

Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. Jos. Johnston, late of Hornby, has been offered a call to Schellhill.

MRS. LAIDLAW, wife of the Rev. R. J. Laidlaw, D.D., Hamilton, became seriously ill last week.

THE Rev. Dr. Bain, of Kingston, formerly minister of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, is seriously ill.

THE Rev. A. Burrows, D.D., of Boston, preached in St. Andrew's Church, Truro, on Sunday morning week.

THE foundation stone of the new church being erected by the Knox Church congregation, Oro, was laid a few days ago.

THE Rev. J. Ballantyne, of Knox Church, London, who has been spending a holiday at Kingston, has returned to his duties.

THE Rev. H. C. Ross, Ingersoll, has returned home from his vacation and occupied the pulpit of Knox Church there on Sunday week.

DR. MCKAY, missionary of Formosa, China, has contributed \$30 towards the monument fund of the late Rev. D. McKenzie, of Embro.

A LARGE addition is being made to St. Andrew's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, which for some time past has been found too small for the increasing congregation.

It is probable, says the Kingston *Whig*, that Dr. Dyde, of the University of New Brunswick, will be appointed assistant professor of Philosophy in Queen's.

THE Rev. John McNabb was recently presented with an address and purse by the united congregations of Whitechurch and Calvin Church, East Wawanosh.

THE Rev. John Ferguson, of Denver, Colorado, occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, South Lancaster, Sabbath week. He gave an excellent discourse.

THE Rev. J. B. Duncan, of Toronto, and formerly minister of Knox Church, Perth, is at present filling the pulpit of that church while Rev. Ross is absent on his holidays.

THE Rev. J. R. Mann, M.A., LL.B., is occupying the pulpit of Knox Church, Harrison, during the absence of the Rev. M. C. Cameron, B.D., who is on his summer vacation.

THE Rev. J. A. Dickson, D.D., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, who spent his vacation at the Thousand Islands, paid a short visit to Toronto this week.

THE corner stone of the Presbyterian Church, Glencoe, will be laid in the first week of September. The Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, M.A., B.D., of St. Andrew's Church, is announced to officiate.

THE Halifax *Mail* says Rev. Dr. McTavish, of Toronto, preached to a large congregation in Park Street Presbyterian Church. His discourse was a very able one. He took for his text Philippians iii. 13-14.

THE Rev. Dr. Wylie, New York, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church, East, Toronto, on Sabbath last, and was heard with much acceptance by large congregations. The Rev. Mr. McKenzie is announced to preach next Sabbath.

THE Napanee *Banner* gives a sketch of a very genial and racy lecture on "The Boys that I Knew," delivered by the Rev. T. G. Smith, D.D., of Queen's University, in the town hall at Sillsville, in aid of the McDowall Memorial Church, at Sandhurst.

THE Rev. John Hay, B.D., preached his inaugural sermon in the Presbyterian Church, Colbourn, on Sunday morning week to a large congregation. He, in company with his wife, have gone on a visit to his parents before settling down to active pastoral work.

THE Rev. Jas. Gourlay, M.A., of Port Elgin, preached in Knox Church, Paisley, says the Port Elgin *Times*, on Sunday morning and evening. Both sermons were excellent specimens of Gospel preaching, the presentation of truth being specially clear and pointed.

A MEETING was held in St. Andrew's Church, Almonte, last week, at which it was decided to hold the ordination and induction services here on the 26th inst. The congregation also decided to erect a suitable monument to the memory of their late pastor, Rev. J. Bennett, D.D.

THE congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, seem to be alive in making every improvement within their means to make their place of worship comfortable. As they are comparatively free of debt, the improvements made from time to time by the managers fall lightly on the flock.

SOME friends of Mrs. Thomas Fair, in Willis Church congregation, Clinton, in order to show their appreciation of the earnest and unwearied efforts in the mission cause, have lately contributed \$25 to the funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to secure for her a certificate of life membership.

PROF. ROBERTSON, of the Ontario Agricultural College, preached Sabbath morning week in Knox Church, Guelph, and Prof. Shaw of the same institution, in the evening. Both gentlemen delivered excellent and practical discourses, which were closely listened to at both diets of worship by large congregations.

WORK on the new St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, is progressing rapidly, and it is expected the building will be ready for occupation by the 1st of November. The stonework will be finished in about a week. The building when finished will cost about \$18,000. So far about \$10,000 has been subscribed.

THE Rev. John Morton, of Trinidad, is at present visiting his old home at New Glasgow, N.S. It is twenty-one years since Mr. and Mrs. Morton went forth as pioneer missionaries from Nova Scotia. One school which began with an attendance of three children, has grown to thirty-four schools with 2,000 children.

THE Rev. G. C. Patterson, who has been conducting the services at Holland, Manitoba, with great acceptance, has received a kindly worded and appreciative address from the people there, and a similar one from those at Camille. The people have prayed the Presbytery for leave to moderate a call in Mr. Patterson's favour.

ON 23rd August, 1889, Rev. Thomas Alexander, of Mount Pleasant, will have reached his eighty-fourth year, having laboured in the Lord's vineyard for over fifty-four years in preaching the gospel, and in getting congregations organized and churches and manse erected in connexion with the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

THE Presbyterian congregation of Campbellton, N. S., have extended a call to the Rev. Mr. Carr, of P. E. Island. It is expected that he will accept it when it is, according to the usual custom, placed in his hand by the clerk of his Presbytery. The congregation have the prospect of soon having a pastor placed over them.

THE Rev. J. H. Beatt, of Cumberland, was inducted into the charge of the Presbyterian Church at Cumberland lately. Rev. Mr. Hughes, Moderator of the Presbytery of Ottawa, presided. Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Russell, preached. Rev. Dr. Armstrong, of St. Paul's, Ottawa, addressed the pastor, and Rev. Mr. Caven, of Buckingham, addressed the people.

PRESIDENT S. F. SCOVEL, D.D., of the University of Wooster, Ohio, supplied Knox Church, Galt, August 11th and 13th, in absence of Rev. Alexander Jackson, who is in Scotland. Dr. Scovel is one of the ablest preachers and educators in the American Church, and the institution over which he presides is one of the largest and most influential of the Presbyterian Colleges.

THE Rev. A. T. Wolff, D.D., Alton, Illinois, again occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's, West, Toronto. In the morning he preached

a sermon on the priesthood of Christ, and in the evening he discoursed on Martha and Mary. Next week he resumes his duties in the flourishing and progressive church of which he is pastor in Alton. His visit and services in Toronto have been much appreciated.

THE Manitoba *Free Press* says: Dr. W. G. Blaikie, professor in the Free College, Edinburgh, has written from Los Angeles, Cal., to Dr. Bryce, stating that he expects to be in Winnipeg about the middle of the present month. While here Dr. Blaikie will probably address the meeting in connexion with the Presbyterian Alliance, of which he is a member. Dr. Blaikie was for a long time editor of the *Sunday Magazine*.

THE people of Knox Church, Woodstock, says the *Sentinel-Review* had a rare treat, Sunday, in hearing two sermons from Rev. Dr. Wylie, of New York. Dr. Wylie is a man of unusually fine presence and address. He has a good voice, pleasing and a ready command of lucid and ornate language. He is in all respects an able and attractive preacher. His sermons were greatly enjoyed by the large congregations present.

THE Woodstock *Standard* says: Several of our pulpits have recently been occupied by ministers from a distance, the regular pastors of the congregations being off spending their vacations. Rev. Dr. Wycliffe officiated in Knox Church and in the evening gave an eloquent and instructive lecture on "Moses," delivered with such ability and so full of information that, apart from the moral lessons deduced, it furnished a literary treat such as is seldom listened to by a Woodstock audience.

THE Almonte *Gazette* says:—The Rev. Mr. Edmondson gave up his pulpit to Rev. Mr. Wilkie, Sunday evening week, and the latter used the opportunity to give an interesting account of the mission work that is being done in Central India. The rev. gentleman has undertaken to raise \$10,000 in Canada, which will be used in erecting a high school in his field of labour. The Presbyterian congregations here will contribute toward the scheme. Rev. Mr. Wilkie intends returning to India in October.

THE Rev. Mr. Rankin, who preached in Zion Church, Charlotte-town, Sunday week, morning and evening, with much acceptance, left in the steamer for a visit to Pictou. He is a native of Greenock, Scotland, and studied in Edinburgh University. Having been licensed by a Scottish Presbytery and commissioned to Canada by the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland, he is eligible for a call to any vacant congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The congregation of Stellarton, Nova Scotia, in connection with the Church of Scotland is moving to give him a call.

THE Central Church, Hamilton, Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour held a garden party last week at the residence of Mr. Furnival, as a farewell to Mr. C. A. Webster, who has been occupying the pulpit of the Central Church during the absence of Mr. Lyle on his vacation. A very enjoyable time was spent by all. The grounds were handsomely decorated with Chinese lanterns and an excellent programme of music, recitations, etc., was rendered by Mrs. McArthur and Misses Edgar, Russell, Taylor, Balfour and McClure. After singing "God Be With You," the party was brought to a close.

IN Knox Church, Winnipeg, on Sunday night week, Rev. Dr. Bryce preached a sermon on the spiritual and material condition of the country. The text was from Ecclesiastes, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." The preacher pointed out that harvest had come around again, and it was a fitting time to consider our material and spiritual wants. He spoke of the great need for thorough earnestness. More workers in all departments were wanted. We should bestir ourselves to save the community from the ruin of strong drink. He believed if strong drink were given up, much of the evil that disturbs society would be wiped away.

THE Manitoba *Free Press* says: Rev. Dr. Cochrane, pastor of Zion Presbyterian Church, Brantford, Ont., and governor of the Ladies' College in that city, will arrive in the city this week on a visit to the province. During his stay he will occupy the pulpit of Knox Church, for two Sundays, in the absence of Dr. Duval. His visit is partly for pleasure, as the reverend doctor takes a deep interest in Manitoba, but he will also while here, endeavour to advance the welfare of the Brantford Ladies' College in the minds of the Prairie Province Presbyterians. Dr. Cochrane is known as being one of the most clever and eloquent preachers in the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

THE Presbytery of Regina met at Indian Head recently for the induction of Rev. John Ferry into the pastoral charge of Indian Head congregation and for the ordination of Mr. W. J. Hall, of Wolseley. The service was conducted by the Moderator, Rev. A. Campbell of File Hills, and Rev. A. Robson, of Fort Qu'Appelle who preached an appropriate discourse from Matt. iv. 4. Subsequently Mr. Ferry was inducted and Mr. Hall ordained with the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery and both were addressed by Rev. Prof. Hart, of Winnipeg. The people were then addressed by the Rev. A. Hamilton, of Whitewood. A deputation consisting of Rev. Messrs Hall, Ferry and Robson were appointed to visit Moffat station. Notice was given of a call to the Rev. W. J. Hall from the congregation of Stonewall in Winnipeg Presbytery and the call ordered to be placed in Mr. Hall's hands.

THE Elgin *Courant and Courier*, Elgin, Scotland, of the 6th inst., contains the following: It is not often that a son has the privilege of preaching on the occasion of his father's centenary. But a prospective instance of this has just come under our notice. The Rev. Robert Moodie, of Stayner, Canada, is at present on a visit to this country, and has been spending a few days with our neighbour, Mr. Petrie, at Pettendreich. Last night he preached with much acceptance in the Free High Church here, in connection with the communion thanksgiving. On the first Sabbath in September he is to preach in the Parish Church of Clackmannan, to the pastorate of which his father, the Rev. Robert Moodie, D.D., was ordained on 2nd September, 1788. A hundred and one years is a long stretch of time between the two occasions, but Mr. Moodie looks young and vigorous, and is still a comparatively young man, having been born only a few weeks before his venerated father's death in 1832.

A RECENT New York paper says: "The farewell service tendered Rev. Andrew Beattie in the South Street Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening week was largely attended. Mr. Beattie goes as missionary to Yeong Kong, Southern China, as a missionary representative of the men and boys of that church. He is a Canadian, about thirty years old, and was recommended to the Church by the Board of Foreign Missions. The service opened with an anthem by the quartette choir, followed by singing the missionary hymn—"From Greenland's Icy Mountains." Rev. Dr. Erdman read a Scripture lesson and was followed in prayer by Mr. Hall, the leader of the Market Street Mission. Singing was succeeded by an address on behalf of the Missionary Committee, made by Mr. Joseph F. Randolph. A feeling address by the pastor was as earnestly responded to by Mr. Beattie. The choir then sang "Lead Kindly Light," and after prayer the congregation joined in the parting song—"God be with you till we meet again." Before leaving for the foreign field the congregation presented Mr. Beattie with a fine gold watch.

A WELCOME visitor, Rev. Jas. Stewart, of Prescott, re-opened St. Andrew's Church, Almonte, Sabbath week, after the church being vacant for some few weeks for repairs—painting, whitewashing, kalsomining and general cleaning up, which has been done in first-class style. Rev. Mr. Stewart preached morning and evening to crowded houses, and gave two plain, practical sermons, suitable to the occasion, which were listened to with the most careful attention. The reverend gentleman intimated at the close of the morning service that he was very happy to meet so many old friends and acquaintances. Owing to illness in several homes belonging to his congregation it

would be impossible for him to stay and see his friends personally, but he would meet all possible at the close of the service. A great many waited to give him a hearty shake of the hand and wish him God-speed in his good work. He also made very feeling allusion to the many who had either died or left the place, whose places were now vacant in the church, and they were very many since he first preached in the same church seventeen years ago. The collections were very creditable.

A LARGE and enthusiastic meeting of Calvin Church congregation, St. John, N. B., was held in the basement of that church, lately, the Rev. Dr. MacDougall in the chair, and Mr. F. H. White acting as secretary. The congregation very heartily resolved to wipe out a floating debt before the end of the present year, and the greater portion of the amount required was subscribed upon the spot. Provision was also made for the prompt payment of interest upon the standing debt as it becomes due. The meeting also resolved that the pastor be henceforth paid promptly and in full every week, and made the necessary arrangements to secure so desirable an end. The societies in connection with the church have been organized, and their members enter hopefully and cheerfully upon the work entrusted to them. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the pastor, Rev. Dr. MacDougall, for his untiring efforts and self-denying devotions for the prosperity of the church and the advancement of the Master's cause. Since Dr. MacDougall became pastor of Calvin Church the dark clouds of a long and burdensome litigation which had hung for years over the congregation have been swept away forever, and now the chilling shadows of financial embarrassment are moving swiftly by, and there can be no doubt that the congregation of Calvin Church has entered upon what will prove to be a new era of prosperity and usefulness.

THE Vancouver *World* says: The Presbytery of Columbia met in the Presbyterian Church, Sea Islands, on Tuesday, the 6th inst., for the purpose of inducting the Rev. John A. Jaffray, B.A., as pastor. Rev. Robert Jamieson presided; Rev. E. D. McLaren preached the induction sermon; Rev. A. Tait gave the charge to the minister, and Rev. W. K. Ross to the congregation. Rev. J. S. Thompson, of the Methodist Church, who was present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. Rev. T. Scouler and T. G. Thomson were also present. The services being over, the congregation and Presbytery adjourned to the very commodious and beautiful manse which the congregation erected for the minister, where refreshments had been provided by the ladies, and a social chat was indulged in, after which the Rev. T. G. Thomson, the former pastor and for some time Moderator of the Session, was called forward, and an address expressive of the high personal esteem felt for Mr. Thomson, and appreciative of the great value of his ministerial services was read on behalf of the congregation by Mr. W. F. Stewart. Mr. Thomson made a feeling reply. He sincerely wished the congregation God speed under its new pastorate. The kindness of the congregation of Sea Island and the North Arm people of all denominations would long be remembered by both himself and Mrs. Thomson. Mr. Jaffray enters on his labours under very favourable circumstances and with every prospect of success.

ON Tuesday the 6th inst., the Toronto Christian Endeavour Union held a successful and enjoyable gathering in the form of a garden party at the beautiful grounds of Mr. R. Irving Walker. About four hundred young people from several denominations were present, and spent two hours pleasantly in social intercourse and listening to the excellent music of the orchestra, to say nothing of the refreshments provided by the ladies. At eight o'clock an adjournment was made to Zion Congregational Church, where an enthusiastic meeting was held. The Rev. W. W. Andrews, of Clarendon Avenue Methodist Church presided, and was assisted in the devotional exercises by the Rev. Mr. Gaff, of the Church of Christ, and the Rev. Dr. Patterson, of the Presbyterian Church, Erie, Pa. The four Toronto delegates to the recent monster convention in Philadelphia each delivered a ten minutes report, taking up the following topics: "General Glimpse of the Convention," "Practical Points," "God's guiding hand in the movement," and "The Exaltation of Loyalty." Some useful information was also elicited from the question drawer, and altogether the meeting was both interesting and helpful. The Christian Endeavour movement is spreading rapidly among Canadian Presbyterians: as an example of this, of the twenty Canadian delegates to Philadelphia, fully two-thirds were Presbyterians. There are now three societies in Presbyterian Churches in Toronto, and at least two more will be formed in the fall. Mr. A. J. Howell, 218 Bleeker Street, is secretary of the Toronto Union, and will gladly furnish literature and information to any church wishing to study the movement.

THE Hamilton *Times* says: Many an old citizen of Hamilton will regret to hear of the death of Milton, after a few days' illness, of the Rev. Robert Burnet, M.A., well known in this city and throughout Ontario for many years as the genial pastor of old St. Andrew's Church, James Street (now St. Paul's), and to horticulturalists and others throughout the Dominion, as well as in the United States, as President of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario, as a successful private fruit grower and prize winner at many a Provincial Exhibition, and as a vigorous stimulator by his lectures and personal energy and magnetism of every thing that encouraged agricultural and horticultural progress. On the severance of his pastoral relations in Hamilton, Mr. Burnet accepted for a time a charge in Pictou, Nova Scotia, whence he subsequently removed to Milton, in this Province, succeeding the late Rev. Mr. Dobie there as minister of the Presbyterian congregation in connexion with the Church of Scotland. Like many other Scots, the deceased divine was warm and sometimes severe, when he deemed it necessary, in theological controversy. He strongly opposed the union of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and was the head and front of the small section of the old kirk still remaining out of it. But for all that he was by no means a bigoted or bitter opponent, in proof of which he worshipped in the MacNab Street Presbyterian Church here after the union was accomplished. Socially, no warmer hearted man breathed, and in all personal and family intercourse he was a thorough Scottish gentleman. He leaves behind him to mourn his loss a widow, one son and two daughters. His remains are interred in Burlington Cemetery here.

AT a special meeting of the Orangeville Presbytery, and of the Presbyterian congregation in the Presbyterian Church, Fiesherston, on Tuesday, July 9, presided over by Rev. A. Wilson, of Caledon, Moderator, Mr. L. C. Emes, a graduate of Knox College, was ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of Fiesherston and Markdale. The members of the Presbytery present were: Rev. Messrs. A. Wilson, D. McLeod, C. D. Hossack, J. McNeil, D. McColl, and J. Blackburn, elder. The Rev. Messrs. T. Watson (Baptist), and J. W. Sheldon (Methodist), resident ministers here present were asked to correspond. There was a large congregation present and the whole service was very interesting. An excellent and very edifying sermon was preached by Rev. D. C. Hossack, of Orangeville, after which Rev. D. McLeod, Moderator of the Session, was called upon to narrate the steps taken in the call. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. A. Wilson, and after the solemn service of setting apart the minister by the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery to the Divine work, an admirable address was delivered to the newly ordained pastor by the Rev. D. McLeod, followed by the Rev. D. McColl, of Proton, with an interesting and very practical address to the congregation. The Rev. Mr. Emes was then escorted to the door by Rev. Mr. McLeod, where he was greeted by the congregation passing out. In the evening a grand tea was served by the ladies of the congregation in the basement of the church, after which a platform meeting was held in the auditorium up stairs. The Rev. Mr. Emes occupied the chair, and in a few well-chosen words opened the evening's entertainment. The speakers all appeared cheerful and ready to fill their part. Very