

MONTREAL.

Dr. R. A. Kerr was ordained to the eldership in the Maisonneuve Church on Sunday evening.

The funeral of the late Mr. D. S. Thomson, held last week in the American Church, was one of the largest seen in the city for many years.

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Association Rev. Dr. Barclay, of the Thistle Club, was chosen chaplain.

The arrangements have been completed for the new hospital at Point St. Charles. The officials have been elected, and the hospital is to be opened about Dec. 1.

The grand jury returned a true bill against Norman Murray, charged with circulating obscene literature, who a few weeks ago created a scene in court by tearing up a Bible.

The sale of useful and fancy articles held for three days last week in Taylor Church was uncommonly successful. On one evening alone the sum of five hundred dollars was taken in.

Mr. W. W. Ogilvie has contributed another thousand dollars to the arts faculty of McGill University, the sum to be devoted to bursaries and exhibitions which the faculty is trying to increase owing to the advance in seasonal fees.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 12, the pulpit of Crescent Street Presbyterian Church was occupied by Mr. Wellesley C. Bailey, an elder of the Established Church of Scotland, Edinburgh, Secretary and Superintendent of the Mission to Lepers in India and the East.

Mr. Chas. K. Ober, who is engaged in developing the foreign department of Y.M.C.A. work, has been visiting the Association here. He reported that there are at present eighteen missionaries from the associations of North America. Three of these are supported from Montreal.

The Rev. T. S. McWilliams, of the American Church, delivered a most interesting lecture on his trip to the Holy Land, in the Inspector Street Mission on Friday evening. The lecture was illustrated with views by Mr. John Currie, head of the mission, who possesses one of the best electric lanterns in the city.

The Rev. Principal Shaw delivered an address last Friday evening on "The present conditions in the Province of Quebec." He put the question "What is our duty as Protestants?" and answered it as follows: first, not to exaggerate evils, take moderate views of things, recognize what is good and do our utmost to put down evil; secondly, to show the spirit of charity, without weakness or compromise; thirdly, manfully, courageously, and persistently to stand for all our rights.

The Knox Church choir, whose recent Irish concert was so great a success, gave a nautical concert on Friday evening in the lecture hall of the church. The platform was decorated to represent a ship, and the performers were attired in sailor garments. The numbers all had reference to a life on the ocean wave. The large crowd present, the novelty of the idea, and the high standard of excellence realized in the performance, all contributed to make the entertainment a decided artistic and financial success.

MARITIME PROVINCES.

Mr. A. J. McNeil has accepted the call to Orwell, P.E.I., and will be inducted on November 21.

Rev. H. G. Gratz has accepted the call to Alton, P.E.I., and will be inducted November 23.

Rev. P. M. McDonald has resigned the charge of Wolfville, N.S., and goes to Scotland for rest and study.

Rev. A. M. Thompson, of Ferrona, has recovered from his recent illness and occupied his pulpit last Sabbath.

The "Sardine" season is in full swing; 148 hogheads were taken at St. Andrew's, N.B., on Monday night last.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Andrew's church, Chatham, N.B., has placed a Bible in each room of the Chatham hotels for the use of guests.

Rev. Jas. Sinclair, of Bridgeville, Pictou Co., N.S., is supplying for Rev. E. D. Millar, Yarmouth, while he canvasses the congregations of Halifax Presbytery in the interests of the Century Fund.

The manse at Portauquique, N.S., was destroyed by fire early last Monday morning. Rev. W. H.

Ness, his wife and daughter were compelled to escape in their night clothes. The total loss will be about \$2,500. Nearly all the contents of the house were destroyed. Already the people have raised \$150 for the purpose of reimbursing Mr. Ness and more will doubtless be added.

The Stanley church troubles are now in the hands of the civil courts. The trustees recognized by the Presbytery forced the door of St. Peter's church and changed the lock. On this the Mullin trustees brought action for trespass. This was met by a writ staying proceedings and calling upon the Mullin-ites to prove that they are the owners of the church. This point will be tried in the Equity court. Meantime Rev. J. S. Mullin preaches every Sabbath to his adherents in spite of the suspension of Presbytery.

The congregation of St. James' church, Charlottetown, petitioned the Presbytery unanimously not to accept the resignation of their pastor, Rev. T. F. Fullerton, who has gone as chaplain to the Canadian contingent. The Presbytery very willingly acceded to the request and granted Mr. Fullerton the necessary leave of absence. Rev. W. H. Smith, of Summerside, was appointed to preach and intimate this to the congregation next Sabbath. Mr. McLeod, of Zion church, is interim moderator of session. Rev. A. H. Foster has declined the call to Cavendish, P.E.I.

The University of New Brunswick is in deep water just now. The college faculty forlorn "initiation" of freshmen, but a few of the merrier sophomores undertook to "haze" the "freshies" in a very mild fashion. They were sentenced very severely. To some of them the penalty amounted to the loss of a year. The senate has overruled the faculty and considerably mitigated the stern rigor of the dominies, in which public opinion supports them. Thereupon three of the professors, Messrs. Stockley, Dixon and Raymond, have tendered their resignations, and if he had the courage of consistency, President Harrison would also retire. Dr. Inch, the Superintendent of Education, has requested the resigning professors to retain their chairs until the close of the current academic year, or to name the conditions on which they will do so.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. T. A. Cosgrove of St. Mary's preached in the Presbyterian church, Mitchell, on Nov. 5.

Rev. Prof. Ballantyne of Knox college, Toronto, preached in Chalmers' church, Woodstock, Nov. 5th.

Rev. R. Pogue, of Stayner, conducted services in the Presbyterian Church of Hespler, last Sabbath.

The evangelists Messrs. Crossley and Hunter, are still holding successful meetings in the different Stratford churches.

Rev. Alex. Henderson, of Appin, has been appointed moderator of the Glencoe session by the Presbytery of London.

Rev. R. E. Knowles, of Galt, lectured in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Brantford, Nov. 10, upon "The Sunny South."

On November 5th the pulpit of Knox Church, Galt, was occupied by Dr. Dickson, of Trenton, N.J., who, when a boy, lived in Galt.

The recital given by Agnes Knox in St. John Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, on Nov. 10, was a grand success, the church being crowded to the doors.

Mr. J. A. Wilson, who had charge of the work during the past summer in Balfour Street Presbyterian Church, Brantford, conducted services there last Sabbath.

Anniversary services of Y.P.C.E. Society were held in King Street Church, London, last Sabbath. Rev. Geo. Gilmore, Pottersburg, preached in the morning and Rev. J. G. Stuart in the evening.

At St. John Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Nov. 3, the pastor, Rev. J. H. Young, gave an interesting lecture on "Scene and Story of the Sunny South," in aid of the Sunday School Fund.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Knox Church, Embro, was held November 8. The reports showed that the Society has done good work during the past year.

Meetings have been held in the different London churches, in reference to the Century Fund, and the general feeling seems to be in favor of giving as a Presbyterian body and not as separate congregations.

The Rev. Joseph Hamilton, of Mimico, is preach-

ing a series of Sunday evening sermons on "Bible Wars," the first entitled "The Battle of the Nine Kings," and the next "Abraham, the Shepherd Warrior."

Rev. Dr. Smith began a course of Sabbath evening lectures in Knox Church, St. Catharines, on Nov. 12. (1) Lot, a business failure; (2) Absalom, a wilful failure; (3) Solomon, a brilliant failure; (4) Pilate, a political failure.

Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., of London, conducted anniversary services in Erskine Church, Hamilton, last Sunday. The congregation was organized fifteen years ago and has greatly prospered under successive faithful pastors.

The congregation of Balfour Street Church, Brantford, are anxious to get an ordained minister. A subscription list has been opened and it was decided last week that a connection should be made with some neighboring church, whereby an ordained minister could be called upon to carry on the work.

A very successful thanksgiving meeting of the W.F.M.S. of the First Presbyterian church, London, was held on Thursday evening, at which the offering was \$98. Rev. W. J. Clark gave a very practical, earnest address and Mrs. Clark sang a solo. At the close refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid Society.

St. James Church, London, is nearing completion. It will be a fine building with all modern improvements, including up-to-date Sabbath School facilities. It is situated in a growing residential neighborhood. At present the services are being held in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium. Last Sunday Rev. R. P. McKay preached morning and evening.

Much sympathy is felt for Rev. D. Y. Ross, of St. George, and for Mrs. Ross, in the loss of their second son, Chester, who died suddenly at the Isolation Hospital, Toronto, on November the 8th. The lad was 17 years of age, and had been in Toronto only a few weeks attending the business college when he contracted quinsy and diphtheria, and in three days was called away.

Rev. W. J. West, M.A., and Mrs. West, have returned to Bluevale charge after an extended wedding trip. A hearty reception was tendered them by the Bluevale congregation at the manse on the evening of Nov. 1, when a kindly worded address of welcome, congratulation and appreciation of pastoral work was read and Mr. and Mrs. West were presented with a handsome and valuable suit of parlor furniture.

A Brucefield correspondent, in describing the induction of Rev. E. H. Sawers to the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church in that place, says: "The induction services took place in the afternoon, and were witnessed by a large congregation. In the evening of the same day a reception for the new pastor was held. The church was filled to its utmost capacity, and the occasion was a most pleasing one in every respect."

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Berlin, was the scene of a most impressive service Monday evening, when Rev. W. A. Bradley, late of Mitchell, was inducted into the pastorate of that congregation. Rev. K. W. Ross, of Guelph, preached the sermon; the moderator of Guelph Presbytery, Rev. R. J. M. Glassford put the usual questions; and Rev. Dr. Torrance made the induction proper. A reception was then held in the lecture room.

Rev. J. S. Scott, B.D., of Hespler, was inducted as pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brantford, on November 7. Rev. W. H. Johnston of Chesterfield, presiding. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. A. I. Martin of Zion Church. Rev. M. McGregor, of Tilsonburg, addressed the minister, and Rev. G. C. Patterson, of Embro, the people. In the evening an enjoyable reception was held in honor of the new pastor, who was presented with a beautiful gown by the ladies of the congregation.

Deaths.

HOSSACK—At Colours, Nov. 18th, Barbara Bethune, widow of the late Jas. Hossack, and mother of Rev. D. C. Hossack, of Parkdale, Toronto, aged 82 years.

ROSS—Suddenly at the Isolation Hospital, Toronto, on Wednesday, November 8. Chester Hamilton, second son of the Rev. David Y. Ross, M.A., St. George, Ontario, aged 17 years.