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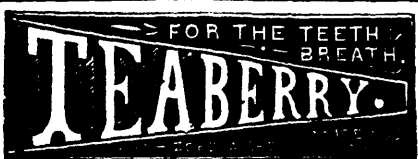
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Ministers and Churches.

Rev. D. G. McPhail, B.A., of Picton, preached in St. Andrew's Church, Perth, on a recent Sunday.

Rev. W. T. Wilkins and Mr. A. E. Bywater, of Trenton, have gone to Blairton for a week on a hunting expedition.

Rev. W. A. Patterson, Leamington, preached two excellent sermons in the Presbyterian Church, Tilbury, on a late Sunday.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, St. Andrew's, Beaverton, has returned home again, looking somewhat better for his short holiday.

Rev. Prof. McAdam has gone to North Bay, and will be in charge of the Presbyterian congregation there for some months.

The old St. Andrew's cemetery, at Galt, which has been in a state of sad neglect for several years, is to be made into a public park.

Rev. T. J. Thompson has received a call from John Street Presbyterian Church, Belleville, of which Rev. J. L. George was recently pastor.

Rev. J. Frazer Smith, M.D., for eight years missionary to Honan, China, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Port Elgin, on Sunday.

We are glad to learn that the Rev. H. F. Thomas, M.A., Preston, has so far recovered from the effects of his attack of typhoid fever, as to be able to sit up.

Rev. Robt. Johnston, of St. Andrew's, preached anniversary sermons in Strathroy on a recent Sabbath, and his pulpit was occupied by Rev. W. G. Jordan, of Strathroy.

Mr. Alexander Barclay, second son of the Rev. Dr. Barclay, of St. Paul's Church, Montreal, has returned from the surveying expedition on which he accompanied Dr. Bell.

Rev. D. Robertson, of London, recently preached the pulpits of Dorchester and Crumlin vacant and Rev. J. Currie, of Belmont, will act as interim Moderator during the vacancy.

Stewarton Presbyterian Church has organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, with Mrs. D. McLean as president; Miss Stewart, of Appen Place, vice; and Mrs. H. L. Wood, secretary.

The alterations lately made in the Albert Street Presbyterian Church, Sarnia, add greatly to the beauty and comfort of that tasty edifice. The arch supports have been removed, and additional sitting accommodation secured.

A committee of Presbyterian ladies packed and shipped recently the clothing contributed by the different Women's Foreign Mission Auxiliaries in the Paris Presbytery, weighing 2,570 pounds, the freight charges amounting to \$63.75.

A farewell meeting to Dr. and Mrs. Bremner, the first missionaries of the South American Evangelical Mission, was held in the Northern Congregational Church, Church Street, near Alexander, on Monday evening, Nov. 4th, at 8 p.m.

Mr. John Burnett, B.A., graduate of Knox College, was ordained and inducted on the first of October into the charge of Keady, etc., Presbytery of Owen Sound, and received a very cordial welcome from the people of this charge.

Rev. W. A. Cook, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Dorchester Station for four years past, has left for Thorold, to take charge of work there. Mr. Cook, says the London Advertiser, will be very much missed by his former flock.

Rev. J. B. McLaren, of Columbus and Brooklyn, is preaching a short series of sermons on the "Holy Spirit." Mr. McLaren is more than sustaining his reputation as an earnest, practical preacher, and all who can should hear these special sermons.

The Advertiser says: Mr. G. R. Faskin, B.A., of Knox College, Toronto, preached twice in the First Presbyterian Church, London, recently to large congregations, many of his former Collegiate Institute pupils attending. Mr. Faskin's sermons were marked by powerful thought, clear reasoning and an earnest delivery.

On Oct. 13th, the Rev. D. G. McQueen, B.A., of Edmonton, opened the new church at Fort Saskatchewan. The neat frame building is in contrast with the little old log church built eight years ago, and indicates progress in the far West. Concert on Monday evening. The congregation is in charge of Rev. Alex. Forbes, B.D.

The anniversary of St. Andrew's Church, Strathroy, was held on October 27th, when the Rev. Robt. Johnston, B.D., preached two able and earnest discourses to large congregations, and special offering was taken on behalf of the current expenses. The Rev. W. G. Jordan occupied Mr. Johnston's pulpit in London on that day.

The anniversary services of St. Andrew's Church, Sarnia, were observed last Sabbath. The Rev. W. J. Clark, of London, occupied the pulpit morning and evening. Two able sermons, carefully prepared and delivered with great power, were much appreciated by the large congregations present. The special plate collection amounted to \$410.

Dr. Smith's lecture on "The Boys I Knew at Home," in the Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, was listened to by more than three hundred people on Monday evening of last week. He spoke for an hour and three-quarters, during which he was given a cordial hearing. The music by the choir was excellent. The offerings for the Building Fund amounted to about \$250.

The Rev. C. J. Cameron, M.A., pastor of St. John's Church, Brockville has received an unanimous call from the Presbyterian Church at Toronto Junction where he preached some weeks ago.

The Rev. M. W. Maclean, Moderator of the Session of John Street Church, Belleville, desires to say that he submitted to the Kirk Session the name of every application made to time for a "hearing" in the vacant charge.

A *pro re nata* meeting of Kingston Presbytery will be held in John Street Church Belleville, on Tuesday, 12th inst., to consider and dispose of a call from said John Street Church and to make arrangements for the ordination of licentiates recently appointed to Home Mission fields within the bound.

A very neat and comfortable new church building, erected by the Presbyterians of Lacombe, Alberta, was opened for worship by the Rev. D. G. McQueen, B.A., of Edmonton, on Oct. 6th. Rev. Jno. Fernie in charge of this congregation. A social on Monday evening wound up the proceedings. The pulpit and three fine chairs were the gift of Mrs. Cairns, the good wife of an elder of the congregation.

It is at least some small comfort to know that the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell of St. Andrew's Church is, if not decidedly better, at least no worse. Mr. Macdonnell is still in Fergus, and is able to take a certain amount of exercise daily. He is also able to eat and sleep well, which is fortunate. Many over the whole Dominion beyond the deeply attached members of his own flock are earnestly wishing for his restoration to complete health and strength.

An exceptionally large number of communicants celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in Knox Church, Walkerton, on Sabbath, Oct. 27th, preparatory services having been conducted on the preceding Friday by Dr. McDonald, of Seaford, who edified large audiences with eloquent and instructive sermons. An addition of nineteen was made to the communion roll making a total of ninety-seven added during the first year of Rev. Donald Guthrie's pastorate.

The Colonist, of Victoria, B.C., says: "The Snare of the Fowler" was the theme selected by the Rev. Dr. Campbell for his Sunday evening sermon at the First Presbyterian Church, the occasion being the usual thanksgiving service for the safe return of sealers and sailors. The congregation was so large that it seriously taxed the capacity of the sacred edifice, again demonstrating the fact that it must, before very long, be replaced by a larger and more commodious structure.

The annual Thanksgiving service of the Women's Foreign Missionary Auxiliary of St. James Square Church, Toronto, was held on the 15th ult., in the lecture room, which was beautifully decorated. There was a large attendance. Mrs. Ball gave an earnest and practical address, and the following members took part: Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. McPhedran, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Cowan, Miss Greig and Mrs. Bruce. The service of praise was led by Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Wm. Douglass, assisted by young ladies of the congregation. The offering (which included \$25 for a life membership) amounted to \$150.

Rev. D. G. S. Connery, pastor of St. Paul's, Winchester, was assisted by the Revs. H. Cameron, and James Madill in a week of special services, preparatory to the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. What was intended as a week of prayer developed into a great religious awakening in the entire community, and the meetings were continued three weeks, two services each day. The church was filled each night with anxious congregations. The Rev. H. Cameron, of Morrisburg, assisted part of the first week, and the Rev. James Madill, of Bishop's Mills, remained during the three weeks and preached each night with great acceptance. Mr. Madill has a gift for evangelistic work, and the Church might do well in setting apart such men for special work on evangelistic lines.

On Friday evening, Oct. 25th, a large gathering of Presbyterians assembled at Mrs. J. Brook's, Granton, to welcome the Rev. J. Campbell on his return from New Brunswick after an absence of five months. Nearly the whole of Mr. Campbell's Granton congregation was present, and the gathering in itself showed the esteem and love which the people have for their pastor who has been laid aside from active service, through severe illness, since last June. After some time had been spent in social intercourse, Mr. Jas. Bryan took the chair and called on the choir for a selection, after which Mr. Campbell led in prayer. The chairman then welcomed Mr. Campbell on behalf of all present expressing his pleasure at the restoration to health of his pastor and the hope that he might be enabled to continue in the work. After another chorus Mr. Wm. Spence, elder, speaking for the session said he was glad to be able to welcome their pastor and hoped he would long be spared to them. He suggested the advisability of relieving Mr. Campbell as much as possible during the coming months until his health was completely restored. The following warmly moved addresses of welcome from Y. P. S. C. E. and from the Sabbath school, when Mr. Campbell replied in a few words, thanking the congregation for the way in which they had shown their interest in him and for their appreciation of his work. He expressed his pleasure at being able to be with his people again in the enjoyment of a fair measure of health; and he hoped that in accordance with the opinion of his physicians he would be completely restored and able to resume his pastoral duties in a few months. After a bountiful lunch had been served the company separated well pleased with their pleasant evening.

Mr. J. Stuart Coleman asks us to insert the following: Some time ago the Children's Aid Society of Toronto invited the Sunday Schools of the city to join in an annual collection in aid of its funds. So far eight Presbyterian schools have agreed to do this. The collections from St. John's and Toronto Junction Sunday Schools have been received and are as follows, St. John's 15.20, Toronto Junction, \$9.

The anniversary services in connection with St. Andrew's Church, Sherbrooke, Que., of which Rev. Wm. Shearer is pastor, were celebrated on Oct. 6th, Rev. Wm. Patterson, of Toronto, preached. The collections amounted to \$762, and the proceeds of the social on Monday night to \$125. Mr. Patterson's visit to the East was highly appreciated and many will long remember his quaint and forcible manner of presenting the truth.

One of the most pleasing and harmonious meetings ever held in the Thorold Presbyterian Church was that in connection with the induction of the Rev. W. A. Cook, late of Dorchester, into the pastoral charge of the congregation on Thursday evening last. The families of the congregation were well represented, and, judging from the good feeling manifested, it is safe to predict that there is in store for Thorold Presbyterians a prosperous future. After the induction services, conducted by several members of the Presbytery of Hamilton, presided over by the Rev. Jas. Wilson, of Niagara Falls South, the congregation repaired to the basement, where the ladies had bountifully provided for the wants of the body, and an exceedingly pleasant and enjoyable evening was spent in social intercourse and greetings between pastor and people. The Rev. Mr. Anderson, who had so ably and acceptably supplied the pulpit for the past several Sabbaths, and to whom the people became very much attached, was also present, and while welcoming the new pastor and his wife, it was a fitting occasion to bid farewell to one who was universally esteemed.

Last Sabbath, 27th of October, was communion Sabbath in the Weston Church. The preparatory service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Adams, of Fairbank. Four names were added to the Church, two by certificate and two by profession of faith. The service on Sabbath was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Walter Reid, B.D., who preached a most appropriate and useful discourse. About ninety persons sat down at the "table of the Lord." The service was most thoroughly enjoyed, and amid much that is trying the pastor has every reason to feel greatly encouraged, not only by the large attendance, but by the apparent cordiality and unanimity of the people. The Woodbridge congregation has enjoyed a steady growth in membership ever since Mr. Reid, eleven years since, became the pastor, and to-day it is one of the most united and progressive congregations in the Presbytery. The Sabbath School, under Dr. Thom as superintendent, and his efficient staff of teachers, is a prosperous and useful institution. The Society of Christian Endeavor is well equipped and is doing a good work. The present Church building was erected in 1877, but during the past summer, in order to meet the growing demands of the congregation and Sabbath School, it was decided to build a new school room, enlarge the Church, put in new furnaces and give increased shed accommodation. The work is now in progress and nearing completion. The cost of the alterations, etc., will not be far short of \$1,600, \$900 of which was subscribed before the work was begun. The re-opening services are fixed for December 15th, when it is intended to enter upon the improved premises free of debt.

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