

Church News.

REV. P. M. DEWEY the lately inducted pastor of Stanley Street church, Montreal, is engaged in delivering a series of special lectures to young men which are highly spoken of in the local press.

THE Ladies' Aid Association, Knox church, Selkirk, N.W.T., recently gave a most successful concert. The net proceeds amounted to \$62 75, which will go towards liquidating the debt on the church.

THANKSGIVING day, Nov. 18th, was duly observed by the Presbyterian congregation, Markdale, Ont., by a thanksgiving service in Chalmers church. The pastor, Rev. A. Wilson, preached a very appropriate and effective sermon. There was a good congregation present. As had been previously announced immediately after the religious service a congregational meeting was held when application was made by the session for the use of an organ to assist in the psalmody. After some discussion, in a Christian manner, a vote was taken, almost unanimously in favour of the introduction of the instrument.

A CHARITY concert given in the Dumfries Street Presbyterian church, Paris, Ont., on Wednesday evening Nov. 18th. Over fifty dollars was raised to assist any cases of destitution which may arise in Paris, during the winter. Rev. W. H. W. Boyle, B.A., pastor of the church, acted as chairman. The choruses were rendered by forty voices, the amalgamated choir of St. James, the Baptist, the Methodist, the Congregational, and the River Street and Dumfries Street Presbyterian churches, under the leadership of Mr. J. H. Friend, precursor of the Dumfries Street church. It is the intention to have another of these union entertainments some time during the winter.

THE Rev. Andrew Wilson delivered a very able and interesting lecture to a large audience, in the East church, Toronto, (Mr. Cameron's) on Monday evening, the 22nd November, on "The Martyrs of Scotland and the Principles for Which They Suffered." The lecture, which has been prepared with care, was delivered with great energy and telling effect. At the present time such lectures are particularly serviceable in reminding the old of what they may have forgotten, and also in instructing the young as to what our forefathers suffered in order to defend and transmit to their descendants the principles of our pure and holy religion. We trust the same lecture may be given in many of our churches during the approaching winter.

WE learn that the Rev. F. R. Beattie, B.D., Ph.D., of Paris church, Brantford, has recently succeeded in passing the examination for the degree of Doctor of Divinity in the Presbyterian College, Montreal. The examination was taken entirely in the department of apologetics, and covered broad ground without any prescribed textbooks. Ten separate papers were set by as many different examiners. In addition to the usual topics of Natural Theology and Evidence in general, such subjects as the Comparative Study of Religions, and the Higher Criticism of the Old Testament had special papers allotted to them. Dr. Beattie is the first who has attempted this examination, and we heartily congratulate him on his success.

ON the evening of Wednesday, the 10th Nov., the people of Severn Bridge gathered in the Union church to welcome the Rev. Mr. Drummond, who had that afternoon been inducted at Washago. The church had been tastefully decorated with drapery and evergreens. On entering the word "Welcome" in gilt letters upon a background of red, met the eye. Above the door were the words "of Bethlehem," in gilt, surmounted by an illuminated star. After ample justice had been done to the good things in the dining hall, the audience gathered in the church to be entertained intellectually. The musical part of the entertainment was furnished by Miss Christie, Misses Ida and Maggie Robinson, Miss Egan, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Rainey, and Messrs. Miller, Little, and H. M. Christie. Short and appropriate addresses were given by Revs. Dr. Gray, Egan, Grant, Drummond, Clark and Dawson. The choir was ably filled by Mr. Rainey.

THE congregation of St. Andrew's church, Belleville, united with the Young People's Association on Nov. 15th in celebrating the fourteenth anniversary of Rev. M. W. McLean's pastorate of the church. The basement was packed with a happy throng made up of his congregation and friends from other churches. The Intelligencer in describing the happy occasion says—"Mr. McLean has during the past fourteen years found a warm place in the heart of many, not of his flock. He is an ideal pastor and anything gotten up to express appreciation for him always receives a hearty support." An excellent programme, J. L. Biggar, Esq., in the chair, was rendered; the choir, Mrs. Rutherford, Mrs. Biggar, Miss Edwards, Miss Rutherford, Messrs. W. Webster, Duncan, Alex. Robertson, M.P., H. Walker, J. Stewart, and others taking part. After refreshments, Mr. Thos. Duncan read a very complimentary address to the pastor, and Miss Urquhart in the name of the congregation presented Mr. McLean with a fine pulpit gown. Mr. McLean made a suitable reply. We congratulate Mr. McLean on his long and happy pastorate, and the pastor and congregation on the manifest tokens of prosperity and harmony.

THE Rev. J. C. Heine recently reviewed the five years of his work in Chalmers church, Montreal. "Thank God," he said "no stumbling-block of discord or bitterness has ever disturbed our peace. The number of communicants has increased from 130 to 313. But we have lost 63, which makes our communion roll about 250 members. At our last communion there sat down 190, including the pastor. In 1881 there was some eighty-eight families; now there are more than 150 families, more or less, connected with the congregation. Five years ago there was no elders belonging to the congregation; now there is a session of seven. Five years ago the collections of the Juvenile Missionary Society amounted to some \$180; this year they will reach very nearly, perhaps quite \$700. Five years ago the Sabbath school had a staff of twenty-seven officers and teachers and 321 pupils; to-day our staff numbers 40 and 400. During these five years our Ladies' Aid Society has contributed some \$1,200 to the work of the church. Five years ago the debt on our church property amounted to some \$5,500; it has been reduced to \$3,000. The congregational revenue five years ago amounted to about \$1,500. This year it will probably reach \$2,800. In other words it has nearly doubled in five years. Such are some of the results we see as we call to mind all the way God has led us. But I cannot recall what God has done for you and for me!

remember the homes of sorrow in which I have ministered, the faith and courage manifested by many in times of sore bereavement. The deepest, most lasting are the invisible results of the preaching of the Gospel."

REV. W. HERRIDGE, B.D., of St. Andrew's, Ottawa, delivered a lecture on "Christian Union" in McNab Street church, Hamilton, on Monday evening, 22nd Nov., under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Association. The body of the building was well filled, and the audience was enthusiastic and liberal in its applause. Mr. John McMaster was in the chair, and the opening services of prayer and praise were conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. H. Fletcher, and Rev. Dr. Middlemiss, of Elora. The Spectator which gives a full report of the lecture describes it as an able effort and says "the speaker occasionally wrought himself up to brilliant oratorical and rhetorical bursts, and his climaxes never failed to bring him merited applause." The following is a summary of his concluding remarks:—"The time will come when we shall drop our petty differences and be content to be called simply Christians again. In the United Church of the future bigotry and strife will retreat with coward footsteps into the outward darkness, and a new rivalry begin as to who shall most truly love Him, as to who shall best serve His God. We shall have to beat our swords into ploughshares and our spears into pruning hooks, and go manfully and bravely forth to work in the vineyard of the matter; and if the final outcome of these things shall be a unity of Christ's church in spirit as well as name, surely all will rejoice and Christ Himself be glad that at last His prayer is answered. Another effect of the united Church would be great concentration of energy. Those who are best acquainted with home mission work, know that a great deal of valuable time and money is wasted in the misplaced zeal of denominationalism. Why should we not unite instead of wasting our substance against ourselves? Organic union will call some missionaries from fields already covered and send them to the outposts of civilization where God's word is never preached. Another result of making the Holy Catholic Church one and indivisible will be a positive proof of the genuineness of Christianity. More generally is it being understood that the mission of the church is not to preach endless theories or be fettered with rites; and when the world sees this grand consummation it will be a convincing evidence of God's glory and grace. A united Church will spread forever and ever with the changless harmony of God."

NOTES BY THE WAY—SOUTH ONTARIO.

YOUR rambling correspondent had occasion not long since to travel over a good part of the southern end of Ontario County, and the following are some field notes. It does not matter now what his mission was—it was not political, at any rate. The first place to be mentioned is

DUNBARTON, so called because one of the early settlers was a Dunbar, and there is a representative of the family there still. Presbyterianism predominates here. No other denomination has a place of worship in the village. The old church that was in use for a great number of years was pulled down this summer, and a fine new one of brick is nearing completion. The money for it is, in substance, all promised; hence the curse of a debt will not long trouble the congregation. To farmers who are as well-to-do as the farmers through all that region are, the building of a church or the support of a minister is not a burden, at least need not be. The excellent young minister is Mr. Craig, a graduate of Knox, and he does credit to his Alma Mater. No one can spend a few hours at the manse without seeing that he is a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, whether in the study or in the parish. The church that has a pastorate filled with such men need not be afraid to stand in the presence of the enemy in the gate. There is no doubt that a few years—and a very few—will see a new manse as well as a new church, for it is needed. Mr. and Mrs. Craig stand well in the affection of the flock, as they deserve to do. A part of his charge is at Highland Creek, in the township of Scarborough, and no in another county. This was once in connection with Knox church, Scarborough. Some time ago Mr. Craig opened a preaching station at Port Union, and the results show that it was much needed. The services are held in a railway building, and many attend who have no facilities to get to churches that are some miles off. It is to be hoped that Mr. Craig's strength will enable him to continue going to Port Union, for the work there is true church extension.

PICKERING

is a village of considerable importance on the Grand Trunk. There is a flour mill here and a large export of grain. Most of the Protestant denominations are represented. Our minister is Mr. Cameron, who I am told is an excellent preacher, and I know him to be a worthy man. He is a native of Prince Edward Island, and is a graduate of Queen's. He has another station at Brougham, which is near the centre of the township. Brougham is some six miles north.

BROOKLIN AND COLUMBUS

is one of the best rural congregations in the Province, and it is well manned in Mr. Carmichael. It has had a succession of first-class ministers. Here Dr. King spent some years before he began his work in Gould Street, Toronto. The older people speak of his Bible classes still. He was succeeded by Mr. Edmondson, now of Altonice. Then came Mr. Carmichael, and it is enough to say that he is not unworthy of those that went before. It is a comparatively compact charge. The wonder is that there are not two ministers instead of one. It would be no burden for the Columbus part to keep a minister to themselves, though it might be an effort for Brooklin. Even in the latter there is wealth enough, if we are not much mistaken. If they tried it for a few years they would be amazed that they ever thought otherwise.

CLAREMONT

is on the Canada Pacific, and was made a separate charge a few years ago. To some it may have seemed a venture for so few to undertake the support of ordinances themselves, but they are succeeding admirably. We are in doubt as to whether the Claremont people are any stronger in either numbers or wealth than Brooklin; we are strongly of opinion that they are not. The pulpit of Claremont is capably manned. Mr. Kippen has had a season of poor health, having been brought to the very verge of the grave in a malarial region near London. It seems now to be getting strong again, and it is to be hoped that he will be

fully restored to health, for the Church cannot afford to lose such men at an age when they are just showing of what stuff they are made. May his bow long abide in strength.

PORT PERRY.

It appears that the oldest centre of all was a place the name of which ends with Rillia, not Orilla. Then Prince Albert was the place, latterly Port Perry took the lead, and seems as if it meant to keep it. The Rev. John McMechan is the minister in charge here. He is a native of County Down, Ireland, and was educated in Belfast. He is a fine representative of the Scotch-Irish, as our friends across the line call the men from Ulster. He is both a scholar and a gentleman. He was a fellow student of the late Dr. Croker, whose death is so much lamented, and we learn had, under God, a good deal to do with the change of Croker's views at the time when he ceased to be a Unitarian. That was nearly 40 years ago.

The writer of these notes cherishes the most delightful memories of the hours he spent in the manse of South Ontario, and he wishes it to be distinctly understood that not a word has been put down in the way of "soft sawder"—an ingredient in which he never deals.

S. H.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERY.

GUELPH.—Met on the 16th November, in Knox church, Guelph, the Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, B. D., of Central church, Galt, moderator. Dr. Smellie, who had been absent for some months on a visit to Scotland, being present, was welcomed by the presbytery and an expression of their gratification at seeing him once more among them, was placed on record. The moderator and clerk were appointed a committee to examine the published statistical and financial returns for the past year and report. Mr. Rose, convener, presented a report from the committee appointed to arrange for conferences on Sabbath schools, state of religion and temperance, recommending that said conferences be held in Knox church, Elora, on the 18th and 19th January next, and containing lists of subjects to be discussed, with the names of those who should introduce them. The report was received, the plan approved, and the clerk authorized to get a sufficient number of copies printed for circulation. It was also agreed unanimously to ask the Rev. Mr. Black to attend the conference on temperance, and to speak on the working of the Scott Act, in the court of Wellington. The clerk submitted a detailed report on the question of arrears of stipend to the Rev. Mr. Russell pastor of Hawkesville and Linwood, till the date of his translation to Bothwell, Sutherland's Corners and Florence. The report found that there were no arrears. Mr. Russell, who was present, was heard in explanation and support of his claims. Representatives were heard from Hawkesville and Linwood. After careful deliberation it was resolved to accept the conclusion arrived at in the report, and to declare that in the judgment of the presbytery, Mr. Russell had been fully paid his stipend by the congregation at Hawkesville. Mr. Hamilton stated that he had gone to Linwood, according to notice previously given, and ordained to the office of the ruling eldership, Messrs. Jacob Young, Alexander Beggs, Edward McCormack and G. Gilliland, whose election had previously taken place, who had signified their acceptance of the call of the congregation, and the edict of whose ordination had been served prior to the removal of Mr. Russell. The presbytery at once agreed to sanction Mr. Hamilton's procedure in the circumstances. Mr. J. K. Smith made a statement regarding the McDowall church Memorial Fund, and requesting those who had not already contributed to it to do so soon. A committee consisting of the clerk, as convener, Messrs. J. Davidson, Tait, Dickson, Ross and Charles Davidson, were appointed to consider the terms and other business sent down by the late General Assembly and report at next meeting. According to notice previously given Dr. Torrance moved the appointment of a standing committee on each of the following subjects, and that the committees be composed as follows: State of Religion, Mr. J. K. Smith, convener, Dr. MacKay, Messrs. Millican, Rose, Watson and Rennie; Sabbath Schools, Mr. R. J. Beattie, convener, Messrs. Norris, A. Mackay, Macaulay, Nicol and Patrio; Sabbath Observance, Mr. J. C. Smith, convener, Drs. Smellie and Wardrope, Messrs. Hall and Burns; Temperance, Messrs. Tait, convener, Hamilton, Dickson, W. Campbell and T. Dalgleish. Mr. Rose then introduced his motion, of which he had given previous notice as to the exercises of students when applying for license, and of licentiates when about to be ordained, when, after deliberation it was agreed that these be referred to a committee to be appointed for the purpose, who shall critically report there on, prescribing portions to be read before the Court and who also shall conduct the prescribed examinations, and take charge of the exercises of students in the bounds, the committee to arrange among themselves as to the work of individual members. The clerk submitted a detailed statement of the amounts required from the presbytery and from each of the congregations in the bounds for the different schemes of the Church; and for the synod and presbytery funds, when it was agreed that he should send a notice to each minister and representative elder of the sum expected from their congregation. It was further agreed that an agent be appointed to take special charge of each scheme. Dr. Middlemiss brought forward his motion, according to previous notice, regarding a triennial visitation of congregations in the interests of the schemes of the Church, when, after reasoning, it was resolved to appoint a committee, consisting of himself as convener, Dr. Torrance, Mr. J. K. Smith, Mr. Rose, Mr. C. Davidson and Mr. Watson, to draft a scheme of visitation keeping in view the general interests of congregations as well as the schemes of the Church, and report at next regular meeting. A report was given in, of the supply provided for the vacancy (Acton) and the mission stations in the bounds. The clerk reported the amount of grant received from the augmentation fund, and the disposal made of the same. Reports were made by ministers of their fulfilment of appointments to preach missionary sermons, and the same were approved.

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