

not soon be forgotten. The report states that "Mrs. Blair is the oldest child of the congregation living, and is perhaps more conversant with the details of the congregation's history than anyone living today."

On Thursday evening of last week the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, held a concert in the agricultural hall, which was filled to its full seating capacity, which was voted a decided success. Before adjournment Rev. R. Young, pastor, on behalf of the Ladies' Aid, heartily thanked all those who had taken part in assisting to make the concert a success. The ladies will clear about thirty dollars.

A week ago the congregations of St. John's and St. Andrew's churches, Almonte, held united services, in St. John's in the morning and in St. Andrew's in the evening. There were large congregations at both services. Rev. Mr. Mitchell preached on both occasions. In the evening he took as his text the parable of the trees as found in the ninth chapter of Exodus, and scored the self-seeking politicians who seek office and honor, rather than a life of usefulness and of service to their fellowmen.

The death is announced in London of Sir Rodrick William Cameron, a native of Glen Nevis, Glenagarry, Canada, in the 76th year of his age. He had been a resident of the United States for many years. For his service in promoting trade between Canada and Australia, the honor of knighthood was conferred on him by Queen Victoria in 1883. In accordance with the deceased knight's dying request the remains will be brought to Canada for interment.

On the eve of the leaving of Mrs. Millar and family for Rainy River, the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of Zion church, Watson's Corners, met at Mr. Stewart Millar's, and after the company had partaken of refreshments, Mrs. Leitch, secretary, read an address and Mrs. John Caldwell, president, presented a Bible to Mrs. Millar, all in slight token of her presence and help in the society. Mrs. Millar was completely taken by surprise and responded in a few words, after which Rev. J. A. Leitch read a portion of scripture and offered prayer. Mrs. Millar has been a kind and obliging neighbor, and especially helpful in time of sickness; and all her friends join in wishing her a safe journey and prosperity in her new home.

Northern Ontario.

Rev. John Becket, at present at Magnetawan, will take charge at Sundridge on and after 1st November.

Rev. A. C. Wishart, Beaverton, addressed the W. F. M. S. auxiliary Kirkfield, at their thank-offering meeting on the 30th inst.

Rev. A. E. Duncan, M. A., Cannington, left on Friday of last week for Coe Hill, to take charge of the Presbyterian church at that place.

Mrs. R. N. Grant, of Orillia, gave a earnest address at the thank offering meeting of the Knox church W. F. M. S. auxiliary on the 25th inst.

Mrs. Shortreed, president of the W. F. M. S. is announced to speak to the ladies of St. Andrew's church, Beaverton, tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

Rev. Thos. S. Glassford and Rev. A. C. Wishart will exchange pulpits next Sunday. Mr. Wishart will preach a special missionary sermon in the evening at Sunderland.

Maritime Provinces.

Rev. L. A. McLean has been ordained at Pisarmico.

Rev. G. A. Sutherland will leave shortly for Demerara.

Mrs. Geo. E. Ross has arrived home in Halifax from Demerara.

Rev. J. S. Sutherland, of Sussex, N. B., has been called to St. John's church, Halifax.

Rev. A. F. Carr, Campbellton, was elected president of the New Brunswick S. S. Association.

The political contest in St. John is unusually warm. It is a battle-royal between Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways, and Hon. G. E. Foster.

The Presbyterian Conference at Windsor, N. S., was most successful. Sabbath Schools and Y. P. societies were well represented and much satisfaction expressed for the interest taken by Presbytery in their welfare.

Ottawa.

Rev. Mr. Whyte, of Ottawa, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's church, Buckingham, at both services on Sabbath last.

At a union thanksgiving service in St. Andrew's church, Arrnprior, a collection amounting to \$55 was taken up for the Protestant Hospital, Ottawa.

Rev. Dr. Armstrong, in St. Paul's, continues his useful series of addresses on the Prodigal Son. Last Sabbath evening he dwelt on the words: "And no man gave him to eat." The solo "Where is my wandering boy tonight" was sweetly and effectively sung by Miss Bourne.

The Cheerful Gleaners, of Bethany church have been holding an open meeting in the church which proved very enjoyable. Mr. R. J. Brown, principal of the Public School, presided, and also gave two good recitations. The orchestra rendered several well received selections; and there were several other numbers on the programme.

Rev. J. C. Campbell, secretary of the Ottawa Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, has been holding meetings in the interest of the Society at various points in the Ottawa Valley. Dates and places of meetings yet to be held are as follows: Pembroke, Oct. 31; Cobden, Nov. 1; Eganville, Nov. 2; Whitney, Nov. 5; Combermere, Nov. 6; Renfrew, Nov. 14; Adamston, Nov. 16.

As we go to press meetings for the deepening of Spiritual Life are being held at 4.30 and 8 p.m. in St. John's Hall, Mackenzie Avenue. They will be continued till and Nov. 2. The speakers are Rev. Elmore Harris, D. D., Toronto; Rev. John McNeil, B. D., Aylmer, Que.; Rev. E. B. Bushell, M. A., Montreal, and Rev. Robert Warrington, Portage du Fort. In Toronto and elsewhere such meetings have proved of signal service to not a few; and all are cordially invited to attend.

The young people of the New Edinburgh Presbyterian church spent a very pleasant evening with Burns on Monday evening. Rev. Norman McLeod, B. D., presided, and essays on the life and work of the poet were read by Mr. Thomas Rankin and Mr. Frank Proctor. Rev. Robert Eadie, Hintonburgh, sang by request, "I'm Far Frae my Hame," and Principal Brown, Hintonburgh, gave several recitations. A number of songs, all of which were from Burns, added much to the enjoyment of the evening. Miss Reid and Miss Sparks acted as accompanists.

Quebec.

Century Fund work is being prosecuted with vigor in Quebec Presbytery. Rev. J. R. MacLeod will shortly visit Quebec city and Sherbrooke in that interest.

Rev. W. R. Cruickshanks has been appointed to canvass the N. George district of Montreal Presbytery, and good results are expected from his work there.

As announced last week Rev. R. MacLennan's connection with Levis congregation terminates after first Sabbath in Nov. Revs. Dr. Kellork and Tanner were appointed by Presbytery to prepare a resolution expressive of the mind of Presbytery anent Mr. MacLennan's retirement.

Winnipeg and West.

Rev. D. Z. Graham, Whitelake, has resigned and will remove to Montreal and take up mission work there.

Rev. J. W. Muirhead, pastor of Knox church, Whitewood, has declined a unanimous call to St. Paul's church, Prince Albert.

The Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew will induct Rev. Joseph Elmworth into the pastoral charge of Adamston on 6th November.

Rev. Geo. Murray, Presbyterian minister at Nicola, has been appointed government agent at that place, vice Jos. D. Lauder, dismissed.

Minnedosa Presbytery has granted permission to the Hamiota congregation to secure the services of Mr. C. H. Stewart until next spring.

Manitoba is celebrated all over the world for its special quality of "hard" wheat, the flour from which is in constant demand; but it appears that for a wonderful growth of vegetables the Prairie Province is also noted. The Winnipeg Tribune of a recent date says: "A monster squash, weighing 87 pounds, is on exhibition at the Clarendon hotel. It was grown by a Kildonian gardener, and is believed to be the largest ever exhibited."

Montreal.

A few evenings ago a public reception was tendered Dr. and Mrs. Leslie and Miss King, recently returned from China, by the Chinese Christian Endeavour Society, in St. Paul's church. To it had been invited the teachers and scholars of the various Chinese Sunday schools and any others interested. The large lecture hall was crowded many being unable to gain admittance, with no less than three hundred Chinese present to do honor to the above named. After some words of welcome by Rev. Dr. Barclay, all joined heartily in singing "Jesus Loves Me," in Chinese and English. Thereafter views were shown of the Life of Christ and of the Emperor of China and other scenes of present interest in that land, explained in Chinese by Dr. Thomson, the Chinese missionary, who afterwards presided, as Dr. Barclay was called away by a telegram. "Jesus Shall Reign" was heartily sung as it appeared upon the screen, and the Lord's Prayer in Chinese well repeated by the scholars.

A Scripture reading on "The World for Christ" was then given by Kong Wing Shing and in Chinese by Hum Kiy. Ju Ho next spoke some good words of welcome specially to Dr. and Mrs. Leslie and Miss King, and Mr. John Roberts, one of the superintendents, sang effectively, "If you cannot cross the ocean." Miss Margaret King, niece of the late Principal King, told of experiences about Yang-chow, China, and of the great kindness of the Chinese to them on their leaving-taking, even by the officials, laying particular stress upon the Christian character of the Chinese, and commended the churches for the work among them here, since the influence of all these is bound to tell on China. Mr. A. M. Ballard then sang very impressively "The Holy City," and Dr. Leslie spoke at length of the success of Christian missions, and gave a number of illustrations to that effect, with references to the suffering of missionaries and native Christians at the hands of a baser element, which, however, only developed the martyr spirit, concluding with thanks for his hearty welcome home for Mrs. Leslie and himself.

Both speakers were briefly interpreted by Dr. Thomson for the benefit of some of the scholars who might not understand, and added an appeal for teachers in all the Chinese Sunday Schools and for Christian sympathy on their behalf as against official impositions and the constant abuse of street hoodlums. Chin Seng then spoke fitting words of thanks and farewell, and two prayers in Chinese and English were offered by Chu Kuen Pooy and Rev. Principal Shaw for China with the benediction by Rev. James Patterson. Refreshments were served and the phonograph turned on to take the place of the usual Chinese orchestra.

Rev. J. M. McLean, formerly of the Blakeney and Clayton congregations, is doing well at Chatham, N. B. A few days ago while the Synod of the Maritime provinces was meeting in Chatham, the corner-stone of a handsome new church that is to seat 650 persons was laid. The cost of Mr. McLean's new church will be \$10,000, and of this amount \$8,000 has already been subscribed. Mr. McLean's congregation in Chatham was organized in 1831, and the church building that is to be superseded by the new erection was built in 1832, consequently it is 68 years old.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Leamington Wharf," will be received at this office until Friday, 18th day of November, 1900, for the construction of a wharf at Leamington, County of Essex, Ont., according to a plan and specification to be seen at the office of H. A. Gray, Engineer in charge of Harbour Works, Ontario, Confederation Life Building, Toronto, on application to W. C. Coulson, Town Clerk, Leamington, and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of the tenderers.

An accepted cheque payable to the order of Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for three thousand dollars (\$3,000) must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party decline the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order.

JOS. H. ROY,
Acting Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, October 25th, 1900.