

surrounded by the brethren, engaged in solemn prayer. Mr. K. McLennan knelt and was by the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery and earnest prayer, solemnly set apart to the office of the holy ministry and commended for guidance and success therein to the grace of God. The Moderator gave to Mr. McLennan the right hand of fellowship and in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the church, and by the authority of the Presbytery of Maitland invited him to take part in the Gospel Ministry and designated him as a Missionary of the Church to Honan, China. Rev. Jno. Ross addressed the newly ordained Missionary. He expressed satisfaction at the academic honours, B.A., B.D., to which he attained and spoke to him words of kindness, counsel and encouragement on what he called the missionary degree, D.D.D., devoutness, diligence and daring. He spoke of the importance and necessity of deep and earnest personal piety, of diligence and activity in the work of the Lord, of holy boldness and steadfastness, and bade him God-speed in the work to reinforce the band of missionaries already in the field, "Go and the Lord be with you." Rev. J. Malcolm addressed the assembly present. He spoke of Foreign Mission work in general, the vastness of the field, the accessibility of foreign fields of labor and the duty and responsibility of Christian people to spread the message of salvation. The Rev. Dr. MacDonald, representing the Foreign Mission Committee, addressed the congregation also. He spoke of the benefits of foreign mission work—commercially, spiritually and socially, of the difficulties to be met and overcome, of the natives' hatred of foreigners, of the duty of the Church to sustain the missionaries by liberal giving and earnest prayer. Dr. MacDonald, in the name of the Foreign Mission Committee and the Presbyterian Church in Canada presented the missionary-elect with a copy of the Word of God, a symbol of the power of Jehovah, God, that which elevates the nations and evangelizes the world. His closing words to the missionary were "Do the work of the Lord faithfully." The newly ordained missionary signified his willingness to subscribe to the formula when asked to do so. The clerk was instructed to give to Rev. D. MacLennan a certificate of license and also certificate of ordination to be presented to the Presbytery of Honan. The clerk was instructed to give to Rev. W. D. Ballantyne, M.A., a Presbyterian certificate in accordance with his request.—JOHN MACNABH, Clerk.

Presbytery of Whitby.

THE regular quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of Whitby was held on the 18th inst., in St. Paul's church, Bowmanville. Mr. Perrin, of Pickering, Moderator in the chair. The attendance of ministers was good, but there were few elders. Most of the business was routine, such as report of Presbytery, treasurer's report of the commissioners to Assembly and payment of their expenses, and reports of standing committees. The members of these different committees are as follows:—State of Religion—Messrs. Leslie, Fraser and their elders, also the Newcastle elder. Sabbath Schools—Messrs. McKen, Phalen and elders; Home Missions—Messrs. Fraser, Abraham, McLaren and elders; Systematic Benevolence and Statistics—Messrs. Kippen, Eastman and elders; Sabbath Observance—Messrs. Chisholm, Whiteman and elders; Temperance—Messrs. Perrin, Smith and elders; Finance—Messrs. Eastman, Treasurer and elders Armiston and Hare. The first named in each committee to be Convener. The Rev. Mr. Allen, of Newcastle, tendered his resignation on account of his wife's health and the doctor's recommendation of change of climate. Congregation to be cited to appear for their interests before special meeting of Presbytery to be held at Newcastle on Aug. 8th. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Fraser, it was resolved to nominate a committee to invite the Young People's Societies in the various congregations to meet in convention on the day previous to the next regular

meeting of Presbytery. The Presbytery adjourned to meet at Oshawa and within the Presbyterian church there, on the third Tuesday in October, at 10 o'clock a.m. — J. McMEERAN, Clerk.

Church Dispute Settled.

A CASE which excited considerable interest in the maritime provinces has been settled. The dispute between the trustees and the session of the Presbyterian church at Hampton, is referred to. Judgment was given by J. T. Melish, J.P., G. S. McQuarrie, J.P., concurring:—The justices held that the Incorporation Act gave the trustees authority only over the management of the temporal affairs of the church; also, that the Act recognized the existence of the Presbytery and the session in express words and made mention of divine service on the Sabbath day. In the Book of Rules of the Presbyterian church it is laid down that the session is responsible to the Presbytery for the use made of the church edifice and is entitled to the custody of the key. The session is also to have the oversight of the Sabbath schools and to determine all matters touching the order of public worship. A church edifice is for the purposes of divine worship, especially on the Sabbath day. Were the trustees justified in closing the church and preventing the Sabbath school from meeting and divine worship from being celebrated from May to October pending the appeal to the Synod in the matter of the Rev. Mr. McLean's resignation? Had they a right to refuse to give up the key? Under all the circumstances of the case, the magistrate thought the session or their representatives acted under a fair and reasonable supposition that they had a right to do the act complained of, viz.: forcing the lock of the church. The case was therefore dismissed.

French Evangelization.

THE following circular has been issued to the Board:

To Sabbath school superintendents and teachers,—We have pleasure in sending you herewith a copy of the last Annual Report of the Board of French Evangelization. We hope that you will find in it much that will be helpful in deepening the interest of your scholars in this department of the Church's Missionary work. As will be seen, the work among the young in the mission day schools, and at Pointe aux Trembles has been greatly blessed of God, and is very encouraging. Is not this a call to the Sabbath school scholars of our Church to put forth greater efforts to help give the Gospel to their compatriots of French origin and of their own generation? Sixteen dollars a month will support a teacher in a mission school. Are there not Sabbath schools that will undertake this? Fifty dollars will maintain a pupil in the Pointe aux Trembles school. Are there not many more Sabbath schools that will undertake this? Will not schools, for which the above would be too much, undertake the partial support of a teacher or pupil? Will not every school make at least a generous contribution? Relying upon your hearty co-operation, we commend to your sympathy and prayers this important matter. Yours sincerely,

D. H. MACVUR, D.D., LL.D.,

Chairman,
S. J. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

Contributions to be addressed to the treasurer, the Rev. Robt. H. Warlen, D.D., Box 1833, Post Office, Montreal.

The Congregation.

AT communion in St. Andrew's church, Peterborough, 18 members were received.

REV. A. H. KIPPAN of Claremont, Ont., preached in Knox church, Stratford, the last two Sabbaths.

THE postponed union picnic of the Presbyterian and Congregational Sabbath schools was held yesterday, at Idyl Wild.

THE Sunday school teachers of the Presbyterian church, Valleyfield, gave an excursion on the 15th ult. to Port Louis.

A CHRISTIAN ENDFAVOUR picnic went from Guelph to Elora on Thursday last.

THE Presbyterian garden party on the ground of Dr. Howland, Huntsville, on Tuesday evening was successful as to attendance and finances.

IT is reported that the congregation of the First Presbyterian church, Chatham, intend presenting their pastor with a free ticket to the World's Fair.

WESTWORTH Presbyterian church Sabbath school held its annual picnic at Alustle park, on Wednesday of last week; 200 teachers and children went out on the H. and D.

REV. J. A. McKEN, of Orono, is spending a month's vacation in Nova Scotia. His congregation very generously presented him with a purse of money on the eve of his departure.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH Choir gave a moonlight excursion on the Steamer Carleton on Wednesday evening, last week. A good musical programme was furnished.

REV. DR. PATON, whose fame as a devoted missionary is world wide, is to address the people of Belleville in St. Andrew's church on Wednesday, August 9th, at 8 p.m. No one should fail to profit by this great treat which is in store for our citizens.

MISS ALICE CAMERON, sister of Rev. C. J. Cameron, of Brockville, and Miss Elliott of Boston, Mass., left for Chicago to witness the sights at the World's Fair. Miss Cameron will not return for about three months.

REV. W. J. DEY, M.A., pastor of St. Paul's church, Sincoc, has been laid aside through sickness since June 11th. About the middle of July he was able to go to the seaside (Peak's Island and Rutland), where he is at present, hoping to return to work in good condition at the beginning of September.

THE ladies of the Presbyterian church, Penetanguishene, are to be congratulated on the very successful garden party given by them in Mr. C. A. Nettleton's grove on Thursday 20th ult. The evening was all that could be desired. The beautiful spot was made more attractive by rows of Chinese lanterns hung from the branches. Ample supply of ice-cream, etc. Music was furnished by the citizen's band. Proceeds \$45.

REV. R. HENDERSON, the popular and efficient Presbyterian minister of Auburn, is enjoying his vacation at Bayfield, that beautiful but not the immortally pious town on the shores of the majestic Huron. No doubt it is an excellent retreat from the cares of life and for contemplating the lighter side of life before launching on the unknown sea of matrimony from whose bourne no Canadian traveller ever returns owing to a well founded objection to the laws of divorce.—COM.

REV. ALEXANDER KAY, of Chicago, occupied the pulpit of Chalmers church on the 23rd ult., and gave most interesting and instructive account of the recent Christian Endeavor convention at Montreal. He touched on the question of Sabbath observance in connection with the World's Fair, and said that the convention exercised a strong influence in the final vote. He also spoke on the temperance question. Mr. Kay's hearers were greatly delighted with his remarks.

For Forty-nine Years an Elder.

THE congregation of Toledo, Presbytery of Brockville, has sustained a great loss in the death of their esteemed elder, Mr. John Hunter. Mr. Hunter was a ripe Christian character and honorably filled the office of elder for forty-nine years. During all these years the confidence which the people had in him as a ruling elder never wavered, and during his trying and lingering illness, which he bore with true Christian patience, and affectionate people anxiously watched the progress of his disease. He was one of the men the church can ill afford to lose, whose Christian example and influence shall always make righteousness more attractive and wrong doing more offensive in the minds of those who knew him.