

The Presbyterian congregation at Embro, Ont., still continues to prosper under the able ministration of the pastor, the Rev. G. Munro, M.A., who has now for a period of 17 or 18 years laboured assiduously in that corner of the vineyard. From information recently received, every department of Church work seems to be progressing favourably. Prospering in a strictly spiritual sense, it flourishes as a natural consequence in other ways.

Just now a scheme is afloat for the erection of a new manse, and at the last congregational meeting an amount of over \$1,500 was subscribed for the purpose of carrying it into effect.

Rev. J. A. Townsend, Ph.D., who is now settled in Turner, Ore., U. S., is much pleased with his new home. He has just entered a new manse. The object which he sought in changing his home has been achieved, namely, that of finding a climate which would be more congenial to his health, the climate of the North-West having been too severe for him.

On January 22nd, Rev. G. T. Bayne, was inducted into the pastoral charge of the united congregations of Ashton and Appleton. Interesting and impressive services were held in both churches, and they were largely attended.

The Rev. J. A. MacFarlane, M.A., late of Valleyfield, Que., who has found it necessary for the sake of his health to retire for a short time from active work, is at present at his father's home at Campbell's Bay, Que. He suffers from an affection of the throat, and prominent specialists in Montreal and Ottawa have ordered perfect rest. We trust that he will very shortly be able to resume his duties.

Rapid strides are being made in the right direction in the Presbyterian congregation of Cote St. Gabriel under the superintendence of the pastor Rev. S. F. McCusker, B.A., who commenced his labours there less than a year ago. Quite recently he has organized a branch of the Y.P.S.C.E. in connection with the church, and also a class in music. Suitable alterations have been made in the manse, and a young People's Hall has been built in which at present Union Services are held every Sabbath evening, the Anglican, Wesleyan, and Presbyterian ministers preaching in rotation. Encouraging progress is being made in every department, and the services are attended with unabated interest.

It is with great sorrow that we have heard of the illness of the Rev. J. Bourgoin, the Principal of the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools. He has had a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, which has left him in a weak condition, and which completely incapacitates him for the renewal of his duties this