

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. D. M. Martin, of Knox church, Cannington, has tendered his resignation.

The Rev. Archibald McKenzie, B.D., of Douglas, was the preacher in Kemptville and Oxford Mills churches last Sunday.

The next regular meeting of Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery will be held at Carleton Place, May 23rd., at 10.30 a. m.

At the recent social held by the young people of Mc Donald's Corners congregation, in aid of the new church building fund, the sum of \$122 was realized.

Rev. G. A. Woodside was presented with a purse containing \$150 and an address by the members of his church in Carleton Place prior to going to his new charge at Owen Sound.

Rev. G. R. McLeannan, B. A., of Norwood, was the preacher last Sunday at the second of the anniversary services in connection with Mill street church, Port Hope. On Monday evening the tea and concert entertainment held in the town hall was a great success.

The lecture on "Raphael" one of the Public Library Series, by Rev. D. Strachan, of St. John's church, Brockville, was a masterly effort and stamped the lecturer as an ardent student of the works of the famous painter and his life.

Mr. Cyril J. L. Rickwood has resigned his position as organist and choir leader of Knox church, says the Perth Courier. Mr. Rickwood has accepted a similar position with the Methodist church Pembroke. Many in town will regret to see him go away. The Music Committee of the church will secure a successor as soon as possible.

The annual report of St. Paul's church, Bowmanville, shows a prosperous year. The total receipts were \$1,958.75. Members of session are Rev. Hugh Munroe, B. A., Moderator; P. Murdoch, Clerk; John McClellan, Representative elder. John McMurtry, James Beth, Dr. Alex. Bergh, Jas. Smith and Thos. Tod. The Sunday school reported collections of \$101; the W. F. M. Society \$139.48; Ladies' Aid, \$133; and for Queen's University was raised the sum of \$255.00.

Referring to a recent visit to Port Hope of a former pastor of Mill street church, the "Guide" says: Rev. Professor Laird, M.A., received a royal welcome from his many Port Hope friends. Mr. Laird was one of the most esteemed pastors Mill street church ever had and all were delighted to hear him again after an absence of seven years. A noticeable feature was the opening of both services by psalm selections. St. Paul's and Mill street Presbyterians seldom sing the Psalms; but the good old fashioned Presbyterians still think that the service is not complete without a few verses from the psalter.

On last Sunday week the twenty-first anniversary of the occupancy by Calvin church of their present building was commemorated by special services. The sermon in the morning was preached by Rev. J. T. Taylor, Presbyterian missionary of Mhow, India, who is home on furlough. His text was taken from Acts iv. 20: "For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." and his sermon was of a missionary character. In the evening his address dealt with mission work in India. He showed the rapidity with which the national patriotic movement was progressing in that Eastern land, the desire for home rule by the natives being intense. He also dwelt on the movement which the native Christians were starting to conduct mission work along purely native lines. The union of the different Presbyterian Missionary societies in India was also alluded to and the necessity for more men and money to carry on the work was pointed out.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Central Baptist: It takes more laws to control the saloon than are required to regulate any other institution among us. It is very singular that liquor dealers themselves do not see that their pestiferous and persistent lawlessness is hastening the day of prohibition.

"Foreign Mission Tidings" for March gives the following list of new life members: Mrs. Robt. H. Gamble, Y. L. M. B., 1st Presbyterian church, Brockville, Ont.; Miss L. A. Gordon, Westminster Auxiliary, Toronto; Mrs. A. P. Ledingham, Westminster Auxiliary, Toronto, India; Mrs. R. Morton Hamilton, W.M.S., Knox church, Galt, Ont.; Mrs. David Carlyle, South Side Presbyterian church Auxiliary, Toronto; Mrs. Kate Campbell, Swan Lake Auxiliary, St. Davids, Ont.; Mrs. James Greer, Centreville Auxiliary, Centreville, Ont.; Miss M. Struthers, Central Auxiliary, Galt, Ont.; Mrs. Wm. Addie, Sherbrooke, W.F.M.S., Sherbrooke, Que.; Mrs. James Davidson, Sherbrooke W.F.M.S., Sherbrooke, Que.; Mrs. Fred. Ross, Avenue Road Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Toronto; Mrs. James Bain, Knox church Auxiliary, Woodstock; Mrs. Chas. J. Masson, Knox church Auxiliary, Ottawa.

An Episcopalian clergyman (in England) published the following claim for his Communion, that "She sets before men the whole of God's revelation in a fuller degree than any other Christian Body in this country, and that she has done, and is doing, more for the material, moral, and spiritual well-being of all classes." The Nonconformist minister of the same place replied—"Half the attendants at public worship in this country are found in the Free Churches because they deny the claim advanced by the rector. They dissent strongly from the sacerdotal teachings of the Church. As for the rector's other claims, they are sufficiently met by quoting the words of the late Dean of Wells (Dr. Plumptre) that 'on questions essentially moral' the votes of the bishops 'had for the most part been given on the wrong side,' and the sober statements of Lecky, the historian, that Puritanism has preserved the union of religion and liberty in England, whilst since the Reformation the Established Church has 'invariably cast her influence into the scale of tyranny.'"

In answer to the question—"The non-church going, or the non-going church—-which?"—the Herald and Presbyter makes the following pertinent comments: "The secret of our failure to reach the non-church-going must ultimately rest with the non-going church. We are not desperately in earnest. The winning of these to Christ has not yet become with us a burning passion. Believe, a going-church will make a church-going community. When young Moody went to Chicago from Boston, he joined the Pilgrim Congregational church, rented four pews, and filled them every Sunday. When he asked for a class in the mission Sabbath-school they told him he would have to furnish the class, as they were overstocked with teachers. He went out and furnished the class and when the school got too small, he established a larger one, and it has grown into what is known far and wide to-day as the Chicago Avenue church, with its hundreds of members and one of the strongest in America. He was a going man, and he made a church-going community wherever he went." We do not think this presentation of a serious problem can be effectively controverted. It is the "going" church which will most easily and effectively reach the non-church-going people.

Courage is heart-age. Heart strength is in proportion to purity. "My strength is as the strength of ten because my heart is pure."

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

The Earl of Wemyss is opposed to Holyrood Chapel being restored.

Increasing business in insuring earthquake risks is being done in England.

An Atlantic liner must earn £16,000 a trip before she can count on any profit.

Rev. Dr. MacGregor, St. Cuthbert's, writes a letter in favor of the proposed restoration of Holyrood Chapel.

Preparations are being made to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of Rome as the capital of Italy.

The Established Church Presbytery of Auchterarder has been for some time known as the "historic" Presbytery.

Elgin Established Church members are petitioning against "Ritualistic" practices in the church of St. Columba's.

The King has appointed the Rev. Dr. Wallace Williamson, St. Cuthbert's church, to be one of his Chaplains in Ordinary in Scotland.

Over the country January was much colder than in 1906, and slightly colder than in the four preceding years, but warmer than in 1901.

An account of Mr. Chamberlain's health published in London declares that the former Colonial Secretary is a complete physical wreck.

At U. F. Presbytery meetings a Rothsay minister still stands at the prayer, though all his brethren, both lay and clerical, are sitting.

Southend Parish Church, Campbelltown, is to be renovated. The Duchess Dowager of Argyll will defray the cost of painting and decoration.

The real rights of women, said Lady Bute at a meeting of Rotheray Nursing Association on the 7th ult., were to relieve suffering and comfort those in pain.

In Indian military circles it is rumored that when Lord Kitchener's tenure of command expires next November General Sir Ian Hamilton will succeed him.

The highest suspension bridge in the world is at Fribourg, in Switzerland, where one is thrown over the gorge of Gotteron, which is 317 feet above the valley.

Home Mission Committee.

The Annual Meeting of the Home Mission Committee, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, (W.S.) will (D.V.), be held in

**St. James Square Church, Toronto,
Tuesday, March 19, 1907, 9.30 a.m.**

All Home Mission Claims for the quarter ending March 31, and application for mission work should reach the convener by March 12, at the Confederation Life Building, Toronto.

JOHN SOMERVILLE, Convener

Augmentation Committee

The Annual Meeting of the Augmentation Committee, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, (W.S.) will (D.V.) be held in

**St. James Square Church, Toronto,
Thursday, March 21, 1907, 9.30 a.m.**

All Augmentation Claims for the quarter ending March 31, should reach the Secretary by March 14, at the Confederation Life Building, Toronto

S. LYLE, Convener.

J. SOMERVILLE, Secretary.