

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

THE Rev. Walter Inglis, Ayr, has for some time been in feeble health. His recovery is not so rapid as was expected.

THE congregation of Chatsworth, of which Rev. J. McAlpine is pastor, sent \$12.50 as their contribution to Mrs. Thirde, of Huntsville.

THE Rev. J. Fraser Campbell, missionary to Central India, has gone to the Maritime Provinces, where he expects to remain for some time.

THE Rev. Dr. Jenkins preached in Erskine Church, Montreal, last Sabbath. The Doctor leaves in a few days for a two years' sojourn in Europe.

THE Rev. Mr. Sinclair, Uptergrove, was assisted at his communion services on Sabbath last by Revs. A. Ross, Woodville, and G. C. Patterson, Beaverton.

THE Free Church of Scotland General Assembly has decided to adopt both hymnal and the use of instrumental music in the church—the latter by a majority of 321 to 119.

THE pulpit of St. James'-square Presbyterian Church will be filled during the summer months by the Rev. John Gibson, B.D., who is going out to Demarara as a missionary this fall.

THE Rev. Alex. Bell, of St. Andrew's Church, started on Friday morning for a visit to the old country, attending during his absence the Pan-Presbyterian Assembly in Belfast, Ireland.

ON Sabbath, 15th inst., the Rev. D. McDonald, M.A., of Carleton Place, preached to his former congregations in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Creemore, Dunedin and East Nottawasaga.

THE Rev. D. J. Macdonnell leaves in a few days for the east. He goes to the Maritime Provinces to obtain the rest and reinvigoration he requires. Last Sabbath he announced that Dr. Laing, Principal Grant and others would occupy the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church during his absence.

LAST Sabbath the communion was observed by the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Vaughan, of which Rev. D. Camelon is pastor. The attendance was very large, the people assembling for public worship in the open air under the shade of the trees. The communion service was held in the church.

THE Rev. L. G. McNeill, of St. John's, Newfoundland, preached at both services in Erskine Church on Sabbath week. In the morning he took his text from part of Revelation, xii. 16. In the evening he chose his text from 1 Kings, ii. 2: "Show thyself a man," from which he preached an admirable sermon specially addressed to young men.

AT a meeting of the Managers of the Central Presbyterian Church, Galt, last week, it was decided to grant the pastor, the Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, B.D., who has been very seriously indisposed for some time, leave of absence for three months and \$200 as a present. He purposes taking a trip to Great Britain, in the hope of recuperating his shattered health. He will leave for Clifton Springs, N.Y., this week, where he will remain a week or two before undertaking the ocean voyage.

THE Rev. James Fleck, B.A., pastor of Knox Church, Montreal, was united in the bonds of holy matrimony to Miss Kate McLaren, daughter of Mr. W. D. McLaren, last week. A large number of friends assembled at the residence of the bride's father. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Principal McVicar, D.D., LL.D., the Rev. G. H. Wells assisting. The bridesmaids were Misses M. Murphy and Baillie, the groomsmen being Messrs. James Gardner and G. A. McLaren. The happy pair left for Europe.

THE Rev. John Chisholm, B.A., is on his way to Europe. Three years ago he was settled in MacIntyre, Ontario. At the time of his arrival the field was unable to support even a student missionary without the assistance of the Presbytery, and the congregation had a communicant roll of forty-five members. At the date of his induction this handful of communicants worshipped in a school-house, and the revenue of the whole field was \$300. The communicants under his ministry have increased from forty-five to 185. They have this year given to the schemes of the Church alone, \$200; they have built a handsome church, and the total revenue of the congregation has increased from \$300 to \$1,500. So much has his congregation appreciated his efforts that they have given

him a vacation of four months duration. He expects to attend the Presbyterian Council at Belfast.

A LARGE number of the congregation over which Rev. A. Rowat, Presbyterian minister, had presided for a number of years, gathered at the manse, West Winchester, Tuesday evening, 3rd inst. After refreshments were served, Mr. J. H. Storey, in a few well-chosen remarks, presented an address expressive of the kindest appreciation by the congregation of Mr. Rowat's services and good wishes for his own and his family's prosperity. The address was accompanied with the presentation to Mr. Rowat of a well-filled purse. Mr. Rowat feelingly replied to the address, stating that by the blessing of God his ministry had been a success. The cause of God, he said, has prospered beyond my most sanguine expectations. Including Chrysler as part of my charge the membership has increased fourfold; and the contribution to the schemes of the church have increased tenfold. As a congregation, I leave you in a far better state morally, spiritually, and financially, than when I found you. However, the indebtedness is not all on one side. If you feel indebted to me, I feel indebted to you. As pastor and people we have materially helped each other. You have sought in every possible way to promote my comfort and happiness. You allowed me to want for nothing. I do not therefore leave you because of any lack of kindness on your part or because of inadequate support. I leave because I feel that God has called me to another field of labour.

THE ordination of Rev. D. McTavish, M.A., the new minister of St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, and his induction to the charge took place in the church on the 17th inst. There was a very large attendance of members of the congregation and others and the services were very impressive and interesting. Rev. D. B. McDonald, of Scott and Uxbridge, preached an able and appropriate sermon from 2 Thess. iii. 1. Rev. W. Lohead, Fenelon Falls, who presided, then offered the ordination prayer, and Mr. McTavish was ordained to the office of the holy ministry and duly inducted to the pastoral charge of Lindsay congregation. The newly inducted pastor was then suitably, impressively and affectionately addressed by Rev. A. Ross, Woodville. Mr. McTavish then received a cordial welcome from the congregation. The Rev. G. C. Patterson, of Beaverton, next addressed the people, setting forth clearly and with much power the duties devolving upon them by the relationship that day formed. The service in the evening was largely attended, and was of a pleasing social nature. Revs. Messrs. Greener and Linbert, of Lindsay, Patterson, of Beaverton, and Somerville took part in the proceedings. Mr. Watson occupied the chair. The choir gave some choice anthems. Brief addresses were made by the chairman and ministers present, in which Mr. McTavish was very cordially welcomed. Mr. McTavish addressed the congregation, thanking them for the hearty welcome he had received from them, and also from members of other denominations. Mr. McTavish enters with much promise on an important sphere of usefulness.

THE reception given the Rev. Mr. Herridge and the farewell leaving-taking of the Rev. Dr. Jenkins in the basement of St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa, last week was a well attended and enjoyable entertainment. Miss L. McCarthy, at the opening of reception, gave a choice selection of instrumental music, which was followed by solos, highly appreciated, from Mrs. F. Bronson, Mrs. Beddoe and Miss Corzan. Dr. Grant officiated as chairman. He said that several months had now elapsed since Rev. Mr. Herridge left his congregation to go to foreign parts, and that while away they had all heard of the great honours he had won, and how he had distinguished himself at the University of Edinburgh. In concluding his remarks, Dr. Grant compared the Rev. Mr. Herridge and the Rev. Mr. Jenkins, the retiring pastor, to the acorn and the oak, and said that he hoped and he felt sure the congregation of St. Andrew's Church were one with him in wishing the same success to follow in the footsteps of the acorn as has attended that of the oak. Rev. Mr. Herridge in rising said that any thing he could say would be but a poor expression of what his feelings really were. He was glad to be with them once more; glad to be back in Canada, and it was not because he did not enjoy himself abroad, but because of the great comfort and additional strength he felt from the warm and helping hearts he saw around him. He said he was prouder of Canada than he had ever

been before and felt very much obliged to Dr. Grant for his complimentary address. In conclusion he stated that he had come back with great hopefulness in the future of St. Andrew's Church. A farewell address was read by Mr. W. Hamilton, to the Rev. John Jenkins, D.D., LL.D., who for the last five months had officiated in the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church. The address, which was tastefully engrossed, expressed the warmest appreciation of Dr. Jenkins' ministrations to the congregation of St. Andrew's and the kindest wishes for his welfare. Rev. Dr. Jenkins in reply said he felt highly honoured by the elegant address just presented to him and he thanked them from the bottom of his heart for their great kindness. In closing his remarks, he said that the Rev. Mr. Herridge was the right man in the right place and that always in the future, no matter where he would be he would pray for the success of St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa. Refreshments were then served and a short musical programme, sustained by Miss Alice Scott, and Miss Elwood, carried out, after which the National Anthem brought the entertainment to a close.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

COOKERY FOR BEGINNERS.—By Marion Harland. (Boston: D. Lothrop & Co.)—An experienced housewife pronounces this neat little manual, bound in waterproof, to be sensibly and clearly written and of great practical value to all for whom it is designed.

THE TRAVELLING LAW SCHOOL. By Benjamin Vaughan Abbott. (Boston: D. Lothrop & Co.)—This is popular and well-written account of some famous historical trials. The book forms one of the series of Business Boys' Library. Its object, in an attractive form, is to familiarize and explain to young readers the principles of law and government.

THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY. Miscellaneous for Candidates. By James William Kimball. (Boston: J. A. Whipple.)—Mr. Kimball writes plainly, simply and faithfully on a subject of great importance. What he has written for candidates for the ministry is worthy of careful pursuit. The book speaks plainly, but it is the kind of plain-speaking that does good.

THE LITTLE SCHOOLMASTER MARK. By J. H. Storrhouse. (London and New York: Macmillan & Co.)—This exquisite little tale, designated "A Spiritual Romance" first appeared in the pages of the *English Illustrated Magazine*. It is from the pen of the author of "John Inglesant," and is calculated to enhance his reputation as a thoughtful and pleasing writer.

MARGIE'S MISSION. By Marie Oliver. (Boston: D. Lothrop & Co.)—This is one of the monthly issues of the Young Folks' Library recently started by this Boston firm of publishers. The design of such a series is excellent. The taste for the kind of reading it supplies is varied and extensive. There are books of robust and vigorous tone, and there are books of perfectly correct and unexceptionable sentiment. "Margie's Mission," good of its kind, belongs to the latter class.

THE BAPTISM IN FIRE. By Charles Edward Smith. (Boston: D. Lothrop & Co.)—The sub-title of this admirable and well-timed work is "The Privilege and Hope of the Churches in all Ages." It is introduced with a hearty commendatory notice by Dr. Strong, President of Rochester Theological Seminary. The author discusses with unction, and at the same time in a scholarly manner, the person and work of the Holy Spirit. The book is practical, instructive, and spiritually elevating.

MANUAL OF REVIVALS. By Rev. G. W. Harvey, M.A. (New York: Funk & Wagnalls; Toronto: William Briggs.)—The objects aimed at in this volume are twofold: one is the embodiment of suggestions occurring to the author from a long study of revivals and revival literature; the other, to furnish an extensive variety of themes, texts and outlines, illustrating the methods of sermonizing pursued by the most successful revivalists. There is a strong, manly vein of common sense running through the volume.

THE HISTORICAL EVIDENCES OF THE TRUTH OF SCRIPTURE RECORDS. By George Rawlinson, M.A. (New York: John B. Alden.)—This is a cheap American edition of Rawlinson's famous Bampton lectures. They bear special reference to the doubts and discoveries of modern times. The book will be