

THE CHURCH ABROAD.

The Presbytery of Adelaide, South Australia, has re-appointed Dr. Paton moderator for the year.

A new Free Church is about to be erected at Muthill, near Crieff, at a cost of over £2,000.

A new church, much stronger than the one destroyed at Suva Fiji by the recent terrible hurricane, was opened on April 7.

Rev. W. J. Lowe, M.A., Londonderry, has been elected clerk of the General Assembly, in room of the late Rev. Dr. Orr, Antrim.

The Presbytery of Onkaparinga has appointed Rev. H. T. Hull clerk, in room of Rev. A. Lawson, who has resigned the charge of Mount Barker.

The Irish deputies at the Scotch Assemblies this year were:—Revs. Professor Todd Martin, D.D., Belfast (Moderator Irish Assembly); H. B. Wilson, D.D., Cookstown; W. J. Jackson, M.A., Belfast; and J. J. McClure, Doneane; with Messrs. A. Baxter, J.P., Londonderry, and T. Houston, Belfast, ruling elders.

Reports of the Belfast City Mission for the past three months show that 4,866 hours were spent by the missionaries in house-to-house visitation, 15,400 visits paid, 3,300 of which were to sick and dying; 1,166 meetings and Bible-classes had been held, with an aggregate attendance of 51,030; while forty-one families have been brought into connection with churches.

The Rev. J. D. Watters, M.A., Cardiff, who has been unusually successful in gathering around him a large number of young people, has just published an admirable manual for Catechumen's classes. It deals with Christian life and Christian doctrine, as well as with the Christian institutions. Planned upon original lines, it is also written in a fresh and unconventional style.

The ordination of Rev. Alex. Farquhar to the pastorate of Millfield congregation, Sutherland took place yesterday, June 12th. The Rev. John Brown, Moderator of the Presbytery of Newcastle, presided. The Rev. W. S. H. Wylie, M.A., of Newcastle preached, and the Rev. William Stuart, M.A., of Wallsend gave the ordination charge. Mr. Farquhar was a divinity student of the Free Church, but was licensed by special authority of the English Synod.

The Presbyterian Social Union will invite the Presbyterian pilgrims to be their guests on July 18, the Synodical Committee week. The party has been limited to one hundred, and the tour is to occupy eight weeks. On arriving from America the pilgrims will land at Queenstown, and after visiting the north of Ireland will proceed to Scotland, the party will be in London the third week in July, when they will be entertained at the Holborn Restaurant by the Social Union.

Tanna, New Hebrides, is convulsed with tribal fights; nightly feasts are held over the bodies of the killed, and prisoners who have been taken are roasted alive. The demoniacal yells of the cannibal fiends could be heard on board the steamer passing along the coast.—The Queensland Government is taking action to prevent any of the officers and crew of the William Manson, who were concerned in the recent alleged kidnapping cases, from again taking part in island labor traffic.

The London Presbyterian Literary Societies' Union held its summer meeting at Windsor June 5th. By special permission, the State apartments of the Castle were open to the members, and the Dean of Windsor kindly allowed St. George's Chapel to be opened to them. The party assembled for tea in the Albert Institute, when Mr. Alex. Thomson, the president took the chair, supported by the Revs. J. Head Thomson, R. Duff, J. M. Stuart, Messrs. James Laughland, L.C.C., Robert Wales, J. Muir Ritchie, Brigadier-Surgeon Pringle, Dr. Dacot and John Lamont. About 250 were present, the largest number that have attended the annual gathering.

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