

## Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. M. P. Talling, B.A., has sailed for Europe.

THE Rev. Robert Stewart is appointed for one year to Bay of Islands, Newfoundland. Mr. Stewart is a man of experience and a faithful worker.

THE Rev. Alfred Gandier, M.A., B.D., has accepted the call tendered by the Presbyterian Church at Brimpton. He expects to take charge in September.

PRINCEALBERT preached thoughtful discourses to large congregations last Sabbath morning in St. Andrew's east, and in the evening in St. Andrew's west.

MR. John Sharp, student of Queen's College, has been appointed to the charge of the Presbyterian mission field of Chalk River and Point Alexander for this session.

THE Rev. Dr. Wardrop, Convener of the Mission Board, lectured in the Presbyterian Church, Hespeler, on Friday evening week on Missions. The choir of the church furnished music.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Manitowish, held on Tuesday week, a resolution condemning the Quebec and the Dominion Governments for aiding the Jesuits in their encroachments was carried.

A PRESBYTERIAN Church in the State of New York has shown its appreciation of the religious press by furnishing each family of its congregation, not already supplied, with a religious paper. The subscriptions for these papers are paid out of the regular church funds.

THE Rev. Neil McKay has addressed an open letter to the people of Northumberland, in which he contends that the Scott Act has not been a failure, and that it has had the effect of reducing very largely the volume of the liquor traffic in that northern section of New Brunswick.

THE Canada Presbyterian Mission to Northern Formosa now embraces fifty-one native preachers. They are described as the "sharpest, brightest and most learned class of men in Northern Formosa." There are fifty churches and a college with twenty students—all Christians.

THE Rev. D. McLeod, of Priceville, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Markdale, on Monday morning, 13th inst., and moderated in a call to a minister which resulted unanimously in favor of L. C. Ems; said call will be prosecuted before the Presbytery of Orangeville on the 21st inst.

THE installation of Rev. David Junor, the new pastor of Mount Olivet Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., took place on Thursday night, 9th inst. Mr. Junor is a brother of Rev. R. Junor, some time Missionary to Formosa, was a Canadian barrister, having practised in St. Marys and in the Western States.

THE Rev. J. L. Robertson, late of Strabane, but now of Wilmington, U. S., conducted the services of Duff's Church, East Puslinch, last Sabbath. Mr. Robertson was for a number of years pastor of the Presbyterian Church, at Strabane. He left there about five years ago, and is now spending a few weeks among his old parishioners there.

THE Rev. David S. Brown has finished his seminary course and has returned home to Chesterfield for a few weeks' vacation. He graduated from the Auburn Theological Seminary, May 9th, and was subsequently ordained by the Presbytery of Cayuga. After a few weeks vacation he will go west to Iowa to take a charge under the Home Mission Board.

THE Rev. Mr. Cormick was duly inducted to the Presbyterian Church at Maxville recently in presence of a full congregation and quite a number of clergymen. Mr. Cormick received the unanimous call of the congregation. He preached his first sermon last Sabbath week, which was both eloquent and instructive. Mr. Cormick fills a long felt want in the congregation.

MR. J. STODDARD, leader for many years of the choir of the East Presbyterian Church, Toronto, has just received leave to take a three months' holiday. Mr. Stoddard, who is employed in the Post-office department, has been the recipient of several marks of the esteem in which he is held by the church, and he leaves with earnest wishes for his safe return from a pleasant journey.

THE unanimous call of St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, to Rev. Robert Johnston, B.A., was received and sustained by the Presbytery of Lindsay, at a meeting held in Bowmanville on Wednesday of last week, during the sittings of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston. The call is signed by 259 members and 233 adherents. There is a guarantee of \$1,400 stipend, and an annual vacation of six weeks.

THE tea meeting held at Merrickville by the Presbyterian Church last week, may be said to have been a great success. There were speakers from Brockville, Smith's Falls, North Augusta, Kemptonville, and several other places. Rev. Mr. Potter's father, mother, sister and brother came all the way from Halifax, N. S., nearly 1,000 miles on purpose to see their son and brother ordained a minister of the Presbyterian Church.

DR. KELLON, last Sabbath evening, concluded a brief series of discourses in St. James Square Church, Toronto, on the differences between the authoritative teaching of the Roman Catholic and Evangelical Churches. The sermons were calm, dispassionate and charitable in spirit, while at the same time presenting in a clear light the departure of Rome's teaching from the simplicity of the evangelical doctrines taught in Scripture.

THE First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Carleton Street, Toronto, on the 13th made out a call in favour of the Rev. Stuart Acheson, M.A., Clover Hill, Ont. Rev. Nevill Woodside, Pittsburgh, officiated as Moderator and we understand the call is entirely unanimous, and good hopes are entertained that Mr. Acheson will accept the call and be settled in Carleton Street Church early in June. Stipend promised in the meantime \$1,000.

A SABBATH school in connection with the Presbyterian Church was opened Sunday week in Foster's hall, Hintonburgh, Rev. J. White presiding. The outlook was very promising to the organizers, there being seven teachers and thirty-five scholars in attendance. They look forward to grand results in connection with the undertaking. A week night meeting will be held every Thursday evening at eight o'clock to which all are cordially invited.

THE Rev. Broderick McKay, B.D., the well known graduate of Queen's, was duly inducted pastor of the Presbyterian congregation of Bromley a few days ago. The pastorate has been vacant for some time, since Rev. J. C. Campbell, the recent pastor, had been transferred to Russell. The induction services were participated in by Revs. W. J. Drummond, of Alice; R. G. Laing, of Admaston; A. Patterson, of Eganville, and D. J. McLean, of Arnprior, all distinguished graduates of the same university.

THE Victoria Daily Times says Mr. George Lockhart, student in the Manitoba College, occupied the pulpit in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday morning in the absence of the Rev. D. Fraser, who conducted the communion service in St. Andrew's Church on account of the illness of the Rev. Mr. McLeod. Messrs. Lockhart and Knowles are the first of the Manitoba College students to visit British Columbia, and are in every way a credit to it. The former goes to Alberni on Friday, the latter succeeds the Rev. D. McKee.

MR. J. C. MADILL, of the Dovercourt Presbyterian Church, Toronto, lectured last week to an interested audience on "Shall Canada be Ruled from Ottawa or Rome?" The lecture was well received, and the speaker made many good points in favour of Ottawa, among them that the Jesuits, though small at the beginning, the

little leaven has leavened the whole lump. He called upon his audience to be true to their country and their God and never mind party, for if they were put into a box one by one there would be none left.

THE *Almonte Gazette* says:—Among the list of graduates at the last convocation of McGill University, Montreal, we are glad to see the name of Mr. James Whitelaw, formerly of Beattie's Corners, and son of Mrs. Whitelaw, of Almonte. Mr. Whitelaw has been studying for five years at Morrin College (which is affiliated to McGill University), and is taking a theological course, with a view to entering the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. He stood first in the order of merit among the Morrin College graduates, and took a high standing in Greek, physics, history, moral philosophy and Hebrew.

THE Foreign Mission Committee having failed to obtain an ordained missionary for Couva, have secured one of the students to proceed at once to Trinidad, and give his services to aid the present staff, so that the place may be kept supplied. Mr. Simon Fraser who has had experience as a colporteur and home missionary, is the person obtained. He sailed from New York, May 11, and will remain in Trinidad till the committee can secure a suitable occupant of the Couva station. This step is rendered absolutely necessary by the pressing wants of the field and the indifferent health of some of the missionaries.

THOSE who did not know the extensive alterations that St. Andrew's Church, Windsor, had undergone were astonished, when the doors were opened Sunday morning, at the extent of the improvements. Around the sides and front end of the building a spacious gallery has been built and the church has been frescoed and painted throughout, and it now equals in point of comfort and appearance any edifice in Western Ontario. The congregation is very large and numbers among its members many of the wealthiest residents of Windsor. The pulpit both morning and evening was occupied by Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford. Finer discourses have seldom been heard in Windsor.

THE rapid growth in the membership of St. Andrew's Church, Windsor, has compelled the congregation to secure increased accommodation by the erection of galleries. Frescoing and decorating internally and externally were tastefully carried out at the same time, so that the church as it now stands is exceedingly beautiful as well as commodious. The reopening services were conducted on Sabbath, the 12th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Cochrane of Brantford. The church was crowded at both services on Sabbath, and on Monday evening a large audience assembled to hear Dr. Cochrane's magnificent lecture "Across the Continent," and show their appreciation of the able and eloquent services he had rendered on the previous day.

THE Brantford *Courier* of a day or so ago referred to the fact that Principal McIntyre of the Young Ladies' College, announced to the pupils that he was about to sever his connection with that institution in order to enter upon the work of the ministry. It is understood that Rev. Dr. Cochrane has been earnestly urged by the trustees to become Governor of the College and although the rev. gentleman now has a multiplicity of duties to look after which would fully tax the time and attention of two ordinary men it is hoped that he will see his way clear to accede to the request. If this plan is adopted the rev. gentleman will have a lady principal associated with him in the management of the College, and there can be no doubt that he would enter upon the duties of the office with all the energy for which he is so well noted.

THE thirteenth Presbyterian Sabbath School Convention will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Lindsay, on Wednesday, May 29, 1889. All Sabbath school workers are cordially invited. Intending delegates are requested to give a few days' notice to Mr. A. Jackson, Lindsay, so that preparations may be made for their reception. Among the subjects to be discussed are the following: "Advantages and Disadvantages of Sabbath School Work in Country Congregations," by Rev. M. McKinnon, B.A.; "Reasons Why all Christians Should take more interest in Sabbath School Work," by Mr. T. H. Armstrong; "The Training of Scholars in Christian Work," by Rev. A. G. McLachlan, B.A.; "The Relations of the Sabbath School to the Church," by Rev. D. C. Johnson; "Needs of the Sabbath School," by Rev. R. P. Mackay, M.A., of Parkdale.

ON Wednesday evening last the Presbyterian Church, Barrie, was crowded to hear Father Chiniquy lecture on "Dangers ahead from Romanism." The Rev. D. D. McLeod occupied the chair and after opening the meeting with devotional exercises he introduced the aged gentleman in a few appropriate words. The lecturer gave a short and succinct account of his connection with the Church of Rome, the duty of Protestants and French evangelization in the Province of Quebec, told of the amount he had raised towards this work, gave the number of priests and the number of Catholics converted into Protestant faith, explained the customs and manner of worship in the Church of Rome from an experience of fifty years as a Catholic, twenty-five of which he was a priest. He pointed with pride to a medal he wore which was presented to him when a priest for faithful service. He is now eighty years of age and retains remarkable vigour.

AN Ottawa correspondent says:—With the exception of a few hundred dollars, the \$26,000 required by the Board of the Ottawa Ladies' College to add to the \$20,000 being secured by the French Board of Evangelization of the Presbyterian Church to pay on the \$46,000 debt on the College has been raised. On July 1st next the College will consequently be handed over to the French Board, who on September 1st will re-open the institution under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. The arrangements of the French Evangelical Board are not definitely known, but it is stated on authority that the Principal will be a lady from Switzerland, and her first assistant an English speaking Canadian lady. While the College will be under the French Board, English will be taught, but the special aim of the Board will be to give to English speaking girls a thorough and high class French education, equal, if not superior, to that given at any other institution. The very best teachers in all branches will be secured.

THE *Port Hope Guide* says: The services in the First Presbyterian Church here Sunday week were of unusual interest. In the morning the Rev. John Wilkie, a missionary of the Presbyterian Church at Indore in Central India, preached to a good congregation. Mr. Wilkie has been engaged chiefly in educational work and has succeeded in establishing a High School and College in that city. He gave a most interesting and cheering account of the progress made by the cause of Christ and of the prospects of rapid advances in the future. The progress of education will make Hinduism untenable. Caste is rapidly breaking down and the fruits of Christian missions are increasing at a rapidly accelerating rate. Mr. Wilkie addressed the Sabbath school in the afternoon, giving a graphic account of the daily life of the Hindus, their religious superstitions, etc., especially those that concerned the young. He has the art of putting what he has to say in a clear and attractive manner, and no doubt his visit will be fruitful.

THE Fenelon Falls *Gazette* says: In the Presbyterian Church, Fenelon Falls, on Tuesday evening last, a long and interesting lecture on the working of the Upper Canada Tract and Book Society was delivered by Rev. Dr. Moffatt, the secretary, and one of the most active members of that society. The subject was one in which a great many take but little interest; nevertheless there was a very fair attendance, and the speaker was listened to with marked attention. He devoted a good deal of the time at his disposal to the consideration of colportage work, which he said was surrounded with difficulties, and gave several instances of the good done by the liberal distribution of tracts. The past history of the society—now in

its fifty-sixth year—was reviewed, its present condition dwelt upon, and great hopefulness expressed as to its future. Rev. Mr. Lochhead, pastor of the church, officiated as chairman, and a few remarks appropriate to the occasion were made by Rev. Mr. McAmmond. The music by the choir was highly approved of by Dr. Moffatt, who said he had not heard better in any church he had visited.

At the entertainment, May 13, held in Calvin Church, St. Helen's, for the purpose of presenting an address of cordial welcome to the newly installed minister, Rev. R. S. G. Anderson, B.D., the church was crowded to its utmost capacity, many standing in and about the doors who could not find room or seats inside. The proceedings were made still more interesting by the presence of the Rev. Dr. Anderson, from Glasgow, Scotland, father of the pastor, who gave a faithful evangelical address during the evening. Miss Anderson was also present. The address of welcome to Mr. Anderson was read by Mr. MacLennan, Moderator of the United Sessions, p. 1, during the vacancy, to which Mr. Anderson replied in suitable and felicitous terms. At the same meeting an address was presented to the Rev. F. A. MacLennan, of South Kilmoss, accompanied by a purse containing a certain sum in gold. It was read by Mr. Robert Harrison in the behalf of the United Sessions and congregations of St. Helen's and East Ashfield, expressive of their appreciation of his services during the vacancy, and remembrance of his endeavours to secure to them a permanent pastor, culminated on the induction of the Rev. Mr. Anderson that day.

THE augmentation committee, Eastern Section, met recently and found to their great satisfaction that the receipts for the year are likely to be quite equal to the expenditure. There are a few congregations yet to hand in their contributions. If these send forward their allotments the balance will be again on the right side. The payments this year were made in half-yearly instalments, 1st October and 1st April. It is doubtful if next year this can be done as the committee found that after cutting down the applications as much as possible they had voted for the year closing next March nearly \$9,000. The matter will come before Synod for advice as to which alternative to pursue—ask the congregation for \$9,000—draw on the accumulated balance, or pay according to the regulations—first letting up to \$500, and a raffle and paying the surplus *pro rata*. Nearly all the applying congregations and there are over fifty of them—are now or will be soon settled. This makes nearly certain that if payment is made in full, not much less than \$9,000 will be needed next year. It was a source of much pleasure to the committee that some heretofore helped either ceased to ask for further aid, or greatly reduced their requests by reason of large increase of local support. This is what is wanted year by year to keep the fund in a vigorous and healthy condition.

LATELY the Presbyterian Church in Brandon was handsomely decorated with an assortment of beautiful house plants. The church was well filled with people, and happiness, contentment and enjoyment seemed to be the possession of all. The occasion for so much display and good feeling was the reception to the new pastor, Rev. Mr. Urquhart. The alternate seats on the side rows were turned so to leave two seats facing each other. After an hour had elapsed in pleasant talk, Mr. Whitelaw took the chair, and called upon the clergymen present to come upon the platform. Rev. Messrs. Flewellyn (St. Matthews), Wilson (Methodist), Best (Baptist), Fraser, Hodgins, Murray and McTavish (Presbyterian) at once responded, as well as the pastor, Rev. Mr. Urquhart. Able addresses were delivered, full of words of welcome to Mr. Urquhart, not because he was a new arrival from the royal city, but because he was now a co-worker in the hub city of the north-west. Between the addresses the choir sang suitable selections, Miss Belle Robinson singing a solo in a suitable manner. Refreshments were now served in the usual good style of the ladies of the church. Following this, Rev. Mr. Urquhart was called upon, and in a few well chosen words said that it afforded him a great deal of pleasure to meet the resident clergymen of Brandon, of the different denominations, on the same platform, and he trusted that they might go on harmoniously doing the work of the Master. The meeting was brought to a close by Rev. Mr. Fraser pronouncing the benediction. The rev. gentleman preached on the Sunday morning and evening to very large congregations.

At the closing exercises of the Presbyterian College, Halifax held in St. Matthew's Church there was a large attendance. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. R. Laing and Rev. T. Cumming. Dr. Burns presided. Dr. Curry read the report of the Senate. An additional Professor is required, and the college building needs to be enlarged. The attendance has so increased as to imperatively demand increased accommodation. The claims of the college on the church were concisely stated. Steady progress has been made by the students. Two, Messrs. Lewis and Smith, have qualified for B.D. Mr. Waddell has given instruction in Elocution. A course of lectures on Comparative Religion was given by a number of brethren and it is hoped the lectures will be published. Ten students complete their course. Dr. McKnight, the principal, gave the prizes—the McMillan prize \$25, to Mr. John Calder; the second prize, the Fort Massey, to Mr. Clarke, the St. Matthew's prize, \$25, to Mr. Harvey; the St. David's prize, to Mr. Fisher; the Hebrew prizes, to Mr. J. K. Fraser, \$14, the second to Mr. Harvey, \$10. Mr. A. W. McLeod won the first elocution prize, \$15, and Messrs Crawford and Clarke being equal were awarded equal amounts, \$7.50 each. The Wiswell Elocution prize, for the best reading of the Holy Scriptures, \$10, was awarded to Mr. Smith and Mr. Gow. The prize in Patriotic Greek was awarded to Mr. Lewis. Four book prizes were given by Dr. Pollak; Church History to Mr. Calder; two prizes in Gospel History, to Mr. Smith and Mr. Lewis; one in N. T. Greek to Mr. Lewis, one in Homiletics to Charles McKay. The B.D. diplomas were then given by the Principal to Messrs. Smith and Lewis. Certificates were given to the ten, viz., A. W. Lewis, James F. Smith, J. W. Crawford, G. A. Leck, John Calder, Gavin Hamilton, D. Wright, A. Boyd, J. M. McLennan, W. McLoud. The valedictory was given by Mr. G. Hamilton—a very excellent address. Rev. H. H. McPherson responded very appropriately. The Rev. E. D. Miller addressed the audience with regard to the interests of the college. He congratulated the Church on the prosperity of the college. He claimed that while the college is doing admirable work it has deficiencies. In this Province the first Presbyterian minister was ordained; here the first school of the prophets in Canada was organized. We have a record we must live up to it. We have three Professors; we need a fourth. The other colleges have made marked progress in fourteen years; we are where we then stood. With us the time is ripe for a forward movement. We need additions to the Library; another Professor; one or two scholarships of \$500 to be available after the completion of the curriculum. Where is the money to come from? Let the Alumni Association raise the \$10,000 for Library. The \$1750 required for the Professorship will be raised by our 180 congregations giving each an average \$10 additional every year. After a very beautiful anthem by the choir, Rev. Mr. Carruthers briefly addressed the meeting and the students, giving timely hints and racy hits. The proceedings which were of unusual interest were concluded with the benediction by Rev. G. Bruce.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD.—A regular meeting of this Presbytery was held in Knox Church, Stratford, on the 13th inst., Rev. P. Wright presiding. A paper on the subject of "Perfectionism" was read by Rev. I. Campbell, of Listowell, and a conference was held thereon. Mr. Campbell was requested to publish his essay in the local and church papers. A committee was appointed to draft a resolution anent the Jesuits Estates Bill and reported as follows:—1. The Presbytery hereby expresses its strong disapproval of the Act