

Ministers and Churches.

Toronto.

Mr. Wm. Mackenzie, the Canadian railway magnate, has presented to Trinity University ten entrance bursaries of \$100 each for Presbyterian students. The new endowment fund of Trinity now amounts to \$166,000.

The new People's church on King street, east, is making rapid progress, and will probably be ready for occupation by Christmas. The church when opened, will be "institutional," conducted on somewhat the same principle as obtains at Toyabe Hall, in the east end of London, England.

Rev. R. H. Warden, D. D., General Agent of the Presbyterian church in Canada, has been elected Vice-President of the recently organized Metropolitan Bank. The shareholders are to be congratulated on securing as a Director and Vice-President a man of Dr. Warden's great financial ability and wide experience.

W. L. Grant, M. A., of St. Andrew's College, and Frederick Hamilton, M. A., have undertaken to write a biography of Principal Grant. W. L. Grant is the son of the late principal of Queen's University; and Mr. Hamilton, who is a distinguished graduate of Queen's, won literary fame as the *Globe's* War Correspondent in South Africa. The forthcoming work is in good hands; and it is to be hoped that the request of the Editors for letters and personal items may have prompt response.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. Walter W. McLaren, of Oshawa, is called by the congregation of St. Andrew's, Picton.

The Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew has set aside the call to Rev. Bryce Innis, lately of Bobcaygeon.

Rev. James Ross, of Bethesda, was the preacher in the First church, Port Hope, on the 19th inst.

Rev. G. A. Woodside, of Carleton Place, conducted anniversary services in St. Paul's church, Brockville, last Sabbath.

Rev. J. M. Kellogg, of Morewood, occupied the pulpit at Russell on the 19th inst. Rev. T. A. Sadler being absent in Ormstown.

Rev. A. M. Currie, M. A., of Uptergrove, has been called to St. John's church, Almonte. Dr. Young and Mr. A. Campbell will represent the congregation at the presbytery.

There was a large attendance at the meeting of Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery on the 21st inst., in Carleton Place. The next regular meeting will be held in Arnprior on the 20th January, 1903.

The anniversary services in Knox church, Beckwith, on the 19th inst, were a great success, the attendance being large, and the sermons preached by Rev. Dr. McTavish, of Toronto, were of a high order of merit.

The annual thankoffering meeting of the W. F. M. auxiliary of Knox church, Lancaster, was addressed in a stirring manner by Rev. Robert Harkness, of Cornwall. Rev. J. U. Tanner was also a welcome speaker on the same occasion. The pastor, Rev. A. Graham, presided.

The call from Warkworth to Rev. J. F. McFarland, B.A., who for ten years has laboured with marked success in the congregation of Heckston and South Mountain, has been accepted, and his induction will take place in November.

Rev. Robert Harkness, of Knox church, Cornwall, delivered an instructive address on "Corea and its People" in MacLaren Hall, Alexandria, on the 8th instant. Many curious and interesting facts were given to the audience by the lecturer, who had spent some time among the Coreans.

The anniversary services of St. Andrew's Church, Arnprior, conducted by Rev. Prof. Jordan, of Queen's, were a great success. "His sermons," the Watchman reports, "were models of thoughtful information and application clothed in choicest diction earnestly applied, and the large congregations were most attentive and appreciative listeners. The collection amounted to \$227 to be applied on the church debt, and which is said to be sufficient to wipe out the debt entirely.

Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew will meet in St. Andrew's church, Perth, at 1.30 on the 11th of November, to consider the call from the congregation of Eldorado, in the Kingston presbytery, to Rev. Mr. Leitch, of Watson's Corners, and also the call from St. John's, Almonte, to Rev. A. M. Currie, M.A., of Uptergrove, in the Barrie presbytery.

At Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery the first hour was spent in a conference on the subject of "How best to develop the spirit of liberality in our congregations." After some discussion along this line Rev. A. A. Scott, of Carleton Place, presented the home mission report, and Rev. Mr. Hay, Renfrew, the report of the augmentation fund. Both were adopted.

The book of family prayers prepared by the General Assembly and sent down to the presbyteries for examination and approval was found satisfactory by Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Hay gave notice of a motion to be introduced at the next meeting of presbytery for the appointment of commissioners to the next General Assembly, which will meet in Vancouver in June, 1903, and for making plans for the payment in whole or in part of the expenses of these commissioners.

A report on the plan for the allocation of the money required within the bounds of Lanark and Renfrew presbytery for the schemes of the church was presented by Rev. Mr. Rattray, of Eganville at last meeting. In connection with this subject, sessions were asked to commend these schemes to the liberality of their congregations, and to increase their contributions at least five per cent.

At Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery, Rev. Mr. Woodside, of Carleton Place, presented the report of the committee appointed to arrange for the visits of missionary delegations within the bounds of the presbytery. In connection with this it was decided that on Sabbath Nov. 16th, there should be a general exchange of pulpits throughout the presbytery, the visiting ministers to present in a most favorable light the schemes of the church.

The annual thankoffering meeting of the Crysler W.F.M.S. society was held on the evening of Thanksgiving Day. A goodly number was present.

Mrs. (Rev.) Russell of Cheshire, gave a very interesting paper on the work, showing that every woman should be a member of the Missionary Society. Rev. D. McVicar gave an address and the choir furnished some very suitable selections. The annual report was very encouraging, showing an increase of \$13 more than last year.

A special meeting of the Presbytery of Kingston was held on the 23rd inst. Fifteen ministers were present. The consideration of calls was the principal business. Mr. Peck reported a call from Picton, to Rev. W. W. McLaren, probationer, it was very harmonious and well signed. Arrangements were made for the induction on Nov. 4th. Mr. Drumm to preach, Mr. Wilkins to address the minister and Mr. Peck the people. Mr. Burns reported moderating in a call at St. Paul's, Madoc Township, in favor of Rev. Mr. Leitch, Watson's Corners, Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew. It was unanimous, and well signed, and was sustained. In the prospect of acceptance, the induction was appointed to take place on Nov. 25th. Mr. McKenzie to preach, Mr. Wilkins to address the minister and Mr. Burns the people. Mr. Rennie reported a call from Tweed in favor of Rev. Jas. Binnie, McDonald's Corners. This congregation is cited to appear at a meeting of Presbytery at Harrowsmith on the 7th Nov. Mr. A. Laird reported a call at Harrowsmith to Rev. G. S. Milligan, lately of Miramichie Presbytery, N. B. It was remarkably well signed, sustained, and the induction appointed to take place at Harrowsmith on Nov. 7th at 1.30 p. m. Mr. McGillivray to preach, Mr. Binnie to address the minister and Mr. Laird the people.

Western Ontario.

Rev. Reid, of East Normanby exchanged pulpits with Rev. Little, of Holstein, on a recent Sabbath.

The anniversary services of St. John's church, Bradford, was held on a recent Sabbath, and were largely attended. Inspiring sermons were preached morning and evening by Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Allandale, and in the afternoon by Rev. Mr. McLean of Duntroon. The collections which were in aid of debt fund on manse, amounted to \$51.

Rev. John H. Graham of Avonton exchanged pulpits with the Rev. Mr. Cranston of Cromarty, to the great delight of both congregations.

Rev. Davidson, of Verna, preached at Kippen on a recent Sabbath, Rev. Mr. McLennan conducting anniversary sermons at Chisholm.

Rev. Prof. Ballantyne of Knox college, and Rev. Dr. E. D. McLaren, secretary of Home Missions, were the preachers in Wentworth and McNab Street Presbyterian churches, Hamilton, last Sabbath.

Rev. W. G. Hanna, of Mount Forest, conducted anniversary services at Cotswold on Sunday afternoon and evening, 19th inst. Rev. Geo. Edmison, B. A., a son of the manse at Rothsay, acceptably filled the pastor's place in the bible class and pulpit of Westminster church.

Knox Church, Guelph, was crowded on Sunday night 19th inst., when Mr. Thomas Rodger, the acting pastor, preached a special sermon to young men from Hebrews xi. 25. An after meeting was held following the service, to which a large number of young men remained.

The Rev. E. A. Mackenzie, B. D., of St. Matthew's Church, Montreal, addressed a large audience in St. Luke's Church, Finch, Ont., on Friday night, at the annual Thanksgiving service of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society. The address was very impressive, and was much enjoyed by the people.

Zion church, Brantford, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its existence last week. This is the congregation to which the late Doctor Cochrane ministered to for more than a third of a century; and he is still held in affectionate remembrance, especially by the older members. His successor, Rev. Mr. Martin, is continuing the good work with much zeal, ability and success.

A pleasant social meeting was held in the lecture room of Knox church, Stratford, on the evening of the 25th inst., when a warm welcome was tendered the students attending the city schools. The members of the pastor's bible class and Young Peoples' societies took an active part in entertaining the young strangers. Rev. M. L. Leitch presided, and an attractive musical programme varied the proceedings. Altogether it was a very happy meeting.

Rev. Dr. Johnston, of St. Andrew's church, London, conducted the jubilee services in Zion church, Brantford. The Expositor was highly pleased with his discourses. It said: The preacher graced the occasion and the occasion was worthy of his best efforts. On few occasions indeed has there ever been gathered in this city such a large congregation as was present in the evening. Many were there from other churches, attracted not alone by the uniqueness of the event being commemorated, but by the reputation that Dr. Johnston possesses. The services throughout were deeply impressive.

A Pastoral: From the Moderator of the Presbytery of Kingston.

DEAR BRETHREN.—Last year, among other questions submitted to Kirk Sessions by the General Assembly's Committee on Church Life and Work, was the following: "Should the Church continue to aim at securing legislation along prohibitory lines?" The Sessions within the bounds of our Presbytery, having deliberately considered the subject, reported almost unanimously in favor of making this an aim of the Church; and in view of the fact that they were so nearly of one mind in the matter, the Presbytery, at a meeting held in Kingston on the 9th of March last, adopted the following resolution, viz.:

"The Presbytery has learned with the greatest gratification that the mind of the Kirk Sessions is almost unanimous in favor of prohibitory legislation; and in view of the urgency of the matter at the present time, instructs the Moderator to write a pastoral on the subject setting forth these facts and exhorting the members and adherents of the Church faithfully to discharge their duty in the matter when it is brought by the Government before the country."

It is not surprising, though it is certainly very gratifying, that the Sessions view this subject of prohibition as they do; and now in accordance with the instructions of the Presbytery, I humbly venture to address you, and to ask your prayerful attention to the following considerations, viz.:

First, almost every branch of the Christian Church has pronounced against the liquor traffic. Repeatedly has that traffic been declared to be the foe of the home, and one of the