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EASTERN ONTARIO.

At the recent communion service in the Vars congregation there was an addition of eleven to the roll of membership and an individual communion set, the gift of Mrs. James Boyd, was used for the first time. Mr. McKeown, of Russell, assisted Elders Johnston and Hall in dispensing the elements. At the same service Rev. T. J. Robson preached from Luke 9:2, emphasizing the value of the "Inner Circle," that close relation to the Master that was experienced by Peter, James and John while on the Mount of Transfiguration. Communicants as they approach the table of the Lord go up upon the Mount to receive a clearer vision of God, to hear his voice to enter into the secret of the Most High. Then just as the Master and His best beloved must descend into the activities of every day life to heal one possessed of a dumb spirit so must communicants who receive afresh the Vision go down into everyday life to live that men may know from them something of the saving power of Christ.

Rev. Geo. Weir, Mrs. Weir and family of Avonmore have removed to Glencoe.

The Rev. J. U. Tanner of Lancaster is sending his holidays in Brompton Falls, Que.

Rev. A. M. Currie and Mrs. Currie, Almonte, have returned from their vacation.

Rev. Mr. Lavare, of Gloucester, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrews, Carleton Place, on Sunday, Rev. Mr. Woodside being in Montreal.

Mr. J. B. McDougall, of North Bay, preached in St. Andrew's church, Appleton, on a recent Sunday.

Rev. J. Garrioch of Loring was recently elected Moderator of North Bay Presbytery.

Rev. A. Govan preached in Perth last Sunday, and Rev. A. H. Scott taking both services at Williamstown in his stead.

Rev. James Rollins, B.A., of King Street church, London, Ont., will conduct the services in the Napanee church on Sunday next.

The session and managers of St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, have decided to cancel the evening preaching for every second Sunday evening in the months of August and September to lighten the work of the pastor somewhat.

Rev. D. N. Coburn of Lunenburg left on Monday for Chicago and Upper Lakes, where he will spend his summer holidays.

Rev. Mr. Abram preached in the French church, Cornwall, last Sabbath. The pastor, Rev. John Sincennes, occupied the pulpit of Rev. John Ducloux, Valleyfield.

Miss Dr. Margaret O'Hara, at present home from India, effectively addressed a meeting in Zion Church, Carleton Place, last week.

In the necessary absence of Rev. Mr. Horne from last meeting of Guelph Presbytery his resignation of the pastorate of Chalmers' church, Elora, was laid on the table until next meeting.

Rev. W. G. Hanna, of Mount Forest, is holidaying at Clifton Springs, N.Y.

Mrs. Hanna, of Mount Forest, as President of the Saugeen Presbyterial W.F.M. S. visited Durham last Thursday and addressed the ladies of that Society and the Mission Band in an able and inspiring manner. A good collection was taken up in aid of the foreign fund.

Edinburgh folk are so fond of pipe music that they crowd round the vines and drum bands in the gardens, and so prevent strangers seeing their picturesque appearance.

When a thing is well meant we should always take it that way, if we possibly can.

ORANGEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Mr. W. M. Grant has declined the call from Hillsburg and Bethel.

Mr. Harry Wather, B. A., was ordained and inducted to the pastoral charge of Taibert and Kelden on July 25th. The people were out in large numbers and the ladies provided a beautiful lunch for the Presbytery. A splendid reception was given Mr. Wather at a special gathering in the evening.

Rev. J. A. McKenzie, Ph.D., late of Beverly, was inducted to the charge of Shelburne on August 1st. Attendance was large and the spirit shown argues well for success in the new pastorate. Mr. Buchanan, in his address to the minister, expressed congratulations that Shelburne had called a man of experience and not followed the craze for zeal in the pulpit that is largely the cause for the lack of deep-rooted religious life in the pew.

Kippen and Hills Green, in Maitland Presbytery, have called Rev. D. W. S. Urquhart of Cabeton and Riverview.

At last communion at Riceville, twenty-three new members and at Severters Park thirteen new members were added to the church. Rev. J. A. Matheson is having quite a revival. With pastors like John A. Matheson, Mr. Horne's wall has no influence.

Vacancies in the Presbytery are as follows: Mone Mills, Hugh Matheson, Caledon East, moderator; Horning's Mills, G. S. Scott, Maple Valley, moderator; Hillsburg, A. L. Burch, Orangeville, moderator.

A committee has drawn up a scheme to raise the \$750 allotted to Presbytery for the Augmentation Fund, and ministers are to report on its success, as well as on methods of finance used in their congregations, at next meeting of Presbytery, to be held in Orangeville, September 12th, at half past ten a.m.

A strong effort is being made to increase the giving of the Presbytery, and the members are resolved not to be described as "dead."

Garden parties have been held at Kelden, Riverview, Pieton Station and Horning's Mills, proceeds of the latter being a gift to the retiring pastor, Rev. D. A. Hamilton, who has rendered splendid service on the field, and is a good preacher and pastor.

Judge Benjamin B. Lindsey, of the Juvenile Court of Denver, has an exceptionally interesting article in Leslie's Monthly for June on "The Bad Boy: How to Save Him." Judge Lindsey has really done wonders in Denver, and his work has attracted attention the world over. He was the pioneer in this sort of thing, and his effort throughout has been as inconspicuous as possible in his court. He says: "I recall one case in the criminal court days where four boys came to my chambers one night to 'snitch up.' They had stolen some bicycles. I soon discovered that there was a vast difference in my point of view and that of the police officer who came into the case. He remembered the angry property owner. He wanted the boys flung into jail. We talked it over at some length. Then I said to him: 'You are thinking of the recovery of the bicycles. I am more interested in the recovery of the boys. Don't you think that's more important?'"

Mr. Alex. Anderson, the poet of child life, and widely known by his pen-name of "Surfaceman," has been appointed chief librarian to Edinburgh University, at which he has occupied the position of assistant librarian since 1886.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Rev. Dr. Johnston, of Montreal, was the preacher at Canterbury on the occasion of the 358 anniversary of the historic Church of Huguenots, worshipping by Royal permission since the time of Elizabeth, in the crypt of the cathedral. The corporation of the city of Canterbury was present at the service in state.

Friends of Dr. Warden will regret to learn that he is not making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

He has barely held his own during the four or five weeks he has been in the country. While he is able to be out of bed and on the verandah on a couch several hours daily, he does not seem to gain strength. The doctor, however, has all along said that his recovery would be slow and tedious. The intention is, when he can walk a little and is able to leave home, that he shall cross the Atlantic, in the hope that the sea air will be helpful.

Rev. W. J. Clark, of the First Presbyterian Church, London, exchanged pulpits with Rev. J. S. Scott, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church here, yesterday.

The congregation of Royce Avenue Church, Toronto, has extended a call to Rev. Joseph, E. Reid, M.A. Stipend offered \$850. A church will be built at once.

The Rev. Mr. Strachan, of Guelph, took charge of Rev. Mr. Orr's work in the Alma church on Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Monk, of Eramosa, has been elected moderator of Guelph Presbytery. After examination Toronto University having conferred on Rev. Mr. Eakin, of St. Andrew's church, Guelph, the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, the Presbytery of Guelph offered cordial congratulations to him on the honor.

Guelph Presbytery appointed standing committees with the following conveners: Superintendent of Students and Licenses are, Dr. Thomas Eakin; Church Life and Work, W. R. McIntosh; Sabbath Schools, A. W. McIntosh; Financier, Dr. Torrance; Evangelistic services, W. A. Bradley; Young People's Societies, J. J. Monds; Home Missions, J. R. Gilchrist; Augmentation, R. W. Ross; ecumenical Benevolence and schemes of the church, Wm. Robertson; Conferences, R. J. M. Glassford; Foreign Missions, J. H. MacVicar; Committee to Missionary Meetings, Dr. Armstrong.

At the last meeting of Guelph Presbytery a report was given in by the committee to consider the most suitable way of observing Dr. Wardrop's to the ministry of the Gospel in the Presbyterian Church, to the effect that an address for the occasion had been prepared, the outlines of which were given and part read in full, and recommending that it be engrossed and forwarded to him at the proper time, and stating also that it was in contemplation to set his first congregation, in Ottawa, his last charge, Chalmers Church, Guelph, and Duff's church, East Paslinch, to join in the memorial, if they saw proper. The report was received and the committee continued to carry out the arrangements.

By the death of the Rev. Dr. Norman Lockhart Walker, which took place at Bellevue, Kirkcaldy, on the 1st inst., a well-known figure in the U. F. Church of Scotland has passed away. Dr. Walker, although a native of Lanarkshire, came of an old Fifeshire family, and was a son of the manse. His father was the parish minister of Carnwath, and a great friend of Sir Norman Lockhart, after whom Dr. Walker was called.