

Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. Isaac Murray, D.D., is on a visit to Prince Edward Island.

THE Winnipeg *Free Press* informs us that a Presbyterian Church was organized at 4 13-7 recently.

THE Rev. A. H. Scott, of Owen Sound, has returned from a pleasant trip to the Maritime Provinces.

THE Rev. W. T. McMullen has returned from his holidays, and occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, last Sabbath.

A NEW organ has been placed in the Presbyterian Church, Lefroy, which will add greatly to the interest of the service.

JOHN H. GRAHAM, B.A., of Montreal College, has received a unanimous call from the congregation of Bristol, Que.

THE Rev. W. L. Archibald, B.D., was inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation of Kentville, N.S., on 10th ult.

THE congregation of New Westminster have called the Rev. S. J. Taylor, Moose Jaw. It is doubtful whether he will accept.

THE Rev. Wm. R. Calder, a graduate of Aberdeen University, was on the 10th inst. licensed by the Presbytery of Sydney, C. B.

THE Rev. Dr. Smyth, of St. Joseph Street Presbyterian Church, Montreal, is spending his holidays at Buctouche, on the New Brunswick coast.

THE Rev. J. M. Aull, of Palmerston, has been paying a visit to his former congregations at Katho and Innerkip. He preached in both places on Sabbath last.

THE Rev. George Haigh, the pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Hespeler, has fully recovered, and preached both morning and evening Sabbath week to very large congregations.

A Sabbath school picnic in connection with the Presbyterian Church, Orangeville, was held at Wilcox's Grove on Friday week. The attendance was good, and a very pleasant day was afforded the children.

THE friends of Rev. Thomas Alexander, of Mountpleasant, will be pleased to learn that on Monday, August 23, he reached his eighty first birthday in vigour, both of mind and body, and officiated in most of the places which he visited during his holiday trip.

THE Rev. Mr. Fenwick has received the following sums in aid of the Waldensian Church: Mrs. Nicol, Albion, \$1; Mrs. McArthur, Elder's Mills, \$1; Anonymous, Bayham, \$5; Miss McDougal, Coleraine, \$1; Rev. T. F. (additional), \$1; A Friend, 10c.

THE Presbyterian Church at West Bank, Proton, was consumed by fire on Tuesday, the 10th ult. As the church was only recently built, it is indeed very unfortunate for the parties most interested in losing their place of worship. We sympathize with them in their loss.

MR. J. LEA, M.P. for South Derry, is an Englishman by birth, and was born in 1841. He is engaged in business in Kidderminster, and is a magistrate for Worcestershire. Mr. Lea defeated Healy, the Nationalist candidate, at the last election, securing a decided victory for the Loyalists.

THE Rev. J. K. Baillie, of Woodlawn, Ont., left with his family on Tuesday, 24th ult., on a well earned vacation to visit his brother in law, Rev. T. A. Nelson, at Windsor, Hants, Nova Scotia. Before leaving, the young ladies of the congregation presented him with a purse of \$50, and innumerable good wishes and safe return.

THE sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed on Sunday week for the first time in the new Presbyterian Church in the Scotch Settlement, N. B. Ten persons were added to the Church membership on profession of their faith. The pastor, Rev. J. D. Murray, was assisted in the service by Rev. L. Jack and Rev. Dr. Smyth, of Montreal.

THE Bobcaygeon *Independent* says: On Sunday the Presbyterian Church, Haliburton, was crowded with a congregation of all denominations to hear the preaching of the Rev. Wm. Reid, D.D. The reverend gentleman and Mrs. Reid are spending their summer holidays at Newnam. The discourse was of a most interesting and instructive character.

THE three Sabbath schools under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. Beckett, of Thamesville, excused *via* G. T. R. along with their friends, numbering between five and six hundred, to Port Stanley Heights, on 17th August, and had a delightful time. These schools, we are happy to say, are in a prosperous condition, and give indications of continuing so in the future.

PARTIES sending clothing, etc., for gratuitous distribution among the Indians of Manitoba and the North-West will please notify Mr. George Olds, General Traffic Manager of the C. P. R., who will instruct the agent at the station from which the goods are sent to have them forwarded at half rates. Heavy goods, such as furniture, stoves, etc., will not be sent on these terms.

MR. C. E. LEWIS, M.P. for Londonderry City, is a Loyalist, and was returned by a very narrow majority at the last election. He is a native of England, and was born in 1825. In early life he practised as a solicitor, but some years ago retired. He is a director of the London and Provincial Bank, and a magistrate for the city of Derry, and in religion a Presbyterian. Mr. Lewis has represented Londonderry City since 1872.

PRINCIPAL MACINTYRE, of the Young Ladies' College, Branford, preached two able sermons in the Central Presbyterian Church, Galt, on Sabbath week. Mr. MacIntyre is an admirable principal, and the college over which he presides is one of which Presbyterians have reason to feel proud. Rev. Dr. Johnston, of Jamaica, occupied the

pulpit of Knox Church, Galt, the last two Sabbaths. The Doctor is a great favourite in Galt, and never fails to interest and instruct his hearers.

THE Rev. Edward Vincent, of Nelsonville, Ohio, who is supplying the pulpit of MacNab Street Church, Hamilton, during the absence of Rev. Mr. Fletcher, preached an excellent sermon on Sunday morning week, from Romans v. 1: "Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." In the evening the subject of meditation was a part of the twenty-second verse of the twenty-seventh chapter of Matthew: "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?"

THE Rev. F. McCunig, of Kingston, Canada, preached in St. John's Church, San Francisco, says an exchange, last Sabbath morning. The text was Matt. xxvii. 22, "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" The sermon was an earnest, forcible and direct presentation of Gospel truth. The preacher was listened to with the closest attention, and his discourse was highly appreciated by the congregation. The pastor, Rev. A. B. Meldrum, preached in the evening on the "Practicalness of Christian doctrine," basing his remarks on Luke xi. 18, "Blessed are they who hear the words of God, and do them."

A HALIFAX correspondent writes: On two recent Sabbath evenings, before large audiences, Dr. Burns preached in the Fort Massey Church, Halifax, on "Romanism in the Province of Quebec." His text was Luke xi. 26. The discourses were suggested by the Taschereau demonstrations. It was a recasting and expansion of the paper given by him before the Pan-Presbyterian Council at Belfast, in the light of recent developments, showing the intensely practical relations of the whole subject to the well-being—if not the very being—of the entire Dominion, and the need of diligent watchfulness on the part of Protestants with reference to the constant intriguing of Jesuitism.

ON Wednesday, the 11th ult., the Presbyterian Sabbath school, Uptergrove, held their picnic in the Nickleson Grove, Muley Point Road. It was quite a success in spite of the busy season; upward of 200 of the different denominations were in attendance, showing the good feeling that exists between the Presbyterians of Uptergrove and the other denominations that surround them. The day being fine and the grounds attractive, all the usual sports on such occasions were indulged with the greatest of pleasure. At five o'clock the superintendent summoned the assemblage to partake of an excellent spread provided by the ladies of the congregation which reflected great credit on their skillful management and good taste.

IN St. John, N. B., Calvin Church, which has been entirely repainted during the past month, was re-opened last week. The church when lighted up presented a very handsome appearance. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. Macdougall, who took for his text 1 Corinthians, viii. 6, the subject of the sermon being the Unity of God. The music, which had been specially prepared for the occasion by the choir, was excellent. A number of the ladies of this church are endeavouring to have a tablet erected in the church, in memory of their late pastor, Rev. Dr. MacLise. While filling the position of pastor, Dr. MacLise rendered Calvin Church much excellent service, and it is but fitting that such service as he gave should be commemorated in some suitable manner.

ON Monday evening last, says the *Prince Albert Times*, a congregational meeting was held in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in accordance with a citation received from the Regina Presbytery, notifying the congregation that they had received the Rev. Mr. MacWilliam's resignation. It was moved and unanimously carried, That the congregation concur with the Presbytery in accepting Mr. MacWilliam's resignation. The meeting also decided to have a telegram sent to Dr. Cochran, inviting him to select a suitable minister for this charge, who may be expected to arrive here some time in September. Correspondence with Dr. Cochran and the parties interested has taken place, but a definite appointment will not be made till the meeting of the Home Mission Committee in October.

MRS. CAMPBELL, wife of the Rev. Robert Campbell of Montreal, had a narrow escape near Cap a l'Aigle a few days ago. Leaving the place with her young son and Mrs. Evans, to drive to Fraser's Falls, the horse took fright when descending a steep hill and dashed off at a terrific pace. The animal left the road at the foot of the hill, and dashed through an open field straight for the Fraser River. Several farmers endeavoured to check him, but it was all to no purpose, until near the precipice at the falls, a lad working in a field, seeing the danger they were in, picked up a fence rail, and running toward them with an outstretched arm, was successful in causing the horse to turn about. He was brought to a stand still a moment after, the two ladies and child having been saved from certain death by being dashed to pieces at the foot of the precipice.

SOME weeks since, Rev. J. Hay, B.D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Campbellford, having been nearly prostrated with illness by his faithful and arduous duties, in connection with his large congregation, decided to take a short vacation. As a token of the deep feeling of appreciation of his efforts for the welfare of the young people of his congregation, the young men presented him, before his departure, with a gold watch, suitably engraved, valued at \$85. On the evening of August 11th, a most successful lawn social was given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the above church, in the beautiful grounds of Mrs. Massie. The grove was brilliantly lighted with reflectors and Chinese lanterns; and a delightful vocal and instrumental programme was rendered by several ladies and gentlemen of the town, and our excellent brass band. More than 400 people were present, and nearly \$140 was realized.

IN the Elora correspondence of the *Guelph Mercury* it is stated that on Thursday fortnight, 19th ult., Mr. George Thompson, shoemaker, who has been a resident of Elora for many years, met his death with Christian fortitude after a year of suffering, which he bore with exemplary patience

Mr. Thompson, although not an active participant in public affairs, held a prominent position in his church and was devoted to the work of the Sabbath School at Chalmers, with which he has been long associated. Although a Presbyterian, he was a firm advocate of Conservative views, which he strenuously and persistently maintained, although they never affected his personal relations with those with whom he came in contact. He was interred in the Elora cemetery, and as a mark of respect to his memory, the places of business were closed during the passage of the funeral cortege through the streets. An unusually large number of citizens attended his remains to the grave.

THE Zion Church congregation, Montreal, worshipped on Sabbath week in Emmanuel Church, and were ministered to by the Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph. Dr. Wardrope, in the course of his sermon, alluded most feelingly to what he characterized as the noble service rendered by Mr. John Dougall in the cause of temperance and religion. His name, he said, was a household word from one end of the continent to the other. He had been the pioneer of temperance in this country; had taken a grand stand at the outset, and maintained it consistently to the end. His labours in this regard had been productive of great results. Mr. Dougall taught the beauty of household religion, inculcating its adaptability for the elevation and beautifying of human life. As an upholder of truth and righteousness, he had been regarded with universal esteem, and his death would be keenly felt by thousands who, though perhaps never seeing him, revered him for the cause to which he had devoted his life.

IN a letter to the *Protestant Union*, P. L. I., Father Chiniquy says: When at Montague, last Friday night, the windows of the house of Mr. McLeod, who had offered me the hospitality of his Christian home, were broken into fragments with stones. Fortunately there was nobody in that room; for if the stones we found on the spot the next morning had struck any one, they were big enough to kill. The next day, Saturday, at noon when I was almost alone on the little steamer, to go to Georgetown, the captain and his crew being on land taking their dinner, I was brutally insulted by an Irishman, who, after abusing me to his heart's content, struck me in the face, and brought me down to the deck; when falling, my right arm struck on an iron bar with such force that I thought at first it was broken, but thanks be to God it was not so. The only injury done are some drops of blood shed, and a new wound inflicted on the flesh for the Gospel cause. Let us pray the merciful Saviour that this new humiliation suffered, and this new blood shed for His cause, may be united to his own sufferings and His blood for the advancement of the great and glorious Gospel cause entrusted to our feeble hands.

THE commodious church erected a short time ago at Port Arthur is a fine tribute to the labours of the Rev. Mr. Herald, who ministered with success there for several years. A call was lately extended to and accepted by the Rev. John Pringle, who has just been inducted to the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church at Port Arthur. The attendance at the ceremony was large, and included that of Rev. D. M. Gordon, Winnipeg; Rev. R. Nairn, Fort William; Rev. James Robertson, Superintendent of Missions, and W. L. H. Rowand. Rev. Mr. Gordon preached an excellent and appropriate sermon from Titus ii. 14. The Rev. Mr. Nairn delivered the induction address, and the subject of his discourse was handled in a masterly and edifying manner. The Superintendent of Missions then addressed the meeting and delivered a stirring address on the responsibilities and duties of a minister, and showed how he would be called to account for any remissness in their performance. In the evening a supper was prepared in the town hall by the ladies of the congregation, and the local and visiting clergymen delivered addresses, between which many musical and literary pieces were rendered. Mr. Pringle enters upon his duties at once.

THE trustees of St. Andrew's Church, Berlin, have been presented by Miss Perine, for the congregation, with a baptismal font, in memory of her deceased mother, who was a worthy member of the Presbyterian Church. It is made of black walnut, style Louis XIV., and is thirty-five inches in height by twenty inches in diameter at frieze. The base supports a column with carved capital; around the column is entwined an ivy vine, undercut and carved on the solid wood. The body of the font, from the capital to the frieze, is octagonal in form; seven sections having fine carved and sunk panels all different in design, some of them being scriptural, such as the lily of the valley, the pomegranate, etc., being very neatly represented. The eighth section in the octagon is a projecting draped tablet, containing the Latin inscription, "In memory of my mother, by M. C. Perine." The frieze is in part octagon and part circular. The mouldings are embellished with carved leaves, the upper edge being shell shaped, and bearing the Latin inscription, "Baptize in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit." The whole is relieved by elaborate artistic gilding. The centre of the font contains a chaste china basin, ornamented with gold, upon which is inscribed in Gothic letters, "St. Andrew's Church." The font, both as regards design and elegance of execution, is decidedly unique. Both the trustees and members of St. Andrew's Church, no doubt, feel grateful to the donor for this very handsome and useful gift, which is quite in keeping with the communion table and other furniture of the church.

SEVEN years ago this summer, says a contemporary, in the section of country known as Mud Lake, steps were taken to erect a Presbyterian Church. The ground, one quarter of an acre, was given free of charge by Mr. Robert K. Young, of Sebright; but through some cause or other the work dropped. Last August the idea of erecting a church was again revived, meetings were held, and it was decided to build at Sebright, but not without the usual opposition which is always the case on such occasions. A committee was appointed, and subscriptions were solicited, the response in money and material was as liberal as could be expected. The ground previously given by Mr. Young was still held by the congregation, and to this he very gene-