

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

The Rev. James Little, of Princeton, has quite recovered from his recent illness.

A purse containing \$117 in gold was presented to the Rev. D. Tait, of Berlin, by his congregation, previous to his departure on his European trip.

MANY of our readers will be sorry to learn that the Rev. D. McKenzie is lying very low, with little hopes of his recovery, cancer in the eyes being the trouble.

At a recent meeting of the managing committee of the Wingham Presbyterian Church, a resolution was passed tendering thanks to Mr. W. J. McCutcheon for a gift of chairs for the pulpit platform.

ACCORDING to their custom, the Presbyterians of Woolwich held a tea meeting on the Queen's birthday. The speakers were Rev. Messrs. Hamilton, Dean, Dickson of Galt, Mr. Muir, and Dr. Bowlby. The proceeds amounted to upwards of \$100.

THE Presbyterians of Minnedosa have succeeded in organizing a Sunday school under the able management of the Rev. J. M. Wellwood, B.A., with the following staff of officers for the ensuing term: Dr. Hunter, first junior teacher; Mrs. R. H. Kenning, second junior teacher; Mrs. C. L. Floyd, teacher of the infant class.

THE new St. Andrew's Church at Nelsonville, Manitoba, was opened on the 7th ult. The services were conducted by Rev. Messrs. Borthwick and Ross. On the following Monday evening a social was held, the proceeds of which amounted to \$75. This with the Sabbath collections made \$126 in aid of the building fund.

At a recent meeting of the Presbytery of Manitoba an overture was introduced asking the General Assembly to give Manitoba College a theological Faculty, and appoint a theological professor and principal. The Presbytery also fixed August 2nd as the date of the induction of the Rev. D. M. Gordon into the pastoral charge of Knox Church, Winnipeg.

REV. W. J. SMYTH, Ph.D., preached for the last time to his charge at Quaker Hill, Uxbridge, on Sabbath last, and dispensed the ordinance of the Lord's Supper to a large number of communicants. On Monday evening a large number of the congregation and others assembled to bid an affectionate farewell to Mr. Smyth and family, who are removing to Ohio.

At a tea meeting held by the Presbyterian congregation of St. George on the 24th ult., the chair was occupied by the pastor, Rev. R. Hume, M.A., and addresses were given by the Rev. Messrs. Sellery and Swan of the Methodist Church, Mikel (Baptist), and Mr. A. McRoberts. Rev. Walter Inglis, of Ayr, who had been expected to deliver a lecture, was detained at home by illness. The amount realized was over \$97.

The closing meeting of the Missionary Association in connection with St. Paul's Church, Bowmanville, was held at the close of the prayer meeting last week, and it was gratifying to note that the missionary spirit in this church is not flagging. There are four auxiliaries in this work, namely: The Congregational Missionary Association, the Woman's Foreign Branch, the Mission Band and the Sabbath school. The report submitted by Mr. Yellowlees showed the total amount raised from all sources for the year to be \$600.57. The contributions were as follows: Congregation, \$417.86; Woman's Foreign Mission, \$80; Mission Band, \$40; Sabbath school, \$62.71. Total, \$600.57.

At a congregational meeting of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, held on Monday evening, the 29th ult., Mr. Wm. Meighen in the chair, it was decided to erect a manse for the pastor. As it was thought advisable to begin the construction as soon as possible, steps were taken at the meeting to provide ways and means, and a scheme was adopted by which the balance of the money required could be borrowed on easy terms. There is already on hand or subscribed for this purpose about \$1,400, and as the total cost of the manse is not to exceed \$5,000, possibly not \$4,500, the amount yet to be raised is estimated to be about \$3,400. The managers are expected to select a lot at once, procure plans and tenders, and let the contract in time to have the building ready for occupation this winter. The edifice is to be built of brick.

PRESBYTERY OF PETERBOROUGH.—This Presbytery met on the 2nd May at Peterborough. There were fourteen ministers present and twelve elders. The Presbytery agreed to report in favour of a Sustentation Fund in preference to a Supplemental. The modifications proposed in the regulations in connection with the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund were approved of. A call from Cobourg on behalf of the Rev. Mr. McCrea, of Woodlands, in the Presbytery of Glengarry, was sustained, and ordered to be transmitted to that Presbytery. Arrangements were made for the induction of Mr. McCrea in the event of his acceptance of the call. Similar arrangements were made for the induction of Mr. David James, of Midland, in the event of his acceptance of the call to Norwood. The Home Mission Committee were empowered to take steps to provide a missionary for Round Lake and Stoney Lake field. Arrangements for a future supply of the Minden and Haliburton fields were also left in the hands of the Home Mission Committee. The Committee appointed to superintend the studies of Mr. Fleming reported that they had had Mr. Fleming under constant instruction, and that, taking all the circumstances into account, he has made satisfactory progress. The report was received and adopted. Circular letters were read from several of the Presbyteries regarding the reception of ministers from other churches. The Presbytery adjourned, to meet in Cobourg on the first Wednesday of July, at eleven a.m.—W. BENNETT, *Pres. Clerk*

NORTH-WEST CHURCH EXTENSION SCHEME.

The Rev. James Robertson, Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and the North-West, has returned to Ontario to prosecute his canvass in behalf of the North-West Church Extension Fund. The following additions have been made to the subscription list since last notice:

TORONTO

Jas. Michie and Hon. Alex. Morris, M.P.P., \$1,000 each. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., William Gordon, R. J. Hunter, James Scott, John McKay, John L. Blaikie, and Thomas Robertson, \$300 each. Mortimer Clarke, Mrs. M. Clarke and C. Blackett Robinson, \$100 each.

HAMILTON

Wm. Hendrie, \$500; James Stewart & Co., \$450; James Walker, John Stewart, Geo. Rutherford and Dr. McDonald, \$300 each; Matthew Leggat, \$250; Donald McLellan, \$200; Buntin, Gillies & Co., J. L. McQuesten, Rev. D. H. Fleicher, Rev. R. J. Laidlaw, \$150 each; F. S. Malloch, \$100; Jas. Reid, H. D. Cameron, Robt. Evans & Co., Jas. Watson, \$50 each.

MONTREAL

Hon. D. A. Smith, \$1,500; Joseph McKay (legacy), \$1,000; A few friends in Crescent street church, \$1,200.

SEAFORTH

D. D. Wilson, \$300; R. Jamieson, \$100; Thos. Gouinlock, \$50.

NEW FOUNDLAND

Browning, \$1,000.

KINGSTON

G. M. Macdonnell, \$200; Rev. Principal Grant, \$150; A. Macallister, \$100; Jas. Richmond, Jas. Minnes, \$60 each; J. R. Wightman, \$30; Godfrey Shore, \$25; smaller sums (cash), \$10.

LONDON

Session of St. Andrew's Church (McEwen bequest), \$500.

RENFREW

James Carswell, \$100; A. Burns, Rev. R. Campbell, \$20 each; James Stewart, \$10.

OTTAWA

Bronson & Son, \$1,500; Rev. D. M. Gordon, B.D., \$150. Rev. Dr. Moore, Rev. Wm. Armstrong, \$50 each; Miss Harman (cash), \$10.

PETERBORO'

G. M. Rogers, \$150; Rev. E. F. Torrance, \$100; Col. Haultain, for one year, \$25.

COBOURG

Joseph Henderson, \$150; R. Mulholland, \$100; Herbert Cartuther, \$40; A. Pringle, \$15.

BELLEVILLE

John Bell, Judge Lazier, A. G. Northrup, Thos. Ritchie, \$100 each.

THAMESVILLE

Robt. Ferguson, \$50; John Ferguson, \$20; Geo. Sherman, D.A. McFarlane, \$10 each; smaller sums, \$60; Georgetown, \$60.

WE have to acknowledge the receipt from the Rev. T. Fenwick, of Mitis, Que., of a photograph of the model of the statue of the great Scottish Reformer, John Knox, which it is designed to place in Edinburgh. The photograph is from a drawing by Mr. Fenwick. Any of our readers who may desire to obtain copies will be supplied by corresponding with him. Prices 13 cts., 25 cts. and 75 cts.

OBITUARY.

Another of our pioneer fathers passed away from our midst a few weeks ago, after a short but painful illness, borne with singular patience and resignation. Donald Spence was born in the island of Islay, Scotland, in the year 1804, and moved here to his then bush-farm over forty years ago. During a long and useful life he occupied several positions of honour and trust both in religious and secular circles, being for many years a member of Fenelon Council, and a most efficient magistrate. He was also an elder in St. Andrew's Church, Glenarm, since its erection about 14 years ago, and subsequently held the same office in the United Church in the same place. Whether in the Church or in any other capacity, he was always characterized as a man of a very gentle, peaceable disposition, but at the same time most strict and unswerving in maintaining the right. He leaves a wife and several sons and daughters to mourn his loss. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; the end of that man is peace."—COM.

GOSPEL WORK.

MESSRS. MOODY AND SANKEY IN GLASGOW.

Although I purpose confining my report this week almost entirely to the Circus work, a few brief notes about other parts of the city may be of interest. Mr. Moody's labours among the working-men of Patrick have been very successfully followed up by Mr. W. R. Bradlaugh's series of meetings. In the Cowcaddens district the crowds anxious to hear Mr. Moody have been so large that he has had to ask the Christians present to retire to a hall for prayer, and thus make room for non-church-goers.

Among the requests for prayer at these meetings was one for a student who came to the church to refute the statements of Mr. Moody. The friend who asked prayer for this man reported that he was in the inquiry-room, and was rejoicing in the Saviour. A worker induced a man to attend the church who had come up from Ayr for a night of fun at the theatre or music-hall; he was convinced of sin and apparently converted. At St. Andrew's Hall Sabbath meeting 105 rose up to be prayed for (the first two being grey-headed men), and seventy-five professed to receive and trust the Lord. Mr. Hislop reports that of 164 who signed the pledge at the Gospel temperance meeting in the Bridgeton Institute last Thursday, eighty-seven were entire strangers to the house of God, and the rest were seldom seen there.

Mr. Moody tells us that on leaving Berkeley street Church the other night he saw three men standing at a lamp-post trying to lead a man to Jesus. After speaking for a minute with them he left, and was accosted by a student, who asked his forgiveness. He had told him a lie. When asked if he was a Christian, he had said "Yes." He was not, but he wanted to become one.

In Rutherglen a very remarkable work of grace is going on. Two Roman Catholics have been brought in. Mr. Dunn, the evangelist, has gone there for a series of meetings this week. The fields are ripe. No fewer than 2,484 have joined the Blue Ribbon Army.

THE TESTIMONY-MEETING

on the evening of Monday week was the largest we have yet seen. When we entered, a young convert was speaking out of a full heart. He was quoting the answer Mr. Muller of Bristol gave to a young man who had asked his opinion about the theatre. The short answer was, "I am satisfied with Christ." The hymn was then sung, "I shall be satisfied." We expected to hear testimonies to the power of Divine grace to rescue the intemperate, and we were not disappointed.

1. A man who was converted in the Kibble Palace eight years ago, reminded Mr. Moody that the sermon he preached from the text, "Adam, where art thou?" was the means of blessing. "I got into a fearful state that night. I had been a terrible drunkard. I solemnly testify that I have been kept from that sin ever since." "Do you testify at home?" asked Mr. Moody. "Yes, on steamboat, in tramway-car, in railway carriage, and wherever I go." 2. "Since last Monday night I have not tasted a drop." Mr. Moody: "Here we have two witnesses to the power of God to keep men from this great sin—the one has been kept one week, the other eight years."

3. "I also was a slave to strong drink, and have