

Ministers and Churches.

A NEW Presbyterian church is about to be erected in Chesterville.

KINGSBURY is celebrating the Jubilee by building a good manse.

THE Rev. A. McLaren, of Enniskillen, has left for Ottawa for a vacation trip.

THE Rev. Mr. McGillivray, of Perth, has accepted the call to Chalmers Church, Kingston.

MR. RAR has accepted the call presented to him by the Presbyterian congregation at Acton.

THE Rev. Dr. Watson, of Beaverton, preached in Knox Church, Cannington, on a recent Sabbath.

THE Rev. John MacLeod, late of Antwerp, N. Y., has been received by the Presbytery of Quebec.

THE Napanee Presbyterian Sabbath School excursion to Massassaga Point lately proved a very enjoyable affair.

THE Rev. Dr. Bryce who conducted the services in Knox Church, Regina, discussed "Is Science Opposed to the Bible."

THE Rev. John Macleod, B.A., has accepted the call from Richmond and Melbourne, Que., and will be inducted on August 2.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Winnipeg, Sabbath School and their numerous friends had a splendid excursion to Portage la Prairie last week.

THE Rev. Dr. Smellie has returned to Fergus after attending the General Assembly, and visiting relatives and friends in the North-West.

THE Rev. R. McNair and his bride, on their arrival at Durham, were welcomed by the band and many friends, who met them at the station.

THE Rev. A. B. McKay, of Montreal, who is at present on a holiday in Great Britain, is supplying the pulpit of his former congregation at Brighton.

THE children of the First Presbyterian Church Sabbath School, Brockville, held their annual picnic at St. Lawrence Park, enjoying themselves thoroughly.

THE Rev. John Hay, B.D., pastor of the Campbellford Presbyterian Church, was married to Miss Tassie Colquhoun, daughter of a wealthy citizen of Dundas County.

THE Rev. A. McWilliams, B.A., who for the past two months acceptably assisted Rev. Dr. Ure, is to supply at Clinton for the month of August, during Rev. Mr. Stewart's vacation.

THE teachers, scholars and friends of Mill Street Presbyterian Church, Port Hope, to the number of nearly 200, visited the Summit, where a very pleasant day was spent by the young folks.

THE Rev. Dr. McKay was inducted as pastor of the united congregations of Knox and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lucknow, on the 2nd ult. The communion was dispensed the following Sabbath.

THE corner stone of a new church at Eden Mills was laid on the 15th ult. Revs. R. J. Beattie, James Argo and Mr. Auld took part in the interesting ceremonies. The stone was laid by the pastor, Rev. D. Strachan.

THE pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Hespeler, the Rev. Mr. Haigh, has returned from the North-West, much to the delight of his people. The reverend gentleman delivered a descriptive lecture of his late travels.

THE Rev. Dr. Laidlaw, of St. Paul's, Hamilton, is spending his holidays in Muskoka. Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Rockford, Ill., Rev. W. H. Boyle, of Paris, and Rev. R. N. Grant, of Orillia, will fill his pulpit in his absence.

THE Rev. A. H. Scott and family, of Owen Sound, passed through this city this week on their way to the East for a holiday. Rev. G. Branch Howie, of Mount Lebanon, has gone to Owen Sound to take the pulpit of Knox Church in the absence of the pastor.

A QUIET wedding took place at Fenelon Falls lately, the contracting parties being Miss Lotta Lochead, eldest daughter of the Rev. William Lochead, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Fenelon Falls, and Mr. R. A. Dickson, formerly of Lindsay, and now a member of the firm of Stevenson, Dickson & Campbell, barristers, Toronto. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride, assisted by the Rev. John Lochead, of Parkhill.

A MARITIME Province exchange says: In a field two miles from Pictou, on the road to Logan's tannery, is to be seen a barn in which was held the first Presbyterian meeting of Presbytery that ever assembled in Pictou County. The Presbytery meeting, it is said, took place about a century ago—so the barn is probably the oldest in Nova Scotia. The old structure is in a dilapidated condition, but looks as though it might stand a few years longer.

THE Rev. A. McLachlan, a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, 1884, and of Union Theological Seminary, New York, 1887, is at present visiting friends in Toronto. He leaves Canada shortly for Asia Minor, having been appointed, with Rev. H. S. Jenyan, a native of Tarsus, recently graduated at Union Seminary, New York, to take charge of St. Paul's Institute, a training school about to be erected as a monument to the memory of the Apostle Paul at his birthplace—Tarsus, Asia Minor.

THE pulpit of the French Protestant Church, Ottawa, was occupied recently by Principal Bourgoin, of the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools, who preached in French. In the evening the pastor, the Rev. Marc Ami, conducted the services, and delivered a telling exhortation, which was listened to with marked attention. The attendance at both services was large. Since his arrival in Ottawa, Mr. Bourgoin has met with much success in collecting funds toward the sup-

port of the French Protestant College at Pointe-aux-Trembles.

THE Rev. J. Robbins, Truro, arrived home lately from the West, after fulfilling his duties as commissioner to the General Assembly at Winnipeg. Mr. Robbins went as far as Regina. He preached on Sabbath in First Presbyterian Church, and was met by large congregations who evinced their pleasure of welcoming him home. The evening service was addressed largely to the Normal students who graduated during the week. Mr. Robbins also addressed the Sabbath school in the afternoon on the work of French Evangelization.

THE Brockville *Recorder* states that the annual picnic of the Sabbath school of St. Andrew's Church, Williamstown, of which the Rev. A. McGillivray, of St. John's Church, was the late pastor, was held on Tuesday, the 5th July. A very pleasing incident of the day was the presentation of a finely appreciative address to Rev. Mr. McGillivray, accompanied by a well-filled purse, from members of his late congregation and other friends. Mr. McGillivray briefly replied in suitable terms, thanking his friends for their gift and kind wishes. The purse contained \$200.

THE Sabbath school of St. Andrew's Church, Winnipeg, had their annual outing this year at Portage la Prairie on the 21st inst. The train consisted of fifteen coaches laden with 1,500 excursionists, young and old. McLean's Grove was kindly granted for the occasion, and proved in every way suitable. The committee in charge had made every provision for a monster crowd, and were able to satisfy every one. The friends at Portage la Prairie, by their presence and kind attentions, added much to the enjoyment of the day. Altogether it was a most pleasant and enjoyable excursion.

THE following is a list of the names and post office addresses of the Conveners of standing committees in the Presbytery of Stratford for the current year: Statistics, Rev. A. F. Tully, Mitchell; Foreign Missions, G. Chrystal, Avonion; Home Missions, R. Hamilton, Motherwell; French Evangelization, J. A. Turnbull, LL.B., St. Marys; Sabbath observance, J. McClung, Shakespeare; Sabbath Schools, W. M. McKibbin, M.A., Millbank; State Religion, J. Boyd, Crosshill; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, A. Stewart, Shakespeare; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, Rev. A. Henderson, M.A., Atwood; Temperance, Rev. D. Gordon, Harrington.

ON the evening of Tuesday, July 26, Rev. Dr. McTavish, of Inverness, Scotland, preached to his former congregation in Chalmers Church, Woodstock. The body of the church was completely filled, and over 100 had to find seats in the gallery. The sermon was on the vision of Isaiah vi. 1 to 8, and is described as able and earnest. The local papers contain a full report of it. At the close of the services, an opportunity was afforded in the large lecture room of the church of shaking hands with Dr. and Mrs. McTavish, and for more than an hour there was such handshaking as only Highlanders understand. Many wise counsels were given by the Doctor, and his visit will never be forgotten.

THE following paragraph appears in the Winnipeg *Free Press*: Rev. Mr. Winchester, formerly in charge of the Presbyterian congregation at Rapid City, returned a few days ago, and preached his farewell sermon to a deeply interested audience. Mr. Winchester has volunteered as a missionary to China, and when he was speaking of the great masses of heathens to whom the Word had never been preached he became very eloquent. His parting words were deeply pathetic, and affected many to tears, especially when leave-taking. He takes with him the best wishes of the whole community in his new labour of love. Mr. Winchester was kindly entertained by the young people of St. Andrew's Church, Winnipeg, and presented with a purse of over \$120. Mr. Winchester is a former resident of Woodstock, and was at one time superintendent of Knox Church Sabbath School.

"PIONEER" says: The writer of these lines was present in Charles Street Church, Toronto, when the induction of elders took place in this young and flourishing congregation under the care of the Rev. John Neil, B.A. The venerable Dr. Reid, agent and ex-Moderator of the Church, had been requested to preach on this occasion, and he, with great feeling, read Acts xx., and gave the leading points in the history and labours of the Apostle of the Gentiles, whose career was nearing its end, and when he expected to be taken to the "house of many mansions," and receive the welcome, "Well done," etc. The delivery and calm style of address of our venerable father, and his advancing years, reminded many of the congregation of the early labours, and recent indomitable courage of Dr. Reid in Canada, and suggested to us the value and cheer that this sermon would give to many humble Christians and office-bearers in the Church, and if your columns could be utilized by getting the original manuscript for publication, the whole Church will be refreshed by it.

PRESBYTERY OF CHATHAM.—This Presbytery met on July 19. Mr. Russell reported that he had visited the Wabash, and recommended that a supply of ordinances be given to the people there. The matter was remitted to the Home Mission Committee. Mr. Neil McDiarmid applied to be put on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. Dr. Batusby was congratulated on having obtained the degree of Ph.D. Sessions were enjoined to forward their records for examination at next regular meeting. Mr. Becket gave notice that he would move at next regular meeting that the treasurer publish annually a statement of all moneys received and expended by him. An adjourned meeting was appointed to be held at Dresden on August 9, at half past ten a.m. The next regular meeting was appointed to be held on September 20, at ten a.m., in First Presbyterian Church, Chatham. —W. WALKER, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEN.—This Presbytery met in Guthrie Church, Harrison, on July 12. Mr. Young presented a unanimous call from Knox Church, Harrison, to

Rev. M. C. Cameron, formerly of Milton; salary, \$1,000 per annum, without manse. Mr. Cameron has accepted the call, and his induction is appointed for August 4, at two p.m. Mr. McNair, Mod., to preside, Mr. Davidson to preach, Mr. Young to address the minister and Mr. Straith the people. The Clerk intimated that Mrs. Harvie had formed a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in each of the following congregations: Mount Forest, Durham, Jolstein, Clifford and Arthur; also a Presbyterian Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the Presbytery. It was then moved and unanimously agreed to "that we express gratification at the formation of a Woman's Presbyterian Foreign Missionary Society in this Presbytery; also sympathy with the work of the society, and we express the hope that the work may go on until a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society be formed in all the congregations of our Presbytery." Messrs. McNair and Thurn were appointed a committee to act with the Woman's Presbyterian Society in all our congregations where not already formed. The Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church, Mount Forest, on September 20 next, at ten a.m. —S. YOUNG, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—This Presbytery met on July 19. The death of Mr. John Gordon, of Nelson, was reported, and the dangerous illness of Mr. Davidson, of Burlington. It was resolved hereafter to meet in St. Paul's Church, and at nine o'clock a.m. Thanks to the Session and managers of Central Church for their kindness in accommodating the Presbytery for the last twelve years. A minute was adopted expressing high esteem for the late Rev. M. W. Livingstone, of Simcoe. A call from Merriton to Mr. W. Mowat was laid on the table, and another from Caledonia to Mr. W. E. Rae was sent back to the Session on account of the small number of signatures appended. A call to Mr. R. McKnight from Fort Erie, etc., was sustained. Some of the commissioners to the General Assembly reported diligence. Rev. W. D. Rees tendered his resignation of his charge, and it was resolved to cite the congregations to appear for their interests. It was resolved that every congregation shall hold a missionary meeting, make its own arrangements, and report at the March meeting. The standing committees were appointed. The several Conveners are: Presbyterial Finance, Mr. D. McLellan; State of Religion, Mr. Abraham; Temperance, Mr. Carruthers; Home Missions, Mr. Ratcliffe; Sabbath Schools, Mr. G. Rutherford; Schemes, etc., Mr. D. McLellan; Colleges, Mr. Fletcher; Foreign Missions, Mr. Lyle; French Evangelization, Mr. Murray; Aged and Infirm Ministers, Mr. Goldsmith; Widows and Orphans, Mr. Fraser. —JOHN LAING, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.—This Presbytery held its usual bi-monthly meeting in Knox Church, Guelph, on the 19th inst. The following is a brief summary of the business transacted: Mr. Dickson's term of office as Moderator having expired, Mr. John Davidson, of Alma, was chosen to fill the position for the following year. Reports were received from the commissioners to the General Assembly, and their travelling expenses paid. The Clerk reported the disposal that had been made by the General Assembly of the overtures forwarded by the Presbytery, and the applications made for counsel regarding certain Church property. The list of vacancies and mission stations was revised, and a committee appointed to visit Hawksville and Linwood to see if through an increase of contributions by the people belonging to the Church the Home Mission Fund might not be relieved of the grant they were receiving. Standing committees on the State of Religion, Temperance, Sabbath Schools, Evangelistic Services, Finance, Trials for Licensure of Students and Licentiates under Call were appointed. It was reported that the First Church, Eramosa, had been declared vacant, and a statement was given in of the supply from the Probationers' Roll given to it and to Acton. A call, signed by 151 members and 117 adherents, from the congregation of Knox Church, Acton, to Mr. J. W. Rae, was submitted, and commissioners were heard in its support. After full consideration the call was sustained, and ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Rae for his decision, with the request that he would make this known at an adjourned meeting to be held in Knox Church, Guelph, on the 29th inst., at two o'clock in the afternoon. It was reported that the organization of a congregation at Metz had been completed, and the number on the communion roll stated to be thirty-one. Considerable time was spent in considering schemes for the triennial visitation of congregations, and the holding of evangelistic services. The Clerk submitted an estimate of the rate per family to be raised among congregations in the bounds so as to form a fund out of which to meet the travelling expenses of commissioners to the General Assembly from year to year. The next regular meeting was appointed to be held in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, on the third Tuesday of September, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.—This Presbytery met June 25, and was constituted. Mr. McLaren was appointed Moderator for the ensuing year. Mr. McLaren presented a call in favour of Mr. D. A. McLean from Sarawak and Kemble, Sarawak promising \$275 per annum and Kemble \$400 per annum as salary. Call sustained and committee appointed to visit Sarawak with the view of raising the subscription to make the minimum. Failing that, Presbytery to apply for supplement. Call from Thornbury and Heathcote in favour of Mr. Peter Fleming, salary \$500, was presented and sustained, and Mr. Colter appointed to prosecute it before the Presbytery of Toronto. Committee appointed to ordain Mr. McKenzie in Lion's Head reported, and their report was adopted. The following are the standing committees for the year: Finance, Messrs. McLaren, McLennan and Colter; Sabbath Schools, McLennan, Scott, Mullan and Malcolm; Temperance, McLennan, McLaren, Loherty and McKenzie; Sabbath Observance, Stewart, Morrison, Mullan, Sym and elder of Leith; State of Religion, Scott, Fraser and McLennan; Home Missions, Somerville, Fraser, McAlpine, Sutherland, Somerville and Morrison. Committees to visit mission fields, enquire into the work, make arrangements for the payment of students' salaries and report at the September