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OTTAWA.

In St. Paul's Church, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Armstrong, will preach at both services.

Rev. Walter McLaren will conduct the service in St. Andrew's Church, next Sunday.

In Bank Street Church, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. W. Peck, B.D., will preach morning and evening.

Rev. Foulds, from Scotland, who has been taking the services in McKay Street Church in the absence of the pastor, will preach again next Sunday at both services.

Rev. A. E. Mitchell will conduct the services in Erskine Church next Sunday.

Rev. A. G. Cameron, of Apple Hill, preached in the Glebe Church last Sunday. Rev. Mr. Milne, the pastor, has returned from his vacation and will occupy his own pulpit next Sunday.

MARITIME PROVINCES.

Rev. A. Gandier, of Toronto, completed last week his sojourn at Halifax. He preached last Sunday to Fort Massey Church.

Professor Magill, who has been in Glace Bay, lecturing in connection with the Summer School, preached on Sunday evening to a large congregation in St. Paul's Church.

Rev. J. L. George, Montreal, former pastor of St. James' Church, Dartmouth, is now enjoying a vacation at Arundel, where the scenery is enchanting and the air exhilarating.

Rev. Thomas Cumming, D.D., preached to his old congregation, in St. Andrew's Church, Truro, last Sabbath, and baptized the child of his son, Prof. Cumming, of the Agricultural College.

Rev. John Murray, the first pastor of Falmouth Street Church, Sydney, preached to his old congregation in St. Andrew's church. Mr. Murray was pastor of this church for seventeen years.

Rev. W. McC. Thomson preached his farewell sermon to New St. Andrew's, New Glasgow, on Sunday. He will shortly leave for Trinidad to assume his duties as pastor of Greyfriars Church, Port of Spain.

Rev. A. N. MacLeod, B.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Brockville, Ont., has been spending a part of his vacation at his old home in Loch Lomond. He preached in St. Andrew's Church, Sydney, last Sabbath evening.

The Rev. Mr. Duncan preached last Sunday in St. Andrew's Church, Halifax. The late Rev. Mr. Duncan was for some years the most-loved pastor of St. Andrew's, and it is his son (now pastor of a Scotch parish church) that preached last Sunday. He has come to Halifax to spend a few days with his mother and other friends.

Rev. M. G. Henry preached his farewell sermon at St. Croix and Ellershouse last Sabbath, from the text which he used in his opening sermon ten years ago. In reviewing his pastorate he stated that he had attended 100 funerals, baptized 80, and received 51 members into full communion. Mr. Henry has purchased a small fruit farm in Cunard to which he and his family have removed. His address is now Upied Cunard, Kings Co.—Presbyterian Witness.

Melrose is now vacant by the removal of Rev. D. O. McArthur to Iroquois. The Rev. A. M. Currie, M.A., of Deseronto, Ont., has been appointed in interim moderator of session, to whom applicants for a hearing should address themselves.

The robbery of graves is the one crime in China for which the thief may be killed on the spot by anyone finding him in the act.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. John Currie, of Premost, has been visiting his brother at Morriston, Ont.

Rev. J. F. Johnston, of Yale University, occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, Hamilton, last Sunday.

Rev. Robert Oguc, of Philadelphia, a former pastor, has been visiting friends at Hespeler, taking the mid-week service, to the great delight of the people.

Rev. R. A. Laidlaw, of Belleville, has been preaching in the First Church, London, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. W. Clark.

Messrs. McTear and Currie have been appointed to represent the London Presbytery on the executive of the Y. P. Presbyterian Union.

During a recent visit to Oakville, Rev. R. G. Macleth addressed a meeting under the auspices of the James Nesbit Auxiliary of the W. H. M. S. on "The Romance and Tragedy in the Development of the West."

Rev. S. B. Russell, pastor of Erskine Church, Hamilton, and Mr. A. Souer, superintendent of the Sunday School, are home from their European trip. They were given a very hearty reception by the congregation.

The Board of Management of the Shakespeare Church of Stratford, presented Rev. Robert Martin, who had been moderator of session during the vacancy, with a purse containing \$25, on Monday, Aug. 6th.

Rev. J. A. Wilson, of St. Andrew's Church, Hamilton, has returned from his vacation, and occupied his own pulpit last Sunday morning. Rev. Dr. Marsh preached in St. Andrew's at 7 o'clock. Mr. Wilson conducted evening service at Bethel Church at the Beach.

The induction of Rev. James Arys into the pastorate of Melville Church, Lobo, will take place on Thursday forenoon, when Mr. Lindsay will preside; Mr. Mitchell to preach; Dr. Munro to address the minister, and Mr. Geddes to address the congregation.

Notwithstanding the strong plea made by the congregation to have him remain, Rev. J. H. Courtenay, of St. John's Church, Port Stanley, adhered to his resignation of the charge, which took effect on the 9th ult. Rev. H. W. Reede, of St. Thomas, is to act as interim moderator of session.

Rev. Thos. Bell, of Napier, occupied the pulpit of the Avonton Church on a recent Sunday morning and preached a very earnest and instructive sermon. In the evening he conducted the Young People's Missionary Society, and read a most interesting paper on the life and work of the late Rev. W. McKenzie, missionary in Korea.

According to The Reporter, Rev. Dr. Talling, of Toronto, has been preaching admirable sermons to the people of Central Church, Galt. Next Sunday Rev. W. A. Bradley, of Berlin, will be the preacher. On the following Sunday it is expected that Rev. Dr. Dickson will be back from Scotland, and ready to take his own services.

At last meeting of London Presbytery applications were submitted from Chalmers Church, London, for leave to borrow \$5,000 on mortgage of the present church property, to be applied to the erection of a new edifice; also from St. Andrew's Church, Mt. Brydges, for leave to borrow \$15,000 to be expended on the church building now in process of erection. Applications will be approved as soon as certain legal formalities are complied with.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. D. MacKenzie, of Kirkhill, conducted the services at Alaxville on a recent Sunday.

Rev. W. A. Morrison, of Dalhousie Mills, preached at North Lancaster last Sunday evening.

Rev. A. MacD. Haig, of Jarratt's Corners, conducted service at Longford Mills last Sunday.

The next regular meeting of Glengarry Presbytery will be held at Vankleek Hill, on Tuesday, 6th November.

Rev. R. A., Mrs. Gosan and children, of Dunvegan, left last week for the shores of the St. Lawrence, where they intend to spend a month.

The service held by Rev. D. W. Best, of Beaverton, on Thorah Island, on a recent Sunday, was greatly appreciated by the residents and visitors.

While Rev. D. H. Currie, of Hillisdale, takes his vacation, Rev. F. Smith, of Bradford, will supply the pulpit.

Rev. John McAlpine, of Toronto, has been preaching for Rev. D. N. Morden, at Bradford.

The union sentiment is spreading, and in many localities is finding practical expression. At Sundridge the Methodist Presbyterian and Baptist Churches have decided to give up their regular weekly prayer meeting and join in one general union prayer meeting. The experiment promises to be eminently satisfactory.

Kingston Presbytery, at its meeting in St. Andrew's church, Belleville, on the 18th inst., considered two calls, one to Rev. S. S. Burns, to Lakefield; the other to Rev. D. O. McArthur, of Melrose, to Iroquois. Both calls were accepted.

Rev. John Chisholm, of Kemptville, is holidaying at Kingston, Toronto and other western points. The Methodist and Presbyterian congregations will, in consequence, hold union services for the next three weeks.

The Presbytery of Glengarry met at Lancaster on the 17th inst., and sustained a call from St. Andrew's church, Martintown, in favor of Rev. J. B. MacLeod, B.D., of Kingsbury, Que. The call was well signed, and promised \$1,000 stipend, with four weeks' holidays. Rev. A. Govan, of Wilmamstown, has been appointed to prosecute the call before the Presbytery of Quebec.

We find the following tribute to a good man, lately departed, in one of our local exchanges, and gladly make room for it in this column: In these days of organs and choirs it is very interesting to hear of an honored and faithful precursor who for almost fifty years led the praises of a congregation, and during that period was never absent at a Communion service but once. Such was the late Charles Stewart, precursor in the Kenyon Presbyterian church, Dunvegan, who died at his home in Stewart's Glen on Tuesday, July 17. Five weeks before his death, he sat in his usual chair under the pulpit leading the psalms in his own hearty manner. And not in one language only did Mr. Stewart serve this congregation, for the morning service is conducted in Gaelic, and he led the old tunes and "put out the lines" as no successor will ever be able to do. Of late years when he would remark to strangers suppling the pulpit in holiday time, that his singing "was not as good as it used to be," they could only remark what a wonderfully sweet and strong voice he must have had. Last year he acknowledged a little weakness, for he asked the congregation to stand with him at singing, so as to support him better, but no one else noticed any falling off. Mr. Stewart was not