

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. G. W. Richardson, of Wyoming, has been called to Arthur and Gordonville.

The Rev. W. J. Hewett has resigned the charge of Severn Bridge and Ardrea.

Rev. J. M. Whitelaw, of Fairbank, is called to the congregation of Bethel and East Normanby.

The next ordinary meeting of Saugeen Presbytery will be held at Palmerston on 10th December.

Rev. John T. Hall, of Rockwood, is called to Morningside church, Swansea, salary \$900 and a manse.

Rev. T. A. Watson, B.D., Thamesford, was the preacher in Chalmers' church, Woodstock, on the 6th inst.

Rev. Mr. Cameron, Harriston, has been appointed to declare the pulpit of Westminster church, Mount Forest, vacant on October 27.

Anniversary services were conducted in St. David's church, Campbellville, last Sunday by Rev. Prof. Ballantyne, of Knox college.

Rev. J. A. Brown, B.A., of Agincourt, is called to St. Andrew's church, Fergus, vacant by the recent resignation of Rev. J. B. Mullan.

Rev. W. T. Ellison, of Carlukie, on a visit to his brother at Ayr, preached on a recent Sunday in Stanley street church to large congregations.

On Sunday last anniversary services were conducted in Knox church, Woodstock, by Rev. Alfred Gandier, B.D., of St. James Square church, Toronto.

Rev. W. T. Allison, B.A., B.D., pastor of the congregations of Stayner and Sunnidale Corners, has tendered his resignation and will likely go to a charge in the Eastern States.

In Saugeen Presbytery Messrs. Farquharson, Little, Dobson and McNamara, ministers, and Messrs. Phillips, Crow and Blackwood, elders, were appointed a committee on Church Union.

The First Presbyterian church, Eramosa, better known, perhaps, as Barrie's church, time honored and ever aggressive in Christian work, celebrated its 75th anniversary on Sunday last, when Rev. Prof. Kilpatrick, D.D., took charge of the services.

Referring to the Brantford pastor to whom the First Presbyterian church, Galt, has extended a call, the Expositor says: "Rev. Mr. Pritchard has been in charge of Alexandra church in this city for the past six years. He is known as an eloquent and inspiring preacher and a most popular and energetic pastor. He is particularly successful in his work among the young people."

Col. McQueen, of Woodstock, has been lecturing to the congregation of Knox, South London, on "Canada." The lecturer dealt with the history of Canada, its growth and development, its marvelous resources, and its great men. The loyalty of the Canadians was the subject of a very eloquent tribute. During the lecture patriotic songs were rendered, including "The Maple Leaf" and "Soldiers of the King." A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker. Rev. J. G. Stewart, pastor of the church presided.

The Rev. David Smith was inducted into the charge of West, Luther and Woodland at Conn on Thursday last. The Rev. John Little, of Holstein, who had been moderator of session during the vacancy, presided. The Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Harriston, preached, the Rev. Mr. Farquharson, of Durham, addressed the minister, and the Rev. Mr. Kendall, of Bromore, the people. After the induction a reception was held for the minister and a social tea was given by the ladies. Mr. Smith enters upon his work under happy auspices.

TORONTO.

The new organ for Victoria Presbyterian church, will be installed at an early date, and will cost about \$4,500.

After a long illness Rev. J. A. Grant, of Richmond Hill, is making progress towards complete recovery.

Rev. Mr. Bach, of Maple, accepts the call from Eglinton congregation, and his induction will take place on 22nd October.

Rev. John Gray, of Kalamazoo, Mich., an old York county boy, has been preaching in Emmanuel church, East Toronto.

Emmanuel Church, under the ministrations of Rev. Mr. Rogers, the pastor, is making the most substantial and well merited progress.

Rev. Dr. John Neil has resigned the chairmanship of the committee on Downtown Work; and the committee was instructed to appoint its own chairman.

St. John's congregation was granted leave by Presbytery to place a mortgage of \$30,000 on its church property for the financing of the new building, which is expected to be opened about New Year's.

Rev. A. Allan, who comes well recommended by the churches in the Motherland, is now carrying on a series of special services in Cooke's church. They promise to be largely attended and highly profitable.

After serving twenty-five years as pastor of the Queen street Church, Rev. W. Frizzell preached his farewell sermon Sunday night. Mr. Frizzell has been ill for some time, and has not occupied his own pulpit for a year. Rev. J. W. Bell, M.A., will act as interim moderator.

The committee appointed by Toronto Presbytery on work among the foreigners in the city was authorized to engage G. N. Atlas to work among the Macedonians and Bulgarians throughout the city, and they were also authorized to appeal for money for the work to the congregations throughout the presbytery.

A sudden death occurred at Knox College on Sunday, 6th inst. Mr. D. C. MacKenzie, student in divinity, died after an illness of only thirty hours. He was born in Paisley, and graduated with honors at Toronto University last year. He was about to enter on the second year of his theological course, when he was struck down with a cerebral affection, and remained unconscious until his death, which has caused an intense gloom over the College.

The Witness says: The Presbyterian congregation of Joliette, Que., had to part recently with their esteemed pastor, Rev. J. H. Paradis, (formerly of Cornwall). Mr. Carswell in a well-worded address, expressed the feelings of the congregation at parting with so devoted a pastor, and presented him with a purse of over \$40 as a small token of their esteem and appreciation. The great popularity of Mr. Paradis is due largely to his discretion and tact, and great regret is expressed that family circumstances have compelled him to give up his charge.

We find the following in the Vancouver World of 27th October: Rev. Dr. Barclay of St. Paul's church, Montreal, left to-day for the east after preaching at the dedication services at St. John's Presbyterian church on Sunday. In his brief trip to this city and back, Dr. Barclay has established something of a record. A week ago yesterday he conducted the services at his own church in Montreal, then he travelled west, and next Sunday he expects to be back again in his own pulpit, so evidently he does not believe in wasting time.

Life is without meaning if without a mission.

Righteousness gives rejoicing all the way in the race.

We have the strength of Christ for the service of Christ.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Ireland's natural increase of population excess of births over deaths was 2,909 last year. The loss by immigration was 35,344.

In Cape Colony 24,731 jackals—one of the greatest pests to farmers—were destroyed in that state during 1906, making a total of 227,840 killed in the past years.

London's death rate in four weeks recently averaged 11.8 per 1,000, being 4.5 per 1,000 below the mean rate in the corresponding periods of the five years 1902-6.

Many motor-cars in South Wales have been obliged to stop owing to the horns being choked with flies.

A split in the Primitive Baptist Church of Georgia is threatened over the question of having organs in the churches and paying the ministers a stated salary, the more progressive element favoring these.

Siberia is now complaining of the Chinese. Many have gone there since the war because they can earn more money than at home, and they are taking most of the work away from the Russians and sending the money they make back to China.

The Prince of Monaco has issued a decree establishing divorce within the principality. The new law admits as ground for divorce insanity, epilepsy, and other diseases, including those resulting from the excessive use of alcohol.

The annual report of the registrar-general of births, marriages and deaths in Scotland published recently shows a slight decline in the births, marriages and deaths in 1905 compared with 1904 but there is practically no change from the average number.

Exeter Hall, London, is now in the hands of the housebreakers. The only part of the famous building that will be allowed to remain is the front entrance, in the Strand. The work of demolition is not easy, as the walls are three feet thick, and there are 200 tons of iron in the structure.

One hundred Ursuline nuns, whose convents at Quimperle and Carhaix have been closed by order of the government, are about to establish themselves at Beaconfield, near Plymouth. There they will carry on a girl's school, with the assistance of two English professors.

The Indians of Johannesburg are watching the situation in British Columbia with intense interest, being confident that the Imperial government will be forced to consider the position of all Orientals in the British colonies. Meanwhile the Indian traders are restricting their business operations, and the white wholesale merchants are refusing to give them credit owing to the uncertainty of their position.

Prince Umberto of Piedmont, the heir to the Italian throne, the third anniversary of whose birth Italy is now celebrating, is a strong, sturdy boy, brought up by English methods, going barefooted when at the seaside, and wearing sandals in Rome. Already, the "Telegraph" states, he speaks Italian and a little French and English, and of the last two languages understands English best.

The "Grand Old Man" of the City of London, Sir Andrew Lusk, two weeks ago attained the venerable age of ninety-seven. Early in life he left Ayrshire and settled in Frenchchurch street as a merchant and shipowner. Taking an active interest in civic affairs, he became sheriff in 1860 and alderman three years later retaining the latter office until 1895. From 1865 to 1885 he sat in the House of Commons as Liberal member for Finsbury. While occupying this position he was elected Lord Mayor of London, and for his services received a Baronetcy.