

## Western Ontario.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart, of Toronto, preached in the U. P. church, Galt, on Sunday.

Rev. J. M. Millar has sent in his resignation as pastor of the Presbyterian church, Norwich.

Rev. R. J. M. Glassford of Guelph preached the pre-communion services at Berlin recently.

Rev. W. R. McIntosh, B.D., of Elora, conducted anniversary services in Chalmers' church, Guelph, on Sunday.

Anniversary services were held at Crosshill last Sabbath, which were conducted by Rev. J. R. Gilchrist, B.A., Waterloo.

Knox church services, Galt, were conducted by Rev. W. E. Knowles, B.D. His evening subject was "Lessons from the War."

Rev. W. J. Clark has announced that on Oct. 8 a debating class would be started in the lecture room of the First church, London. All young men over 16 years of age may attend it.

Rev. Wm. Gauld, of Formosa, left for the island last week, after a year's rest. He is accompanied by Mrs. Gauld and daughter. The two sons remain in London to be educated.

Rev. J. C. Tibb, pastor of the Eglington Presbyterian church, is down with typhoid fever. Mr. Tibb is receiving very careful attention, and is reported to be doing as well as could be expected.

St. Andrew's and St. Paul's, Vaughn, has extended a call to Rev. W. G. Bach, of Ottawa Presbytery, promising stipend of \$700 and a manse. The call was sustained. Mr. Bach is a Queen's graduate.

The series of sermons on Old Testament types and characters applied to present day questions, by Rev. Neil McPherson, St. Paul's, Hamilton, began on Sunday. Subject: "Pilate, the man who compromised."

Rev. Dr. Johnston, of St. Andrew's, London, preached the first sermon of the series on the Ten Commandments, which he some time ago announced. The sermon last Sunday night was introductory to the series.

The Rev. A. Baird, professor in Manitoba college, Winnipeg, arrived at the home of his father, Mr. C. Baird, of Motherwell, on Saturday afternoon of last week, and left again on Monday. He occupied the pulpit in the church on Sunday and delivered a powerful and eloquent sermon.

Rev. Dr. Talling, pastor of Kew Beach Presbyterian church, who left on Tuesday of last week for a two months' trip to Boston and St. John, N. B., was tendered a farewell reception by his congregation. Many appreciative references to Dr. Talling were made by the speakers.

At the annual thanksgiving meeting in St. Andrew's church, London, W. F. M. S., on Thursday evening, Mrs. McCrae, of Guelph, delivered an address. A collection of over \$80 was taken up. During the evening Miss Harston and Mrs. Brown sang very acceptably. Mrs. D. B. Dewar was presented with a life membership in the society, of which she has always been a faithful member.

Knox church, Galt, Board of Managers met Friday evening in the session rooms, a committee of the Ladies' Aid being present at the meeting, when it was resolved to light the church with electricity, using two large, handsome, 36-light chandeliers. Clusters of electric lamps will also be placed around the walls in the gallery and underneath. The contract for the work will be let at once.

At Thamesford the induction of Rev. T. A. Watson, as pastor of St. Andrew's church, took place in the presence of a congregation which completely filled the church. Rev. Dr. Johnston, of London, acted as moderator, and there were a number of the clergymen of the presbytery in attendance. Rev. J. G. Stuart, of South London, preached the sermon, after which the usual induction ceremony was conducted, the right hand of fellowship being extended to Mr. Watson at the close of it by the members of the presbytery. Rev. W. J. Clark addressed the minister, and Dr. Johnston addressed the people. Rev. Mr. Lindsay, of Kintore, closed with an earnest prayer. Subsequently Mr. Watson was introduced to the congregation and tea was served by the ladies. A platform meeting following the induction, was addressed by Dr. Johnston, Rev. Mr. Patterson, of Embro, Rev. Mr. Lindsay, of Kintore, and a number of others. The Presbyterians of Thamesford are looking forward to a good work being carried on under the direction of Mr. Watson.

French work was found to be in a very encouraging state, and arrangements were made at a meeting of the Presbytery of Quebec for the supply of fields.

## Maritime Provinces.

Rev. W. Hamilton is to supply Tabusaitae, N. B., for three months.

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces met at Chatham, N. B., last week.

Rev. T. Hunter Boyd, of Waweig, N. B., was married recently to a Miss Woods of England.

St. Luke's church, Bathurst, N. B., has called Mr. H. R. Reid. He has accepted, and the ordination will take place on October 15.

The engagement of Rev. A. S. Morton, of St. John, son of Dr. Morton, of Trinidad, to Miss Cushing, of Honetar, Me., is announced.

Miramichi Presbytery has nominated Rev. A. F. Can as Moderator of Synod. It also approves of the appointment of a Synodical S. S. Field Secretary.

A very successful convention of Y. P. S. and and S. S. workers connected with the Presbytery of Wallace was held at Amherst, Sept. 3rd and 4th. About 50 delegates attended out of the 13 congregations of the Presbytery.

Mr. Geo. H. Archibald is to hold "a workers' week" at Yarmouth, N. S., for Sept. 30th to Oct. 7th, and after spending two weeks more in Nova Scotia will visit St. John Oct. 20th to Nov. 4th. His theme at all meetings is "the study of the Child." Our S. S. workers and parents generally, have yet to awaken to the importance of this subject.

The Presbyterian Synod met at Chatham, N. B., and elected the Rev. Dr. Morton, the Trinidad missionary, as moderator. The Rev. D. S. Fraser moved, seconded by the Rev. Principal Pollok, a resolution affirming the principle of appointing a Sabbath School field secretary to labor within the bounds of a synod. Principal Pollok and Elder Lawson spoke in favor of the resolution, and the Rev. H. T. Grant, the Rev. Mr. Dustan and the Rev. D. Wright against it. The Rev. D. McGregor wanted more light, and the Rev. T. F. Fotheringham proceeded to give it in a lengthy speech.—The Witness.

The annual meeting of the W. F. M. S. (Eastern Division) was held in Picton last Wednesday and Thursday. One hundred and seven delegates were present. Miss Blackadar was present and gave an interesting address on the work in Trinidad. The total amount raised during the year was \$11,274.28. This sum was ordered to be handed over to the Foreign Mission Committee. The happy result of this is that the debt of \$19,000 of last year is wiped out and a balance of over \$2,000 is left. The gift exceeds the estimate of the Committee by \$1,927.23. Mrs. Robt. Baxter was elected president and Mrs. R. A. (Prof.) Falconer corresponding secretary.

Rev. James Cameron, M.A., B.D., died at his late residence on Borden street yesterday afternoon, after a lingering illness. Mr. Cameron, when he graduated was double gold medalist at McGill College. His first charge was at Millbrook and eventually where he was pastor for fifteen years. From there he came to Toronto, but on account of illness took no permanent charge. He was a preacher of more than average ability, and greatly devoted to his work, until declining health compelled him to retire from the active duties of the ministry. The interment took place at Lancaster.

"It is seldom," says the Montreal Witness, "that there is such a widespread sense of loss associated with the death of a man in the prime of life as prevails in Eastern Ontario and the Ottawa valley, and largely in Montreal, over the sudden ending of the earthly career of the Rev. J. McLeod, of Vankleek Hill, called directly by misadventure from the scene of those urgent activities in which he had shown himself to be a natural leader of men. Aided by no adventitious circumstances, his own nobility of personality was rapidly impressing itself on the community in such a way as to make men say that a thousand men could be more easily spared than he. Not that he did anything ostentatious or out of the way. He simply and modestly, and with determination, took the right side in all things, and what lay next to hand he did well and truly. The best hope is that there is something in the fall of leaders to inspire others to step to the front by emulating their fortitude and faithfulness."

The memorial stone of Brechin Cathedral restoration was laid on Saturday with masonic ceremonies.

## British and Foreign Items.

Langholm U. P. congregation are to celebrate their centenary on Oct. 21st.

Sir Charles Cameron, M. P., says cycling is his main sport—35 miles a day.

Darvel U. P. church has been re-christened "Irvinebank United Free Church."

In course of alterations at Glasgow harbor the remains of Cromwell's fort have been found.

The Roman Catholics of Glasgow are to be appealed to abolish wakes in the meantime.

A bazaar in aid of Bonhill U. P. church has raised £800, being £300 more than aimed at.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has offered £100 towards an organ for Lochgelly Established church.

It is 49 years since the Queen completed the purchase of Balmoral from the late Earl of Fife.

The Glasgow U. P. Presbytery, on the 11th ult., unanimously adopted the overture on union.

The Glasgow Bible Training Institute has 75 students this season, 60 of whom are young women.

Saltcoats Free Gaelic congregation have adopted for the church a new designation, South Beach church.

At Ardrossan a man who pulled a tipsy chap from in front of the Arran express was rewarded with a black eye.

Rev. George Williams, Ferryden Free Church, has accepted the call to Candlish Memorial church, Glasgow.

The issue of Rev. C. H. Spurgeon's sermons has now reached the unrivalled number of 2,689, or 544 monthly parts.

It is at Wick and Thurso that you begin to notice the absence of trees which makes the special feature of Caithness-shire.

During the past year the visitors to Carlyle's birthplace at Ecclefechan numbered 1300, a decrease of 42 from last year.

Rev. Dr. Black, of Inverness, is directing a lance against church bazaar raffles on the ground that these encourage the gambling instinct.

An Aberdeen Lady, Mrs. Marshall, the wife of an insurance agent, died from excitement while awaiting the arrival of the Queen at Ferryhill Junction.

"Never mind the fire, but bring me doon ma watch and ma box," was the request of a servant at a coast residence where a slight outbreak of fire occurred.

Dr. Caesar, Tranent, has been entertained to dinner at Haddington by the Established Presbytery of Haddington in celebration of his ministerial jubilee.

At the Free Presbytery meeting the other day Dr. Gibson, Stirling, received the hearty congratulation of the members on attaining his jubilee, as an elder.

The Rev. H. B. Gray, for eleven years pastor of Lochwinnoch U. P. congregation, has received a call to the first charge of Auckland Presbyterian church, New Zealand.

The sanitary inspector of Forfarshire is anxious that Auchmithie ("The Musselraig" of the "Antiquary") should be carefully whitewashed and otherwise disinfected.

The Currie parish church congregation propose to erect a hall as a memorial to the late Lieut. Gibson Craig, jr., of Riccarton, 3rd Royal Scots, who died in South Africa.

Many of the Free and U. P. congregations throughout the country are exercising their ingenuity in finding new names for their churches in view of the approaching union.

John Flood, one of the Irish revolutionists in the Fenian movement of 1860, died in Boston the other day so poor that his body would have been buried in Potter's Field but for the interposition of a local Irish society.

The widow of the Rev. Dr. John Thomson, for many years the esteemed pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian church, New York, has been a resident of Forres for some years. She has reached the age of 85 years.

Principal A. M. Fairbairn gives high praise to the editor's work in the new "Dictionary of the Bible." "Dr. Hastings," he says, "is evidently a diligent student of the English tongue. If he had not edited a dictionary of the Bible, he might well have directed himself to English lexicography. Some of the words, which are all selected from the authorised version, are here more fully treated in their older sense than in any completed dictionary of our tongue."