

British and Foreign

Plans have been passed for a new church at Kilbarchan to cost £6,000.

Steps are being taken to erect a hall for the congregation at Port Ellen, Islay.

Princess Louise, who is in the South of France, has been celebrating her fifty-first birthday.

At the opening of Craigmillar Park Church, Edinburgh, the collections amounted to 382 pounds.

The parish church at Boleskine, near Inverness, which was built in 1777, has been reopened after renovation.

The Rev. Robert Stuart, B.A., of Belfast, has been inducted to the charge of the Stranraer Original Secession church.

The Rev. Professor Bruce, of Glasgow, is now recovering from the recent operation which he underwent for an internal trouble.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen have agreed to erect a memorial of the late Professor Henry Drummond in Kelvine grove Park, Glasgow.

The death is recorded of Mr. Thomas Wandsworth, who for many years had acted as missionary to the Glasgow police force, which numbers nearly 1,200 members.

Dudhope-crescent congregation, Dundee, has presented Rev. James Wilson with a cheque on his retirement from the charge after a ministry of forty-three years.

Dr. Cameron Lees, of St. Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh, has greatly improved in health during his stay at Antibes. Before returning to Edinburgh in May he will visit Rome.

A committee has been appointed to proceed with the building of a church at Stepps, near Glasgow. A free site has been obtained, and also contributions amounting to £95.

Princess Kaiulani, aged twenty-six, heir presumptive to the throne of Hawaii, has died of rheumatism of the heart. She was educated in England and was a pretty and charming young lady.

An effort is being made in Northampton to raise funds for clearing the tomb of Dr. Philip Doddridge, who was interred in 1751 in the English cemetery at Lisbon. The tomb is now overgrown by bushes.

The death is announced of Rev. Jas. H. Allan, Sellafirth, Yell, Shetland. Mr. Allan was ordained in 1876, and was over 21 years in the charge of Yell. His widow is a sister of the late Professor Robertson Smith.

Henry Varley has been evangelising in New Orleans. A committee consisting of members of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal, and Baptist churches and of the Salvation Army made the plans for his work.

THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. John Irwin has accepted the call to Windsor, Belfast.

Rev. William Mackenzie has celebrated his semi-jubilee as minister of West Kilbride Free Church.

Miss Gordon, a member of First Strabane, has been appointed to the Jewish mission-field in the city of Damascus.

Katesbridge, in the presbytery of Banbridge, has given a call to Mr. S. J. Clarke, B.A., a licentiate of the Belfast Presbytery.

The church of Dundalk, founded in 1650, has had the most prosperous year in its history. The income amounted to a total of £1,223.

The Rev. A. Wallace Williamson, of St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh, has appointed the Rev. A. W. Mitchell, B.D., of Edinburgh University, to be his assistant.

The Rev. John Warrach, M.A., of Old Cumnock Free church, has written a "History of Old Cumnock," a district full of bygone incidents of interest in civil, social, and ecclesiastical life.

Rev. Joseph M'Kee, of Second Donegore, who has died in his eighty-second year, never commuted his life annuity in the interests of the General Assembly, and was the only surviving minister in receipt of the quarterly payments of the old Regium Donum.

Rev. A. B. Grosart, D.D., LL.D., died in Dublin on Thursday in the sixty-fourth year of his age and the forty-second of his ministry. He was well known in Presbyterian circles in this country from his twenty-five years' pastorate at Blackburn and even more widely by the number of Puritan and other works which he edited. His first charge was at Kinross, and he afterwards removed to Liverpool. Two years later he accepted a call to St. George's Church, Blackburn, where he labored with much acceptance until he retired from the ministry six years ago, when he went to reside in Dublin and confined himself almost exclusively to literary work. Some months ago, Dr. Grosart, while in England for the purpose of fulfilling a preaching engagement, was ordered home owing to a sudden breakdown in his health. He never thoroughly recovered, his death being due to heart trouble. He was a most industrious worker in the field of literature. The mere list of books, which Dr. Grosart either edited or wrote, would require considerable space. The hymns and other sacred verses from his pen were collected and issued under the title, "Songs of the Day and Night." He received the degree of D.D. from Glasgow and that of LL.D. from Edinburgh. His long devotion to literary research brought him into touch with many notable men of his day. The Queen was interested in Dr. Grosart's literary efforts, and copies of his works were specially procured for the Windsor library. The interment took place in Jerome Cemetery, Dublin.

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