

Ministers and Churches.

REV. R. N. GRANT conducted the anniversary services of Burns Church, Essa, on Sabbath [and Monday, October 2 and 3.

In noticing Dr. MacLeod's induction at Maxville, in last week's issue, instead of Rev. P. M. McLeod, the title should have been Rev. Dr. J. Macleod.

A MEETING of the Woman's Mission Societies of the Port Hope Presbyterian Churches was held lately in the Mill Street Church. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. McEwen, of Lakefield.

THE name of the Rev. R. H. Warden, secretary of the Foreign Mission Committee, was inadvertently omitted from the list of the members present at the meeting in Toronto last week. Mr. Warden was in his accustomed place.

THE members of Session and managers of the Presbyterian Church, Churchill, met at Lefroy on Monday evening to bid farewell to Mr. J. C. McKeggie, who is about to remove to Toronto. He was presented with a very appreciative address.

THE Presbyterian congregation of Wellandport had a dinner on the fair ground, and netted nearly \$50. The Sabbath congregations are exceedingly large, and the shed room is taxed to its utmost capacity. Nine additional members were added at the last communion.

By order of the Presbytery of Los Angeles, California, Rev. William Donald, of Colton, formerly of Port Hope, and latterly of Picton, and elder Dr. Craig have organized a Presbyterian Church in Redlands, a rapidly growing village, and one of the most promising in the Santa Anna Valley.

THE minister of Morewood's horse took sick a week or two ago and died, but before he had time to speak for another a couple of his members visited him, and in the name of the congregation presented him with another. At the same time the Chrysler section of the congregation presented him with a set of handsome robes.

THE ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Ottawa have just sent four large bales of clothing to the Indians of the North-West, under Rev. Mr. Flett's care. The Ottawa Auxiliary also held their annual "thank offering meeting" on October 11, at which \$232 were brought as free will offerings and solemnly dedicated to the Lord for His work.

THE postponed service of sacred song, held Monday evening in Division Street Church, Owen Sound, passed off pleasantly, the church being fairly well filled. Some good selections were rendered by the choir, and short addresses were given by the Revs. A. H. Scott, J. Goforth and T. M. Campbell. The chair was occupied by Mr. McKnight, in the absence of the Rev. Mr. Somerville.

THE Brockville Recorder says: The Presbyterian Church at Farmersville, recently purchased from the Methodists and thoroughly repaired and renovated, was opened yesterday. Suitable sermons were preached in the morning and evening by Rev. G. D. Bayne, of Morrisburg, and Clerk of the Brockville Presbytery, and in the afternoon by Rev. George Burnfield, of Brockville. Large congregations were present, and much enthusiasm shown over the opening of a Presbyterian Church. That denomination, which has hitherto been without a place of worship of their own has now obtained a firm footing in Farmersville.

G. B. HOWIE, who is announced to continue his lectures in Allenford and Elsinore (for another week) preached on Sabbath week in the latter place to a crowded congregation. Before giving his text, he referred to the Scott Act convictions which had taken place in the neighbourhood. "Hotel-keepers," you say, "broke the law, and therefore deserved punishment. This is true no doubt, but will any one tell me how much better or how much less immoral are those who tempt and seduce hotelkeepers illegally to sell liquor? Is there much difference between him who tempts and seduces, and him who commits the crime actually?"

ABOUT eighteen months ago the Presbytery of Barrie cut off Airlie from Angus and New Lowell, and formed it into a mission station, with Mr. Leishman, Moderator of Session. During the past summer this field developed very rapidly under the care of E. M. McKrae, student catechist. At last meeting of the Presbytery they applied for an ordained missionary to be sent them, promising \$220 toward his support. We have now two ordained ministers in the field that could scarcely support one when Mr. Leishman took up the congregation in 1884. This is progress. Very much of the success is due to the earnest, active work of Mr. McKrae during the past summer.

A UNITED meeting of the congregations constituting the Presbyterian charge in Bradford and neighbourhood were held in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday afternoon, when the question of extending a call to a minister was considered. The unanimous decision of a previous meeting was again ratified, and the name of Mr. F. Smith, of Markham, was inserted in the call. Rev. J. Carswell, Moderator, who very ably presided, opened the meeting with a few remarks upon some of the characteristics of a good minister. A special meeting of Presbytery will soon be held, in order to prosecute the call as speedily as possible, and have it ready for presentation at the next meeting of Toronto Presbytery.

THE opening meeting of the Young People's Association of Old St. Andrew's Church was held on Monday evening, the 17th inst. The officers for the ensuing year were appointed: Rev. G. M. Milligan, honorary president; Mr. C. G. Begg, president; Mr. W. Tyrrell, vice-president; Mr. C. N. Laurie, secy.-treasurer; Miss Shaw, assistant-treasurer; Miss Shortreed, editor; Miss L. M. Shaw, associate editor; Miss West, Miss Hamilton, Miss Bunting, Miss Tyrrell, Messrs. George Henderson, W. McClain, F. Fuller and W. Hall, executive committee. The first public meeting, to which all friends are invited, is to be held

on the 24th instant, after which the meetings will be held every fortnight.

AN interesting meeting was held in the Duchess Street Mission on Friday evening, October 21, the object being to organize a Young People's Christian Association. The chair was taken by Mr. E. B. McGhee. The attendance was forty one, being very encouraging to those desirous of establishing the association. The following officers were elected: Mr. George Smith, honorary president; Alexander Shepherd, president; Wm. Boston, first vice-president; Miss Sinclair, second vice-president; Frank Small, secretary; Charles Lauder, treasurer; Mrs. Smith, Miss Nolan, David Ross and H. F. Thomas, executive committee. The name given to the association was "The Duchess Street Mission Young People's Christian and Missionary Association," and the object—the extension of Christ's kingdom. The next meeting will be held Friday, November 4, at eight p.m., and be continued every alternate Friday.

LAST Thursday evening a large congregation assembled in the Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto, to witness the ordination of the Rev. Jonathan Goforth as a missionary to China. The alumni and students of Knox College have undertaken the support of Mr. Goforth, and have been deeply interested in the movement that has issued in the consecration of their first direct representative to a foreign field. The Rev. John McKay, of Scarborough, preached an impressive discourse from Romans i. 14. He showed that obligation rested on the Christian Church to preach the Gospel to all nations. The Rev. P. McF. McLeod bore testimony to Mr. Goforth's abilities and special qualifications for the important work in which he was about to engage; and then proceeded to put the questions of the formula. These having been satisfactorily assented to, an impressive ordination prayer was offered, and the young missionary was then ordained by the laying on of hands. Dr. Wardrop, Convener of the Home Mission Committee, then addressed Mr. Goforth in affectionate and fitting terms. Thereafter Professor McLaren addressed the congregation on the need, the duty and encouragements of more enlarged missionary effort. At the conclusion of the services Mr. Goforth received the congratulations and well-wishes of his many friends.

THE New York Daily News speaks on this wise: De Witt Chapel is situated on Twenty-ninth Street near Seventh Avenue. It is a shoot from the Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, of which Dr. Ormiston is pastor. The building used for the work was formerly occupied by the day school of the Reformed Church. This school is now up-town, and the whole of the building on Twenty-ninth Street is devoted to Church work. The present position of the De Witt Chapel is due to the hard work of Rev. Kenneth F. Junor, who is among the sick and afflicted, giving words of comfort to them, and remedies to those whose needs make them necessary. The work having grown to such proportions that one man was unable to perform it with satisfaction, it was found necessary to secure the services of Rev. Benjamin E. Dickhaut, a graduate from the New Brunswick Theological School, who was ordained for the work. This is the only place where a missionary has been ordained by the Synod for the work of city missions. The congregational work has been performed by Dr. Junor, and the Sunday school work, music, etc., has devolved upon Mr. Dickhaut. This plan has been in operation for nearly a year, and is working satisfactorily. The News adds: "Dr. Junor has accomplished wonders during his incumbency."

THE Bradford Witness says: At the anniversary services held in the Presbyterian Church, Churchill, gratitude was expressed to Providence for the indications of prosperity which have attended the congregation during the past year. The Session had regular meetings on the first Monday of each month, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society met on the first Wednesday of each month, the week day and Sabbath evening prayer meetings have been well attended, especially those in the north congregation, the Sabbath schools and Bible classes met regularly, the average attendance in each Bible class being about twenty-five. The financial retrospect also was very satisfactory. In the contributions for the Schemes of the Church Orillia comes first, Barrie second, Churchill third and Collingwood fourth. In the total amount of contributions for all purposes per family, Collingwood is first, the amount per family being \$37 70; Churchill second, \$32.30 per family; Barrie third, \$30 80 per family, and Orillia fourth, being somewhat less than \$20 per family. This in connection with the improvements made on the church and manse grounds is very creditable to the congregation, and should inspire them to still greater things for the coming year, for the promise is, "Them that honour Me I will honour, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed," "So shall your barns be filled with plenty, and your presses burst forth with new wine."

MRS. WILSON writes from Indore, under date of Sept. 20, that Mrs. Murray died of atrophy of the liver (malignant jaundice). On Friday morning, Sept. 16, Mrs. Murray was unwell, and symptoms of jaundice appeared. The physician of the station was immediately in attendance. On Saturday she was able to rise and converse with a missionary who was passing to the hill country. She complained of weariness, and slept for a couple of hours; awoke about five p.m., and slept again. Awakening at seven p.m., she was apparently unconscious, and so remained till her death. About midnight severe vomiting set in, and continued hourly. As soon as the black vomit appeared, the physician pronounced the case hopeless. She died at midnight on Sabbath, Sept. 18. Rev. Messrs. Campbell and Builder and their families, as well as Miss Ross, were away at the time. The Wilsons were telegraphed on Sabbath evening. They left Neemuch for Indore at two a.m. on Monday, and arrived in time for the funeral, which took place on that day. Rev. Mr. Scott, Presbyterian chaplain at Mhow, was present when Mrs. Murray died, and showed much kindness. The funeral services were conducted by Messrs. Scott, Wilson and the chaplain of the Church of England at Indore. All the people of the station attended the funeral,

and much sympathy was manifested toward Mr. Murray. He would leave with the Wilsons for Neemuch on the following day.

THE opening service of the new Presbyterian Church, Midland, took place on Sabbath, the 16th inst. Large audiences were present at all the services, and the seating capacity of the church was taxed to the full. The Rev. Dr. James, of Walkerton, father of the pastor, preached morning and evening, and delighted his hearers with his earnest and eloquent words. His text in the morning was taken from 1 Kings ix. 3, and the theme to which attention was directed was what constitutes true consecration. The evening discourse, which was a masterpiece of eloquence, was founded on Hebrews vii. 25, and the theme Christ's ability to save. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Taylor, of the Canada Methodist Church, who had very kindly closed his own church for the occasion, preached from the text Ephesians v. 8, "Walk as Children of the Light." His discourse was directed chiefly to the young people, and was full of good sound advice, put in such a pleasing manner that he was listened to attentively throughout. The collections at all the services amounted to \$128. On Monday evening a tea meeting was held, at which there was a large attendance. Tea was served in the basement, after which an adjournment was made to the church, where the audience was entertained with music and speaking. Addresses were delivered by the chairman, Mr. J. B. Horrel, and the Rev. Messrs. Craw, Taylor and Glassford. These addresses were full of good sound advice, and were far above the average tea-meeting speeches. Mr. J. M. Dollar gave a financial statement of the Building Fund, showing it to be in a flourishing condition, and at the same time made complimentary allusion to the grand work done by the ladies of the congregation in furnishing heating and lighting for the new church. A number of good selections were rendered by the choir, and an organ solo by Miss Henderson was well received by the congregation. Mr. James, the pastor, made a few suitable remarks, thanking the chairman and speakers for their presence and help, and the proceedings were closed with the doxology and benediction.

THE Cobourg World says: On Friday evening last the Presbyterians of this town, in the lecture room of their Church, held one of the most delightful socials ever held in connection with the church. The lecture room, which was beautifully decorated with plants and bunting, was packed to the doors with friends and adherents of the congregation. The social was got up (1) to welcome the Rev. Mr. McCrae on his return from an extended trip to the South Western States; (2) to commemorate the fifth anniversary of his induction to the pastorate; and (3) to jubilate over the fact that this year the church has become free from debt. The pastor occupied the chair, and delivered an earnest address in which he stated that 250 members had been added to the communion roll during the five years of his pastorate, ending the early part of last summer. During that time the congregation had raised \$20,256 for all purposes. He was now in the sixth year of his pastorate, and he urged them, now that they were free from debt, to enter on the great work of helping one another in their spiritual life, and of saving souls, with more earnestness than ever before. He was glad to say that there was the most perfect harmony in the Session, the Board of Management, the choir, and amongst the members and adherents of the Church. A letter was read from the Rev. Dr. Nelles, expressing regret that he was compelled to be absent on account of illness, and congratulating the pastor on his success and the congregation on their financial and spiritual prosperity, and both pastor and people on the happy relations existing among them. The World, too, congratulates the Presbyterians of Cobourg on their good fortune in possessing a minister who preaches the Gospel of the Golden Rule—"thinking the deed, and not the creed, will help us in our utmost need." His praise is in all the Churches. Mr. E. A. Macnachten next read the managers' statement, which was very satisfactory. Addresses expressing well-wishes and offering congratulations were made by the Rev. Dr. Williams of the Division Street Methodist Church, the Rev. Dr. Badgley, of Victoria College and the Rev. G. H. Copeland, of the King Street Methodist Church. All the addresses were eloquent—Dr. Badgley's especially. The choir of the Church added to the evening's enjoyment by rendering several anthems in a most charming manner. Refreshments were served during the evening. A feature of this social was that no admission fee was charged. A plate was placed at the door, and the contributions were voluntary. The meeting broke up a little after ten o'clock, and all quit the room feeling that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.—This Presbytery met on the 13th ult., in the First Presbyterian Church, London. The attendance of members was good. The following are some of the items of business transacted: Mr. T. Ormiston, elder, North Delaware, was again instructed to resign his office, and the Session of North Delaware were instructed to delete certain minutes from the Session records. Mr. McConnell's resignation, lying on the table since last meeting of Presbytery, after due consideration and hearing parties was received. Arrangements were made for declaring the Church vacant on the 16th October; Mr. J. S. Henderson was appointed Moderator of Session during the vacancy. Messrs. Scott and Bethune, students labouring within its bounds, appeared before the Presbytery, and on recommendation of the Examining Committee were ordered to be certified to the authorities of Knox College. A number of Session records were examined and duly attested. On motion duly tabled and considered, it was agreed to hold next meeting of Presbytery in Knox Church, St. Thomas on the second Tuesday of December, at eleven a.m. Official intimation was given from English Settlement, recently separated from Proof Line, that the pastor's salary is fixed at \$800 and manse. The Presbytery expressed its satisfaction with the intimation. Leave was granted the First Presbyterian Church, London, to borrow on mortgage such amount of money as may be required to purchase church lot. At the evening tederant, the subject of "Systematic