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## OTTAWA.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed in many of the city churches on Sabbath.

There were eleven additions to the membership of St. Paul's church, one by certificate and ten on profession of faith.

The following arrangements have been made for filling the pulpit of St. Andrew's church during the absence of the pastor: July 2 and 9, Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., Carleton Place; July 16 and 23, Rev. C. H. Cook, M.A., Smith's Falls; July 30 and Aug. 6, not yet arranged for; Aug. 13, 20 and 27, Rev. Donald Guthrie, D.D., Baltimore, Md.

The Sacrament of Baptism was administered in St. Andrew's church by the pastor on Sunday morning, May 21st. The water used in the ceremony was brought from the River Jordan, and was supplied through the kindness of Mrs. (Dr.) McLaren. The following is the list of baptisms: John Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson; John Stockand, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Melke; Helen Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Angus Mackenzie; Theodora, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Machado; Madeline Gillean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold W. Dudo; Norah Kathleen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Geo. S. MacCarthy; Alice Loudon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry MacLaren. Rev. Dr. Herridge preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion from the text, Ephesians 6:4, "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

At a congregational meeting of the members of St. Andrew's church, held last week, to deal with the enlargement of the church building, Rev. Dr. Herridge placed the question before the congregation in an impartial way. He showed that there was much to be said, on both sides, and claimed that, whether the meeting decided to enlarge or not, it should carefully consider the position of those who had signified their desire for sittings. In the discussion which followed, the weight of opinion inclined against the proposition for enlargement. Hon. E. H. Bronson strongly favored the project, holding that though all the pews might not be taken, it would be an advantage for a church like St. Andrew's to have some spare sittings. Messrs. Crannell, G. L. Orme, Jas. Gibson and W. D. Hogg held that the residential part of the city is growing away from St. Andrew's, Toronto, and other churches in this connection. A resolution was unanimously carried, on motion of Messrs. Crannell and Orme, declaring against enlargement, but urging upon the Pew-letting Committee the necessity of communicating with all pew-holders and endeavoring to find sittings for those desiring them. The spirit of the meeting showed a genuine desire to provide accommodation for all who desire to make St. Andrew's their church home.

A large and important meeting of the Home Missionary society of St. Andrew's church was held Friday afternoon. Mrs. Walter Bronson, the president, presided. After routine, interesting letters were read from Dr. Carmichael of Winnipeg, and Mrs. Siddons, president of the Ladies Aid society of the church at Swan River, Manitoba. It was decided that the bequest of \$1,000 from the late Mrs. H. F. Bronson be invested in a memorial to be called Bronson Memorial fund. The treasurer was instructed to forward \$200 towards the salary of Rev. Dr. Johnston at Swan River church, which is the special charge of the society. Mrs. W. A. Melroy read an original and interesting paper on Our Attitude as Christians in a Missionary Way During the Summer Months, which was greatly appreciated.

The various committees for the booths in connection with the Calendar fair, to be held in November, were arranged for. The following is the order for the different months: January, white wear and babies' wear; February, bath robes, outing flannels, flannel goods and kitchen aprons; March, fish pond; April Japanese umbrellas and handkerchiefs; May candy; June, cut flowers and potted plants; July, ice cream; August, fancy paper; September, fancy work; October, home-made cooking, jams, jellies and pickles; November, art needlework, and December, a Christmas tree. In the old Sunday school hall a special booth for refreshments will be erected.

At the meeting of the Montreal Methodist Conference in this city last week, Rev. Dr. Armstrong and Rev. J. W. H. Milne, representing the Ottawa Presbyterian Ministerial association, conveyed brotherly greetings to the conference. Rev. Dr. Armstrong said the time has long passed when one denomination looks upon the success of other congregations with anything but feelings of profound thankfulness, joy and gratitude. The spirit of Wesley and of Methodism had entered into other denominations. He came out unqualifiedly in favor of union of Methodists and Presbyterians. "These," he said, "are the courting days of union that is to come. I believe such union is desirable, possible and inevitable and it must come in its own good time." Rev. Mr. Milne seconded the greetings extended by Rev. Dr. Armstrong. Methodists and Presbyterians, he said, had much in common. The Presbyterians have learned from the Methodists and are not so slow and pokey as they once were. They have also learned the spirit of good fellowship. He too said he was strongly in favor of union which he said was only what common and Christian sense would teach. The churches would be compelled to combine to fight the combined powers of evil. Rev. Dr. Wm. Jackson and Rev. Dr. Ryckman moved a resolution expressing reciprocation of the warm sentiments extended by the Presbyterian ministers. In doing so both spoke in favor of church union which was also endorsed by the president in presenting the appreciation to the visitors. On motion of Rev. E. Thomas the conference will send a deputation to convey greetings to the Presbyterian general assembly which is called to meet in Kingston next week.

By the death of Mr. John Scott, Toronto, Koor Street Presbyterian church receives a legacy of \$1,000.

The death is reported in Vermont of Rev. Charles E. Sewell, a Presbyterian missionary, aged 20. In February last he was married to Miss Susie Allen of Kingston. Deceased was well known in Pictou, Kingston and Napanee.

Mr. Edward Mowatt, son of Rev. Dr. Mowatt, of Montreal, was ordained at Stanley, York Co., N.B., last week, and is now in charge of the Presbyterian churches in that neighborhood. Another son is labouring as a missionary in China.

In a local paper Rev. James Bryant, formerly of Richmond, in the Ottawa Presbytery, but now of Prince Albert Presbytery, makes the following announcement: Last Sunday I was too sick to take my work. A missionary was sent out but he got lost and turned up at Colleton. As I wish to attend the General Assembly at Kingston, next Sabbath, Mr. James Evans will supply in Island Lake and Colleton the following Sabbath; Mr. Jamieson, Birch Hills. Later notice will be given from the pulpit.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. J. M. Whitelaw, B.D., of Omeenee is called to Centerville.

Rev. J. C. Tisd, of Toronto, took the service at Gore Bay last Sunday.

At Woodville, last Sunday, Rev. W. M. Kanawin preached a suitable sermon to the brethren of Ciccone lodge, I.O.O.F.

Rev. R. N. Grant, D.D., and Rev. J. H. White, M.A., will take part in a Sunday school convention to be held at Udney on 15th inst.

Anniversary sermons will be preached Sunday next at Napanee, morning and evening, by Rev. Dr. E. D. MacLaren, Toronto, General Secretary of Home Missions.

Rev. Geo. McGregor, B.D., has resigned his charge at Pickering and Broughton. The pulpit will be declared vacant on the first Sabbath of July. Rev. Murray Tait, M.A., of Clarendon, is interim moderator of session.

Rev. Hugh G. Crozier of Melville church, Scarborough, has accepted a call to Hamilton and Scotia in the Presbytery of Minnesota, and the pulpit will be declared vacant on the last Sabbath of June. Rev. W. R. Wood, of Dunbarton, has been appointed moderator of session during the vacancy.

At a meeting held to consider the subject (Revs. Cooper and Crozier representing Whitby Presbytery being present) it was decided by a vote of 19 to 4 not to disturb the present relations between St. Andrew's, Pickering, and the Broughton congregation.

At the meeting of Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery last week the call to Rev. W. W. Beek from Annapolis was sustained, and the transfer of Rev. M. H. Wilson, of Scotland and Midsburg, to Osgoode, in the Brockville Presbytery was agreed to. Rev. Dr. Campbell was appointed clerk in succession to Dr. Crombie. His address will be Perth.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. Geo. McNab, where the congregation of the Douglas church gathered for the purpose of presenting a china tea set to Mrs. Mackenzie, who was so faithful a member in the Foreign Mission Society connected with that church for the past eight years. The presentation was made by Mrs. G. Livingston, and the address read by Mrs. C. Mitchell, to which Mrs. Mackenzie made a very suitable reply.

The congregations of Knox church, Iroquois, took advantage of the thirtieth anniversary of the marriage of Rev. J. M. and Mrs. Macalister to manifest their appreciation and affection for their minister and his worthy wife. The manse was taken possession of by their many friends. The good will of the people found tangible expression in a well filled purse of gold, accompanied by many words of appreciation of eighteen years of faithful ministry.

A. D. McKenzie, M.A., of Montreal, a student volunteer for Foreign Missions, will (D.V.) visit the following places on the dates indicated for the purpose of addressing meetings to create a deeper and more intelligent interest in the great work of missions. No special collections are asked for, as friends in Toronto are paying Mr. McKenzie's expenses: June 18, Finch, morning; Cryder, afternoon. June 21, Alexandria, evening. June 25, Apple Hill, morning; Martintown, evening. July 2, Williamsburg, morning; Sumnerstown, evening. July 9, Woodlands, morning; Pleasant Valley, afternoon; Aultsville, evening. July 16, Lancaster, St. Andrew's church, morning and afternoon; Knox church, evening. July 23, Vankleek Hill, morning; East Hawkeburg, evening.