

Church News.

In Canada.

MINISTERS should remember that their rates for Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund should be paid in November.

REV. W. BURNS acknowledges receipt of \$5, from "Nemo," for the Jewish Mission. The money has been duly handed over to the treasurer of the Mission.

A MISSIONARY meeting was held on Tuesday night last in the church at St. Elmo. The attendance was good. Addresses were delivered by Revs. Jas. Cormack, of Maxville; D. B. McLennan, of Apple Hill; N. McKay, of St. Elmo, and C. McArthur, which were interesting, and in reference to the subject of missions.

REV. DR. FRASER Smith, who for six and a half years laboured in Honan, and who returned to Canada on account of ill health is taking advantage of his presence here to advocate the cause of missions abroad. Dr. Fraser Smith suffered from typhus and after-sickness which have been found very troublesome. He also mourns the recent death of his two year old child.

THE new Presbyterian church at Watson's Corners was recently dedicated to the worship of God. The dedicatory services were conducted by the Rev. J. Binnie, B.D., of McDonald's Corners, in the morning, and Rev. J. McIlroy, of Polaud, in the afternoon and evening. All the services were well attended. On Monday night the church was again crowded when Rev. D. M. Buchanan, B.A., of Lanark, gave his interesting and popular lecture on "Two months in Britain, what I saw and whom I heard."

Presbytery of Orangeville.

THIS Presbytery met at Orangeville Nov. 13th, Dr. McKibbie, moderator, in the chair. Commissions were received on behalf of the following elders: Messrs. Jas. Stewart, Corbetton; Robert Giffin, Claude; Alex. Steele, M.A., Orangeville; Jas. Rintoul, Black's Corner's; Charles Clark, Ventry; Charles Anderson, Camilla. Dr. Somerville, of Owen Sound Presbytery, being present, was asked to correspond. Mr. Farquharson reported that the committee which was appointed to visit Rosemont, Mansfield and Everett had not succeeded in forming a union of the latter with the two former on account of Rosemont's opposition to said union. Rosemont however would be willing to forego, up to the end of March, an evening service every four weeks in the interest of Everett. This temporary arrangement Everett respectfully declined. The committee advised that under the circumstances it would be unwise to press union. Mr. McLeod reported that the Presbytery's Committee had visited St. Andrew's, Picton and Picton Station, that the former desired separation from the latter and union with Euplin and Cedarville in the Saugeen Presbytery. A committee composed of Messrs. Crozier, McLeod and Wells was appointed to meet with the Presbytery of Saugeen at its next meeting to make some arrangement, if possible, by which the demands on the Augmentation Fund may be reduced. The Presbytery appointed Messrs. McKenzie, Farquharson, Bell and A. Steele a committee to arrange for a conference on the State of Religion and report at next meeting. The Presbytery requested the committees on Home Missions and Augmentation to allocate amongst the congregations of the Presbytery the sum of \$1200 and \$150, the amounts required from this Presbytery for the Home Mission and Augmentation Funds respectively. Dr. Somerville was heard against the requirements of the Augmentation Fund. The Presbytery expressed hearty concurrence with his view, and agreed to bring the matter specially before their congregations before the end of the year. Arrangements were made for visiting supplemented congregations as follows: Mr. Farquharson to visit Caledon East and St. Andrew's, Caledon. Mr. McKenzie to visit Corbetton, Riverview and Gandier. Mr. Croll to visit Maxwell, McIntyre and Ferenham. Dr. McKibbie to

visit Laurel and Black's Corners. A resolution was passed requesting the ministers of the bounds to preach at least one sermon per year on Sabbath Observance. Next regular meeting to be held at Orangeville, Jan. 8th, at 10.30 a.m. Presbyterial meeting of the W.F.M. Society will meet the same day and place.—H. CROZIER, Clerk.

Presbytery of Portage la Prairie.

THIS court held a meeting in Knox church, Portage la Prairie, on the 5th inst. There was a good attendance of members. Rev. Mr. Ross reported on behalf of the committee appointed to enquire what connections could be made for Bagot. The Rev. Mr. McRae having stated that the congregation of McGregor did not wish to be separated from Bagot, the present arrangement was allowed to stand. The clerk read a letter from Rev. D. J. Macdonell in reference to the Augmentation Fund. The subject was most seriously considered, and every member present promised to do all in his power to raise the amount apportioned to his congregation. It was agreed that Arden and McKewin be placed for the winter months under the same missionary. Rev. Mr. Munro called the attention of the Presbytery to the amount of Sabbath desecration on the M. & N. Ry., in the matter of running trains on the Sabbath. After some discussion it was resolved to refer the matter to the Synod at its meeting in Winnipeg next week. On the motion of Rev. Mr. Munro, seconded by Rev. Mr. Paterson, it was agreed to hold the next meeting at Neepawa on the first Tuesday in March, at 4 p.m.—FARQUHAR McRAE, Clerk.

Presbytery of Winnipeg.

THE Presbytery of Winnipeg met in Manitoba College on the 13th inst. Rev. Mr. Hamilton reported that he had held a meeting with the congregation of Victoria and Dundas, and that a call had been given by the congregation to the Rev. Donald McLeod who had been in charge of the congregation as ordained missionary for the past six months. The call was signed by ninety-seven members and sixty-eight adherents, and was accompanied by a guarantee of stipend to the amount of \$650, with a promise that a manse will be erected next spring. Messrs. John McLure and James Campbell, representatives of the congregation, addressed the Presbytery in support of the call, and the call was thereupon sustained by the Presbytery and placed in the hands of Mr. McLeod for his decision. In a few feeling words he accepted it, and the induction was arranged to take place on Tuesday, 11th December, at 4 p.m. in the church at Victoria. Mr. Hamilton as moderator, presiding; Mr. Richmond to preach, Mr. Lawrence to address the minister and Mr. Hamilton to address the people. It was resolved that the name of the congregation should be Victoria and Dundas, and not the Greenwood group of missions, as heretofore. It was agreed that missionary meetings should be held under the auspices of the Presbytery as last year; and that the arrangements for such meetings should be left in charge of the Home Mission Committee. To obviate the inconvenience to graduating students which arises from the lengthy interval between the close of the theological session, and the meeting of Synod, it was agreed, on motion of Dr. Bryce, seconded by Prof. Hart, to make application to the Synod, that in case of students who regularly complete their course, making application to the Presbytery of Winnipeg, the Presbytery be allowed to take them on trial for license, the Presbytery to report its sanction in each case to the succeeding meeting of Synod. Prof. Hart was requested to support this application before the Synod. A committee, with C. W. Gordon as convener, was appointed to take into its consideration the draft Book of Praise, and to report at the next meeting of Presbytery. The question of appointing a special committee to have charge of Jewish missions was referred to the members of the Foreign Mission Committee, who are also members of the Presbytery. The General Assembly's recommendation that ministers be required to join the aged and infirm minis-

ter's fund upon ordination was referred to the Presbytery's standing committee on this fund. The proposal to combine the committees on the State of Religion, Sabbath Schools, Sabbath Observance and Temperance was referred to the four conveners of these committees. Mr. J. S. Scott, B.A., applied to be taken on trial for license and it was agreed to grant the application, subject to the consent of the Synod. On motion of Prof. Baird, the care of augmentation interests within the Presbytery was entrusted to a special committee, to consist of Chief Justice Taylor, convener, Dr. DuVal and Mr. Joseph Hogg.

Presbytery of Quebec.

THIS Presbytery met in Richmond on November 13th and 14th, Rev. N. Macphree, moderator. Elders' commissions in favour of Messrs. J. C. Thompson, W. C. Young, A. McLean, J. W. Eadie, D. Moffat, were accepted. Messrs. D. Tait, A. T. Love, Dr. Kellock and W. Shearer were appointed a committee to consider and report upon the remits from the Assembly. There was presented a call from the congregation of Hampden in favor of Rev. A. F. McQueen. Owing to the uncertainty of the augmentation grant the call was laid on the table until the next meeting. It was resolved to hold a conference on the State of Religion and cognate subjects at the next meeting. Circular letters from the Home Mission and Augmentation Committees were read, indicating the amount which the Presbytery is expected to contribute to these funds. It was resolved to second the efforts of the committees in securing the sum necessary to carry on these departments of the Church's work. Dr. Warden, of Montreal, being present as a deputy from the Augmentation Committee, was invited to sit with the Presbytery and was heard at length on the working of the scheme and the changes made in the grants. Dr. Warden received the thanks of the Presbytery and the assurance of the Presbytery's co-operation in the matter. The Presbytery expressed gratification with the improved financial condition of Morrin College, brought about by the settlement of the Ross estate. Dr. Kellock, Revs. W. Shearer and J. M. MacLennan, and Messrs. A. McCallum and Jas. Davidson, elders, were appointed a committee on augmentation. The resignation of Revs. Jno. U. Tanner, of Sawyerville, etc.; H. Craig, Windsor Mills, and N. Macphree, Marsboro, were accepted. Rev. Jacob Steele was appointed missionary to Sawyerville, etc., for two years. Revs. Jno. McLung and J. M. MacLennan were appointed moderators of Windsor Mills and Marsboro, respectively. The next meeting was appointed to be held in Morrin College on February 26th, 1895, at 4 p.m.—J. P. MacLennan, Clerk.

Presbytery of Miramichi.

AN important meeting of the Presbytery of Miramichi was held at New Mills on the 25th Oct. The ministers present were Messrs. Nicolson, Aitkin, McKay, Hamilton, Carr, Fisher and Greenlee with Mr. J. A. McIntyre, elder. The principal business before the Presbytery was the resignation of Rev. J. A. Greenlee. A large and deeply interested congregation assembled in response to the citation of the Presbytery. The session appeared in a body, and every member in succession addressed the Presbytery in the most kindly terms, referring to Mr. Greenlee and his work in this congregation. Discords and antagonistic elements had been harmonized and peace and good will prevailed throughout the field. A universal expression of approval of Mr. Greenlee's course was given except that some of his friends thought he had acted precipitately in tabling his resignation and a general desire was expressed that he should continue his pastorate. In this general desire the members of Presbytery fully concurred. Notwithstanding these representations Mr. Greenlee intimated that in view of all the circumstances he felt constrained to press his resignation. Thereupon the Presbytery reluctantly consented to accept his resignation, to take effect on and after next Lord's day, instructed the clerk to issue the usual certificate and appointed the clerk and Mr. Aitkin