

Ministers and Churches.

Toronto.

Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster took the pulpit of Walmer Road, Baptist church on Sunday morning.

Dr. Milligan of Old St. Andrew's church commenced a series of discourses on Sunday evening on "Theology and Modern Thought."

Rev. George R. Fasken of St. Paul's church, has received a call from Paris Ont. "He has not yet decided to accept. He has been pastor of St. Paul's for the past seven years. It is understood that the Paris congregation offers a salary of \$1,800."

The congregation of Cowan avenue church, gave a farewell reception to their minister, Rev. John A. Clark, who has accepted a call to Calgary. Rev. Mr. Clark was presented with a solid gold watch from the congregation and Mrs. Clark with a solid silver tea set from the Ladies' Aid Society. The choir and the Reading Club gave presents of a handsomely bound psalter hymn book and a set of Browning's works.

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Rev. Mark Guy Pease, of London, is again in the city. He lectured on "Hugh Latimer" in Association Hall on Saturday night, and told how he took the pledge to 5,000 people in Massey Hall on Sunday afternoon; also preaching twice to large congregations. His temperance address was most effective, being by turns harmonious and very pathetic.

The meeting of the Presbyterian Union of Toronto held on Tuesday evening in St. James' Square church was largely attended. The matter of the union of the Presbyterian forces for the progressive and aggressive work was discussed. Rev. William Patterson of Bethany church, Philadelphia, was present and gave an address on the work accomplished in his adopted city. A detailed account of the proceedings will be given next week.

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The congregation of Cowan Avenue Presbyterian church, with its friends met in the church on the evening of the 26th of October to take formal leave of Rev. John A. Clark, their pastor, and Mrs. Clark. Rev. Mr. Turnbull of West Presbyterian church, called the assembly to order and Principal Hendry of Lansdowne Avenue School, on behalf of the congregation, presented to the Rev. Mr. Clark a solid gold watch. Mrs. McDonald as President of the Ladies' Aid Society, presented Mrs. Clark with a silver tea set of five parts. The choir and Reading club also showed their appreciation by giving Mr. Clark an elegantly bound psalter and hymnal and a set of Robert Browning's works. Appreciative addresses were made by Rev. Mr. Duff of the Western Congregational church, and Rev. Mr. Robinson of St. Mark's Presbyterian church. Mr. Clark's replies were characteristic and appropriate. At the conclusion of the service, the audience sang "God be With You Till We Meet Again." Miss Nettie Sutherland, B.A., Mrs. Clark's sister, will also go to Calgary.

During the past week there was held in this city the National Convention of the Young Women's Christian Association of Canada. Encouraging reports were read from numerous branches throughout the country. The work in the different parts of the country takes a great many different forms. First in importance is the religious work, which is carried on by means of Bible classes and devotional meetings. A great many of the branches conduct homes for self-supporting young women, and this department of the work has met with great success. The educational work covers a large field, and is

generally adapted to local conditions. In Montreal among the ordinary subjects a class in French is held. In other places night schools are conducted, which teach a great variety of subjects including English subjects, commercial subjects, sewing, millinery, domestic science. Other forms of the work include circulating libraries and reading rooms for members, working girls' club, lectures, and entertainments. The Montreal branch has also a savings bank in connection with its society. Another important feature of the work done in the boarding-homes is the accommodation of friendless strangers in large cities. The large field open to the work is shown by the fact that one out of every ten of the population is a wage-earning woman. The students' department's work extends from Prince Edward Island to Brandon in the West. Its purpose is to unite women students in Christian fellowship, to deepen their spiritual life, and encourage its efficiency, to win non-Christian women students to Jesus Christ, and to lead graduates to take positions of useful service. In the universities 77 per cent. of the women are members of the Y.W.C.A. where in other colleges the percentage is 66.

The treasurer reported a total revenue of \$3,350, and a total expenditure of \$3,214, with a steady increase in various branches of revenue. One of the interesting features of the meetings was the attendance of Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster, of New York, well known in Canada through her writings.

Ottawa.

Services were held in McKay's church on Sunday to celebrate the 28th anniversary; when Rev. A. A. Cameron of the Baptist church preached in the morning; and Rev. W. McIntosh of the Congregational church in the evening. The attendance and collections were both large.

The members of the session and their wives gave a reception to the congregation of St. Paul's church on Tuesday evening. Dr. Armstrong having been called out of town owing to the serious illness of his brother, Dr. Thorburn presided. An excellent program, consisting chiefly of Scotch music, was rendered, and the evening closed with refreshments served by the young people.

Eastern Ontario.

The services in the First church, Brockville, were conducted on the 25th by Rev. N. H. McGillivray, of Carp.

Rev. N. H. McGillivray held a series of meetings each evening of last week at Kinburn. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed on Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Daly, of Lyn, conducted services in the Toledo church on Sunday, and preached the charge vacant.

Services in First church Brockville were conducted by the Rev. J. H. MacVicar, of Fergus, last Sabbath.

At a meeting of the united congregations of Alvinston and Euphemia, held on 19th inst. a call was issued in favor of Mr. F. W. Mahaffy, a recent graduate of Queen's. It is understood Mr. Mahaffy will accept the call. Settlement will take place about Nov. 8.

At a recent meeting of Brockville Presbytery, Rev. J. R. Frizzell was released from the charge of Toledo and Athens, to take up work in Regina Presbytery. The interim moderator of the vacant charge is Rev. C. H. Daly, of Lyn.

Very successful anniversary services were recently held at Bethesda church, Harwood. Rev. D. D. McDonald, of Keene, preached interesting and helpful sermons. On the following Monday evening the anniversary social gathering was held with an attendance that tested the capacity of the church. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. McDonald, of Keene, Jewell of Cambourne, Sanders of Roseneath, Sexsmith of Centreton, and Mr. Oakley of Aldersville. Music was supplied by Mrs. Plukie of Lindsay, Mrs. Mann of Baltimore and the choir of the Baltimore Presbyterian church. The chair was occupied by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Johnston. Proceeds of services, \$100.

Western Ontario.

The congregation of Knox church, Belmont have recently celebrated the fourteenth anniversary of the opening of their church, and the eleventh of the induction of their present pastor Rev. John Currie. On Sabbath, services were

conducted morning and evening by the Rev. Wm. Robertson, M.A., of Morriston. The attendance at both services was very large, especially in the evening. Mr. Robertson's presentation of truth was clear and impressive, and greatly enjoyed by all privileged to hear him.

Rev. H. McKay, of Galt, occupied the pulpit of the Aberfoyle church on Sunday morning.

Rev. Walter Moffat of London preached in Knox church, Stratford on Sunday, and specially addressed the Sunday school at morning service.

Rev. Mr. Simley of Niagara Falls, south, occupied the pulpit of the First Church, Chatham last Sabbath.

The members of Knox church, Woodstock, choir were entertained at the home of Mr. George Bain on Friday evening last and had a very pleasant time. Miss Allie Mason, who is leaving Woodstock was presented with a farewell address, and a brooch set with pearls.

Seven new members joined the Drumbo church on Friday last, at the preparatory services conducted by the Rev. W. H. Johnston, B.A., of Chesterfield, who preached a very earnest sermon.

The Rev. J. W. Rae of Aylmer, addressed the meeting of the Woodstock Sunday School Association in Knox church last week.

Rev. I. L. Small, B.A., of Auburn, conducted preparatory services in the Seaforth church preaching on Thursday evening and again on Friday afternoon, with great acceptance.

Rev. G. M. Glassford of Chalmers' church Guelph preached anniversary sermons in Knox church, Listowel, on the 25th Oct. The Methodists closed their doors and joined in the services.

The Rev. H. B. Horn, LL.B., Chalmers church, Elora, preached very acceptably the pre-communion sermon at Mimosa. Messrs. Grant and Rowen were inducted to the eldership at Mimosa.

Rev. A. B. Winchester, of Toronto gave two very helpful addresses on the books of Matthew, and Revelations, at the Bible Conference which was held last week in Guelph.

The London Presbytery on Friday accepted the resignation of Rev. Robt. Johnston, D.D., as pastor of St. Andrew's church, and he will now go to the American Presbyterian church, Montreal.

Rev. D. J. Davidson, Mr. A., missionary designate to Central India, occupied the pulpit of Knox church, Stratford, at both services on the 25th, and preached two able sermons to large congregations. The pastor, Rev. M. L. Leitch, was present at the morning service.

Rev. Mr. Blue of Central New York conducted both services at Chalmers church, Woodstock for the last two Sundays. He is a former Canadian, who has had charge of a church in New York the past two years and is a graduate of McGill University. His sermons have been greatly enjoyed.

The Thank offering meeting of the Women's Foreign Mission society in connection with the Blenheim church was held last week. Rev. G. Munro, D.D., of Ridgetown gave a most interesting address. The offering was large.

At the entertainment on Monday evening addresses were given by Rev. W. T. Clark, of London, Rev. Wm. Robertson, and the resident ministers. Mrs. W. J. Clark, of London, Miss H. Cameron of St. Thomas, and Mr. R. Elliott of Campbellville, with Mrs. Meldrum and Miss Campbell, Belmont and Miss Smith, St. Thomas assisted in the musical part of programme. The proceeds were upwards of \$100.

Sunday being the anniversary in St. Andrews, Fergus, an exchange of pulpits took place. Rev. J. E. Mullan preached in Melville in the morning, and in the evening, united services were held in St. Andrew's church, Rev. W. C. Clark, B.D., of Brampton, preaching a fine sermon, which was much appreciated. Rev. J. H. MacVicar preached in Brampton.

Rev. Kenneth J. McDonald of Toronto has received and accepted a unanimous call to Forest Presbyterian church. Mr. McDonald has been resident here for some time since resigning the pastorate of the church at Fort Marion, Cape Breton, and has not been actively in the work. Before going to Cape Breton Mr. McDonald was at Beaverton, Ont. He is a strong preacher and will be appreciated at Forest. He is not under the control of the Toronto Presbytery,