

Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. C. Chiniquy has been lecturing to crowded audiences in various Toronto Churches.

THE address of the Rev. William Bennett, Clerk of the Peterborough Presbytery, is changed from Peterborough to Springville.

THE Rev. Principal King, of Manitoba College, preached last Sabbath in St. James Square Church, an able and impressive sermon to the congregation to which he so long and so ably ministered.

THE Executive of the Home Mission Committee and Sub-committee on Augmentation meet Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in St. Andrew's Church. Report of proceedings next week.

THE Rev. James Gordon Gray, D.D., minister of the Presbyterian Church, Rome, Italy, preached in Knox Church last Sabbath, and this evening is expected to give an account of the work of civilization in Italy, at the prayer meeting in St. James Square Church.

DR. REID was absent from the opening of the exercises in Knox College last week for the first time in about thirty four years,—at all events for the first time since he was appointed agent of the Church. The cause of his absence was illness which, we are glad to hear, is not serious.

AT Sunbury on October 4, the Presbytery of Kingston inducted the Rev. Robt. Laird into the charge of the congregation of Storrington. Mr. McGillivray preached, Mr. Mackie addressed the minister, and Mr. Gallaher the people. On behalf of the congregation an address of welcome was presented to him.

THE Building Committee of the Presbyterian Mission Stations, Aspin, McMurrich and Hoodstown, gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the friends, and especially the Rev. H. M. Parsons, of Knox Church, Toronto, who responded to the appeal of our missionary, Mr. William Wilson, for assistance in finishing our churches.

MISS KATE DONALDSON, who officiated gratuitously as organist for over ten years at West Toronto Junction Presbyterian Church, was presented with an address and well filled purse on the occasion of her marriage. Mrs. Teasdale, formerly organist in Markham, has been appointed by the congregation to the position vacated by Miss Donaldson.

THE Presbyterian congregation at West Toronto Junction has, under the pastoral oversight of the Rev. J. Grant, made most encouraging progress. Last Sabbath, anniversary services were held, when the Rev. John Neil preached in the morning, and the Rev. J. C. Smith, of Guelph, occupied the pulpit in the evening. Both discourses were thoughtful and edifying, and were listened to by large congregations. The following evening a most successful social was held.

THE sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered in the Presbyterian Church, Dresden, on Sabbath, October 2. The pastor, the Rev. T. Talloch, M.A., preached a very earnest and impressive sermon from the text 1 Corinthians xv. 4: "And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures." After which the sacrament was administered; ten new members were added to the Church, nine on profession of faith and one by certificate.

THERE was a large attendance in the Convocation Hall of Knox College at the opening lecture by Principal Caven, last week. There were many ministers from a distance who listened with deep interest to the lecture on Scriptural Preaching, which appears in the present number of THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN. Principal King and President Wilson made appropriate remarks at the close of the proceedings, and Principal Sheraton, of Wycliffe College, pronounced the benediction.

THE First Presbyterian Church, Truro, was re-opened for worship Sabbath, September 25. The Rev. Dr. Forrest, Principal of Dalhousie College, Halifax, preached eloquent sermons to large congregations. In response for a voluntary offering to meet the outlay made by Rev. J. Robbins, the pastor, the congregation gave the sum of \$965 85, which, with funds on hand, met the entire outlay, much to the joy and satisfaction of all concerned, who vote the system of voluntary offerings for such purpose a grand success.

THE fifty-fifth anniversary services were held in First Essex Church on Sabbath, 25th, and Monday, 26th September. In the morning Rev. J. Leishman, of Angus, preached an excellent discourse to a well filled house, and in the evening Dr Jardine, in a very able manner, laid before a crowded house the Nisbet Academy Scheme of the Church. The usual tea was held on the Monday evening in the basement of the church. The pastor, Rev. Stuart Acheson, M.A., occupied the chair. Rev. R. N. Grant gave one of his usual pithy and profitable lectures, and was followed by neat addresses from Revs. J. Carswell, J. R. S. Burnett, W. H. A. French (Episcopal), and R. McCulloch (Methodist). The choir of the church rendered excellent music. Net proceeds, \$72.

THE monthly meeting of the Canadian Auxiliary of the M'All Mission was held in the parlour of the Metropolitan Church, Thursday afternoon, the president in the chair. The treasurer reports that since the beginning of the year in February \$709.94 have been received; \$585 43 of this was sent to France in July. She also stated that \$200 06 are still needed to make up \$1,000 to support the stations, Rochefort and La Rochelle, which the committee wish to undertake. A letter was read from the treasurer of the M'All Mission in Paris in acknowledgment of the draft for the above \$585 43; also a very interesting letter from Mr. M'All thanking the many friends of the mission in Canada. The treasurer, Miss Caven, 238 Victoria Street, will acknowledge any contributions sent in for the mission.

SABBATH, September 25, will be a day long remembered by the members of the Sturgeon Bay congregation. For

many years they have worshipped in a building cold in winter and warm in summer, as well as cramped in seating capacity to the growing wants of the village. On the 25th ult. their new building, bright, roomy and cheery, was opened. The large congregations that were present morning and evening gave close attention to thoughtful, impressive sermons by the Rev. William Patterson, of Cooke's Church, Toronto. The morning discourse was based on Zech. iv. 6; that of the evening on John iii. 7. They were delivered in Mr. Patterson's usual vigorous style, and will not soon be forgotten. On Monday evening an opening social was held. The building was again filled, and a pleasant and profitable evening was spent. Full justice having been shown the good things provided by the ladies, the pastor, Rev. R. J. M. Glassford, took the chair, and a well-arranged programme was attentively listened to. The musical part of the programme was conducted by the Waukegan choir, who made a decided hit, and will receive a warm welcome when next they revisit the Bay. Addresses by the chairman and Rev. Mr. Morgan (Methodist) were given, and readings by several local gentlemen. A handsome addition to the building fund was made by the Sunday collections and Monday evening social, and the building with bell and new organ is free of debt. The young pastor and his congregation have much reason to be thankful for the success attending their Christian work.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.—This Presbytery met at Inverness on Sept. 20. Elders' commissions in favour of F. Smith, Richmond, and Irwin Campbell, Inverness, were presented and accepted. Rev. Duncan Anderson's name was placed on the roll of the Presbytery. Students' exercises were submitted by Messrs. Mal. MacLennan, J. F. Layton and M. Mackenzie. The students were certified to their respective colleges. Rev. John McLeod, of Richmond and Melbourne, and the Clerk were appointed a committee to examine exercises of students who had failed to appear. Mr. Don. MacKay was re-appointed to Metis for another year. Mr. MacKay was granted leave of absence for three months in order to visit Scotland, and bring out his family. Mr. MacKay to provide supply for the field during his absence. A unanimous call from St. Sylvester and Lower Leeds in favour of the Rev. Geo. Coull, probationer, was submitted. The call was sustained, and Mr. Coull being present accepted the call. His induction was appointed to take place on Oct. 12, at two p.m., Mr. Sutherland to preach and preside, Mr. Love to address the minister and Mr. Tannr the people. The call addressed to the Rev. Mal. MacLeod, Lingwick, from Loch Lomond and Franchise, Presbytery of Sydney, was taken up. Mr. Kenneth McIver appeared for the Lingwick congregation, and stated that the congregation would not oppose Mr. MacLeod's translation. The call being placed in Mr. MacLeod's hands he signified his acceptance of the same. His translation was granted, the pastoral tie to be severed on the 26th inst. Mr. Lee, of Sherbrooke, was appointed Moderator of the Lingwick Session during the vacancy, also of Gould in room of Mr. J. R. MacLeod, resigned. Mr. James Ferguson was appointed to Sawyerville, etc., as ordained missionary, subject to the approval of the Home Mission Committee. It was resolved to ask a grant of \$400 per annum for that field. Mr. Donald Beaton, commissioner from Lake Megantic congregation, was heard in its behalf. The congregation was assured of the interest of the Presbytery, and encouraged to proceed with a call to a minister. Mr. Charbonnell presented a petition from ten French Protestant families of Sherbrooke and vicinity praying to be organized. The prayer of the petition was granted, and Mr. Lee appointed to attend to the matter. An offer of a piece of ground, to be used as a cemetery, from Mr. F. MacKerzie, Richmond, was accepted with thanks. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in St. Andrew's Church, Quebec, on the 20th of December, at eight p.m.—J. R. MACLEOD, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF SARNIA.—The Presbytery of Sarnia met at Strathroy on the 27th of September, and Rev. J. C. Tibb was appointed Moderator for the next six months. The committee in charge of the Oil Springs debt reported that they had received from congregations \$134 for the payment of a note of \$150. It was agreed to thank the committee and instruct them to correspond with such congregations as have not responded, and urge their attention with the view of retiring the note. Mr. Currie, Convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, gave in the half yearly report from the 1st April till 1st October, inclusive. In connection with the report Rev. Mr. Tibb intimated that Guthrie Church, Wilkesport and Black Creek were anxious to obtain settled and continuous service, and were prepared to contribute for the same \$500 per annum. The Presbytery expressed satisfaction with the state of matters and agreed to instruct the Home Mission Committee to advertise for a missionary, and in view of the occupancy of the field, to ask \$2 per Sabbath from the Assembly's Home Mission Committee till next April. Rev. Mr. McCutcheon reported from Duthel Church. It was agreed to receive the report and recommit the matter to the Home Mission Committee with instructions to report at next meeting. In regard to the supply meantime, it was agreed to advertise, as in the case of Guthrie Church. Information having reached the Presbytery that Rev. Mr. McLeod, a member of the Presbytery of Bruce, had been dispensing sealing ordinances within the bounds of Alvinston and Napier congregations without instructions from this Presbytery, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Bruce Presbytery, requesting an explanation in the matter. The following deputation was appointed to visit the Log Church, Brooke, with the view of having the parties residing there organized into a congregation: Rev. Hector Currie, Convener; Messrs. Daniel Mackenzie, H. Mackenzie and Thos. Gordon, elders. The following students having been examined by the committee appointed for that duty were ordered to be certified to the senates of their respective colleges as having satisfactorily discharged their duties during the summer months within the bounds of the Presbytery, namely: W. L. Clay, B.A., 1st theological year, Montreal; Mr.

Pettinger, 2nd theological year, Knox College; Mr. Frank O. Nichol, 2nd literary year, Knox College. In terms of a petition for organization at Marthaville and Brooke, Rev. Mr. Cuthbertson was instructed to attend to that duty and report. The treasurer's account was submitted by Rev. Hector Currie and was received. It was agreed to instruct the treasurer to correspond with defaulting congregations and that the members of the Finance Committee be authorized to audit the treasurer's account. Rev. Mr. McAdam, Convener of the Committee on Statistics, reported in an able document. It was agreed to receive and adopt the report. Sessions were instructed to make their own arrangements for holding missionary meetings during the winter months, and to report at the regular meeting in March next. The reports of the committees appointed to examine the session records were received, and the records attested accordingly. Rev. Nathaniel Smith was transferred at his own request to the care of the London Presbytery. The Clerk was instructed to intimate the same to that Presbytery. The next regular meeting was appointed to be held in Sarnia, and within St. Andrew's Church there, on the third Tuesday in (20th) December, at two p.m.—GEORGE CUTHBERTSON, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—This Presbytery met on the 5th inst., Rev. P. McF. McLeod, Moderator, with a good attendance of members and corresponding members. A paper and a petition were read from members and adherents of our Church who are interested in the erection of a place of worship at the corner of Bloor and Huron Streets, setting forth in substance that the Sabbath school and Sabbath evening service, authorized by the Presbytery, are going on satisfactorily, and that as they expect to take possession of their place of worship about the end of November they wished the Presbytery to take the usual steps for organizing them as a regular congregation of the Church. In relation to the foregoing mission, T. McCracken, R. J. Hunter, W. Davidson and D. Fotheringham, appeared as certified commissioners and were duly heard. On motion made and seconded, the Presbytery resolved to give intimation to the neighbouring Synods, that if they have any objection to offer to the granting of the aforesaid application, they are to report to the next ordinary meeting. Attention being called to the recent death of Rev. Dr. Barclay, for many years minister of St. Andrew's Church in this city. Revs. D. J. Macdonnell, M. J. Smith and G. M. Milligan were appointed a committee to draft a minute thereon. Reports were called for from the congregations of Knox Church, Milton, and Boston Church, Esquimaux, on points sent down for their consideration. Accordingly, Mr. Walter Lindsay reported for the one, and Mr. Robert Stewart for the other. As interim Moderator of the Session of said congregations, Rev. James Murray was also heard, and thereafter the Presbytery resolved to grant the separation previously applied for, and appointed Mr. Murray to preach and dispense the communion next Sabbath, in Boston Church, to the two congregations, as also to intimate to them at the close of the services the decision of the Presbytery, and that thenceforth they would be supplied and dealt with as separate congregations. Mr. Murray was also appointed to act as interim Moderator of each of the two Sessions thus emerging from the separation. Mr. Jonathan Goforth, theological student, was taken on public probationary trials. The trials were sustained; and after giving satisfactory answers to the usual questions, he was duly licensed to preach the Gospel. In immediate connection with this proceeding a letter was read from the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, requesting the Presbytery to make arrangements for the ordination and designation of Mr. Goforth as a missionary of the Church to China, and hoping that in making such arrangements the committee's Convener, Rev. Dr. Wardrope, will receive from the Presbytery a representative place. The Presbytery agreed at once to the foregoing, and appointed the ordination and designation of Mr. Goforth to take place in Central Church on Thursday, the 20th inst., services to commence at eight p.m., the Moderator to preside; Rev. Dr. Wardrope to deliver the charge; and Rev. Dr. McLaren to address the assembled congregation. A paper was read from the Continental and Colonial Committee of the U. P. Church in Scotland, declaring Mr. John K. Welsh to be a licentiate of said Church, and commending him to the cordial and trustful reception of this Church. Other favourable communications were also produced anent the same, and Mr. Welsh being present, the Moderator (in name of the Presbytery, and giving him the right hand of fellowship) received him as a regular probationer of our Church. A committee appointed to confer with Mr. John H. Barnett, who wished to study with a view to the ministry, having reported in his favour, the Clerk was instructed to attest him for admission as a student to the Senate of Knox College. The previous day and her committee, as authorized by the Presbytery, took action of the same kind in regard to Mr. Esson Reid. The two young men just named are members of Charles Street Church congregation. Authority was given, as applied for, to moderate in calls from Richmond Hill, Stouffville, York Townline and York Station, Knox Church, Milton, and Boston Church, Esquimaux. The next ordinary meeting of Presbytery will be held on the first Tuesday of November, at ten a.m.—R. MONTEATH, Pres. Clerk.

P. S.—In the financial report of the Presbytery—appended to the Assembly's Minutes—the figures for West Toronto Junction are quite incorrect; in columns 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, the figures should be struck out; there are therefore no arrears; and in columns 8 and 21 the sum should be \$269, instead of \$204.—R. M.

MONTREAL NOTES.

The Rev. Principal King, of Winnipeg, was in Montreal this week for a couple of days. He received a few handsome contributions from friends here to aid in meeting the last instalment due on the Manitoba College building. This instalment was to be paid on Monday last, thus extinguishing the debt on the college buildings—thanks to the indefatigable efforts of Dr. King. The old debt, due for so many years at Dr. Reid's office for the running expenses of