

THE CHURCH ABROAD.

Rose-street Church, Glasgow, has now upon its roll between 1,100 and 1,200 members.

Rev. Robert Stewart, Dalmony, has been appointed assistant to Rev. A. B. Campbell, Free Church, Markinch.

Rev. W. M. Paton, Abernethy, has accepted a call from the Sandyford U. P. congregation, Glasgow.

The Rev. A. Scott Macpherson presided at a service of praise given in Maryhill U. P. Church, Glasgow.

The Rev. Duncan Cameron, B.D., Kames Kyles of Bute, has accepted a call from Tobermory Parish Church.

The Rev. Mr. Stewart, Crieff, has been appointed assistant to the Rev. D. P. M'Lees, in the North Parish Church, Stirling.

Rev. Dr. Paul, Roxburgh, has accepted the Colonial Mission appointment offered him some time ago, and he has now left on four months' leave of absence for Jamaica.

The Rev. Andrew Aitken, M.A., assistant, Barclay Free Church, Edinburgh, has been ordained as minister of Cambusnothan Free Church, Wishaw.

A series of evangelistic services were conducted by the Rev. David Pirret, Glasgow, in Bridge-street Church, Musselburgh. A large number of young persons joined the church at the communion last Sabbath.

The Glasgow U. P. Presbytery, on the motion of Dr. A. R. MacEwen, passed a resolution agreeing to co-operate with the Free Presbytery in the provision of the church accommodation which the growth of the city renders necessary.

The Rev. John M'Neil has accepted an invitation from the Sheffield Young Men's Christian Association to conduct a mission in that city extending from February 2nd to the 16th. The Albert Hall has been secured for the meetings, of which there will be two daily.

A Meeting of the Free Presbytery was held in the Free High Church, Edinburgh for the purpose of moderating in a call for a colleague and successor to the Rev. Dr. W. C. Smith. The appointment of the Rev. R. S. Simpson, Turriff, is believed to be virtually assured.

The Rev. Dr. Cullen of Darlington has accepted the call to be colleague and successor to the Rev. J. B. Smith of Union-street United Presbyterian Church, Greenock.

During a thunderstorm on the 3rd inst. the spire of the United Presbyterian church, Ballshill, was struck by lightning and seriously damaged, about a couple of tons of masonry being displaced.

The Presbytery of Spain and Portugal met at Lisbon on the 20th November for the ordination of the Rev. Sam. Reid to the chaplaincy at RioTinto, rendered vacant by the resignation of the Rev. H. K. Laurie, M. A. A good congregation was assembled in the Mariannos Church to witness this the first Presbyterian ordination in Portugal, and to wish Mr. and Mrs. Reid all success in their future sphere of labor. Two native Portuguese pastors, the Rev. Messrs. Carvalho and Figueiredo were associated with the Presbytery on this occasion.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Ayr the Rev. James Millar, B.D., New Cumnock, was appointed Moderator. The Rev. S. M. Dill, Allea, referred to the death of the Rev. William Hendry, Patna. The Rev. W. O. Duncan made appropriate reference to the late Rev. John Wallace, Glenbuck.

Early in December, Miss Jones and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Maclean are expected to join the Free Church of Scotland missionary staff in Madras. The former comes in connection with the Girls' Boarding School to take the place of Miss Smart; the latter in connection with the evangelistic work.

A special meeting of the Kelso Free Church congregation was held for the purpose of filling up the vacancy caused by the translation to Greenock, some time ago of Rev. D. S. Adam. The following ten were proposed: Rev. John Watson, missionary; Rev. Morris Stuart, Edinburgh; Rev. David Hunter, Aberdeen; and Rev. Alexander Mackenzie, Glasgow. As a result of the vote there was a clear majority in favor of Mr. Watson.

A MARVELLOUS STATEMENT.

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