

Ministers and Churches.

THE Rev. H. C. Ross has tendered his resignation as pastor of Knox Church, Ingersoll.

THE Rev. Dr. McKay, late pastor of East Paslinch Presbyterian Church, has moved to Guelph.

THE Rev. Dr. Moore, pastor of the Bank Street Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, has been ill, but is now recovering.

THE Rev. J. R. Craigie, Bobcaygeon, has returned from a trip to Scotland after being absent between three and four months.

THE Rev. Mr. Urquhart, of Chalmers Church, Danwich, has declined the call from Berrie village and Kincardine Township.

"W. J. S." sends \$20, per THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN; for French Mission, \$10, and for Aged and Infirm Minister's, \$10.

THE Rev. G. W. Mills, of Sunderland, has just returned from a three months' trip to the old world, which greatly benefited his health.

THE Rev. M. C. Rumball has accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church at High Bluff, N.-W.T., where he will be inducted this month.

THE Hon. and Rev. Reynolds Moreton, of Hamilton, and Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, have begun evangelistic services in Knox Church, Ottawa, commencing Sunday last.

SUNDAY week, being Communion Sunday in the Presbyterian Church, Havelock, the Rev. Mr. McEwan, of Lakeland, occupied the pulpit of that Church both morning and evening.

FATHER CHINOUY lectured at Aylmer, Quebec, recently. He is now writing a book "Thirty Years in the Church of Christ," a contrast to his "Fifty Years in the Church of Rome."

THE Rev. James Fleck, pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church, Montreal, who has returned from a two months' trip in Europe, preached at both services in that church Sabbath week.

THE Rev. Dr. Kellogg has returned, evidently invigorated, from his Scandinavian trip. He occupied the pulpit of St. James Square Church last Sabbath, and preached with his accustomed clearness, force and impressiveness.

THE Elphin correspondent of the Perth Courier says that the Presbyterian congregation at that place has been growing so rapidly that at the last communion the building could not contain all the people. A shed for the accommodation of those attending the church has recently been built fifty-four feet long with a wing forty seven feet.

DR. COCHRANE has received from Dumfries St. Church, Paris, \$125, on account of the \$250 which the congregation have agreed to raise towards the support of a missionary in the North-West. This is in addition to their ordinary contribution to the Home Mission Fund. The congregation is greatly prospering under Mr. Cockburn's care.

THE governors have appointed the Rev. Thomas Macadam, of Strathroy, Professor of Logic, Mental and Moral Philosophy and Systematic Theology in Morrin College, Quebec. Morrin College is to be congratulated on the appointment made. Mr. Macadam is eminently qualified, by attainments, scholarship, and disposition for the chair to which he has been appointed.

THE Stratford Dragon says: The Rev. Mr. Tully, of Knox Church, Mitchell, is preaching a series of sermons on the second part of the "Pilgrim's Progress." The congregation seems to be very much interested in these discourses, and the large numbers of people who assemble in Knox Church every Sabbath evening testify to the fact that Mr. Tully is losing none of his popularity as a preacher in the town.

THE Rev. Joseph McCoy, late of Edmondville, Ont., has been inducted to the pastoral charge of Newcastle, N. B., Presbyterian Church. Rev. Messrs J. D. Murray, N. McKay and Fisher took part. The sermon was preached by Mr. Murray, who also presided. Rev. T. G. Johnstone addressed the minister, and Rev. A. T. Thompson the people. Mr. McCoy enters on his new field of labour with the most hearty good-will of the people and with the most encouraging indications of success.

THE Moderator of Assembly, Principal Grant, is much sought after. To save himself and some of his brethren a little trouble, and perhaps disappointment, the Moderator thinks it well to intimate that every Sunday in the months of October and November is pre-engaged, as follows: Oct. 6th, Sherbrooke; Oct. 13th, Brampton; Oct. 20th, Strathroy; Oct. 27th, Belmont; Nov. 3rd, Smith's Falls; Nov. 10th, Brockville; Nov. 17th, Kingston; Nov. 24th, Kingston.

THE Rev. F. M. Dewey and his young wife were the recipients of many hearty tokens of good-will by the Stanley Street Church congregation, Montreal, last week. A large number of Mr. Dewey's congregation assembled and welcomed their pastor and his bride after their trip to the Old Country. Mr. James Ross presided. He read letters of apology from the Rev. Dean Carmichael and others. Sir William Dawson, Kers. Dr. Mackay and Wells, and Rev. Professor Scrimger made happy little speeches, to which Mr. Dewey replied. The lady members of the congregation presented Mrs. Dewey with a handsome bouquet. The choir enlivened the occasion.

THE special services in connection with the opening of the new organ in Knox Church, Owen Sound, were continued on Sabbath the 22nd Sept. The Rev. J. Allister Murray of St. Andrew's Church London, preached very able discourses. The service of sacred song in the evening was very much enjoyed; the theme being "the love of God in Christ," John iii. 16, which Mr. Murray handled in his felicitous and eloquent style. The congregations were very large, the church in the evening was crowded to its utmost capacity. The opening of this large and beautiful organ is another sign of the prosperity of Knox Church. Ninety new members have been added since the induction of the present pastor about ten months ago.

THERE was a large congregation present in St. Andrew's Church, Quebec, the Sabbath after the recent calamity, when the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Love, preached a most affecting sermon on the disaster, in the course of which he said: Let this affliction not sit lightly on you, you do it not honour in the proper manner if your sorrows do not make you better Christians. They ought to make you better. They ought to make you love prayer more, love Christ more and love one another more. Death is doing his work amongst us, and shall we not make haste and get ready to die? Where the next blow shall fall God only knows. Oh, God, take none of us away unprepared!

THE Berlin Telegraph says: The Presbytery of Sarnia, in recognition of twenty-five years services as Presbytery clerk by the Rev. Geo. Cuthbertson, have unanimously agreed to give him some recognition of their appreciation of his long and faithful services, and of the esteem in which he is held by the members of the Court. It has been agreed to present Mr. Cuthbertson on the 10th of October with a handsome writing desk, and Mr. Cuthbertson with a silver tea service. The London Presbytery, in which Mr. Cuthbertson served for twelve years, have also resolved to present him with a purse of money. The many friends of Mr. Cuthbertson in this county, and especially in the county of Woolwich, where he was once settled, will read this paragraph with much pleasure.

THE Acton Free Press says: The Rev. Wm. and Mrs. Meikle, Oakville, intend leaving the latter part of this week for a trip to the sunny south. The elders of the Presbyterian Church have very kindly granted Mr. Meikle a leave of absence for three months, thinking that the trip would prove beneficial to his wife, who has been out of health for some time past. On Sunday last he delivered two excellent sermons taking for his subject in the morning "Mercy" and in the evening his twin sister "Goodness." At the close of each sermon he made a few touching remarks referring to the kindness and the interest the people of his Church had shown their pastor and his wife. We hope their trip will be a pleasant one and that they will return both benefited by it.

THE Georgetown Herald says: On last Sunday evening Rev. A. H. Drumm, pastor of the Presbyterian Church here, preached for his people the last time, he expects, for three months. The reason for his leaving town for this time is now well known—the illness of Mrs. Drumm. There is a great deal of sympathy for Rev. Mr. Drumm outside his congregation, while the feeling of regret by his people is very keen indeed. After the sermon on Sunday evening, the reverend gentleman announced that Mr. Grant, the treasurer of the church, had, in behalf of the congregations of Limehouse and Georgetown, handed him a cheque for over \$300. Mr. Drumm was deeply affected at the thought of this act of kindness and was scarcely able to express his thanks to his people for it. Mr. Drumm left for Chatham on the morning train, Monday, where he will join Mrs. Drumm and proceed to Colorado.

IN the Bredalbane branch of the Presbyterian congregation at Virden a commodious new church was opened on Sunday week. The church is 30x50, with substantial stone foundation, and is a landmark on the plain overlooking the Assiniboine River. The Rev. A. Currie, of Virden, minister of the charge, deserves credit for his interest in providing religious services in this important settlement. The opening services were conducted with large congregations both in the forenoon and afternoon by Rev. Dr. Bryce, Winnipeg. On Monday afternoon at five the whole country-side for ten miles round turned out to the opening tea meeting, which was held in the Bredalbane school house, and on being served the successive relays retired to the church, which was filled to overflowing. Congratulatory addresses were delivered by Rev. A. Andrews, Methodist minister of Virden, Rev. D. Hodges, of Oak Lake, and Hon. D. McLean, the new Provincial Secretary. At eight o'clock, Dr. Bryce delivered his lecture on the "Story of the Earth," to the large audience present. Sunday and Monday were red letter days in the history of the Bredalbane settlement.

THE anniversary services in the Presbyterian Church Oakwood, on Sunday afternoon week were largely attended. Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Lindsay, who conducted the services, gave a very interesting discourse on the fall of the first Adam, and the great deliverance wrought out by the second Adam, Jesus Christ. He showed that God deals with man individually, and also in the mass through representatives, these representatives being Adam and Jesus Christ. It was not man that was represented by Adam, but mankind. The tea meeting at the town hall on Monday evening was a fair success. The day being fine a great many turned out. Stirring addresses were given by the clergymen present. The Rev. Mr. McColl took the Jesuit question as his theme. He is surprised at the stand taken by so many Christian ministers against these Christian pioneers. Rev. Mr. Currie expressed himself as being strongly in sympathy with the growing spirit of union among the different sections of the Christian Church. Rev. Mr. Patterson, of Cooke's Church, Toronto, was present according to previous announcement, and gave an address, says the Victoria Warder, which we seldom have an opportunity of hearing. Mr. Patterson usually says as much in five minutes as some men say in fifteen. Notwithstanding his rapidity of speech, he, to the delight of the audience, gave a somewhat lengthy address on the subject of "Love." He says the maxim that "When poverty comes in at the door, love flies out of the window," is false. He believes in man and wife going up the hill of life hand in hand. Mr. Smith, of Sonya, said a few words on the subject "Opportunities." The chair was ably filled by the Rev. Mr. Scott, of Cambray. The singing of the choir was excellent and contributed largely towards making the meeting a success.

THE following resolution was adopted by the Presbytery of Hamilton and sent to each Session within the bounds. It is to be considered at the next ordinary meeting in November: Whereas, the Jesuits' Estates Act has now become law; whereas, notwithstanding the opinions published as those of the law officers of England and others, the constitutionality of the Act of 1857, by which the Society of Jesus was incorporated within the Dominion of Canada, and the Act of 1888, by which that Society has been endowed with public money and public lands, is still doubtful in the opinion of very many who are thoroughly conversant with constitutional and national law; whereas, further, if it should be decided by the highest authority that these Acts are constitutional, they none the less clearly violate the principles of the religious equality of all churches, denominations and sects in the eye of the law; of the entire separation between Church and State; and of a free church in a free state; principles which are understood to obtain in the British North American Provinces as guaranteed by the laws of Great Britain: therefore, resolved, that this Presbytery pledges its support to every proper and constitutional effort to have the question of the constitutionality of these Acts submitted to the Supreme Court of Canada and British Privy Council. Also, that this Presbytery calls upon all those who look to it for guidance in matters affecting religious rights and privileges, energetically and resolutely, in concert if possible with their fellow-citizens of other churches, to bring their influence to bear on their representatives in Parliament to have these Acts so submitted; to aid in the movement which has been begun to secure Equal Rights for all, also, if it be found necessary, to have the Federal constitution so amended as to deliver the provinces of the Dominion from the interference of the Pope and the domination of the Roman Catholic clergy in the administration of civil affairs and to maintain the supremacy of the civil law in all civil matters; and not to rest until this work has been accomplished.

THE Rev. E. Wallace Waite, B.A., preached in St. Andrew's Church, London, last Sabbath, to very large congregations. The church was very full at the evening service when he delivered a discourse on the Spiritual Reign of Christ. He said pre-millennialism was a dream. We have Christ with us as the king of our outward life. We have the Holy Ghost with us. The work of enthroning Christ in the heart and conscience of the world is a work that demands vast resources of power. He had looked calmly in the face of the great question, "What was the power in which we hope to conquer?" He found the answer in the wondrous victories which shook the ancient world when its proud and polished capitals were made to ring with the story of the cross. The partial fulfilment of the prediction was in itself a pledge that the day would come when all the men on earth shall be brought to Christ. Eighteen centuries ago how insignificant in influence was Gospel truth in our world! What harvests had already sprung from the one grain—what majestic rivers had grown out of the little rill! The history of the past, the prophecies of inspiration, the fitness of Christianity to human nature, all assured him that the time would come when all men should be given to Christ. God had uttered His voice, and to the papacy was divided in council—the enemies of the Church were maddened as their every effort failed to shake the faith of the people in the Divine love and goodness of Jesus Christ. They had sent forth His servants to the ends of the earth. He had commanded, and where there was no written language Christian missionaries had built up a written tongue and had translated into it the story of the cross. The

crescent wanes, the cross advances, the word of the Lord was sure, difficulties were vanishing from every land, testimonies were coming that everywhere humanity could be bettered, and blessed, and ennobled, and saved by the love and mercy which Christ had brought into the world. The end was coming, the moral midnight of the world was past—light was playing on the eastern hills, the glory of the coming day was breaking above the horizon here and there, and watchmen who had stood long upon the heights were calling to each other, The morning, the morning cometh.

'Tis coming on the hills of time,
And this old world is growing brighter,
We may not see its dawn sublime,
But high hopes make the heart throb lighter.

We may be dead and underground
Before it wakes the world in wonder
But we have felt it gathering round,
We have heard its voice of living thunder,
'Tis coming, yes, 'tis coming.

The sermon of which the above is only a brief outline, was listened to with the closest attention throughout. One remarkable feature of the services was the hearty congregational singing under the leadership of a well trained choir and splendid organ.

THE Alloa Advertiser in a recent issue contains the following: On Sabbath last, the Rev. Robt. Moodie, of the Presbyterian Church, Clackmannan, conducted the forenoon services in the Parish Church, Clackmannan, when there was a large congregation. Mr. Moodie is a son of the late Rev. D. Moodie, parish minister of Clackmannan, who was inducted 101 years ago but one day previous to the date of his son's preaching the sermon which is the subject of this notice. Mr. Moodie, who is at present on a visit to his native land, has spent the greater part of his life as an esteemed minister of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and although grey hairs, and a somewhat faint but distinct voice, would seem to indicate that time has been laying its hand somewhat heavily upon him, his deportment is not that of an old man, but betokens all the firmness and vigour of youth. On Sunday, both the body of the church and the gallery were filled by an earnest congregation who listened with rapt attention to every word that proceeded from the lips of the preacher. His prayers were fervent and eloquent and his preaching, a pure, undimmed, and fearless exposition of Gospel truth. Selecting his text from Romans vi. 2—"Likewise reckon ye yourselves also dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord," the reverend gentleman preached an excellent discourse on personal holiness, bringing clearly before his hearers at the outset, that while the criminal law could condemn a man, it could not make him holy, and believers could not attain to sanctification any more than they could be justified by the works of the law. The text, he said, consisted of two parts—1. The grace given to believers in the twofold aspect of being dead unto sin and alive unto God; and (2), the urgent entreaty or injunction which the apostle lays upon believers that they should realize for themselves to what the grace of God has raised them. In conclusion, he said: Suffer me to say that although I am scarcely known to any one of you, this occasion is one which must ever be very memorable to me. It is to me a cause of thankfulness to Almighty God to be permitted to conduct Divine services in this church. In the past my thoughts have often turned to this, the place of my birth. In the far-off land in which the greater part of my life has been spent, I have thought what a privilege I would consider it to be permitted to stand in this place and preach in this church. In the Providence of God, my desire has been fulfilled. There is an aspect in which these services may be considered to be of public interest. Recently a church in the district was visited by a reverend gentleman who reminded the congregation of the pastor of long ago, and to-day you have a son preaching in the church in which his father was inducted 101 years ago nearly to a day. In such circumstances as these, one is led to think of the generations which have come and departed during that time, and the many changes that have taken place in the interval. The time that has elapsed has been marked by great progress in science, and the powers of nature have been utilized and adapted to the wants and conveniences of mankind. The time has also been one in which great progress has been made in social matters, and in which great activity has been shown in promoting the Gospel of God. Amid all these changes, let us remember that the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ never changes; that He who is the Head of the Church is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, and that His fulness of power is inexhaustible. And as we think of changes that must come to ourselves, oh, let us be wise to seek an interest in that kingdom which endures for ever, and have that life which will have no end.

PRESBYTERY OF STRATFORD. An adjourned meeting of this Presbytery was held in Shakespeare on the 24th ult. The chief business was the ordination of Rev. K. Pyke to the office of the ministry and his induction to the pastoral charge of Shakespeare and Tavistock. His examinations in the subjects prescribed having been sustained; Mr. Panton gave a narrative of the steps taken and called upon Mr. Perrie, who preached an excellent sermon from Matthew iii. 2, after which the usual questions were put to Mr. Pyke, which were satisfactorily answered by him, when by prayer and the laying on of hands by the Presbytery he was solemnly set apart to the sacred office, and in the usual form and manner inducted as the minister of the congregation. Messrs. Hamilton and Turnbull then addressed the minister and congregation respectively regarding their various duties. The congregation on retiring gave Mr. Pyke a very hearty welcome to their midst. The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Knox Church, Stratford, at half-past ten a.m., on November 12. A. F. TULLY, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.—This Presbytery met at Kingston and within Cooke's Church on the 17th inst. The attendance of members was small. Application was made by the congregation of Glenvale, Harrowsmith and Wilton, for moderation in a call to a minister. The application was received and Mr. McQuillan of Kingston appointed to attend the matter. Mr. Millard submitted his resignation of the pastoral charge of Lansdowne, Fairfax and Land Bay, the resignation was laid on the table in the meantime and the Session and congregation cited to appear for their interests at an adjourned meeting of Presbytery to be held in Kingston on Tuesday the 8th of October next, at three o'clock in the afternoon. A call from the congregation of Melrose, Lonsdale and Shannonville, in favour of Mr. James Rattray, B.A., was presented and read. Parties were heard in its support after which it was sustained and handed to Mr. Rattray for his decision. Having signified his acceptance of said call his ordination and induction were appointed to take place at Melrose on Thursday the 10th of October next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon: Mr. McLean to preside, Mr. McKinnon to preach, Mr. Craig to address the minister, and Mr. Young the people. A circular from the Conveners of the Home Mission and Augmentation Committees was submitted and read, from which it appears that the amounts required from this Presbytery for the year 1889 for Home Missions is \$1,650, and for Augmentation \$1,150. On motion of Mr. Gracy, duly seconded, it was agreed as follows:—The Presbytery instructs each pastor to take an early opportunity of laying before the people of his charge, the special claims of the Home Mission Committee and Augmentation, and urging them to special liberality in supporting these schemes, and as there is a considerable deficit in each fund on last year's operations it is recommended that a contribution be given to meet the deficit before October. It was further moved by Mr. Laird, seconded by Professor Fowler, and agreed to: That in view of the very small in-