

Preached the sermon. After the ordination and induction of Mr. Leitch, he was addressed by Rev. A. Macallum, and Rev. James Cormach spoke to the congregation.

On the 1st June Presbytery ordained and inducted Mr. James W. McLean into the pastoral charge of Kirkhill congregation. On this occasion Rev. H. D. Leitch preached, Rev. A. Macallum spoke to the pastor, and Rev. David MacLaren addressed the congregation.

It was with great satisfaction that Glengarry welcomes from our colleges of Kingston, Montreal and Toronto respectively these three young men each of whom is gifted with the Gaelic tongue.

It is hoped that their pastorates may be long, and happy and much blessed.—DAVID MACLAREN, Clerk.

ORANGEVILLE PRESBYTERIAL W.F.M.S.

The semi-annual meeting of the Orangeville Presbyterial W.F.M.S. was held in Dundalk on Wednesday June 2nd 1897, Mrs. Elliott presiding. The chief features of the programme were Miss Henderson's (Chottenham) comprehensive report of the annual meetings, Mrs. Hamilton's (Erin) able paper entitled "Woman's Part in the Great Commission" and the valuable suggestions of Mrs. Bowie (Mount Forest) in her address on "How to deepen and extend the interest in mission work in our auxiliaries and congregations." The proceedings were varied and enlivened by a solo from Mrs. Fraser (Orangeville) and a duet by Mrs and Miss Bowerman of Dundalk.

Mrs. Lalor and Mrs. Fraser were appointed to prepare a minute on the death of Mrs. Ewart which they did as follows:—

It was with profound sorrow that we read in the public press of the decease of our beloved President Mrs. Ewart, who for the space of sixteen years so ably filled the chair at our annual meetings; and who was so eminently qualified both by nature and grace to be a leader in all that pertains to godliness. May her mantle like that of Elijah fall on some worthy successor who will fill her place to the full.

Rest, noble spirit, thy work is done,
The battle's fought, the victory's won.

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE.

This Presbytery met on 4th May. The formation of a new Presbytery proposed by the Presbytery of Lanark and Kenfrew was fully considered, and the following motion adopted. "That the Presbytery realizes the importance of the formation of a new Presbytery in the District indicated, and declares its willingness to support any well matured scheme when the time is ripe for the formation of the same."

Resignations of Commission to the General Assembly were received from Messrs. McLeod, Findlay, Dr. Clark, Ministers, George Grant M.A., T. McKee, W. Aikens Elders. In their stead were elected Messrs. G. B. Greig, S. McLean, R. N. Grant, Ministers. C. J. Miller, S. Elder, J. G. Hood Elders.

Next regular meeting at Barrie—Tuesday 6th July at 10.30 a.m.—Ronn. Moodie, Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF MAITLAND.

Met at Wingham, May 18. The resignation of Rev. A. Sutherland laid on the table at last meeting was taken up for consideration. Messrs. Dunoon, Murchison and John MacDonald, commissioners from the Session and congregation, were heard. A resolution of the congregation of Knox Church, Ripley, asking Mr. Sutherland to withdraw his resignation was presented by Mr. D. Murchison, and was warmly supported by the commissioners who spoke of the high esteem and love in which Mr. Sutherland is held by the congregation. The Presbytery expressed their desire that Mr. Sutherland should withdraw his resignation. Mr. Sutherland spoke with much tenderness of his attachment to his congregation and also the Presbytery, yet owing to the infirmation of age, being in the 81st year of his age and 52nd of his ministry he insisted on his resignation being accepted.

The Presbytery with much regret accepted the resignation to take effect

June 21st, and placed on record their high esteem for their venerable father and appreciation of his many excellent qualities, gifts and graces, as a faithful ambassador of Christ.

An overture to the General Assembly asking delay in the appointment of a permanent editor of Sabbath School literature, until nominations are made by all the Presbyteries of the church was adopted. Messrs. Miller and Malcolm were appointed to support the overture before Assembly.

The Presbytery expressed its appreciation of the labors of Rev. Murdoch MacKenzie, of Honan, in visiting so many of the congregation within the bounds and desires to convey to him its sincere thanks therefor.

Messrs. Anderson and Sutherland resigned their appointments as commissioners to the Assembly and the following were appointed commissioners: Rev. D. B. MacRae, J. Malcolm, D. Perrie and Mr. John Aitken Elder, Treasurer and Mr. John McNameara, of Ripley, was reported as a student within the bounds.

Mr. Murray was appointed interim Moderator of the Session of Knox Church, Ripley, and instructed to declare the pulpit vacant on June 27th.

Circulars were received from several Presbyteries, intimating their intention to ask leave of the General Assembly to receive as ministers of the Presbyterian Church in Canada:

8 ministers from the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., 1 from the U. P. Church, Scotland; 1 from Presbyterian Church, New South Wales; 1 from the Baptist Church; 1 from the Church of England and 1 from the Congregational Church. A report on the Statistical returns of the congregations was read, and on motion was received and adopted.

The next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Wingham July 20, at 11 a.m. John MacNab, Clerk.

Lucknow, May 22, 1897.

TORONTO McALL AUXILIARY.

The closing meeting, for the vacation months, of the Toronto Auxiliary of the Canadian McAll Association was held on Thursday afternoon, May 3rd. The President, Mrs. Duncan Clark, occupied the chair. An article on the Needs of France, read by Mrs. Howitt—told clearly and concisely the special religious conditions, opportunities and needs of France. The three chief needs of the present day seem to be: 1st. "The Old Gospel." 2nd. "Intelligent Study of God's Word." 3rd. "The Awakening of a Missionary Spirit;" while two great opportunities in the evangelization of France lie in, 1. The many devoted and thoroughly orthodox pastors and preachers and other Christian workers. 2. The whole machinery of the McAll Mission, which only needs to be extended and worked more and more by the French themselves to become a universal blessing."

An admirable account of the very successful and enthusiastic Annual Convention of the American McAll Association was read by Mr. Sills.

The speakers at this convention included Dr. Parkhurst of New York and Dr. Paden of Philadelphia, the address of the latter being founded upon personal experience of the work in Paris and contained an eloquent tribute to the share the McAll Mission has had in making the France of to-day a different France from that of 1871.

The bright and enthusiastic spirit of the Convention proved inspiring to the workers in Toronto.

At the close of the meeting an interesting bible reading was given by Mrs. Anderson, of the "China Inland Mission," on the subject of "Work." Miss Caven read a most encouraging letter from the general Treasurer in France, which is as follows:

April 21st, 1897.
Dear Miss Caven.—I thank you much for yours of the 6th inst., with the draft for £192.11 enclosed from your Association. It is most cheering to see that you have been able to increase your collections this year, and we are very grateful to you for your steadfast help and fellowship in this work in France, which is so greatly needed, more than ever—a sin seems to us.
We are hoping to end up this year practically free of debt. I cannot quite

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tell yet, as I have not all the accounts in. It will be a great blessing if this is so, as we have been long burdened with a heavy deficit.

We are cheered by our outlook in spite of the many difficulties that surround us. The boat is doing well, most interesting meetings are being held in the country places on the upper part of the Seine, above Fontainebleau. The people are gathering nightly in good numbers. On Monday last, Easter Monday, Mr. Greig went with some of his young people. They had the boat crowded out, and a most interesting time. The young people had their fiddles and instruments, and the country folk were enchanted to hear these Parisians singing the hymns with go and liveliness with the accompaniments. It was all so new to them.

We have good news from Mr. Durrelman as from many country stations. Let us pray and labour on in faith and patience, and God will bless and water his own seed sown.

With Christian regards, believe me, yours very truly,

W. Soltau.

OBITUARY.

The Rev. Samuel Jones, Brussels, Ont., died May 22nd, 1897. He was born in Kingston, Seymour, Wales, in 1808, was brought up among the Welsh Calvinistic Methodists, and when a young lad began a life of Christian activity and usefulness. In 1833 he was ordained in the Baptist Church, and labored as a missionary in Lancashire and Yorkshire, England. In 1836, he crossed the Atlantic, and for 7 years labored with the Baptist denomination at Elizabethtown, N. Y., and then removed to Canada, preaching at Beamsville and St. Mary's, when in 1866 he applied for admission to the ministry of the Presbyterian Church, and was received by the Synod at Hamilton. He was inducted into the pastorate of Knox Church, Ainsleyville, now Brussels, on May 7th, 1867, where he labored with diligence, fidelity and success for twenty years, retiring from the active duties of the ministry owing to the infirmities of advancing years, with the approval of the General Assembly, in 1887. In 1892 he was inducted into the eldership of Melville Church, Brussels. Mr. Jones was an able preacher, clear simple and forcible in style, an earnest and faithful pastor, and was a man of deep humility. By his genial disposition and courteous manner, he brought sunshine to all with whom he associated. He was by his co-presbyters beloved and esteemed as a venerable father. His memory fragrant with the graces that adorned his long and fruitful life will live for many a year. His end was peace.