

MONTREAL.

Montreal Presbyterians are about securing a suitable property for their Italian mission.

A committee of Presbytery, with Rev. J. R. Dobson as convener, is at work in the effort to bring about the amalgamation of interests at present divided between Inspector Street Mission, Nazareth Street and St. Mark's Church.

The reordination of Mr. Gallo, an ex-priest of the Roman Church, to the Christian ministry, was fixed by Presbytery for July 10 at 3 o'clock, when Dr. Amaron will preside and preach and Principal Brandt will address the minister and congregation.

At last meeting of Presbytery, Rev. Dr. Morrison from the Augmentation Committee was able to state that in view of the increased liberality of the churches toward this scheme, it was possible to raise the minimum stipend to \$850, and the committee hopes to be able to increase it to \$900.

The largely signed call from MacVicar Memorial to Rev. G. Potter, came before the Presbytery at its recent meeting. The stipend promised is \$1,800 with four week's holidays; and Rev. Mr. McLennan, of Chateaugay, was appointed to prosecute the call before the Peterborough Presbytery.

Rev. James G. Potter, M.A., is called to the MacVicar Memorial church; and, it is said, will accept. He will prove a marked addition to the ministerial forces in the city if judged by the excellent record he has made for himself in Toronto and Peterboro, In. The latter place, moral and social reforms claimed a large share of Mr. Potter's time and attention; and he was always active in Sunday school, Christian Endeavor, Brotherhood and Y.M.C.A. work. Memorial church is to be congratulated on its choice.

At last meeting of Montreal Presbytery, Rev. A. S. Ross reported as follows on the important question of the immigration population in our large cities. "We have 42,000 Jews in Montreal, 3,000 Syrians, 12,000 Italians, 1,500 Greeks, 16,000 Eastern Europeans and 1,600 Scandinavians. With a few others, we have in the city a foreign population of 65,000. These facts constitute a most serious problem for our city. In many instances houses built for one family do service for eight or ten families. The agencies at work to help these people are, one synagogue, the All People's Mission, the Methodist Italian Mission, and that of the Presbyterians. The Anglican Church has a mission among the Jews. It is felt that greater effort should be put forth to evangelize and Canadianize these strangers within our gates. Left to themselves they become a menace to our Christian civilization.

The last quarter's report on French Evangelization, presented to the Presbytery by Dr. Amaron, was of an encouraging nature. Several changes were reported. The Rev. R. P. Duclos, who had ministered for over twenty years at Lacroix church, has retired. He will sail for Switzerland and Belgium, and will interest himself in some French Protestant families who desire to make Canada their home. The Rev. J. Ray, of Namur, will replace Mr. Duclos. The Rev. I. P. Bruneau has gone to Cornwall. The field has been supplied by Mr. Magnon and the Rev. J. A. Langlois, two new workers. The Rev. P. E. S. Gormain, after spending one year at Pointe-aux-Trembles, has gone back to his old field at Belleville. Mr. P. Lebal, a licensee, who has just completed his course at the Presbyterian College, has taken charge of Grenville, a mixed field. The field at St. Gabriel de Brandon, is supplied by Mr. Ernest Tremblay, of Pointe-aux-Trembles, aided for the English services by Dr. Amaron. The convener spoke of the missionary convention held in Ottawa the first week of May as most successful. Important speeches were made by some of the leading men in the church. A similar convention will be held in Montreal the last week of February.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Principal and Mrs. Gandler, of Toronto have taken quarters for the month of July at Cap A L'Aigle, Que.

Rev. A. Bowman, M.A., of St. Theresa, has been elected moderator of Montreal Presbytery for the ensuing six months.

Rev. P. D. Muir, B.A., of Leeds Village, in the Presbytery of Quebec, has been called to Windsor Mills in the same Presbytery. The Presbytery has granted the translation, and fixed the induction to take place at Windsor Mills, on the 14th July, Rev. J. C. Nicholson, Sherbrooke, to preside and preach, Rev. H. Carmichael, Richmond, to address the minister, and Rev. H. C. Sutherland, Kingsbury, to address the congregation. Dr. Kellock, Kinneair's Mills, is moderator for Leeds Village.

At last meeting of Presbytery Rev. W. R. Cruikshank reported on Home Missions and Extension Work. All the fields are manned and the work is prospering. He also reported that the growth of population in the city and suburbs is such that the extension committee is not able to cope with it. More money is needed to plant churches in important centres, where the need is felt. A deputation formed of the Rev. S. J. Taylor, Dr. Amaron, D. K. Clendinning, and Wm. Darling was appointed to confer with the officers of St. John's Church, with the view of securing the use of the church edifice on Sunday afternoon for the Italian services. Authority was given the French committee to purchase a property for this important mission. Dr. Thompson gave a brief report on foreign mission work.

Mrs. A. G. Watson, sr., of Montreal, a former respected resident of Cornwall, says The Standard, passed away on Tuesday last in Montreal, at the age of 70 years. The deceased, whose maiden name was Janet Monro, was born at Blackness, Scotland, being a daughter of the late Hugh Monro. Her marriage took place at Grahamstown, Scotland, and the family came to Canada about 38 years ago. They first lived in Montreal, but afterwards went to Ottawa for a time, from which place they removed to Cornwall, and lived there for many years. Mr. Watson was for some twenty years Secretary-Treasurer of the Canada Cotton Co. of Cornwall. A few years ago Mr. and Mrs. Watson left for Montreal to take up their residence. The deceased made a great many friends during her residence in Cornwall, and the announcement of her death will be received with universal regret here. Had she been spared for a few months, she and her husband would have celebrated their golden wedding.

The death of Mrs. MacNish, widow of the late Rev. Neil MacNish, LL.D., formerly pastor of St. John's church, Cornwall, took place at her residence, Ottawa, on the 24th ult.

The deceased, whose maiden name was Anna Harriet Campbell, was born in Argyleshire, Scotland, being a daughter of the late Rev. James Campbell. After her marriage to the late Dr. MacNish she came to Cornwall and resided there until the death of her husband, when she removed to Ottawa with her three daughters, who survive her. Mrs. MacNish was held in high esteem here and in Cornwall and her death is profoundly regretted. The interment took place from St. John's church, Cornwall, the remains being laid to rest beside the grave of her husband in Woodlawn cemetery. The service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Montreal, a cousin of the deceased, assisted by the Rev. John Pate, of Lancaster, and Rev. Dr. Moerdyke, of South Bend, Indiana. The pall-bearers were His Honor Judge Liddell, Messrs. D. B. MacLennan, K.C., A. P. Ross, Duncan Monroe, Robert Flanagan and G. C. Colquhoun. A very large congregation assembled to pay a last tribute of respect.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

It is rumored that the King and Queen will arrive at Balmoral early in August.

An Edinburgh woman has been sent to jail for fifteen months for stealing a minister's pulpit gown.

Enthusiastic support is being given to a movement to start a zoological garden in Edinburgh.

On an average every inhabitant of the United Kingdom spends eleven guineas a year on foreign produce.

Rev. T. R. Ballantine, of Belfast, has accepted an invitation to the pastorate of the Boksburg church, South Africa.

The report of the Suez Canal Company shows that nearly \$25,000,000 was received last year, making it the most profitable year in the history of the canal.

Since the starting of the Carnegie hero fund about eighteen months ago, there have been grants for conspicuous bravery made to 225 individuals.

Mr. Alfred Austin, who recently celebrated his 75th birthday, has been Poet Laureate since 1896. He was born at Headingley, Leeds, and was the second son of Mr. Joseph Austin, merchant.

Rev. Islay F. Burns, M.A., has been reappointed tutor in Westminster College, Cambridge, for the ensuing year. Mr. Burns is a son of the late Professor Islay Burns, D.D., of Glasgow, and a nephew of Rev. W. C. Burns, the famous Chinese missionary.

"Nicholas Nickleby," in the original twenty numbers, with pictorial wrappers, and "David Copperfield," in the original wrapper, at Sotheby's realized \$4 17s. 6d. each, while a first edition of "Pickwick Papers" sold for five guineas.

Raspberry jam made of turnips and sawdust, cakes and pastry stiffened with plaster-of-paris, tea mixed with beach and oak-leaves are among the faked foods on view at the Pure Foods Exhibition at the Royal Horticultural Hall, London.

Belfast is fortunate in the possession of fine botanic gardens, situated in the Botanic Gardens Park, University road. The park covers a space of 17 acres, and is a popular resort of the citizens as well as of the excursionists who visit the city.

Pauperism in England, according to the April return, has fallen to the ratio of 1904, but the total number of paupers, 789,008, was exceeded only in 1909 and 1908. London has 121,749, a fall of 1,500. This means 35 paupers per thousand people in England.

A Tyrone farmer, while cutting turf, found a small wooden keg embedded in the bogland 14 feet below the surface. The vessel crumbled away on being lifted out, but the contents, about 28 pounds of cream-colored butter, were in an excellent state of preservation, without any sign of decay or moisture. It is believed that the keg was several centuries old.

In Ramsay, Isle of Man, there is an agitation against Sunday golf, which has hitherto been tacitly, though not openly, countenanced. Recently a representative meeting of ministers of the Anglican and Free Churches of all denominations was held by way of protest, and it emphasized the desirability of maintaining the proverbial sanctity of the Manx Sabbath. It was decided to obtain the feeling of the inhabitants by plebiscite.

Rev. Harvey Carmichael, of Richmond, Que., is spending his holidays with relatives in Spencerville. Next Sunday he will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church.

A lawn social under the auspices of the united congregations of Spencerville, Ventnor and Roebuck, was held on the manse lawn, Spencerville, on the evening of Wednesday, July 6th. A splendid musical programme was rendered, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Keith, Prescott, Rev. Mr. Mix, Brinestien's Corners, Rev. Mr. Hicks, of the Methodist church, Dr. J. D. Reid, M.P., and Mr. G. H. Ferguson, M.L.A. The social was a most successful one in every particular.