

**THE CHURCH ABROAD.**

The Rev. R. H. Fisher, Jedburgh, has been appointed to the charge in the West Parish Church, Aberdeen.

In memory of the late Rev. P. G. Balfour, of Larbert, a marble tablet was erected over his grave in the Grange Cemetery, Edinburgh.

The Rev. R. Johnstone, assistant in Lady Glenorohy's Church, Edinburgh, has been appointed to the vacancy in St. James', Kirkcaldy.

The Edinburgh Presbytery met in Holyrood Church, Edinburgh, and sustained the call from that congregation to the Rev. P. McDonald, Armadale.

The secretary of the First Church, Belfast, Mr. John Govan, has been presented with a gold watch and an illuminated address as a token of esteem.

The Rev. P. Hay Hunter, of St. Andrew's Parish, Edinburgh, has been appointed chaplain to the Lord High Commissioner at the ensuing General Assembly.

The Foote scholarship for Hebrew at Aberdeen has been divided between Mr. William Thomson and Mr. John Ross. The value of the scholarship is £20.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the Marquis of Tweeddale to be Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

The Rev. Dr. Ferguson says it is some mitigation of the Rev. Dr. Adamson's loss to Scotland that though in Windsor here this gentleman will still edit the *Christian News*, and appear from time to time at E.U. denominational gatherings.

In Great Hamilton-street Free Church, Glasgow, Rev. J. W. Findlay exhibited 70 beautiful views of Armenia, and described eloquently its history, customs, and persecutions. A young pastor from Kurdistan also appealed for his people.

Anniversary services were held on Sunday, the 8th inst, in East Campbell-street U.P. Church, Glasgow when Professor Orr, D.D., Edinburgh, preached forenoon and evening, and the Rev. William Shaw Stewart, D.D., pastor in the afternoon. The collection taken was £40.

The Rev. Mr. Key delivered the annual sermon to the Edinburgh section of the Commercial Travellers' Christian Union in Lothian-road U.P. Church, Edinburgh, Mr. Key took as his subject "A Christian Commercial," and spoke of Lydia, a seller of purple who worshipped God.

News reached Oban of the eviction of the Rev. Mr. Thornhill from his parsonage at Lochbuie. No opposition was offered to the sheriff-officer and his men. Mr. Thornhill and his family found shelter in the manse of the parish minister of Kinloch-shelve, Rev. Mr. MacGillivray.

A new church for Oban has been erected on the site of the old iron church which was wrecked by the storm of 22nd December, 1894. The building is in the Gothic style of architecture, of Lorne granite, with a belfry of freestone. It is a handsome and substantial structure.

The Rev. James M'Millan, Nairn, was on Thursday inducted as colleague and successor to the Rev. T. Dobbie, Lansdowne, Glasgow. At a congregational social meeting held in the evening Mr. M'Millan was presented with pulpit robes, Bible, and hymnal by the ladies of the congregation.

Rev. John Watson of Liverpool, England, widely known as "Ian Maclaren," the author of "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush," is to deliver, next fall, the Lyman Beecher course of lectures on preaching in the Divinity School at Yale University, New Haven, Conn. He has recently received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from St. Andrew's University, Aberdeen.

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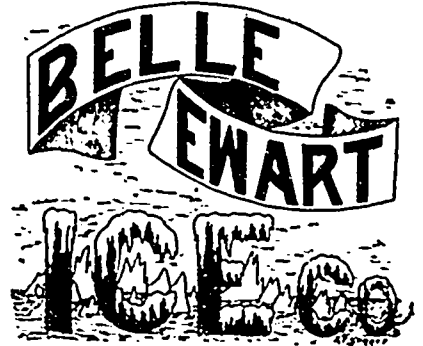
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