

the Wednesday evening meetings in the three churches. General text, Romans i, 16, "For I am not ashamed, etc." Review, Rev. J. A. R. Dickson. Explanations of plan of model church, James Smith. Essay, Rev. Joseph Unsworth. Conference with young men desiring to enter the Ministry. Ministers and delegates intending to be present, will kindly notify such intention to Rev. F. H. Marling, 69, Grosvenor Street, at least a week before the meeting.

W. W. SMITH,
Secretary.

PINE GROVE,
Dec. 20th, 1873.

THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION. — The next meeting of the Western Association will be held in Paris, Ont., on February 10th, 1874. The first session will begin at 3 o'clock p.m., when the Rev. Anthony McGill, M.A., will read a paper on "The Scriptural Warrant for Family Worship." In the evening the Rev. William Manchee, of Guelph, will preach.

During the sessions of Wednesday, the following papers are expected to be read:—"Ordination: What it is, and Who should be its Subjects," Rev. W. H. Allworth; "The Capabilities and Claims of the Association," Rev. J. A. R. Dickson; "Should Ecclesiastical Property be Taxed?" Rev. John Wood; "The Best Mode of Dealing with the Free Thought of the Age," Rev. E. C. W. McColl; Review, "Sermons for my Curates," Rev. Wm. Manchee. We trust, that as the time is convenient, and the place is central and easy of access to every member of the Association, a full meeting will greet the good will and hospitality of the people of Paris, and cheer the brethren who have prepared papers specially for the meeting. Will ministers and delegates inform the Rev. W. H. Allworth before the 3rd February of their intention of being present.

JAMES A. R. DICKSON,
Sec.-Treas.

TORONTO. Dec. 25.

Obituary.

REV. ARCHIBALD BURPEE.

The following has been written at intervals in a sick room, with the promise of the kind and competent oversight and free excision of a friend who has also engaged to see it correctly through the press.

The descent of the late Rev. Archibald Burpee was very interesting on both sides. His father, Mr. John Burpee, was one of the younger sons of the late David Burpee, Esq., long an honoured Magistrate of the County of Sunbury, New Brunswick. I well knew the venerable man, who had then retired from active life, and never called on him without his at once exclaiming—"That's a glorious promise,—'Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out.'" But at last the pulse of life quietly stood still, and he was gathered to his fathers. I buried him in his ninety-

fourth year. His son, Mr. John Burpee had already moved away, to a farm which he had purchased above the Nashwaak river. His wife was one of the daughters of the late venerable Archibald Macallum, who had long and usefully laboured under the Haldanes in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland; who was recommended and aided for evangelical service at Sheffield, New Brunswick, by the late Dr. Nichol, of the Scotch Church, Swallow Street, London. Mr. Macallum arrived in Sheffield in 1820, and continued his useful ministry there until 1840. The history of the Sheffield Church from that date has already been recorded by several pens. The late Rev. Archibald Burpee, became a member of the church at Sheffield while I was its minister, and under my advice, early turned his thoughts and private studies towards a prospective preparation for the Chris-