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A movement has been set on foot for the purpose of forming a Presbytery of Cape Town, South Africa, to include the Presbyterian churches that already exist and such as may from time to time be formed. It has been suggested that the same standards and forms should be adopted as those in use in the churches of Natal and the Transvaal, viz., those of the English Presbyterian Church. The Presbytery would have power to unite with other Presbyteries in South Africa so as to form a Synod; the powers of such Synod to pass to a General Assembly in the event of such Assembly being formed. The movement is only as yet in its initial stage, but it marks an interesting point in the development of Presbyterianism in South Africa.

## Ministers and Churches.

Rev. R. Aylward, of London, filled the Presbyterian pulpit, Glencoe, acceptably on Sunday, Oct. 22nd.

A new Presbyterian congregation has been organized at Port Douglas, Man., with a membership of 71 on its communion roll.

Rev. G. G. McRobbie, D.D., of Shelburne, very acceptably conducted the services of the Presbyterian church, at Wingham, on Sunday, 22nd Oct.

Rev. J. C. Tolmie, of the First Presbyterian church, Brantford, has signified his intention of accepting the call extended to him to go to Windsor, Ont.

The Colonial and Continental Committee of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland has, donated one thousand pounds sterling to the Manitoba College.

Mr. J. A. Sinclair, M.A., of Carleton Place, was ordained into the Presbyterian ministry and inducted as pastor of Spencerville, Grenville county, on Tuesday.

The Bank street Presbyterian Young People's Society of Ottawa, which has just held its annual meeting, is one of the most prosperous organizations of its kind in the capital.

Rev. L. G. Macneill has just completed seven years as pastor of St. Andrew's (Presbyterian) church, St. John. The church had a pleasant entertainment in celebration of the event.

The Young people's societies of Christian Endeavor, of the county of Lanark, met in convention on the 23rd of Oct., at Smith's Falls, and continued in session on the following day.

Rev. Mr. Munro opened the new Presbyterian church at Arden, Man., on Sabbath, Oct. 22nd, and the Rev. Mr. Loze-land took his place at Gladstone, and preached an anniversary sermon.

Mr. Peter Redpath, of Montreal, has made an offer of a yearly donation of \$5,000 for maintenance of the new library of McGill College, which was opened by the Governor-General on the 31st ult.

The Rev. G. D. Bayne, of Pembroke, left last week on his annual tour amongst the Presbyterian churches in the Northern district. The famous and learned Dr. Sexton, will occupy his pulpit during his absence.

The anniversary services of the Presbyterian church, Mt. Pleasant, were conducted on Sabbath, Oct. 29th, by the Rev. G. Burson, of St. Catharines. Mr. Burson is one of the most successful clergymen in the Presbyterian pastorate.

The Presbyterian S.S. Union of Toronto holds its opening meeting in Central Presbyterian church, on Friday, Nov. 10th, at 8 p.m., when the Rev. Dr. McTavish, Mr. George Anderson and Miss A. M. Cowan will take part in the exercises.

Mrs. Cockburn, wife of Rev. Mr. Cockburn, of Paris, met with the ladies of the Presbyterian church, Tilsonburg, on the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 26th, for the purpose of organizing a Women's Missionary Society in connection with the church there.

Communion services were conducted in the St. George Presbyterian church, on Sabbath, 22nd Oct., by the pastor, Rev. W. S. McTavish, B.D. Six new members were added to the roll at this time. Rev. Mr. Cockburn, of Paris, preached on Friday afternoon.

Rev. R. Haddow, of Milton, preached the anniversary sermons in Waterdown Presbyterian church, on Sabbath, Oct. 29th, morning and evening. The congregations were large. On Monday evening the annual supper took place in the Town Hall.

A Society of Christian Endeavour was organized on Wednesday night, 25th ult., by the young people of Dunsford Presbyterian church, assisted by Mr. J. Low, of Lindsay. They start under most auspicious circumstances with a membership of nine active, and four associate.

Burns and Moore Line churches, in the Presbytery of Sarnia, will be declared vacant on Nov. 19th. This is the charge from which Rev. J. C. Tibb, B.D., was translated to the congregation of Streetsville. Rev. F. O. Nichol, of Sarnia, is Moderator of Session during the vacancy.

Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, left Monday, 23rd October, for Cincinnati, to attend a meeting of the Executive of the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance. During his absence he will also preach to the students of Hanover College, Indiana (alma mater), and also in Madison, Indiana.

Rev. J. S. Loughhead, on the 24th ult., was inducted as the Presbyterian minister at North Gower. Among those who took part in the induction were Rev. Mr. Findley, Manotick; Rev. J. A. McFarlane,

of New Edinburgh; Rev. Mr. Goodwillie, of Vernon, and Rev. Mr. McLaren, of Carp. Rev. Mr. Loughhead begins his new labours under very favorable circumstances.

The practical aim of the Rev. Dr. Robertson's speech and of his long journey to attend the Synod of the Maritime Provinces was and is,—"Give us Ten Cents per member for all within the bounds of this Synod, for missions in the North-West." The demand does not seem very heavy.

Rev. J. G. Shearer, of Erskine Presbyterian church, Hamilton, preached a temperance sermon last Sunday evening, Oct. 22nd. He gave a full explanation of the plebiscite and made a strong denunciation of the license system, from the text of the vicious ox, as found in Exodus xxi. 28-29.

On Sunday, Oct. 29th, the sacrament of the Lord's supper was dispensed on the Midhurst Field by Rev. W. R. McIntosh, of Allandale, when 40 new members were added to the church. This field is under the charge of Mr. G. E. Loughhead, of Knox College, whose work is being much blessed.

Miss Bertha Wright and Miss Durie, of Ottawa, are canvassing for aid for a building for the Young Women's Christian Association, Ottawa, with boarding accommodation for young women who are strangers in the city. The canvassers expressed themselves well pleased with the response to their appeal which they received in Renfrew.

The first meeting of the Manitoba College literary society, to be held under the new executive, took place on the evening of Oct. 20th. The chair was taken by the president, Rev. Dr. Bryce, in the earlier part of the evening, and in the latter part by the first vice-president, Mr. D. G. Ross. There was a large attendance, including many of the graduates, which augurs well for the future.

Rev. M. W. Maclean has received a letter from Rev. Mr. Fulton, American Presbyterian missionary in China, in which he speaks of Lee Chu, formerly a resident of Belleville, and a member of St. Andrew's Sunday school. Lee Chu will probably remain in China, where he is now engaged in raising funds with which to build a church in the Province of Canton.

The Rev. Dr. Sexton occupied the pulpit, at both services, of the Presbyterian church, Collingwood, on Sabbath, Oct. 22nd, in the absence of the Rev. Dr. McCrae. Dr. Sexton also gave three of his popular lectures during the following week. It is eight years since the Doctor's previous visit to this town, and his old friends were delighted to see him once more.

Mrs. Rev. John Thomson, of Ayr, met with the ladies of the Presbyterian church, Tilsonburg, on the 28th ult., and assisted in the organization of a branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, with the following officers: President, Mrs. C. Thomson; First Vice President, Geo. Geddes; Second Vice President, J. W. Hillbourne; Secretary, Mrs. McGregor; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Imrie.

Rev. A. H. Kippan, of Erskine Presbyterian church, Claremont, has tendered his resignation. The news was quite unexpected, and his many friends regret his decision to sever his connection with this charge, after more than 9 years of faithful work. Mr. and Mrs. Kippan will be much missed in church and in social circles. That their lot may be cast in pleasant places is the hope of all their well-wishers.

The Presbyterian tea meeting and concert held on Thursday evening, Oct. 19th, in Monteith Hall, Rosseau, was the event of the season there. It was the children's night out, and they had a glorious one for it. Rev. Mr. Pullar ably occupied the chair; and the speakers, Revs. Messrs. Miller and Smith, and Mr. H. A. Lunau amused the audience with stories and conundrums, mingled with spicy flavour of commonsense.

Special services were held in St. Andrew's church, London, on Sunday, Oct. 29th. It was the Sunday school children's day, and Rev. Mr. Murray's remarks were specially intended for them. In the morning the gallery was filled with the little folks, who paid great attention to the sermon; and the manner in which they joined in the singing was pleasing to the parents who were seated in the body of the edifice. The pastor's subject was "God calling Samuel."

On Monday afternoon, Oct. 30th, a large number of the ladies of the Presbyterian church, St. George, assembled at the manse, when Miss S. Mullen, in the name of the Ladies' Aid Society, presented the pastor, the Rev. W. S. McTavish, B.D., with a costly Astrachan overcoat. This is the third time within about a year, that Mr. McTavish has had some valuable token of affection and esteem from the congregation.

The new Presbyterian church in Sonja was opened on Oct. 22nd and 23rd. Rev. Principal Grant, of Queen's University, Kingston, preached on Sabbath morning and evening, and gave an address in the afternoon on the "Parliament of Religions" at Chicago. On Monday afternoon there was a social gathering addressed by ministers of Lindsay Presbytery, and in the evening a social tea and concert, with a popular lecture on a lively subject.

Mr. John Murray, of New Glasgow, Que., who has been an elder of the Presbyterian Church there ever since its formation, and is now eighty-two years of age, was lately presented with an address by his fellow-members, expressing their high appreciation of his long and faithful services to the Church, the Sabbath school and the community at large. The address is signed by James Black and Robert Simpson, elders, and is beautifully illuminated.

The anniversary services in the Presbyterian church, Omamee, on Sabbath, Oct. 22nd, were largely attended and the discourses by Rev. Dr. Smith were particularly instructive and interesting. The tea on Monday evening was well patronized, the tables being occupied from 5 to 8 p.m. The addresses of the five reverend gentlemen on the programme were very interesting and far above the average tea-meeting oratory. The proceeds of collection and tea were \$140.

On Tuesday evening, Oct. 17th, was held the Thank Offering meeting of Conchiching Mission Band, in the Presbyterian lecture room. The president, Mrs. W. M. Harvey, presided. An interesting and profitable address was delivered by Mrs. R. N. Grant, who gave many forcible reasons why all should assist in sending the gospel to those who know not Christ. The annual report of the society showed that \$36 have been raised during the year. The offering amounted to \$11.

A missionary meeting under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, was held in the Presbyterian church, Uptergrove, on the 21st ult., at which there was a good attendance. The pastor, Rev. J. McNeil, presided, and the choir rendered suitable musical selections. Rev. M. N. Bethune, of Beaverton, delivered a very practical address on the work of women in the Christian Church, and their adaptation to mission work. The address was a most timely one, and was listened to with deep interest.

The social and concert given by the Presbyterians in McDougall's hall, Weston, Man., on Monday evening, Oct. 16th, on the eve of the departure of the missionary, Rev. J. Mowatt, for a holiday trip to the World's Fair, was a grand success from every point of view. The excellent spread provided by the fair sex was done ample justice to by the large audience present, and the literary department was not the least enjoyable feature of so successful a gathering. The chair was ably filled by Mr. H. G. Gunn, of Pipestone.

The board of managers of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church in Canada, convened on the afternoon of Oct. 17th, in the Sunday school

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