

McLennan, of Apple Hill, addressed the pastor and the Rev. A. Russel addressed the congregation.

#### GENERAL.

The decoration of the interior of the Presbyterian church Thorold, is completed, and the church is now one of the finest in that part of the country.

The floral service in connection with Knox Church Elora, was held on Sabbath Sept 5th Rev. Mr. McInnes, the pastor, officiating. The service throughout was most impressive and appropriate.

The Presbytery of Owen Sound met in Meaford on Wednesday, Sep. 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 2.30 p.m., to induct the Rev. S. H. Eastman, B.A., late of Oshawa, into the pastoral charge of Erskine church, Meaford.

The ninth anniversary service of Erskine Presbyterian church Ottawa were held Sept. 12th. Rev. Mr. Mitchell, of St. Andrew's church, Almonte, preached excellent sermons to large congregations.

Mr. Alex. McGregor, B.A., has been assisting his minister, Dr. Paterson, of St. Andrews, P.Q., during the last two or three months, and it speaks well for him that in his native place, he is very highly thought of both as a man and as a preacher.

The Rev. Mr. McMillan, of Toronto, preached anniversary sermon, morning and evening, in the Presbyterian church, Alma Sept. 12th and gave a lecture on the "Scottish Covenanters," on Monday evening, which was well rendered and well attended.

The Rev. Mr. Russell, Presbyterian minister at Little Britain Man., for some time past, leaves next month for New York to attend Princeton college, where he will take a post graduate course in theology. Mrs. Russell will remain at Carlton Junction, Ont.

The 22nd anniversary festival in connection with the pastorate of Rev. W. P. Walten, was held in the Drill Shed, Binbrook, on Sept. 7th. The assemblage was large and the programme all that could be desired. Rev. Mr. Chestnut preached the anniversary discourses on Sabbath. These were excellent, suitable and profitable.

The social held at Oliver's Point under the auspices of the Presbyterian mission was very successful. A good number from South Harvey and Babcaeygon, were present. The Rev. Mr. Innis and the Rev. Mr. Creighton, of Babcaeygon, were present. A very pleasant time was spent. The net proceeds amounted to about \$24.

The Rev. Norman H. Russell at Harrison on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, addressed the W.F. M.S. of Saugeen Presbyterial in the afternoon and also the Saugeen Presbytery. In the evening he addressed a large public meeting under the auspices of Presbyterial and showed views of India. The attendance was large and much interest taken.

Rev. Mr. Ross, of Glenoe, conducted anniversary services Sunday morning Sept. 12th and evening in Knox church Kent Bridge Ont., and Rev. Mr. Dickey, of Broden in the afternoon. There was a large attendance at all the services. On Monday evening a tea-meeting was held. Several gentlemen delivered addresses. Proceeds about \$60.

Sunday Sept 12th was Children's Day in St. Andrew's church, Appleton, and the ladies went to more than usual trouble to decorate the church with flowers and potted flowers that gave the sacred edifice a bright and cheery appearance. The Rev. G. T. Bayne preached two appropriate sermons, morning and evening. At the evening service he was assisted by Mr. Wm. Turner.

The following are the engagements of the Rev. Norman H. Russell for the next few weeks: Avon Bank Sept. 23rd, Motherwell Sept. 24th, Ridgetown and Glenheim Sept. 26th, Comber Sept. 27th, Essex Sept. 28th, Windsor Sept. 29th, Tilbury Sept. 30th, Fletcher Oct. 1st, Chatham Oct. 3rd, Thameville Oct. 4th, Puart Oct. 5th, Montreal Oct. 7th, Montreal Presbytery, Oct. 8th 17th.

Rev. Dr. Milligan of Old St. Andrew's Church arrived in the city Sept. 10th after a two months holiday in Britain. Dr. Milligan's headquarters were in London, where for five weeks he supplied the pulpit of Rev. Munro Gibson, the well-known preacher, in St. John's Wood. The doctor

made frequent excursions, visiting Belgium and Scotland and other points of interest, and found his holiday most enjoyable and profitable.

Dr. Hardie, of the Canadian Colleges Mission, who leaves on the 25th inst. for Corea, to resume his missionary work in that country, addressed a farewell meeting held in the lecture hall of the Central Y.M.C.A. Sept. 13th. There was a very large attendance. Short addresses were delivered by Rev. Principal Ayon, Mr. H. W. Frost, of the China Inland Mission, and Dr. Hardie. The latter dealt at some length with mission work in Corea.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in the church at Mono Mills on Sept. 5th. There was a large attendance. Rev. P. Fleming, of Caledon East, preached the sermon. He took for his text St. John xvii 1. His subject was "Christ's exclamation in view of the Cross." There was a deep impression made on the large audience present, after which the pastor, Rev. Mr. Orr dispensed the Sacrament. The service was greatly enjoyed by all.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered in the school house to the Presbyterian congregation of North Harvey by the Rev. Mr. Bennett of Peterborough, assisted by the Rev. Mr. McKnight. Several took part in the ceremony. This is the first time that this has been commemorated here by the Presbyterians. In the past year Mr. McKnight has done much to gather the loose ends together and is getting things organized, we hope the good work may go on.

Saturday evening, Sept. 13th a meeting in the interests of the Presbyterian missions in Trinidad and Demerara was held in the school room of the Presbyterian church Woodstock N.B. The speakers were Revs. Jas. W. Falconer, of Truro, N.S.; Morton, of Fairville, and H. H. Morton, of St. John North. The latter are sons of Rev. Dr. Morton who with Mrs. Morton has labored so long and so successfully in Trinidad. They are visiting the Presbyterian congregations along the St. John river between Fredericton and Grand Falls and are delighted with the scenery on the way.

Pre-communion service was held in the Presbyterian church, Fleaherton, recently, when Mr. Matthewson, student at Priceville, preached an excellent sermon appropriate to the occasion. Five new members were received upon profession of faith and one by certificate. The session decided to introduce the new Book of Praise on the 1st Sabbath in October, and Mr. Arch Cairns was elected representative elder for the ensuing year. On Sabbath morning, Sept. 12th the pastor preached on "The Lord's Supper" after which one hundred and six communicants observed the solemn feast. The sacrament was dispensed at the sister charge at Eugenia when fifteen new members were received into full communion.

The regular meeting of Stratford Presbytery was held at Knox church, Stratford, on Sept. 14th. Rev. J. A. Morison, B.A., of Oak street Presbyterian church, Toronto, appeared to support a call on behalf of the Presbytery of Toronto to Rev. Mr. Kay, of Milverton, to the charge of Deer Park. Rev. Dr. Hamilton, of Motherwell, also appeared for Toronto Presbytery, while Messrs. Gibbs and Burnside spoke briefly in the interest of Deer Park congregation. Messrs. J. Torrance, J. Riddell and R. Ranney from Milverton and Messrs. A. Chalmers and H. Kelley from Wellesley desired that Mr. Kay should remain with them. The matter, however, was left in Mr. Kay's hands and he decided to accept the call. It was moved by Rev. Mr. Scott that he be released from the charge of Milverton and Wellesley on and after the second Sabbath in October.

#### THE KESWICK BRETHREN.

In connection with the visit of the Keswick deputation to Toronto, Rev. John Sloan, preached last Lord's Day in Dunn Avenue, and Central Presbyterian churches. At the former he explained briefly the purpose of the visit of the Keswick brethren, namely, to hold a conference for the deepening of the spiritual life. The theme of their sermons, he said, would be sanctification, and accordingly he took for his text the first and second verses of the 12th chapter of St. Paul's epistle to the Romans, "I

beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

The discourse he divided into three parts: (1) The presentation of our bodies to God; (2) the transformation of our minds; (3) the perfect will of God. While we were yet sinners, said Dr. Sloan, God gave His only son for our redemption, so that the presentation of our bodies is only a reasonable service. We are God's by creation, by redemption, and by consecration. We are not our own, we are bought with a price. Again, our sacrifice is holy, for it is acceptable unto God. It should make us glad to think that God will accept what we bring unto Him. To realize God's love for us we must look away from ourselves to Christ, who is the expression of God's love to every man.

Dealing with the second topic, the speaker pointed out that the word "transformed" was the same in the original as that used of the transfiguration on the mount. A Christian undergoes a very thorough mental transformation by virtue of which he appreciates the perfect will of God, which is to him not as formerly a precept or command but a first principle of the new existence. God renews the convert's mind. He gives him new desires. He no longer prays "thy will be done," as a mere matter of resignation. A heart that is filled with God's will is a heart that is satisfied. Worldly pleasures do not give lasting satisfaction. The millionaire frequently ends his opulent life by suicide, it would be a hell on earth, said the speaker, to be allowed to do just what we liked. Finally, this transformation doesn't raise the Christian on a kind of pedestal, on the contrary, it makes him intensely human and natural, a fact, said the speaker, abundantly illustrated in the earthly life of Jesus Christ.

#### PALACE SHOE STORE.

For over thirty years the name of Blachford has been connected with the finest class of shoe trade in the city of Toronto, and during these years the reputation of H. and C. Blachford has become a household word through the length and breadth of the Dominion. Keeping pace with the times this firm has just secured large and commodious quarters at 114 Yonge St. which they have fitted up in the very latest and most approved style. One of the advantages that customers will find in dealing with this house is that all the departments are upon one floor so that the inconvenience of stairs and elevator is obviated. The firm have just opened a full line of the latest local and American novelties in foot wear which will well repay inspection.

#### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAMME.

The official programme for the annual convention of the Ontario Christian Endeavor Union has just been completed by the

#### A PREACHER'S REPORT

Interesting Statement by Elder Joel H. Austin of Goshen, Ind.

"I was a victim of catarrh and had almost constant pain in my head. The trouble was gradually working down on my lungs. I was weak and irresolute. My wife had the grip and Hood's Sarsaparilla cured her. After this I had the same disease and resorted to Hood's. In a short time the aches and pains were relieved and I also saw the medicine was helping my catarrh. In six weeks I ceased to have any further trouble with it and I am now a well man. The pains and bloating I had in my limbs are gone and I am relieved of a heart trouble. I am thankful for a medicine so intelligently compounded and so admirably adapted to the needs of the system." ELDER JOEL H. AUSTIN, Goshen, Indiana.

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