

**BOWMANVILLE.**—Trinity Church here having called Rev. Magee Pratt, of Cookshire, P.Q., to the pastorate of the church, as successor to W. H. Warriner, B. D., is much cheered by the signs of prosperity already evinced. Mr. Pratt comes to us from the Methodist body with the most satisfactory references, and has already taken front rank here as a preacher. Formal installation services were to be held on April 29th, when Rev. W. Cuthbertson, B.A., Woodstock, Chairman of the Union; Rev. Mr. Saudwell, of Zion Church, Toronto, and Rev. Mr. Aylward, of Cobourg, were to be present to take part in the services.

**TORONTO, EASTER SUNDAY IN BOND ST.**—Last Sabbath was a red-letter day in the history of Bond St. church, over thirty joining the church on profession of faith, including twenty Sabbath school scholars. The pulpit and communion table were beautifully decorated with Easter flowers, the work of the Ladies' Aid Society. Dr. Fulton preached two excellent sermons, morning and evening on the great theme of Easter Sunday, the choir assisting by special and appropriate music. Dr. Fulton announced that there was a likelihood of another series of special meetings being held.—*Canadian Advance.*

**MAITLAND, N.S.**—This small church has been making a strenuous effort to advance their edifice towards completion. They have nearly finished the exterior, which, with its new dress of two coats of paint has a handsome appearance. Over \$300 has been expended on the building, including the cost of the bell, within the last two years and a half. Still, further work is contemplated on the inside, after the congregation has gained pecuniary strength. All the meetings, including the Sabbath school, though not very largely attended are encouraging. J. S.

**TORONTO, PARKDALE.**—On 25th March, Mr. J. A. C. McCuaig was formally set apart and ordained as assistant pastor of Parkdale Congregational Church, Rev. C. Duff, M.A., pastor. "Plurality of Eldership" was very common in England in former days; though it has not been much seen among us in Canada. We hope for the best results from this new departure. A full account of the ordination is in our hands, and will appear in our next.

**TRURO, N.S.**—We have not heard directly, from any of the Nova Scotia ministers, about the new beginning made in Truro, which is now a place of 5,000 inhabitants, with eight other Protestant places of worship, but a local paper speaks of it thus: "The new Congregational takes in many whose faces have seldom been seen in churches of

late, and with the not very limited field yet to work, it may become a thriving church."

**DR. WILD'S MOVEMENTS.**—Dr. Wild has reached Oakland, Cal., where he preached a week ago last Sabbath. On his way to New Orleans the floods not only detained him, but necessitated several hundred miles of additional travel. He writes that he is gradually gaining in health and strength.—*Canadian Advance.*

**LISTOWEL.**—At a members' meeting of the Congregational church on Wednesday night, the resignation of the Rev. G. M. Franklin was accepted. The relations between the pastor and the people have been very pleasant, the difficulty being that of raising sufficient funds. We heartily wish Mr. Franklin success in a wider field. The resignation takes effect in April.—*Listowel Banner, March 12.*

**HAMILTON.**—Our people have purchased a lot on the corner of John and Gore Streets, 104 ft. x 107. It is the intention to erect at no far distant date, a new Sunday School building, and we look forward a little farther into the future, and hope then to be able to build a substantial and commodious new church.

**TORONTO; HAZELTON AVENUE.**—We were fortunate enough to be present at the meeting of the "Christian Endeavors"—held on this occasion at the house of the Pastor. About 45 young people were present; and an interesting and profitable programme was gone through. The Society alternates literary and devotional meetings.

**GUELPH.**—On Sunday, 30th March, the Quarterly Missionary S. S. meeting was held. Instead of the S. S. lesson, letters were read from our missionaries in Africa, etc. The little ones sang and recited very well. The new pastor, Rev. B. B. Williams, will sail from Liverpool 17th March. Meanwhile the pulpit is "supplied."

**BARRIE.**—On Good Friday the young people held their annual "Social." The school-room was filled with people. On Sunday evening there was a large attendance to hear the choral Easter service by the teachers and scholars of the Sunday School, under the leadership of Mr. Geo. Henderson. Several have joined the church at each communion lately.

**PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.**—Our good brother Gerrie has sent us fifteen new names for the INDEPENDENT, with the cash; and that means fifteen people more interested than before in the work of the church. The church will add \$5, or \$10, and secure a beautiful plated communion