

RELIGIOUS.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Rev. Dr. McGregor returned last week from a trip to Scotland. We are glad to learn that he has been completely restored to health.

A call from the congregation of Clyde and Harrington has been received by Mr. James McClure, of Truro.

Stollaston church, which has been for quite a lengthy period without a minister, will, it is hoped, shortly have one. The Presbytery of Pictou, at its last meeting, sustained a call from the congregation in favor of Rev. T. H. Turnbull, of Fall River, Mass.

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces will meet in St. Andrew's church, St. John, on Tuesday, the 6th Oct., at 7.30 p.m. It is expected that the meetings will be unusually interesting.

The United Presbyterian Church of the United States is carrying on an extensive Missionary work in Egypt. There is in connection with the Mission a Theological Seminary, in which native pastors are trained.

According to a contemporary there are 779,080 teachers and scholars in connection with the Presbyterian Church (north) of the United States, being an increase in one year of 37,696. Of the 42,979 persons who united last year with the Presbyterian Churches upon profession of faith, about one-half came from the Sunday Schools. During the year, the schools contributed for benevolent objects, over \$250,000.

BAPTIST.

It is stated that the Rev. Dr. S. W. Duncan, who was unanimously elected President of Vassar College, has declined to accept the position, giving as his reason, that he desired to continue in the ministry. It thus is so, it is likely that Dr. Anderson will become President.

METHODIST.

The Wesleyan Conference in England has determined to raise \$250,000 to evangelize the outcast population of London.

The Rev. Dr. Sutherland, General Missionary Secretary of the Methodist Church, has returned to Toronto, after an absence of some weeks. He has been visiting the Missions in British Columbia.

CATHOLIC.

Rev. John Fraser, P. P., at present of Ingonish, C. B., is to take the place of Rev. Ronald McGillivray, St. Joseph's, Antigonish Co.

Within a few weeks, a new Young Ladies' Academy will be opened at Sydney, C. B., under the management of the Sisters of Notre Dame. Accommodation is provided for a limited number of boarders. Young ladies of all denominations are admitted on an equal footing to all the classes, excepting to those of Christian Doctrine. Non-Catholics are not to be present at the instruction in Christian Doctrine, unless with the full consent of their parents or guardians.

The Catholic University at Louvain, Belgium, has over one thousand three hundred (1,300) students. It has courses of study in Arts, Science, Mental and Moral Philosophy, Theology, Medicine and Law. It has grown to its present colossal size without the assistance of state aid.

The Philadelphia Times says, that "in Philosophical studies the coming Catholic University in the District of Columbia will be the foremost institution on the continent."

Rev. S. Biggs, Rector of St. Patrick's, in this city, is now making a tour of Upper Canada and the New England States. One of the objects of this trip is to get information about Sunday School methods, that can be applied to the Catholic Sunday Schools here.

The new St. Patrick's Church, a beautiful and commodious building, is almost finished. When the finishing touches will have been given it, no debt will remain to dampen the satisfaction of the congregation.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Rev. Canon Dart, ex President of King's College, Windsor, sailed for England, on the Nova Scotian. He was presented by the parishioners of Weymouth with an address and handsome writing desk and gold pen, in acknowledgement of many kind services rendered while spending vacations in that town. Canon Dart has always responded, during his ten years' residence in the Province, to any calls made upon his talents by his brother clergy, and departed with the kindest wishes of them all.

Rev. J. A. Kaulbach, who has been staying at Lunenburg for the last few weeks for the benefit of his health, is slowly improving. Last Sunday, Rev. Canon Caswall of Lunenburg, exchanged with him. The Parish of Lunenburg is flourishing under the able superintendence of Mr. Caswall, and stands second in the diocese for its contributions to Home Missions.

Very Rev. Dean Reichel, of Clonmannon, has been elected Bishop of Meath, Ireland.

The health of Rev. Canon Liddon is much improved since his sojourn on the continent. It is to be hoped that he will soon be able to return to his unique work in London.

The Rev. W. H. Aitken, the celebrated Mission Preacher, is to conduct a Retreat for Clergy in October, in the Diocese of New York. It would be a good thing to invite him to Halifax.

The next English Church Congress opens next month, at Portsmouth. The opening sermon will be preached by the Bishops of Carlisle, Ripon and Derry.

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