THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN

Ministers and Churches.

Our Toronto Letter.

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In many of the Toronto churches patriotic sermons were preached last Sunday. The near approach of Dominion Day and the new spirit of patriotism that prevails throughout the country, a spirit that is much more rational than it was one year ago, had much to do with the choosing of the subjects upon which most of the ministers discoursed.

It was humiliating to learn that the same Sabbath, on which so many listened to addresses that were commendatory, the young nation should be disgraced by the brazen breach of the Sabbath laws. The steamer Argyle took a large party of excursionists out of Toronto, and crossed the Lake on the way to Buffalo. It is to be hoped that steps will be at once taken to stop this vicious practice. We de not wonder that it has begun. The statements that have been made by those in authority has almost been an invitation to engage in this nefarious business. invitation to engage in this nefarious

business.

The heat of the last few days has driven a large contingent of Toronto people into the country. They will worship in the open air for a time, but the mode of worship will hardy come under the ordinary rules of a worshipping assembly. It will be a case of every one doing that which seemeth right in his own eyes, and it is pretty safe to say that every one will resent that which seemeth right in his own eyes, and it is pretty safe to say that every one will resent an attempt to follow his mode of worshipping too closely. After all, if the spirit is not in the worship, is it well to insist that the man shall appear within the church, and preserve a decorous exterior, and an assumed attention? Is that dangerous doctrine? Perhaps no more dangerous than to allow a man to believe that attendance at church is all that is demanded of him. ance at church is all that is demanded of him.

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There were not many of the members of the Toronto Presbytery at the ordination and induction of Mr. M. McArthur at Queensville. Perhaps there were as many as could reasonably be expected to be present when the entire day must be given to the proceedings. Besides many were preparing for the communion on the approaching Sabbath, and the preparatory services were being held on Friday evening and in some cases during the afternoon. Those who were not present missed one of the most enjoyable and helpful meetings of the season. The glad spirit of the people, who once more were able to say—This is our minister—promises well tor the future of the work in that place.

At least one minister feels so strongly that evangelistic work is needed that he has given up his charge and will in future seek to do the work of an evangelist. Rev. P. E. Nichol has resigned his charge, as has -already been announced in The Domitton Presbyterian, and is now doing that work to which he has felt called tor many years, but which, hitherto, he has not seen his way to take up. Some of his people in St. Mark s, for they call themselves his people still, met recently and gave to Mr. Nichol a substantial token of their appreciation of his great and good work among them while he was their pastor. The bond uniting them is a very strong one, and will remain so for many Just what ought to be the relation of the Pres-

Just what ought to be the relation of the Prebytery to this charge is puzzling some minds. It is essentially a mission congregation and as It is essentially a mission congregation and as such should be supported in some measure at least, by the church within the city. That this congregation can ever be expected to become self-sustaining seems doubtful, and at present it could not support even a missionary, should one within the City a wheel within a wheel, if you like, a mission within a mission. While the congregations should certainly contribute with at least their present liberality to the ordinary Home Mission Scheme, there should also be a City Mission scheme, operated under the direct control of the Presbytery, and to this the city congregations should be invited to contribute. That such a mission would be supported is congregations should be invited to contribute. That such a mission would be supported is shewn by the liberal response to the appeal for assistance on behalf of one of the city congregations, which is also a mission charge.

The Secret of Victory.

Send me the names of ten or more earnest Christians, mentioning this special offer, and I will send you, free, a booklet, "Pentecostal Messengers," or "Goodbey's Commontary on Thessalonians," which explains this subject. Address M. W. KNAPP, office of God's Revivalist, CINCINNATI, O,

Western Ontario.

The Presbyterians of Kars are preparing for a

Dr. D. L. McCrae has for the third time been elected Grand Chaplain of the Sons of Scotland.

Rev. Mr. Larkin, Seaforth, and Rev. Mr. Shaw, Egmondville, exchanged pulpits on the 23rd ult.

Rev. W. E. Knowles, of Chatham, has razetted honorary chaplain of the 24th (Kent) Regiment.

Rev. Dr. Dickson, of Central Church, Galt, ill rest this summer, as in former years, at Ocean Grove.

Rev. Mr. Leitch, Delaware, has opened a ission station at Muncey, and it is already in a promising condition.

The property of the Presbytery of London, at the close of 1900 was valued at \$346,800, or, say, 11/2 per cent of the valuation.

Rev. W. G. Ramsay, M. A., of Ottawa, has been preaching in Cavan church, Exeter. The local press speaks in high terms of his pulpit

Rev. Dr. G. B. Wilson, of Winnipeg, on re-turning from the General Assembly at Ottawa, made a brief visit to the parental home, Newton Robinson.

The congregation of Waldemar, Amaranth Township, in the Presbytery of Orangeville, have given a call to Mr. R. A. Cranston, a recent graduate of Knox College.

Principal Grant, of Queen's, will spend August and September in Scotland and England. During July he will deliver a course of lectures at the Chautauqua, N. Y., institute.

Rev. W. A. J. Martin, of Brantford, preached at the children's day services in MacNab Street Church, Hamilton, last Sabbath. Dr. Fletcher occupying the pulpit of Zion Church, Brantford.

The strawberry festival in aid of Barton Sunday School library, which was held at Mr. Robert Smith's last Thursday evening, was pronounced a success. There was a large attendance and an excellent recommendation of the success. ance and an excellent programme was rendered.

Rev. A. G. Jansen, pastor, ably filled the office

The young people of Knox Church, Guelph, The young people of Knox Church, Guelph, held a lawn social a few evenings ago, under very happy auspices, at the Whitelaw homestead. Short speeches were made by Messrs, Hugh Guthre, M. P., J. P. Downey, W. Scrimgeour and W. Whitelaw. The musical programme was overalled. gramme was excellent.

There are in London Presbytery thirty-seven Inere are in London Frestylery Unity-Seven pastoral charges, comprising fifty-five congre-gations. Of these charges five receive aid from the Augmentation Fund, and two—Chalmers' and St. George's—receive aid, respectively, from First Church, London, and from St. An-drew's London, Knox Church, London, also aids

The minister of Old St. Andrews, Toronto, The minister of Old St. Andrews, Toronto, is now on his way to the Old Land. Before he returns Dr. Milligan is to preach on Aug. 4 in St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh, the church in which John Knox preached, and where Jenny Geddes gave up "her sitting" in the church in a memorable way. The Sunday before leaving for home he preaches in the forenoonin Glasgow Cathedral, in which historic pulpit he has appeared on his visits to Scotland for several years.

Rev. and Mrs. Rogers were tendered a re-ception at the Presbyterian church by the mem-bers of the East Toronto congregation upon their recent marriage. The church was most tastefully decorated with flowers and terns. tastefully decorated with flowers and terns, Dr. Webster was chairman and he warmly congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, and on behalf of the members of the church presented Mr. Rogers with a purse of \$too and a beautiful basket of roses to Miss Rogers. Mr. Rogers made a suitable reply.

The induction of Rev. J. J. Hastie, graduate of Knox College, into the pastoral charge of Knox church, Belgrave, and Cavan church, of Knox College, into the pastoral charge of Knox church, Belgrave, and Cavan church, East Wawanosh, took place in Knox church, Belgrave, on Thursday, of last week. In the evening there was a strawberry social which was a hearty welcome to the newly inducted minister. Rev. Mr. Ross, of Brussels; Rev. Mr. Whaley and Rev. Mr. Perrie gave short addresses and a good programme of music was supplied. Mr. Hastie is a good preacher; has had a varied experience, and commences his pastorate under the most promising auspices.

The suggestions put forth by Toronto Saturday Night in another column as to boys making money by canvassing for that excellent weekly seem well founded. The paper is undoubtedly high-class and serves to interest, instruct and amuse a large class of people all over Canada. It is above all clean and not sensational. The travel articles on Egypt and the Holy Land are excellent.

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Mr. Harry Hamilton, son of Rev Ioseph Hamilton, of Mimico, is a rising young musician, and a pupil of the eminent Mr. Vogt of the To ronto Conservatory of Music. Mr. Hamilton is acting as substitute organist in two of the leading Presbyterian churches of Toronto during July and August, and will be open for engagement in September. We can speak with confidence of Mr. Hamilton's ability; and any congregation securing his services as organist will be fortunate

Eastern Ontario.

The Presbyterians of the town of Renfrew contributed \$10,500 to the century fund.

On Dominion Day the Ladies' Aid of Avon-more Church held a successful picnic in aid of the Society's funds.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at Finch on the 23rd ult. ance was very large.

The opening Sabbath services of the new Knox church, Vankleek Hill, netted the handsome sum of 400.00.

Rev. D. M. Martin, Cannington, has been elected Moderator of Lindsay Presbytery. Next meeting will be held at Cannington on

Rev. D. McRae, and wife of Victoria, B. C., are visiting his brother, A. D. McRae, Warden, and occupied the pulpit of Maxville church last Sabbath week.

Rev. Mr. McLeod of Ripley, former pastor of the Dunvegan church, preached in the Brick church last Sunday, when the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

Rev. J. W. Muirhead, B. A., pastor of the Presbyterian church at Whitewood, Assiniboia, preached in the First Church, Brockville, last Sabbath morning, and in St. John's in the evening.

The Beaverton Express says: Rev. W. G. Gordon of Winnipeg (Ralph Connor, author of "The Sky Pilot" and "The Black Rock") is to exchange pulpits with Rev. J. McD. Duncan for four weeks, Mr. Gordon is now engaged on another the same pulpits. other literary work, "The Man from Glengarry."

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At a congregational meeting of St. John's
Church, Almonte, a call was extended to Rev.
G. C. McLean, of Aberdeen, Scotland, who
came to Canada last November and completed
his theological course in the Montreal Presbyterian College. Mr. MacLean had a majority
on the second ballot, and the call was made unanimous. At present he is sampling the At present he is supplying the L'Original congregation.

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A pretty house wedding was solemnized on the 26th ult, at the residence of Mrs. Joseph Mitchell, Whitby, when her charming daughter, Mary, was married to Rev. Norman H. McGilhvray, of Carp, Ont. Both contracting parties were natives of this town. Rev. John Abraham officiated. The best man was Rev. Mr. McArthur, and the bridesmaid, Miss McNab of Claremont. Many friends witnessed the ceromony. The happy couple will be warmly welcomed on their arrival at Carp after the usual honexmoon trip. honeymoon trip.

Montreal.

During July and August the preacher in St. Andrew's La i e, will be the Rev. Prof. Ross, D. D., of the Montreal Presbyterian College.

On Thursday evening of last week the Rev. J. R. Dobson, of St. Giles Church, left the manse R. Dobson, of St. Giles Church, left the masse for a few moments and when he returned found the male members of his congregation collected in force in his parlor and study. Then Mr. J. the mate members of his congregation conceed in force in his parlor and study. Then Mr. J. W. Lambly briefly explained to the surprised minister the nature of the visit, and Dr. G. A. Berwick, one of the elders, read an address and presented a set of bookcases, desk and chair to Mr. Debson, who conflict in satisfable terms. Mr. Dobson, who replied in suitable terms.

What God wills for us is just what we would want for ourselves if we could see things as they really are. - Helpful Words,