

Ministers and Churches.

(The following items of news were crowded out of last week's issue.)

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. D. McKenzie of St. Columbia church, Kirk Hill, will preach a sermon on the Transvaal war in Dalkeith on the 25th inst.

Rev. Alex. Laird, late of Port Hope, who is to be inducted into the pastorate of Cooke's church, Kingston, on the 27th inst., and Mrs. Laird are spending a few days with his brother, Rev. Robert Laird, Brockville, pastor of the First church.

The members of the Young People's Society of St. John's church, Brockville, enjoyed an intellectual treat on the occasion of the lecture on "Rome and Italy," by the pastor, Rev. D. Strachan. The chair was occupied by Mr. Geo. Wright. The lecturer has visited Rome and other places of note in Italy and his descriptions were both interesting and vivid.

The report on statistics, given by Rev. D. MacLaren in the Presbytery of Glengarry, showed progress all along the line. The chief figures are:—39 churches, 2,116 families, 4,131 communicants, 4,100 Sabbath school pupils, \$18,837 paid for Stipend, \$33,240 for congregational purposes, \$9,905 paid for missions, \$1,093 paid for the Century Fund, and \$48,580 for all purposes.

The annual report of Knox Church, Lancaster, shows the congregation to be in a flourishing condition. Each department of church work has had a most successful year. The communion roll, which had 169 names on at the beginning of the year, now has 198, being an increase of 29. The treasurer's report shows the total receipts to have been \$2749.45, while the expenditures were \$2669.18. The Sunday school treasurer reports the receipts to have been \$175.66, while the Women's Foreign Missionary Society collected \$116.91. Kenyon congregation of Dunvegan reports for the year 23 additions and 6 removals. The receipts totalled \$1928.10, while the expenditures amounted to \$1905.59. The W.F.M.S., in connection with the church, collected during the year \$121.26, while the Young People's Society contributed \$75.00 towards the salary of Mr. Ledingham, Missionary of India. Under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Gollan, Kenyon congregation is meeting with a large degree of success.

TORONTO

Rev. A. L. Goggie was the speaker at the Thursday war time noonday meeting in Knox Church and spoke on "Patience in Adversity."

The appointment of Dr. Norman Anderson as organist of St. Andrew's Church has been confirmed. Dr. Anderson is well known as one of the most accomplished organists and conductors of the city and will fill this important position most satisfactorily. He has been organist at St. James' Square church for some years past and his departure will be greatly felt.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

The Presbytery met in Hamilton on March 20th. A satisfactory report of progress in the matter of the Century Fund was given. Leave was granted to the congregations of Bridgeburgh and Drummonds Hill for moderation in a call. A call from Glamis and Amon to Mr. McEachern will be dealt with at a meeting to be held on April 8. Commissioners to General Assembly have appointed the following ministers: Dr. C. McIntyre, R. H. Abraham, S. W. Fisher, Mungo Fraser, E. B. Chestnut, W. A. Cook, J. Young, J. D. Edgar, J. Muir, A. McWilliams, D. H. Fletcher, Elders—F. Reid, R. A. Thompson, J. B. Hamilton, D. S. McKinnon, A. I. Mackenzie, J. Charlton, R. McQueen, W. R. Leckie, Geo. Rutherford, A. McPherson, R. Lawrie. Dr. Fletcher was nominated for moderator. Leave was granted to Knox Church, Dundas, to sell the manse

property on the Hamilton Hill; and the action of the session and congregation re the appointment of a permanent assistant pastor, R. H. Gray, was sanctioned. An overture on the use of the Bible in the universities and schools of Ontario was adopted and sent up to the synod; and another on revising the Book of Forms was adopted and sent up to the General Assembly.

NORTHERN ONTARIO.

Presbytery of Lindsay: Next regular meeting at Uxbridge, Tuesday, 26 June, 10.30 a. m.

The Presbytery of Lindsay has nominated Dr. Carmichael of King as Moderator of the next General Assembly and Rev. J. R. L. Burnett as Moderator of the synod of Toronto and Kingston.

The following commissioners were appointed to next General Assembly meeting at Halifax by the Presbytery of North Bay: Ministers, W. G. Smith, S. Childerhose and J. Becket. Elders, Geo. Morrison, S. Best and Mr. McKenzie of North Bay.

MARITIME PROVINCES

Rev. E. D. Millar of Yarmouth has completed his canvas of Western Nova Scotia, in the interests of the Century Fund, and has obtained \$1500 or \$2000 more than was expected. When he entered the ministry 20 years ago there were only six churches where there are now nineteen besides mission stations.

The straits of Northumberland have been remarkably free of ice this winter. Not once has it been necessary to use the ice boat. There has been scarcely a day when the steamer could not have crossed from Point Du Chene to Summerside. The Minto is running regularly from Pictou to Georgetown.

WINNIPEG.

The Manitoba College Literary Society held an open meeting recently, which was well attended. Rev. Dr. Bryce occupied the chair. The programme opened with a chorus from the glee club, followed by an essay by Miss Henry on "The Genius of Shakespeare." The feature of the evening was a debate, "Resolved that the Transvaal is not justified in its resistance against the British Empire." Messrs. H. Hamilton and A. O. Macdonald were for the affirmative and N. F. Ingols and L. A. Clarkson for the negative. The judges, Dr. Kilpatrick, Prof. Hart and Dr. Manahan decided in favor of the former. Mr. Stanley Adams gave a stirring rendition of "Soldiers of the Queen," and Misses McKechnie and Callander gave an instrumental duet, which was followed by a chorus from the glee club. The singing of the National Anthem closed the proceedings.

Marriages.

On February 29th, 1900, at the residence of the bride's father, Upper Ormstown, by the Rev. D. W. Morison, B.A., James McNeil, of Hamilton, Ont., to Angelina, only daughter of Mr. Robert Roy.

At Toronto, on March 14, 1903, by the Rev. Lewis H. Jordan, B.D., assisted by the Rev. John Neil, B.A., Annabella, youngest daughter of the late Richard Uren, and adopted daughter of the late John M. Flaws, of St. Mary's, Ont., to George T. Graham, B.A., both of Toronto.

Deaths.

At his residence, Skye, Glengarry, Ont., on February 25th, James Roderick McKenzie, J. P., aged 83, native of Isle of Skye, Scotland.

On March 8th, at her late residence, 347½ Wellcley street Toronto, Martha Lewis, widow of the late Rev. Geo. Haigh, formerly of Hespeler, in her 62nd year.

At Whitewater, Manitoba, on Feb. 27th 1900, the Rev. George Law, native of Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in his 57th year, Presbyterian minister of Deloraine and Whitewater.

At the Elliott House, Toronto, on Sunday, March 11th, David Smith Ross, in his 93rd year. Born at Parkhill, Rossire, Scotland, agent for many years at Holland Landing, Northern Railway.

BINDER TWINE.—THE TIME FOR RECEIVING orders from farmers for Binder Twine manufactured at Kingston Penitentiary has been extended to 1st May next. Further particulars on applications to J. M. Platt, Warden of Penitentiary, Kingston.

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By-law passed at Annual Meeting of Shareholders, March 14th, 1900:

"The Board of Directors may, in pursuance of the Loan Corporation Act, and "are hereby authorized in their direction to issue debentures of the Association for "any period, from one to ten years, but for no sums less than \$100 each, interest "thereon at a rate not exceeding 5% per annum, being payable on the 1st April and "1st October each year by surrender of the coupon attached to the certificate for the "period covered."

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Full particulars from **E. C. DAVIES, Managing Director.**
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