

Ministers and Churches.

Ottawa.

Rev. Murray Tait of Claremont, Ont., preached at McKay street church.

At Stewarton church, Rev. E. J. Shaw, of White Lake, conducted the services.

Rev. A. G. Cameron who has been supplying in St. Paul's church in the absence of Rev. Dr. Armstrong, officiated at both services.

The induction of Rev. W. A. McLroy, to the pastorate of Stewarton Church will take place on Friday evening of this week. A report of the proceedings will be given in our next issue.

Rev. Dr. Guthrie, of the First church, Baltimore, conducted both services in St. Andrew's church. Dr. Guthrie is one of the best preachers in the church, and was greeted with large congregations. Dr. Guthrie is an old Guelph boy, and has a summer cottage at Wakefield.

The organ of Knox church has been taken down and shipped to the Queen City to undergo repairs and alterations. The organ is a two manual one and cost about \$3,000. A third bank of keys will be added as well as a number of additional stops and the organ will be returned about Christmas time, practically a new instrument. The cost of alteration will be \$3,500.

Toronto.

Rev. D. D. McLeod, D. D., of Barrie, preached in St. James Square Church.

Rev. J. C. Christie of Indianapolis, U. S. occupied the pulpit at both services in St. Giles Church.

Rev. Robert Clement of Cortland, N. Y., conducted both services at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday.

Upon his return from a trip to the old country undertaken in search of health, Rev. Alexander Esler, pastor of Cooke's Church, was given a warm welcome by the members of his congregation last evening. Rev. Mr. Esler returned last week much improved by his trip, and he and Mrs. Esler were called to the lecture room of the church to receive the welcome home and congratulations of the congregation. The room was filled with members and adherents.

Mr. James Alison presided and addresses were delivered by Messrs. Thomas Humphries, representing the session; William Johnston, Chairman of the Board of Managers; Thomas Moffat, representing the Sunday school, and John Hammond representing the Christian Endeavor Society; Mr. McCrae, representing the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip; "Joe" Leong representing the Chinese Christian Endeavor Society, and Thomas Caswell representing the congregation. Mrs. Esler was made the recipient of a beautiful parlor table, the gift of the congregation. The presentation was made by Mrs. R. Gilday and Mrs. John Rennie. The pastor, upon behalf of himself and Mrs. Esler, expressed his gratitude for the great pleasure at returning to his pastorate. After the addresses the members of the congregation personally extended their good wishes to the popular pastor and his wife.

Western Ontario.

Rev. Geo. McKay occupied the Knox church pulpit in Embro on Sunday evening.

Rev. E. C. Currie, of Burns, occupied the Mandaamin pulpit on Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. D. Strachan, of Guelph, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrews church, Hillsbury, on Sunday.

Rev. Charles W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), preached in St. Paul's church, Hamilton, on the evening of the 21st.

The pulpit of the Thamesford Church was occupied on Sunday by Mr. Dicks, a student of Knox College, Toronto.

Rev. T. A. Cosgrove, former pastor of the First Church, St. Mary's, preached there morning and evening on Sunday.

Rev. D. A. Dunseith of Pittsburg, Pa., conducted the services both morning and evening in Knox church, Mitchell, on Sunday. The Rev. A. McAulay is attending Bible conference at Wynono Lake this week.

THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. D. M. Buchanan, of Jarvis returned from his holiday trip last week and conducted the services in Knox Church on Sunday.

Principal Gordon is expected to visit the Toronto Presbytery on September the 6, and present the claims of Queen's College for consideration.

Rev. M. L. Leitch, who has resigned from the pastorate of Knox Church, Stratford, has been voted a retiring allowance of \$1,000 by the congregation.

Rev. Dr. McLeod, pastor of the Atwood church, preached his farewell sermon last Sunday. Dr. McLeod has accepted a call to Truro, N. S.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher, ex-Moderator of the General Assembly, preached two eloquent sermons to large congregations on Sunday last in Smithville Church.

Mr. Eckardt, of Toronto, preached in the Bradford Church on Sunday evening and gave a practical discourse on the words: "Behold I stand at the door and knock, etc."

Rev. Mr. Farr preached in the afternoon in the Atwood church on Sunday the 21st, to the Canadian Order of Foresters. The service was well attended. He also occupied the pulpit of same church for the evening service.

The third anniversary of the laying of the corner stone of the church at East Oxford, of which D. A. McKenzie is pastor, was held on Aug. 11. Dinner was served in a grove nearby. An excellent programme was given. Proceeds amounted to \$168.

Rev. Professor Beattie, of the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., conducted the services in Knox church, Galt, on the 21st and 28th. The institution with which he is connected is erecting new buildings costing \$150,000, about one half of the group being completed this year.

The congregation of St. Andrew's church, Kamloops, B. C., have extended a most hearty and unanimous call to the Rev. W. A. Wylie, B. A., of London, Ontario. It is expected that Mr. Wylie will accept this thoroughly unanimous call to the first congregation in Kamloops Presbytery.

Rev. W. S. McTavish, Ph. D., of Deseronto, preached in Knox Church, Acton, last Sunday 21st, morning and evening, with great acceptance. His sermons were intensely practical and helpful, and rich in sound thought and apt illustration. He made an eloquent plea for a high plane of Christian life and character. Dr. McTavish is always welcomed in Acton, the scene of his boyhood and early youth.

In the enjoyment of excellent health with members of their family about them, Rev. Dr. Torrance and Mrs. Torrance, at their home in Guelph on Wednesday last celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding, which event itself had taken place at Guelph. Dr. Torrance, who was elected Moderator of the General Assembly in 1898, is now in his 83rd year, Mrs. Torrance being 73. All join in wishing Dr. and Mrs. Torrance many more peaceful and happy years.

Eastern Ontario.

The lawn social on Friday evening at Morton, passed off very successfully.

The Rev. Mr. Pyke preached in Kemptville on Sabbath morning. There was no evening service.

The corner stone of the new Presbyterian church, at Alexandria was laid on Monday of last week.

Rev. R. R. Laidlaw will be inducted pastor of St. Andrew's church, Belleville, on Tuesday September 13th.

Rev. P. F. Langhill and family, who have been camping at Hamilton's Island, Martintown have returned home.

Rev. Dr. Harkness, of Cornwall, preached in St. Andrew's church, Perth, both morning and evening on Sunday.

Rev. Charles Turner, of Windsor Mills, P. Q., occupied St. Andrew's pulpit, Lancaster, and at Curry Hill on Sunday last.

The church at Beechburg was re-opened by Rev. Mr. Woodside, of Carleton Place. Nearly the total amount needed to defray the cost of improvements was placed upon the plate.

A very acceptable sermon was delivered by J. U. Tanner, interim moderator of Knox church Lancaster, on Sunday week. Rev. J. C. Caldwell of Lyn, Ont., preached on Sunday last.

A lawn social will be held at the manse grounds, St. Elmo, on Thursday evening.

Rev. H. D. Leitch, of St. Elmo, occupied the pulpit of St. Giles, Montrea, the same day.

Services in the church at North Lancaster, on Sunday evening were conducted by Rev. W. A. Morrison.

Services in the Brick Church last Sabbath, were conducted by Rev. J. R. Dobson, of St. Giles Church, Montreal.

Rev. H. Taylor preached in St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, on Sunday the 14th instant. Rev. K. Young, the pastor, preaching at New Edinburgh church, Ottawa.

Rev. Geo. Weir, B. A., of Avonmore, most acceptably occupied the pulpit of the Maxville Church at both morning and evening services on Sunday the 21st.

Rev. Mr. Edmondson, a former pastor, who was to have occupied the pulpit in St. John's church, Almonte, on the 14th instant, was prevented through illness from coming, and his place was filled by Rev. Mr. Kelly, retired, from near Innisville.

Services in Dunvegan church on Sunday were conducted by Rev. W. J. Dey, of Simcoe. Mr. Dey is on a visit to his old home after an absence of fourteen years. His many friends were pleased to hear him then and in the C. E. on Sunday evening.

Rev. Mr. Murray occupied the pulpit in the Harper church on Sunday. At the close of the service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The sermon on "Enoch walked with God," was impressive and well received by all present.

The Presbyterian church at Farren's Point which has been undergoing extensive repairs for the past few weeks, was reopened on Sunday with large congregations at both morning and evening services. Rev. N. A. McLeod, Brockville, formerly of Woodlands, ably assisted Mr. MacIntyre.

Melville Presbyterian Church, Egansville, is undergoing extensive repairs. Several alterations will be made both to the interior and exterior of the edifice. Mr. John McIntyre has been awarded the contract. Services will be held in the basement of the church while the repairs are being made.

The rear gable of the new addition to St. Andrew's church, Renfrew, collapsed about noon on Tuesday. Two workmen who were on the scaffold on the side walls were thrown to the ground but happily escaped with slight bruises. The loss to the contractors will be about fifteen hundred dollars.

The Brockville Recorder says:—The services in the First church on Sunday were conducted by Rev. D. N. Coburn of Lunenburg. There were large congregations present at both services. Rev. Mr. Coburn is a young man of marked ability and his discourses were listened to with both pleasure and profit. In the morning he spoke from the words "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven," and in the evening his text was "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day and forever."

Rev. James Cormack, B. A. preached his farewell sermon in the Maxville church on Sunday evening, Aug. 14th. The main part and also the school room of the church was packed to the doors to hear the reverend gentleman's eloquent discourse. Mr. Cormack has spent 15 years in Maxville, and the success which crowned his efforts is best attested by the prosperity of the congregation to-day. Mr. Cormack leaves shortly for Ottawa, where he will reside for the present. Rev. Geo. Weir, B. A., Avonmore, preached the pulpit vacant on Sunday last.

Fine Attractions.

It is said in Ottawa that the special attractions for the Central Canada Fair there this year will be the best ever put on by the directors. This will be good news to many in this locality who yearly view Ottawa's show. The dates are Sept. 16th to 24th.

Knoxonian is at a loss to understand why Dr. Brownson of Philadelphia was put on the programme at the Pan-Presbyterian Council to speak of "Church life and work in Canada." "What Dr. Brownson does not know of church life and work in Canada," he continues, "would fill a considerable volume. Putting up a Philadelphia doctor to speak on church life and work in Canada in presence of such men as Dr. Warden seems like a grim joke."