

## Ministers and Churches.

### Ottawa.

The executive of the Young People's Missionary Society of St. Andrew's church will contribute \$25 for hospital work in the Yukon. This is in response to Dr. Pringle's recent appeal.

A paper on general mission work in China was read by Mrs. Urquhart at the last meeting of Knox church Auxiliary to the society. Mrs. S. J. Jarvis presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Alexander. It was decided to meet as usual during July and August.

St. Paul's Auxiliary to the society met last week, Mrs. J. R. Hill presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. Thorburn. After devotional exercises and some routine business, the ladies sewed on the rag carpet they are making for the Northwest box. About six the ladies, twenty-three in all, had tea. Mrs. W. G. Charleston, Mrs. J. R. Hill, Mrs. W. J. Irvine and Mrs. C. H. Thorburn assisted in serving. It was decided to meet again on Tuesday, June 29th to complete the sewing.

Bank street Auxiliary to the society, at a largely attended meeting discussed the proposed contents of the annual Northwest box, which goes to Birtle. A map exercise on China, with particular reference to missions in Honan, was given, and Mrs. Geo. N. Hutchison contributed a vocal solo. Items of missionary interest were contributed by several ladies, among them Miss Stewart and Miss Allan, some being left over for lack of time. Mrs. J. J. Dewar presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Turnbull.

On Wednesday and Thursday of this week numerous interesting functions are to mark the closing of a very successful year of the Ottawa Ladies' College, the last year under the able management of Mrs. Ross. On both afternoons the Art Exhibit will be open to visitors and on Thursday at two o'clock will be held the Graduation Exercises. In the evening the Student's Reception will be enjoyed by the pupils, the teachers and the friends of the College. On Wednesday evening an elocutionary entertainment is to be given by members of the elocution class which has done excellent work under the direction of Mrs. Fraser. Two of her pupils, Miss Fluker and Miss Findlay, who are graduating in elocution, gave a delightful evening last week which was enjoyed by an audience that taxed the capacity of the assembly hall.

### Quebec.

The Rev. Donald Tait, B. A., who for nearly fifteen years has been the esteemed pastor of Chalmers' church, Quebec, tendered his resignation much to the universal regret of his congregation, and also of the Presbytery of Quebec of which he had been one of the most useful members. The resignation was regretfully accepted, and went into effect on the 31st May. On the 31st June, prior to his departure from Quebec, the congregation tendered him and his family a farewell social. The lecture room was most tastefully decorated with bunting, evergreens and flowers, and tables richly supplied with refreshments. Music was rendered by members of the choir. Mr. P. Johnston, a senior elder presided. Mr. William Brodie, in the name of the congregation, presented an appreciative address to Mr. Tait, which was accompanied by a purse of \$500, Miss Winfield at the same time presenting Mrs. Tait with a basket of exquisite flowers. The young people had already presented Mr. Tait with a beautiful and valuable travelling case; while the W. F. M. S. had given Mrs. Tait a travelling bag of rare design. Mr. Tait made a suitable reply, in which he thanked the congregation for the great and unvarying kindness with which they had treated him and his during his ministry among them. Revs. P. Boudreau, E. G. Walker and J. R. MacLeod (Presbytery Clerk) expressed their own great regret, and that of the Presbytery of Quebec, at Mr. Tait's removal from their bounds, and the sympathy of the Presbytery with the congregation. Some of the local clergy also made appreciative references to Mr. Tait and their happy relations with him.

It is well known that Mr. Tait cannot be content very long if not in the harness, and his friends will be glad to learn of his continued usefulness.

The members and adherents of the Presbyterian church, Valleyfield, met at the manse on Thursday evening to express their good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Duclos, before their departure

for Europe. A purse was presented to the pastor and a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Duclos, accompanied with a very suitable address. Refreshments were served by the ladies and a most delightful evening was spent. Mr. Duclos, as delegate, will attend the Pan Presbyterian Council in Liverpool.

### Eastern Ontario.

Rev. K. A. Gollan, of Dunvegan, and Rev. H. D. Leitch, of St. Elmo, have been preaching at Maxville.

The managers of St. Andrew's church, Almonte, at their last meeting, authorized some important repairs and improvements to the church property.

On a recent Sunday evening Rev. R. Young, in St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, preached from the text, "That we all may be one," giving a sermon on the union of the churches. He is a strong advocate of union.

The Rev. Dr. Grant and Mrs. Grant of Orillia, left last week for England. Both are delegates to the Pan Presbyterian Council at Liverpool. They expect to be absent till about the first of September.

Rev. Wm. Moore, licentiate, was ordained at Bradeside Presbyterian church and appointed by the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew to the mission field of Bradeside, White Church and Sand Point. Rev. A. McKenzie, Moderator of Presbytery, presided and preached the sermon.

The induction of Rev. Allan Morrison, took place last week into the pastorate of Kirkhill. Rev. N. H. McGillivray, of Cornwall, preached, Rev. K. A. Gollan, of Dunvegan, addressed the minister, and Rev. T. G. Thomson addressed the congregation.

Miss Florinda M., daughter of Rev. John Matheson, of Summerstown, won the first prize of \$3 in the final war map competition of the Montreal Wittness, for school children under 12 years of age.

At the communion service in the First church, Brockville, on Sunday last, the attendance of members was perhaps the largest in the history of the congregation. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Norman MacLeod, assisted by Rev. W. H. Kannawin, of Woodville.

Rev. Mr. Weir, pastor of Avonmore church, was last week the recipient of a very handsome and useful token of the esteem in which he is held by the congregation. On Tuesday evening a number of the members proceeded to the manse, to which at the same time a beautiful new carriage was taken and delivered to Mr. Weir. A kindly worded address, expressive of the friendly feelings felt by the congregation for their pastor and Mrs. Weir, accompanied the gift.

A social was held in St. Andrew's lecture room, Gananoque, last week, by the children of the congregation in honor of their success in collecting over sixty dollars towards the library of the school. There was a large attendance, refreshments were served and a short program rendered. The singing by the children was excellent, one selection, "Canada Forever," by Miss Machar, of Kingston, being exceptionally well rendered.

The Rev. John Pringle, D.D., occupied three pulpits on Sunday last in Montreal, on his way from the General Assembly, and came to Perth on Wednesday where he was the guest at St. Andrew's manse. In the evening at 8 o'clock a united meeting was held in Knox Church to give Dr. Pringle an opportunity to tell something of life and work in the Yukon Territory. Rev. A. H. Scott occupied the chair and in introducing Dr. Pringle referred to the time when they entered the university together, and to their friendship as class mates until their graduation day.

The Presbyterians of St. Elmo purpose celebrating the 40th anniversary of the opening of Gordon church, Indian Lands, early in July. It is the intention to have a large picnic in McEwen's grove, west of the church, on Friday, July 1, at which an attractive programme will be presented, and on the first two Sabbaths of July to have sermons preached by two leading divines of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. No pains are being spared to make the 40th anniversary a very special event. They should certainly try and have Ralph Connor and his father present, the former of whom immortalized the locality in his "Man From Glengarry," and the latter having been the honored minister of the congregation for many years.

The nineteenth anniversary of the opening of Knox Church building, Cornwall, was celebrated last week. The services on Sabbath, June 12th, were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Harkness. In the morning he spoke from Lev. 6:13—The heavenly Fire that must always burn. Modern temptations are for human devices to attract and please, but "Strange Fire" brings certain death. In the evening he spoke of The Heavenly Light that needs always to shine that in it glorifying works may be seen.

On Monday evening, 13th, the pastor delivered an intensely interesting address to a well filled church on "A Trip from Toronto to Korea by way of Japan." The audience knew that the trip had been experienced by the speaker and a feeling of reality possessed them. From an experience of seven years in Japan and Korea the speaker was able to bring out some of the most striking characteristics of these two nations and to tell of their present state of development. The choir added very much to the interest of the meetings by special music. At the close of the Monday evening gathering the ladies of the congregation treated all to refreshments.

### Western Ontario.

Huron Presbytery has sustained the call from Hensall to the Rev. McL. Smith, of Milton.

Rev. J. S. Scott, of St. Andrew's Church, Sarnia, exchanged pulpits with Rev. E. C. Currie of Burns' church, last Sunday.

Mr. W. Carson Barron, on retiring from the position of organist of the First church, London, was made the recipient of a valuable set of Wagner's books, consisting of fourteen volumes, handsomely bound in full morocco. The presentation was made in highly complimentary terms by the pastor, Rev. W. J. Clark, followed by speeches from Messrs. John Cameron, Principal Merchant and others.

It is reported that the congregation of St. Andrew's church, London, is extending a unanimous call to Rev. Prof. Ross of Montreal Presbyterian College. If the call is successful St. Andrew's people will have secured one of the best preachers in the Canadian church.

The induction of Rev. A. McWilliams into the pastorate of the First church, St. Mary's, took place, on the 16th inst., Rev. Dr. Hamilton, moderator of Presbytery, presiding. Rev. Hardie, of Listowel, addressed the minister; Rev. Macaulay, the people; and Rev. Leitch, of Stratford, preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion. Mr. McWilliams has been very heartily received by the members of his new charge, and enters upon his task in St. Mary's with good prospects for a prosperous future.

In the Board Room of MacNab street church, Hamilton, on Saturday evening the Board of Managers of the church and a number of the members personal friends, held a farewell for Mr. Alexander Leith, a member of the Board, who is leaving for British Columbia. On behalf of the friends, Mr. Donald McPhie presented Mr. Leith with a fine gold watch bearing the Leith crest on the outer case and the inscription "Presented to Alexander Leith by some friends of MacNab Street Church Congregation, Hamilton, June, 1904." In making the presentation Mr. McPhie referred to the able and willing service which the recipient had given the church during the ten years that he had held office; to the regret of every member at his leaving, and to their best wishes for his future. Short speeches were also made by Rev. Dr. Fletcher and Messrs. James Chisholm, J. M. Dingwall, A. W. Leitch, W. H. Wardrope, George H. Milne, Angus Sutherland, R. A. Ptolemy and C. W. Graham. Mr. Leitch made a suitable reply. A number of ladies of the church were present and served light refreshments.

In another column will be found the list of Instructors at the Presbyterian College, Montreal, for next term with the subjects in which each is to lecture. From this list will be seen that notwithstanding the unexpected changes in the staff the College has arranged the work so that it will give satisfaction to the Church as well as to the students. We are asked to state that owing to the resignation of Dr. Campbell and other probable changes in the staff of the College, the College Calendar has been delayed considerably later than usual.