

race, that good men have only waked up to do battle for some beneficent institution or great principle, when opposition to them had reached such proportions as to threaten them with destruction. It seems as if such were likely to be the case in regard to the Sabbath.

Certainly the encroachments upon the sanctity of the Sabbath are sufficient to create alarm in thoughtful minds. Yet it seems difficult to obtain united, vigorous opposition to these encroachments.

There is one thing we might surely ask from the friends of the Sabbath. Forms of petition have been sent out by the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada, to all parts of the country and to all the Presbyteries of our Church with a view of obtaining general petitions in favour of Mr. Charlton's Bill, which will be brought up again at next session of Parliament. To send in petitions and to interview members of Parliament in behalf of the Bill, will go far to secure its passing into Law.

With a Dominion law backed by intelligent convictions of conscience in regard to the sanctity and obligation of the Sabbath on the part of Christian people, much might be done to check the flagrant violations of the Sacred Day of Rest. The next two months will be opportune for action in this matter. Let us not wait until the enemies of the Sabbath have gathered head and threaten destruction to an institution which is not only an ordinance of God; but one of the greatest social blessings to humanity.

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### ORDINATIONS AND INDUCTIONS.

MONTREAL, *Erskine Church*.—Rev. A. J. Mowatt of St. Paul's Church, Fredericton, N.B., was inducted on the 8th of January.

KINNEB'S MILLS, *Quebec*.—Rev. James M. Whitelaw of Valcartier was inducted on the 17th of December.

WINDSOR, *Halifax*.—Rev. Anderson Rogers, late of Yarmouth, N.S., was inducted on the 29th of January.

HARBOUR GRACE, *Newfoundland*.—Rev. E. MacNab was inducted on the 16th of Dec.

NEWBURGH and CAMDEN, *Kingston*.—Rev. Joseph Gandier of Fort Coulonge, Que., was inducted on the 30th of December.

TORONTO, *West Church*.—Rev. J. A. Turnbull, LL.B., of First Church, St. Mary's, Ont., was inducted on the 20th of January.

MABOU and PORT HOOD, *Victoria and Richmond*.—Rev. E. S. Bayne was inducted on December 30th.

DRESDEN and KNOX CHURCH, *Chatham*.—Rev. R. M. Croll was inducted on the 2nd of December.

CAVAN CHURCH and NORTH DAWN, *Chatham*.

—Rev. J. A. Morrison was inducted on the 3rd of December.

ASHTON and APPLETON, *Lan. and Renfrew*.—Rev. G. T. Bayne was inducted on the 22nd of January.

FAIRBANK and FISHERVILLE, *Toronto*.—Mr. Alexander Wilson, probationer, was ordained and inducted on the 23rd of January.

CALLS:—Rev. Peter Straith of Holstein to Innerkip and Ratho, *Paris*. Rev. J. B. MacLaren of Aylmer, *Ont.*, to Columbus and Brooklyn, *Whitby*. Rev. C. B. Pitblado of Santa Rosa has declined the call to Nanaimo, B.C. Rev. John Anderson of East Williams, *Ont.*, to St. Stephen, *St. John*. Rev. Alexander Macaulay of Kingston Presbytery to Woodville, *Lindsay*. Rev. T. G. Thomson of Watdown to Locke Street Church, *Hamilton*.

DEMISSIONS:—Rev. A. Bell of St. Andrew's Church, *Peterborough*. Rev. A. R. Linton of Teeswater, *Bruce*. Rev. A. Russell of Bothwell, *Ont.*

### NEW CHURCHES.

WOODSTOCK, N.B.:—St. Paul's Church has been entirely rebuilt, and is now a large comfortable and handsome structure. It cost about \$4,500. It was dedicated on the last Sabbath of December, 1890, Rev. L. G. McNeill preaching. Last year the congregation of Woodstock contributed at the rate of \$85 per family for all objects.

BUCKINGHAM, *Que.*:—The new church was dedicated on 21st December by Rev. Professor MacLaren, D. D., of Toronto. A children's service was held in the afternoon when the pastor was assisted by Revs. Mr. Meek, of the Church of England, and Mr. Beatt of Cumberland. Rev. C. A. Doudiet, pastor, preached in the evening. The church is a model of neatness, and is complete in every detail. It cost about \$8,000 and is free of debt.

GRAND PRÉ, *Nova Scotia*:—The Grand Pré Lower Horton section of the congregation of Rev. R. D. Ross, have erected a very neat church at Grand Pré, one of the historic spots in connection with the Acadian period of Nova Scotia. The church was dedicated on the first Sabbath of the New Year, Principal Forrest, D.D., officiating.

CONGREGATIONS:—The two Presbyterian congregations in *Paris, Ont.*, have united under the pastoral oversight of Rev. E. Cockburn of Dumfries Street Church there. In St. Thomas, on the other hand, steps are being taken for the formation of a second congregation in the east end of the city, where one liberal member of the Church has given a site for a church, and another has announced his intention to erect a suitable building at his own expense. A movement is also being made in the western part of Winnipeg where additional services are in demand.