

WINNIPEG AND WEST.

Next regular meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery will be held on 15th July.

Rev. T. McCord, of Blythefield, accepts the call to High Bluff and Cochrane.

Rev. Dr. W. L. Fraser, of Vancouver, has been elected moderator of Synod of British Columbia.

Rev. David Iversach, B.D., has been appointed moderator of Presbytery in place of Rev. Dr. McMillan, remover from bounds.

On his way back to Toronto, after taking part in the Evangelistic campaign in the Kootenay District, B.C., Rev. Prof. Kilpatrick, of Knox College, Toronto, gave an exceedingly interesting account of the work to a large congregation in Westminster Church.

Rev. C. W. Gordon, D.D. (Ralph Connor) is chairman of the Board of Conciliation which has been considering differences between the Winnipeg Street Railway Co. and its employees. Dr. Gordon is a many-sided man, doing work in widely varied fields, and "making good" in them all.

Qu'Appelle Presbytery will arrange for a simultaneous evangelization campaign to take place next fall, and to cover all the stations within the bounds. Windthorst in this presbytery has been raised to the status of an augmented charge, and Rev. Mr. Leedingham placed in charge with a view to settlement.

A committee was appointed by Winnipeg Presbytery to study the whole question of work among the foreign peoples of the city, and to co-operate with any other church or organization interested in the same matter, the committee to consist of Revs. Dr. Bryce, Dr. Wilson, A. McTaggart, W. A. Maclean and Principal Patrick, and Messrs. D. Sinclair, J. B. Mitchell, Archibald Macdonald and R. M. Thomson.

At a supper in aid of the Ladies' Missionary society given in the lecture room of Knox church nearly 150 members of the congregation were present to listen to a masterly address, delivered after supper had been served, by the Rev. Dr. DuVal, who has completely recovered from his recent illness. Dr. DuVal attended the recent Laymen's Missionary congress at Toronto in his capacity of moderator of the General Assembly, and spoke of the principal points brought forward at that great gathering.

The Manitoba Free Press, says:—The courtship of the churches threatens to develop if organic union be long delayed, into runaway marriages. There is a rumor of a movement to secure a Methodist and Presbyterian alliance in Winnipeg for the promotion of city missionary work; and Frohisher has already led off as the Gretna Green of Saskatchewan. The congregation there have just gone and got married without waiting for the consent of the parent churches; and the Regina Leader claims that this is the first case of union in the province.

At Winnipeg Presbytery, on behalf of the committee appointed at the last meeting in reference to prosecutions under the Lord's Day act, Principal Patrick reported that the committee had interviewed the attorney-general and the police commissioners, and that, after some negotiations and correspondence, H. W. Whittia had been appointed public prosecutor, his salary to be borne jointly by the province and the city. The Presbytery, on motion of Dr. Bryce, expressed its satisfaction that the local government and the city authorities have united in the appointment of a public prosecutor.

At the last meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery it was agreed to present an overture to the general assembly, asking that body to consider the advisability of issuing a uniform series of certificates of disjunction, certificates of baptism, marriage certificates and books for district elders. On the suggestion of Dr. DuVal, it was proposed also that the book of forms be republished and enlarged. The following committee was appointed to prepare the overture: Revs. Dr. Wilson, Dr. DuVal, Dr. Gordon, Dr. Bryce, Principal Patrick and Dr. Baird.

BRANDON PRESBYTERY.

From Our Own Correspondent.

D. J. Townley, of Pierson, was licensed to preach the gospel.

The Rev. Wm. Meikle, evangelist, being present was asked to sit and correspond.

Ingelow asked leave to borrow with a view to building a church. Permission was given.

The report of the committee was adopted and great things are anticipated as the result of the meetings.

The Presbytery met in St. Paul's church, Brandon, on May 10th, 7.30 p.m., the moderator, Rev. J. G. Stephens, of Reston, presiding.

Carberry asked leave to sell its present church property with a view to building more suitably and commodiously. Leave was granted.

A Presbytery meeting in this busy west is as full of humming toil as a bee hive; speeches are short and to the point, and no one speaks unless he has something to contribute of vital importance.

A committee was appointed, Mr. Beckett of Carberry being convener of it, to take steps looking to church extension in Brandon. It is thought that in a city of 11,000—a city predominantly Presbyterian—there must be room for a flourishing cause in the east end, making the third Presbyterian church in the place.

Rev. J. G. Stevens reported to Presbytery his visit to the Pipestone Indian reserve. The Indians wanted an industrial school upon their own reserve instead of having to go to Regina or elsewhere for advanced education. Also, they were unanimous in desiring the ordination of their missionary, John Thunder.

A lengthy and animated discussion over the home mission work of the presbytery took place. The able and warm-hearted convener thereof, Rev. Peter Strang, of Virden, is evidently the right man in the right place, and his work in nursing missions to the standing of augmented charges and from that stage to independent and self-sustaining parishes is worthy of all praise.

Mr. Kellock reported for the evangelistic committee recommending a simultaneous course of revival services to be held in all charges within the bounds to take place in the latter part of November and the first part of December, and that sessions be asked to urge that prayer for the movement be offered in the various fields, both at the family altar and the church services.

Brandon had, however, been favored a few nights before the meeting with oratory of a very high and rare quality in the noble lecture of a Presbyterian from the United States, William Jennings Bryan. He was brought to Brandon by the Y.M.C.A., of which Alexander Shewan, Esq., an elder of St. Paul's church, is the generous, enthusiastic and popular president.

Reston and the associated preaching stations make a charge too large for one man to work satisfactorily. A resolution came from the session asking for a rearrangement of places so as to lessen the driving and make, with an outside point, two fields where there is now but one. A committee was appointed to safeguard all interests, make full arrangements and report at a later meeting of Presbytery.

Take life like a man. Take is as though it was—as it is—an earnest, vital essential affair. Take it just as though you were born to the task of performing a merry part in it—as though the world had waited your coming. Take it as though it were a grand opportunity to achieve, to carry forward great and good schemes, to hold and to cheer a suffering, weary, it may be heart-broken brother.—Charles H. Spurgeon.

ROCK LAKE NOTES.

The Presbytery of Rock Lake met at Darlington Tuesday, May 4th, present eleven ministers and five elders. After the minutes of the last meeting were read, a letter of appeal was read from Mrs. Cardine re decision of Darlington session. She was instructed to approach the Presbytery properly.

Commissioners were appointed to the General Assembly which meets at Hamilton in June.

A committee was appointed to investigate the trouble at Ninga and report, also at Killarney in regard to the Roll and report.

At the evening meeting Rev. P. Scott spoke on the subject of Home Training; Rev. F. J. Hartley on Giving as Worship; Rev. J. A. Beattie gave an eloquent address on The Laymen's Missionary Movement; Rev. Hamilton on Some things I saw at the meeting of Laymen in Toronto. Rev. Clarkson, M. A., moderator, occupied the chair and the choir led the praise service.

On Wednesday morning the committee on Evangelism reported and proposed a simultaneous campaign beginning with the 14th of June led by Drs. Gordon and McKinnon and assisted by 20 others, who had promised. Several objections being heard it was decided to defer the matter till fall.

The convener of the Y. P. S. reported that the answers to questions sent out would indicate a desire for a Presbyterian Union. It was decided not to act until the fall meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held at Miami on the second Tuesday in September.

The Darlington people made the Presbytery very happy and comfortable in their homes and in their beautiful new church.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. George Mingle, of North Lunenburg, has been preaching in the Methodist church Lunenburg.

Rev. Dr. McMillan, on his way from Winnipeg to Halifax, visited friends at Lindsay, and lectured on the "Life Story of Abraham Lincoln." Members of his old charge, and citizens generally, were delighted to see him again.

Rev. N. D. Keith, B.D., of Prescott, was the preacher in the First Church, Brockville, last Sunday. The Rev. W. H. McInnes, of Port Perry, has resigned the pastoral charge of Port Perry. Rev. J. Abraham, D.D., of Whitby, is interim moderator of session. Rev. Mr. McLaren, of Bishop's Mills, took the services in St. Andrew's Church, Prescott, last Sunday.

Prior to leaving Kirkhill for Ottawa, Mrs. W. D. McLeod, a number of the ladies (members of the local auxiliary W.F.M.S.), gathered in the home of Mrs. McLeod and presented her with a certificate of life membership in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, accompanied by an address, which was read by Mrs. Nell McMillan. The presentation was made by Mrs. J. D. McMillan, Lochiel. Mrs. McLeod had been abundant in good works for both Church and society. Her removal to the Capital is greatly regretted.

A large number of the many friends of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Maclean assembled in the Avonmore Manse recently to bid them farewell and wish them Godspeed in the new work to which Dr. Maclean has been called in the city of Ottawa. A very pleasant time was spent by both old and young. A short programme was rendered, Mr. W. J. McCart, M.P.P., occupying the chair. Mrs. (Dr.) Robb delighted the audience by favoring them with two solos. A number of the elders, deacons and others expressed their appreciation of Dr. Maclean's work in Avonmore for the past few years, and their regret at his leaving. The presentation of an appreciative address along with a well-filled purse voiced the kindly feelings of the congregation to their late pastor and his partner in life.

THE LIVING AGE for May 8 opens with a second paper by Miss Vida D. Scudder, upon "The Social Conscience of the Future," reprinted from the Hibbert Journal. The subject of this article is "The New Righteousness."