

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—The quarterly meeting of Presbytery was held in Dumfries Street Church, Paris, on Monday and Tuesday, March 9 and 10, Rev. R. Pettigrew, Moderator, presiding. The annual report on Sabbath schools was presented by James Bell, Woodstock, B.D., and on Temple by Rev. D. M. Beattie, B.D., and on State of Religion by Rev. W. S. McTavish, B.D. The whole of Monday afternoon and evening was spent in conference on these reports. On Tuesday at ten a.m. ordinary business was entered on and the reports referred to were ordered to be forwarded to the Synod. Commissioners to the General Assembly in Kingston in June were appointed as follows: Revs. Dr. Cochran, Dr. McMullen, E. Cockburn, W. S. McTavish, I. C. Talmie and P. Straith, M.A., ministers, and Messrs. Robson, James Bell, E. Jonathan, W. Oliver, Thomas Phillips and James Russell, elders. The report of the annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Presbyterial Society was presented by Dr. McMullen, who was instructed to convey to the ladies the Presbytery's appreciation of their noble work. The report showed that \$1,350.56 has been raised for foreign missions during the year. The committee appointed to prepare a suitable minute in reference to the death of the late Rev. W. Robertson, M.A., of Chesterfield, reported the following, which was adopted: With feelings of unfeigned sorrow while at the time bowing in reverent submission to the allwise will of God, the Presbytery record the death on the 10th of January, 1891, of Rev. William Robertson, M.A., late pastor of Chesterfield congregation, his first and only charge, for the long period of nearly thirty-two years, having been ordained and inducted into the charge of said congregation on January 29, 1859. Mr. Robertson was indeed a brother beloved. He was a man of remarkably kind heart, a sympathizing, laborious and faithful pastor, an able preacher, a ripe scholar in the department of science as well as theology, and a highly respected and influential member of the superior courts of the Church. To his bereaved wife and family and to his sorrowing congregation the Presbytery extend most heartfelt sympathy, and pray that in their great affliction they may be comforted by the God of all grace. By his Christian example, devoted and useful life and earnest ministry we would be reminded that he being dead yet speaketh. Next meeting to be held in St. Paul's, Ingersoll, July 7.—W. T. McMULLEN, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARRY.—This Presbytery held its quarterly meeting in Knox Church on Tuesday the 10th inst., the Moderator, Rev. Alexander Matheson, presiding. Among those present were the Revs. J. S. Burnet, J. Hastie, Dr. Macnish, J. A. G. Calder, J. J. Cameron, G. C. Smith, John Mackenzie, D. McLaren, Malcolm McLennan, D. D. McLennan, John Matheson, Rodene McLeod, and A. Givan, and the following elders, viz.: Messrs. Benjamin Clark, D. P. McKinnon, W. J. Scott, N. McLeod, Mr. Cheney, H. McIntosh, W. Craig and M. McLean. A call from St. Luke's Church, Finch, was presented in favour of the Rev. John McKinnon, of Roslin, Kingston Presbytery, but on account of its unfinished state it was returned to be completed. Reports were given by Revs. J. S. Burnet, Cormack and McEachren re their visits to Summerstown, Gravel Hill and Glen Sandfield respectively. They recommended the continuance of the annual grant of supplement. This was agreed to. A call was presented by Mr. D. D. McLennan from Kirk Hill in favour of Rev. Malcolm McLennan, B.D., of St. Elmo. The Rev. D. D. McLennan was appointed to preach at St. Elmo on Sunday, 15th inst., and cite that congregation to appear at Presbytery on the 24th inst. at Maxville. The call was hearty and unanimous. Rev. Mr. Hastie gave in a report on the Assembly's remit to the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. It recommended that rules 3, 4, 9 and 10 remain as they are; that rule 15 be amended as proposed by the standing committee; that rule 16 as printed be adopted. This was agreed to. On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hastie and the Rev. J. I. Cameron, the Assembly's remit re marriages with a deceased wife's sister was approved of. It provides that discipline shall not be exercised towards any members who may be so related, nor against any minister who performs such marriages. The following commissioners were appointed to the ensuing General Assembly: Revs. Givan, D. D. McLennan, Calder, Malcolm McLennan and John McKenzie, ministers; Messrs. D. B. McLennan, Q.C., Mr. McIntosh, W. J. Scott, Charles McDonald and Dr. Ault, elders. The Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, was nominated as Moderator of Assembly. Rev. D. McLaren presented an excellent printed report of the Sunday schools of the Presbytery, for which he received thanks. Rev. Mr. McCormack, of Alexandria, was instructed to prepare and have printed an abridged report of the statistical report for the year, that each family may get a copy. The Presbytery adjourned in the evening, and will meet again at Maxville on Tuesday, the 24th inst., at eleven a.m. to dispose of the calls from St. Elmo and from Finch, and any other business that may come up. The next regular meeting will be held in Alexandria on the second Tuesday in July, at eleven a.m.

PRESBYTERY OF CALGARY.—This Presbytery met in St. John's Church, Medicine Hat, on March 16. Present, R. A. Munro, Moderator, J. C. Herdman, John P. Grant, C. W. Gordon, J. A. Matheson, and A. J. McLeod, ministers, and John J. Ferguson, of Banff, representative elder, John Fernie, Thomas Paton and G. S. Scott, unordained missionaries, were also in attendance. The Home Mission Report showed that for the past six months services have been conducted in twelve fields. New churches have been constructed at Pine Creek, Canmore, Beaver and High River. A Session and a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society have been organized at Banff; Young People's Christian Endeavour Societies at Calgary and Lethbridge; Ladies' Aid Society at Pine Creek, and a Children's Mission Band at Medicine Hat. The claims for the past half-year are as follows: From Augmentation Fund \$400, from Home Mission Fund \$1,575, making a

total of \$1975. Claims for ensuing six months: for Augmentation \$750; for Home Mission Fields \$109 per week. The reduction on fields already worked amounts altogether to \$15 per week, one, Lethbridge, becoming self-sustaining. Number of new fields to be opened out, seven. Total number of fields twenty-one. Application to be made for four ordained men and seven students. The Chinese work within the bounds was fully discussed. Deep gratitude was expressed at the progress of the work among the Chinese in Donald. Since last regular meeting eight Chinamen have been baptized and received into full communion. For the sum of \$100 raised entirely among themselves a small mission school or church has been obtained where regular meetings may be held. It was resolved to appoint Mr. Thomas Paton, who laboured for some years in China, missionary to the Chinese in the Calgary Presbytery. The salary was fixed at \$900 and travelling expenses, members of Presbytery to become responsible for \$300 and application to be made to the Home Mission Committee for \$250 and to the Foreign Mission Committee for \$350. With a view to this work application will be made to the General Assembly for power to license and ordain Mr. Paton. Mr. Fernie was appointed an approved catechist. Application will also be made to Assembly in his behalf, viz.: for power to license and ordain Mr. Fernie after due examination and at such time as Assembly may specify. It was decided by members of Presbytery to erect a marble tablet in Knox Church, Calgary, to the memory of Rev. Angus Robertson, pioneer missionary of Southern and Central Alberta and first Moderator of the Presbytery. The completion of all necessary arrangements was left with Mr. Gordon. A paper on the Kingdom of God was read by Mr. Munro and in the subsequent discussion all members of Presbytery joined. For next regular meeting the subject selected for conference was the Scriptural view of the Second Coming of Christ. An application to the Church and Manse Building Board from the Pincher Creek congregation for a grant of \$250 towards a new church was sustained and ordered so be transmitted to the Board. Rev. Dr. Robertson was nominated for Moderator of next General Assembly. Revs. J. C. Herdman, Charles McKillop and Messrs. A. McBride and W. Mortimer Clark were appointed commissioners to Assembly. Mr. McLeod in view of an appointment to the Indian Industrial school at Regina asked that his resignation of the charge of Medicine Hat be accepted. It was decided to take no action in this matter till after Mr. McLeod had paid a visit to the school at Regina. The remit on the marriage question was approved. Various reports from special and standing committees were received and disposed of in due form. After a three days' session Presbytery adjourned to meet on September 9, in St. Paul's Church, Banff.—A. J. McLEOD, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF QUEBEC.—This Presbytery met in Morrin College, Quebec, on February 24. Reports were given in absent the visitation of augmented congregations. Grants to the amount of \$2,750, \$1,650 and \$2,500 were recommended for augmented congregations, mission stations and French missions respectively, for the ensuing year. Messrs. T. Z. Lefebvre, H. O. Loiselle and T. Charbonnell, French missionaries, were reappointed for another year. Several teachers of French mission schools were appointed. The Morrin College Missionary Society intimated their intention of sending a French missionary to Chicoutimi and to take up mission work along the line of the Lake St. John Railway. While the French work was under consideration, the question of a Superior French School in the city of Quebec was raised, and after a free and very earnest discussion, during which several very definite statements were made regarding the probable attendance, the Rev. Professor Macadam moved as follows: Whereas, the city of Quebec, in this Presbytery, is the chief seat of Roman Catholic influence, and this Presbytery contains the largest Roman Catholic population of any in the Dominion; and, whereas, there is ample reason to believe that a large attendance of pupils could be secured in Quebec from districts as yet untouched: this Presbytery is of opinion that a superior French School should be maintained at the city of Quebec. This Presbytery, therefore, desires to call the attention of the Church and of the Board of French Evangelization to this object in any future extension of its work, and to bring it under the notice of wealthy and benevolent members of the Church, as a means of greatly forwarding the work of French Evangelization. This motion was seconded by Rev. T. D. Ferguson and unanimously agreed to. A very agreeable feature of the business was the payment of \$25 each to eight ministers whose salaries had been diminished to that extent owing to a deficit in the Augmentation Fund for the past year, the amount being made up in the Presbytery. A motion was passed expressive of the sympathy felt by the Presbytery for the Rev. C. A. Tanner, who has been confined to bed for the past three months by a serious attack of typhoid fever. The following commissioners to the General Assembly were appointed: Revs. James Sutherland, C. A. Tanner, A. T. Love, J. D. Tait; and Messrs. P. Johnston, D. Stewart, Dr. Weir and Dr. Thompson, elders. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, was nominated for the Moderatorship of the General Assembly; and Professor Macadam for that of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa. The Presbytery Treasurer presented his annual report which showed a balance of \$37 in favour of the Presbytery. Reports on the State of Religion, Sabbath Schools and Temperance were read by Revs. John MacLeod, James Sutherland and T. Z. Lefebvre, respectively. Messrs. John Lindsay and George Woodsides were taken under the care of the Presbytery as students having the ministry in view. It was resolved to apply to the Synod for leave to take Mr. Hugh Craig, B.A., on trials for license. The Sawycrville and Massawippi groups of stations were united as one field to be wrought by an ordained missionary with the help of a student in the summer. The call from Marsboro to the Rev. John MacNeill was laid aside, the Presbytery having learned that Mr. MacNeill had recently accepted a call elsewhere. A petition from Welsh residents at New Rockland (slate quarry) praying to be organized as a mission station was presented. In this connection it was stated that there are over two hundred persons of Welsh nationality, including women and children, in the place; that the greater number of them do not understand the English language sufficiently to be benefited by an English service, that the different denominations represented there unanimously resolved to unite with the Presbyterian Church in order to secure the services of a Welsh speaking missionary. It was resolved to hold a special meeting of Presbytery in that locality on March 10 to deal with the matter. Rev. D. Tait gave notice that he would move at the next meeting "that all the ministerial commissioners to the General Assembly from this Presbytery be elected by rotation." The next meeting will be held in Chalmers Church, Richmond, on the 13th May next at four p.m.—J. R. MacLEOD, Pres. Clerk.

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

THE annual congregational meeting of St. Andrew's Church, Quebec, was held in Morrin College Hall last week. The attendance was unusually large. The Rev. Mr. Love presided and opened the meeting with praise and prayer. Mr. George M. Craig acted as secretary. The reports submitted of the various Church organizations were of a very satisfactory nature. Seven hundred and seventy-eight dollars has been given for missionary and educational purposes, besides a very considerable sum to charitable and benevolent objects. Encouraging reports were presented by the Board of Managers, Young People's Association, Ladies' Aid Society, Missionary Branch of Ladies' Aid, Sabbath school, etc. The Ladies' Aid Society still continue in their good work. The report sets forth that during the past year the Aid worked for the following objects: Sunday school building, refurnishing the church and some mission work. During the year a Missionary Branch was formed in connection with the Aid, and it is gratifying to know that a deeper interest in missions, and especially those in the neighbourhood and Province of Quebec, has been awakened, due in a large measure to the earnest addresses given from time to time by Rev. Mr. Love and students of the Missionary Society of Morrin College. The Missionary Branch has given in interests of Home Missions \$117.22. The work of the Aid has been carried on in the usual way, and funds raised by holding sales of needlework at different times, fulfilling orders and money received from the bags, together with membership fees. In speaking of the changes that have taken place during the year, the report says: "It is our sad duty to record the death of two members of this Society, Mrs. John C. Thomson and Mrs. Mackenzie. When the Aid was first organized Mrs. Thomson was elected president, which office she continued to occupy for four years. Though unable for some time to attend the meetings on account of ill health, she ever took a kindly interest in the welfare of the aid, and her death was deeply regretted by the members." The Society has sustained another loss by the removal of Miss M. Stevenson from the city, and it is exceedingly difficult to fill the place of such a skilled worker. The financial statement of the Aid shows over \$1,000 in the bank for Sunday school building and refurnishing church. The Rev. Mr. Love delivered an interesting address, in which he said that during the year there had been four marriages, twenty-nine baptisms and sixteen deaths, and that twenty-nine new members had been added to the communion roll. Mr. Love thanked the officers and workers in the various societies for the interest they had manifested in the welfare of the Church. We congratulate St. Andrew's on their admirable reports of the past year. The Board of Management was re-elected as follows: J. C. Thomson, elder; J. W. Henry and J. D. Gilmour, trustees; John Breakey, Captain Bain and James Reid, representing the congregation. After the business was over the ladies of the Aid entertained all present with light refreshments, and an agreeable hour was spent.

DEATH IN MARCH WINDS.

Poets and novelists go into ecstasies over what they romantically call "beautiful spring," and "gentle spring," and while no doubt everyone is glad to see winter release its icy grasp, "beautiful spring" is, after all, one of the most deadly seasons of the year. Sudden transitions from warmth to extreme cold, with piercing, chilling winds: from dry to sloppy, "muggy" weather, all combine to make the season a most trying one, even to the hardiest constitution, while to those with weak constitutions the season is one of positive danger. Undoubtedly the greatest danger at this season of the year is from cold in the head, which very few escape, and which if not promptly and thoroughly treated, develops into catarrh, with all its disagreeable and loathsome effects. Catarrh, neglected, almost certainly develops into consumption, annually destroying thousands of lives. At this trying season no household should be without a bottle of Nasal Balm. In cases of cold in the head it gives almost instant relief and effects a speedy cure, thus preventing the development of catarrh. Where the latter disease has already secured a hold it is equally efficacious, and with persistent use will cure the worst case. From the outset it sweetens the breath, stops the nauseous droppings into the throat and lungs, dispels those dull headaches that afflict the sufferer from catarrh. Nasal Balm is not advertised as a cure-all—it is an honest remedy which never fails to cure cold in the head or catarrh when the directions are faithfully followed, and thousands throughout the country have reason to bless its discovery. Nasal Balm may be had from all dealers or will be sent post-paid on receipt of price (50 cents, small, or \$1, large size bottle) by addressing Fulford & Co., Brockville, Ont.

British and Foreign.

PROF. IVERACH is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

HON. JOHN COLLIER is painting a portrait of Dr. Donald Fraser.

THE Rev. Robert A. Watson, M.A., of Dundee, is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

THE Rev. Robert Laws, M.D., of Livingstonia, is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

THE Rev. Joseph Black, of Hobart Town, Tasmania, is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

THE Rev. Thomas Gentles, M.A., of the Abbey Church, Paisley, is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

THE Rev. George Johnstone, B.D., of Trinity Church, Liverpool, is to receive the degree of D.D. from Aberdeen.

THE parish minister of Langholm has completed a series of pulpit exchanges with all the other ministers in the town.

DR. GRANT, a Disruption minister now in his eighty-fourth year, has resigned his charge at Nowra, New South Wales.

BOTH John and Charles Wesley were shorthand writers, using the Byrom system; and the manuscripts left by them are marvels of neatness.

THE Rev. D. J. Mon Porteous, B.D., has been appointed for another year assistant to Rev. J. W. Fleming, B.D., in the Scotch church at Buenos Ayres.

A SUBSCRIPTION is being raised in Berlin to build a very large hall for home mission work, in which Dr. Stocker, until lately the court chaplain, is to preach every Sunday.

THE Scotch missionaries in Nyassaland have been suffering from further acts of unfriendliness on the part of the Portuguese, whose latest effort has been an endeavour to blockade the British supplies.

THE Rev. John Smith, M.A., of Edinburgh, has consented to take part in the next annual convention at Northfield. For the third year in succession he has had a special invitation from Mr. Moody.

THE Rev. Donald Fraser, of Ardgour, has been elected successor to the late Rev. P. Forfar, in Oldham Street Church, Liverpool, by 137 votes against sixty-two for Rev. Hugh M. Jamieson, of Inveresk.

THE Nonconformist Churches of Halifax are about to enter upon a united forward movement, and circulars are to be sent to all householders, and personal calls made upon them subsequently, with the object of interesting everyone in some place of worship.

THE Revs. Dr. Green, Professor Cave, Mr. E. Powers and Mr. C. Waters have been chosen to serve on the International Lessons Committee of the Sunday School Union, in addition to Revs. Dr. Munro Gibson, C. H. Kelly and Mr. W. H. Groser.

THE Rev. J. Thompson, B.A., has been installed at Sandys Street Church, Newry; Mr. T. S. Killen was ordained as assistant minister of Trinity Church, Ballicborough; and Mr. J. Caldwell was ordained assistant to Rev. J. McKee, at Second Donegore.

MR. W. A. SHAW, as the fruit of his tenure of the Berkeley Fellowship at Owens College, has published a book and a pamphlet containing respectively the minutes of the Manchester Presbyterian Classis and materials for an account of the provincial Synod of the county of Lancaster, 1646-1660.



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