

ago, he will water his couch with tears when he sees a declining church; he will lift up his voice like a trumpet to arouse the slumbering, and with his own hand will labor day and night to build up the breaches of Zion, and should his efforts be successful, with what joyous gratitude will he lift up his heart unto the King of Israel, extolling Him as much—yea, more—for mercies given to the church than for bounties conferred upon himself.

Church News

[All communications to this column ought to be sent to the Editor immediately after the occurrences to which they refer have taken place.]

MONTREAL NOTES.

Arrangements have been made by the French students of the Presbyterian College for conducting special evangelistic services at different points throughout the city during the present winter. The series were begun in St. John's Church on Sabbath evening, Oct. 31st, when several of them gave short effective addresses. The principal points, however, will be in the suburbs of St. Henri and St. Jean Baptiste. Prof. Cousirat is lending assistance to them in carrying on the work.

Recent information from the Rev. James Stewart, formerly ordained missionary in Harrington, now on a visit to Scotland with Mrs. Stewart, is to the effect that they are likely to remain there for the rest of their lives. Their many friends here will wish them much comfort and happiness in their retirement.

At the last meeting of the Protestant Ministerial Association, the Rev. John McCarter read an interesting paper on the Jews and Jewish Missions. He pleaded for more interest in the work being carried on among this interesting people in our own land where they are found in considerable numbers.

The congregation of Howick and Riverfield has just completed a commodious manse for their minister, the Rev. John W. McLeod at Riverfield. The occupation of it was signalized by the holding of a special service in the church adjoining on Wednesday evening, Nov. 3rd, and a sermon from Prin. MacVicar. This comparatively small congregation has taken on new life, and under the leadership of Mr. MacLeod, is making vigorous efforts to strengthen its organization.

A proposal is likely to be made shortly for the division of the Presbytery of Quebec into two. The ordinary meetings are held alternately at Quebec and Sberbrooke, and the attendance at the two points is so largely different as to interfere somewhat with the continuity of business. As there are only about twenty-five ministers in the Presbytery now the two would be necessarily somewhat small Presbyteries, but it is believed that the interests of the fields could be cared for more effectively by two than by the one. This step would probably have been taken several years ago, but was prevented by the fear that the English speak-

ing population was likely to diminish rather than increase. This fear has largely passed away. If things go on as they are at the present, the bulk of the population will soon be English speaking.

A prosperous English farmer recently desired to place his son for a short time in a French school in order that he might learn the language for practical use. He selected Three Rivers as the point where he would be most likely to find what he wanted, and was not a little surprised to discover on inquiry that in every school in the place all the advanced classes were being given instruction in all the subjects of the course through the medium of the English language, and he entirely failed to find what he wanted. Some of these schools were taught by Christian Brothers of French origin, but they found that the only way in which they could hold their pupils was by promising a thorough English education. As every body knows, Three Rivers is almost exclusively a French city with only a score or so of English Protestant families all told.

The educational question is becoming more and more a serious one with the government of the Province. The new ministry knows that it dare not meet the legislature without formulating its educational policy. At the present time it is busy in constant conference with educationists of different schools of thought to ascertain their views in the hope that it may be able to meet all views. Its course is probably the wisest one to take, but it has set itself no easy task and sooner or later it will have to break with the clerical party if it is to satisfy the people. Few of that party are really in earnest in seeking to promote the education of the masses.

GENERAL.

Rev. S. R. McClements of Pittston, Pa., has accepted the call to Chalmer's Church, Toronto.

Rev. Jas. E. Scott, of Knox College, has received a call to Hespeler Church. The salary is \$900 with free manse.

The Rev. J. W. Mitchell, of Thorold, has just completed a two weeks series of evangelistic meetings at Kirkfield.

The W.F.M.S. St. John's church, Almonte, held their thank-offering meeting on Oct. 22nd. The offering amounted to \$90.

On Oct. 25th, Mr. Simon, Cunningham was ordained, and inducted into the pastoral charge of Hawkeville and Linwood congregation.

A meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance was held at Guelph on Tuesday, Nov. 9th, when Mr. R. L. Whyte, of Hamilton, addressed the workmen.

Rev. Jos. McCoy, of St. Andrew's church Chatham, N. B. has resigned his charge and removed with his family to Toronto. His present address is 74 McKenz's Crescent.

The Session and Managers of Kirk Hill Presbyterian church, acknowledge the receipt of \$500 bequeathed to that church by the late John McCuaig, of Lochiel Township, Gilgarry.

By the will of the late Mrs. M. Darling, of Esqueping (Ont.), \$200 are bequeathed to Presbyterian missions in India and a like amount to Presbyterian missions in the Northwest.

The Religious Benevolent Society of the First Presbyterian church, Truro, have taken \$50 from their funds and bought materials, which they are making up into garments for Windsor relief.

The congregation of St. Andrew's church, London, met on Nov. 3rd to consider the question of church extension. A committee was appointed to consider the matter and report at the annual meeting in January.

At the recent communion services held in Caledon and Alton congregations, of which Rev. J. A. Matheson is pastor, twelve new members were received, ten by profession of faith. During the year forty-nine members have been added to the roll.

Rev. T. L. Turnbull conducted the preparatory services at Bimbrook and Saltfleet, on Oct. 29th. Twenty-one new members were added to the roll, nine from Bimbrook, and twelve from Saltfleet. One hundred and fifty-four partook of the Lord's Supper on the Sabbath following.

The Rev. Wm. Barnes desires to acknowledge per Y.P.S.C.E.'s for Aged and Indigent Ministers:

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Rev. Prof. McLaren, of Knox College, conducted the anniversary services of Division street church, Owen Sound, an Oct. 31st. The large congregations in attendance at both services greatly appreciated his discourses. They were characterized by depth of thought expressed in language, beautiful, simple and clear. The good impression made will be lasting.

The Egmondville Auxiliary, W.F.M.S., held their annual thank-offering meeting, Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 12th. The attendance of ladies was good, and the offering amounted to \$54. Under the auspices of the same auxiliary on the evening of Oct. 25th, the Rev. W. J. Clark, of London, delivered a lecture, which was much appreciated by the large congregation present. The collection amounted to \$34.

Rev. Robert Martin was inducted Tuesday afternoon into the pastorate of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Markham, and Zion church, Cedar Grove. Rev. Wm. Barnes, Moderator of Toronto Presbytery, presided; Rev. A. E. Duncan of Unionville, preached the sermon; Rev. D. B. McDonald of St. Andrew's Scarborough, addressed the minister, and Rev. Dr. Milligan of Toronto, addressed the people. The services throughout were most impressive and interesting.

On Tuesday, Oct. 26th, at Harrow, Rev. A. McGregor, B.A., was ordained and inducted in the Presbyterian congregations of Harrow and Kingsville. Rev. W. Patterson presided over the services, and Rev. John Radford, Hlytheswood, preached, Rev. A. L. Manson, Valetta, addressed the minister, and Rev. J. C. Tolmie, Windsor, addressed the congregation. At the close of the induction services the ladies of the congregation tendered the newly ordained pastor a reception, at which all enjoyed themselves.

The annual meeting of the Barrie Presbytery Society was held at Bradford, Oct. 27th and 28th. Twenty-eight auxiliaries and twenty mission bands reported a membership of 951, \$1,411.49 contributed and 1,360 pounds of clothing valued at \$597.52 sent to the North West. Dr. Margaret McKellar of Indore addressed a public meeting, and gave some interesting information regarding mission work in India Miss Ross of Indore was also present. The next annual meeting will be held at Orillia.

The Presbytery of Ottawa at its meeting on 2nd inst., passed a resolution of sympathy with the congregations of Casselman and South Indian in the loss of their churches by fire and resolved to ask contributions from congregations and individuals to assist in erecting places of worship for these people who having lost nearly everything themselves are not able to raise much money either for salary or building purposes. Rev. Dr. Armstrong, Rev. Dr. Moore, Dr. D. M. Ramsey and Mr. Geo. Hay were appointed a committee to look after the matter. Rev. Dr. Armstrong, of Ottawa, will act as treasurer and will receive and acknowledge any sums forwarded for this purpose.

The recent anniversary services in the Presbyterian church, Hornings' Mills, were a decided success. Rev. A. Wilson, of Rosemont, preached very appropriate sermons morning and evening. Instead of having the usual fowl supper the congregation unananimously decided to do away with the old time custom and ask the members to the congregation to give as they felt they had been prospered during the year. The result was most gratifying, the total contributions amounting to over \$100. The congregation and Mr. Neilly their pastor are to be congratulated on the successful results of their first attempt to raise money by voluntary contribution.

The deepest sympathy is felt for Rev. Prof. F. R. Beattie, in his bereavement by the death of his wife, who was the eldest daughter of Mr. Wm. Galbraith, Toronto. Her health steadily declined during the last two years, and she died on Oct. 25th. She was in her fortieth year having been married about eighteen years. She lived successively at Baltimore and Brantford, Ont., and then in Columbia, S.C., and latterly at Louisville,

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