

## POSTSCRIPT.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—This church has given a call to Mr. Norman McKinnon, at present taking a post-graduate course at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine. Mr. McKinnon, graduated from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1892. He is a native of Scotland.

REV. GEORGE PURKIS., formerly pastor at Waterville, Que., died in Bowmanville, Ont., on 19th April. Mr. Purkis was widely known and universally esteemed among the brethren for his many sterling qualities. We hope to give a more extended notice of our deceased brother next month.

WE have to congratulate several brethren this week, as the following items will indicate: *Birth*—the wife of Rev. Wilberforce Lee, African Mission, on 17th January, of a daughter. *Birth*—The wife of Rev. W. H. Warriner, Zion church, Montreal, on the 15th April, of a son. *Birth*—wife of Rev. Galen H. Craik, Waterville, Que., on 7th April, of a son.

TORONTO DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The April meeting of this association was held last Monday in Stouffville. There was a good gathering of ministers and friends from Toronto, and the fervent, religious interest manifested in the thriving village and vicinity in which the association met added interest to the gathering. The Rev. Dr. Sims preached a very able discourse at 10.30 a.m. from the text John xiii. 34, "A new commandment," etc. The lessons emphasized, that indicate the specific direction our love should take under the command of Christ, were chiefly: (1) The exercise of patience, meekness and humility in our relations to our brethren; (2) the wise use of power, influence or talent, and (3) self-sacrifice. This we cannot fully measure in Christ. Fellowship with Him in His sufferings and conformability to Him in His death are among the attainments that tell most for the Redeemer's kingdom in the world. The afternoon was devoted to business, and to the reading and discussion of papers, one read by the Rev. C. Duff on "Substantial Ethics," and the other by the Rev. J. P. Gerrie on "Hard Times." Both papers were discussed, and a good degree of interest manifested in the subjects, which seemed to follow well the morning discourse. All the meetings were well attended, but that of the evening was large. The church was well filled and the music of the choir was good. The Chairman, Mr. H. O'Hara, made a brief opening speech, followed by Revs. Grisbrook, of Barrie; Duff and Unsworth, of Toronto, and Mr. J. C.

Copp. Votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies of the church and congregation for their excellent tea provided in the basement of the building, and to the choir for its inspiring services of song at the three services. The association then adjourned to meet in Parkdale on May 15th. The ministers of other denominations and the people generally, spoke in the highest terms of Brother Main and his work. This was perhaps not surprising, as all the churches share so largely in the blessing.

## WOMAN'S BOARD.

COWANSVILLE.—The regular fortnightly meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Congregational church, Cowansville, was held on Friday, April 13th. The field chosen for study was Turkey, and in answer to the appeal made by Rev. F. W. Macallum, through the columns of the *Daily Witness*, a special offering was made for the famine-stricken natives in Erzroum, Turkey. The offering amounted to twenty-three dollars and seventy-five cents.

## OFFICIAL.

## PUBLISHING COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Congregational Publishing Company, of Toronto, will be held in the Northern Congregational church, Toronto, on Friday, June 8, 1894, at 4.30 p.m.

W. W. SMITH,  
St. Catharines, April 24, 1894. Sec.

## CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Receipts from March 13th to April 13th.*

Liverpool, N.S., Congregational C.E., per Charlotte E. Wharton, \$5; Melbourne, Que., S. S., per A. McDonald, \$3.60; Paris Congregational church, per C. W. Finlayson, \$61.05; B. W. Robertson, Kingston, \$50; Ottawa Congregational church, per A. J. Stephens, \$16.91; Immanuel Congregational church, Hamilton, per L. Sachs, \$10, do. C. E., \$1.94, do. S. S., \$3.36; Calvary church, Montreal, Bible Class, per A. Andrews, \$9.73, do. S. S., expenses of remittance, 60 cts.; Middleville, Ont., Congregational church, per Miss Crofts, \$33.40; St. Andrew's Congregational C. E., for Mrs. Read, \$2.65; Pleasant River, N.S., per Rev. Jas. Blesedell, \$3; Lanark, Ont., church collection, per R. W. Robertson, \$13.72; Belwood, Ont., S. S., per Nana Blyth, \$15; Frome Congregational S.S., per W. F. Silcox, \$11; Northern church, Toronto, J. D. Nasmith, \$10; Danville S. S., per Rev. J. G. Sanderson, \$10; Forest, Lake Shore, C.E., per Jessie A. Johnson, \$10.

W. F. GUNS, *Treasurer.*