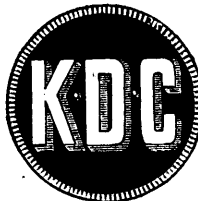




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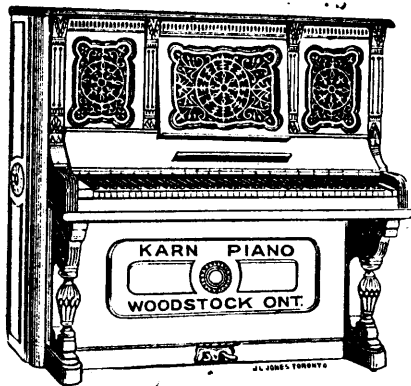
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Ministers and Churches.

Rev. J. McEwen is visiting Toronto, Owen Sound, etc.

Rev. Dr. McMullen, Woodstock, has returned from a six weeks' holiday.

On Friday evening last the Rev. Mr. Bethune, of Beaverton, lectured on Temperance at Woodville.

Mr. E. G. Malloch, of Perth, has presented the Presbyterian church of Douglas with a new bell.

The residence of Rev. Mr. Haddow, of Milton, was entered a few nights ago by burglars, and \$53 stolen.

Messrs. Telford and Robinson were ordained to the eldership of Skene church, on Wednesday evening of last week.

The Rev. Mr. Goodwillie, of Vernon, and pastor of the Presbyterian congregation there, was visiting Kenmore lately.

Rev. Peter Wright, of Portage la Prairie, preached both morning and evening in Knox church, Winnipeg, to large congregations.

Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of Tara, has received a call from the Presbyterian congregation at Orangeville. The salary promised is \$1,200.

Rev. James Binnie, M.A., B.D., of McDonald's Corners, Frontenac, was visiting his mother and brother and other friends in Glenelg, last week.

The anniversary services of St. James' Presbyterian Church, London, will be held on October 1st and 2nd. Rev. E. Sawers will take part.

Rev. A. MacWilliams, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Peterborough, has returned from his vacation, and occupied his pulpit at both services on Sunday.

Rev. George Bruce, St. John, N.B., assisted in the dedicatory services of the new Presbyterian church at Kincardine, Victoria county, on Sunday, 10th inst.

Rev. Mr. Rumball, of Morden, formerly of High Bluff, occupied Knox church pulpit, Portage la Prairie, on Sunday, 10th inst., in Rev. Mr. Wright's absence.

Rev. R. McNair, Carleton Place, arrived home from Chicago last week. He is greatly pleased with his visit to the great fair, and with what he saw there.

The election of three elders in Knox Presbyterian church, Calgary, on Sunday last, resulted in the choice of Messrs. Jas. Muir, Q.C., Joseph Ball and J. Grant MacKay.

Rev. Mr. McLean, Arncliffe, is away on a trip to the World's Fair. Before leaving a purse of considerably over \$100 was presented to him by his congregation.

Chalmers Church, Guelph, is prospering under the ministry of Rev. R. J. M. Glassford. At the last communion service thirty were added to the roll—14 by certificate and 16 on profession of faith.

A unanimous call to Rev. A. McKay, of Lucknow, from the congregation of Union Centre and Lochaber, in the Presbytery of Pictou, N.S., has been forwarded to the Clerk of Maitland Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew, at its meeting held in Carleton Place last week, placed itself on record in favour of prohibition to be voted on in connection with the forthcoming municipal elections.

Rev. Dr. Bryce and Mrs. Bryce, Winnipeg, returned on the 31st ult. from a trip east. Mrs. Bryce has been away over three months visiting her old home in Ontario. Returning, they spent two weeks at the World's Fair.

Rev. D. R. Drummond, M.A., B.D., is spending a few days with his parents in Ramsay. In a few weeks Mr. Drummond intends to sail for Edinburgh, Scotland, where he will take a post-graduate course in theology.

Rev. Mr. Morrison, pastor of Knox church, Listowel, has returned home, after his holidays, and taken charge again of his work there. Rev. P. Lindsay, M.A., of Toronto, who officiated during the absence of Mr. Morrison, has returned home.

The Rev. Joseph Hogg, of St. Andrew's church, Winnipeg, is taking a holiday of two weeks. He will visit Chicago and Duluth before his return. The rev. gentleman has been absent from pulpit only four times in two years.

Rev. W. S. Ball, late of Vanneck, will reside in future in Toronto. He has been 46 years in the ministry of the Pres-

byterian Church, and during that time has never lost a day's service from ill health. Mr. Ball is now 67 years of age.

A Neche correspondent writes the Winnipeg Free Press: "Last Sabbath evening the Rev. Dr. King, President of Manitoba College, occupied the pulpit in the Presbyterian church. He delivered an impressive sermon to a very large congregation."

On Wednesday, 6th inst., the quarterly meeting of the Westminster Presbytery was held in St. Andrew's church, New Westminster. Rev. E. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, was elected Moderator for the ensuing half year. Rev. Messrs. Greig and McCullough were received as members.

The members of the Presbyterian church, Wingham, held a meeting on Tuesday evening of last week, to consider the advisability of extending a call to one of the ministers who have been supplying the pulpit for some time past. Rev. K. Johnston, B.A., of Lindsay, was the favourite.

Rev. Dr. King, Principal of Manitoba College, has gone west. It is his intention to spend a month in visiting points in the Territories and Province in the interests of Manitoba College. It is hoped that the remaining debt on the new structure will be considerably reduced before he returns.

Rev. Dr. Barclay, after three months' absence, has returned to Montreal. Early in June, accompanied by his two sons, he took a trip to Scotland; and since his return, about three weeks ago, has been staying with his family at Cacouna. Both the rev. Doctor and Mrs. Barclay enjoy excellent health.

The Rev. Dr. Macdonald, of Seaford, has returned home from his visit to the Pacific coast. While in Victoria he selected a lot upon which to build a mission for the Chinese, who are being instructed by the Rev. A. B. Winchester. In Victoria, he states, that much good is being done amongst the 500 Chinese there by the Christian workers in assisting them morally and intellectually.

At the meeting of the Presbytery of Stratford, held in North Easthope on Tuesday, there was a lengthened and earnest discussion of the subject, "The need of evangelistic services in our congregations." It was finally resolved to recommend that such services be held in each congregation some time during this year. The opinion of the Presbytery was in favor of conducting these by calling in the ministers and elders of adjacent congregations, rather than by the aid of those who travel from place to place as "professional evangelists."

At a meeting of the Vancouver Island Presbytery, the resignation of Rev. P. McF. McLeod, formerly of Central church, Toronto, from the pastoral charge of St. Andrew's church, Victoria, was considered, and the Presbytery ordered that he be paid \$422 salary to Sept. 6. Permission was granted Mr. McLeod to establish a new church. Resolutions of sympathy were unanimously adopted regarding the death of Rev. R. Jamieson, of New Westminster, the deceased being eulogized as a man of great intellectual vigour, an able preacher of the Gospel, and a faithful, devoted pastor. Rev. A. Young's resignation from the pastoral charge of Wellington was accepted.

CHURCH OPENING.

The new Presbyterian church at Kent Bridge was opened for divine service on Sabbath, Aug. 27th. The Rev. John Mutch, M.A., of Chalmers church, Toronto, preached morning and evening, and Rev. A. Murphy, of Holy Trinity church, Chatham, in the afternoon. The Rev. J. Becket, of Thamesville, Moderator of Session, represented the Presbytery and offered the dedicatory prayer. Mr. James Skene, student missionary, in charge, and the Rev. J. Nethercott (Methodist) assisted in the evening. At all the diets of worship, the building was filled to overflowing with a most devout and attentive audience, while numbers had to remain outside. The service of song was conducted morning and evening by the Presbyterian choir from Dresden, and in the afternoon by the choir from Mull.

On Monday evening tea was served in the hall, and speeches and music were given in the church which was again filled to its utmost capacity, notwithstanding the threatening aspect of the weather. The Rev. J. Becket occupied the chair. Music was rendered by the Blenheim Quartette Club, and address-

es were given by Revs. J. Mutch, Dr. Battisby, J. Nethercott, D. J. Kelley, Mr. Skene, Hon. D. Mills, G. R. Langford, Esq., and R. Ferguson, M.P.P.

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DEATH OF REV. R. JAMIESON.

The Rev. R. Jamieson, who has been seriously ill for about ten days, died on Wednesday morning, Sept. 6th, at half-past eight, at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. D. Rae, Fourth Avenue, New Westminster, B.C.

Mr. Jamieson, who was in his 64th year, was licensed to preach in 1853, and shortly afterwards entered upon his first charge at Belturbet, Ireland, of which country he was a native. In 1856 he came to Canada, and was inducted into the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian congregation at Dunville, where he suffered a good deal from illness, so much so that he removed to another field, in Ontario, and in 1861 decided to come to British Columbia, thus becoming the pioneer of the Canada Presbyterian Church here. He arrived in New Westminster on the 12th of March, 1862, and speedily organized the congregation of St. Andrew's to which he ministered until 1865, when he left it in charge of Rev. D. Duff, and removed to Nanaimo, establishing the Presbyterian congregation there. Mr. Duff's resignation having left the congregation in New Westminster without a pastor, another minister was sent out from Ontario, who elected to take charge of Nanaimo, and Mr. Jamieson returned to New Westminster early in 1869, and continued pastor of St. Andrew's until the breaking down of his health in 1884 compelled him to resign. He continued to hold the position of chaplain to the penitentiary, to which he had been appointed some time before the failure of his health, and that office becomes vacant by his death.

Coming in the early days, a great deal of pioneer work fell to Mr. Jamieson's share. At North Arm, Langley and Maple Ridge he established Presbyterian congregations and for a number of years had to keep up the services of these places, in addition to his work in New Westminster. Journeying on the river by canoe in all weathers, he endured an amount of hard work and exposure which broke his health and shortened his life.

Taking a wide view of the obligations of a minister of the Gospel, and possessed of a keen and active intelligence, Mr. Jamieson was for many years prominent amongst those who were noted for their interest in the advancement of the Province. In educational work, especially, he was deeply interested, never losing an opportunity to show his interest in schools, scholars and teachers. Since 1884, he has been too much of an invalid to undertake anything beyond his official duties at the penitentiary, except when called upon to render occasional help to some of

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