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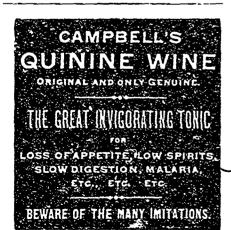


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SI. PAULS Presbyterian Church, Bowmanville, asked for a special collection instead of holding a tea recently, and \$140 was given.

AT its last meeting the Presbytery of Maitland nominated the Rev. D. M. Gordon, B.A., of Halifax, as Moderator of the next General Assembly.

The next meeting of the Presbyterian Sabbath School Union will be held in Westminster Church, Toront, on Friday, 18th December, at eight o'clock. Mr. John A. Patterson, M.A., will take up the International Lesson, and the Rev. J. A. Turnbull, LL.B., will give an address on "Preparation for Teaching."

The call forwarded to Rev. Willard McDonald, through the Presbytery of St. John, from St. Pauls Chutch, Fredericton, N.B., is the most numerously sighed of any ever offered a clergyman by that congregation. The list includes 256 communicants of the Church, or more than five-sixths of the entire membership, and 138 adherents.

THE attendance at the communion service in Knox Church, Guelph. Sabbath week was the largest ever seen there. The addition to the mem bership roll was also the largest at any single communion season in that church. Forty-one new members were added. The pastor, Rev. R. J. Beattie, conducted all the services.

AT Woodville, on the 8th December, Lindsay Presbytery held an adjourned meeting, when Rev. McKinnon, B. A., Eldon, accepted the call from Fenelon Falls, and it was agreed that his induction take place at the Falls on Tuesday, 29th December. The Rev. P. A. McLeod, Sonya, was appointed to preach at Eldon on the 3rd January next and declare the charge vacant and act as Moderator of Session of St. Andrews, Eldon.

AT a meeting of the congregation of the Presby terian Church, Napanee, on Monday evening, 7th December, a unanimous call was extended to Rev. Duncan MacFachren, of Vankleek Hill, the stipend being fixed at \$1,000 per annum. An effort will be made to hurry the call through and have the induction services about the first of the new year. Rev. Wm. Thos. Wilkins, of Trenton, Clerk of Kingston and Moderator fro tem. for Napanee, presided at the meeting

The closing exercises in connection with the Presbyterian Ladies' College are announced for Tiday the 18th inst., to take place in the spacious Assembly Hall of the Church of the Redeemer, adjoining the college. We are pleased to learn that the session has been a most prosperous one, and that its reputation has become so widely known throughout every part of the Dominion. The college will open after the Christmas holidays on Wednesday the 6th January, 1892.

THE annual meeting of the London, Ont, branch of the McAll Missionary Auxiliary was held last week. An address by Rev. J. A. Murray, of London, was listened to aitentively. Mr. Murray gave an account of what he had seen at the McAll Missions in France, where good work was being done. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. J. H. McMechan, president; Mrs. W. M. Roger, first vice-president; Mrs. Boomer, second vice president; Mrs. Mathewson, secretary; Mrs. Brown, trea-

NEARLY two months ago Rev. D. L. McCrea, who has been presenting the claims of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, to the congregations of the Church, was called home on account of illness in his family. Since that time he has hardly been an hour away from the sick beds of his children. One has been taken by death, two others are recovering, and now Mrs. McLrae and another child are in the hospital. Dr. and Mrs. McCrae will have the sincere sympathy of hundreds of friends throughout the Church in their sore affliction.

For some months past regular Church services have been conducted in the Victoria Mission, Conway Street, Point St. Charles, Montreal, by Mr. W. D. Reid, B.A., of the Presbylerian College. The work has been so successful that it has been thought the time is at hand when the mission should be organized into a regular Church, and with this view a meeting was held last week. A roll was taken, and some sixty-five persons signified their intention of becoming members. A meeting is to be held on the second Thursday in January, when the organization will be completed and officers appointed.

MR. R. WHITEMAN was ordained and inducted at Port Perry on December S. Mr. McKeen, Moderator of Presbytery, presided and ordained; Mr. McLaren preached, Mr. Drummond addressed the pastor and Mr. Abraham the congregation. In the evening there was a public entertainment, at which the ladies of the congregation appeared to great advantage. Messrs. Hill (Methodist), McKeen, Drummond, McLaren, Perrin and Whiteman gave stirring addresses. The Church choir added much to the capayment of the meeting by their expressive rendering of some beautiful anthems. Mr. Abraham, interim Moderator of the Session, received a handsome purse from the congregation in the of their appreciation of his services. Mr. Whiteman's prospects are very encouraging indeed.

The fifteenth public meeting of the Knox College Students' Missionary Society was held last Friday evening in Convocation Hall. Mr. Robb presided, and there was a large and enthusiastic audience. Mr. William Gauld, B.A., president of the society, read a powerful essay on "The Choice of Our Lite Work," and Mr. Eshoo, a Persian gentleman, gave a most interesting and instructive account of his in Persia. Rev. A. B. Winchester, B.A., who for a time was engaged in mission work in China, delivered an address on "Our Chinese Relations" that did much to enlighten the students on the necessities of that most interesting land

His thrilling stories, illustrative of the spiritual darkness of China, of the optum traffic, etc., made his address, perhaps, the most valuable of the evening. A hearty vote of thanks to the speakers and chairman closed the proceedings.

DR. BRYCE, Convener of Winnipeg Home Mission Committee, writes In our despair, as to get ting missionaries, I write to you calling for help. Winnipeg Presbytery needs, immediately, three ordained men and two catechists. This is for places which we cannot, or do not, wish to supply with Sabbath services from Manitoba College. 1.—Gretta, sixty miles from Wirnipeg. Good congregation. Self-sustaining. Salary at least \$900 2.—Greenwood, thirty miles from Winnipeg. Good congregation. Supplement of \$5 per Sabbath Salary \$850. 3.—Schreiber, on C. P. R. Vicant through accidental death of Rev. W. Neilly, Supplement of \$5 per Sabbath. Salary \$850. 4.—Ignace, Railway mission. Salary \$10 per Sabbath. Nearly self-sustaining. 5.—Posen, fifty miles from Winnipeg. Salary \$10 per Sabbath. Thorough mission district. Will missionaries—active and earnest—who feel disposed to come to any of these places communicate with me immediately.

On Thursday, the 3rd ins', Mrs. Jamieson, late of Formosa, visited Duart, where the W F.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church had arranged for a public missionary meeting in order that not only the ladies of the Society, but also the whole congregation might have an opportunity of hearing one who had been actively engaged in the work of the Foreign field. As the members of the Society in the afternoon listened to Miss Jamieson's account of her labours among the women in China, they felt very much encouraged to go on with the work to which they had put their hand a little over a month ago. In the evening a large audience greeted her and showed their appreciation by the attentive manner in which they listened for an hour and a half to her address and answers to questions put to her. The Society is not quite two months old yet, having been organized by Mrs. Cooper, of Chatham, on Oct 27, with a membership of seventeen, which has since grown to twenty-four.

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The third anniversary of the induction of the Rev. Dr E. Wallace Waits into the pastorate of Knox Church, Owen Sound, was celebrated recently with appropriate services. The Rev. Samuel Lyle, B. D., of Central Church, Hamilton, preached two excellent sermons. In the morning his subject was the Trinity, the principal argument being derived from the analogy of nature. In the evening he followed up the same with an able discourse on the Divinity of Christ. The congregations were large on both occasions and the collections were large on both occasions and the collections liberal. On Monday evening, an excellent musical programme was rendered by the choir, under the able leadership of Professor W. H. Donley. Words of congratulation were spoken by Revs. Dr. Morrison, John McAlpine (minister of Chatsworth), J. Somerville, and Mr. Lediard. The address of the evening was given by Mr. Lyle, "On the Bible and how to read it." Refreshments were very 'astefully served in the committee rooms, from six to eight o'clock, by the ladies of the congregation, which were enjoyed by a good many of the friends. The financial results were highly satisfactory, and a most pleasant evening was spent.

On Sabbath, December 6, the Presbyterians of the village of Pontypool dedicated to the service of God a new and beautiful church erected during the past summer. Rev. W. C. Windel, the pioneer minister of Cartwright and Manvers, now retired and residing in Pontypool, conducted the dedicatory service in the morning. Mr. James Binne, M.A., of Queen's College, who a year and a half ago as student missionary began the first regular Presbyterian services in the village, preached in the afternoon. Rev. Robert Johnston, B.A., of Lindsay, conducted the evening service. There was a large attendance at each service. This station, together with Ballyduff and Janetville, are now united as one charge, to which the Rev. D. P. Oswald was recently inducted as pastor. On the Monday following, dinner and tea were served in Coulter's Hall, and in the evening the church was filled to overflowing, when addresses were given by Rev. Mr. McKeen, of Orono: Rev. Mr. McQuade, of Pontypool; Rev. Mr. Windel, Mr. Lavery, of Janetville, and others. There is still a small debt on the church, but by the continued efforts of the people and their friends it will no doubt soon be liquidated.

THE Women's Home Missionary Society of Zion Church, Brantford, held a thanksgiving meeting Wednesday week in the lecture room of the church. Mrs. Thomas Watt, the president, occupied the chair, and there was a very large attendance of the ladies of the congregation. In the absence of Mrs. Dr. Marquis, the secretary, Mrs. Cochrane read extracts from letters from Mr. Wilkie, the missionary in the North-West, in the field assigned to the ladies of Jion Church; also from Rev. Frank Nichol, missionary to the Indians in the North West, and a thanksgiving paper, suitable to the occasion. During the meeting a solo was given by Miss Carson and a duet by Misses Carson and Salmond. The envelopes contaming the thanksgiving offering were then opened, and the messages and text accompanying them were read. The offerings amounted to over \$100. At the close of the meeting Dr. Cochrane gave a brief address, urging the women of the congregation to still greater efforts in behalf of Home Mission work in the North-West and British Columbia. At the close of the thanksgiving service a meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held, when it was decided to hold a bazzar and social in St. Andrew's mission building early in January.

THE Presbytery of Lindsay met at Woodville on Tuesday week, 'n dispose of the call addressed to the Rev. Mr. McKinnon, of Eldon, from the Fenelon Falls congregation. Mr. McKendry and Dr. Marron were heard in support of the call, and Mestrs. John Campbell, D. A. McIntyre, J. McPhail, A. F. Smith, Neil McMillan and Duncan McMillan in reply. Mr. McKinnon then said that he could not very well decline

the call although it would be at a considerable sacrifice to him as he had a good comfortable home in Eldon, and it would be at least \$100 a year less to him than his present charge. The Presbytery ageed to translate him on the 20th inst., Rev. R Johnston to preside and address the people, Mr McAulay to preach and Mr. McDonald to address the minister, Mr. McLeud to be Moderator of Session and preach the pulput vacant on the first Sabbath of January. Mr. John D. Smith was appointed to take charge of the north mission field Sebright and Uphill, etc., for the winter.

DR. CAMPBELL of Collingwood conducted, on Sabbath evening week, a Thanksgiving service for the safety of the scamen of that port. The chutch, pews and aisles, was packed to its utmost with masters, officers, and rank and file of the fleets. The text was Heb. ii. I (Revised), "We ought to give Thee more earnest heed to things that were heard, lest haply we DRIFT AWAY from them." The central thought of the sermon, powerful and practical, was the danger of drifting away gently, quietly and unawares, from the cardinal truths of the Gospel, by the stealthy and insidious currents of the age we live in. The Doctor had full scope for nautical illustrations which were vividly and skilfully applied. Professor Canfield sang "Throw Out the Life Line," which thrilled every heart, and nearly brought the veteran tars to their feet. The service was concluded by the congregation singing: "Let the Lower Lights be burning,' Professor Canfield singing the last verse as a solo, with great effect:—

Trim your feeble lamp, my brother; Some poor seaman, tempest-tossed, Trying now to make the harbour, In the darkness may be lost.

The annual thankoffering meeting of the Toronto Auxiliary of the Canadian McAll Association was held on Thursday, December 3. The president, Mrs. Edward Blake, occupied the chair. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$326. This she hopes will be speedily increased in order that the Association may be enabled to forward the same amount as last year, which was \$1,500. In addition \$27 have been contributed for the mission boat which plies along the rivers and canals of France, bringing the glad tidings to the places that have not beretofore been visited by the light of the Gospel of truth. The thankoffering amounted to \$45.55. A very interesting Bible reading was given by one of the members on the necessity for God's people to live in close communion with their heavenly Father. A letter was read from Mrs. William O'Brien, of Shanty Bay, who is spending the winter in France. She gave an account of a meeting held in Dr. McAll's house, the occasion being the visit of two clergymen from London, who felt an earnest desire to confer with the brethren in Paris who are seeking to give the Gospel to France. The meeting was of great interest and spiritual good. An appeal to sustain the work of the McAll Mission was recurved from Rev Dr. McAll, as within a recent period the mission has lost some £1.500 by the death of several of its largest contributors.

THE Presbyterian Church, Beaver Creek, was opened recently by the Rev. Mr. Urqubart, from Brandon, who took his morning's text from Psalm exxxix.17, from which he preached an able and instructive sermon. In the afternoon he addressed a good congregation from Romans i. 16, and the people will long remember the earnest words and persuasive eloquence of the preacher on that occasion. The evening service was also well attended, especially by young people, when the reverend gentleman addressed them, taking as his subject the decision of the prodigal son. "I will arise, etc." The collections on the Sabbath were liberal. The church is a handsome building, finished throughout in first class style, and is a credit to any settlement. Mrs. Turner, from Winnipeg, supplied the chandeliers, and they are quite orna-

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