

close of the service a short programme of music was given, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. S. Nesbitt, Miss Higgins and Mr. Morrison taking part. Refreshments and the National Anthem closed a profitable evening.

St. Giles congregation has been holding successful anniversary services. Rev. Professor Warriner preached in the morning and Rev. W. D. Taylor, B.D., of Taylor church, in the evening. Both services were largely attended and were very edifying. This congregation is making steady progress under Mr. Dobson's pastorate.

The Presbytery of Montreal met at Russelltown for the induction of Rev. Christopher Haughton into the charge there. In the absence of Rev. Mr. Lee, of Hemmingford, Rev. Jas. Patterson was appointed Moderator *pro tem*. Rev. Mr. Kinnear presided; Rev. J. H. Beatt, in appropriate terms, addressed the newly inducted minister, and Rev. Mr. Rowat the congregation. At the close of the service Mr. Haughton was introduced to the members of the congregation as they retired. He begins his ministry very auspiciously, and great hopes are entertained of good success. His charge is the double one of Russelltown and Covey Hill.

On the evening of the 16th inst. a very pleasant reception was given by the pastor and elders of Erskine church to the members of the congregation, as an occasion of welcoming Dr. and Mrs. Leslie and Miss King, returned from China. The first part of the service took the form of a special thanksgiving service for the safe return of the missionaries from the midst of dangers. The Rev. A. J. Mowatt, pastor of the church, presided and conducted devotional exercises. Mr. Wm. Robb, representing the session, gave a warm and kindly address, expressing the pleasure of Erskine church, in receiving those back who had worked for them in the missionary field and for whom great anxiety had been felt; the sympathy of the church had been with them in the great trials through which they had been called to pass. In conclusion he dwelt hopefully upon the future of China. Mr. E. H. Copeland represented the Board of Management, and Mr. William Yuile, the Missionary Society of Erskine church, in suitable addresses. Dr. Leslie replied in terms of gratitude for the kindness with which he and his fellow-workers had been received. He acknowledged the wonderful manner in which they had been delivered, and spoke of the courage and devotion of native Chinese converts. He believed that the present crisis in China heralded an unprecedented advance in the internal government and conditions of the country. The Rev. F. M. Dewey closed the service with prayer, after which the parlors were thrown open and an opportunity was given to meet Dr. and Mrs. Leslie and Miss King.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. A. A. Scott, Carleton Place, and Rev. D. J. McLean, Arnprior, exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

Rev. James Rattray, M. A., of Eganville, has been the guest of his friend, Rev. W. S. Smith, Middleville, for a few days.

Rev. C. B. Ross, B. D., and Mrs. Ross, of Lacul, Que., formerly of Lancaster, spent Wednesday with friends in both villages.

Rev. R. M. Phalen, B. A., Backstock, conducted the preparatory service in St. Paul's church, Bowmanville last week. Several additions were made to the membership of the church.

Rev. D. D. MacLennan, Apple Hill, occupied the pulpit of Knox church, Vankleek Hill, on Sunday last. The Glengarry Presbytery will supply this pulpit for the balance of the year.

In the Presbyterian church, Alexandria, on Sunday the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed. Rev. D. MacLaren officiated. The preparatory service on Friday was conducted by Rev. James Cormack, of Maxville.

Rev. Dr. Campbell preached in St. Andrew's church, Almonte, Sunday forenoon and in St. John's church in the afternoon, his subject being the Century Fund. Rev. Mr. Mitchell preached in St. Andrew's in the evening.

Last week Principal McGregor, elder in St. Paul's church, Almonte, received a box full of heather from Scotland, part of which was gathered near Balmoral Castle. With his accustomed liberality he has been sharing it up with his Scottish friends.

The Russell congregation's contribution to the Century Fund now amounts to \$800, with the prospect that the machinery put in motion will bring the total up to \$1,000 or \$1,200. At Casselman \$200 was collected. Rev. M. H. Scott has done excellent work at both places.

Northern Ontario.

Mr. Norman McKenzie, who has been at Sudbury mines for the summer, was home for a week and preached in the three Presbyterian churches of Kemble and vicinity.

Revs. Buchanan, Dundalk, and Little, of Corbeton, exchanged pulpits last Sabbath week. The claims of the Century Fund were forcibly presented by Mr. Buchanan.

The Presbyterians of Bobcaygeon have begun to rebuild their church which was seriously burned on Nov. 5, 1899. The new church will occupy a beautiful site on the Market Square, at a cost of about \$3,000.

After fourteen years of earnest and faithful work in Poland and neighborhood, Rev. James McLeroy is about to leave for a new field of labor in Hastings county, and general regret is felt among his late parishioners on his removal.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Chalmers' church, Flesherston, lost a valuable member in the person of Miss E. M. Heron, who removed to Beeton. On the eve of her departure Miss Heron was presented with a handsome dressing case by the members of the society as a token of their love and esteem.

The Eugenia congregation held their annual Harvest Home tea and entertainment on Wednesday evening of last week, and was as usual, a pleasant and successful affair. Chalmers' church choir, Flesherston, rendered valuable assistance on the programme. The pastor, Rev. L. W. Thom, occupied the chair to the satisfaction of all.

Sabbath last was a very enjoyable day for Presbyterians, both in this village and in the Scotch settlement, says the Bradford Witness. It was the occasion of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper being observed. Rev. Dr. Fraser Smith had charge of the services. A large number of communicants were present at both services, also adherents. It was a time of great spiritual refreshing, and the exhortations of Dr. Smith will not soon be forgotten.

Mr. F. J. Maxwell, recent graduate in theology, met with the Presbytery of Maitland in Knox church, Ripley, on 16th Oct., and passed a creditable examination on the subjects prescribed for probationary trial; and was, after an able sermon by Rev. G. M. Dunn, ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and inducted into the pastoral charge of the united congregation of Knox church, Ripley, and Knox church, Bervie. Dr. Murray presiding as moderator pro tem. The court extended with fraternal greeting, the right hand of fellowship to the newly inducted minister. Whereupon he was addressed in suitable terms by Rev. Mr. Miller regarding the duties and privileges of his calling. Rev. Mr. MacKay delivered a forcible and appropriate address to the congregation. Mr. Maxwell enters on his work with every indication that with God's blessing his ministry shall be fruitful in the charges over which he has been placed.

Quebec.

Presbytery of Quebec meets in Sherbrooke, 11th Dec., at 8 p.m.

Mr. Wm. Tanner, licentiate, has been appointed to supply Sawyerville for a lengthened period.

The Presbytery of Quebec accepted the resignation of the Rev. K. MacLennan, M. A., the respected minister of Levis, on the 16th Oct. Mr. MacLennan retires on account of continued illness. The resignation takes effect on the 1st Nov.

Rev. A. T. Love, Quebec, is moderator for the session of Levis during the vacancy.

Jubilee of the Rev. S. Milne.

Last week's Smith's Falls "Record" contains a full report of the proceedings in celebration of the Jubilee of Rev. S. Milne, who fifty years ago came a young man to St. Andrew's and for forty years was the honored and trusted spiritual guide of that people. It was his first and only charge. A few years ago he moved with his family to California, and there he now has his home.

The pastor of St. Andrew's, Rev. Mr. Cooke, opened the service by reading of the Scripture: the choir led in that stirring old hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" and the moderator of the Presbytery, Rev. Mr. McNab, offered prayer. The Rev. Mr. Cooke made a brief introductory address referring to the pleasure they all had in Mr. Milne's visit to them again. He said this Jubilee ceremony was a unique thing in the history of this or any other church. Fifty years ago that very day of the month, and

the same day of the week Mr. Milne had been here ordained and they were gathered now after a lapse of half a century to commemorate that. He then made a personal kindly reference to Mr. Milne at whose hands he had received exceeding kindness.

Rev. Dr. Crombie read an address from the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew, which, among many other kind things, said:

Leaving your native land at the call of the Canadian Church you were invited to fill a difficult post as the successor of the late Dr. Romanes, and your lengthened pastorate was the evidence how successfully you performed the duties of your office; while the esteem and respect in which you are still held by the community among whom you lived and labored so long are such as any Christian minister might well envy. On behalf of the Presbytery the Rev. Dr. Campbell supported the address in an able and sympathetic speech. The Rev. A. A. Scott, of Carleton Place, also spoke for the Presbytery. Mrs. Dr. McLaughlin then sang "Just as I am," with all her old time sympathy and sweetness.

Representing St. Paul's church, Mr. F. T. Frost tendered the congratulations of that congregation; and R. J. Brodie presented an address from the Board of Education "which feels that it has a proprietary right in Mr. Milne if not equal to St. Andrew's church at least only second to it, because of his long service on it and his unwearied interest in educational matters."

Rev. Dr. Crombie then made a most interesting and entertaining address, largely reminiscences of the many years he had labored side by side with Mr. Milne in Smith's Falls. It was a tribute of love and respect from one dear friend to another, and touched the hearts of the whole audience.

When the Rev. Mr. Milne rose to reply to all the addresses, he was visibly affected and with difficulty expressed himself. He said: "They are words of truth and soberness when I say that I cannot suitably describe the delight I have felt in meeting the Presbytery in session and the joy I have from your warm congratulations. I travelled 3000 miles with but little fatigue and my health is about as good as ever it was. I owe these mercies to a kind Providence and to a simple and temperate manner of living. It was indeed no light task to succeed the late Rev. Geo. Romanes, L.L.D. He was a scholarly man. It was said that he was qualified to fill any chair in Queen's College."

My people, however, knowing my youth and inexperience, readily accepted my more simple ministrations. The thought of their forbearance and love, their respectful deportment towards me, and above all that it was God who gave me such favor in their sight, humbles me at the Master received such poor service at my hands.

He also expressed his acknowledgement of the friendly feeling exhibited toward him that night. He said it was worth travelling 3000 miles to receive it. He thanked the Board of Education for their address. He was a member of the Board for 40 years and had enjoyed the work. He also returned his thanks to the town Council, and closed his address with words of kindly counsel and advice.

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