

the discussion than it was before. Rev. Mr. Hill then read a paper on "The church's duty to the churchless classes," in which he presented very clearly some methods by which the church could get hold of these people. The paper was listened to very attentively, and at the close the feelings of the members vented themselves in a hearty clap of the hands. The Association then adjourned to meet again in Montreal, on the 1st Tuesday in March, with Rev. Geo. Willet as moderator and Rev. Mr. Hill as scribe.

INSTALLATION SERVICE.

In the afternoon of Wednesday the 8th instant, a council was convened by the Granby church at one o'clock, for the purpose of installing the Rev. J. I. Hindley, late of Barrie, Ont., as their pastor. After the candidate had given satisfactory proofs of his orthodoxy and general fitness, the council adjourned to the church assembly room, where the public installation took place. The service throughout was very beautiful. The installation prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Adams, of Ayer's Flat: the right hand of fellowship was given by Rev. Mr. Hill, and the charges to pastor and people were given by Rev. Mr. Willet and E. R. Brainard respectively. The choir furnished some choice music, and altogether things seemed to augur well for Granby and its new pastor.

In the evening a social was held, at which your correspondent was not present, but a little bird informed him that a happy time was spent. The church was grandly decorated with flowers, and the ladies, both by their presence and their cakes, made things very pleasant, and we understand that the speakers were in no wise behind the mark. Those who were present at Granby for the Association meetings and installation service, will not soon forget the kindness of the members of the church there.

News of the Churches.

FRANKLIN CENTRE.—Although isolated from other churches, we still hold our place in the brotherhood. There is no church that has made a braver fight against odds than this one during the last few years. And it is receiving the blessing of patient toil now. During the past summer the congregations have been large and steady: an active Sunday school has been in operation; two prayer meetings in the week have been sustained and fairly well attended. The church has raised more for denominational purposes than for years previous, and a new roof is being put on the building at a probable cost of about eighty dollars, a repair which was becoming very necessary. It is no exaggeration to say that Franklin Centre possesses one of the best choirs to

be found in any country church. Two new sets of books have been procured and practice has been fairly regular. To the splendid singing a large portion of the good done is due. Two garden parties were held during the summer, affording very enjoyable times, and netting about forty-five dollars. The church members are showing renewed activity and hopefulness, and much prayer is being offered to the good Father. The church has given a call to Mr. Dixon, of Hawkesbury, to supply the pulpit for one month with a view to a settlement as pastor, and he has accepted. One young member of the church, Mr. Galen Craik, a friend of the late Mr. Pritchard, has given himself to the ministry, resigning very hopeful prospects in another profession in order to do so. Last Sunday was a time of deep joy to the church, fifteen young souls gave themselves openly to the Lord, five receiving the right of baptism. A large congregation assembled to hear the missionary Superintendent, Mr. Hall, preach, and the divine spirit seemed to rest upon all. After a very impressive service, about fifty around the table of the Lord gathered and together remembered Him.

WINGHAM. We deeply regret to chronicle the resignation of the pastoral charge of this church by our esteemed friend, Mr. R. K. Black. Did the Wingham friends know the excellencies of our brother's character, as most of us do, this separation had not been; may the church and its late pastor soon find other settlements, that may prove more permanent and be fraught with rich blessings to all.

GRANBY.—We give an account of the installation of Mr. J. I. Hindley into the pastorate of this church, on 8th inst. We desire for pastor and people every blessing.

PINE GROVE.—The family of Mr. John Hodges, one of the members of this church, has been sadly afflicted. of late. About the beginning of August, Sidney, the younger son, a fine, manly little fellow, of nearly fourteen summers, was taken down with fever. Inflammation followed and after a week of extreme suffering and delirium he died on August 13th. Clara, the only daughter, a bright intelligent girl of seventeen years, was called home from a holiday visit on account of her brother's sickness. Symptoms of fever began to appear in her case and developed so rapidly that she was soon beyond all earthly hope. On the 6th of September we laid her body to rest beside that of her brother. Both we trust are with Jesus. May this thought console and comfort a broken-hearted mother and sorrowing father in this most bitter experience. The elder son—now the only child—is slowly recovering from an attack of the fever which proved so fatal in the case of his brother and sister. May the God of all grace, the Saviour who wept at Bethany and the comforting spirit, bring quiet