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LETTERS

OTTAWA.

The new Glebe church was entered last week. Drawers were opened, chairs and tables in the vestry moved, but so far as known nothing was taken. Ottawa is getting an unenviable notoriety for house-breaking and thefts, which, for the most part, go undetected.

The men of Stewarston Church have organized a "Men's Association" with the following officers:—Honorary president, Rev. W. A. McIlroy; president, J. G. Pelton; first vice-president, Wm. Ash; secretary, W. J. Fitzsimmons; treasurer, J. B. Picken; committee, Hugh Williams, Wm. Hill, Albert Hudson, Isaac Cowie and G. Little.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in St. Paul's Church on the first Sabbath of December. The Westminster Guild and Men's Society of St. Paul's church will be "At Home" to the members of the congregation on Friday evening. A good programme will be provided. A pleasant social evening is anticipated.

STEWARTON ANNIVERSARY.

There was no mistake when the session of Stewarston Presbyterian Church invited Prof. Mackenzie, of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, to preach anniversary sermons to the congregation. He is an ideal preacher and those who heard him were delighted. He preached to large congregations both morning and evening, every sentence of his sermons being followed by the people with the closest attention.

In the afternoon the anniversary exercises of the Sabbath school were held. There were 267 scholars present and 31 members and friends of the children. Rev. Mr. Mitchell, of Erskine church, gave an intensely practical address, taking a star fish as an object lesson. The attention of the children was all that could be desired. Heartily singing was a feature of the service, and brief addresses were also given by Rev. Mr. McIlroy and Mr. J. G. Pelton, former superintendent.

At the evening service Prof. Mackenzie preached what might be termed an evangelical missionary sermon to an overflowing audience, taking as his text Rev. 21: 13.

Prof. Mackenzie's lecture on "Gladstone" Monday evening was an intellectual treat. With consummate tact he steered clear of all political controversy in the life of England's "Grand Old Man," and placed before his hearers for their emulation those traits of Gladstone's character that made him one of the greatest men of the 19th century, laying special emphasis on his capacity for hard work, his finely-attuned conscience and his firm grasp of Christianity.

QUEBEC.

In the Presbytery of Quebec the congregation of Sawyerville is vacant, and hearing ministers with a view to settlement. Rev. Dr. Kellock, Kinnears Mills, Que., is moderator of the vacancy.

Another vacancy in this Presbytery is looming in sight, the Rev. H. N. MacLean, of Hampden, being under call to Avonmore, Glengarry Presbytery.

Presbytery will meet in Sherbrooke on 5th Dec., at 2 p.m.

At Dromore, Rev. Mr. Campbell has been preaching sermons on the Lord's Prayer which were well attended. A new manse is to be erected here.

Self-martyrdom is not necessarily a virtue.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. H. N. MacLean, of Hampden, Que., is called to Avonmore, Ont.

The anniversary services and social of St. John's church, Bradford, were quite successful, the receipts being nearly \$180.

The next regular meeting of Brockville Presbytery will be held in First church, Brockville, on Tuesday, 2nd January, 1906.

At a social given by the young people of the Bradford congregation the proceeds amounted to about \$14.

Rev. W. J. Dey, M.A., of Simcoe accompanied by Mrs. Dey, has been visiting friends at Sundridge.

A call from Buckingham, Que., has been extended to Rev. D. N. Coburn, Lanenburg, Ont., and it is believed he will be induced to accept it.

The twenty-eight convention of the Presbytery of Glengarry S. S. Association will be held at Finch on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 16th and 17th, 1906.

Rev. H. Munroe, B.A., of Bowmanville, exchanged with Rev. A. K. McLeod, of Brighton, preaching effective anniversary sermons in the latter place.

On a recent Sunday the following were elected Elders in the Dalhousie Mills congregation: Messrs. D. McLeod, R. J. and Alex. P. McCuaig.

On a recent Sunday the services in the Maxville Church were conducted by Rev. D. MacLaren, of Alexandria. Rev. R. McKay officiated at Apple Hill and Martintown.

Rev. Mr. Shaw and Mrs. Shaw, White Lake, have returned from a six weeks trip to the Northwest. They recently visited Mrs. Shaw's mother, Mrs. F. J. McCart, Avonmore.

Rev. A. Govan, Williamstown, is away for his holidays. The services in St. Andrew's Church last Sabbath were conducted by Rev. J. U. Tanner, Lancaster, in the afternoon.

At the annual thank-offering meeting of the Mission Band of Knox church, Cornwall, Rev. Dr. Harkness delivered a very instructive address on missions. The collection amounted to the handsome sum of \$30.85.

An interesting and instructive illustrated talk on "A Trip Through Canada" was delivered by Rev. A. G. Cameron, B. A., of Apple Hill, in Knox church, Lancaster, on the evening of Thursday, Nov. 2.

At a recent regular Tuesday evening prayer meeting Rev. W. M. Kannawin, of Woodville, was presented with a handsome sum of money by his friends in Riverview, Thorah, as a slight token of their appreciation of his services.

Rev. Mr. Morrison assisted Rev. L. Beaton at Communion services during the week. A prayer meeting was held each evening, at which Mr. C. Sinclair and Mr. D. McRae, St. Elmo formerly of Winnipeg, rendered several solos, which were heartily appreciated.

Rev. Dr. Harkness of Cornwall delivered a very eloquent missionary sermon in the Aultsville church on a recent Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Waddell, B.A., preached in Cornwall. On the following Monday evening Rev. W. C. MacIntyre of Woodlands gave an address on missions, and Rev. N. H. McGillivray of Cornwall on systematic giving.

The Presbytery of Lindsay met at Sonaya on the 15th inst., and accepted the resignation of the Rev. P. F. Sinclair, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, to take effect on Nov. 26. The Rev. W. D. Keith, of Blackwater Junction was appointed interim moderator. As already intimated Rev. Mr. Sinclair goes to Winnipeg as assistant pastor of St. Andrew's Church.

Rev. Mr. Cram, of Cobden, conducted the services in Melville church, Eganville, and at Lake Dore on Sunday last, and at both morning and evening services his discourses were attentively listened to by the large congregations present. Rev. Mr. Rattray conducted the services in the Cobden pastorate.

Rev. N. MacLeod, B.A., of the First church, Brockville, gave an eloquent missionary address in the Presbyterian church Mallorytown, on Friday evening. He refuted some of the popular objections raised against missions, and closed his address with a strong appeal against the cigarette and liquor evil.

The late Sarah Ann Jenkins, spinster, of Kenmore, left \$600 to the Home and Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian church of Canada. Her will has been probated and it shows that she left an estate valued at \$1,600.

Rev. A. E. Cameron, student in charge of Florence and Grove Mills missions, on his departure for Queen's, was made the recipient of an appreciative address and a purse of money. The address was signed by Messrs. James T. Webster, Thos. Trotter, and D. Corbett, elders. Mr. Cameron appears to have done excellent work during the past six months and on leaving was followed by the good wishes of the whole neighborhood.

A meeting of the executive was held in Cornwall on the 13th inst., to prepare a programme. The following officers of the association were present: Rev. D. MacVicar, Finch, president; Mr. W. J. Scott, Lancaster, Secretary; Mrs. L. Thomas, Rev. N. H. McGillivray, and Drs. Harkness and Algure of Cornwall.

HAMILTON NOTES.

Saturday afternoon organ recitals are being arranged for in several of the Hamilton churches.

Rev. E. A. Henry, of Knox Church, preached a special sermon on "Gambling" on a recent Sabbath evening. The large church was crowded to the doors.

Rev. J. McP. Scott, of Toronto, addressed the annual Thankoffering meeting of St. Andrew's W. F. M. S. on Tuesday, Nov. 14th inst.

Rev. John Neil, D.D., of Westminster church, Toronto, is to be the preacher at St. Andrew's church, Hamilton, at the anniversary services to be held on Dec. 10th.

Great changes have been made during the last few weeks in the choir-leaders of the different city churches, St. Paul's, Erskine, Knox, and St. John all being affected. The churches are more than ever giving attention to the service of praise.

Rev. H. B. Ketchen, of McNab street Presbyterian church, has just completed an interesting series of sermons on "Reverence." Mr. Ketchen has already gained a firm hold of the affections of his people.

The Dominion W.C.T.U. held a successful convention in Hamilton for several days this month, and addresses were given in many of the city churches and Sabbath schools on Sunday, Nov. 12th, by the leaders in the work.

The Ministerial Association of Hamilton is presenting a bold front in temperance matters. An effort is to be made to reduce the tavern licenses from sixty-eight to fifty. The council is to be asked to test the feeling of the electorate on the question at the next municipal elections.

Rev. W. R. McIntosh, of Elora, conducted services in the Paris church, Sunday week. Rev. Mr. MacBeth was in Elora conducting anniversary services.