

Church News.

We are thankful for items of Church News...

PROCEEDINGS of the social, under the auspices of W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Lyndoch, Ont.

The congregation of Knox church, Havelock, have decided unanimously...

FROM a Sydney, New South Wales paper, we learn that Rev. J. B. Greig...

A welcome recently given by Rev. C. Chrissy, to the Kirkwall church, Rev. S. Carruthers, pastor...

MISS SOPHIA MCCULLOUGH, of Londale church, was recently presented by members of the congregation...

MR. DAVID DUNDAS, of East Oak wood, leader of the choir of Oakwood church, was recently presented with an address and purse of money...

At a social gathering of the congregation at Albert, B.C., Rev. A. Dunn, the pastor, was presented with an address and a well-filled purse...

SAYS the Carleton Place Herald: "A gentleman of Appleton, who has a big heart and a big purse, has offered to guarantee Rev. Mr. Meikle the sum of \$500...

At the preparatory services for the communion in Chalmers church, Woodstock, the pastor, Rev. W. A. Mackay, B.A., was assisted by Rev. J. A. Turnbull, LL.B., of St. Mary's...

THE congregations of Perth are going forward vigorously. St. Andrew's congregation has decided to build a handsome new edifice...

DR. COCHRANE has received \$200 from John Charlton, Esq., M.P., in aid of North West Missions, and from the Church of Scotland, Colonial Committee...

MR. W. R. SCOTT was recently presented, at a social gathering of the congregation at Grand Valley, with a gold-headed cane and an address...

REV. JOHN H. GRAHAM, of Bristol, Quebec, was inducted into the pastoral charge of Walford and Main Road, by the Presbytery of Sarnia, on Wednesday, March 27th...

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the REVIEW: The congregation of St. Andrew's, Caledon, having learned that Mr. and Mrs. Dobbin intend leaving the field of labour in which they have for some time been engaged...

SAYS the Welland Telegraph: "The Rev. and Mrs. Kennedy, within a few weeks of their eighty-sixth birthday, preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening..."

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warrant them in increasing his yearly stipend to \$900 in addition to a free manse. The history of the progress of this little band of Presbyterians is worthy of commendation...

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES.

MET on the 21st March in Pickering. There was a full attendance of members. A largely signed call from the congregation of East River, Picton, N.S., to Dr. McClelland of Ashburn, was declined by him...

COLUMBIA. HELD a pro re mala meeting on the 26th ult., in First church, Vancouver, at 3 p.m., Rev. Donald MacRae, Moderator. Rev. Mr. Jamieson reported having moderated in a call to a minister at Richmond...

NOTE.—All correspondence with the Presbytery of Columbia, during the months of June and July, should be sent to Rev. E. D. McLaren, B.D., Vancouver, B.C.

HAMILTON. MET on March 19th. It was agreed to apply for grants in supplement of the Home Mission Committee for Niagara, St. Ann's, etc.; Dunnville, Merrinton, etc.

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brought in conjunction with East Parley, under the Presbytery of Ottawa. A resolution was passed in favour of the Scott Act, and to encourage and aid the temperance people of the county of Carleton to resist the attempt to overthrow it...

HARRIS.

MET at Harris 19th March, Mr. H. Knox, Moderator. There were present twenty-two ministers and fourteen elders. The most interesting event of the day was the disposal of the call to Mr. R. J. M. Glassford, of Waubausene, from the congregations of Tottenham and Beaton...

The following were elected commissioners to the General Assembly, ministers, Messrs. R. N. Grant, D. James, D. D. McLennan, J. R. S. Burnett, J. Leishman, R. J. M. Glassford, J. Carwell, J. Campbell, M. A. Ph. D.; elders, Messrs. A. H. Beaton, M. D., J. Hanly M. D., J. J. Brown, T. Scott, A. Nicol, F. Rogerson, J. Duff, W. B. Hamilton, Messrs. J. K. Henry, minister, and J. A. Mather, elder, were appointed members of the Synod's Committee on Bills and Ordinances...

CALGARY.

MET in Medicine Hat on March 5th, Rev. J. Herald, Moderator. Circular to student missionaries coming within the bounds, drawn up by the convener of Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, was presented, discussed, and with a few modifications, adopted, and ordered to be printed...

(Some members had come distances of from 250 to 400 miles to attend the present session.) In connection with the evening sederunt, a public meeting was held with the congregation of Medicine Hat, addresses being given as follows: "On the work of this Presbytery," by Rev. J. C. Herdman; "Chastetee within the bounds," by Rev. A. J. McLeod; "Indian work in the North West," by Rev. D. G. McQueen...

KINGSTON.

MET in Cooke church, on the 12th and 19th of March. There was submitted an application to be taken on trials for license by the following students of Queen's College, etc.:—Messrs. J. J. Wright, B.A.; D. Fleming, B.A.; J. McKinnon, B.A.; and C. Cameron, M.A. The application was received, and at a subsequent stage, the convener of the committee, on the examination of students, reported that their examination was highly satisfactory, and recommended that application be made to the Synod of Toronto and Kingston...

Toronto and Kingston, for leave to take them on trials for license. Report received and adopted. Reports from deputies appointed at last meeting to visit supplemented congregations within the bounds were given in, recommending in every case that the supplements be continued for another year. The reports were received and their recommendations adopted. Reports on the following matters were presented and read by the convener of the respective committees thereupon, viz:—On Sabbath Observance, by Mr. W. Coulthard; on Temperance, by Mr. McGillivray, on the State of Religion, by Mr. Mackie; and on Sabbath Schools, by Mr. Young. These reports were received and adopted, and the several committees thanked for their diligence. Mr. Houston was appointed a member of the Synod's Committee on Bills and Ordinances. The following were appointed Commissioners to the General Assembly:—Messrs. James M. Gray, John Gallagher, B.A.; B. N. B. Millard, M.A.; J. H. George, M.A., Ph. D.; Principal Grant, D.D.; Professor Mowat, D.D.; Messrs. A. Young, and M. W. McLean, M.A., ministers; and Messrs. George Gillies, Dr. Boulter, Prof. Ross, G. Northrup, A. Urquhart, J. Duff, D. Nicol, and W. B. Craig, elders. Mr. M. W. McLean, convener, presented and read the Home Mission Report, from which was shown the work done during the winter in the mission fields of Sharbot Lake, Wilbur, Matawahan, Thant and the Ridge, Carlow and Mayo, L'Amable, etc., Maynooth and Wolfe Island, by the Queen's College Missionary Association, and further submitted several recommendations for the consideration of the Presbytery. The report was received and its recommendations adopted. Arrangements were made for the supply of mission fields during the summer. The Rev. John Robertson resigned his charge as ordained missionary of Earnestown and Fredericksburgh. His resignation was accepted with regret, and sympathy expressed with him in his present illness. The congregation of St. Andrew's church, Kingston, was granted permission to mortgage their church property, to enable them to complete their new church and hall, now in course of erection. Dr. George, of John street church, Belleville, was granted leave of absence for three months. Reports on the remits of the Book of Forms and "Marriage question" were given in by the committees entrusted with these matters. Reports received and adopted. Mr. J. Gallaher, convener of a committee to consider the question of the Jesuits' Estates Bill, recently passed by the Provincial Legislature of Quebec, presented and read a motion, which he moved, seconded by Mr. W. Coulthard, and is as follows:—"This Presbytery, viewing with alarm, not unmixed with indignation, the action, or rather the inaction of the Dominion Government, in declining to veto a Bill of the Provincial Legislature of Quebec, by which the Society of Jesus is incorporated and endowed, thus rendering it a standing menace to the civil, political and religious liberties of the people of Canada, and furnishing it with the means of active and injurious oppression, enter their solemn protest against the said Bill, and express their conviction that the interests of truth and justice require that the Supreme Court of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, on behalf of all its members, should demand that the power of veto be even yet exercised to make void legislation so manifestly injurious to the best interests of the community. Because the incorporation of said Society is in direct opposition to the experience of those who know it best, and fear it worst, having been suppressed by Popes, and expelled from even Roman Catholic countries as a menace to the State, having been productive of evil in every State where it obtained a footing for a time, we can only expect that it will produce its natural fruit in our midst, if it is not only admitted, but cherished. Because, further, the granting of a large sum to such a society out of the funds intended for the higher education of the people is, in our opinion, a gross perversion of a public trust, misappropriating, as it does, for the purposes of a religious sect, what was intended for the common good, the evil being in no way mitigated but rather intensified, by the insult of a proportionate grant to Protestants, in order to render null all efforts at redress which their co-religionists might attempt. And because the referring of the matter in any form, or for any purpose, to the Pope, is an outrage against the feelings, and subversive of the principles of the citizens of this Protestant Empire, besides being a practical conceding to Rome of that assumed power which has been the bane of Christendom, involving as it does, the supreme temporal authority of what is at best but a limited spiritual power; and because this disloyal reference to a foreign power renders the legislative Act, of which we complain, unconstitutional and incompetent, we hereby resolve to resist the consummation of the illegal procedure, and take the opportunity of urging upon the Church and the country at large, the duty of carrying the whole matter, if necessary, through every court, even to the foot of the throne. Therefore, Resolved that the Presbytery appoint a committee to prepare an Overture to the General Assembly on the subject, and that said committee be instructed to submit such Overture at the next meeting of Presbytery, ordinary or special, with a view to its adoption and transmission; and, further, that the committee consist of Messrs. Gallaher (convener), Coulthard, Cumberland, Wilkins and Mackie, ministers; and Messrs. Northrup, McNaughton and Anderson, elders." This motion was carried unanimously. Mr. McGillivray brought before the Presbytery the desirability of printing the minutes, as soon as practicable after each meeting is held, for distribution among the members, mentioning at the same time certain advantages to be gained from the practice, and moved as follows:—"That the minutes of all the regular meetings of Presbytery be printed as soon after each meeting as possible, and distributed to the members, and that minutes of special and adjourned meetings be printed with the minutes of the regular meeting immediately following. This motion was agreed to. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Kingston, and within Cooke's church there, on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of May next, at three o'clock in the afternoon; and thereafter at Belleville, and within John street church there, on the first Tuesday of July next, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening.—A. YOUNG, Clerk.

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