

Church News

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MONTREAL NOTES.

At a special meeting of Presbytery held on Thursday the 14th inst. the congregation of Norwood, recently disjoined from Cote des Neiges, obtained leave to call a minister. They have undertaken to raise six hundred dollars a year for his stipend, and the Presbytery has agreed to ask for a supplement from the Augmentation Fund. Should their expectations be at all realized, the church ought to be self sustaining in the course of two years, as the district is a favourite summer resort for residents of the city, and these have all along taken an active interest in the success of the church.

On Wednesday evening last a welcome social was given in the church to the Rev. T. A. Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell. The occasion was a most agreeable one. There was a large attendance; the ladies had made abundant provision for the tea; and there was an interesting programme of music and recitations as well as full opportunity for social conversation. The chair was occupied by Prof. Scrimmer, and a short address was given by Mr. Mitchell at the close.

The Provincial Christian Endeavor convention was held last week in Coaticook. There was a good attendance and the meeting was an inspiring one. As usual the Presbyterians took a large share in its proceedings, and one of the most prominent speakers was the Rev. Dr. A. B. Mackay who attended several of the sessions. The president for the ensuing year is Mr. J. H. Wilson, a member of Stanley St. Church, of Montreal, and the secretary, Mr. W. S. Leslie, of Erekrne Church.

On Sept. 28th, the French Presbyterians of Masham, Que., celebrated the third anniversary of the opening of their church by giving a grand concert, which proved a marked success, a number of friends coming even from places a considerable distance from Masham in order to be present. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Gamble, who was the convener of the French work in the Ottawa Presbytery, and who was assisted by the Rev. James McFarlane, of Ottawa, who is the new convener in that district. Both of these gentlemen made brief and suitable addresses prior to the commencement of the programme. The latter was interesting and varied, and consisted of both instrumental and vocal music and some tableaux vivants. The instrumental music was rendered in a most creditable manner by Miss A. Mollour and Miss V. Giroux. Miss Ade's M. Meur directed the singing, which was excellent, and gained much applause. The tableaux vivants, which were mostly historical, were taken part in by Mrs. J. Sincennes, Misses Marche, Mollour, V. Giroux, L. Giroux, Valiquette, Alma Sincennes and Porter, and Messrs. R. Shouldice and Geo. Sincennes. During the entertainment refreshments were served by the members of the congregation. The whole entertainment was heartily enjoyed by the large audience.

French work in Masham is reported to make fair progress. At the last communion four new members joined the church, the youngest being barely fourteen years of age. The Sunday school and Bible class are also doing well and give much encouragement.

A congregational meeting was held in Melville Church, Westmount, on Wednesday evening, Oct. 13, for the purpose of choosing a minister. Two names were proposed and a vote taken, but they were unable to make it unanimous, or even approximately so, and the meeting was adjourned for a week, in the hope that some agreement might be arrived at.

GENERAL.

Rev. J. B. McLean, of Hopewell, has accepted a call to Upper Stewiacke.

Rev. Dr. Moffat, Secretary of the Tract Society, is conducting annual meetings of the Society this week, among other places, at New Lowell, Collingwood and Stayner.

The Presbyterian congregation at Verden, Mann., have extended a unanimous call to Rev. Mr. Strang.

Rev. Robert M. Craig, a former pastor of Melville Presbyterian Church, Fergus, has been elected to the office of Superintendent of Missions for the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona.

Rev. Robert Stevenson, of Morpeth, superannuated, will conduct services for the Presbyterians at Botany, McKay's Corners and Kent Bridge, during the absence of Rev. Mr. Mustard, for the next three months.

At a special meeting of the congregation of Zion Church, Carlton Place, it was decided to purchase a pipe organ, the estimated cost of which is \$1,350. It is expected that the new instrument will be in before Christmas.

Acting on the advice of his physician, Rev. Dr. Hunter, of Erekrne Church, Toronto, leaves this week for Denver, Col., where he will spend the next six months. The pulpit was filled last Sabbath by Rev. Prof. Ballantyne and Rev. John Neil.

The corner stone of the new Presbyterian Church, Huntsville, was laid on Thursday, Oct. 8th, by Hugh S. Brennan, of Hamilton, who afterwards subscribed \$50 towards the same. In the evening the ladies of the Church gave a festival at which they cleared \$23.

The new Presbyterian Church at Pottersburg, near London, is to be called St. George's. The members have unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev. George Gilmour, who has been working at the mission for the past year. The stipend is to be \$1,000 a year, with four weeks' holidays.

The anniversary services in the Port Elgin Presbyterian Church, on Oct. 10th, were well attended, and eloquent sermons preached by Rev. W. J. Clark, of London, in the afternoon he addressed a mass meeting of children and young people. On Monday evening the annual entertainment was given, a very pleasant evening was spent.

The new Presbyterian Church, Dunchurch, was formerly opened on Sunday, the 3rd inst., the Rev. Finlay conducted the morning service and dispensed the sacrament, and a number of children were baptised. The afternoon service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Davidson, and the evening service by Rev. Mr. Cannon. All services were well attended.

Rev. J. U. Tanner, B. A., of Omemeo, son of Rev. Chas. A. Tanner, formerly of Scarboro' and more recently of St. Francis College, Richmond, Que., will preach in East Presbyterian Church, Toronto, next Sabbath. On the same day the anniversary services at Omemeo will be conducted by Rev. J. A. Morrison, B. A., and Rev. Norman H. Russell.

The dedicatory services in the new Presbyterian Church, Clayton, Ont., were held on Oct. 5th. Rev. F. C. Smith, D. D., of Queen's College, Kingston, preached at 11 a. m. and at 3 p. m., and Rev. Wm. Hanna took the evening service. There was a very large attendance at all the services. On Monday evening a tea meeting was held in the basement of the new church. At 8 o'clock the audience repaired to the body of the church, where Rev. Dr. Smith gave an interesting lecture, entitled "The Boys I Knew."

The induction of Rev. John Kay to Deer Park, will take place this Thursday evening, Oct. 21st. Mr. Kay preached his farewell sermon at Milverton from Acts xx. 26, 27—Paul's farewell to the elders at Ephesus—and his hearers were deeply impressed. The following address and presentation were made on Friday evening:

To THE REV. JOHN KAY:

Dear beloved pastor,—We the undersigned members and adherents of Zion Church, Welesley, meet together here, to express to you the deep interest we take in your welfare and the heartfelt regret we feel at the dissolution of the tie which has bound us together for so many years. We trust that Almighty God who has so blessed your pastorate in this field, may guide and direct you in your new sphere of labor, and that the results may strengthen and encourage you to continue the good fight till

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at last through the blessing of the beloved Redeemer you may have many stars in your crown of glory. You will please accept this chair and cane as a slight token of the esteem in which we hold you, and as a slight mark of our appreciation of your ministrations to us as our pastor. Mrs. Kay will kindly accept this chair as a slight memento of the regard which this congregation has for her as Mr. Kay's helpmate in his labors here.

Signed on behalf of the congregation by
HENRY KELLY,
JOHN K. HANMOND.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENHARRY.

Rev. James L. Milbur was ordained and inducted into the charge of St. Luke's, Finch and Crystals on 7th September, when Rev. A. Graham acted as moderator, Rev. J. W. McLean preached, Rev. D. D. McDennan addressed the minister and Rev. A. Russell the people. At the regular meeting, a week later, Rev. A. Russell, the moderator, presided. In regard to the resignation of Rev. J. Matheson tendered last July, a committee was appointed to confer with the office bearers of his congregations and report to Presbytery in December.

Rev. N. T. C. McKay tendered his resignation of Salem Church, Summerstown. This congregation is to be cited to appear for its interests on December. According to agreement in July a discussion was held over the statistical returns of the last General Assembly, which made it evident that a great proportion of our families and church members come far short in the duty of regular and liberal support of the Church and its various mission schemes.

The clerk was authorized to arrange with Rev. P. P. McKay to hold missionary meetings throughout the Presbytery. These have since been fixed to begin at Woodlands and Cornwall on Oct. 17th, and continue for ten days thereafter throughout the bounds. A resolution was passed by Presbytery expressing their appreciation of the faithful work of Rev. T. A. Mitchell during the past four years and wishing him success in his new charge of Cote de Neiges.—D. MacLARKY, Clerk.

A MINISTER'S STATEMENT

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