

PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, PHILADELPHIA.—We are glad to learn that D. McGregor, 145 Hollis' Street, Halifax, is introducing the publications of this great Presbyterian book concern. Their catalogue comprises upwards of 1500 volumes of their own publication, and through the above channel our ministers, congregations and Sabbath school, of the Maritime Provinces, can be supplied with the choicest of Presbyterian literature, carefully selected.

Obituary.

DONALD ROSS.—Died at New Glasgow in July, in the 81st year of his age, Donald Ross, an elder of United Church, New Glasgow, and a man of blameless Christian life.

He was born in Beaulieu, Rosshire, Scotland, Sept. 17th, 1800, came to New Glasgow, July, 1832, and was ordained an elder in St. Andrew's Church in 1833. At the disruption in 1843, with the minister, Rev. John Stewart and many of the congregation, came out, joined the Free Church and built Knox Church, New Glasgow, of which he was an elder from that time until the union of Knox and Primitive Churches in 1874. Since that time he has been a member of the session of United Church, having filled the office of the eldership for the long period of 48 years.

FRANCIS KERR.—On the 6th Sept. there passed peacefully to his rest, after a brief but severe illness, Francis Kerr, elder, of Kerrburn, Middle River, Pictou, in the 65th year of his age. Deceased was a man of many sterling qualities, humble and unassuming in his manner, wise in counsel, faithful in duty, good to the poor and forward in every good cause.

R. C.

ALLAN MCQUEARRIE.—For a number of years an elder in the Presbyterian Church, Strathlorne, C. B., died on the 4th Nov., in the 70th year of his age. Deceased was a native of Pictou. He removed to Cape Breton in 1831. During the long period of his residence in this congregation he was exemplary in his attendance upon the public means of grace. As an elder he was noted for his regular attendance at meetings of session and a readiness to sacrifice his own ease in order to discharge the duties of his office.

M. C.

Miscellaneous.

Britain.

SPURGEON'S Pastors' College has 355 graduates preaching in Great Britain, who have gathered 43,336 persons into the churches.

MR. Samuel Pope, Q.C., the recorder for the borough of Bolton, England, declared at a recent local option meeting, that during the twelve years of his recordership no total abstainer had been brought before him for trial.

THE Irish Presbyterian Church has organized an Age and Infirm Ministers' Fund. Two donations were given toward it at the start, one of nearly \$10,000 and the other of \$5,000, which placed the project beyond the risk of failure.

SUCCESSING IN IRELAND.—Two Protestant evangelists recently commenced work at Newry, Ireland, under the auspices of the Irish Evangelization Society. The first two services were broken up by the angry populace; but the evangelists, after desisting for a day or two, soon started work again. After a little the people began to crowd into the meetings, and a strong religious interest began to make itself manifest among them. At the conclusion of their nine weeks' mission, the evangelists were able to report several hundred conversions.

Asia.

DR. Jessup of Beirut reports that unusual crowds have been attending services in the Greek church, and that it is the preaching of Mr. Moody's sermons, obtained from the Beirut press, that has caused the stir.

THERE is now an Evangelical Church of 1400 souls at Ur of the Chaldees, the modern Ufa. An Armenian weaver was converted at Aintab, and, returning to Urfa, combined evangelical work with his daily toil with the above result.

SOME English travellers have built an orphanage at ancient Nazareth. It has been open four years, and there are in all thirty-six girls, at ages varying from four to fifteen. They are all taught, whatever may have been their parentage, to love the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom He hath sent.