

## WINNIPEG AND WEST.

Presbyterianism is growing rapidly in the capital of the Prairie province. Carter Avenue church, opened last Sunday by Rev. Dr. Bryce, is the eleventh built under the auspices of the Winnipeg Church Extension Association since 1904.

At a recent meeting of the High River, Alta., Presbytery, according to the *Nan-to, Alta.*, News of Oct. 15, a resolution was passed placing upon record the profound sorrow of the Presbytery at the accidental death of Malcolm McDiarmid of Willow Creek (formerly of Martintown, Ont.), on Sept. 5, and its sense of the great loss sustained by the Beaver Creek mission field and by the entire Presbyterian community within the district by his sudden removal. The Presbytery expressed its high appreciation of his unvarying helpfulness and unstinted generosity to the churches, missionaries and work throughout many years, and owes its gratitude to God for the gift of his life, marked by such humility, courtesy and usefulness and established Christian integrity and charity. The Presbytery extends its deepest sympathy to the bereaved friends, commending them to the God of all comfort and peace.

As in the East so in the West partisans are none too particular as to the means used to carry their point. At Edmonton "dodgers" were circulated at the church doors bearing the words: "A vote for Oliver is a vote against Rev. Dr. Pringle and all Christian missionaries—vote for Hyndman." At the evening service Rev. Dr. McQueen denounced this campaign dodge. "I wish to enter a vigorous protest," said Dr. McQueen, "on behalf of my friend, Rev. Dr. Pringle, whom I have known for twenty years, and also on behalf of myself as a missionary of the Presbyterian Church, against the publication of a dodger which has been scattered this morning before the doors of the Edmonton churches and on the streets of the city. Without regard to the political party responsible for this, I want to say that this method of conducting a political campaign must of necessity be deplored by every respectable citizen."

## WHITBY PRESBYTERY.

Whitby Presbytery met in the Presbyterian Church, Oshawa, Tuesday, 20th inst. Moderator J. H. Borland, Columbus, presided and read Ps. 103. Rev. Dr. Abraham offered prayer. Rev. Dr. Lyle, Hamilton, delivered an inspiring address on the Forward Missionary Movement. Committee set before the church the raising of \$500,000 a year for Home Work and \$500,000 a year to evangelize 12,000,000 heathen by a weekly offering for Missions in every congregation. 25¢ per family per week would raise the entire sum. Whitby Presbytery's share is \$11,600. A committee was appointed to deal with the question. Mr. Brown is chairman. Rev. Dr. Abraham moved a vote of thanks to the speaker, which was carried. Rev. Dr. McTavish, Toronto, and Mr. Gordon, Manager of Dominion Bank, Whitby, were present representing the churches committee on Evangelism. Rev. J. Hodges said the Presbytery was most fortunate in having with it the representatives of both these committees. Back of the Missionary problem and the problem of giving and the laymen's movement lay the Spirit of Evangelism. His Honor, Judge McIntyre, was present and spoke on behalf of the Board of Knox College for increased givings to that institution. After routine business Presbytery adjourned to meet in Pickering, Jan. 3, 1909.

## HAMILTON NOTES.

The brick-work on the new St. James' Church is nearing completion.

Rev. D. R. Drummond preached at Waterdown on Sunday morning exchanging with Rev. Mr. Anthony. Mr. Anthony has been called to Scarborough.

The elections are over. The campaign has been a strenuous one. Hamilton ministers, however, had wisdom enough to refrain from dragging party issues into their pulpits.

The 13th Regiment and the 91st Highlanders paraded to divine service held in Central Presbyterian Church on Sunday the 1st inst. An immense crowd of people witnessed the parade.

St. Giles' Congregation expect their building to be ready for occupancy very shortly. Rev. A. C. Cameron, of Toronto, was the preacher the last two Sabbaths.

Mr. H. M. Paulin delighted large congregations at Chalmers and Barton churches on Sunday, Oct. 25th. Mr. Paulin is the student who had charge of Knox Mission for two summers.

## MONTREAL AND QUEBEC.

As already intimated, the 25th anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. James Barclay, D.D., will be celebrated by a congregational gathering on Nov. 9th, when Dr. and Mrs. Barclay will both be fittingly remembered.

Professor Charles Bieler, recently from Paris, successor to the late Professor Consirat, at the Presbyterian College, occupied the pulpit of St. John's church last Sunday evening. The new professor is a strong and eloquent preacher.

On Friday afternoon a meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's church, Quebec, was one of special interest and was largely attended. The meeting was made the occasion for the presentation of new pulpit robes consisting of a Geneva gown and cassock, imported from Edinburgh, to the pastor, the Rev. A. T. Love, B.A. The president of the Ladies' Aid, Miss Scott, in making the presentation on behalf of the Aid, acknowledged the kindly interest Mr. Love had always manifested in the work of the Ladies' Aid, and expressed the hope that he would long continue minister of St. Andrew's. The Rev. Mr. Love, in accepting the handsome gift, expressed his cordial and heartfelt thanks, at the same time recalling that this was one of the many acts of kindness that he had received from the hands of the ladies during his pastorate. He also expressed, on behalf of his congregation, his warm appreciation of the noble work that the Aid had done in the advancement of the church's interest since the inception of the Ladies' Aid Society, about twenty-four years ago.

## A REST CURE.

In giving due credit to the wonderful remedial Springs of Europe we are apt to lose sight of the value of the ones nearer home. About one thousand springs of various medicinal virtues exist in America. Of one of them Hare's System of Therapeutics (1891), page 523, thus speaks: "A number of Saline Springs exist in America and Europe, very strong water of this kind being the St. Catharines Well in Canada, which contains about 275 grains sodium chloride to the pint, as well as 135 grains calcium chloride. Its prototype in Europe is the celebrated Kreutznach Springs in Prussia, which contains about 110 grains sodium chloride (Kurbrennen)." Other references are Encyclopaedia Britannica, Appleton's American Encyclopaedia, The Allbutts System of Medicine, etc. The Grand Trunk Railway System's trains run direct to St. Catharines and further information can be obtained from their representatives. Apply to J. Quinlan, D.P.A. G. T. Ry., Montreal.

## BETHEL CHURCH RE-OPENING.

The 25th inst., was a red letter day in the history of Bethel Church, Provo Line, of which Rev. Gustavus Munro, D.D., is the pastor. The day was all that could be desired for the re-opening of the building, which had been undergoing an extensive renovation during the greater part of the summer, and people of all denominations for miles around turned out to hear Rev. Dr. Milligan, of Toronto, at 3 p.m., and Rev. Dr. Ross, of St. Andrew's Church, London, at 7.30 p.m. At both services this commodious, historical structure was more than filled, many having stood at the windows outside, and some simply waited for their friends who had been able to secure an entrance. The occasion was not merely the re-opening of a beautifully renovated church, but was at the same time the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the organization of a congregation, of which the father of the late Dr. Proudfoot was pastor, along with Vanneck, and what was then known as the village of London. The occasion was also the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of Dr. Milligan's ordination and induction to the pastorate of this congregation and that of Vanneck. It was evident to all that the years, through the mercies of a kind Providence, had dealt kindly by Dr. Milligan, who the same day preached twice in the First Presbyterian Church, London, and drove nine miles each way between London and Bethel without any apparent diminution of his oldtime vigor. Dr. Ross, who is a man also abundant in labors, was able to accomplish a like task, preaching in his own church in the forenoon and at Bethel in the evening to an appreciative audience, with his usual power and unction.

## TORONTO.

Mr. Norman McEachern, of Knox College, has been preaching with much acceptance in the Woodville church the last two Sundays.

The Knox College site, which was offered some time ago to an English syndicate for a departmental store, has been sold to the syndicate. The sale price is said to be \$185,000.

The annual meeting of the Gwalior Mission, India, was held recently in the lecture hall of Old St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. J. K. Macdonald, president, welcomed the audience, which thronged the hall. Letters of regret at inability to be present were read from Sir W. Mortimer Clark and Rev. John Penn. Mr. J. Cuthbertson presented an encouraging financial report. Dr. Stenhouse read a lengthy report from Dr. John Wilkie, describing the progress of the mission since it was established in March, 1905. Some 320 native converts have been enrolled and a training class of native evangelists organized, who are co-operating in the work. T. West gave an account of the visit which he and Mrs. West paid last winter to the mission.

Rev. Dr. Lyle left Friday for the Northwest, and will be away for a few weeks. He is a convener of the Augmentation Committee. The Synods of Manitoba and Saskatchewan are meeting at the present time and he will address them in the interests of the Augmentation Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

Did you ever hear of a man who had striven all his life faithfully and singly toward an object, and in no measure obtained it? If a man constantly aspires, is he not elevated? Did ever a man try heroism, magnanimity, truth, sincerity, and find that there was no advantage in them—that it was a vain endeavor?—Thoreau.