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Ministers and Churches.

Rev. Mr. Craigie, Hanover, recently occupied the Presbyterian pulpit at Durham.

Stratford Presbytery elected Rev. A. McLaughlin, of Harrington, as Moderator.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Belhaven took up a collection in aid of the Armenians.

Rev. John Hay, B.A., Cobourg, is announced to deliver a lecture on "Socialism" on the 27th inst.

Two new members were enrolled at the last Communion in the Presbyterian Church, Craighurst.

Rev. Dr. Grant, of Orillia, lately conducted preparatory service in the Presbyterian Church, Barrie.

Last Sunday evening Rev. J. A. Anderson, of Goderich, preached a special sermon to sailors and fisherman in Knox Church.

At St. Andrew's Church, Belleville, one evening last week Mr. A. McGinnis gave an address on "Olden Times in Canada."

The Christian Endeavor Society of First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, give an Irish concert on the evening of St. Patrick's Day.

Rev. Mr. Dodds delivered a lecture in the Mansfield Presbyterian Church, last Monday. He was dressed in Mexican costume.

Rev. M. N. Bethune, of Knox Church, Beaverton, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church at Biechin, a week ago Sunday.

The West Williams Presbyterian Church (Rev. Mr. McKinnon, pastor) contributed on a recent Sabbath \$22 for the Armenian sufferers fund.

Rev. A. Grant, B.A., St. Mary's, delivered an interesting address on Missions at a late meeting of Knox Church's Christian Endeavor Society, Stratford.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Brooklyn recently held its meeting at the house of Mr. William Smith, instead of at the church as is usually the case.

The Presbyterians of Westport are making arrangements for rebuilding their church almost immediately on the old site which is the finest building site in town.

Rev. Dr. Lucas is announced to preach on the coming Sabbath in the Presbyterian Church, Hastings. A collection will be taken up in aid of the Armenian fund.

Rev. D. R. Drummond, M.A., of Ramsay, who is filling the pulpit of New St. Andrew's, this city, preached an exceptionally able sermon on Sunday morning last.

The Ottawa Presbytery has nominated Rev. James Ballantyne, pastor of Knox Church, Ottawa, for the chair of Old Testament Literature in Knox College, Toronto.

The topic at the last meeting of the Keene Christian Endeavor Society was taken by Miss M. Laing. A large collection was taken up in aid of the Armenian fund.

Rev. J. A. Macfarlane, of the New Edinburgh Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, who has been unwell lately, was able to take charge of the church services last Sabbath as usual.

Rev. J. S. Conning, editor of the *Endeavor Herald*, delivered an effective address recently at the anniversary service of the Knox Church Christian Endeavor Society, Brooklyn.

Rev. Dr. Milligan, of Toronto, took charge of a week-night meeting recently, in First Presbyterian lecture hall. Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor of the congregation who has been unwell, is improving.

Rev. R. Johnston, of St. Andrew's Church, London, took part in the anniversary tea meeting of Central Church, Hamilton, on Monday night. The Hamilton papers say his address was most interesting.

Rev. Dr. Somerville, who was nominated by the London Presbytery for one of the vacant professor's chairs in Knox College, is a brother-in-law of Dr. Arnott, a well-known physician of London.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton, of Winterbourne, addressed a large audience at a special service in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, last week on "Subjects and Means of Reconciliation." The theme was carefully treated.

The Galt Ministerial Association lately held their regular meeting at the residence of Rev. Mr. Milligan. Rev. Mr. Waas, of Preston, read a well prepared paper on "The Ministry of the Spirit," which elicited much interesting comment.

Rev. Donald McLean preached a special sermon on Sunday morning week, the occasion being the twenty-fifth anniversary of his coming to Annapolis. On the previous evening he was presented with a purse of \$200 and an address. Since Mr. McLean removed from Middleville to Annapolis in 1871, the church has had a gallery put in; then there was an addition to the main building and five years ago the present edifice was erected. The money collected now is over three times what it was in 1871. ●

A collection was taken up in the Presbyterian Church, Ormstown, Que., on Saturday week, to help the persecuted Armenians and the sum of seventy-one dollars was received.

The Smith Scholarship of \$50, open to 2nd and 3rd year students of Theology at Knox College, has been awarded to Mr. Ed. W. Mackay, B.A., of the 3rd year, for an essay on "The Testimony of Nature to the Love of God."

The Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, gave a very pleasant At Home last week at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Hayes. Refreshments were served during the evening, and a choice programme of music and readings was given.

Rev. A. Waddell, one of the pioneers of Presbyterianism in Western Ontario, died at his home in Blenheim, recently. Deceased became pastor of Harwich in 1854, and continued until 1890, when he had to resign owing to his enfeebled condition.

Rev. R. P. Mackay spent the night, a week ago Saturday, in the Midland train which was stuck in a snowbank between Blackwater and Lorneville, and reached Orillia at 5 o'clock on Sunday morning. He preached for Dr. Grant that day.

The "Pathos and Poetry of the Family Circle" is the subject of a lecture to be given in College Street Church (Rev. Alex. Gilray's) by Mr. John Imrie, the Scottish-Canadian poet, on the evening of the 23rd inst. Collection to be taken up.

At the recent celebration of the communion in the Robertson Presbyterian Church, at Kaslo, B.C., where Mr. W. M. MacKeracher, B.A., is in charge as student missionary, fourteen persons were added to the church, twelve of them on profession of faith.

The officers of the Christian Endeavor Society at Baltimore, for the current six months are as follows:—President, Mr. W. H. Mann; Vice-President, Miss Gilchrist; Recording Secretary, Miss Peters; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Jennie Kelley; Treasurer, Mr. R. Mann.

Rev. Dr. Moment, of Brooklyn, N.Y., delivered a lecture on the Armenian question in the First Presbyterian Church, Port Hope, recently. Dr. Moment has just returned from an extended tour in the East and was consequently well able to deal with this interesting question.

The address by the Rev. Dr. Smith at the prayer-meeting in the Presbyterian Church, Newmarket, last week, was so full of interest regarding mission work in China that the services on Sunday were more largely attended than usual. He also addressed the Christian Endeavor Societies on Monday.

Rev. J. Carswell, of Bond Head, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Bradford, on Sabbath evening week. His discourse was much appreciated. Rev. F. Smith was unable to keep his engagement with Rev. Mr. Carswell on account of the condition of the roads, hence there was no preaching at Bond Head and Dunkerton.

The Katrine Presbyterians gave a very successful social recently, in which the following took part in the programme: Mesdames Lamb, Needham and Sim; the Misses Burk, Donnelly, White (Chetwynd), Partridge (Elmsdale), and Garrioch; and Messrs. Rev. Egan (Elmsdale), Rev. J. Garrioch and R. Garrioch.

Rev. J. M. McLean, of Rosebank, exchanged pulpits with Rev. E. S. Logie, Packenham, a week ago Sabbath. "Mr. McLean is a ready speaker, and if he gives the people of Rosebank such masterly sermons as he delivered in Packenham there is every reason to think that they would not be willing to lose their pastor," remarks the local paper.

One of the oldest residents of Winterbourne, Mrs. Pirie, ninety years of age, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Atcheson, Listowel, on Wednesday 11th inst. The Presbyterian Church of which she was a consistent member has thus lost one of its most worthy adherents. The funeral took place on Friday from the home of her son, Mr. John Pirie, Winterbourne.

The opening of each service with the unannounced singing of some selection is being largely adopted by the congregations of the Church. The First Presbyterian Church, London (Rev. W. J. Clark), for instance, has long followed this plan. It is to be noted that the Sterling congregation (Rev. D. A. Thompson) has just adopted a similar order of proceeding.

The Rev. J. W. Macmillan preached at both services in St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, a week ago Sunday. The sacrament was dispensed at the close of the morning service to a large congregation. At the close of the evening service Mr. Geo. Buskin, missionary among the lumbermen on the north shore, gave a short but interesting account of his work in that district.

Special Evangelistic services have recently been held in Puslinch. In Duff's Church, East Puslinch, the meetings continued for a fortnight. The pastor, the Rev. W. Robertson was assisted the first week by the Rev. John Little, of Dornoch, and the second by the Rev. John Match of Chalmers' Church, Toronto. At Knox Church, West Puslinch, the meetings were held one week. The Rev. P. M. McEachern, of Waterdown, assisted the pastor there. Large congregations attended in both churches and the meetings were characterized by intense earnestness and deep solemnity. The addresses were powerfully earnest, direct, and practical, and it is believed that much permanent good has been accomplished.

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The Rev. Mr. Sutherland, of Warkworth, preached an able and instructive sermon at the preparatory service in the Hastings Church recently. Nineteen persons were added to the membership. The Rev. D. A. Thomson, pastor of the congregation, preached an appropriate sermon on Sacramental Sunday, which was subsequently published in the local paper.

The anniversary services at Knox Church, Leamington, on Sunday week were well attended. The church was crowded to excess, and many were unable to gain admittance. Rev. Dr. Battisby, of Chatham, gave two excellent addresses. "He is a very fluent and thoughtful speaker and will always be welcome to our town," remarks the local paper.

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's congregation, Fenelon Falls, was held recently, when very satisfactory reports were received from all the organizations of the Church. The S.S. reported great increase in attendance since they occupied their new comfortable quarters. The Ladies' Auxiliary contributed \$500 towards the furnishings of the new church. The W.F.M. Society although busy with home work contributed \$100 to the Foreign missionary work of the Church. All the funds were reported to be in a healthy condition. The sum of \$2,500 was raised for all purposes, \$1,500 of which amount went towards the new building. By his earnest Christian work in this parish the Rev. Mr. McKinnon has won for himself a high reputation.

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