

A reception was given to Rev. J. S. Henderson, of Hensall, on Friday evening on the church and manse grounds, on his return from the coast, where he had been spending a couple of months. The attendance was very good considering the unfavorable state of the weather, and a very pleasant and social time was spent.

Standing committees for the year for Bruce Presbytery were appointed, of which the following are the conveners: Finance, Rev. A. Mahaffy; Home Missions, Rev. D. A. McLean; Sabbath Schools, Rev. A. L. Budge; Augmentation, Rev. J. Johnston; Church Life and Work, Rev. P. M. McEachern; Congregational Returns, Rev. F. O. Nichol; Young People's Societies, Rev. A. Mahaffy; Superintendence of Students, Rev. H. McQuarrie.

The following are the standing committees of Paris Presbytery for the ensuing year: Home Missions—Rev. Dr. McMullen, Rev. W. H. Johnson, Foreign Missions—Rev. W. A. J. Martin, Brantford; Rev. J. J. Brown, Tilsonburg, French Evangelization—Rev. W. K. Shearer, Augmentation Fund—Rev. R. Pettigrew, Widows' and Orphans' Fund—Rev. Dr. W. A. MacKay, Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund—Rev. H. J. Pritchard, Brantford, Colleges—Rev. E. C. Gallup, Rev. W. J. Booth, Young Peoples' Societies—Rev. E. R. Hutt, Rev. Alex. Stewart, Sabbath Schools—Rev. D. V. Ross, St. George; Rev. J. P. Falconer, Delhi, Church Life and Work—Rev. J. S. Scott, Brantford; Rev. Jno. Kay, Norwich, Statistics and Finances—Rev. Dr. McMullen, Rev. G. C. Patterson, Embro.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. A. Givan, of Williamstown, has returned from the Pacific coast.

Rev. K. A. Gollan has been elected Moderator of Glengarry Presbytery.

Rev. Prof. Dyde, of Queen's University, Kingston, was the preacher at Lyn last Sabbath week.

Rev. Jas. Cormack, of Maxville, was in Toronto last week attending the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M.

The Commissioners from Glengarry Presbytery who attended the Assembly at Vancouver last month gave most glowing accounts of their grand visit to the Pacific coast.

The Rev. Dr. Torrance, who is summing in Port Hope, preached in Mill street church last Sabbath. Mr. William, student-in-charge, preached in St. Paul's, Peterboro.

The Communion service in Gordon church, St. Elmo, last Sabbath was largely attended. The preparatory service on Saturday was conducted by Rev. K. A. Gollan, of Kenyon.

Owing to the continued illness of his brother, the Rev. J. W. McIntosh, of South Monaghan, has been detained at his home in Glengarry. The Rev. Richard Hyde, M.A., supplied last Sabbath.

Rev. H. McKellar of Martintown and Rev. Mr. Matheson, of Summerstown, have been preaching in Hephzibeth church, Williamstown, in the absence of Rev. K. McDonald, who is visiting friends on Georgian Bay.

Rev. D. D. McLennan has tendered his resignation of Apple Hill and Gravel Hill. The Presbytery of Glengarry will meet at Apple Hill on the 28th inst. to consider this case when the congregation will appear for their interests.

At the last meeting of Glengarry Presbytery Rev. N. McLeod gave a brief address on behalf of the Ottawa Ladies' College for which he was cordially thanked. Next meeting will be held in Vankleek Hill on 8th September at 11 a.m.

At last meeting of Glengarry Presbytery Rev. Dr. MacNish, for nearly a third of a century minister of St. John's church, Cornwall, tendered his resignation. The congregation provides a retiring allowance of \$1,000 per year with a free manse during lifetime. Resignation was accepted, to take effect on 1st August.

At the lawn social given by the Mission Band of Woodville church over \$30 were realized. Mr. Malcolm McEachern amused the audience with his gramophone. Mr. John Campbell gave an account of his trip to the General Assembly; and Revs. Elliott and Kannawig gave suitable addresses.

The Brockville Recorder speaks in high terms of the sermons preached in First church there recently by Rev. W. F. Crawford, B.D., of Queen's. "Mr. Crawford has a fine voice, speaks fluently and presents his subject in such a way as to command the close attention of his audience from beginning to end."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at St. Andrew's church, Peterboro, last Sunday. On Friday last the preparatory service was conducted by James S. Potter, Sailor's Missionary. Thirty-nine were received into membership, eighteen by certificate and twenty-one on profession of faith. Six adults and two children were also baptized.

Rev. W. MacWilliams, M.A., formerly minister of the Mill street church, Port Hope, has been preaching with much acceptance in the First church. Prosperity and earthly happiness, he said, are not conducive to the growth of religion in the soul, or the love of God in the heart. Suffering from God's hand tends to purify and refine the Christian character till God's face is seen shining in it.

Kirk Hill has called Rev. Allan Morrison, of Minto, N.D.; stipend guaranteed \$1,000 with a manse and four weeks holidays. Provisional arrangements have been made by Glengarry Presbytery for Mr. Morrison's induction as follows: Rev. W. A. Morrison to preach, Rev. J. Cormack to address the pastor and Rev. T. G. Thompson, the people, the date to be fixed by the Clerk.

The Presbytery of Peterboro met in the First church, Port Hope, Tuesday afternoon for the induction of Rev. H. E. Abraham, B.A., son of Rev. J. A. Abraham, of Whithy, into the pastorate of that congregation. There was a large attendance of members of Presbytery, Rev. J. G. Potter acting as Moderator. Rev. W. R. Johnston, of Harwood, preached the sermon; Rev. Dr. Torrance, of Peterboro, addressed the young minister; and Rev. Wm. Beattie, of Cobourg, spoke to the people on the duties devolving on them in view of the relationship then formed. The impressive ceremony over, the minister was conducted to the door where he was introduced to the congregation by Rev. Mr. Beattie and Mr. Mulholland. The reception given the new pastor in the evening was hearty and enthusiastic. Addresses by members of the Presbytery, resident ministers also Judge McIntyre and Rev. J. Abraham, of Whithy, were short, witty and practical. Mr. Abraham enters on his work with every prospect of a happy and useful pastorate.

Northern Ontario.

We are indebted to the Collingwood Bulletin for the following facts relative to the jubilee of West church, a congregation within the bounds of Barrie Presbytery. The first minister inducted in 1853, was the Rev. J. Campbell, M.A., who died in 1864. He was succeeded by Rev. A. Macdonald, M.A., now residing at Nanawee. Under Mr. Macdonald's pastorate two preaching stations were established—one at St. Andrew's, the other at Duntroon, a third has since been instituted at Nottawa. Rev. L. McLean, B.A., the present minister, was inducted in 1895, and under his wise and energetic guidance the different churches making up the charge are enjoying exceptional prosperity. At the beginning of a second half-century the congregation is in an excellent position—free from debt, and having a comfortable balance on hand. It was fitting that the "old man eloquent," Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of King's, who visited the congregation 44 years ago, should have been asked to take part in the celebration of the fiftieth year, as well preach the anniversary sermon. The venerable Doctor conducted the three services on Sabbath 5th July, preaching at each service and doing so with more than ordinary unction and power, the afternoon sermon in Gaelic from the text, "What doest thou here, Elijah," is said by those who understand the language to have been one of extraordinary eloquence and impressiveness. In the Church on Monday evening Rev. L. McLean presided, and Revs. Dr. McLeod of Barrie, J. A. Cranston, B.A., J. Borland, B.A., S. G. Scott, B.A., of Maple Valley, and Jas. A. Grant, B.A., were also present. There was a very large attendance.

Winnipeg.

Rev. F. W. Anderson, assistant to Dr. DuVal, has been duly licensed by Winnipeg Presbytery.

Rev. J. C. Madill, received by last General Assembly, has been assigned to the Winnipeg Presbytery. He is at present stationed at Balmoral, Man.

Rev. Joseph Hogg was appointed treasurer of the Winnipeg Presbytery and Rev. Dr. Wilson and J. B. Mitchell auditors; and a number of ministers were named to administer the Communion where students are in charge.

On resuming his pulpit for the first time after returning from Vancouver Rev. Dr. DuVal, in place of preaching a sermon, told of what the General Assembly had accomplished. In connection with the home missions, 59 preaching stations had been established, 48 of them being in the West; 26 stations had been advanced from the mission to the augmentation fund, and 24 had become self-sustaining entirely. In conclusion Dr. DuVal said that the prevailing thought of the Assembly was the great need of the country for a more holy family life.

Respecting the movements of Rev. Dr. MacKay, secretary of the F.M.C., who is on his return from attending the General Assembly, the Winnipeg Tribune says: Yesterday (Sunday) afternoon Rev. Dr. MacKay was present at the Chinese Sunday School, held at the Y.M.C.A., and in the evening he occupied the pulpit of St. Stephen's church. He has been engaged in inspecting the different mission stations along the route on his way home and will stop off at Rat Portage to see the school established by the church on Shoal Lake, Lake of the Woods. Before leaving Vancouver Rev. Dr. MacKay took a trip up the Pacific Coast and called at a number of the Indian missions there.

British Columbia.

The induction of Rev. R. J. Wilson as pastor of St. Andrew's church, Vancouver, took place under most auspicious circumstances. Rev. H. J. Irwin, of Chilliwack, presided, and was supported by the Presbyterian ministers of the city and district. Rev. H. M. Irwin, of Sapperton, preached the sermon, the text being "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." Rev. T. Scudler delivered the address to the new pastor, and Rev. G. A. Wilson addressed the congregation. At a public reception in the evening the young minister was cordially welcomed by the congregation.

At the meeting of the Presbytery held in the afternoon, the following letter was received from Rev. R. J. Wilson, the new pastor of St. Andrew's: To the Presbytery of Westminster: In view of the proposed increase of expenditure of St. Andrew's church Sabbath School and also of the fact that for the present I shall not require a manse, I beg to request that the initial salary, for which the congregation shall become responsible in their guarantee of stipend, shall be that of the late pastor, viz., \$2,500, instead of \$3,000. I am faithfully yours, (Sgd.) R. J. Wilson.

Maritime Provinces.

James church, New Glasgow, has been celebrating the 25th year of the settlement of Rev. James Carruthers as pastor of the congregation; by a happy coincidence it was also the 25th anniversary of his marriage. An affectionately worded address along with a purse of \$225 were presented to Mr. Carruthers, who, in replying, spoke feelingly and eloquently of the congregation of James church, of its age, the work that it performed, what it accomplished for Presbyterianism in Pictou county, of the men who preceded him, his own connection with the church and the great kindness of the congregation to himself, Mrs. Carruthers and family.

Your Summer Holiday.

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