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NOTES OF THE WEEK.

REV. RICHARD BENTLEY, pastor of Union Church, Galt, was presented with a purse of \$100, prior to his departure on a visit to Great Britain, a few days ago.

THE bazaar held recently by the ladies of Knox Church, Dundas, proved to be very successful, the total receipts, after paying all expenses, being about \$300.

THE Stanley street Presbyterian Church, Montreal, by a vote of the officials recently, was placed at the disposal of the Orangemen on the Twelfth of July. Rev. Mr. Baxter is pastor.

THE sudden death is announced of Rev. Dr. M'Kerrow, ex-Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of England. The cause of death was congestion of the lungs. Deceased was seventy-five years of age.

THE Rev. Fergus Ferguson was on Sunday, May 26th, formally reinstated as minister of Queen's Park United Presbyterian Church, Glasgow, Dr. James Brown, of Paisley, representing the Synod on that occasion.

REV. W. WRIGHT delivered a lecture in the Presbyterian Church, Milverton, on the evening of Thursday of last week, on "Temperance." The lecture was certainly a good one, and we feel sure the audience will not soon forget it.

AT the close of the present term of the Ottawa Ladies' College, the Rev. Mm. Moore will retire from the Principalship thereof, having filled the position satisfactorily since the opening of the institution. He will be succeeded by the Rev. Dr. Kemp, of Brantford, the present Principal of the Ladies' College in that city.

IN an eloquent discourse last week the Rev. Mr. McMullen of Woodstock, combated with much force an idea now propagated by the Rev. Mr. Manly of Toronto, viz.: that Christ's second coming took place at the destruction of Jerusalem. The speaker laid great emphasis on the scriptural assertion "Every eye shall see him."

ON Monday last, the question as to whether the use of the organ should be continued in Knox Church, Perth, was put to a vote, at a congregational meeting specially called to consider the matter, and carried in the negative by a vote of ninety to eighty-four. Rev. S. Mylne, of Smith's Falls, presided. The meeting was largely attended.

THE excursion on Saturday last given by the young men of Knox Church, Hamilton, to the members of the Assembly was a grand success. For one hour before the time mentioned for the boat to leave, the street cars were crowded with those bound on accompanying the excursion. After a pleasant sail on the bay, the party returned at 7 p.m. highly delighted with the trip.

MONSTER MUSICAL FESTIVAL.—At the last Provincial Exhibition one of the features of the week was Mrs. M. A. White's great musical festival, which was held in the London drill shed. Mrs. White proposes to make this an annual affair, and is now making arrangements for the forthcoming Exhibition. A reference to our advertising columns will show that she is advertising for children to sing on that occasion. This need not interfere with school duties as all the lessons will be held during the vacations.

THE Philadelphia "Presbyterian" says: "Nearly forty years ago Robert McCheyne, the devout young Scotch minister, was travelling with a company of ministers in Palestine, and coming near to Jacob's well made this record: 'We sought anxiously for the well where Jesus sat. Andrew alone found it and lost his Bible in it.' McCheyne has long been in the world of spirits, but 'Andrew' still lives, and is this year the Moderator of the Free Church of Scotland—the Rev. Andrew A. Bonar, D.D., the biographer of McCheyne, and a partaker of his spirit. The newspapers call him a 'venerable man,' as he may well be."

BY appointment of the General Assembly, the Rev. Prof. McKnight, of Halifax, and the Rev. P. M. MacLeod, of Stratford, preached the sermons at the Central Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, on Sabbath last. At McNab street church, the Rev. Dr. McVicar, of Montreal, and the Rev. Dr. Grant, of Kingston, conducted the services. Meetings were held at 3 p.m. at both these places of worship, when addresses were delivered by several of the visitors. The Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, and the Rev. Principal Grant officiated at St. Paul's, where a special collection was taken up to assist in defraying the recent expenses incurred in improving the church.

WE have received the programme of the closing exercises for the present Session of the Brantford Young Ladies' College. The concert takes place on Monday evening, and the graduation exercises on Tuesday evening, when the diplomas will be presented to the twenty-three graduates, and the medals and prizes awarded. We understand that several of our prominent clergymen intend being present and taking part on this interesting occasion. The announcements for next year will shortly appear in our advertising columns. Meanwhile we commend the College to the continued patronage and confidence of the Church at large.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Huron Presbytery was held in Knox Church, Goderich, on Tuesday of last week. Present—seven ministers and two elders. A call was presented from Willis Church, Clinton, to Rev. A. Stewart, probationer, signed by 156 members and sixty-five adherents. Salary was stated to be \$1,000 and a manse. The call was sustained, and ordered to be transmitted to Rev. Mr. Stewart. The Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Cameron, of Kippen, that the session of Kippen has jurisdiction

over the station at Hills Green. In accordance with a request from the congregation of Thames Road and Kirkton, leave was granted to moderate in a call. Salary guaranteed \$900, payable half yearly in advance, and manse.

FROM statistics furnished to the International Sabbath School Convention which met at Atlanta in April, it appears that there are 78,046 Sabbath Schools, with 6,504,055 scholars and 853,100 teachers, in the United States; and 5,395 Sabbath Schools, with 339,943 scholars and 41,693 teachers, in Canada. The numbers given under the head of Teachers include superintendents and all other officers. The increase during the year was, for the United States 8,175 schools and 813,411 scholars; and for Canada 994 schools and 74,510 scholars. Of the 5,395 Sabbath Schools in Canada 3,838 are in the Province of Ontario; 487 in the Province of Quebec; 1,020 in Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick; and 50 in Manitoba.

IN "Grip's" cartoon of last week, "The Gentle Shepherd," supposed to be the Bishop of Toronto, is represented in an attitude of the utmost ease and negligence, while a flock of sheep, marked with a cross, and labelled "Johnson," "Darling," "Langtry," etc., are scampering off over the hill in the direction indicated by a finger-post inscribed "to Rome," Archbishop Lynch occupying the position of an interested spectator at some distance. A personage supposed to be Vice-Chancellor Blake ineffectually calls the attention of the recumbent Bishop to a large poster which is attached to a tree and which asserts the following to be "sound Anglican doctrines according to the Diocesan Synod of Toronto," and at the same time denounces them as "rank popery," viz: (1) "Our ministers are priests;" (2) "Confession and priestly absolution;" (3) "Apostolic succession;" (4) "baptismal regeneration;" (5) "The real presence."

A REMARKABLY successful tea meeting was held in Knox Presbyterian Church, Palmerston, on the evening of June 6th, 1878, being the anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Daniel W. Cameron. The pastor having taken the chair, the meeting was addressed by Rev. Messrs. Stewart, of Arthur; Hanna, of Virginia, U.S.; Fraser, of Mount Forest; Moran, M. E. minister, of Palmerston; Baikie, of Harriston; also by Mr. James C. Eckford, of Brant, and Mr. Lacy, of the Palmerston "Telegraph." The church choir added very much to the entertainment. The selections were good and very finely rendered. The tea meeting was entirely a success. The addresses were brief and pithy. The music was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. The amount netted is \$93. Very great progress has been made by this thoroughly working congregation during the year. Twelve months ago the number of communicants was 107. By a strange coincidence the number of members added during the year is 107, and of this number the large majority are heads of families. The growth of the church has been gradual, the result of the ordinary means of grace, and unattended with excitement of any kind. The greatest unity and most perfect harmony prevail through the entire congregation. While the membership has doubled during the year, the Sabbath congregations have more than doubled, and the Sabbath School has kept pace with the church.—COM.