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OTTAWA.

Rev. Dr. Ramsay, Rev. Jno. H. Milne and Rev. A. E. Mitchell, all of this city, will attend the meeting of the General Assembly. Among others the eldership will be represented by Mr. George Hay, Mr. James Hope, Mr. John R. Reid and Mr. C. Blackett Robinson.

Last Sunday morning Rev. J. T. Taylor, one of our Indian missionaries, at present on furlough, preached in Knox church, and again in the evening in Erskine church, when he dealt with "India's Opportunity." Both discourses commanded the closest attention of large congregations.

Miss Aitchison, president of the Ladies' Aid Society of Stewarston church, was made the recipient of a steamer rug and straps, with monogram, in view of her departure on a two months' visit to Ireland. The presentation was made in suitable terms by Mrs. Dewar, 1st vice-president. Afterwards refreshments were served, and the ladies present enjoyed an hour of pleasant social intercourse.

On Sunday the officers and men of the 43rd D.C.O.R. attended divine service in St. Andrew's church, when Rev. Dr. Herridge preached a most appropriate sermon from the text: "Quit you like men." An interesting feature of the occasion was the unveiling of a tablet erected in the church by the Dominion Rifle Association in memory of the late Col. John Macpherson. The handsome brass plate is engraved as follows: "To the glory of God and in memory of Lieut-Colonel John Macpherson, for 20 years an elder of this church. Born at Lancaster, Ont., 8th Jan., 1830; died at Ottawa, 21st Jan., 1906. This tablet is erected by the Dominion of Canada Rifle association in recognition of thirty-six years' faithful service as its treasurer."

QUEBEC.

The congregation of Inverness, vacant since December last has called Rev. R. H. C. Sinclair, B.A., late of Fenelon Falls, Ont. Call accepted. Induction, 18th June, Dr. Kellock, P. D. Muir, and H. C. Sutherland to be in charge of service. There are still two vacancies.

Grand Mere (Bethel church), a village congregation, fell vacant on the 27th May, by the translation of Rev. H. S. Lee, to the Presbytery of Glengarry. Rev. J. R. MacLeod, Three Rivers, is Moderator, who will be glad to hear from Ministers or Students who would supply for one or several Sabbaths.

Scotstown has been vacant for a lengthened period. It is a congregation with a large Sabbath school, and is a field of hopefulness. Rev. R. Mackenzie, Stornoway, Que., is Moderator, to whom applicants should apply.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Victoria, B.C., has been visiting friends at Collingwood, where he spent several years before going to Victoria fifteen years ago. In the interval many changes have taken place in Collingwood, the town having greatly grown in population and improved in the quality of its buildings. Dr. Campbell speaks in glowing terms of the Capital of British Columbia, conceded to be one of the most delightful residential cities in America. One of the greatest assets is its climate, and the scenery cannot be excelled. Victoria has entered upon an era of progress and prosperity.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. J. M. Miller of White Lake preached at the preparatory services in St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, on Friday evening of last week.

Rev. Fergusson Millar took the anniversary services at Sand Point on 26th ult., and Rev. Wm. Moore filled the pulpit at Blakeney.

Rev. Dr. Harkness, of Cornwall, will preach at the preparatory service in Knox church, Lancaster, on Friday evening next.

Rev. W. W. McRae, of Beaverton, conducted anniversary services in the Kirkfield church on the 26th ult. Rev. H. H. Turner taking the Knox church pulpit.

Bathurst still remains vacant, and Rev. D. Currie of Perth will be glad to hear from any one who is willing to supply.

Rev. W. H. Cram, of Cobden, accepts call to Manotick. He will preach his farewell sermon on the 16th inst., and Rev. D. L. Gordon, of Forester's Falls, was appointed interim moderator of the Cobden session.

At a joint meeting of the congregations of Kemptville and Oxford Mills, held in St. Paul's church, Kemptville, they extended a unanimous call to the Rev. A. Leslie Howard, M. A., of Cayuga, to become their pastor.

Dr. P. C. McGregor, of Almonte, will attend the General Assembly as commissioner from Red Deer Presbytery, Alberta; and Professor Dyde, of Kingston, is sent by the Presbytery of Victoria, B. C.

Rev. M. C. Tait, M.A., B.D., has resigned his charge of Claremont congregation. Presbytery has reluctantly accepted his resignation, which will take effect on July 1st. Rev. H. Crozier, of Ashburn has been appointed interim moderator of session.

At the recent meeting of Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery, Rev. E. W. McKay, moderator, presided. A good deal of routine business was done. The next regular meeting will be held in Arnprior, September 2nd., at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, accepts the call of Sudbury, and will preach his farewell sermon in Calvin church on the 16th inst. Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Perth, was appointed interim moderator of session, to whom applicants for a hearing should write.

At the Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery meeting in Carleton Place last Thursday, Rev. Mr. Rattray of Eganville, presented the statistical report, pointing out a number of defects and suggesting some useful reforms, and more care in making returns.

The Mission Bands of St. Andrew's church, Perth, are doing a useful and much needed work in assisting weak mission stations in remote parts of the country. It was intimated at a recent meeting of the Bands that at Revelstoke, B. C., where aid had been given years ago, there are now two flourishing congregations. The pastor of St. Andrew's—the Rev. A. H. Scott—takes a lively interest in his young people.

Rev. J. J. Monks was formally inducted to the charge of St. Andrews church last Thursday evening in the presence of a large congregation. Rev. E. W. McKay, M. A., moderator of Presbytery, preached the sermon; Rev. Mr. Miller, of Blakeney, addressed the minister, and Rev. Mr. Bennett, of Almonte, the people. At the close of the service a very hearty reception was accorded the new pastor in the lecture room; and refreshments were served by the ladies of the congregation.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. E. L. Pidgeon, of St. Thomas, conducted anniversary services in Blenheim church last Sunday.

The next regular meeting of Hamilton Presbytery will be held in Knox church, Hamilton, on 2nd July at 10 a.m.

The induction of Rev. R. A. Cranston, of Cromarty, into the pastorate of Knox church, Palmerston, is to take place on 18th inst.

Rev. Dr. Ross of St. Andrew's church, London, has received extended leave of absence till August. It is fondly hoped he will be fully restored in health by that time.

Rev. John Gray Reid, having accepted the Presbytery of Saugeen, appointed the call to the Alma and Cunnock Rev. T. D. McCullough, of Harriston, interim moderator of session.



REV. R. N. GRANT, D. D.
(Knoxian.)

Rev. R. W. Leitch, of Delaware is reported to be very seriously ill. His recovery was for a while despaired of. He may not preach again for months, if he does recover.

Rev. D. N. Morden has been released from the Bradford charge to go to Knox church, St. Mary's, when his induction will take place on July 11th. Meanwhile Rev. Dr. Talling will remain in charge at St. Mary's.

Rev. Dr. Hamilton, for forty-three years minister at Motherwell, now living retired at Stratford, has just celebrated his 83rd birthday. Although somewhat infirm, he expects to be present next Sunday at the jubilee services to be held in the Motherwell church. Dr. Hamilton has two sons in the ministry.

A very successful joint meeting of the Women's Home Mission Presbyterial, and the Young People's Presbyterial of the Presbytery of London was held recently in Glencoe. There was a large attendance of delegates. The afternoon session was addressed by Mrs. Smellie and Mrs. J. A. Macdonald of Toronto. The impression was made that this experiment of having these two Presbyterials meet in the same place, the same day, and holding joint sessions was a good one—a great forward step, and it is believed will be repeated. The evening joint meeting which was more public, was addressed ably and at length by Rev. Mr. Knox, of Strathroy.