

especial prayer may be offered for the Divine blessing on all assembled. Will our respected brethren in the ministry, and every Sabbath School Superintendent receiving this circular, supplicate the Throne of Grace to this end. It is further recommended that the first Sabbath in October be set apart for special prayer for this object."

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## News of the Churches.

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**Ordination at Warwick—Presentation to Rev. D. Macallum.**—The Rev. John Salmon, B.A., was on Wednesday, the 26th, received into the Congregational ministry and installed over the churches of Warwick and Forest. The services began at 11 a.m., the Rev. D. Macallum, taking the introductory part. After giving out a hymn to be sung, reading appropriate Scriptures and engaging in prayer, he addressed the following questions to Mr. Salmon: 1. What reason have you to regard yourself as a Christian? 2. On what grounds do you believe that you are called of God to the work of the ministry? 3. Why are you led to think Warwick your sphere of labour, and with what spirit and aims do you propose to prosecute your work here? 4. What are your doctrinal views? 5. What are your ecclesiastical views?

Full and satisfactory answers having been given to these questions, the Church was asked if it adhered to its call and accepted Mr. Salmon as its pastor, which was answered in the affirmative by all the members rising.

The Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, of London, then gave the pastor the right hand of fellowship, accompanied with words of Christian greeting and cordial welcome to the Congregational communion. After offering the installation prayer, Mr. Dickson entered the pulpit and delivered the charge to the pastor. It was founded on II. Timothy, 4th chap. and 1, 2 verses: "I charge thee therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom; preach the word; be instant in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." Another hymn being sung, the Rev. W. H. Allworth, proceeded to address the Church on its responsibilities and duties in relation to the pastor. He took as the basis of his discourse I. Thess. 5th chap., 12th and 13th verses: "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves."

These offices being discharged, a hymn was sung and the newly-installed pastor pronounced the benediction.

The church was filled by a large and respectable assembly, which maintained breathless silence and profound attention during every part of the interesting and solemn services. The new pastor has entered on a wide and excellent field of labor, where he will find a loving and devoted people. We heartily wish him Godspeed, a wish in which all God's people will cordially unite.

**TAKING LEAVE OF THE LATE PASTOR.**—At two o'clock in the afternoon a farewell tea meeting on behalf of the Rev. D. Macallum, who had been called to another field of labor, was held in the commodious new Drill Shed, at which 400 persons from all parts of the township, and of every Christian denomination, were present. The ladies had provided sumptuously and plentifully, but so large was the attendance that little was left. After tea, the Rev. John Salmon, B.A., took the chair, and called the meeting to order. He said that the people being very desirous to see Mr. Macallum, to bid him good-bye before he left, and also to give him some tangible expression of their esteem and love, was the reason why they were convened. After singing the Old Hundred, the Rev. Messrs. Ball (Pres.), of Watford, Donaldson (Pres.), of Adelaide, Foreman (Bapt.) of Arkona, Dickson (Cong.), of London, and Allworth (Cong.), Paris, addressed the meeting.