

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. Dr. MacNish, Cornwall, has returned from Peak's Island.

Rev. George Colthbertson, Toronto, is preaching at Smith's Falls.

Rev. D. J. Scott, East Templeton, is visiting friends at Mount Joy.

Rev. R. J. Hutcheon, Almonte, is spending his holidays in Europe.

Rev. J. A. McKee and Mrs. McKee, Orono, are camping at Washburn Island.

The pastors of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches, Kemptonville, exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

The Rev. J. T. Hall, of the Presbyterian church, Bond Head, will preach in St. Andrew's church on Sabbath evening.

Miss McLeod, of Three Rivers, is a guest at "The Manse, Vankleek Hill." Miss McLeod is a daughter of Rev. J. R. McLeod.

Rev. Mr. Burnett, Summerstown, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's church, Williamstown, on Sunday last, Rev. A. Given supplying Apple Hill.

Rev. D. D. MacLennan, Apple Hill, who was unwell and took a trip to the Muskoka and Parry Sound districts, is said to have benefited by the change.

Rev. John McLaren preached in Vankleek Hill church on a recent Sunday, while Mr. Alex McInnes, of that place, filled the stations at Plantagenet, etc.

Rev. W. W. McCuaig conducted the services at St. Andrew's church, Peterborough, Sunday, exchanging pulpits with Rev. Mr. Potter, who occupied the Port Hope pulpit.

Rev. Prof. Jordan, D.D., of Queen's, preached last Sunday for Rev. John Hay, Renfrew, who is taking his vacation. Dr. Jordan remains in Renfrew until next week, when he will return to Kingston.

Mr. W. J. Patterson, Carleton Place, occupied the pulpit of Rev. Mr. Conn at Clayton and Blakeney, last Sunday. He will take Mr. Hutcheson's services at Almonte for the next two Sabbaths.

Rev. J. R. McLeod, of Three Rivers, was at Dunvegan last Sabbath, where he had a large and attentive congregation. Mr. McLeod is completing his work in connection with the Century Union in this Presbytery.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. H. Turnbull, Bowmanville, president of the Whitty Presbyterian Society, addressed a joint meeting of Columbus and Brooklyn W.F.M.S. auxiliaries in the school-room of Presbyterian church, Brooklyn, Thursday afternoon of last week.

At St. John's church, Brockville, Rev. C. J. Cameron, moderator of the Presbytery of Boston, U.S., was the preacher. Large congregations turned out to hear their former minister; in the evening, especially, chairs had to be placed in the aisles to accommodate the influx of visitors in attendance.

Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, preached two excellent sermons to St. Andrew's mission in the town hall, Lanark, on Sunday. In the morning the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated. He was accompanied by Elders Baird and Menzies, of Carleton Place, who assisted in dispensing the sacrament.

The annual convention of the Christian Endeavor Societies of Stormont and Glengarry will be held in Knox Church, Cornwall, on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 13 and 14. Several interesting addresses and papers are being prepared for the occasion. We hope to give the names of speakers and subjects at a later date.

Rev. J. MacLeod, Vankleek Hill, occupied his own pulpit last Sunday at both services. In the morning he spoke from the subject, "But where are the fathers?" Mr. MacLeod referred to his recent visit to his home in Prince Edward Island. He stated that it had been twenty-one years since he saw his parents. He found them both well, but neither of them knew him. The visit to the old homestead was thoroughly enjoyed.

Jacob B. Brant was ordained an elder of the Presbyterian Church at St. Andrew's church, Tyendinaga reserve, on Sunday, says the Tribune, Rev. Dr. McTavish officiating. The solemn and impressive service was listened to attentively by a large congregation. Mr. Brant is probably the first Mohawk Indian who has had this honor conferred. A McMillan, B.A., occupied the pulpit of the church of the Redeemer while the pastor was engaged in the above service.

On August 2nd, the Presbyterians of Knox church, Merrickville, celebrated the first anniversary of the induction of their pastor, Rev. W. M. Fee, M.A., by spending an evening at the manse. There were present, in addition to the Presbyterians, a large number of the friends and well-wishers of the minister of the manse, from the other churches.

Monday's Brockville Recorder says: The services in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday were conducted by Rev. Mr. Conn, of Blakeney. He preached two excellent sermons, in the morning on faith, and in the evening taking friendship as his theme. Mr. Conn is a young man, having been only about a year in the ministry; but gives bright promises of taking a prominent place in the church.

Ottawa and Vicinity.

Rev. Mr. Herbison left on Monday for a short holiday season to be spent on the New England coast.

Rev. J. W. Penman takes the pulpit of Erskine Church next Sabbath, in the absence of Dr. Campbell.

Rev. J. McNichol, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Aylmer, left the other day for a three weeks' outing on the Rideau lakes.

Mrs. Anna Ross, Principal of the Ottawa Presbyterian Ladies College, and her daughter Miss Eleanor Ross, have been the guests of Mrs. (Dr.) McDiarmid, Maxville.

Mr. J. T. Pattison, elder, took the services at Aylmer, in the absence of the pastor, last Sabbath. He will also officiate for Rev. Mr. Logan of Chelsea, who is absent in Ogdensburg, N.Y., next Sabbath.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. A. S. Ross, B.A., of Merrivale, was the preacher in Knox. Next Sabbath Rev. John McNichol, B.A., Aylmer, will officiate. Both ministers are young men, but earnest, effective preachers.

The London (Eng.) Presbyterian says: Rev. Dr. Herridge, of Ottawa, occupied the vacant pulpit at Nottingham, London, on a recent Sunday. The Earl and Countess of Aberdeen were among the worshippers on Sunday morning.

On hearing of the serious illness of Rev. Mr. Wheeler, Baltimore, Que., Rev. Mr. Patterson, Buckingham, accompanied by Dr. Penmoyer and Mr. Lough, went up last Sunday to bring him down so that he may have proper care and nursing.

Hon. Dr. Borden has received a letter from Capt. Ponsonby, A.D.C., expressing the sympathy of Her Majesty the Queen in the death of his son, Lieut. Borden, in South Africa. Her Majesty also expressed a desire for a photograph of the gallant young officer.

Rev. E. A. Wicher, M.A., a talented graduate of Knox, will occupy the pulpit of St. Andrew's until the pastor's return. St. Andrew's is having excellent supply. Dr. Jordan's ministrations were of an exceptionally high order; and Mr. Wicher continues to sustain the interest.

The Journal: The DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN will in future be issued in Ottawa. This weekly publication, devoted to the interests of Presbyterianism in Canada, is edited by Mr. Blackett Robinson, who has been in Ottawa for some time past, arranging for the removal of his paper to the Capital. The paper has a wide circulation.

The monthly meeting of the Ottawa Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society was held last night at the Y.M.C.A. The President, Mr. George Hay, presided, and there were present, Mr. James Hope, Rev. J. I. Campbell, Rev. Mr. Ritchie, Mr. John Keane, Mr. James Henderson, Mr. Arthur Chisholm, and Mr. H. E. Eagleson. Arrangements were made for the annual visit of the agent, Mr. Campbell, to the branches. Mr. Campbell will leave next Saturday and will not return for about six weeks.

Rev. John Pringle, of Atlin, has been preaching in Westminster church, Winnipeg. He will soon be back to his distant and arduous field of labour.

Rev. Anderson Rogers, pastor of United Church, New Glasgow, N.S., accompanied by his son, Oswald, left by ss. Misnac this week, for a two months' visit to Great Britain.

Mr. Fisher Unwin will publish a new edition of Professor R. K. Douglas's book on "China," which was written for the "Story of the Nations" series.

British and Foreign Items.

The "Sober Scot Society" has changed its name to the Scottish Self-Control Society.

The Rev. Dr. R. A. Watson has withdrawn from the editorship of the Christian Leader, Glasgow.

The Prince of Wales and Lord Rosebery have been made Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons.

The death is announced of the Rev. J. Gordon Watt, M.A., first secretary and then editorial superintendent of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

A suggestion, emanating from Dr. Parker, that a united session of the Baptist and Congregational Unions should be held in the spring, is receiving consideration.

Contracts have been entered into for the erection of the new Crown Free Church, Inverness, which is to be built on the hill at a cost of between £4,000 and £5,000.

Rev. D. Macalister of Buccleuch and Greyfriars, has intimated to Edinburgh presbytery his intention to retire from the active work of the ministry owing to ill-health.

The congregation of Westbourne Grove, London, whose church is unfavourably situated in a side street, have decided to build a new church on a convenient and prominent site at a cost of £10,000.

Rev. Dr. John K. Campbell, Maryrick, Stirling has tendered his resignation, subject to receiving a grant of £80 from the Infirm Ministers' Fund. The resignation is due to increasing bodily infirmity.

Lately about 20,000 Chinese, engaged on the Manchurian Railway struck work owing to a report that the Russians had killed Chinese in the hospital, and bodied the bodies to get fat to lubricate the engines.

At a meeting of St. Brycedale congregation, Kirkcaldy, the committee, by a majority, recommended that Rev. Peter D. Thomson, M.A., Peterculter Free Church, should be appointed colleague to Mr. M'Donald.

Her Majesty the Queen has sent to the Maharajah of Sindia the following message in response to his gift of an Hospital Ship for the use of the troops in China:—"Must ask your Highness accept my warmest thanks for your splendid gift hospital ship, which has touched us deeply."

The congregation of St. Kilda, Jarrow, has chosen as its minister a Free Church licentiate, the Rev. R. Dadds Robertson, assistant at John Knox Free Church, Edinburgh. It is somewhat singular that the former minister of the congregation (Rev. David Annal) was also an assistant to the Rev. Dr. MacEwan, of Knox's Church, Edinburgh.

At a meeting of the ministers and elders opposed to union, held at Inverness, it was resolved to send out delegates to explain the position of the party, and also to take a plebiscite of the whole church on the subject. The principal speakers were Rev. Angus Galbraith, of Lochalsh, Rev. J. D. McCulloch and Rev. John McLeod, of Glasgow.

Lady Randolph Churchill met her son when he arrived at Southampton, leading off with "Hello! my dear boy." "I'm all right," came the cheery response, as the promising young aristocrat raised his billycock hat in salutation of his mother. An interviewer was talking with him when Lady Randolph interposed with a cheery "Come on, Winston, it is my turn now," and the interview ended.

There is a peculiarity of the U.P. Church in the naming of its congregations. Out of almost 600 congregations only six are named after saints, if we omit St. Rollox and one or two other place names as St. George's Road Church, Glasgow. There is St. Margaret's in Dunfermline, St. Paul's in Aberdeen and Arbroath, St. James' in Paisley and Falkirk, St. Nicholas in Aberdeen, and St. Luke's in Montrose. Whether the lack of saints in naming the congregations means a democratic or a Puritan, or an anti-ritualistic and anti-Romanist Church, it is certainly a characteristic of the present U.P. Church. The preponderance of saints in the naming of congregations of the other two Presbyterian churches will at once be apparent from the fact that while the U.P.'s have only six all over Scotland, the Established Church has over twenty in the Presbytery of Glasgow alone, and the Free Church has thirteen in a single Presbytery in Edinburgh.