

RELIGIOUS.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Maritime Provinces will meet in Truro on the first Tuesday of next month.

The services in connection with the Centennial celebration of James Church, New Glasgow, will be held to day.

On Tuesday evening last a farewell social for the Rev. Mr. McKee and Mrs. McKee, missionaries to Trinidad, was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. Addresses by Mr. McKee and others were given to the large audience present.

In five years the Presbyterians of the United States increased their contributions two million dollars. The amount collected last year was \$10,592,331.

For a long time the question of Evolution has been before the Presbyterian Church in the Southern States. The decision arrived at by the General Assembly some months ago was that the teaching of Professor Woodrow of Columbia College was contrary to Scripture and the standards of the Church. The matter was referred to the Presbytery of Augusta to take action. The case came up last month, and the Presbytery after a lengthy discussion, acquitted the Professor of the charges preferred against him. An appeal to the Synod was thereupon demanded.

METHODIST.

The Wesleyans of Victoria, Australia, celebrated their jubilee on May 19th, when subscriptions to the amount of \$105,000 were received for a thanksgiving fund.

At the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, the question of College Federation, after being fully discussed, was carried by a vote of 138 to 113. It is considered that \$450,000 will be necessary in order that the federation movement might be made successful. Delegates from the British West Indian Conference, the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, and the Methodist Church of the Southern States were welcomed. The addresses from those representatives were very eloquent and were warmly received.

BAPTIST.

The Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia was held at Bear River, Yarmouth Co., Sept. 9 12.

According to statistics lately published, the annual contributions per member among the Baptists of the United States, from 1870 to 1880, was 94 cents.

In Wales the Baptists are making more progress than in any other part of Great Britain. In 1866, when the Union was established, they had 539 churches, with a membership of 62,113. Last year they had 704 churches, and 96,155 members. The number of Sunday-school scholars in 1866 was 57,261; while last year they had 94,087.

CATHOLIC.

Rev. Father Murphy returned from Europe by the *Carthaginian*, which arrived here on Saturday last.

The Rev. E. V. Boursaud, S. J., President of Boston College, is seriously ill.

Rev. Dr. McNeil, of St. Francis Xavier's College, was in the city this week.

Archbishop Fabre, of Montreal, has addressed a circular to his clergy, urging them to exhort the people not to attend political meetings held on Sundays and holidays.

Twenty-eight students of the Jesuit College, of Woodstock, Md., were recently ordained to the Priesthood by his Eminence Cardinal Gibbons. This is the largest number ever ordained at one ceremony in the United States.

The Paris correspondent of the Boston *Pilot* writes to that journal that M. Ferry is expected soon to inaugurate an anti-Radical policy, including rejection of the proposals for the separation of Church and State, liberty of conscience, respect for the Concordat, and cessation of the anti-religious policy generally.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Rev. H. How, who recently removed from Newport to Shelburne, has been received with great cordiality by his people, and with his accustomed energy will, no doubt, infuse new life into the parish.

Rev. G. L. Dodwell, M. A., has taken temporary charge of Trinity Church in this city. Mr. Dodwell is a clergyman of great experience and ripe scholarship.

Rev. John Langtry, M. A., has been elected Prolocutor of the Provincial Synod. This is a good appointment. The Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, Speaker of the House of Commons was also nominated. The vote stood 100 to 40. Much disappointment is felt here at the meagreness of the reports to the daily press.

The tendency towards union between Christian bodies has received a fresh illustration in the able sermon preached at the opening of Provincial Synod, by the Right Rev. The Bishop of Algoma. The same subject was selected by the preacher at the opening of the Diocesan Synod of this Province lately assembled in Halifax. In whatever way it is to be accounted for, the subject of Union is agitating thoughtful and pious minds in all directions. A few years will probably see some tangible steps taken to accomplish so desirable an end.

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