

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. Mr. Weir of Avonmore, occupied the Maxwell pulpit on Sunday.

Rev. John Matheson has been elected moderator of the Presbytery of Glengarry.

The next regular meeting of Glengarry Presbytery will be held in Knox Church, Lancaster, on the 8th September.

On a recent Sunday Miss Britton, of Ottawa, was a welcome addition to the choir of St. Andrew's church, Arran.

The young men of St. Andrews Church, Arran, announce an excursion to Kingston and the Thousand Islands on Friday of this week.

Rev. Alex. McGregor tendered his resignation of the charge of Woodlands, Wales, Aultsville, and Pleasant Valley, on the ground that the labour in connection with these four fields was too great for him and that his health was being impaired.

Rev. Orr Bennet, of Almonte, delivered an excellent sermon to the people assembled at the Middleville church here last Sunday morning. Rev. A. G. Bremner, of Montreal, is expected to have charge of the services for the two ensuing Sundays.

Rev. Mr. McGillivray, of Carp, who recently lost a valuable horse, has been presented with a purse of \$182; while the Kilnours people, for whom he often preached during the illness of their minister, have added \$30, as a slight recognition of Mr. McGillivray's kindness to them.

Rev. J. A. Claxton, B. D. of St. Paul's and St. Columba, Madoc, (Kingston Presbytery) has resigned his charge to enter on Home Missions work in the North West. The charge will be declared vacant on the first Sabbath of August by Rev. E. W. Mackay, Madoc, who has been appointed interim moderator of Session.

Waddington, N. Y., of which Rev. James Robertson has been pastor for nineteen years, and which for many years was connected with the Brockville Presbytery, is in a most prosperous condition in every department of work. Our correspondent supplied there recently and found a large Sabbath School of 200 in attendance from the little child to the grand-parent. The church service which began at noon was made more interesting by what some of us on this side of the line would term innovations (a) congregation repeating Lord's prayer (b) reading responsively one of the Scripture lessons (c) God's blessing invoked on people's offering, the young men who took up the offering remain standing. The congregational singing could not be excelled. The C. E. Society takes full charge of the evening service, the pastor may, or may not take part. The collection on one Sabbath in each month is sufficient to meet their congregational demands, and other Sabbaths are given for the schemes of the church, or for the many objects outside their denomination that are presented to them they turn none away.

The regular meeting of the Kingston Presbytery was held in St. Andrew's Church, Belleville, on Tuesday, July 1. Rev. Dr. MacTavish was elected moderator for the ensuing year. A vote of thanks was tendered the retiring moderator, Rev. H. Gracey, for his conduct in the chair during the past two years. Standing committees for the year were appointed. A call from the John Street Church, Belleville, to the Rev. A. H. Drumm was sustained by the Presbytery and accepted by Mr. Drumm. At his induction, which will be held on the evening of the 15th inst., Dr. MacTavish will preside, Mr. Gay will preach. Mr. McLean will address the minister and Mr. McArthur the people. Mr. Rennie presented a call from Tweed and Fuller to the Rev. W. M. Morris. The call was sustained and provisional arrangements were made for the induction of Mr. Morris should he accept. A petition was received from the heads of about thirty families in Foxborough asking for services. A commission of Presbytery consisting of Messrs. MacTavish, McLean, Gracey, Jordan, Hudson, Dyde, and Russell was appointed to deal with any matters requiring attention in the interval between meetings of Presbytery. Rev. J. A. Claxton tendered his resignation of his charge.

Presbytery of Quebec meets in Sherbrooke, 9th Sept., at 2 p. m.

Rev. W. Shearer, Convener of the Presbytery of Quebec's Home Mission Committee, is opening his holidays in visiting the scattered mission fields.

Northern Ontario.

The next meeting of North Bay Presbytery will be held at Parry Sound.

Rev. J. Steele has tendered his resignation of Pawaasun to the regret of the people. Rev. W. G. Smith, of Callander, is to cite the congregation.

The Presbyterial S. S. and Y. P. S. Association held its annual convention in Knox church, Cannington, on Tuesday, 24th June. The President, Rev. D. M. Martin, was successful in his rather difficult task of getting through with a long programme of interesting reports, papers and discussions within the time limit. The attendance of delegates was large and representative. At the evening session good addresses were delivered by Revs. John Neil, of Westminster church, Toronto, and J. G. Petter, of St. Andrew's, Peterboro. Solos rendered by Mrs. D. W. Best, Beaverton, and Mr. C. E. Weeks, Woodville, contributed to the pleasure of the evening meeting.

The North Bay Presbyterial S. S. Convention, held at Sundridge last week, was largely attended and quite successful. Revs. Becket, Barnett, Henderson, Steele, Cochran, MacVicar, Smith and McKibbin took an active part in the proceedings. The discussions on the papers read were animated and useful. Considerable attention was attracted by a paper on "What are the Teachers' week day duties to the Class" by Rev. R. V. McKibbin; and another on "Importance of teaching the Shorter Catechism," Mr. Caldwell, a student in charge of the mission station. The proceedings were varied by excellent musical numbers from Mrs. Lamb, Miss Tooley, Miss Morrison and Miss Watson. The friends at Sundridge entertained the visitors most hospitably.

The following are the standing committees for North Bay Presbytery: Home missions—Childerhose, Convener; Sturgeon, Smith, Johnston, and elders of Huntsville and Pawaasun; Church life and work.—Burnet, Convener; McKibbin, and elders of Sundridge and Magnetawan; Sabbath Schools—Henderson, Convener, Becket, Steele, and elders of Burks Falls and Loring; Young Peoples Societies—Steele, Convener, MacVicar, Garrioch, and elders of North Bay and Aspsden; Augmentation—Johnston, Convener, Dr. Findlay, MacVicar, and elders of Spruce Dale and Emsdale; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund—McKibbin, Convener; Cochran and elders of South River and Callander; Widows and Orphans' Fund—Cochran, Convener; Pitts and the elders of New Lisheard; Examination of students—Becket, Convener; Johnston and Smith; Lumber Camp Committee—Vicar, Convener; Childerhose, Steele, Sturgeon, Henderson, McKibbin, and elders of Huntsville, Callander and Whitney; Finance and Statistics—Sturgeon, Convener; Burnett, MacVicar, Childerhose, Smith and the elders of Parry Sound; Committee on church Property—MacVicar, Convener; Becket and Captain Grant.

Winnipeg and West.

Rev. Joseph Hogg has resigned the pastorate of St. Andrew's church, Winnipeg.

The Rev. Joseph Hogg, pastor of St. Andrew's Church has resigned from the pastorate.

Rev. Principal MacVicar of the Presbyterial College, Montreal, and family are spending the summer at Rice, Que.

Dr. Gilbert has been appointed as teacher on the Rolling River Indian reserve near Minnedosa, and will shortly take up his work.

Rev. A. C. Manson, a graduate of Manitoba College and now minister of one of the nine Presbyterian churches in Duluth, is visiting friends in the city.

Rev. Dr. MacLaren, the newly-appointed Home Mission Field Secretary, spent a few days as the guest of his brother, Mr. J. B. MacLaren, on his way to Vancouver. He preached in St. Augustine church on Sunday morning.

Quebec.

The Presbytery of Quebec met in Sherbrooke on 1st, July. Mr. E. MacQueen was elected moderator for the ensuing twelve months. An elder's commission in favor of Mr. J. McCammon, Inverness, was accepted. Rev. R. MacLeod of Maitland Presbytery was invited to sit and correspond. Messrs. J. R. MacLeod, D. Tait and E. MacQueen, commissioners to the

Assembly reported their diligence, and received the thanks of the court. Standing committees, with conveners as follows were appointed, viz., Augmentation, Dr. Kellack; French Work, Mr. C. A. Tanner; Church Life and Work, Mr. M. MacLeod; Young People's Societies' Mr. E. G. Walker; Statistics; the Clerk; Sunday Schools, Mr. H. C. Sutherland; Home Missions, Mr. Wm. Shearer. Messrs. Alex. Martin, Jas. Kinear, jr., Mrs. Kinear and Miss M. M. Kinear now of Toronto were granted certificates of membership. Mr. J. R. MacLeod, for sixteen years Presbytery Clerk, tendered his resignation as Clerk. The resignation was laid on the table till the next meeting. Progress was reported in the payment of the costs of the Kinear v. Kellack case; and members who had not paid their portion were informed that it is desirable to do so immediately.

Presbytery of Owen Sound.

The Presbytery of Owen Sound met on the 1st day of July in Division St. Hall, Owen Sound, and was opened by devotional services by Rev. D. Currie, moderator. Commissioners to the Assembly reported attendance, and the treasurer was instructed to pay the railway fare of those present at the assembly. Dr. Sommerville, Dr. Fraser and Mr. McNabb were appointed to revise the standing orders of the Presbytery, and to report at the September meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Johnson, etc., regarding Mr. Smith's resignation reported progress, and was instructed to bring in a report to the next regular meeting, in the meantime the resignation to lie on the table.

Dr. Sommerville reported that he had received a letter from Dr. Waits asking that his name be placed on the appendix to the roll of Presbytery, and that he had replied to him that according to the law of the Church only those living within the bounds of a Presbytery could have their names on the appendix to the roll. This law precluded his name from being thus placed. The Presbytery indorsed the reply of the clerk.

A communication from Knox Church Owen Sound was read, intimating that they had secured as a manse for their minister the property on the South East corner of Murdoch and Baker streets. The presbytery placed upon its record its cordial approval of the step taken, and commended the congregation for its action.

Messrs. Currie and McNabb were appointed to ascertain in whom the titles of church and manse properties throughout the Presbytery are vested and to report definitely and full to the December meeting.

Dr. Fraser called the attention of the Presbytery to the fact that the congregation at Holland Centre had raised the sum of \$300 for removing the debt from, and renovating their Church, and that Knox Church, Sydenham, was now freed from debt, and that they had relieved the Augmentation Fund of \$50 on their minister's salary. The Presbytery expressed its hearty appreciation of the action of the congregation in its furtherance of the cause of Christ in the community. Messrs. Currie, Acheson and the clerk were appointed a committee to consider the question of an order of service for the congregations of the Presbytery and to report.

Mr. M. Alpine was appointed to conduct devotional exercises at the Sept. meeting, which will be held in Division Street Hall on first Tuesday of September at 10 a. m., and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

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