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THE SCOTCH ASSEMBLIES.

ESTABLISHED CHURCH.

THE General Assembly of the Established Church was opened in Edinburgh, May 23rd. The day was kept a holiday, and fine summer weather added to the success of the proceedings connected with the ceremony attending the opening of the Supreme Court of the Established Church. At eleven o'clock, Lord Hopetoun, Lord High Commissioner to the Assembly, held a levee at Holyrood Palace. The ancient royal residence was profusely decorated, completely transforming its customary sombre aspect. After the levee, Lord and Lady Hopetoun, with representatives of civic dignitaries of the leading Scottish towns clad in their robes of office, drove in procession to St. Giles' Cathedral, the streets being lined with military.

After the usual preliminaries, the business of the reverend Court was commenced.

The retiring Moderator (Dr. Gray, Liberton) preached to a crowded congregation, and business was thereafter commenced in the Assembly Hall.

Rev. Dr. Gray delivered his retiring address. In his remarks he said that without clerical agitation and political complications there was no danger to the Church. He moved that the Rev Dr. Paton J. Gloag (Galashiels) be elected his successor as Moderator

The motion was cordially agreed to and Dr. Gloag was introduced to the Assembly amid loud cheers.

The Queen's letter and the Commission appointing Lord Hopetoun Her Majesty's Commissioner were read.

His Grace said he had been commanded to assure the Assembly of her Majesty's high sense of the zeal, services, and loyalty of the Church, and she was determined to maintain the Presbyterian form of government in Scotland. He intimated her Majesty's usual grant of £2,000.

The Moderator expressed the satisfaction felt by the Assembly at the reappointment of Lord Hopetoun as Commissioner.

Some other routine business was then disposed of, and the Assembly adjourned till the following day.

(To be continued)

FREE CHURCH.

THE General Assembly of the Free Church met as usual in their hall at The Mound, Edinburgh. There was a large attendance.

Rev. Dr. Aird (Creigh), the retiring Moderator, preached a sermon from Matthew 11 16. He afterwards moved the election of the Rev. Dr. Laird (Cupar, Fife) as his successor in the chair.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Gray (elder), and unanimously adopted.

Rev. Dr. Laird, who was cordially received, delivered an address, in the course of which he said that there was more life in the Church than there was fifty or sixty years ago, but parental duties were not now so faithfully discharged. The Sabbath was not kept as it used to be, attendance at ordinances had fallen off and there was not the same thirst for the Word as in former times. He thought the Free Church was better entitled to the name "Church of Scotland" than was the Established Church.

A committee was appointed to prepare an address to the Queen, and the Assembly adjourned till the following day.

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WITHIN the past thirty years the Wesleyans of England have had a net increase of 111,473.

THE Rev. Dr. Scott, of Saltcoats, and the Rev. Mr. Barrie, of Dumbarton, have been named as possible successors of the Rev. John McNeill, in Edinburgh.

A VERY pleasant telegraphic despatch was read by the Stated Clerk of the Northern General Assembly at one of sessions of the Assembly on Monday, May 20th. It conveyed the information that in the will of Alexander Folsom, who died lately in Michigan, the following bequests were made to Presbyterian institutions: Home Missions, $30,000; Foreign Missions, $30,000; Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sunday-School Work, $10,000, to the Presbyterian Board for Freedmen, $20,000; to the Presbyterian Board of Education, $20,000; to the Board of Relief for Infirm and Disabled Ministers, $50,000. Mr. Folsom in his life time contributed largely to the foundation of the Presbyterian College in Michigan.

THE Reformed Presbyterian Synod in Scotland has held its annual meeting in Nicholson street church, Glasgow, the Rev. A. P. Gillespie, B A, of Loanhead, being Moderator. The Rev. Samuel Ferguson, B.A, appeared as a deputy from the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Rev. Dr. Matthews was very cordially received as the representative of the Presbyterian Alliance, and he made graceful reference to his own early indebtedness to the godly example of members of the Cameronian Church, and to the friendship he had enjoyed with members of that church in America. The Rev. J. P. Struthers received a hearty vote of thanks for his successful management of the *Morning Watch*, the church magazine for children. In connection with the Sustentation Fund, it was reported that the minimum stipend for the last two years had been £156, with a manse.

THE Reformed Episcopal Church of England has transformed itself into the Free Protestant Church of England Mission. Its object is to protest against Ritualism and every form of Popery, by providing a pure and spiritual service. It retains the Thirty-nine Articles, but uses the Revised Prayer-Book. The Liturgy is not intoned, and only the Psalms, the Te Deum, and the Sanctus in the Communion Service are sung. The Athanasian Creed is banished from all the services. All clergymen and Nonconformist ministers are eligible to become ministers of the Mission, and women also will be accepted as helpers in the work. We are informed that the Mission is designed to gather together members of the Church of England who cannot endure the Romish practices and doctrines imported into their services. Rev. Thomas Greenland, M.A, late Rector of Rathby, in the Diocese of Lincoln, is bishop, and Rev. Wm. Warder, 26 Paternoster-row, secretary.

THE success of the Tonic Sol-fa College was more marked last year than in any since its incorporation in 1875. The certificates issued were 23,936, an advance on 1887 8 of 1 429; while the school teachers' certificates rose from 86 to 300. There were 44 applicants for the 16 scholarships. The capital now stands at £5.144 Mr. H. L. W. Lawson, M.P., in presiding over the crowded annual gathering in Exeter Hall praised the tonic sol-fa movement for the popularising of good music it had effected, and said the true standard of musical progress in the country was not the efforts of the few but the performances of the many. Choirs conducted by Messrs. J. Proudman, McNaught and Venables gave choruses and part-songs, and their singing of a sight test, the anthem, 'O give thanks,' by C. Iseard, was received with loud applause. In compliment to the president of the College, Mr. Spencer Curwen, the Chairman, accorded an encore to the song, 'I think of thee,' composed by Annie J. Curwen.

ON Friday, May 17th, a deputation waited on Lord Salisbury at the Foreign Office to lay before him a memorial on behalf of the mission and trading stations in Nyassaland, Central Africa. The memorial was signed by above 11,000 ministers and elders in Scotland; and the deputation was from the joint committee appointed by the Edinburgh Presbyteries of the Church of Scotland, the Free Church, and the United Presbyterian Church. Lord Balfour, of Burleigh, introduced the deputation; and the Prime Minister was also addressed by the Rev. Dr. Scott, of Edinburgh, chairman of the joint committee; the Rev. Horace Waller, representing the Universities' Mission of the Church of England; Mr. Campbell White and Mr. Moir, of the African Lakes Company; and the Rev. J. M'Murtrie, Foreign Mission Convener of the Church of Scotland. Lord Salisbury, in reply, acknowledged the difficulty of the position in Nyassa on account of the unfriendly attitude of the Portuguese, who had command of the seacoast. He scouted the idea, however, of the Portuguese attempting to take possession of Nyassaland. He did not think that the Government would interfere at present, but "the great enterprises in the interior must be left to the activity, the zeal, the ability, and the courage of Englishmen, not in their corporate, but in their individual capacity."

SAYS the Philadelphia *Presbyterian*: The Rev. Dr. W. C. Roberts, the Moderator of the General Assembly, in the graceful speech made when he assumed the Moderator's chair, said that he had been suspended, as it were, during the last six months, "between Chicago and New York, and it was to be decided before the close of the Assembly whether he would return to Lake Forest or remain in New York." This was said in allusion to the effort which the supporters of Lake Forest University were making to raise the sum of $400,000 as an endowment for the University, and thus comply with the pledges given when Dr. Roberts was called to the Presidency. The news comes from Chicago that the subscriptions necessary to fulfil the pledge made were closed last week, the entire amount having been raised. The $400,000 just raised not only meets the condition pledged when Dr. Roberts went to Chicago, but secures an additional sum of $100,000 offered to the University by a wealthy citizen of Chicago on condition that $400,000 be previously obtained. Thus in less than three years this University has secured $700,000, the largest amount of money ever subscribed for any educational enterprise in Chicago in the same length of time. We suppose that this noble and successful effort, and its successful termination, will result in the continuance of Dr. Roberts in the Presidency of the University, and his declinature of the Secretaryship of the Board of Home Missions, to which he was lately elected.

Special Notices.

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IRISHMEN are said by a Belfast paper to be coming to the front in England, Rev. J. T. M'Gaw being appointed general secretary, while Dr. McCaw, Clerk of Synod, hails from the Emerald Isle. So also does Dr. Wright, of the Bible Society, who is an elder in the Upper Norwood church.

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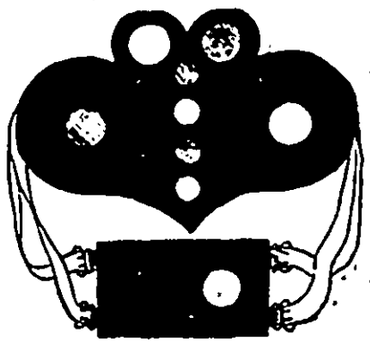

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