

Ministers and Churches.

PRINCIPAL and Mrs. Grant, of Kingston, have gone to the Pacific Coast.

THE Rev. W. T. McMullen, D.D., has returned from his holiday trip to Quebec.

THE Rev. John Hogg, Winnipeg, is at present in Toronto in the interests of North Winnipeg congregation.

MR. J. C. LINKLATER, of the Gananoque High School, has been appointed elder in the Presbyterian Church, Gananoque.

THE Rev. J. W. Mitchell, late pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Port Hope, for the present will make his home in Toronto.

THE Rev. A. Heamer, the worthy pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Petrolia, has returned home from his vacation and resumed his accustomed duties.

THE Rev. Dr. Watson, pastor of St. Andrew's, Beaverton, occupied his own pulpit Sabbath week after six weeks' holidays visiting friends in the vicinity of Regina.

THROUGH the efforts of the Rev. W. M. Roger, of King Street Presbyterian Church, the citizens of London will enjoy a visit from Evangelist D. L. Moody this fall.

THE Rev. Mr. Leishman, of New Lowell, will preach the anniversary sermons in the Thornton Presbyterian Church on Sabbath, the 15th inst.

THE Ladies' Aid, East Toronto, held a very successful festival and sale of work on the evening of the 29th August. Proceeds amounted to about \$100.

THE Rev. Walter Laidlaw, of Troy, N.Y., nephew of Rev. Dr. Laidlaw, of St. Paul's, Hamilton, conducted divine worship in that church at both services Sabbath week.

THE Rev. Dr. R. J. Laidlaw of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, was announced to preach at both services in the First Presbyterian Church, Fifth Avenue, New York, on Sabbath last.

THE Messrs. Hart & Co., of Toronto, will shortly issue in two handsome volumes "The Great Hymns of the Church—their Origin and Authorship," by the Rev. D. Morrison, M.A., Owen Sound.

THE Rev. Mr. McIntyre, the new minister of the Delaware Presbyterian Church, was inducted into the pastorate of that congregation last week. A reception by the congregation was held in the evening.

THE Rev. A. McMillan, brother to the Presbyterian minister stationed at Yorkton, Manitoba, held service with holy communion at Orkney on a recent Sunday. There was a large congregation, the church being packed.

THE Rev. Dr. Fraser preached to the Ancient Order of Foresters in Knox Church, Hamilton, on Sabbath evening week. There was a large turn out of members, and the reverend gentleman treated them to a masterly and finished discourse.

THE Rat Portage *News* says: Mr. Small, whose term of service with the Knox Church congregation has nearly expired, has given up his former intention of preparing for the ministry in the east, and will put in his course of study at the Manitoba University, Winnipeg.

THE Presbytery of Ottawa have granted the Rev. Mr. Rondeau, pastor of the French Presbyterian Church, leave of absence. Mr. Rondeau intends taking a trip to the west and it is understood will join the ranks of the Benedicts before his return.

THE Rev. E. B. Chestnut was inducted into the pastoral charge of Haynes' Avenue and St. David's Presbyterian Churches, St. Catharines, by the Presbytery of Hamilton on Thursday week. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. McClung.

THE Rev. Mr. Herridge's lecture in the Presbyterian Church, Regina, on "Milton," was well attended, exceedingly interesting and instructive, and most eloquently delivered. Mayor Smith moved a vote of thanks which ex Mayor Mowat seconded.

MISS FRASER, daughter of Rev. Dr. Fraser, Knox Church, Hamilton, and Miss Maggie Wyllie, daughter of Mr. A. Wyllie, Customs Department, left that city last week to engage in missionary work in New Mexico, under the American Presbyterian Mission Board.

THE Rev. Mr. McKinnon, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Eldon, returned home after spending a few weeks under the paternal roof in Prince Edward Island. His many friends are pleased to have him in their midst again, and also to learn that he has recuperated during his vacation.

At a recent morning service of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, the Rev. Dr. Duval, of Knox Church, Winnipeg, took the place of the pastor, Rev. E. D. McLaren, and preached an eloquent sermon to an attentive congregation. In the evening Rev. Mr. Duncan, of Colborne, Ont., preached.

THE Rev. Mr. Sutherland, of Ripley, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Kincardine, on Sunday. The Rev. Mr. McLennan, of Kinross, will preach next Sunday. It is expected the pastor of the congregation will have returned from his trip to Europe in time to take charge of the services on the following Sunday.

THE Rev. N. Campbell, B.A., Elmsley, has been elected Moderator of the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew for the ensuing six months. Rev. Geo. Bremner, White Lake, has resigned his charge, and asked leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry on account of the increasing infirmities of advanced years.

A CHILDREN'S service was held at the Parkdale Presbyterian Church on Sabbath morning, Rev. R. P. McKay officiating. The church was beautifully decorated with floral designs, and the pulpit was transformed into an arbour of evergreens. The children's voices were particularly sweet, and the church was filled with bright young faces.

THE Rev. J. Wilkie, missionary from India, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church, Almonte, Sabbath evening week, and preached a very interesting missionary sermon, with special reference to his work in India. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie in the course of a month or so will leave for India to resume their work in that important and interesting colony.

BANK STREET Church Sunday school, Ottawa, is rapidly going up. The masonry will be finished and the roof put on by December, but the school is not expected to be ready for occupation until April next. Most of the \$10,000 required for the new building has been subscribed, and the rest, it is expected, will be forthcoming by December.

At the recent communion service in the French Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, seven new members joined the church for the first time by certificate and by profession of faith. The Rev. Mr. Rondeau preached a most eloquent sermon on "All things work together for good to those who love God." He was listened to throughout with rapt attention by the audience.

In the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Carlton Street, the pastor, Rev. S. Acheson, M.A., preached to a large congregation on the present position of the Jesuit question in Canada. His remarks were founded on the story of Gideon's band. Citizens were urged to bury all systems of party government and vote only for those who would be true to the principles of civil and religious liberty.

THE Brampton *Times* says: The Rev. Mr. Gandier, the gentleman to whom the Presbyterian congregation of this town gave a call shortly after Mr. McLaren's removal to Vancouver City, B.C., has returned to this country from his foreign trip, and is at present at the home of his father in Fort Coulonge, Quebec. He preached in St. Mark's Church, Toronto, on Sunday last. His induction and ordination to the church here will take place about the last week in September.

THE St. David's Presbyterian congregation, St. Catharines, held a very pleasant gathering in the church lately. The occasion was the reception of the newly-appointed minister, Rev. Mr. Chestnut. The evening's entertainment consisted of choice singing and music, interspersed with short addresses. An exceedingly pleasant evening was spent with great pleasure by pastor and people.

THREE was an interesting and attractive children's service largely attended in Charles Street Presbyterian Church on Sabbath morning last. The pastor, the Rev. J. Neil, preached and delivered an address, and the interest of the occasion was enhanced by the presence of the Rev. John Hogg of Winnipeg, former pastor of Charles Street congregation, who delivered an address to the children.

THE Hamilton *Times* says: The Rev. Mungo Fraser, D.D. pastor of Knox Church, Hamilton, conducted divine service in MacNab Street Presbyterian Church last evening. The text was part of the 29th verse of John 1: "Behold the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world." Previous to the sermon Rev. Dr. Fletcher addressed and gave the right hand of fellowship to a large number of new members.

THE Rev. Mr. Grant preached his initial sermon last Sunday forenoon as the regularly ordained and inducted pastor of St. Andrew's congregation, Almonte. The congregation was very large, many of the people hearing him for the first time. We trust, says the *Gazette*, Mr. Grant may long be spared to the work of his choice, and that his ministry over St. Andrew's congregation will be both a happy and successful one.

OWING to the continued illness of Mrs. A. H. Drumm, the Rev. Wm. Drumm has asked his congregation here for a leave of absence. It is, says the *Georgetown Herald*, the intention of the rev. gentleman and Mrs. Drumm to spend some time in Colorado in the hope that the change may be beneficial. This necessity is exceedingly regretted by the numerous friends here of the rev. gentleman and his estimable wife and it is earnestly hoped that the change may result in the restoration of her health.

THE Rev. Geo. Bremner, Presbyterian minister at White Lake, has resigned his charge owing to his continued ill-health and increasing years. The Presbytery has accepted the resignation, which is to take effect on October 13th. Application will be made at the next meeting of the General Assembly for leave to place the name of Mr. Bremner on the list of those entitled to a grant from the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.

THE new Ladies' College on Bloor Street, under the charge of Dr. Macintyre, opened on Sept. 5th, with the most encouraging results. It is only two months since Dr. Macintyre entered upon the task of opening and equipping his institution and now he has not a single vacancy in residence. The Rev. John Stenhouse, M.A. B.Sc., arrived from Edinburgh by the *Furness*, and entered upon his duties this week. This new enterprise is under able and energetic management.

THE Victoria *Warrior* says: The Rev. Mr. Tully, former pastor of the Bobcaygeon and Dunsford Presbyterian Churches, preached an eloquent sermon to a large congregation at Dunsford, on Sunday the 28th ult. The rev. gentleman was camping together with his family and some friends on the shore of Sturgeon lake at the time. He preached in Bobcaygeon the Sabbath previous. The people of both places will welcome him to their pulpits as often as he may return to visit them.

IN its Knox Church, Galt, notes the *Dumfries Reformer* says: The organ committee met on Wednesday evening last and after discussing the tenders received, decided to give the contract to Messrs. Wadsworth & Sons, Montreal, at \$3,400, the instrument to be in position by the 1st of January.—Rev. J. W. Rae, of Acton, preached two very acceptable sermons on Sabbath last.—Rev. Mr. Jackson has sailed from Glasgow by the *State of Georgia* and will be home early next week. He is expected to occupy his own pulpit on the fifteenth inst.

ON Monday evening a public meeting was held in the lecture-room of the Presbyterian Church, Wingham, to hear an address by the Rev. J. Mordy, M.A., of Niagara Falls, on Sabbath Observance. The Rev. Mr. McQuarrie was called to the chair, and the meeting was opened by prayer by the Rev. Mr. Short. After singing a psalm, the chairman introduced Mr. Mordy to the audience in a few well chosen words. A vote of thanks was moved by Rev. Mr. Scott, and seconded by Mr. H. C. Priest, and the meeting was brought to a close by Rev. Mr. Scott pronouncing the benediction.

KNOX Church, Perth, will be renovated and much improved and ready for service the first week in October. The pews are now being built and placed in position, and the painters are busy on the walls and woodwork. The stained-glass windows are now in their place, and things generally have the appearance of an early completion. The opening service will be held on Sunday, 6th October, when Rev. A. H. Scott, of St. Andrew's Church, will preach at eleven a.m.; the Rev. D. Laing, of the Baptist Church, at four p.m.; and the Rev. W. G. Henderson, of the Methodist Church, at seven p.m.

DURING the summer months St. Andrew's Church, East Toronto, has been thoroughly renovated, re-tinted and decorated, and presents an artistic and tasteful appearance. The services were held last Sabbath in the church for the first time since the changes have been made, and a large congregation assembled to hear the pastor, Rev. Mr. Milligan, who has just returned from his trip to Europe. Mr. Milligan preached an eloquent discourse suitable to the occasion, and in the course of his remarks referred with deep feeling to the loss the congregation and all Christian work in the city had sustained in the recent death of Mrs. McMurchy, wife of Principal McMurchy.

THE first anniversary of the induction of the Rev. Mr. Milne into the pastoral charge of Boston Church, Exeter, was held on Sabbath, August 25th. Very appropriate services were conducted morning and evening by Rev. Mr. Murray of Wentworth Church, Hamilton. On Monday evening the ladies of the congregation gave a garden party at the residence of Mr. James Hume, when a very enjoyable time was spent by all present, \$100 being realized, which is to be applied to the manse fund, the congregation having during the summer erected a beautiful brick manse which is now nearly completed, and which will, when furnished, cost over \$2,500.

THE Rev. Professor Wright, of Oberlin College, Ohio, editor of the *Bibliotheca Sarsa*, and member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, was in Toronto attending its meetings. During the two Sabbaths he remained in the city he occupied the pulpit of St. James Square Church, preaching able and thoughtful discourses in the morning, and at the evening service he gave graphic and interesting details of missionary work among the Indians in Alaska, and last Sabbath evening he gave an account of a journey undertaken a year ago that enabled him to make observations on the Indian problem, and the beneficent effects of missionary labour among the Sioux in Dakota.

THE Guelph *Mercury* says: Rev. J. McL. Gardiner, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Eramosa, announced to his congregation Sunday that he would be compelled to leave them, his physicians having ordered his removal to a warmer climate, as the only means of restoring his health, which has become quite shattered. For nearly two years Mr. Gardiner has been the pastor of this church, and has won the esteem of the whole congregation by his faithful ministrations. The church has been very prosperous under his charge, improvements to the value of \$1,000 having just been completed, and his loss will be keenly felt. Prof. Hunt, of the O.A.C., preached for Mr. Gardiner on Sunday, as he was not able to take his pulpit.

THE Quebec *Chronicle* says: A large congregation assembled in Chalmers Church last night on the occasion of the meeting of the Presbytery of Quebec, at which the Rev. Donald Tait, B.A., late of Berlin, Ont., was inducted into the pastorate of the Church. The Rev. Mr. Clark presided and performed the induction ceremony,

first putting to the newly-called pastor the usual questions, which were all answered in proper form. The presiding clergymen then offered prayer for the newly inducted pastor that grace might be accorded him, and the hand of fellowship was also extended. The Rev. Mr. McLeod, Clerk of the Presbytery, delivered the charge to the new pastor, speaking in most eloquent terms of his duties and responsibilities. He was followed by the Rev. A. T. Love in an address to the congregation, in which he dwelt upon the people's duties to their pastor and of the aid they could and should give him by supporting him in his work.

THE Summerside, P.E.I., *Journal* says: The Presbyterian Church here was re-opened on Sunday last, after undergoing extensive interior and exterior renovating, by which it has been greatly beautified. The congregation are highly pleased with alterations and improvements, and may now congratulate themselves on possessing one of the handsomest churches belonging to this denomination in the province. Great praise is due Rev. Mr. Dickie for the work he has accomplished during the short time he has been here, both the church and manse now being a credit to the congregation. The pulpit was occupied last Sunday morning and evening, by Rev. N. McKay, of Chatham N. B.

THE *Manitoba Free Press* says: Principal King returned to the city yesterday from Ontario. During his absence Dr. King in addition to attending the meeting of the General Assembly, and spending some time in New York State, visited Hamilton, Galt, Guelph, St. Catharines, Stratford, St. Mary's, Seaforth, Clinton and Windsor in the interests of Manitoba College. As a result nearly three thousand dollars have been added to the fund for extinguishing the debt upon the institution, leaving still seven thousand dollars to be raised before it is entirely free. The amounts, while in most cases small, were contributed with great readiness. Toronto added to its former large contribution by several donations of \$100 each, and by one handsome donation of \$500 given by Mr. Alexander Nairn, brother of Mr. Stephen Nairn, of this city, and an old and much esteemed friend of Dr. King. Manitoba College will open on the 18th of the present month.

THE San Francisco, Cal., *Occident* says: The funeral service of Miss Edith, beloved daughter of the Rev. J. K. Smith, D.D., pastor of St. John's Presbyterian Church, this city, were held on Saturday, August 10. A brief prayer was offered at the residence of her parents. The services at the church commenced at a quarter past twelve p.m., and were deeply impressive. Rev. Drs. McKenzie, Fraser, Kerr and Loomis, occupied the pulpit. After singing by the choir, "Nearer my God to Thee," selections of Scripture were read by Rev. Mr. Kerr, followed by an address full of tender consolation and richest hope from Professor Fraser, a most beautiful tribute to the gentleness and lovely Christian character of the deceased. Mr. Mackenzie followed with a prayer that tenderly drew all hearts nearer the Divine Comforter. The choir then sang, "Jesus Lover of my Soul," and then the last fond look was given to all that remained on earth of this beloved daughter. Miss Smith died at Santa Cruz, August 7, of heart disease. She had been an invalid for some time.

THE *Almonte Gazette* says: Mr. Wilkie says: Five friends in Ottawa gave \$350, and one blind man, Mr. Robert Dale, Jr., who makes his living by selling books, gave \$10, the largest subscription by far yet received when we consider the means of the giver. In Pembroke handsome subscriptions are expected, judging from the hearty way both pastor and people have taken up the work. One little boy there—an intimate friend of one of the lady doctors at Indore—gave \$1, the amount he made by selling cucumbers out of his garden for the very purpose; and his brother, not quite so successful as yet, gave twenty-five cents. The interest thus shown is infinitely more valuable than the amount given, and must be most cheering to all interested in the work. Amongst the donations to the college fund the one from Dr. Clint, dentist, Almonte, is at once the most intangible, as far as the building is immediately concerned, and yet one of a very tangible nature to Mr. Wilkie, and one that will play a most important part in said building. Dr. Clint has been seeking to make an impression, and as we know his good heart and skilled hand we are sure the impressions left are good and will be lasting.

THE Rev. Mr. McKay, Chalmers' Church, Woodstock, has secured the co-operation of a large number of intelligent Christian laymen for his Sabbath afternoon meetings for young people. With such subjects and such teachers the meetings will doubtless be largely attended. Sept. 8. "What Presbyterians Believe and What They Don't Believe." Teacher, Rev. W. A. McKay, B.A. Sept. 15.—"Canada for Christ." Teacher, Mr. Hugh Sutherland. Sept. 22. "The Wisdom of God seen in the Plants." Teacher, Mr. T. H. Lennox, B.A. Sept. 29.—"A Model Congregation." Teacher, Mr. H. H. Wallace. Oct. 6.—"The Sabbath School Teacher's Preparation." Teacher, Mr. J. G. Robison. Oct. 13.—Address by Principal Garvin of the Central School. Oct. 20.—"Bible Finances." Teacher, C. W. Oliver, barrister. Oct. 27.—Address by Dr. Brownlee. Nov. 3. "Church Psalmody." Teacher Mr. S. Fax, choir leader. Nov. 10. "The Jesuits, Who They Are and What They Are Doing." Teacher, Rev. W. A. McKay. Nov. 17.—"How to Study the Bible." Teacher, Rev. W. A. McKay. Nov. 24.—"The Church's Duty to the Temperance Cause." By a lady.

THE *Aylmer Express* says: The Rev. J. B. McLaren, formerly of Canby, arrived in town on Friday last and began his pastoral duties with Knox Church on Sunday by preaching very acceptably to large congregations morning and evening. At a special meeting of the London Presbytery held on Friday at Springfield the reverend gentleman was duly inducted into his office in accordance with the rules of the Presbyterian Church. The meeting was presided over by Rev. James Brown, of Belmont. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Bloodworth, of Port Stanley; G. Sutherland, Inglis, and E. Sawers, of Westminster. In the evening a public reception was given to Mr. McLaren in Knox Church, which was largely attended. Excellent addresses were delivered by Mr. McMaster, who occupied the chair, Rev. Messrs. Brown and Sawers, Pescoe and Sowerby, of Aylmer, and Mr. McLaren. The frank and very earnest address of the latter won for him the esteem of all his hearers, and Mr. McLaren will count his friends by scores ere he has lived among us long. A union choir rendered excellent music, and altogether the reception tendered the newly appointed pastor of Knox Church was a very pleasing event. Under the efficient management of Mr. McLaren, Knox Church will surely flourish, increase in members, and accomplish much for the cause of Christianity.

ST. PAUL'S Presbyterian Church, Dorchester Street, Montreal, has undergone a complete renovation of the interior at a cost of \$3,000. The ceilings of the nave are done in panels shaded down from light at the apex to dark at the base. The centres of each section of four panels are grouped with rays in gold, the row of panels on the highest part of the ceiling being treated separately. The ceiling of the chancel, or organ choir, is burnished in gold with beautiful scroll work, and the walls are finished in deep, rich red with bands of gold. The dado or base of the walls is decorated with geometrical overall designs in blue, browns and gold. The groined ceilings of the transepts are done in simple lines in colour and the pulpit end of the church is elaborately finished with bands of flowing scroll ornaments. The entire wall before the pulpit end is worked in golden scroll design with the text over the arch. "God is a spirit and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." The walls of the nave are in warm colour panels, gold bands encircling the stained glass windows. The whole fresco work is free hand excepting the routine figure around the windows, which are stencil work. The woodwork of the ceiling is in dark oak with heavy gold strips and red lines with ornamental *palmettes*. The pews are revarnished and have the colour of light and dark oak, while the pillars supporting the woodgirders of the ceiling are in granite (natural) colour. The new residence of the pastor, which stands on Dorchester Street, adjoin-