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WESTERN ONTARIO.

The induction of Rev. W. H. Smith, of Uptergrove, into Thorold, will take place August 5th.

Both anniversary services in the Mimosa Church were well attended. Rev. W. G. Wilson, of Guelph, preached two strong, practical sermons.

Rev. A. E. Mitchner, of Callander, has been elected moderator of North Bay Presbytery.

The church, at Powassan has been thoroughly renovated, greatly improving its appearance. The pastor, Rev. R. Bryden, has returned from a brief holiday.

Rev. J. W. Penman, of Lion's Head, was inducted at Ardtrea to the charge of the united congregations of Wathago, Ardtrea and Gray church. Rev. Redden, of Seom, preached the sermon.

In an impressive sermon in MacNab Street Church, Hamilton, Rev. T. A. Watson, B.D., of Thamesford, touched upon the abundance and fullness of God's gifts to those who would accept them.

Many old Hamilton friends were glad to greet Rev. R. J. McAlpine, of Cleveland, on his return to that city, for a visit. He preached in St. John's church both morning and evening.

Rev. W. J. McCaughan and wife, late of Toronto, were both seriously injured by jumping from the window of a burning hotel in Ireland. Rev. Mr. McCaughan was inducted as pastor of St. Andrew's church, Toronto, on March 25, 1897. He remained about two years, going from here to Chicago. Recently he returned to Ireland.

The manse of the First Presbyterian church, St. Catharines, was ransacked on Wednesday night, while Rev. Dr. Ratcliffe and family were seated on the verandah. Two gold watches and several articles of jewelry were taken.

Rev. Hector Mackay, late of St. George's church, London Junction has been supplying the pulpit of Knox Church, St. Thomas, most acceptably for six weeks. He left last week for Winnipeg, where he will fill the pulpit of St. Stephen's (Ralph Connor's) church, till the first of September.

The induction of the Rev. Gustavus Munro, late of Oakwood, into the charge at St. David's took place Tuesday, July 19th. Rev. A. F. McGregor, of Niagara-on-the-lake, presided, Rev. Dr. Smith, gave the charge to the minister, and Rev. Dr. Ratcliffe addressed the people.

Open air services are becoming more popular every year in St. Catharines. Besides different tent-meetings for many years there has been a public service held in Montebello Park, after the regular Sunday evening church services.

There are at present, no less than seven vacant charges in the Presbytery of Orangeville. The following is the list of vacancies with the interim moderators: Tarbert, etc., Rev. J. R. Bell, Laurel; Corbette, etc., Rev. J. Buchanan, Dundalk; Mono Mills, etc., Rev. H. Matheson, Caledon East; Camilla, etc., Rev. W. M. Morris, Orangeville; Waldemar, etc., Rev. R. S. Scott, Hillsburg; Grand Valley, etc., Rev. J. A. McKenzie, Shelburne; Maxwell, etc., Rev. W. C. Mercer, Singamp-ton. Ministers desiring a hearing in any

of these vacancies should write to the moderator, or if desirous of arranging dates in several charges to the Clerk of Presbytery, Rev. J. Buchanan, Dundalk.

The induction of Rev. J. A. Shaver, B.A., to the pastorate of St. Andrew's church, Picton, took place on Tuesday last. Rev. Peter Nicol of Demorestville presided in the absence of the Moderator of Presbytery. T. G. Glover, B.A., of Deresonto, preached. W. T. Wilkin, B.A., Trenton, addressed the minister and Mr. Nicol the people. Mr. Shaver has done good work in various mission fields during his course in college and high hopes are entertained for his success in his first charge.

Rev. John Young has returned from his holidays, and occupied the pulpit of St. John's Church, Hamilton, on Sunday.

In McNab Street Church, Hamilton, joint services were held with St. Paul's Church. The Rev. A. J. McGillivray, of Vancouver, preached at both services.

In the absence of Rev. Dr. Andrew Robertson, the pulpit of St. James' Square Church, Toronto, was occupied by Rev. Campbell Macleod of Victoria Park United Free Church, Glasgow, Scotland, who is visiting Canada for the first time.

At the evening service in St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, announcement was made that a cable despatch had been received telling of the death of the Rev. W. J. McCaughan. Rev. Dr. Lyle of Hamilton, who was the preacher, made feeling reference to the occurrence. Appropriate hymns were sung, and at the close Dr. Anderson played the Dead March in Saul.

Rev. Dr. W. J. McCaughan, who was injured in jumping from an upper window of the Kelvin Hotel, on July 26, at Belfast, after courageously assisting some of the occupants to escape, died from his injuries at the hospital last Saturday. Rev. Dr. McCaughan was at one time pastor of New St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, being inducted to this charge on March 25, 1897. In 1899, he went to Chicago, and recently returned to Ireland.

The Presbyterian Committee of Moral and Social Reform and Evangelism has appointed Mr. W. W. Weaver, who has been for some years connected with the American Presbyterian Church under Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, as singer and director of song, to be associated with Rev. Dr. William Patterson in evangelistic work in Canada. They begin in Algoma on September 1. Mr. Weaver was with the Chapman workers in the Kootenay campaign of 1909, and in addition to being an expert in evangelistic song services, is a man of the highest spiritual life and a successful Christian worker.

Rev. J. F. Johnstone, Ph. D., of Hartford, Connecticut, preached at St. Andrew's Church, London, in the absence of Rev. Dr. Ross, on "Great Words in Religion," based on the text Romans viii, 37-39. "Love," he said, "is the greatest word of religious expression. All Christian religions have the love of God as their base. The old testament does not carry the idea of love to its greatest depths, but Christ said God is Love. We are living in an age of social democracy, in which everyone is craving for better position, struggling for riches or success. With the onward march of the social democracy there appears to be an emptying from life of the spirit of atonement. We must be willing to bear a cross if we would come into the best relationship with God."

Rev. Mr. Saunderson, of Toronto, preached in Midhurst, Sunday evening in the absence of Rev. Mr. Shepherd, who is taking his holidays.

Rev. T. M. Wesley, of Sunderland, and Rev. A. J. Mann of Woodville, exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

Rev. Wm. Alp of Kearney, preached in Sundridge, on Sunday. His many friends were glad to see him looking so well, after his recent trip to England.

Rev. O. C. MacGregor, of Orillia; presided at the induction, and Rev. A. McViear, of Janatt spoke to the minister, and Rev. H. A. Berlis, of Victoria Harbour addressed the people. Mr. Penman and family, we understand, are to reside at present in Orillia, as no house is available in his own parish.

The charge of Uptergrove and Longford Mills, in the Barrie Presbytery, is vacant. Those desirous of preaching with a view to a call, send application to Mr. Campbell. The Rev. N. Campbell, of Oro, has been appointed interim moderator. This is a most desirable congregation, only about five miles from Orillia, on the line of railway, two services on Sabbath and good manse, and glebe of four acres of land.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Union services were held in Cornwall, during July in St. John's church and in August both congregations will meet in Knox church.

Rev. D. R. Drummond, of Hamilton, and Mrs. Drummond are spending some time in Carleton Place. Mr. Drummond occupied the pulpit in St. Andrew's church, Ottawa, on Sunday.

Rev. F. W. Torrance, M.A., D.D., was the preacher in St. Paul's church, Ottawa, on Sunday, 31st instant. This was Dr. Torrance's first appearance in an Ottawa pulpit.

The Rev. W. D. Lee, Waterloo, occupied the pulpit of St. John's Church, Cornwall, at both services on Sunday last and preached impressive sermons.

Rev. A. T. Barnard, M.A., of St. Andrews Church, Bur's Falls, has returned home with his bride, and both have received a hearty welcome from members of the congregation and friends. Mr. Barnard is a preacher of more than ordinary ability, and he is deservedly popular with all classes of the population.

The Westminster, of Philadelphia, in a recent issue, makes mention of Rev. Dr. George Burnfield, formerly of Agincourt and First Church, Brockville, Ont. Mr. Burnfield left Canada some fifteen years ago, retiring in Philadelphia as pastor of the North Presbyterian Church, where he is evidently successfully ministering to a large congregation. Old friends in Canada will be pleased to hear of his well-fare.

The Rev. I. W. S. Lowry has finished two years of active, earnest work, as the minister of Fitzroy and Torbolton. Large congregations greeted him on the anniversary occasions. His morning theme was "Missions," and the evening sermon was from Acts XI:20, "Preaching the Lord Jesus." The busy pastor is about to take a much needed holiday trip to Great Britain and Ireland, spending most of the time in the latter country, which is his native land, among his many relatives and friends there. Mrs. Lowry will accompany Mr. Lowry to the Old Land, and they will be away about two months.