer, and Dr. Wardrope pronounced the benediction. A collection in aid of the building fund was taken up.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—The Presbytery of Paris met in the First Presbyterian Church, Brantford, Tuesday week, Rev. M. McGregor, Moderator, for the induction and ordination of Rev. Mr. Tolmie to the pastoral charge. The Rev. J. S. Hardie preached from 11. Corinthians iv. 5. The Moderator narrated the steps that had been taken by the congregation for the calling of the minister elect, put to him the questions contained in the formula, which, having been answered satisfactorily, Rev. Dr. Cochrane engaged in solemn prayer, after which Mr. Tolmie was by the laying on of hands solemnly ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of the church and congregation. The Rev. Mr. Wylie, of Paris, then addressed the minister, and Rev. W. S. McTavish, of St. George, the congregation. As the congregation dismissed Mr. Wylie accompanied the newly inducted pastor to the vestibule of the church where he received the welcome of his people. The Presbytery then resumed business, Rev. Mr. Tolmie taking his seat as a member of the court. The resignation of Mr. McKinley was further discussed and the reverend gentleman again asked if he could not see his way clear to withdraw his resignation, provided his wishes were met as to his comfort. But he could not; and finally on motion of Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Rev. D. M. Beattie, his resignation was accepted, to take place on the first Sabbath in May. The Presbytery exceedingly regretted that while the Ratho congregation is willing to make any arrangements possible for the retention of Mr. McKinley, to whom according to their representatives they are strongly and tenderly attached, the Innerkip congregation are unwilling to take steps for the erection of a manse which it is admitted is urgently demanded and which would increase his comfort and render him better able to overtake the duties connected with the two congregations. The Presbytery in parting with Mr. McKinley bear testimony to his conscientious attendance upon the courts of the Church, and the active part he has taken in all matters affecting the welfare of the Church at large, and the spiritual interests of all the congregations within its bounds. They would testify to the ministerial efficiency and pastoral fidelity that has marked his conduct in the pulpit and pastoral visitations, and record with gratitude to Almighty God the success that has attended his labours in Ratho and Innerkip during the past seven years. Finally, they part with him as a brother greatly beloved and commend him and his family to the continual care of the Great King and Head of the Church, in the full expectation that another field will soon be opened up for the exercise of his gifts and graces. The Rev. D. M. Beattie was appointed to preach the church vacant on the second Sabbath in May; and Dr. McMullen was appointed to moderate during the vacancy. Trial discourses were prescribed for Mr. Pettinger, whose application for license was granted at the late meeting of the Synod. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Ingersoll on the last Tuesday in June.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, KINGSTON.

The brilliant series of closing exercises in connection with Queen's University terminated on the 24th ult. Among those present from a distance were Revs. Dr. Wardrope, Guelph; D. J. Macdonnell, Toronto; A. H. Scott, Perth; Dr. Campbell, Montreal; and Dr. Laidlaw, Hamilton; Messrs. J. Thorburn, Ottawa; A. Y. Drummond, Montreal; J. Bell, Brockville; D. B. McLennan, Q. C., Cornwall; A. G. McKean, Montreal; P. C. McGregor, Almonte; and J. R. Lavalle, Smith's Falls. Rev. J. Grey, of Stirling, acted as chaplain.

Chancellor Fleming was installed for the fourth term. After grateful reference for his re-election to office, the return of Principal Grant with restored health, and the Governor-General's visit.