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WINNIPEG.—In Knox Church, on Wednesday March fourth, at ten o'clock a.m.

BRUCE.—In St. Paul's Church, Walkerton, on the second Tuesday in March, 1885.

KINGSTON.—In Cooke's Church, Kingston, on March 16th at three p.m.

WINNIPEG.—In Knox Church, Winnipeg, on Wednesday March 19th, at ten o'clock a.m.

MT. LANSIE.—In Wingham, on Tuesday the seventeenth of March, at half past one p.m.

GLENGARRY.—At Alexandria, on second Tuesday of March, at two o'clock p.m.

SAGINAW.—In Guthrie Church, Harrison, on the seventeenth of March next at two p.m.

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