

## Ministers and Churches.

We are glad to learn that Rev. Dr. McGregor is improving. The Rev. A. Falconer, late of Trinidad, is now in Edinburgh.

The Rev. Walter Rogers has gone for a week's outing at Stoney Lake.

The Rev. J. Middlemiss has returned to Elora after a summer vacation.

Rev. Mr. LITCH, of Point Edward, has been taking a trip on the lakes.

The Rev. George Burnfield, B.D., is away on a trip to the Maritime Provinces.

The Rev. D. H. Fletcher, of Hamilton, is enjoying his vacation at Asbury Park.

The Rev. Mr. Herridge of St. Andrew's Church, Ottawa, has been in Halifax enjoying his holidays.

The Rev. J. Ross, Brussels, has gone for his holidays. Melville Church will be closed for four weeks.

The Rev. Neil McKay, of Summerside, P.E.I., has received a call from St. John's Church, Chatham.

The Rev. E. F. Torrance, of Peterborough, has returned from a four weeks' trip to various places in Canada.

The Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, preached in Knox Church, Galt, morning and evening, last Sabbath.

The Rev. Dr. Gregg, of Toronto, has been preaching in the Presbyterian Church, Clinton, for two Sabbaths.

The Rev. D. C. Johnston has signified his acceptance of the call to Oil Springs and Oil City, in the Presbytery of Sarnia.

The ladies of the First Presbyterian Church, St. Mary's, intend holding a harvest home on the 24th September in the church.

The annual tea meeting in connection with the Presbyterian church at Oil Springs, was a grand success, financially and otherwise.

The Rev. T. Fenwick, of Elder's Mills, Ontario, preached in Morebattle, Scotland, his father's birthplace, on Sabbath, the 2nd inst.

The Rev. J. M. Wellwood, M.A., Minnedosa, is still troubled with bronchitis. His pulpit is filled by Rev. A. Smith, of Cadurcis.

The Rev. Wm. Cochrane, D.D., of Brantford, is announced to lecture and preach at Parry Sound this week and Grimsby Camp next week.

The Rev. G. G. McRobbie, of Ridgetown, has successfully passed his final examination at Bloomington University, for the degree of Ph.D.

The Rev. J. W. Cathcart was inducted on the 20th inst. over the united congregations of Strathane and Kilbride, in the Presbytery of Hamilton.

The Rev. Mr. McLaren, Brampton, who has been recuperating in Muskoka during the past few weeks, resumed his pulpit last Sabbath evening.

The Rev. F. W. Archibald, B.D., of Truro, U. S., has been called to Knox Church, St. Thomas, at a salary of \$1,600, free house and four weeks' holidays.

The Rev. J. Leishman, of Angus, it was mistakenly stated, had preached in Collingwood on a recent Sabbath. It was in the early summer he occupied the pulpit there.

By special request the Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, has consented to preach a memorial sermon in reference to the death of General Grant early in September.

The Rev. Samuel Houston, of Cooke's Church, Kingston, preached an able and eloquent sermon, commemorative of the Relief of Derry, to the 'Penitence Boys' on Sabbath week.

The Rev. R. J. Craig, M.A., Deseronto, treated his congregation to a free excursion lately. The boat was gorgeously illuminated, and everything done to make it a pleasant affair.

The Rev. James Chambers, pastor of Calvary Church, New York city, preached in St. Andrew's Church, Orangeville, on Sabbath last. He is a relative of Rev. W. A. Hunter.

The Rev. James Barclay, M.A., of Montreal, is in Scotland on furlough, having a six weeks' vacation; and ere his return to Canada he will preach before the Queen at Balmoral.

The Rev. H. M. Parsons, of Knox Church, Toronto, has consented to deliver an address at the anniversary services of the Young Men's Christian Association of Montreal city on October 15.

The Rev. Dr. Waters, of Newark, N. J., who preached in St. James Square Church, Toronto, on Sabbath week, is visiting his brother, Dr. Waters, Cobourg, where he preached last Sabbath.

The Bowmanville Presbyterian Sabbath school held its annual picnic at Frpingham last Wednesday. The weather was fine, and the children enjoyed the day's outing in their customary happy manner.

The Alliston Herald says. The Rev. R. Rogers, of Collingwood, preached able and acceptable discourses in the Presbyterian Church, Alliston, on Sabbath, the 16th inst., both morning and evening.

The Rev. W. A. McKenzie, B.A., B.D., preached an excellent sermon in the Presbyterian Church, Cobourg, on Sabbath evening week. Mr. McKenzie is at present supplying Grafton with much acceptance.

The Rev. J. Abraham, of St. Andrew's Church, Whitby, accompanied by Mrs. Abraham, is on a month's vacation. They visit friends in Western Ontario for some days and will then proceed to New York city.

The Brandon Presbyterian Sabbath school held its annual picnic recently in Dr. Haggarty's grove. It was well attended and enjoyed by the scholars. A sudden thunder storm took charge of the tea table, and dispersed the company quickly.

ST. ANDREW'S Sunday school picnic, Lindsay, is expected to take place about Tuesday, 1st September, to the beautiful picnic grove on the shores of Lake Simcoe, near Beaverton. This is a popular resort, and the picnic is sure to be well patronized.

The Regina Leader says: Last evening in the Presbyterian Church the Rev. Mr. Pitblado, of Winnipeg, preached a magnificent sermon. Following the example of such great preachers as St. Chrysostom and Robert Hall, he utilized the event of the day and made a most effective use of the Riel tragedy.

The Rev. Professor Bryce, of Manitoba College, who preached in St. James Square Church on Sabbath week and McNab Street Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, last Sabbath, is investigating points in Canadian history after spending some weeks at the same work in Boston and Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The congregation at Warton is now vacant. The resignation of the Rev. E. N. B. Millard was accepted at the last meeting of the Presbytery of Owen Sound. The church was preached vacant on Sabbath, the 9th inst., by Rev. Mr. Reikie. The Moderator of Session during the vacancy is Rev. A. H. Scott, M.A., of Owen Sound.

The Bradford Witness says: Rev. Thos. McKee, of Barrie, preaches in the Presbyterian Church, Bradford, for the Rev. Mr. Bryant, during which time the pastor will seek to recuperate his health. Sickness has been resting heavily upon the home of our esteemed pastor of late and we sincerely hope the dark cloud may pass away ere long.

The Rev. Mr. McCrae has been doing the fraternal for his brethren during their absence. On Sabbath afternoons he preaches at Coldsprings for the Rev. Mr. Cooke, who is absent on a six weeks' holiday. On a recent Sabbath Mr. McCrae dispensed the sacrament of the Lord's Supper for Rev. Mr. Pedley, who is on a trip to the Nipissing.

The induction of the Rev. D. Bickell to the Mount Forest Presbyterian Church, took place on Tuesday week. Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Harrison, presided and addressed the people, Rev. J. A. Ross, of Dundalk, preached, and Rev. P. Straub, of Holstein, addressed the minister. In the evening a social was given by the ladies, which was well attended.

DR. REID makes the following acknowledgments: Anon., Codrington, for the most needful Schemes of the Church, \$15—thus: Home Missions, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$5; French Evangelization, \$5. A Friend to Missions, \$100—thus: Home Missions, \$50; Foreign Missions, \$50. John Charlton, M.P., Lyndoch, as part of sessional indemnity, \$160—thus: College Fund, \$54; Home Missions, \$55; Foreign Missions, \$53.

The members of Union Presbyterian Church, Brucefield, have extended a call to Rev. Alex. Henderson, of Hyde Park. The call will be formally presented at the meeting of the London Presbytery, which will be held on the 14th inst. Mr. Joseph McCully, of Stanley, and Mr. Wm. Fotheringham, of Tuckersmith, go as representatives from the Brucefield Congregation, and Rev. Mr. McCoy, of Egmondville, as representative from Huron Presbytery, to support the call. It is not yet definitely known whether Mr. Henderson will accept the call.

AT the family residence, near Dunbarton, on Saturday week, at the ripe age of eighty years, William Allison passed away. The deceased came to this country from Scotland about sixty years ago. He first settled near Cobourg, but after a residence there of a few years he removed to Pickering township nearly fifty years ago, where he has resided ever since, highly esteemed by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was a consistent and honoured member of the Presbyterian Church. He was a man whom to know was to respect.

REV. W. NICHOLL, Moosomin, met with an accident recently which providentially did not prove fatal. It would appear that the reverend gentleman was driving in from his farm to the ladies' social held that day by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church of which he is the minister. On nearing Mr. McCurdy's blacksmithery the horse he was driving became unmanageable, and turning to the left hand where some reapers and self-binders were standing, threw the reverend gentleman out, shaking and bruising him very much. Happily no bones were broken.

The Rev. D. Forrester was inducted into the pastoral charge of Bayfield and Bethany Presbyterian Congregations on Tuesday last. The Huron Presbytery met, and the induction services were held in the Presbyterian Church, Bayfield. There was a large congregation, and much interest was manifested in the solemn proceedings. The Rev. D. M. Ramsay, of Hullett, preached an able sermon, after which the induction services were proceeded with. Rev. R. Y. Thompson, of Rodgerville, presided. Rev. Samuel Atcheson, of Kippen, addressed the minister, and Rev. James Pritchard, of Manchester, addressed the people. Rev. Mr. Forrester is, we believe, says the *Huron Expositor*, an estimable and clever young man, and we wish for him a long and useful career in his new field of labour.

THERE was a very large attendance on Sabbath week, says the *Hamilton Times*, in the Central Presbyterian Church, to hear Rev. Dr. Ormiston, of New York, who officiated at both services. Dr. Ormiston has very many friends in Hamilton, and his former flock was augmented by not a few members of other congregations. The reverend gentleman preached with all his old-time vigour and eloquence. Notwithstanding that he was for a long period in ill-health, and at one time almost despaired of recovery, there are now few, if any, traces of the illness. In the

morning, Dr. Ormiston took for the foundation of his remarks, Acts xx., last clause of the 24th verse. The sermon was an able exposition of the mission of the Apostle Paul, of the Gospel which he was called to preach. Dr. Ormiston also preached to a very large congregation in the same church in the evening, taking for his text, Isa. xlv. 3.

THE Rev. A. W. McLeod, of The Vale, Pictou County, recently won the degree of Doctor of Philosophy on examination, in the following studies of a two years' post graduate course, at the University of Syracuse, New York: First year, English Literature, Taine's work in two volumes, Hallam's "Literature of Europe," four volumes; Character and Works of Byron, Thackeray, Tennyson, Burns, Scott and Carlyle written thesis on American Literature: Critical review of Macaulay's Milton and Milton's "Samson Agonistes"; Critical review of Morley's Defoe and Pope's "Essay on Man." Second year studies. Philosophy and Christian Evidences;—the works of Cocker, McCosh; Farrar (H. S.) Rawlinson, Canon Liddon, Keith, Bushnell, and Geike. Thesis—"Modern Christology." The examination was of a most searching character. Dr. McLeod was the only student at the University who attempted the work of the two years at one series of examinations.

ON Sabbath, the 9th inst., the eighth anniversary of the induction of the Rev. F. M. Dewey, M.A., as pastor of Chalmers Church, Richmond, was observed. The attendance at the morning diet of worship was large and services appropriate to the occasion were conducted by the pastor. On Tuesday evening the annual re-union of the congregation was held in the Town Hall. Ice cream, fruit and cake were provided by the ladies, and thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present. The pastor gave an abstract of the annual report which showed that the congregation is in a prosperous condition, and financially the last year has been the most successful of his pastorate. An excellent programme of music was rendered during the evening. The Revs. Messrs. Cattanach, of Sherbrook, and McLeod, of Kingsbury, were present and delivered addresses. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Robert Campbell and Miss Graham for their valuable services in leading the psalmody of the congregation. It is felt by many members of this congregation that its prosperity would be greater and its usefulness much increased if they had a larger and more commodious church.

At the close of the exercises at the Bible service, Youghal, on Friday evening, 7th August, Mr. Thomas A. Armstrong, addressed the pastor, the Rev. James C. Quinn, a few appropriate remarks with reference to the Bible-class and the pleasure and profit he and others had received in attendance upon it since its commencement two years ago, and on behalf of the members presented Mr. Quinn with an autograph album, inkstand and pen, as a token of the respect and esteem which they entertained towards him as a pastor. They wish him God speed in his new and wide sphere of labour for the Church and for Christ to which he was called in Manitoba. Mr. Quinn, in a few words, acknowledged the very handsome gift of the Bible-class, which had taken him by surprise. He would often think of them and exhorted them to continue their Bible studies and expressed the hope that in after years those now under instruction would grow up strong stalwart Christians—possessing Christians—and do a much better work for and in the Church than those now bearing the burden and heat of the day. After singing the second paraphrase a very pleasant evening's exercise terminated with prayer.

THE clergymen from the United States who recently made a bicycle tour through a portion of Canada had an enjoyable time. They met with hearty welcome in all the cities and towns they visited. The *Napanee Express* says: Six of the clerical bicyclists passed through town on Tuesday and eight on Wednesday last. They wheeled through in couples and trios without stopping. Twenty-one started on August 6 at Niagara, but only fourteen reached Kingston. They were dressed in a becoming and modest garb which suited their "cloth." One of their number, Rev. Mr. Stall, said: "Exercise on the wheel built up the forces, strengthened the muscles, made the blood pulsate, and the cheeks to glow, and personally he could say that a bicycle was one of God's good gifts to an overworked student or minister. He was pleased to have the opportunity of riding through Canada and seeing Canadian people, because this country was connected with the Mother Land across the sea, which, although not large geographically, yet possessed dominions upon which the sun never set, and had done more for the spread of religion and the advancement of civilization than all the other nations of the earth."

THE Brantford Expositor says: The marriage of Rev. I. S. Hardie, minister of Stanley Street Presbyterian Church, Ayr, and Miss Mary A. Herritt, took place on Wednesday at the residence of the bride's aunt, Eagle Place, Brantford. Among the invited guests present were Dr. and Mrs. Cockrane, Dr. and Mrs. Nichol, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Nichol, Hoskins, of Aylmer; Mr. and Mrs. Findlay, Mr. Thomas Herritt, Mr. George Herritt, Mrs. Herritt, Miss Eaton, Miss Godfrey, Miss M. J. Smith, Mr. Wm. Turnbull, of Galt; and Rev. Mr. Duncan. Rev. Mr. Duncan acted as groomsmen, and Miss Smith, of Toronto as bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. S. Cochrane, after which the company adjourned to the dining room, where a sumptuous dejeuner was partaken of. Dr. Cochrane, Dr. Nichol, Mr. A. R. Macfarlane and Rev. Mr. Duncan in appropriate speeches spoke of the high opinion entertained by many in the city of Brantford and their sincere wishes that they might be long spared to work in the Church of Christ. The bride and bridegroom left for Montreal and Quebec, where they intend to spend some weeks. The presents were numerous and exceedingly choice and costly.

VERY interesting services were held at Bowmanville on the 5th August, in connection with the induction of the Rev. R. D. Fraser, late of Claude and formerly of Charles Street, Toronto. Mr. Cameron, of Pickering, preached an appropriate sermon on these words: "Lo, I am with you alway." Mr. Drummond presided and inducted—Mr.