

British and Foreign

The Rev. B. J. Davidson, Kilchattan Bay, has accepted a call to Springburn Free Church, Glasgow.

The Rev. W. M. Landale, M.A., Edinburgh, has been elected minister of Straiton Parish Church, Maybole.

Professor G. Adam Smith will begin his Lyman Beecher lectures at Yale on April 5th and close about the 21st.

The remains of the late Rev. Dr. A. K. H. Boyd were interred in St. Andrew's last week, the funeral being of a public character.

Professor Bruce underwent a surgical operation in Glasgow last week, which passed off successfully, and we are glad to know he is recovering.

The Rev. Jas. Ferguson, B.D., probationer, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Brandon Street United Presbyterian Church, Hamilton.

There are more medical men in London than in all Scotland and Ireland together, and in those two countries the number has actually decreased during the past year.

In New York city there are more than 1,100 churches, including all denominations. There are more than 15,000 congregations, about 400 of which hold services in rented halls.

An eligible site for a new church in Lister Drive, West Derby, has been secured by the Church Extension Committee of Liverpool Presbytery. It is proposed to erect at once an iron church.

In future, anyone who may be condemned on a charge of being drunk and disorderly in New Zealand is to have his photograph taken, at his own expense, and distributed among all innkeepers. The idea is that publicans will then be able to refuse to serve anyone whose portrait appears in this gallery.

Dr. George Matheson has congratulated Rev. James Lindsay, of Kilmarnock, on receiving the degree of D.D. from Glasgow University in the following terms: "I now write to congratulate Glasgow University on having enrolled among her D.D.'s the man whom I consider the most accomplished scholar and the most deeply philosophic thinker in all the Scottish churches."

As the Free Church catechism is finding its way into some of the Primitive Methodist Sunday-schools, the Rev. J. Smith, president of its conference, has written to point out, in answer to repeated inquiries, that "the catechism has no connective sanction and authority," and that, in his judgment, it ought not to be introduced into any schools without the approval of the conference. Mr. Smith, apparently, does not regard this attempt at unity with great favor, for he describes the catechism as an effort made by a number of clever men to conceal the "vital principles upon which it is well known they disagree."

Organs have been placed in Auchterarder Church, and in Roseburn Church, Edinburgh.

General Booth has been incapacitated for some days by an attack of illness, and expected to leave Adelaide for New Zealand last Tuesday.

Dr. Whyte presided at the opening of the new church at Craigmillar Park, Edinburgh. The building seats 700, and the hall, erected some time ago, accommodates 270.

At the convention to be held in Oban on April 11 and 12 the leading speakers will be the Moderator, Dr. Whyte, Principal Rainy, Rev. John McNeill and Lord Overtoun.

Mr. Curtis, a London magistrate, speaking at a meeting in aid of the Police Court Mission, said drunkenness had greatly decreased among men and increased among women.

The Presbyterian Theological Faculty of Ireland (composed of professors of the Presbyterian Colleges of Londonderry and Belfast) are about to confer the degree of D.D. upon Rev. George Hanson.

Through the intervention of the Crown Prince of Denmark, a Copenhagen Salvationist, who had been arrested for his attempt to quell a disturbance in an army hall, has been released from prison.

The Rev. Dr. Monro Gibson has consented to deliver a course of Biblical lectures at the next conference of general secretaries of Young Men's Christian Associations, to be held from June 17th to June 23rd.

Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Meharry gave an "At Home" in the lecture hall of Crouch Hill Church, London. Mr. Meharry was absent through temporary indisposition, but during the evening Mrs. Meharry appeared on the platform and delivered a little speech, which delighted the crowded meeting.

The executive of the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance met in Edinburgh last week to complete the programme for the forthcoming Washington gatherings. An address to the Queen of Holland (a Presbyterian sovereign) on behalf of the Alliance will be adopted. It will be signed by the Moderators of all the Presbyterian Churches in the world. A deputation will be appointed to present the address in person.

A loss has been suffered by the United Presbyterian Church and its missions in West Africa in the death, from malarial fever, after a few days' illness, on 26th December, of the Rev. Hugh Logan Macmillan, of the Training Institute, Old Calabar, in the 51st year of his age. Mr. Macmillan had served the Church for a number of years as its missionary in Grand Cayman, West Indies, and was only transferred to Calabar at the beginning of last year to fill a special post in the new Training Institute. Mrs. Macmillan was also down with fever and was still in hospital when the mail left.

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