

Rev. G. Osborne Troop, in a recent sermon, pointed out that the word "martyr" and the word "Protestant," the former springing from the Greek, and the latter from the Latin, were etymologically connected, having their root in the same idea. We were accustomed to think of the martyr as one who had sealed his testimony with his blood; but in the New Testament the term was by no means thus limited. The martyr of the New Testament was a witness to Christ. The word "martyr" in the Greek simply meant a witness to Christ, as used in the New Testament, and the word "Protestant" meant, in the Latin, used in reference to the New Testament, a witness to Christ. It was, then, as witnesses to the simplicity and truth of the glorious gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and especially as witnesses to His own glorious personalities, as the one complete Savior of all men who believed, that they were Protestants to-day.

#### Quebec.

While at Murray Bay, Rev. A. T. Love, of St. Andrew's church, Quebec, conducted services in the Union church there.

Rev. Orr Bennett, of Almonte, was the preacher to Chalmers' congregation for the past two Sundays. By next Sunday it is expected that Rev. D. Tait will have returned to his pastoral duties, after a restful visit to Vancouver and other points on the Pacific coast and the great west.

Rev. Mr. Muir, recently of Donald, B. C., was a guest at "the Manse," Richmond, Que., last week.

The Presbytery of Quebec met at Sherbrooke last Tuesday.

#### Western Ontario.

Rev. Dr. Marcus, of Louisville, Kentucky, occupied the pulpit in the First church, Chatham, both morning and evening last Sunday.

Preparatory service was held at Chalmers' church, Woodstock, on Friday evening. Rev. Mr. Cockburn, of Paris, conducted the service.

Rev. Robert Wilson, of Birr, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's church, Tilbury, on the 15th inst., and in the evening Dr. Ferguson read Rev. J. F. Johnston's resignation as pastor of the congregation.

The first wedding to take place in St. Andrew's church, Windsor, since its erection eight years ago, was celebrated on Tuesday, when Miss Margaret Coutts, was married to Joseph Applebe. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Tolmie.

The next meeting of Hamilton Presbytery will be held at Simcoe on Tuesday, 8th September. There will be a public meeting in the evening. This is a new departure as hitherto the regular meetings have alternated between Hamilton and St. Catharines.

On the request of the Cayuga congregation, presented by T. L. Turnbull, Hamilton presbytery sanctioned the ordination of Rev. Allen Leslie Howard as a missionary there for two years. The ordination was fixed for July 14, at 2:30 p. m. A committee was appointed to confer with the former pastor of Cayuga, Rev. Mr. Edgar, and the congregation, over a dispute respecting salary.

#### Eastern Ontario.

Prof. McNaughton of Queen's has been appointed Croll Lecturer for 1904-5. His subject will be the Teaching of Jesus.

It is reported that Prof. McComb of Queen's has been offered the position of Professor of Theology at Pine Hill, Halifax.

Rev. J. M. Miller, of Ridgeway, was inducted on Thursday to take charge of the congregation of Dalhousie which includes the missions of Zion, St. James, Hopetown and Brightside. The new pastor will reside at Watson's Corners.

Rev. W. MacWilliam formerly pastor of the Mill street, Port Hope, church preached at the First Presbyterian church at both services on Sunday. The ordination and induction of Rev. H. E. Abraham will take place at the First church on Tuesday July 14th. After which a reception and social will be held in the Town Hall.

Very little business was done at the meeting of the Brockville Presbytery last week. Only one or two items of interest were up, viz.: Home missions report, and hearing Mr. McDonald give his account of his visit to the assembly in

Vancouver. The mission fields are now a thing of the past as only one remains, North Augusta, Fairfield etc., and it is expected a minister will be settled there in the fall. Mr. Strachan, Mr. Chisholm and Mr. Logie were appointed to visit the augmented fields in the Presbytery.

Rev. W. A. Morrison, who was lately inducted into the pastorate of Cote St. George and Dalhousie Mills, was married at Sherbrooke, Que., to Miss Helen Rankin Shearer, of that city. On their arrival at Dalhousie, they were fettered a largely attended reception, which testified to, in unmistakable manner, the warm feelings entertained by the parishioners of Cote St. George and Dalhousie for their pastor and his bride.

#### Northern Ontario.

At the meeting of the Saugeen Presbytery Westminster church, Mt. Forest, asked the privilege of building a manse on the present church property. Messrs. Robert Scott and Alex Martin were present and supported the request, which was granted.

#### Reception to Rev. Dr. Fletcher.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher, Moderator of the General Assembly, was given a very hearty reception on Friday by his congregation in the Macnab street church, Hamilton. The reception was more than that of his own people welcoming him home, and congratulating him on his elevation to the Moderatorship of the General Assembly. It was in the nature of a greeting from representatives of the various Protestant denominations of the city. Mr. D. McPhie presided. A congratulatory address from the congregation of Macnab Street church was read by Mr. W. H. Wardrop, K. C., and Dr. Fletcher responded very happily to the kind things said of him. A beautiful bouquet of carnations was presented to Mrs. Fletcher by Mr. Alex. Leith, on behalf of the congregation, and Mrs. Fletcher appropriately expressed her thanks. Addresses were given by Rev. Dr. Lyle of the Central Presbyterian church, who was Dr. Fletcher's nominator for Moderator at Vancouver; Mayor Morden; Rev. F. E. Howitt, of St. George's Anglican church; Rev. J. H. Hazlewood of Wesley Methodist church; Mr. A. I. Mackenzie of St. John's church; Rev. J. C. Unsworth of the First Congregational church; Mr. George Rutherford, Central church; Mr. Adam Brown, church of the Ascension; Rev. John Morton, retired Congregational minister, and Rev. E. A. Henry of Knox church. An interesting programme of music was given and refreshments were served. Dr. Fletcher has been pastor of Macnab Street church for thirty years.

#### Hamilton Presbytery.

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Hamilton Presbytery held on the 7th in Knox church. Rev. A. MacWilliams was the moderator, and Rev. Dr. Fletcher, was the clerk. Rev. J. D. Cunningham, B. A., assistant to Rev. Dr. Fletcher, appeared for examination and was accepted and licensed to preach.

After some discussion as to the constitutional rights, it was decided to hold the next Presbytery in Simcoe on the second Tuesday in September. This is a decided innovation. Revs. W. J. Dey, J. Robertson and Mr. Frank Reid, K. C., were named to make arrangements concerning the meeting and also about the public meeting to be held in the evening.

Rev. J. W. Mitchell reported that the districts of Abingdon, Binbrook and Saltfleet were under the new arrangements in a more hopeful condition.

Rev. T. L. Turnbull presented a request on behalf of the Cayuga congregation to the effect that Rev. Allan Leslie Howard, at present laboring with the congregation, be ordained as a missionary for two years there. This request was granted, and it was decided that Mr. Howard should be ordained in Cayuga on July 14. Rev. T. L. Turnbull will preside, Rev. Mr. Ellison will preach, and Rev. Dr. Wallis will address the people and Rev. Mr. Mitchell will address the pastor.

A committee was appointed to try to arrange a settlement between Rev. Mr. Edgar, former pastor of Cayuga, and the congregation at Cayuga, concerning some differences in money matters.

Friends of Rev. G. C. Patterson, pastor of Knox church, Embro, will regret to learn that since his return from the General Assembly at Vancouver, he has not been in good health and that he was threatened with typhoid fever.

#### Presbytery of Owen Sound.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of Owen Sound was held in Division Street Hall, on the 7th instant. There was a fair attendance of the members and considerable business was transacted. A call from Latona and Burns church, Rocky Saugeer, in favor of Rev. W. W. Atcheson, of Seaford, was sustained and arrangements made for Mr. Atcheson's ordination in Latona, on the 21st of July at 2 p. m., in case of his acceptance; Revs. Mr. Nelson to preside, Mr. Mathewson to preach, Mr. Currie to address the minister and Mr. Hunter the people. The Clerk was instructed to ask for explanations from any Session failing to send its Records for examination annually.

Messrs. Currie, Matheson, and Fraser and the representative elders from Annan and Keady were appointed a committee to visit Brooke and report to the next regular meeting of the Presbytery as to the desirability and practicability of organizing a Presbyterian congregation there. Messrs. Currie and McNabb were appointed to take the necessary legal steps for perfecting the title deeds of Church property in any congregation where it may be found necessary and pastors of such congregations are requested to co-operate with them. Mr. Smith was requested to report to the next regular meeting of Presbytery on the continuance of services at Cayen church, St. Vincent, and if thought advisable to discontinue, on the disposal to be made of the Church property there. Interesting reports of the recent meeting of the General Assembly in Vancouver, were given by the Commissioners who represented the Presbytery, and the Treasurer was instructed to pay their travelling expenses, as agreed on at the March meeting. These not yet returned or unable to be at this meeting will report at the next regular meeting, which will be on the first Tuesday in September.

#### The Gospel for Quebec! An Appeal for French Evangelization.

On July 26th, the last Sabbath of this month, by appointment of the General Assembly, many congregations throughout the Church, in which there are no missionary Associations, are to take up their annual contributions for French Evangelization. To all such this appeal is made. The Committee have pleasure in acknowledging the hearty and generous way the congregations and friends of the cause have responded in the past and they believe they will respond as generously in the future.

#### WHAT IS DONE WITH THE MONEY?

The congregations have a right to know what is done with the money. Last year it went to help support thirty-one pastors and ordained missionaries, seventeen students, evangelists, colporteurs and seventeen teachers. These workers are scattered over forty-one counties in Quebec, four in Ontario, and three in New Brunswick. They occupied forty mission fields with eighty-five preaching stations and ministered to 1859 individuals over ten years of age, representing 800 families and 366 single persons not connected with families. The communicants number 1090, of whom 139 were added during the year. At Sunday School 800; at Mission day-school 557, of whom 281 are from Roman Catholic homes. Copies of Scriptures distributed, 2,628; religious tracts and papers, 35,118. The fields contributed \$6,638; the schools \$2,376; a total of \$9,014, an average of \$11 per family. Total receipts for the year, \$34,178.12; total expenditure, \$35,518.05. Required for current year for the Pointe-aux-Trembles and French Evangelization Funds, \$36,000. If all will help, some doing as well as last year, others doing a little better, by the blessing of the Head of the Church, the full amount will be forthcoming.

#### THE GOSPEL FOR QUEBEC.

Quebec needs the Gospel. The people are hungering for the bread of life. A blessed leavening process is going on and making its influence felt. The missionaries are doing excellent work. A hundred pupils had to be turned away from the Pointe-aux-Trembles schools last year for want of room. How long is this to continue? We miss noble workers. Father Chiniquy is no longer with us but his work remains. Dr. MacVicar is no longer with us. We miss him. We deplore his loss. His last hours on earth were given to the glorious cause of French Evangelization. Could they have been better spent? The moment has come for a forward movement. To the help of the Lord! To the help of the Lord against the mighty!

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