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## WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. W. M. Kannawin of Woodville has been visiting at Woodstock.

Rev. W. J. Knox, of Strathroy, conducted anniversary services in St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, last Sunday.

St. John's church, Winnipeg, held its first anniversary service last Sabbath. Rev. Dr. Patrick preached in the morning and Rev. Dr. Du Val in the evening.

Rev. Neil McMillan Leckie, formerly assistant pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, London, but now pastor of Knox Church, Londesborough, was quietly married at London to Miss Georgia Webster Smith. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. W. W. McLaren, Piton, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. George Webb.

Rev. Thos. A. Mitchell, of Manotick, Ont., and his brother, the Rev. Geo. S. Mitchell of Red Bank, N.S., natives of Linden, N.S., have been spending their holiday in Nova Scotia.

Mr. C. Robins of Knox College will preach in the Presbyterian church Sabbath next and will lecture in the church Monday evening in behalf of the Grant School House, auxiliary.

An anniversary social will be held at Ballersen Presbyterian Church on Monday evening, October 2nd, celebrating the dedication of the new church a year ago. Anniversary services will be held on Sunday, October 1st, at which Rev. Dr. Crombie, of Smith's Falls, will officiate.

Next regular meeting of Guelph Presbytery will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, on Tuesday, the 21st November, at 10.30 o'clock, forenoon.

The resignation of Rev. H. R. Horne, of Chalmers Church, Elora, has been accepted, and on Sabbath last, by appointment of Presbytery, Rev. J. B. Mullan preached the pulpit vacant.

At the last meeting of Guelph Presbytery a letter was read from Mr. Arthur's intimating his intention of studying for the ministry. The letter was handed to the proper committee.

Mr. Carter, who has been laboring at Hawkesville and Linwood for some time, has been reappointed to the field for the ensuing six months.

At the last meeting of Guelph Presbytery it was reported that the congregation of Alma and Zion Church, Nichol, were moving in the direction of increasing their contributions towards the support of their pastor so as to bring his salary up to the minimum of \$800.

Here is the way the president of the United Mine Workers of the U. S. puts the case in favor of recognition of the unions: "What we want to do is to have the union recognized in the anthracite region, so that we can say to Baer: 'Here is the labor of 150,000 men and boys. We want so much for it, and you can take it or leave it,' and he will take it, because he can't get along without us." But suppose Mr. Baer exercises his undoubted right to decline the offer on the terms stated and proposes to look elsewhere for labor, what then? Why, the united mine workers will refuse to Mr. Baer the right they claim for themselves and will resort to all kinds of disorder and violence to prevent other people selling their labor to him. Is that defensible?

The Philadelphia Ledger puts the situation in the Orient in the following terse way: "The successes of Japan, on land and sea, have made her a world power and hastened the awakening of China, her ethnological associate. It is not long since ingenious writers in the heavy magazines outlined plans for the complete dismemberment of China, awarding her soil to the leading nations of the Old World. But much history has been written in the last eighteen months, and it reveals China, the

sluggish, sleeping giant, preparing to assert its potentiality in Asia." Now it is in order for the Chinese and Japanese "excluders" of Canada and the United States to call off their exclusion laws and concede to the two Asiatic powers the same sort of an "open door" they want to see enforced in China and Japan. It is a poor rule that can't be made to work on both sides.

Says the Religious Intelligencer of Fredericton: "Mr. Sharretti, the Panal delegate in Canada, was in St. John last week. He has been making a tour of some of the Roman Catholic centres in the Maritime Provinces. He is the Italian gentleman who represents the Pope at Ottawa, and who dictated the separate schools clauses of the new Northwest Provinces bill, and whose bill was registered by parliament. He occupies a large place in the direction of Canadian affairs. The Governor-General is not in the same class. And even the people, though supposed to be sovereign, do not come to count at all." So good and faithful a man as our contemporary would be should try to be accurate in dealing with such a controversial question. The educational law of the two Northwest provinces is precisely the law which has been in force in those two provinces for quite a number of years, enacted by the Northwest Legislature before the present government came into power at Ottawa. Had Mr. Sharretti been able to "dictate" an educational law for the new provinces he would have "dictated" something very much more after his own heart's wish.

At the recent meeting of Guelph Presbytery Rev. Dr. Eakin tendered his resignation of St. Andrew's church, Guelph, giving as his reason for doing so that he had been offered and had accepted the appointment of Lecturer on Oriental Languages in the University of Toronto. The resignation was laid upon the table in the meantime, and the session and congregation cited to appear at the next regular meeting.

Leave of absence has been granted Rev. A. W. McIntosh, of Bellwood and Mimosa on account of ill-health. Presbytery undertook to supply.

Rev. R. E. Kowles and Mr. Wm. Cowan, of Galt, have arrived home after their visit to the old land. Both gentlemen enjoyed and were much benefitted by the trip. The publication of Mr. Knowles' book—St. Cuthbert's—is announced. We hope soon to see it.

The latest news of the Rev. J. S. Scott of St. Andrew's church, Sarnia, is encouraging. He is still at the London hospital, but is progressing favorably.

The thirtieth annual convention of the Waterloo County Christian Endeavor Union will be held in Heseler on Friday, October 6th, the afternoon session in the Baptist church and the evening session in the Presbyterian church. Good programmes have been prepared for each meeting. Rev. Dr. Dickson of Galt, is announced for an address on "The Work Endeavors Ought to Do."

Our contemporary, the London Presbyterian says: On Oct. 15th, Dr. Watson will bring his ministry at Sefton Park to a close. He is to preach, both morning and evening on September 24th and the three following Sundays, and will then leave for other hands the work he has done, for Liverpool and the Church, for a quarter of a century. No one thinks, of course, of Dr. Watson's work as ended; much of it is only beginning. But in this impending retirement from the pastorate he will be followed by the grateful and sympathetic regard of hosts of friends.

## NOTES FROM HAMILTON

An epidemic of weddings seems to have struck Hamilton. Rev. J. A. Wilson, of St. Andrew's church, recently brought home with him a bride. Then Rev. H. B. A. Ketchen, of MacNab street church, followed suit. Rev. J. Little, of Brampton, formerly assistant pastor in Central church, Hamilton, was the next to join the ranks of benedicts; and last week Rev. Neil M. Leckie, also a former assistant at Central church, took unto himself a wife. All four of these gentlemen have made excellent choices, and their congregations are in good heart over the added strength thereby gained.

Vacation time is over. The ministers are nearly all back in their own pulpits. The people from the beach have for the most part returned. Everything promises well for a good season's work.

Preparatory services and communion services are the order of the day. Large additions have recently been made to the membership of some of the churches.

The new Presbyterian church on the mountain is almost ready for occupancy. Mr. Stewart, who is in charge, has the work of this appointment well in hand.

Locke street Presbyterians, under the leadership of Rev. Mr. McDermott, look forward to a new church in the near future. Several thousand dollars have already been subscribed.

Rev. J. Anthony, of Watertown, preached recently in MacNab street church in the absence of Rev. Mr. Ketchen.

## GLENGARRY PRESBYTERY.

An adjourned meeting of Presbytery was held in Hephzibah Church, Williamstown, on Tuesday, 19th inst.

The first business was the resignation of Rev. Dr. McDonald. Messrs. George Elder, McGe, McGregor and J. K. McLennan, spoke on behalf of the congregation, expressing their sorrow at parting with Dr. McDonald, who is retiring on the ground of old age.

Dr. McDonald then gave a review of his life as a minister during upwards of forty years, closing with a very feeling reference to his deep attachment to his little flock in Hephzibah church.

It was finally decided to accept Dr. McDonald's resignation, the same to take effect after 1st October next.

A Committee of Presbytery consisting of Rev. J. Matheson and Rev. J. U. Tanner, was appointed to meet with this congregation on Saturday, 30th inst., to ascertain what retiring allowance they will give their pastor, and what the congregation will do in future. Rev. J. Matheson, of Summertown, was appointed interim moderator of session.

Presbytery agreed that an exchange of pulpits should take place on 5th November for missionary sermons, and that public missionary meetings be held within each charge on some night of that week. Each of these meetings is to be addressed by at least three speakers.

For this purpose the entire Presbytery has been divided into five groups—with joint conveners, who are to arrange the dates and speakers for their own group.

Due notice of these meetings will be given through the press.

Presbytery agreed to meet for business in Aultsville, on Monday, 4th December, at 1.30 p.m., a conference to be held at 7.30 p.m.

If we cannot see that miriads about us, and in foreign lands, are living in the valley of the shadow of death it is because we ourselves are in the shadows. He who dwells on the peaks can tell when the clouds are over the valleys and the tablelands.