

been served, the participants assembled on the lawn with Mr. S. Fair in the chair, where a very enjoyable hour was spent listening to words of welcome from Elders McLellan and Hamilton, Messrs. Thompson, Armour, Hodgins and others, to which Mr. McPherson made a very suitable and touching reply. The programme was interspersed with songs from the church choir, a solo from Miss Jennie Hamilton, and duets from Miss Nichols and Mr. Oles, of Caledonia. The little steamer, "The Midget," came up the river, engineered by Mr. Riddle, loaded to its full capacity with young people from Caledonia, who seemed to enjoy the evening. Much credit is due Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton for the hospitable manner in which they gave the use of their house and grounds for the occasion. Voluntary offerings to the amount of \$26 were received during the evening. Kind letters of regret at inability to be present were received from Rev. Dr. Cochran and Rev. Mr. Tolmie.

THE MARKHAM SUN. The anniversary services in St. Andrew's Church, Markham, on Sabbath week, were very successful in every respect. The Rev. Principal Grant, D.D., of Queen's College, Kingston, preached morning and evening. The attendance at the morning service was very large. The learned Principal took as his subject, "Mary's Anointing," and the discourse was a masterly one, the language being so plain and simple that a child could follow the whole line of thought. In the evening he took for his subject the "Prodigal Son," and the sermon was a rare treat. Every available spot was occupied and many had to go away, not being able to get inside at all. The pulpit platform itself was so crowded that the Principal had barely enough of room to stand while delivering his soul-stirring discourse. This visit of Principal Grant will long be remembered. The tea meeting and literary entertainment on Monday evening was a grand success. The tables provided by the ladies were most elaborate and were heavily laden with a great variety of provisions. At 8 o'clock they all repaired to the body of the church where a splendid intellectual feast was provided and greatly enjoyed. The speakers were Rev. Messrs. C. M. Milligan, Toronto, McKay, of Agincourt, Macintosh, of Unionville, Knowles, of Stouffville, Hill and Osborne, of Markham. The addresses delivered by these gentlemen were truly able and eloquent, and the audience showed their hearty appreciation. Seldom, indeed, is such an array of splendid speakers seen on any platform. The choir, under the leadership of Mr. Morrison, rendered their pieces with splendid effect. The selection of anthems was choice, and the singing showed the painstaking and thoroughness with which Mr. Morrison had trained his choir. He is also very ready in prayer, and takes great delight in this part of the church services. The chair was occupied by the pastor, the Rev. R. Thynne. The receipts for the entertainment amounted in all to \$108.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—An adjourned meeting was held on the 11th inst. Rev. John Campbell, Moderator. The resignation of Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Tavistock, and the re-arrangement of fields in that district was taken up, which resulted in the finding— "Having heard the representatives of Tavistock, and that Mr. Stewart adheres to his resignation, the Presbytery agrees to accept of it, and expresses its thanks for the labour he has expended, and gratitude to God for the success which has attended his efforts there, and after a careful examination of the condition of the whole field the Presbytery judge that for the spiritual well being of the people in this district the stations of Hampstead and North Easthope be united as one charge, and that St. Andrew's, Shakespeare and Tavistock be united as one charge." It was agreed that these unions shall take effect on the first Sabbath of July next, the announcement of the re-arrangement be made to all these congregations. It was also agreed that Messrs. Turnbull and Panton be a committee to meet with those congregations and arrange details. Dr. Robertson and Mr. Stalker, being present, were invited to correspond with the Presbytery. The call addressed to Mr. Wright by the congregation of Portage La Prairie was dealt with. After all the delegates had spoken Mr. Wright was heard, but he having difficulty in coming to a decision, it was agreed to hold a special meeting of Presbytery on the 21st inst., when he would intimate his decision. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet as above, and at its regular time the 2nd Tuesday of July, at 10.30 a. m.—A. F. TULLY, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF PICTOU.—This Presbytery met at Glenelg, May 28, for the ordination and induction of Mr. Andrew Boyd. The large handsome church was filled to the doors. In accordance with the appointment of Presbytery, Mr. Maxwell presided and preached. After answering the usual questions, Mr. Boyd was solemnly set apart to the office of the ministry. The newly ordained minister was briefly addressed by Mr. Munro and the people by Mr. Cumming. The people, on retiring, gave Mr. Boyd a hearty welcome. The following day, Presbytery met at Springfield for the ordination and induction of Mr. John Calder. A very large congregation was present. Mr. Robertson, of New Glasgow, preached from Phil. iv. 8-13. Mr. Scott, Moderator of Presbytery, put the questions to Mr. Calder. Thereafter, he was solemnly set apart to the office of the ministry. The newly inducted minister was addressed by Mr. McCurdy, and the people by Mr. A. McLean. Mr. Calder was heartily welcomed by the people. The ordination of Mr. A. W. Thompson as missionary at Trenton, took place on Thursday evening. Mr. Scott presided, and Mr. Cairns preached. After answering the usual questions, Mr. Thompson was ordained and set apart to the work of missionary at Trenton. Mr. Forbes addressed the minister, and Mr. Turnbull the people. Mr. Thompson received a hearty welcome from the retiring congregation. Perhaps, never before in the history of the Presbytery of Pictou, were there three ordinations, on three successive days. Messrs. Boyd, Calder and Thompson all passed highly satisfactory examinations before Presbytery, and have received a hearty and enthusiastic welcome from their congregations. The Presbytery is greatly strengthened by these accessions. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in United Church, New Glasgow, Tuesday, July 2, at half-past nine a. m.—J. R. MUNRO, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG.—A special meeting of the Presbytery of Winnipeg was held in Knox Church, Winnipeg, on the 4th of June. Messrs. Fraser and Craig gave the reasons which had induced the congregation of the North Church, Winnipeg, to secure lots for their new building south of Pritchard Street, and after discussion, it was moved by Dr. Agnew, seconded by Prof. Hart, and agreed, that the Presbytery change the limit assigned to the North Congregation from Pritchard Street to Selkirk Street, and that the Presbytery approve of the purchase of the proposed lots. The Rev. Mr. Bryden handed in his demission of the congregation of Selkirk and Little Britain. It was agreed that the demission be laid on the table, and the congregation cited to appear for its interests at the next meeting of the Presbytery. Drs. Bryce and Duval reported in regard to their visit as a deputation of the Presbytery to Selkirk. The report was received and adopted, and the deputation thanked. The committee appointed to examine Mr. Richard Weir, of Belmore, who is applying to be received as a student of theology, reported that they had examined him in Calderwood's Moral Philosophy, in Latin and in Greek, and that the result of the examination had been satisfactory. They also gave the reasons why it was desirable that Mr. Weir's course in college should be shortened. The report was adopted, and it was agreed to make application to the General Assembly that Mr. Weir be received as a student in the first year in Theology; and Drs. King and Bryce and Mr. Spence were appointed to support the application before the Assembly. The Presbytery was notified of the Rev. David Anderson's acceptance of the call to Springfield; and it was agreed that his induction take place in the Springfield Church on Tuesday the 25th of June, provided that certain conditions which have been imposed upon the congregation be fulfilled. It was agreed that Prof. Hart preside at the introduction; that Rev. James Hamilton preach; Rev. John Hogg address

the minister, and Rev. Joseph Hogg address the people. Prof. Hart intimated that he had received news of the death of Rev. S. C. Fraser, one of the fathers of the Church, resident in Brandon. The clerk and Prof. Hart were appointed a committee to draft and forward a letter of sympathy with the bereaved family; and the Moderator called on the Rev. John Hogg to lead the Presbytery in prayer with reference to the death of Mr. Fraser. The Presbytery then adjourned, to hold its next meeting in Springfield on the 25th of June.—ANDREW B. BAIRD, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—This Presbytery met on the 4th inst. Rev. Walter Amos, Moderator. The attendance of members, especially of ministers, was quite large. An extract minute of the Presbytery of Barrie was read, granting the translation of Rev. R. J. M. Glassford and his induction at Streetsville was appointed to take place on the 25th inst., services to commence at 3.30 p. m.; the Moderator to preside; Rev. A. H. Drumm to preach; Rev. G. M. Milligan to deliver the charge, and Rev. I. A. Grant to address the people. The Presbytery was addressed for a short time by Rev. J. Wilkie, of Indore, on the claims of the educational work in India, as placed under his care by the Foreign Mission committee; and on motion made, his effort to raise funds for higher education at Indore was commended to the sympathy and help of our congregations. As convener of the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, Rev. A. Gilray submitted and read a report for the past year, from which it appeared (*inter alia*) that besides continuing supply to the old stations the committee had opened up three new ones, viz., at Eglinton, the Five Points and Mimico; that instead of remaining as mission stations St. John's and Dovercourt and St. Martin's had developed into regular congregations; and that West Toronto Junction and Dixie being now self-supporting, the amount required for supplemented congregations has been reduced from \$635 to \$490. The Presbytery had sent last year to the Augmentation Fund \$5,639, and to the Home Mission Fund \$7,564. The report of the committee was approved of and the same committee was appointed for another year. The committee appointed at last meeting to confer with petitioners who meet for worship in St. George's Hall, Toronto, and to consider the reports received from neighbouring sessions thereabout, reported through Rev. Dr. McLaren that they had fulfilled the appointment assigned to them, and had agreed to recommend that the petitioners be organized as a regular congregation and that they be authorized to erect a church anywhere in the district bounded by Berkeley street on the west, by Queen street on the north, by the river Don on the east, and by the bay on the south. A motion was made and seconded, favouring the adoption of the recommendation. But a majority of votes went for an amendment that the matter be left in the hands of the committee for another month, and that they be requested to confer with the sessions of East Church and Cooke's Church. The committee appointed at last meeting to confer with the congregation of Rev. D. Camelon reported that they had not materially succeeded in the object of their visit. Commissioners from the congregations were also heard. Thereafter it was moved and agreed to, that the Presbytery send up Mr. Camelon's application, with the accompanying medical certificate, to the General Assembly, and recommend that Mr. Camelon be placed on the list of the annuitants of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. A letter was read from Rev. A. Wilson, asking the Presbytery to transmit an application from him to the General Assembly for leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry, etc. The Presbytery agreed to transmit the application and to recommend a favourable consideration of the same. In terms of an application duly made, leave was given to the congregation of Charles Street Church, Toronto, to sell the present church property and to purchase a lot on Bloor street east for a new site. A report was read from a committee previously appointed to consider the question whether the present church and site of Dovercourt congregation should be disposed of, or whether the said church and site should be adhered to. The report expressed a decided opinion in favour of the latter view. And the Presbytery agreed to support the same view, and to rule accordingly. On behalf of a committee appointed at last meeting to organize as a regular congregation the petitioners connected with St. Mark's Mission, Rev. D. J. Macdonell reported that said committee had fulfilled their appointment and had constituted 122 church members as a new congregation. The report was received and was duly approved of and in order to constitute an interim session the following were appointed the members thereof, viz., Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, Moderator, Dr. McCurdy, Mr. J. Massie, Mr. John Kay, Mr. John Joss and Mr. R. F. Dale. There was brought up the case of Rev. T. L. Turnbull, of the Presbyterian Church of England, who had several testimonials in his favour, and wished to be received as a minister of our church. A committee was appointed to confer with him, to examine his papers and report afterwards thereabout. At a later stage the committee reported very favourably and the Presbytery agreed to ask leave of the General Assembly to receive him as aforesaid. Similar action was also provided for in regard to Rev. E. B. Chestnut, of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, whose papers had not then come to hand, but were every day expected by him. A certificate was also read in favour of Rev. J. Beniter, a licentiate of the American Presbyterian Church, and it was agreed to ask leave to receive him as a probationer. Mr. W. A. J. Martin, one of the graduating class of Knox College, appeared before the Presbytery and applied to be taken on probationary trials. The Presbytery proceeded to deal with him accordingly; and the whole of his exercises giving satisfaction, he was licensed in the ordinary way to preach the gospel. Next ordinary meeting of Presbytery will be held on the first Tuesday of July, at 10 a. m.—R. MONTEATH, *Pres. Clerk*.

OBITUARY.

REV. NEIL MCDIARMID.

The Rev. Neil McDiarmid, aged nearly fifty-five years, died in the hospital at Minneapolis, Minnesota, U. S., from the effects of a surgical operation for the removal of a cancer. The deceased was born in Scotland. He pursued his theological studies in Glasgow, and at the same time acted for four years as assistant chaplain of the seamen. He came to Canada in May, 1867, was licensed to preach, and in February, 1868, was ordained and inducted into the pastorate of the "Duff" Church, by the Presbytery of London, in February, 1868.

In November, 1868, he was married. He has had six children, of whom four are living with their mother at Fulda, Minnesota, where the remains of the deceased were interred.

In 1874, he was inducted into the pastorate of the Church in Puslinch, Ontario, by the Presbytery of Chatham.

In 1879, he accepted a call to the pastorate of the "Knox" Church, in Elmira, Illinois, U. S., which is under care of the Presbyterian General Assembly of Canada.

In each of these three fields he preached in English and Gaelic, and his labours were greatly blessed. In March, 1887, his health and hearing having become seriously impaired, he resigned his pastorate, and came with his family to live upon a small farm in Fulda, Murray County, Minnesota. Here he preached for a little flock, without remuneration, for nearly three years. He ripened in piety during his great suffering in the last few months of his life. He preached his last sermons in great pain, but with fervour and spiritual power, while lying on his bed at his home. The moral tone of the community was greatly elevated during his brief residence in Fulda. People of all denominations and races exhibited affecting proofs of sorrow at his death. Rev. D. E. Wells, of the Franklin Avenue Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, accompanied the remains of Rev. Mr. McDiarmid to his home, and preached at his funeral: "The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

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REVIEW.

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REVIEW TEACHING HINTS

In reviewing, do not try to cover your lessons as fully as you did when the school went over them during the quarter, for that would be both wearisome and impossible in the time allowed. All that the teacher or superintendent can do, is to touch upon the great points of the lessons, and try, by appropriate questions, to bring them again to the minds of the scholars. To help in this result, we give below some of these points, and, for the sake of simplicity, we give them in the same form for each lesson.

Lesson 1.—Where? Bethany, Bethphage, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem. Who? Jesus, apostles, a vast throng, Pharisees. What? Great enthusiasm, loud hosannas, deep murmurings. Lesson: Jesus is some day coming again in triumphal procession, not in humiliation, but in triumph.

Lesson 2.—Where? Jerusalem, in the Temple court. Who? Jesus, apostles, chief priests, the multitude. What? Jesus speaks a parable. Lesson: Be warned, and use your privileges aright, lest you lose them and be condemned.

Lesson 3.—Where? Jerusalem, in the Temple court. Who? Jesus, apostles, multitudes, a lawyer. What? A question and an answer. Lesson: Love God supremely, and your neighbour as yourself.

Lesson 4.—Where? Jerusalem, in the Temple, and the Mount of Olives. Who? Jesus and the apostles. What? Destruction of the Temple foretold. Lesson: Be warned in time.

Lesson 5.—Where? Same place as last lesson. Who? Same people as last lesson. What? Watchfulness enjoined. Lesson: Same for us as for the disciples.

Lesson 6.—Where? Bethany, Simon's house. Who? Jesus, Simon, Mary, apostles. What? As they sat at meat, Mary anoints the feet of the Master, and the disciples murmur. Jesus rebukes them. Lesson: Give Christ your best.

Lesson 7.—Where? Jerusalem, in an upper chamber. Who? Jesus and the twelve. What? Jesus observes the Passover, and then institutes the Lord's supper. Lesson: This do in remembrance of Him.

Lesson 8.—Where? Garden of Gethsemane. Who? Jesus, the apostles, Judas, and the band of soldiers. What? Jesus is betrayed, and arrested, and taken to the high priest's house. Peter follows afar off. Lesson: Take warning from Judas' fate.

Lesson 9.—Where? Jerusalem, in the council chamber of the Sanhedrin. Who? Jesus, the high priest, the council, the servants of the ecclesiastics. What? An iniquitous trial, a cruel buffeting, a suffering Saviour. Lesson: He was rejected of men.

Lesson 10.—Where? Pilate's judgment hall. Who? Jesus, Pilate, the Jews, soldiers. What? A trial, false charges, savage outcries, judgment given, Jesus mocked and scourged. Lesson: How have you judged the Master yourself?

Lesson 11.—Where? Outside of Jerusalem. Who? Jesus, bands of soldiers, a cruel throng, disciples. What? Jesus nailed to the cross, with two thieves; priests mocking, disciples weeping; all in despair; Jesus dies; the veil of the Temple rent in twain. Lesson: Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree.

Lesson 12.—Where? Jerusalem, near the city, in Joseph's garden. Who? Jesus, women, angels, two disciples. What? Grave empty, Jesus risen; weeping women rejoice; all the disciples glad. Lesson: We have a risen and triumphant Saviour.

To bring out even so simple an outline as this, will require some skill in questioning; and for this the leader must prepare himself. But if it is done with spirit the scholars will take a deep interest in the review, and will help to make it a great success. There is no more interesting day in all the year in our school than review Sunday. The questioning should be interspersed with singing, at convenient intervals; and the hymns should be well known and lively, so as to rest, and at the same time arouse, the school. If it is possible, it would be well to change the leader, so that half of the lessons should fall to another to review, as this adds freshness to the exercise, and does not tire one man so much. The questions should be short, and such as can be answered in short sentences, otherwise the school will not try to do its share. Finally, if you do not succeed the first time in doing as well as you would like, do not be discouraged, as in this matter nothing but time can make a good reviewer.—A. F. Schaffter, D.D., in *Sunday School Times*.

The twelve lessons of this quarter are not only all from one book of the Bible, and about one Person as the central character, but their entire sweep of time covers only about eight days,—from the anointing at Bethany on one Saturday evening to the Resurrection on the morning of the next day week, and the location of all their incidents is at or very near Jerusalem.

Of the friends of Jesus who are brought into prominence in these lessons, there are His eleven disciples, Mary of Bethany, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, together with the nameless owner of the colt at Bethphage, the nameless friends who welcomed Jesus as he rode into Jerusalem, the nameless owner of the house in the city where they made ready the Passover, and the nameless young man who was His follower in Gethsemane. Of his enemies there are mentioned Judas and the high priest, and the members of the council, and Pilate.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS.

The one lesson most proper to follow the half year's study of the life of Christ is self-denial for the good of others. We are not always called upon to lay down life in unspeakable agony, but we are called upon to sacrifice at least appetite and pleasure for the good of others.

Probably few members of Sunday schools are slaves to alcohol, nicotine, or other deadly drugs. But they owe something to others, to society. The whole meaning of the perfect and holy life of Christ is sacrifice of self for others. Only thus can we be like Him.

Even things that we regard as innocent, and are so, may, nay, must be, declined, if we injure others by our indulgence.

History is full of heroes who have dared to die for their country. What is more needed is men who dare live for their fellows, men who will be a living sacrifice.

There is a moral, civil and legal side to temperance. But none of these has much value till there is first a Christian side. Let conscience be applied to everyday life, to so-called little things, and it will then dominate all things.

In respect to our tastes, appetites and pleasures, what do we differ from our own inclinations, for the sake of Christ's little ones?

The example of self-denial is more impressive than words.

Considering the murderous harm of intoxicating drink, every man should conscientiously abstain, lest he sin against those for whom Christ died.

Paul appears as sublimely in verse thirteen as on Mars Hill. Without that spirit he had never stood on Mars Hill. Small sacrifices, often made, prepare the soul for the most godlike heroisms.—Bishop Warren.