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## Ministers and Churches.

A new manse is to be built at Glencoe.

The Presbyterians of Paris are about purchasing a new organ.

Rev. Mr. Patterson and Mrs. Patterson of Embro will spend a few weeks by the seaside in Nova Scotia.

Rev. John Neil, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, Toronto, has gone on a trip to the Old Country.

The First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, has increased the salary of the Rev. F. A. Larkin from \$1,200 to \$1,600.

The induction of Rev. R. A. Hamilton into the pastorate of First Church, Brantford, takes place on the 31st inst.

Rev. Mr. Rowat, of Athelstan, Quebec, preached in Knox church, Woodstock, recently, two most excellent and practical sermons.

The architects chosen have received instructions to draw up plans and specifications for the new Presbyterian church at Elmville.

At Fenelon Falls, on Sunday of last week, the Rev. M. McKinnon, B.A., preached an impressive sermon to the Orangemen of the neighborhood.

All communications regarding supply at Wick and Greenbank should be addressed to Mr. Alexander Leask, Wick P. O., and not to any other.

Interesting services were held on the 6th and 8th inst., in connection with the communion season in the New Glasgow Church. Rev. J. F. Scott, pastor.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed to a large number in St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro, on Sabbath, the 15th July. 19 new members were received.

Rev. Robt. Aylward, B.A., formerly minister of the first Congregational Church, London, has been received as a minister of the Presbyterian Church. His address for the present is Burlington, Ont.

Rev. Wm. Patterson, of Cooke's Church, Toronto, and Mrs. Patterson, left on Monday evening for the Old Land. They expect to be away about six weeks. The greater part of their time will be spent in Ireland.

Rev. R. Douglas Fraser, of St. Paul's Church, Bowmanville, was presented last week, by his Teachers' Class, with a complete set of Tennyson, in eight volumes, india-paper, morocco bound and in handsome case.

On the 10th inst., the Rev. Mr. Hastie laid before the Glengarry Presbytery a call from Woodlands in favor of Mr. N. A. McLeod, B.A., licentiate. The call was accepted and Mr. McLeod's ordination and induction appointed for Thursday, 9th August, at 2.30 p.m.

The delegates from the Christian Endeavour Society of Cooke's Church, Toronto, were presented with a diploma for Christian service at the great International Convention held in Cleveland last week. Twenty-five diplomas were given to the most deserving of the 33,000 societies.

On Friday, Rev. Mr. Wilson preached an interesting and earnest sermon from Psalm 39: 1, after which the pastor ordained Messrs. John McLean and Wm. McCallum into the office of Elder. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed on Sabbath morning to over eighty communicants.

Next Sabbath, July 22, will be the eighth anniversary of the induction of the Rev. Wm. Patterson into the pastoral charge of Cooke's Church congregation, Toronto. During that time 1,738 have joined the church, 906 having united by profession of faith. In 1886 the revenue from all sources amounted to \$2,500, and since that time \$83,000 has been raised.

A student missionary is wanted immediately for Alberni, B.C., to labor among the white settlers there. The field is so distant and the travelling expenses so high that an appointment for less than twelve or fifteen months cannot be made. According to the last returns there are 30 families, 30 single persons not connected with these families, 35 communicants connected with the field. There are three stations. Applications sent to Rev. Dr. Robertson, Winnipeg.

The members of the Philharmonic Society in connection with the Presbyterian Church, Caledonia, wound up their meetings for the season in a very happy manner lately by a social gathering at the home of the President, Mr. Clarke Moses. A very pleasant feature of the meeting was an address to the conductor, Rev. J. S. Conning, accompanied by a beautiful gold watch-chain, as a memento of the pleasant evenings spent with the society during the winter.

The following was passed on a recent evening at the prayer meeting in Knox Church, Hamilton: "The congregation of Knox Church, this city, hereby earnestly raises its protest against the flagrant and, in its judgment, wickedly-unnecessary disturbing of public worship on the Lord's day by the running of the Hamilton street cars. The pretence that the said cars are run for the accommodation of the Lord's people is the veriest cant, the sheerest hypocrisy of this mammon-pursuing age of the world. They are run for gold alone."

The Rev. D. James, of Midland, now on a visit to Europe, writes: While in Edinburgh I preached in old Bristo street church, of which my uncle is at present the pastor. After leaving Edinburgh I returned to Glasgow and spent a day in visiting the scenes of my father's and mother's childhood. The old homes still stand, and are very little changed in all that time. My health is excellent, and I am enjoying my trip exceedingly. We expect to reach Mayence to-night, and from there we proceed by easy stages through Switzerland to Florence and Rome.

Before leaving Listowel, to enter upon the pastorate of Oak street church, Toronto, the members of Knox church of that town met for the purpose of giving Rev. J. A. Morrison a parting recognition of their deep attachment for him, previous to his departure. Mr. D. D. Campbell occupied the chair. An address very highly appreciative of Mr. Morrison personally and of his work was read, accompanied by a presentation, to which Mr. Morrison made a very feeling reply. On the evening of Sabbath July 1st, he preached his farewell sermon to a congregation which completely filled the church. It is not too much to say, adds the Listowel Standard, that never did a minister of the gospel take his departure from this town with kindlier feelings or more sincere wishes for his welfare and success in his high calling.

The new Presbyterian church at Hay Bay was dedicated on a recent Sunday. The weather was perfect, and at the morning service scarcely half those present were able to gain admittance. In the afternoon the numbers were even larger, many going from Nanawee and all parts of the country. Rev. Mr. MacEachern dedicated the handsome edifice, and delivered two able and very appropriate sermons. The collections on Sunday were excellent, and we understand the new church is practically out of debt, more than sufficient being subscribed to pay off all liabilities. The dedication dinner and picnic, in Parks' Grove, on Tuesday, was well attended. The Nanawee choir provided music for the occasion, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Leitch, Bath; Rev. D. MacEachern, M. S. Madole, Esq., and others.

The regular quarterly meeting of Paris Presbytery was held in St. Paul's Church, Ingersoll, July 10th. The Rev. E. Cockburn, of Paris, was appointed Moderator for the year, and took the chair. A unanimous call by the First Church, Brantford, to Rev. R. M. Hamilton was sustained, and having been accepted, Mr. Hamilton's induction was appointed to take place on the 31st July, at 2.30 p.m. Mr. Archibald C. Reeves, B.A. of Montreal College, after a very satisfactory examination, was licensed to preach the gospel, and was suitably addressed by the Moderator. A moderation in a call was granted to East Oxford and Blenheim. Representatives of Norwich and Bookton were heard on readjustment of that field; other interested congregations were notified, and the matter will be considered at an adjourned meeting in First Church, Brantford, July 31st, at 11 a.m.—W. T. McMULLEN, Clerk.

The laying of the corner stone of the new Presbyterian church, Stouffville, took place on Monday evening, 9th inst., and was witnessed by upwards of a thousand people. The service was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. H. E. A. Reid, and the corner stone well and truly laid by the Hon. G. W. Ross. In the stone was placed copies of the three Toronto daily (morning) papers, THE CANADA, PRESBYTERIAN, Presbyterian Record, W. F. M. monthly and the local papers, besides a list of the officials of the church, architect and contractors. The company then repaired to the town hall where the chair was occupied by Mr. Reid and excellent music furnished by the choir of the Uxbridge Presbyterian church. After short congratulatory speeches by the Rev. Mr. Nichol, of Unionville, and the pastors of the local churches, the Rev. J. Neil, of Westminster church, Toronto, in a humorous and instructive address, urged the necessity of unity and energy in the present undertaking as well as in all the work of the church. The Hon. G. W. Ross then spoke for about three-quarters of an hour to the delight and instruction of the large audience, appreciation being manifested by frequent bursts of applause. The Hon. Minister of Education will always be welcomed by a Stouffville audience.

A very successful missionary meeting was held on the 25th ult. in Kilworthy Presbyterian Church, under the auspices of the W. F. M. Auxiliary of the congregation. J. E. Smith, student-in-charge, opened with devotional exercises. Mr. Southam, of Wycliffe College, gave a very interesting account of his labors among the Indians in the Rainy River district. Rev. R. J. Adamson, M.A., of Severn Bridge, told of the work in Alberni, B.C., among the Indians and Chinese, and made an urgent appeal in their behalf. Both gentlemen having had actual experience in the work, were in a position to set forth the claims of the red man in our own country. Both bore testimony to the baneful influences exercised by lapsed white men and traders in that country. Rev. R. J. Adamson strongly appealed to the young men to cultivate personal piety. Many of them would doubtless find their way out to the coast or into the more remote quarters of the Dominion, and if they had not the Christian piety and knowledge that are effectual in delivering from the power of sin, they would fall into the customs of those ahead of them and exercise the same baneful influence as their predecessors. Mrs. R. N. Grant, of Orillia, was present and read an excellent paper upon the work of the W. F. M. S. The paper was practical throughout and breathed the spirit of one not only well acquainted with missionary facts, but who also possesses a clear conception of the position and privileges of the church of Christ. Several missionary selections were well rendered by the choir formed for the occasion. A collection was taken up in behalf of the Mission Band and realized \$4.85.

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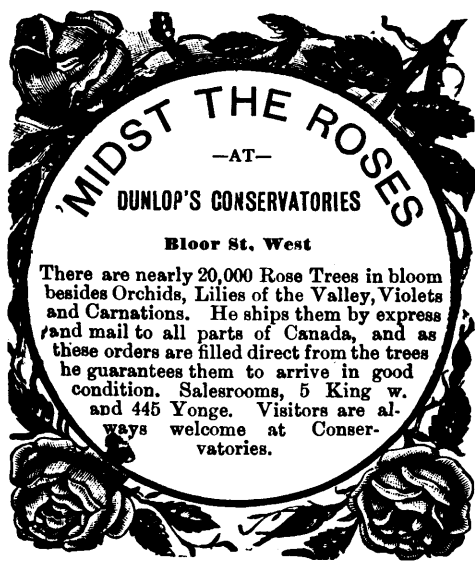
The Rev. John Nichols, pastor of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, received a handsome testimonial from his congregation on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his wedding day. A large party of ladies and gentlemen, representing the congregation of St. Mark's gathered at the house of Mr. Nichols, quite in a casual way. Mr. Nichols was suddenly confronted with a glittering array of jewelry. Mr. Hugh Vallance did the speaking. He said that the occasion was the twenty-fifth anniversary of Mr. Nichols' wedding day. For twenty years he had led his congregation faithfully. When visited with pestilence and floods, and among the

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The Rev. Mr. Nichols, to whom the whole was a surprise, was deeply touched. On behalf of himself and wife he returned most hearty thanks. "Indeed, the occasion was almost beyond language—it was so unexpected and so welcome." The party left the house after an hour or two of very hearty sociability, leaving their pastor and his family in a very happy frame of mind.

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