

ORIGINAL No. 27.

Pompton Puffs.

BY MARION HARLAND.

3 cups of flour, 1 tablespoonful of butter, 1/2 teaspoonful of salt, 2 cups of milk, 4 eggs whites and yolks beaten separately, 1 heaping teaspoonful of Cleveland's baking powder.

Sift flour, baking powder and salt together twice, chop in the butter. Stir the beaten yolks into the milk and add the flour, then the frothed whites. Whip high and light and bake in cups in a quick oven.

Use only Cleveland's baking powder, the proportions are made for that.

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Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. John McKay, B.A. and D. McKay, B.A., Ph.D., left Embro the other day for the Southern States, where they intend to remain for the winter.

MR. W. M. MCKAY, of Knox College, occupied the pulpits of Millbank and Crosshill with acceptance Sabbath week in the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. M. McKibbin, B.A.

SPECIAL services have been held in Knox Church, Dundas, every evening during the past week. They have been largely attended, and Rev. Dr. Laing has discoursed on different subjects each evening.

THE Rev. William Meikle left this week for a six months' sojourn in Mobile, Ala. He is accompanied by Mrs. Meikle, whose health has been impaired for some time. It is hoped that the change of climate will prove beneficial to her.

THE following have passed the required examination in Church History in connection with the degree of B.D. in Queen's University: D. R. Drummond, M.A., Almonte; James Binnie, M.A., Durham; J. F. McFarland, Birmingham, and John Sharp.

At the meeting of the congregation of Napanee, called by the Moderator, Rev. Wm. T. Wilkins, of Trenton, on Tuesday evening week, the meeting decided that they were not as yet prepared to make a call, and it was decided to hear further applicants before making a choice.

A PLEASANT event of recent date was the presentation by members of the Women's Association of Knox Church, South London, of a handsome fur cape and muff to the wife of their popular pastor, Rev. James Ballantyne, son of Mr. Thomas Ballantyne, M.P.P., of Stratford.

THE Rev. Dr. Wardrope, Moderator of the General Assembly, preached in Old St. Pauls (Anglican) Church, Woodstock, on the evening of Thanksgiving Day. Rev. Dean Wade read the service of the Church of England and then announced Dr. Wardrope to the congregation.

ANNIVERSARY services will be held in St. Johns Church, Toronto, on Sabbath first, 22nd inst. In the morning the services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Wardrope, Moderator of the General Assembly, and in the evening by Rev. G. M. Milligan. Dr. Wardrope will also address the Sabbath school in the afternoon.

THE Rev. Murray Watson, B.A., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, has arrived at his home in Leamington, from his trip to Montreal, bringing with him over \$300 as donations from prominent men there towards the rebuilding of the Presbyterian Church here. Service in connection with the church has been resumed in the town hall.

THE Blenheim News says: Communion services were held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday, 25th ult., by Rev. J. M. McLaren. During the fourteen months of his pastorate there have been added to the membership roll, by profession of faith, thirty seven; by certificate, fifteen. There have been sixteen baptisms, six of whom were adults. There have been removed by death six, and by certificate six.

THE Presbyterian charges in Harwich, Bridge End, English, and Bethel, met at the latter church on Monday and unanimously resolved to extend a call to Rev. W. H. Jamieson, Ph.D., late of Perrytown. They believe in calling a man of depth and experience, and to secure him they increased their subscriptions so largely that they are now able to offer a stipend of \$800.

AN organ of fine finish and workmanship, said to be one of the best on the Pacific coast, by the Messrs. Warren, of Toronto, has been placed in St. Andrews Church, New Westminster, British Columbia. The new instrument was dedicated at an organ recital on November 3. The neat programme indicates that music of a high class was performed by thoroughly competent and experienced artists. A large and delighted audience was present.

THANKSGIVING Day was observed by the Presbyterian congregation at Winchester by attending service in the forenoon conducted by the pastor, Rev. M. H. Scott. A thank offering was taken as usual, this year amounting to \$53 which will go to aid the Schemes of the Church. A concert was held in the evening under the auspices of the Christian Endeavour Society of the Church which proved a success both financially and intellectually.

THE Brockville Times says: The new pastor of St. Johns Church, Brockville, Rev. C. J. Cameron, M.A., continues to attract large crowds of people to the services. Although being slightly indisposed Sunday he preached two powerful sermons. The attendance at both services was large, especially in the evening. Every branch of the church work is flourishing. The attendance at the young people's prayer meetings is increasing so rapidly that it has been found necessary to adjourn from the vestry to the lecture room of the church. Mr. Cameron's ministry so far in Brockville has been a grand success.

THE semi-annual business meeting of the King Street, London, Presbyterian Church Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour was held last week. Reports submitted showed vigorous life in the society. The election of officers resulted as follows: Rev. W. M. Roger, Hon. president; J. W. Johnston, president; Miss Effie Carson, vice-president; Miss L. Drummond, secretary; Miss L. Munroe, treasurer; Miss E. Marriott, organist; W. Black, convener of look-out committee; Miss Jessie Greene, prayer meeting; Mrs. Skinner, social; Miss M. Black, flowers; Miss G. McDermid, mission; Mr. W. Babcock, temperance; Miss B. Robertson, Sunday school.

THE first of nine proposed Branch Bible Society meetings was held recently in Chalmers Church, corner of Dundas Street and Dovercourt Road, Toronto. There was a large and interested gathering. Dr. Geikie, chairman, and Mr. J. K. Macdonald gave information regarding the work of

the Upper Canada Bible Society. Addresses were delivered by Revs. J. Alexander, A. M. Phillips and J. A. Turnbull. On motion of Rev. A. B. Chambers, seconded by Rev. J. J. Hill, it was decided to open a branch Bible society to be known as District No. 5. Officers were appointed and a committee, the members of which will be called together by the Rev. J. Mutch, Convener, for organization.

IN his lecture in Chester on the 13th inst., Dr. Howie explained that the trip to and through Palestine is far less formidable than many think. A Canadian can go from here to Joppa, Port Said or Alexandria either through the Straits of Gibraltar or across France and Italy without a guide at all. A guide book is enough if he is contented to travel second-class and sacrifice extra comforts in the interest of scholarship and religion. \$100 may be enough to land him in Joppa. From Joppa and beyond the affair is more complicated, but if he corresponds with David Yamal, Jerusalem (of whom Dr. Talmage has said and written so much praise), he would meet him at any of the three mentioned ports with tents, horses, etc., at a cost of between five and seven dollars per day—every convenience and protection being provided.

THE first of a series of lectures to be given in the Y.M.C.A. room, Barrie, during the winter, was delivered Thursday evening week by Rev. D. D. McLeod. The subject was "Some Features of our Civilization under which some of the questions are or should be engaging the Minds of the People." Ruskin says that much of the great work he was able to accomplish was owing to his having been an earnest student of Carlyle in his youth. This shows the great effect that good influences in early years have upon the formation of character. The strength of a nation depends upon the character of its people. Some very small countries have been a great power in the world owing to the strong character of their inhabitants, Sparta was given as an example. The lecture was an able and instructive one, and was very highly appreciated.

LAST week Mrs. Thompson, of Ayr, president of the Paris Presbyterian Women's Foreign Mission Society, met with the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, St. George. The president, Mrs. W. B. Wood, presided, and after the usual opening exercises Mrs. Thompson gave an interesting "Talk," showing the work done throughout the year at the various mission stations, the progress made, how the monies are spent and giving many useful hints and directions as to the methods of sustaining the interests of the local societies and mission bands, also speaking of the boxes of bedding and new clothing sent this season to the North-West and the joyous reception of the same. Of the ninety thousand Presbyterian women in Canada only seventeen thousand are members of this important society. Although they are doing a great and noble work, where are the rest? What are they doing?

THE novel idea of a fruit social at Swansea Presbyterian Church, on Friday week, attracted a large gathering of the good folk of the locality and quite a number of Toronto Junction and city friends. Fruit of every description was temptingly arranged in the school-room, the tables being presided over by fair and graceful young ladies, for which Swansea is noted, who were kept busy all the earlier part of the evening by the demands of an appreciative but somewhat ruminative crowd. After the opening address by the Chairman several musical selections were given, a song by Mrs. William Patterson, city, being the gem. A cornet solo by Mrs. Podmore, Swansea, with organ accompaniment, was well received. Rev. Dr. McTavish, Rev. William Patterson, Cooke's Church, and others delivered addresses encouraging the association. Altogether the evening was most enjoyable, all being pleased with the result of the entertainment.

LAST week Rev. Dr. Fraser lectured in Wentworth Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, under the auspices of Miss Mains' Bible class. There was a good attendance present to listen to the Doctor's account of some episodes in his visit to Egypt. Beginning with taking passage on the City of Chicago at New York, he took his audience with him to the land of the Pharaohs, via., Liverpool, London, Paris, Milan, describing the cathedral there; thence to Venice, Trieste and on to the regions of the Sultan. His description of the Sphinx and the great pyramids were well drawn and effectively delivered and his narrative of personal experiences there and at other points of interest afforded considerable amusement to those present. The lecturer closed by giving a tolerably dramatic impersonation of a howling dervish. Rev. Mr. Murray occupied the chair, and Miss Jamieson sang a solo, "Throw Out the Life Line," with much sweetness and feeling.

A MEETING of the Presbyterian congregation, Napanee, was held in the lecture-room recently, for the purpose of moderating in a call to a pastor, the congregation having taken it for granted that the Rev. Mr. Thompson, of Hastings (the choice as expressed at a former meeting), would accept the call if extended. In this, however, it was disappointed, the reverend gentleman having reconsidered the matter at the last moment, and decided to remain at his present post of duty. Rev. Mr. Wilkins, of Trenton, acted for the Moderator, who has leave of absence, and after devotional service took the chair and explained the object of the meeting, stating that he was prepared to carry out the wishes of the congregation as far as it was in his power to do so, and sympathized with those present in the turn affairs had taken since the issuing of the call in accordance with the wishes of the congregation as expressed to Presbytery. On motion, however, it was decided to hear further applicants, and the meeting was brought to a close in the usual way.

LAST week a union meeting of the three Presbyterian congregations was held in Knox Church, Guelph to hear Mr. Frank Whitehouse, who is connected with the work of the Scottish Bible Society in China. There was a good gathering, Rev. Mr. Beattie presiding. Revs. Dr. Wardrope, J. C.

Smith and William Burns took part in the devotional exercises. The choir led the singing, the hymns being distributed by Mr. Whitehouse. Mr. Whitehouse, who was dressed in the native costume of the celestial empire, gave a clear and succinct account of the work of the missionary in that far distant land. The peculiarities of the people, the customs, manners and civilization were all alluded to. He then touched upon the difficulties that beset the missionary and spoke about the riots that at present disturb the flowery land. The work of Christianity was, however, still going on and the results were in every way satisfactory to the Churches. At the close a collection was taken up in aid of the Society's work.

A MEETING of ministers, missionaries and elders of the Presbyterian Church, Algoma Mills, was held recently to consider the question of having a new Presbytery organized in this part of Ontario. Representatives were present from nearly all the principal places concerned. The Rev. A. Findlay, Superintendent of Missions, was also present. The Rev. John Rennie, of Manitowaning, was appointed chairman, and Rev. J. K. McGillivray, of Gore Bay, secretary. The feeling was unanimous in favour of having the step taken. After full consideration a petition was adopted and signed to be sent to the next meeting of the General Assembly, asking for the organization of a new Presbytery to be called the Presbytery of Algoma. The territory proposed to be included in the new Presbytery extends from North Bay along the Canadian Pacific Railway to White River, a distance of 380 miles from east to west, and from the southern shores of Manitoulin to the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, a distance of 100 miles from south to north. The "Soo" branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway from Sudbury to Sault Ste. Marie runs through the heart of the district. Within these limits the congregations and mission fields of the Presbyterian Church number at present twenty four, embracing over one hundred preaching stations. It is considered that this extensive and growing field is too far removed from other Presbyteries of the Church to be worked efficiently by them, and hence the present movement is made.

THE monthly meeting of the Toronto Auxiliary of the Canadian McAll Association was held Thursday, November 5, in the Young Men's Christian Association Hall. In the absence of the president, Mrs. W. S. Finch took the chair. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$74.11. A letter was read from Dr. Benham, one of the workers in the mission in France. He gives a very encouraging account of the progress of the work in several of the stations in Paris, Poitiers, Chateaufort, etc., of the largely attended meetings, and of the manifest signs of interest, and of a desire to learn more of Christ. He tells of a large gathering of Sunday scholars and young people in the Salle Rivoli last month; about six hundred and their teachers being present. This he says "was full of hope for the future of France, and these were only a few of the ten thousand scholars who attend our schools in Paris and the Provinces." Mrs. Hornbrook who has worked in Miss de Broen's medical mission in Paris, gave a graphic account of this work which she said she naturally knew most about. Miss de Broen is a Dutch lady but at one time lived in England and there became very much interested in the French refugees at the time of the Franco-Prussian war. At the close she was going south and stopped over in Paris and seeing the misery and wretchedness of the wives and children of the 500 Communists who had been shot down in cold blood, she decided to remain. There is in connection with this mission a large iron building in Belleville, a suburb of Paris, where meetings are held. She also spoke of Dr. McAll's mission, of Rev. Mr. Gibson's mission, and of the Paris City Mission, under the superintendence of Mr. Lockey. They are all, she says, on the best of terms but working separately. The report of the committee appointed to consider best methods

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