

Rev. D. Strachan, for over 20 years pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Rockwood and Eden Mills has decided to give up his charges and will remove to Guelph city. His resignation is in the hands of the Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Strachan is well up in years, and his long and faithful service merits a rest from his labors.

Rev. James Stevens, of Tiverton, has accepted a call to Knox church, Dutton. The induction will take place on Friday, June 4th, the Moderator of the Presbytery, Rev. J. H. Courtney, of Port Stanley, to preside. Rev. Dr. Drummond, of St. Thomas, to preach; Rev. Dr. Sutherland to address the minister, and Rev. Mr. Kelso the people.

The Presbyterians at Prescott celebrated the anniversary of the completion of their new church on May 9th, Principal Grant of Queen's University preaching morning and evening. Large numbers attended both services and had the pleasure of listening to two earnest and impressive discourses. At the morning service Dr. Grant congratulated the congregation on the prosperous condition of their church work, and on the possession of the beautiful edifice, the corner stone of which he had laid five years ago.

The Rev. John McKinnon, of Cape Breton, N.S., was inducted into the charge of Dalhousie Mills and Cote St. George on Tuesday, May 25th, in the Presbyterian church at Dalhousie Mills in the presence of a very large congregation. The Rev. P. Langill of Martintown, preached the sermon; the Rev. D. McLaren of Alexandria, addressed the minister, and the Rev. A. Graham delivered a very pointed address to the congregations. The Rev. J. McLeod of Vankleek Hill, performed the duties of Moderator.

The induction of Rev. Mr. Smith to the Emsdale Presbyterian Mission Field, took place recently. A large number attended the meeting. Rev. J. Carswell preached an excellent sermon from the words, "The Gospel is the power of God unto Salvation." Rev. Mr. Findlay, Moderator, went through the formula of induction after which Rev. Mr. Cochrane, of Sundridge addressed a few well chosen words to the minister, Mr. Smith. He took for his text "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee." Rev. Mr. Findlay, in addressing the congregation complimented the church upon the steady progress it had made since its foundation, about seventeen years ago.

At Chalmers' church, Kingston, May 19th, the Presbytery of Kingston licensed candidates for the Presbyterian ministry. There was a fair number of people present. Rev. H. Gracey of Gananoque, preached from Eph. iii. 8. The Moderator of the Presbytery, Rev. D. G. McPhail, of Picton, then put the questions of the doctrines of the Church, which were subscribed to by the candidates. The hand of fellowship was extended to each of the licentiates by the Moderator. Rev. D. G. McPhail and Rev. S. Houston in turn addressed the newly ordained ministers. The names of those licensed are: D. W. Beat, Toronto; W. G. Rack, Ottawa; George E. Dyde, M.A., Kingston; D. McE. Gandier, B.A., Newburgh; W. J. Herbison, B.A., Kingston; J. L. Miller, B.A., Brighton; J. W. McIntosh, M.A., Martintown; F. E. Pitts, B.A., Woodlands; A. Rannie, Menie; George W. Rose, Warsaw.

Large congregations attended the sixth anniversary services of Westminster Presbyterian church held last Sabbath. Rev. Dr. Potts preached in the morning, his text being the 12th, 13th, and 14th verses of Psalm xliiii. - "Walk about Zion, and go round about her, tell the towers thereof. Mark ye her bulwarks, consider her palaces, that ye may tell it to the generations following. For this God is our God, for ever and ever; he will be our guide even unto death." The reverend doctor, as usual, spoke vigorously and well. He likened the present day Christian to one who not only walked about Zion and marked her bulwarks, but who dwelt in Zion. It was comforting to think, in these days of care, turmoil, and grind, that God was the God of all, even as His Kingdom was the Kingdom of all. If he but believed any man could claim the divine kinship, and after his earthly life share the heavenly home. To each God

gave the crown of life. No king could say "this crown is my crown, this kingdom is my kingdom for ever." No millionaire could purchase them. The lowly, the meek, the poor, the suffering, who have found a release from woe in Him, God would call to His Kingdom to wear the crown. As the Psalmist said: "God was their God for ever." In joy, in sorrow, in triumph, or defeat, He was ever by their side, ever ready to comfort, to cherish, to protect, and guide. In the afternoon Mr. S. C. K. Rutnam, a native of Ceylon, delivered an interesting address to the Sabbath school pupils, and in the evening Rev. Alexander McMillan occupied the pulpit and preached a fine sermon.

The congregation of the Church of the Covenant, Toronto, on Monday of this week celebrated the fourth anniversary of the settlement of their esteemed pastor, the Rev. James McCaul, by turning the first sod for the foundations of a new building upon their recently-purchased site. They have been worshipping hitherto in a wooden building on the Davenport road, and have determined to build a suitable structure on the north-east corner of Avenue road and Roxborough street, where the celebration took place. It is understood that it is their intention to erect the proposed building free from debt, and that their efforts to achieve this have been so far most loyally responded to by their co-Presbyterians as well as by friends of other denominations, who have generously supplemented the contributions collected from the congregation itself.

LEPER MISSION.

The regular monthly meeting of the "Mission to Lepers in India and the East" was held on Monday afternoon, May 17th, in the China Inland Mission Home. The Vice President, Mrs. Trees, occupied the chair.

Very interesting letters from missionaries in India were read, telling of the increased interest shown in Christianity by the lepers in the Asylums.

A Bible reading, full of help and encouragement was given by the Rev. G. A. Kuhring, pastor of the Church of the Ascension.

As the auxiliary does not meet again until September, the Treasurer, Mr. Henderson, reported that a larger amount of money had been given since January of this year, than was given during the whole of last year.

The following overture regarding Sabbath school literature is transmitted to the General Assembly by the Presbytery of Maitland:

"Whereas, the deliverance of the General Assembly last year regarding the publication of *Home Study, Teachers' Lesson Helps, Leaflets*, etc., was not regarded by many Presbyteries of our Church as implying a request for nominations of a permanent editor of Sabbath school literature and

Whereas, the quality of the Sabbath school literature to be received by the children of our Church will depend in a measure on the quality of our Sabbath school publications.

Therefore, in view of the very great importance of the office to be filled, it is humbly overtured by the Presbytery of Maitland that the appointment of a permanent editor be delayed for a year so that nominations may be received from all the Presbyteries of the Church."

DOMINION BANK.

Proceedings of the Twenty-Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders, Held at the Banking House of the Institution, in Toronto, Wednesday, May 26, 1897.

The annual general meeting of the Dominion Bank was held at the banking house of the institution, Toronto, on Wednesday, May 26th, 1897.

Among those present were noticed: Sir Frank Smith, Col. Mason, Messrs. S. Alcorn, William Ince, John Scott, William Ramsay, J. Lorne Campbell, W. R. Brock, S. Nordheimer, James Robertson, E. Leadley, M. Boulton, E. B. Oaler, William Hendrie, Dr. Smith, John Stewart, Walter S. Lee, W. D. Matthews, Charles Cockshutt, H. M. Pollart, William Ross, A. W. Austin, George W. Lewis, W. G. Cassels, Thomas Walmsley, J. K. Niven, J. D. Montgomery, E. B. Freeland, George Robinson, R. D. Gamble, and others.

It was moved by Mr. E. B. Oaler, seconded by Mr. E. Leadley, that Sir Frank Smith do take the chair.

Mr. W. D. Matthews moved, seconded by Mr. W. R. Brock, and resolved: That Mr. R. D. Gamble do act as secretary.

Messrs. W. G. Cassels and Walter S. Lee were appointed scrutineers.

The Secretary read the report of the directors to the shareholders, and submitted the annual statement of the affairs of the Bank which is as follows:

To the Shareholders:

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| The Directors beg to present the following statement of the result of the business of the bank for the year ending April 30th, 1897:                 |               |
| Balance of profit and loss account, April 30, 1896.....                                                                                              | \$ 25,752 43  |
| Profit for the year ending April 30, '97, after deducting charges of management, etc., and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts..... | 154,173 32    |
|                                                                                                                                                      | \$ 209,925 75 |

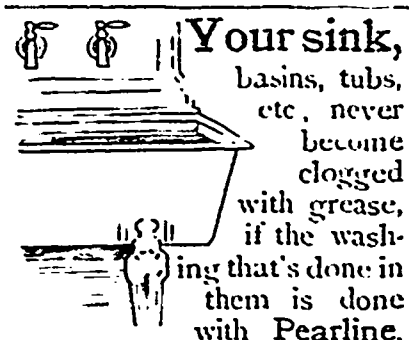
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