

## Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. Mr. Macgregor, of Avondale Presbyterian Church, Tilsonburg, was presented lately with a cheque for a handsome sum of money to enable him to take a trip to Europe for the benefit of his health.

A VERY handsome sum has been subscribed by former pupils of the late Dr. Tassie, throughout Canada and the United States, to procure an annuity for Mrs. Tassie. At a meeting in this city recently a committee was appointed to co-operate with the Hamilton Committee in making arrangements for the presentations.

THE Lord's supper is to be observed in Maple Presbyterian Church on the 26th inst. Mr. Howie is announced to conduct the preparatory and thanksgiving services. Probably the lecture, "From the Upper Chamber to Golgotha," will take the place of one of the ordinary services. Mr. Howie is expected at Dunganon on June 30.

PROFESSOR LAWSON, who has been elected president of the Royal Society of Canada, was at one time Professor of Botany and Chemistry in Queen's College, Kingston, in which position he was very successful. Some of the earlier graduates of Queen's studied under him. He went from Kingston to Dalhousie College, Halifax, where he still is.

PRINCIPAL GRANT, while in Ottawa, attending the meeting of the Royal Society, received an unconditional promise of a subscription of \$10,000 from one Ottawa gentleman and others for smaller amounts, including one of \$2,500 and one of \$1,000 towards the Queen's University Jubilee Endowment Fund. This is a good beginning, and no doubt it will be handsomely supplemented hereafter. Eastern Ontario should stand by Queen's, which has done so much for it.

THE Rev. James Little, of Princeton, preached on a recent Sabbath to his former congregations of Nassagaweya and Campbellville. In the course of the service he remarked that it was twenty-six years since he preached his first sermon in Nassagaweya and Campbellville. He has lost none of his old time earnestness, energy, eloquence, unction, pathos, pungency and pulpit power. His many friends were delighted to see him looking so hale and hearty, and to hear him once more.

By arrangement of the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society, London, Mrs. Barakat, an educated Syrian lady of remarkable gifts and history, visited that city June 2, and delivered a most impressive address in St. Andrew's Church. The pathos of her story, and the power of her appeal to the Christians (especially women) of these favoured Western lands will not soon be forgotten. This is Mrs. Barakat's first visit to Canada, but is hoped it may be followed by another and a longer one in autumn.

THE *Colonist Weekly* says Rev. Alexander Dunn, late of Langley, who has been stationed for several months at Alberni, has just returned to his field of labour after an absence of two or three weeks, part of which was spent in assisting the bereaved and sorrowing at Nanaimo. Some time ago the Presbytery resolved to transfer Mr. Dunn to Nicola valley, but in answer to a numerously-signed petition from the settlers at Alberni, the appointment has been cancelled, and Mr. Dunn has decided to remain in the new and thriving settlement where his labours are so much appreciated. Mrs. Dunn has joined her husband.

THE fourth monthly meeting for 1887 of the Canadian M'All Auxiliary was held Thursday, June 2, in the parlour of Old St. Andrew's Church. The Treasurer's Report was very encouraging, \$481 on hand, contributed since last February. Donations have been received from different parts of the country, showing that the interest in this work is increasing. Mr. M'All has asked the auxiliary if they would undertake to support La Rochelle and Rochefort, two stations in the West of France, the cost being \$1,000 annually. This the ladies are endeavouring to do, and hope that the hearts of the people will be opened to the necessity of sending the Gospel to their French brethren.

THE annual tea meeting of the Presbyterian Church, Kendall, was held on Queen's Birthday. It attracted a considerable number of people, and it allowance is made for the unfavourable weather, the audience assembled inside the church may be considered large. A sumptuous repast was served by the ladies, and ample justice done thereto. Rev. Messrs. Fraser, of Orono, McKee, of Colborne, and Leslie, of Newtonville, delivered excellent, stirring addresses, and each was listened to with great attention. Mr. J. Keachie, of Bowmanville, was present and rendered several appropriate songs, for which he was warmly applauded. Newtonville Presbyterian choir sang some pieces very nicely. A very enjoyable and profitable time was brought to a close by votes of thanks to the speakers and singers, and the singing of the National Anthem by all present.

THE Rev. George Maxwell, of St. Sylvester, was inducted on Wednesday evening, May 25, as pastor of St. Andrew's Church by the Presbytery of Quebec. Rev. Andrew T. Love, the Moderator, highly complimented the congregation on its speedy call to a minister, as it is only five or six weeks since the Rev. D. Currie resigned his charge here. Mr. Lefebvre, of Quebec, preached a practical sermon from 1 Corinthians xi. 1. The Moderator's address to the newly inducted pastor was of the purest and most elegant diction. The congregation was addressed by Mr. Pritchard, of Danville, in a sensible and fatherly manner. Rev. Mr. Snodgrass, who is just out from Scotland, also took part in the induction. Mr. Parker, an undergraduate of Marjolin College, has been occupying the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church since the Rev. D. Currie left. Mr. Parker is a young Englishman of more than ordinary ability, who is fitting himself for the mission field of Africa. Mr. Parker's brother will go this fall from England as missionary to Benares, India. They have also a younger brother studying for the Church.

THE service in the First Presbyterian Church, Port Hope, on Thursday evening, June 2, was one of the most

interesting and important in the history of the congregation. The attendance was unusually large, prompted, no doubt by the desire of the membership to take part in the formal reception of those who, during the past few months, have been led openly to confess Christ as their Saviour, and to desire the privileges of full communion in connection with this congregation. The number received was by far the largest ever received at any one time in the history of the congregation, and both from its number and character, forms a most welcome addition to the communion roll of the Church. It consisted chiefly of the ingathering of the fruits of successive evangelistic services, conducted by Dr. J. K. Smith, Mr. Du Vernet and Messrs. Crossley and Hunter.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell chose for his text Isaiah xliii, 21. This people have I formed for Myself: they shall show forth My praise. He took occasion from his text to point out some of the prevalent false ideas of the end of our salvation. The chief end is not our own happiness or deliverance from the flames of hell, but the honour and praise of God through holy, joyful, fruitful lives in His service. "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him that called you out of darkness into His marvellous light." This end we accomplish in the performance of the duties which we owe Him in the various relations which we bear to Him as H children, His subjects, His servants, His soldiers, etc. Mr. Mitchell sang out and dwelt on the relationship of servants and soldiers, and pointed out how we might bring honour and praise to God through the performance of the duties of these relations. At the close of the sermon, the names of those who had been received recently by the Session were read, and they were invited to come forward and occupy front seats in the church. They ranged in age from threescore years and ten down to those entering the early years of manhood and womanhood—the majority of them in the prime of early life. The questions put to those entering the fellowship of this congregation were read and responded to, the whole membership rising to receive and welcome them into fellowship. The pastor followed with an address, giving them as a motto for the life on which they had just entered, the words of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, to the servants at the marriage feast, "Whosoever He saith unto you, do it." The service was felt to be a most impressive one throughout, and was greatly aided by the effective singing of appropriate and beautiful hymns by the choir.

PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY.—This Presbytery held a *pro re nata* meeting at Sunderland on the 28th of May, and sustained a call from Wick and Greenbank to Mr. John McMillen, licentiate, another from Sunderland and Vroomanton to Mr. William G. Mills, B.A., licentiate, and another call from Kirkfield and Bolsover to Mr. Louis Perrin, B.A., licentiate. These calls being all accepted, arrangements were made for the ordinations and inductions. The regular meeting of Presbytery was held at Glenarm on Tuesday, May 31, when the Rev. A. G. McLachlin resigned his commission to the General Assembly, and the Rev. D. McDonald, Glenarm, was appointed in his room. The Rev. J. R. Scott was appointed to attend to the election and ordinations of elders at Uphill and Sealbright—also elders were appointed to accompany him as an interim session. An amount of routine business was gone through, and the next regular meeting appointed to be held at Cuxbridge on the last Tuesday of August at half-past ten o'clock a.m. The Presbytery met at Wick on June 6, and ordained and inducted Rev. John McMillan, pastor of Wick and Greenbank; at Sunderland same day, p.m., and ordained and inducted Rev. W. G. Mills, B.A., pastor of Sunderland and Vroomanton, and at Kirkfield on Tuesday, June 7, and ordained and inducted Rev. Louis Perrin, B.A., pastor of Kirkfield and Bolsover.—JAMES K. SCOTT, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG. This Presbytery met in Knox Church, Winnipeg, recently, when the following members were present:—Revs J. Pringle, Moderator; Principal King, R. Nairn, J. Douglass, C. W. Bryden, J. Hamilton, A. McFarlane, J. Lawrence, J. C. Quinn; Professors Bryce, Hart and D. B. Whimster, ministers; and Messrs. C. H. Campbell and R. McBeth, elders. Revs J. Hogg and J. Farquharson, being present, were asked to sit as corresponding members of Presbytery. Rev. Mr. McFarlane intimated that after prayerful consideration, he had decided to decline the call from Greenwood, whereupon, Principal King moving, it was duly seconded and agreed to. That the call be set aside, and that the Presbytery express its sympathy with the congregation in his declining of the call. A petition from Rat Portage asking for moderation in a call to a minister was read, and a guarantee submitted from the same congregation of \$1,000 a year stipend, together with a manse. After consideration the Presbytery instructed the Clerk to write to Keewatin and ascertain its views regarding separation from Rat Portage, and resolved that further consideration of the petition be deferred until the meeting of Presbytery during the Synod. Rev. D. B. Whimster having again pressed his resignation as Clerk of the Presbytery, the Rev. J. C. Quinn was appointed to that office in his place. The Presbytery agreed to call the attention of the Synod to the fact that the eastern limit of the Presbytery is not defined; and thereby important interests are suffering, and the Presbytery request the Synod to have the said limit duly defined. Rev. Mr. Quinn reported from the committee on Temperance. After due consideration of the report submitted it was agreed to adopt the same, and transmit it to the Convener of the Synod's Committee on Temperance. Rev. Mr. Quinn also submitted and read the report of the committee on the State of Religion. This was a very carefully-prepared and full report, and the Presbytery agreed to receive and adopt the same, and transmit it to the Synod, and to thank Mr. Quinn for his diligence in the matter of these reports. Rev. Mr. Whimster reported that he had upon request dispensed the sacrament of the Lord's supper at Wainmouth, and organized the congregation there. His conduct was duly approved by the Presbytery. The committee on the examination of students submitted the following report:

Your committee have met with and examined Messrs. George A. Laird, Hugh W. Fraser and Donald Mac Vicar, and recommended that the examinations be sustained, and that the Presbytery make application to the Synod for leave to take them on public probationary trials for license.—Signed, W. Bryden. It was agreed to receive and adopt the above report. The Moderator reported that he had not held a formal meeting with either the session or congregation of Fort William, but that he had conferred with members of the session and the leading members of the congregation, and ascertained from them that the congregation is not yet prepared to proceed with a call to a minister, but the near prospect was that they would take action in this matter soon. Rev. Mr. Hamilton was appointed to visit, together with Mr. D. Ross, missionary in charge of Whitemouth, the Brokenhead district, and see what arrangement can be made for its supply. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet on Tuesday, July 12, at half past seven o'clock p.m., in Knox Church, Winnipeg.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.—This Presbytery met in First Presbyterian Church, London, on May 17, at half-past ten a.m., Mr. McGillivray, Moderator. The resignation of Mr. McConechy of his charge of Port Stanley congregation, lying on the table since the March meeting, was taken up. The Clerk read the report of the deputation appointed to visit the Session and congregation, and also a letter from Mr. McConechy, withdrawing his resignation. On motion of Dr. Proudfoot, duly seconded, it was agreed to receive the report, thank the deputation for their diligence, and accept the withdrawal of Mr. McConechy's resignation. The petition from London Township, for instituting Presbyterian services in the vicinity of Bryanston, as also the petition from Bethel Church, or Proof Line, requesting separation from English Settlement, was next considered. The Clerk read the various papers in the case, and the following commissioners, Messrs. Langford, Robb and Carmichael, from Bethel Church, and Messrs. B. Charlton and Hedley from English Settlement, appeared, and addressed the Presbytery in favour of separation. Mr. Ball, minister of the united charge, also agreed with the commissioners on the desirability of the two congregations separating, and forming two distinct charges. After the commissioners were removed, the following motion was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That the petition of the Bethel congregation for separation from English Settlement be granted, and that the pulpit of Bethel Church be declared vacant on the first Sabbath of July next; also resolved, That English Settlement be recognized as a separate pastoral charge, under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Ball, and that this congregation be affectionately urged to implement the pastor's salary to what may be considered needful; also resolved, That the sympathy of this Presbytery be expressed with the congregation of Bethel Church in their effort to secure a suitable pastor. It was also agreed that Dr. Proudfoot declare the pulpit of Bethel Church vacant on the first Sabbath of July, and that Mr. Johnston act as Moderator of Session during the vacancy. It was also agreed to refer the petition for services in the vicinity of Bryanston to the Session of Bethel congregation. Messrs. D. K. McKenzie and J. McCrone were appointed assessors, with Dr. Mills, of Springfield, to form a provisional Session there, for dispensing the communion and electing elders. Messrs. J. A. Murray, W. S. Ball and J. Johns were appointed a commission, with power to call for papers and persons, to visit the congregations of North and South Delaware in connection with some troubles there, and report at next meeting of Presbytery. Mr. Ball, as Convener of the committee on the remit of the Assembly on ecclesiastical co-operation, gave in the following report: That, after careful consideration, the committee cannot recommend any plan of co-operation with other denominations; and, while desirous of encouraging all possible friendly intercourse and mutual co-operation with other branches of the Church of Christ, recommend that each case, as it may arise, be left to the decision of the Presbytery within whose bounds it may emerge. The report was adopted. Mr. J. Dublin, student in theology, after having undergone the usual trials and examinations prescribed by the Church, to the satisfaction of the Presbytery, was duly licensed to preach the Gospel. Mr. Alex. Henderson, of Hyde Park, obtained leave of absence for three months. The Presbytery adjourned to hold next regular meeting in First Presbyterian Church, on the second Tuesday of July, at half past two p.m. GEORGE SUTHERLAND, *Pres. Clerk*.

### GLENGARRY PRESBYTERIAL WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Presbytery of Glengarry's Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, held its annual meeting on Thursday, 2nd instant, in St. Andrew's Church, Williamstown. The chair was taken at two p.m. by the president, Mrs. Fraser, of St. Elmo. After devotional services, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and sustained. An address of welcome to the delegates, very cordial in its terms, was read by Mrs. McLaren, of Williamstown, and responded to by Mrs. McGregor, T-y-side. The meeting was then led in prayer by Mrs. McEwan, Cornwall. The retiring president, Mrs. Fraser, then delivered her address. She gave a short history of the society since its inception, showed the progress made by the several auxiliaries, and referred in touching terms to the vast number of women still in heathen darkness, and urged increased efforts to give them the Gospel. Reports from delegates were next given in. During the year, the several auxiliaries in the Presbytery had contributed a certain sum each, toward raising \$100 for Miss Minnie G. Fraser, of St. Elmo, who is prosecuting her studies in Queen's College, Kingston, for the foreign mission field. This amount was voted to Miss Fraser, and ordered to be forwarded.

An interesting letter on "Missions," from Miss Fraser, was read, and a vote of thanks for the same was passed.

It was found that some little debt had been contracted in connection with the working of the Presbyterian Society, and a special collection was taken up to defray it; and for