

Church News.

In Canada.

A RECEPTION was tendered to Lord and Lady Aberdeen in the Indian School at Birtle, Man.

MINISTERS and probationers desiring a hearing in Dresden will communicate with the Rev. D. Currie, Wallaceburg, moderator of session.

AN adjourned meeting of Hamilton Presbytery for ordination and induction of Mr. J. D. Edgar will be held at Smithville, on Tuesday, November 6th, at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

REV. A. McLELLAN, D.C.L., Havelock, Ont., preached at both services in St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Peterborough, to large congregations recently, and Dr. Thornton conducted anniversary services at Havelock.

THE Rev. Christie McDiarmid, B.A., who graduated last summer in Manitoba College, is to take charge of the congregation of Alexander, in the Brandon Presbytery, left vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Geo. Lockhart.

REV. C. W. GORDON, B.A., has been lecturing before the Winnipeg Y. M. C. A. on the subject, "Across the Alps on a wheel." Capt. Carruthers, the president of the Winnipeg Bicycle Club, occupied the chair.

THE Rev. A. C. Manson has been appointed by the Synod of North Dakota to act as the Synod's evangelist and Sabbath school missionary. Mr. Manson is a graduate of Manitoba College and was for some time in charge of the Sapperton church in the suburbs of New Westminster, B.C.

THE Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in St. Andrew's church, Peterboro', October 21st to a large number. An appropriate sermon was preached by the pastor from the words, "It is finished." Twenty-four new members were admitted. The rapid growth of this congregation still continues. A gallery, it is believed, will soon be a necessity.

THE Rev. Dr. Campbell, of the First Presbyterian church, Victoria, B. C., is delivering a series of Sabbath evening lectures on the following subjects: "How long has man been on this earth?" "Will there be two Resurrections—one of the righteous and another of the unrighteous?" "What part will memory have in future punishment?" "Who is Antichrist—Nero, Mohammed, Napoleon, the Pope or the Papacy?" "John Knox and the Reformation in Scotland." "Will Christ at Millennium reign personally and visibly on the earth?" "Does the soul at death go to Heaven or Hell or Purgatory or sleep in the grave?" Similar courses during previous winters have been very largely attended.

REV. R. E. KNOWLES last evening in his sermon made special reference to the fact that yesterday was the fourth anniversary of the founding of the congregation of Stewarton Presbyterian church. Services, he stated, were first held in a hall on McLeod St., given for the purpose by Mrs. William Stewart of Appin Place. Since the pastor's ordination 200 new members had joined the church and the present building, capable of seating between 600 and 700, had been erected. Already this was fully occupied. By a happy co-incidence the attendance at yesterday's Sabbath school services was the largest in the church's history. All the organizations in connection with the church are in a flourishing condition.—Ottawa Journal.

THE Sabbath school building in connection with Knox church, Milton, that has been in process of erection during the past summer was opened on the 23rd Sept. Special dedicatory services were conducted by Rev. John Neil, B.A., of Toronto. The eloquent and instructive sermons of morning and evening were much appreciated by the large congregations present. In the afternoon a large gathering assembled in the Sabbath school room presided over by Rev. J. W. H. Milne in the absence of the pastor. Congratulatory addresses were delivered by Rev. Jno. Neil,

Rev. Mr. Mignot, Episcopalian; and Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Methodist. A pleasing feature of this service was the excellent representation of members from the sister churches. The new building is commodious, neat and admirably adapted for the purposes intended. The congregation of Knox church are to be congratulated on the magnificent church property which they now possess—a beautiful church, an admirable Sabbath school room and an excellent manse. These are monuments of the congregation's unity and earnestness and a testimony of the ability and zeal of Mr. Haddow's six years past work in Milton.

A MEETING of the congregations of Union and Norval was held in Union church, on the evening of Oct. 1st in commemoration of the seventh anniversary of the induction of their pastor, the Rev. J. Argo. Tea was served by the ladies and an exceedingly enjoyable and profitable evening was spent. Addresses being delivered by Revs. Fennell and Perrin, of Georgetown; Campbell, of Cheltenham, and Milne, of Manswood, neighboring missions. The session presented a report of the work during the last seven years which showed that there had been added to the membership in Union church, during this period ninety-seven, or a yearly average of fourteen; and in Norval seventy or a yearly average of ten. The net gain in each congregation being fourteen, although the removals by death, certificate and otherwise have been exceptionally numerous. In presenting their report the session expressed their sense of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the manifest tokens of the presence and blessing in the past, and the sincere hope that His favor might be even more signally granted in time to come.

At a meeting of Halifax Presbytery, held at New Glasgow, attention was called to the sudden and unexpected death of Mr. James Forrest, representative elder of Park Street church, Halifax. After several members present had given expression to their sense of the great loss sustained by Mr. Forrest's removal in the midst of his years and usefulness, the following minute was passed and ordered to be engrossed on the records of the Presbytery:—"In removing the name of James Forrest from the roll of Presbytery, in consequence of his death that occurred yesterday, (Oct. 3rd), the Presbytery desire to bow reverently to the will of God, the supreme disposer of all events, and while deeply sensible of the loss sustained by his early and unexpected removal, they would gratefully acknowledge the work he was permitted and enabled to do in his capacity as a presbyter. Conscientious in his attendance whenever elected by his session, he was uniformly attentive to the business in hand and over ready to take his full share of responsibility and work. In particular for several years he was one of the joint conveners of the Sabbath School Committee, and performed a large amount of work in that department. His brethren of the Presbytery frequently elected him to represent them in the General Assembly—thereby expressing their confidence in his judgment as an administrator of the affairs of Christ's house. His business ability combined with the liberal education he had received, fitted him in a special manner for financial work, indeed, for practical work in all lines of Christian effort, while, on the other hand, his warm, sympathetic nature prompted him to deeds of compassion and large hearted benevolence. He was, at once, a wise counsellor, an active worker and a liberal supporter of the Lord's cause. As a Christian man, and a fellow presbyter, he commanded the unwavering confidence and warm affection of all his co-presbyters—who feel that in his early and unexpected death they have lost a true friend, a brother beloved in the Lord, and a co-worker, whose place, all things considered, it will be indeed difficult to fill. Parting with him regretfully they will long hold his memory in grateful and affectionate remembrance. The Presbytery desire to express their deep sympathy with the household so sorely bereaved by their brother's lamented death, and with all the relatives and friends in the great sorrow that has stricken them. And to commend them in prayer to the God of all

comfort, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who comforteth us in all our tribulation."—ALLAN SIMMONS, Clerk.

SABBATH, Oct. 14th, 1894, is a red letter day in the calendar of the Presbyterians in the Qu'Appelle Valley near Ellisboro, as on that day was dedicated to God's worship one of the most beautiful churches to be found in the Territories. The building is of concrete on a stone foundation, and is erected on a fine site, the gift of Mr. W. H. Ellis. The dimensions are 34 by 24 feet, and an 8 feet square porch added at the north-east corner, which it is hoped will some day be surmounted by a belfry. Both the design and the execution show good taste and skill on the part of all who had the matter in hand; Mr. Sills, the contractor, put faithful work into every corner. The window in the front is a real gem. The best of it is that it was dedicated practically free from debt, as the temporary loan is fully covered by subscriptions not yet matured. The credit of this state of matters is due to the liberality of the few families belonging to the congregation, the generous grant of \$125 from the Church and Manse Board, the kindly sympathy of friends not only in the neighborhood, but in Winnipeg, Toronto and other places in Ontario, yes, even as far as Bonnie Scotland, and lastly to the wise and careful management of the building committee who made the best use of the funds raised by the enthusiastic zeal of all but especially of the ladies of the congregation. At 11 o'clock on Sabbath morning the church was filled by an interested audience. The divine presence having been invoked by the pastor, Rev. Alex. Campbell, the congregation sang the 24th psalm, verses 7-10, led by the Wolsley Presbyterian choir who rendered most efficient aid at all the opening services. The account of Solomon's dedication of the temple was read and after another hymn had been sung the pastor solemnly besought the Lord to accept the offered house and to fill it with His glorious presence continually. The Rev. J. A. Carmichael then delivered the dedication sermon an able and impressive discourse founded on John i. 29: "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." In the afternoon at 3 o'clock the children's missionary service was heartily enjoyed by all, old and young, instead of listening to Rev. Alex. Robson, the first pastor of the congregation who had been obliged to take Mr. Carmichael's place at Regina, owing to the illness of Messrs. Matheson and Welch. On Monday evening the lovely weather helped to make the social tea-meeting a grand success: the grounds seemed like a fair; the hall where supper was served from 6.00 to 7.30 o'clock was filled and emptied several times before all were satisfied. The ladies of all denominations present were busy up to their elbows and must have been tired off their feet next day by their exertions. At about 8 o'clock all who could get in were seated in the church to listen to an excellent programme consisting of addresses by Rev. Mr. Burrow, of Wolsley Methodist church; Rev. Mr. McLeod, of Sintaluta, and Rev. Mr. Carmichael, of Regina. A letter of apology for his absence and expressing hearty sympathy was read from Rev. Mr. Beale, Church of England, Grenfell. There were also excellent recitations, two anthems by the choir; a duet by Mrs. and Miss Bompas; two violin and organ duets by Mr. and Miss Thompson of Wolsley; a piano solo by Miss Rees, another by Mrs. Campbell and a third by Mr. T. A. Briggs, organist of the Methodist church, Wolsley. It was long after ten o'clock before the programme was finished when all dispersed to their homes delighted with the evening's instruction and entertainment. On Wednesday evening the church was again filled to take in the phonograph concert of the Laing Bros. Proceeds at all the opening services netted over \$80.00.

Presbytery of Lindsay.

THE Presbytery of Lindsay met in Woodville on the 16th inst. There was a large attendance of ministers and elders. Rev. R. Johnston, B.D., moderator presided. The following ministers were invited to sit as corresponding members, namely, Messrs. John Abraham, Mr. Whitby; R. McNabb, Beach-