

Ministers and Churches.

Ottawa.

The next regular meeting of St. Paul's Auxiliary to the W.F.M.S. will be held on July 11th and will be for sewing.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Glebe church held a special meeting on Monday.

Rev. J. C. Stewart preached at both services in Stewarson church on Sunday.

Rev. E. G. Robb of Arnprior, conducted the services at Erskine church both morning and evening. The Sunday School picnic will be held next Saturday.

In St. Paul's church Rev. A. S. Reid, of Plantagenet, preached on Sunday. Rev. Dr. Armstrong opened the new church at Smith's parish, Plantagenet.

Rev. Dr. Pringle of the Yukon, preached in St. Andrew's church at both services to large congregations on Sunday. In the evening he spoke of his work in the Yukon. Dr. Pringle also addressed a very large gathering in the Y.M.C.A. on Sunday evening.

Toronto.

The Rev. Dr. G. M. Milligan, in a speech before the Presbyterian Alliance, roused most of the enthusiasm of the meeting when he said that they had learned a lesson from the United States in regard to meeting the religious needs of the country, and were sending many of the best men to mission work in the North-West. He spoke of the fraternal feeling which ought to exist between the English-speaking race, and predicted eloquently for such an understanding as would make war impossible among these peoples.

At Liverpool Principal Caven, delivering the inaugural address entitled "The Service of the Presbyterian Alliance to Christian Doctrine and Fellowship," said the Alliance did not claim to be an ecumenical council of reformed churches, but if it should in any measure strengthen the faith, love, zeal and unity of these churches in Christ's service it would be practical work of great value and of urgent necessity at the present time. Concluding a very interesting address he said that what seemed to be needed was an increase of distinctly practical work to do, in which their energies might go forth in loving service to the brethren and in support of the weak.

The fifteenth annual commencement of the Presbyterian Ladies' College took place yesterday afternoon, and was one of the most successful in the history of the institution. The large hall and adjoining rooms were crowded. Rev. Dr. W. G. Wallace presided, and the opening exercises were conducted by the Rev. C. James. Mrs. McIntyre presented the report of the college for the year, after which the Rev. Alex. McMillan, vice-president, presented the prizes and certificates. The graduates were addressed by the Rev. Dr. Wallace and the pupils by the Rev. Dr. A. Gilray. During the afternoon an excellent programme of readings, vocal and instrumental music was rendered.

Montreal.

At the recent meeting of Presbytery Rev. James Fleck, B.A., was appointed moderator of St. Mark's session for the next two months, while the Rev. J. L. George will be absent in Scotland.

The Rev. C. Haughton has been granted leave of absence for six months during the ensuing winter, so that he may be able to prosecute further studies in one of our colleges.

At a meeting of St. Mark's church, held on June 20, 1904, a unanimous call was given to the Rev. W. D. Turner, of Mono Mills. Salary of \$1,000 a year was guaranteed. The call was signed by one hundred and five members and thirty-five adherents.

The death is announced of Rev. Norman McLeod, who had been in failing health for several months. Not alone those with whom he stood on equal terms in life will regret his falling away, but scores of poorer brothers whom he encountered during his missionary labors in the poorer districts of the city. Mr. McLeod was born in Granby, Que., where his parents still reside. He took a course in the Granby Academy, and then, feeling that his duty lay with the ministry, came to Montreal and entered the

Presbyterian College. Last April, immediately after concluding the examinations that completed his divinity course, Mr. McLeod was attacked by appendicitis, and found himself forced to undergo an operation. This left the sufferer in a shattered condition of health, so that he was unable to respond to a call made him by the congregation of South Mountain, Ont. The people of this church were strongly attracted by the young minister, and loyally continued to keep the opening for him until his health should permit of his accepting. But although the South Mountain congregation waited a full year for Mr. McLeod, it was not to be. Some weeks ago, thinking that a change would be beneficial, he left his home in Granby and went to Burlington for treatment, and there he passed away.

Kingston.

Churches bearing the honored name of St. Andrews seem to be highly favoured as to buildings and property. Several illustrations of the truthfulness of this statement come readily to mind, such as St. Andrew's, London, in the west, St. Andrew's, Ottawa, and St. Andrew's, Quebec, in the east. Many others in various localities might be cited. The one we have more particularly in our mind's eye just now is St. Andrew's, Kingston. This church, a handsome, modern edifice, occupies a prominent corner on Princess street, while the adjoining manse, a building dating back perhaps half a century, and built of limestone, is an ideal residence for the minister's family. A good deal of historic interest gathers about the Kingston St. Andrews. July of this year sees the completion of one hundred years since the organization of the congregation. During that period there have been five ministers: the first, Rev. John Barclay, M.A.; then Rev. John Machar, M.A.; next, Rev. Wm. Inglis, followed by Rev. Dr. Morner G. Smith; and the present pastor, Rev. Dr. Mackie. In a chronological chart, given in the last annual report, are a number of interesting items. First baptism registered Dec. 30, 1821—a son of Joseph Bruce and Janet Frazer, name, Joseph Barclay Bruce. First marriage registered, Oct. 29, 1822, David Duff to Matilda McFall. First Synod constituted in St. Andrews, June 8, 1831. Queen's University born in St. Andrews, 1839. Standing at singing introduced Feb. 27, 1866. Evening service substituted for afternoon, May 3, 1866. Instrumental music introduced, 1881. New church building dedicated by Rev. Principal Grant, D.D., Moderator of General Assembly, Feb. 16, 1890. Uniformity of choir costume adopted, March 8, 1903. The membership of St. Andrews is now 623, but there is a hint in the last Kirk-session report that a careful revision would reduce this number. Dr. Mackie, Moderator of Session, is supported by a strong staff of elders, composed of John McIntyre, K.C., Wm. G. Craig, Cleric, Hamilton, Wm. T. Minnes, John Pollock, Prof. James Third, M.D., Prof. Norman R. Carmichael, M.A., Jas. F. Leslie, Rev. Prof. Ferguson, B.A. and John Montague Strange, Session Clerk.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. D. Strachan, of Brockville, having returned from his holidays, occupied his own pulpit at both services on Sunday.

Rev. D. J. McLean, pastor of St. Andrew's church, Arnprior, preached to the Masons of Renfrew on Sunday morning. Rev. John Hay, B.D., filled Mr. McLean's pulpit at Arnprior.

Rev. Mr. Conn, of Nanapanee, is at present taking holidays in Manitoba. Last Sunday his pulpit was filled by Mr. McEachern, of Kingston. In the same place Rev. Mr. Cram, of Cobden, will be the preacher for the three succeeding Sundays.

On a recent Sunday Rev. Mr. Daly, of Lyn, preached an impressive and very suitable sermon to the Foresters at Caintown.

Rev. Dr. Stewart, of Prescott, is taking a much needed vacation. He has gone to the Pacific Coast, and will be away for two months.

Rev. Wm. Duncan, of Sault Ste Marie, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. Carson, Russell, this week.

The next regular meeting of Barrie Presbytery is announced for July 26th at Barrie; 10.30 a.m.

Mr. Alex. C. Stewart, son of Mr. W. K. Stewart, Cobourg, preached with much acceptance in Baltimore church on a recent Sunday. Rev. J. Skene taking the services at Grafton and Vernonville.

In the absence of Rev. N. H. McGillivray, who is away on a holiday trip, Rev. E. Tennant preached at the morning service in St. John's church, Cornwall, last Sunday.

Rev. Prof. McComb has resigned the chair of Church History at Queen's University, Kingston, on account of Mrs. McComb's health.

Rev. H. D. Leitch occupied the Maxwell pulpit last Sabbath evening, delivering an address to the Odd Fellows. Rev. James Cormack preached in Rev. Mr. Leitch's pulpit in St. Elmo.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at Finch on Sunday. There was a very large attendance of members.

The Presbytery of Barrie, at its last meeting, gave a conservative deliverance on the subject of Church Union, in terms following, which, on motion of Rev. Dr. McLeod, was adopted. "The Presbytery of Barrie unites with all persons and bodies in the desire to promote that spiritual union of the members of the Church of Christ for which our Lord prays—but does not commit itself to the position that the prayer of our Lord calls for this particular form of union at this time—and in view of these discussions the Presbytery would counsel its members to continue the same Christian and honorable action they have maintained in the past in their relation with Christian brethren of other Churches. The Presbytery would also remind the members of the Church, and all within its bounds who are associated with the Presbyterian Church in worship, that the most effective way of hastening such a union as is proposed, is by remaining loyal to their own Church until the union takes place, by praying that God would give His Spirit in larger measure to the Churches, that all efforts to build up one Church at the expense of the others may cease from this time, and by acting, as they have always done, in the spirit of Christian friendship with the members of other branches of the Church of Christ, remembering that the Churches exist, not to promote their own aims, but to extend the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Presbytery would also suggest that any over-lapping that may be complained of in any field in which the Churches are laboring together might be speedily brought to an end by their exercising toward each other that spirit of union and regard for the interests of Christ's Kingdom, which must be the animating spirit in any closer union with one another. The Presbytery prays that in any negotiations entered into, the Churches may be guided by the Divine Spirit to preserve all that is vital in these Churches, and to such issues as will advance the cause and Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Western Ontario.

Rev. Alexander McLean occupied the pulpit of Shakespear church Sunday evening.

Rev. Mr. Nixon, of Toronto, preached most acceptably in Hespeler on Sunday.

Rev. James Rollins of King st., church was knocked down and injured by a street car on Saturday; but no very serious results are anticipated.

Rev. John A. McSparran, B.A., of the First Presbyterian church, Philadelphia preached at both services at St. Andrews' church, London on Sunday.

The Rev. Archie McLaren, B.A., of Woodstock, preached at both services in St. Andrew's church, Hamilton last Sabbath.

Rev. Dr. MacKay is spending a week in Zorra. He exchanged pulpits on Sunday with Rev. Mr. Ferguson of Burns church.

Mr. Cameron, wife of Rev. M. C. Cameron, of Knox church Hamston died on Saturday last at the home of her mother at Bolton Village.

Rev. Prof. McLaren, D.D., of Toronto, preached anniversary sermons at New Glasgow and Rodney on a recent Sabbath.

A meeting of the Guelph Presbytery will be held at the Hespeler church on the evening of July 31st, for the purpose of ordaining J. D. Morrow and inducting him into the pastorate of the church.

Rev. R. E. Knowles at the conclusion of the service in Knox church, Galt, on Sunday morning made an appreciative reference to the late Mrs. Roger Robson.

Rev. A. G. McLachlin, B.A., of Harrington occupied the pulpit in Knox church, Embro, on Sunday morning. Mr. Donald McKay of the half concession, Nissouri, preached in the evening.