

intends to go farther south for a few days afterwards and in the event of his being away from Galt next Sunday his pulpit will be occupied by Rev. Mr. Leitch of Stratford.

The Rev. W. H. Grant, moderator of the Honan Presbytery of China, arrived in St. Mary's on Monday. He came via San Francisco. Mr. Grant has been eight years out in that part of China, and is on furlough. He is a son of the Rev. A. Grant of Knox Church. He left again for Toronto on Tuesday, and at night will leave there for New York to attend the Ecumenical conference on Foreign Missions, which is now in session there. He will speak on Honan Missions. His mother, Mrs. Rev. A. Grant, accompanied him from here to Toronto and New York city.

NORTHERN ONTARIO.

At the meeting of the Presbytery of Bruce on the 3rd inst. the resignation of Rev. J. R. Craigie was dealt with. The Presbytery could not accept his resignation, as there was no valid reason for his doing so. Mr. Craigie thought that greater spiritual progress ought to be made among the people, and he therefore came to the conclusion that he ought to withdraw from the field. The representatives of both Hanover and Hampden did not agree with Mr. Craigie's view of the matter and held that under his ministry much good had been accomplished. The Presbytery therefore refused to accept the resignation, and appointed Mr. Johnston to exchange with Mr. Craigie on the 8th of April and explain the action of the Presbytery to the people.

At the last meeting of the Presbytery of Lindsay the call from Port Morien, C. B., in favor of Rev. K. J. Macdonald, B. D., came up for consideration. As the Presbytery met in Knox Church, Beaverton, of which Mr. Macdonald is pastor, the congregation attended the meeting en masse, and representatives spoke of the strong attachment of the congregation to Mr. Macdonald, and declared they were unanimous in their desire that he should remain with them. The call on being placed in Mr. Macdonald's hands was accepted. A motion granting translation to Sydney Presbytery having been offered, Mr. Geo. F. Bruce, the representative elder of Knox, presented an amendment refusing translation which he supported by a speech which was punctuated by the cheers of the congregation. Presbytery, however granted the translation, and Port Morien is to be congratulated on having secured a pastor that has proved himself so acceptable and successful.

The presbytery of Owen Sound met on April 10, Rev. J. L. Simpson, moderator. After full consideration Desboro was joined to Williamsford to form a mission charge—Desboro to pay \$250 and Williamsford \$200 as salary. Keady and Peabody will in future form a pastoral charge, Keady paying \$500 and Peabody \$250 as salary. The presbytery expressed its gratification at this evidence of progress in this field, and sees in it the beginning of increased usefulness in Christ's cause. The following resolution was passed regarding the honor conferred by Presbyterian College, Montreal, on Rev. Jas. F. McLaren. It was moved by Dr. Somerville, seconded by Dr. Waits: "That the Presbytery, having learned that one of its number, by examination in the department of systematic theology in his alma mater, the Presbyterian College, Montreal, had obtained such a standard as entitled him to the degree of doctor of divinity, and that the degree had been conferred upon him by the senate of the college on April 4th, extends to the Rev. Jas. F. McLaren and to his congregation its cordial congratulations, and prays that he may long be spared to enjoy the honor so worthily won and conferred, that his congregation may continue to profit by his able and efficient ministry, that the presbytery may long share the benefits of his counsel and that the whole church may be enriched by his ripper scholarship." Mr. Garfield Waits, son of Rev. Dr. Waits, appeared before presbytery to be examined with the view of entering upon study for the ministry. Dr. McLaren for the examining committee recommended

that he be certified as a student for the ministry and the report with its recommendation was adopted. Dr. Somerville was nominated as moderator of the General Assembly. Rev. Mr. Smith presented the report on young peoples societies, which was adopted. Rev. Mr. Black was appointed moderator of presbytery for the ensuing six months, and also appointed to take the devotional exercises at next meeting. The next meeting will be held in Meaford, June 28th, at 10 a.m.

WINNIPEG AND WEST.

At St. Stephen's church, Winnipeg, last Sunday morning Rev. Mr. Gordon and Rev. Dr. Patrick conducted an induction of elders. Rev. Dr. Kilpatrick preached at the evening service.

The elders and managers of Point Douglas church Winnipeg, were at home recently to the members of the congregation and friends, and a large audience assembled in response to the invitations sent out. The object of the meeting was to make the members of the congregation better acquainted, especially the new members added during the past year. The evening was largely spent in social intercourse, but a short programme of songs and recitations tended to enliven the evening. The ladies served tea and light refreshments, and a most enjoyable time was spent.

A large audience assembled in Convocation hall, Manitoba college, to listen to the inaugural addresses of Rev. Dr. Kilpatrick, at the opening of the theological course. Rev. Dr. Patrick occupied the chair, and on the platform were Rev. Dr. Bryce, Prof. Hart and Prof. Baird. The lecture by Rev. Dr. Kilpatrick dealt particularly with the Person of Christ as presented under the following aspects: (1) The narrative of his life. (2) His utterances regarding himself and (3) In the systematic form of theology. In Christ's time on earth there were three national types; the Jew, the Greek and the Roman. But Christ could not be said to belong exclusively to any particular one. His was a broader personality and could not be continued within the narrow limits of racial distinctions. The lecturer outlined the characteristics of each nation, and showed the contrast between each in turn and the superiority of Christ over all. He then proceeded to show the peculiar distinction of the male and female sexes and showed that Christ was the ideal of both in a spiritual and intellectual sense. The moral glory of the Lord was dealt with exhaustively and the three great features of the Saviour were pointed out and expanded, viz: (1) Universal (2) Finality: and (3) Completeness. The lecturer closed with an eloquent delineation of the Christ character, and refuted the assertions of some that the character was a mere human invention. At the close a brief address was given by Rev. Dr. Patrick, who pointed out the need of another professor in the College, and stated that the curriculum for this season was equal to any in Canada.

MARITIME PROVINCES.

There are rumors of the union of James, St. Andrews and New St. Andrew's churches in New Glasgow.

Rev. Alfred Gandier of Fort Massey Church, Halifax, is spoken of as the successor of Rev. Louis Jordan, in St. James Square, Toronto.

A memorial service was held in Zion Church, Charlottetown last Sabbath, in affectionate remembrance of Mrs. (Dr.) Shaw, who for seven years taught the Primary Class.

The friends of Rev. Wm. Ross of Prince William, N. B., deeply sympathize with him and Mrs. Ross, in the loss of their eldest son, who died and was buried in Washington Territory a few days ago.

The Supreme Court of New Brunswick has unanimously decided that the new Sabbath law passed a year ago is intra vires. This was the result of an appeal of the tobaccoists of St. John against their conviction before the police magistrate. An appeal may be taken but they will be beaten every time. The Lord's day alliance will now see that the fines

imposed are collected and the statute enforced in future.

The "Busy Bee" of St. Matthew's church, Sydney have raised \$60 for the Indian Famine Fund. The collection at the preparatory service on Good Friday amounted to \$25 for the same object.

QUEBEC.

The Rev. Dr. Kellock, of Richmond, has been appointed sub agent for the Presbytery of Quebec in the interests of the Century Fund, and it would be difficult for the committee to find a better man. The work in his territory must stand for a little owing to the condition of the roads; but before many weeks the Dr. will be heard from. In his own congregation eighteen, \$50 subscriptions have already been found, and more it is hoped will follow.

The Rev. J. R. MacLeod, in one day's canvas at Kingsbury, P. Q., received subscriptions amounting to nearly \$3,000 for the Century Fund, nearly all of which will go to the Common Fund.

Chalmers' church, Quebec, usually gives a good account of itself in financial matters. It is likely to maintain its reputation in connection with the Century Fund.

Meetings of Presbyteries.

Brandon—Brandon, May 8th.
Bruce—Port Elgin, July 10th, 10 a.m.
Chatham—St. Andrew's, Chatham, July 10th, 10 a.m.
Glengarry—Alexandria, July 10th.
Guelph—St. Andrew's, Guelph, May 15th, 10.30 a.m.
Hamilton—St. Catharines, 15th May, 10.30 a.m.
Huron—Willis ch., Clinton, 8th May, 10.30 a.m.
Lindsay—Uxbridge, June 28th, 10.30 a.m.
Owen Sound—in Meaford—June 26, 10 a.m.
Maitland—Wingham, May 15th, 9.30 a.m.
Orangeville—St. Andrew's ch., Orangeville, 1st May.
Paris—Woodstock, Chalmers' ch., July 10th, 11 a.m.
Portage la Prairie—Portage la Prairie, 1st May, 8 p.m.
Quebec—Sherbrooke, July 8th.
Regina—Whitewood, July 10th.
Toronto—Toronto, Knox church, first Tuesday in every month.
Victoria—Victoria, St. Andrew's, Sept. 4th 10 a.m.
Winnipeg—Winnipeg, Manitoba College, 2nd Tuesday of May and each alternate month.

Deaths.

On April 22, 1900, at St. Andrew's manse, Huntingdon, the residence of her nephew, Mary Jane Napier, in the 84th year of her age.

At her late residence, Deer Park, on Thursday, April 18th, Mary Ann Gilson, widow of the late Joseph Gilson.

Waiting For the Vision.

Before undertaking new work, Leonardo da Vinci often sat for a few days without moving his hand, lost in deep reflection. It was so when Filippino Lippi transferred to him an order for an altar picture in the monastery of a church. The complaint of the prior was of no avail. Without the vision of an ideal, he would not lift brush to the canvas.

It was especially so in his great masterpiece, "The Last Supper." For days he awaited the moment when the face of Christ would be revealed to him in a manner worthy to represent his matchless perfection. The vision came, and all after ages have been ennobled by its reproduction.

Native endowment and scholarly equipment are not adequate to the work of acquainting men with the life of God. As Da Vinci would not touch the canvas until the vision of Christ had flooded his soul, so every one who would communicate good to his fellow men must first enrich his own life by the fullest appropriation of the Master's ideal.—The Sunday School Times.