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OTTAWA.

Rev. Dr. Armstrong will be the preacher in St. Paul's next Sunday morning and evening.

The annual New Year's "Rally" of the Presbyterian Sunday Schools of the city will be held on Saturday morning in Knox church. Rev. W. J. M. Milne, M.A., minister of the Glebe church, will preside. The doors of the church will be open at 10 o'clock. A large attendance of scholars and friends is expected.

The Christmas entertainment of the Aylwin and related congregations was, as usual, a great success, the attendance being so large as to leave no standing room. Those present came from Eagle Farm, Gowanda and Neeland. The speaking, music, etc., were of the best, and good feeling prevailed. Between \$50 and \$60 were realized.

PRESENTATION TO REV. A. T. LOVE.

The celebration of the 25th anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Mr. Love, the popular and esteemed minister of St. Andrew's church, was held in the Kirk Hall under the auspices of the Board of Management and the Ladies' Aid Society.

When the Rev. Mr. Love and Mrs. Love, accompanied by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, an old personal friend and an ex-moderator of the General Assembly, entered the hall, they were met by the venerable clerk of the kirk session, Mr. J. H. Clint, and escorted, amid applause, to the platform, after which the members of the kirk session, board of management, Ladies' Aid Society and the large audience present advanced and offered hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Love, the latter carrying a bouquet of carnations which had been presented to her by the Ladies' Aid. Mr. Clint then read an address which gave expression to the kindly feelings of the congregation towards their beloved pastor and his partner in life. This was accompanied with a cabinet of silver and a purse of gold. In replying, Mr. Love in part said: I am deeply grateful to my Heavenly Father tonight for all His goodness and His loving kindness to us, and while we have had at times discouragements I firmly believe that there are brighter days in store for old Quebec and that St. Andrew's will become stronger and stronger as the years go by. For these handsome tokens of your esteem, I thank you most heartily, and I will cherish them and my wife will cherish them, and often as we look upon them we will think of you all and of all that you have been to us for you have been much, and I pray Almighty God that it may be well with you and with yours here and hereafter.

The Rev. Dr. Campbell also offered his hearty personal congratulations to pastor and people upon their long and happy relationship and made reference to the fortunate circumstances experienced by the congregation of St. Andrew's in having had two such able men as the late Dr. Cook and the present minister as their spiritual guides, covering a period of nearly 75 years in the history of the congregation.

Colonel Turnbull followed in an appropriate manner, alluding to the good work accomplished by Mr. Love in the past and to the high esteem in which he and his family are held, not only by the congregation of St. Andrew's, but also by the community at large.

Refreshments were served by the ladies and a pleasant social hour spent which will be long remembered by those present. The evening closed with the hearty singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and God Save the King.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Mr. Drysdale, of M. P. and, has been visiting Rev. N. H. McGilivray, at St. John's manse, Cornwall.

The Newington Presbyterians will hold their annual Sunday school festival on the evening of New Year's day. An attractive programme is being provided.

Last Sunday week anniversary services were conducted in St. Andrew's church, Smith's Falls, by Rev. Professor Morison, of Queen's, who also lectured on Friday evening, his subject being: "Germany and the Foundations of Her National Greatness."

Presbyterianism is well represented among the officers elect of Lancaster Lodge No. 207, A. F. and A. M., Lancaster, in the persons of Bro. R. J. Johnston, I.P.M.; Bro. T. O. McLaren, W.M.; Bro. Rev. J. U. Tanner, chaplain; Bro. R. T. Nicholson, treasurer; Bro. W. N. Gillies, secretary; Bro. Rev. J. Pate, S.D.; and several others.

The Carp Review of a recent date says: "A very enjoyable evening was spent in the Presbyterian manse on Tuesday of last week, when about 50 people, among whom were friends from the Episcopal and Methodist congregations, met to give tangible expression to their appreciation of the services of the pastor, Rev. P. F. Langill, and his family (formerly of Martintown). The evening was spent in social intercourse, together with games, music, etc. After refreshments had been served an address was read by J. H. Wilson and a cheque for \$100 presented by E. P. Pearson, these two gentlemen being the recently elected and ordained additional elders to the session. . . . Mr. Langill very feelingly replied to the address expressing the hearty appreciation of himself and family for the sympathetic interest of the congregation and friends from other churches in them and in the work they are trying to do. This is the second time the Carp congregation has shown in a tangible way their appreciation of their pastor and his work."

A Christmas festival was held in the Presbyterian church at Casselman for the benefit of the Sabbath school. A programme of music and recitations, containing 24 numbers, was rendered. The choruses were given by the junior and senior choirs, an instrumental selection by Miss Casselman, and a vocal solo by Mr. Alex. Day. Recitations were given by the Misses Vera and Jessie Brockwell, Edna, Hazel and Lillian Brownell, Addie Casselman Myrtle Presley, Albert Chevrier, Greta and Florence Munro, and also by Walter and Arthur Brownell, Bert and Herbert Casselman and Simon Garlough. Miss A. McL. Findlay added a pleasing variety to the programme with two amusing readings.

Mr. Frank Macdonald, a student of Queen's, Kingston, took the services at Byng Inlet for the past two Sundays.

WINNIPEG AND WEST.

Rev. D. N. McLachlan, of Elmwood, has been preaching anniversary services to the Sutherland congregation.

Rev. John J. Hastie, who recently returned from a visit to New Zealand, was last week inducted to the church at Ladnor, some twelve miles from Vancouver, B.C.

The Roland and Myrtle congregations have granted their pastor three months' leave of absence, on account of Mrs. Hartley's health. They will probably leave for California early in January.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Corbetton and Riverview is vacant. The moderator is the Rev. James Buchanan, Dundalk.

The induction of Rev. J. A. Reddon into the pastorate charge of Severn Bridge took place on 28th inst.

Peterboro Presbytery asked Orangeville Presbytery to raise the stipend in call from Ballenafad. Flesherton call was refused because stipend too low.

Rev. J. H. Edmison, of Kincardine, exchanged pulpits with Rev. D. N. Morden, of St. Mary's, on Sunday, the latter preaching anniversary sermons at Kincardine.

The shortage in ministers can be solved only in one way, by the church becoming honest in the stipends paid. All arguments to the contrary, low stipends is the real reason for short supply for our pulpits.

At the annual Sunday school entertainment of St. Andrew's congregation, Berlin, the pastor, Rev. W. A. Bradley, B.A., was presented with a liberal Christmas gift in the shape of a purse well filled with gold.

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Rev. A. V. Brown, recently of Hespeler, has been inducted as minister of the Allandale congregation. Rev. Dr. McLeod presided; Rev. Mr. Ellison, of Alton, preached; Rev. Mr. Sturgeon addressed the minister; and Rev. Mr. Crow the people.

In connection with the evangelistic campaign in Perth Presbytery two weeks services were held in the Presbyterian church, Mitchell, conducted by Rev. F. J. Maxwell, of Brantford, which proved very successful. The local paper alluded to Mr. Maxwell as "a powerful and convincing speaker," whose "thoughtful addresses were couched in simple yet effective language."

The congregation of Erskine Church, Blenheim, have reason to feel elated over the fact that their beautiful church home is now entirely free of debt, the last account against the building, a little over \$500, being paid off last week. Their fine new manse now being erected will also in a few years be placed on the free list by this busy hive of workers, of whom the ladies form no unimportant factor.

At the Christmas entertainment in Knox Church, Belmont, Mrs. Mark Wilkins, teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class, was presented with a beautiful mantle clock; and Mrs. Currie, the pastor's wife, was made the recipient of a handsome jardiniere from the senior ladies' Bible class. Knox Church Sunday school has certainly an efficient staff of officers and teachers, and the work is making most gratifying progress.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. McGregor entertained the Bible Class of the Orillia Presbyterian Sunday school at the manse. A large number of young people enjoyed a very pleasant evening spent in music and games. Mr. and Mrs. McGregor were ideal entertainers, and the evening was one of the most enjoyable the Bible class have had. Mr. McGregor is teacher of the class which numbers about 200 on the roll with an average attendance of 150.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Radcliffe, members of the Granton congregation, who are removing to Toronto, were made the recipients of an address, read by Rev. Dr. Avery, the pastor. Along with the address was presented by Mr. William Youngson a handsome gold headed cane to Mr. Radcliffe bearing his initials and a gold watchchain to Mrs. Radcliffe by Mrs. Youngson, also a set of silver knives and forks by Mrs. S. McNaughton. Mr. Radcliffe made suitable reply in acknowledging the kindness of friends.