

**THE CHURCH ABROAD.**

In the erection of the iron church for the seceders at Glendale, Sliye, over a hundred crofters and cottars are assisting.

In the Glasgow city churches of St. Andrew's, St. John's, St. James's and St. George's, there are nearly 2,600 sittings unlet.

Rev. R. Fingland, M. A., Greenock is recommended to St. Enoch's congregation Glasgow, by their vacancy committee.

Rev. R. Greenshields was, Jan. 3rd, inducted as pastor of St. George's Church, Myrtle-street, Liverpool.

Rev. John Davidson, of Beaumont, Northumberland, has been invited to take the charge of the congregation at Douglas, Isle of Man.

Rev J. H. Wishart, B.A., a probationer of the London Presbytery, has been elected assistant minister to Rev. Dr. Monro Gibson at the St. John's Wood Church.

The site Cambridge offered by Mrs. Lawis and Mrs. Gibson for the erection of the Presbyterian College, should its removal from London be agreed upon, consists of about three acres in the best part of the town.

The Women's Missionary Association of the English Presbyterian Church, formed in 1878, has now twenty agents in the foreign field, chiefly in China, with an income of about £4,800 per annum.

The venerable Professor Blackie is ill, and his illness has given his friends considerable anxiety. He is of the same age as Mr. Gladstone, and has kept his health and spirit up till recently. There is not a Scotchman more beloved and honoured than this grand old man.

An American organ has been presented to Newarthill church by Mr. John W. Dick of St. Louis, United States, who was connected with the congregation a quarter of a century ago, and is on a visit to this country at present.

Edinburgh town council fighting shy of the offer of a statue of John Knox, the suggestion has been made of the inside of St. Giles's Cathedral for a site.

The Rev. Hugh Price Hughes returned to London Jan. 4th, after his Continental holiday. He conducted two services at St. James's Hall on Sunday, and on Monday presided over a meeting in Craven Chapel.

Rev. S. R. Crockett, Free Church minister Penicuik, has at last come to the conclusion that he must leave the ministry and devote himself henceforth to the writing of books. This he has done, to the great regret of his congregation, and of the inhabitants of the village in which he carried on his work.

A daily service has been begun in St. Cuthbert's Church, Edinburgh, the Rev. G. McGregor's. Since the rebuilding of this church there has been a more elaborate service introduced, somewhat on the lines of the Episcopalian mode of worship. This has offended some of the members and has not had the sympathy, it is said, of Dr. McGregor to the extent that it has of his colleague, Rev. A. Wallace Williamson. It is the latter who has instituted the daily service, and he is to conduct it. This is the second daily service established in Edinburgh in Presbyterian churches, the other being St. Giles'.

Damage to the value of £1,000 has been caused to the Middle Church, Perth, by fire. Several valuable historic relics were destroyed, including the King's Loft, which had been used by Queen Mary, Charles II., and Prince Charles Edward.

The Annual Report of the Christian Literature Society for India, states that the total number of copies of publications printed last year was 1,133,115. At the Training Institution at Ahmednagar 73 students were admitted during the year, and over 8,000 scholars attended the village schools in Bengal.

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