

Church News.

In Canada.

THE Tottenham Presbyterian Church is undergoing repairs.

A SOCIAL was held on the manse lawn, Dutton, on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of its missionary society.

ALL communications regarding supply at Wick and Greenbank should be addressed to Mr. Alexander Loach, Wick P.O.

REV. WM. WYLLIE, formerly pastor of the River Street church, Paris, Ont., has been appointed pastor of the second Reformed Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia.

WILLIAM WILSON and Miss Kate McCallum attended the convention as delegates from the Y.P.S.C.E. from Dutton society. They will give a report of its convention on July 22nd to the meeting of the society.

THE sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed to a large number in St. Andrew's church, Peterborough, on July 15th, when nineteen new members were received.

REVS. WILSON, of Dutton, and wife, Scott, of Rodney, and wife, and Barnett, of Kingston, will take in the Mackinac trip from Owen Sound on July 27th, camping for a time at one of the points along the way.

THE ladies of the Presbyterian congregation of Lonadale held a very successful lawn social on the grounds of Mr. Mitchell McCullough. There was a large attendance and a very happy festival. Over twenty-five dollars was realized by the event.

IN addition to the routine work of London Presbytery on July 10th, an address was given by Rev. J. Goforth on his work in Homan, also an excellent paper by Rev. A. Miller, of Mesa, on subject "Should baptism be administered to the children of non-church members?"

REV. J. WELLS, M.A., conducted the annual religious service and preached a vigorous and very practical sermon to the brethren of the Masonic fraternity, who attended divine service in a body in the Presbyterian church, Fleaherton, Sabbath, the 1st inst.

A VERY successful lawn social was held on the grounds of Dorchester Presbyterian church and manse on the evening of July 9th. The pastor, Rev. W. A. Cook, was chairman, while the programme, which was supplied by talent from London, also a band, was very satisfactory. The grounds were beautifully illuminated. Proceeds amounted to \$75.

THE conference of believers which ended its sittings yesterday at Niagara-on-the-Lake was in every respect successful during its week's session. There were many notable men present from a distance and many Ontario clergymen attended. Among those taking part were: Rev. Dr. Parsons, Rev. Mr. Wolfkin, Rev. Wilbert Chapman, evangelist, Rev. G. C. Needham, evangelist, Rev. Dr. Erdman, N. Carolina, secretary, Rev. Dr. Grosvenor, Chicago, and Rev. John de Witt, evangelist, Brooklyn.

REV. JOHN NICHOLS, pastor of St. Mark's Church, Montreal, received a handsome testimonial from his congregation on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his wedding day. A large party of ladies and gentlemen, representing the congregation of St. Mark's, gathered at the home of Mr. Nichols, quite in a casual way. But there was a great deal in their quiet manner. Mr. Nichols was suddenly confronted with a glittering array of jewellery. Then the idea was explained to him. Mr. Hugh Vallance did the speaking. He said that the occasion was the twenty-fifth anniversary of Mr. Nichols's wedding day. For twenty years he had led his congregation faithfully. When visited with pestilence and floods, and among the needy always the reverend pastor had done his duty. This always required courage and devotion. Naturally he had made enemies. That was unavoidable, but the congregation of St. Mark's wanted to express their entire satisfaction with their pastor. This was their opportunity and here were the small marks of their great

esteem. These remarks were loudly applauded. The presents were a fine silver bread tray, a chased and embossed stud-case filled with gold dollars, and a gold watch beautifully engraved. Nor was Mrs. Nichols forgotten. On behalf of the Young People's Association, Miss Liuto presented the pastor's wife with a prettily engraved jewel case. Incidentally it was bursting with bank bills. The Rev. Mr. Nichols, to whom the whole was a surprise, was deeply touched. On behalf of himself and wife he returned most hearty thanks. "Indeed, the occasion was almost beyond language—it was so unexpected and so welcome." Afterwards there was music and much merriment. There were ice cream and conversation, and the reverend gentleman and his family were made to feel that the affection of the congregation as well as its loyalty was practical and Christian. St. Mark's church has had its uphill struggles, and pastor and congregation have always worked heartily for the common cause. The party left the house after an hour or two of very hearty sociability, leaving their pastor and his family in a very happy frame of mind.

THE session of Grand River congregation erected a marble tablet in their church to the memory of their late pastor and his wife, Rev. James and Mrs. Ross. Mr. Ross for many years laboured faithfully among the people, laying a foundation sure and steadfast, establishing in the minds of his hearers the truth and love for the truth which to-day is seen bearing its precious fruit. His field of labour was extensive, especially during the first years of his ministry, and he applied himself with such zeal to the upbuilding of Christ's cause that to-day we find three pastors settled in what was, in his time, popularly known as the congregation of Grand River. Mr. Ross was a man of sterling worth. Mrs. Ross was a worthy and faithful spouse, and an active worker in the congregation. She was beloved of the people, and her memory is gratefully coupled with that of her esteemed husband.

Presbytery of Kingston.

AT the regular meeting of the Kingston Presbytery a good deal of important business was transacted. Rev. Mr. Moore, of Seymour, was appointed moderator for the next six months. A call from Melrose, Lonadale and Shannerville in favour of Mr. D. O. McArthur, and one from Camden VIII, and Tamworth, in favour of Mr. R. Ballantyne, were made for the ordination and induction of these gentlemen. Mr. McArthur to be ordained and inducted at Melrose, on Tuesday, the 17th of July, 2 p.m. The ordination of Mr. Ballantyne, in the event of his accepting the call, was appointed to take place in St. Andrew's church, Tamworth, on Tuesday, 24th July, at 11 a.m.; the Presbytery to meet at 10 a.m. for the purpose of hearing trial discourses, etc. Arrangements were made for visiting these mission fields within the bounds where ordained missionaries are not in charge, and for dispensing ordinances therein as follows: Portsmouth, to be visited by Rev. Mr. Boyd; Sharbot Lake district, Rev. Dr. Smith; Tweed, Rev. Mr. Black; Comstock, etc., Rev. Mr. Wilkins; Ernestown, Fredericksburg and Bath, Rev. Mr. Cumberland; Sidney, Rev. Mr. Gray; West End Mission, Deseronto, Rev. Craig; Deserontoville, Rev. Mr. McPhail; Matawatchan, Rev. Mr. Binnie; Wilber, Rev. Mr. Gracy; Thonet and the Ridge, Rev. Mr. Childhouse; Maynooth, Rev. Mr. Porteous; Carleton and Mayo, Rev. Mr. MacLean, and Mr. Wishart; Hay Bay, Rev. Mr. McEachern. Mr. MacLean, convener of the Home Mission Committee, reported that the Assembly's Home Mission Committee had, as asked, made the following grants, viz.: To Sharbot Lake district, \$1 per Sabbath; West End Mission, Deseronto, \$3 per Sabbath; Zion church, Kingston, \$3 per Sabbath. The following were appointed as standing committees for the year—the first mentioned in each case being convener: Home Missions—Rev. Messrs. MacLean, Gracy, Wishart, Gray and Macphail; and Messrs. S. Russell, McIntosh, W. G. Craig and Hudson, elders. Examination of Students—The ministers of the several Kingston churches, together with the representative elders of these sessions, with the Pres-

Professor Fowler as convener. Sabbath Schools—Rev. Messrs. Childhouse, Fairlie, Black and Porteous, and Messrs. Ostrom, Hinch, R. Templeton, elders. Temperance—Rev. Messrs. Cumberland, McEachern and Fleming, and Messrs. McArthur, L. Meiklejohn and W. Boulter, elders. State of Religion—Rev. Messrs. J. Mackie, Laird, Gaudier and George, and Messrs. J. Meiklejohn, J. S. Watts, and J. W. Balcanquell, elders. Statistics and Finance—Rev. Messrs. W. J. Wilkins, McPhail, Moore and Dr. Smith, and Messrs. Dick, Adams and—elders. Sabbath Observance—Rev. Messrs. R. J. Craig, Wishart, Gallagher and Binnie, and Messrs. S. Donovan, A. Leslie and K. Wilson, elders. Systematic Benevolence—Rev. Messrs. McEachern, Dr. Nowat, Dr. Ross and George Lang, and Messrs. Thomas Abbott, S. Girvin, James Webb, elders. The Rev. J. R. Hartley, B.A., LL.B., of Trinity College, Dublin, presented testimonials, and was received by the Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Gracy gave notice of motion for payment of the expenses of Commissioners to Assembly hereafter from a fund to be created for that purpose. The next meeting of the Presbytery appointed to be held in Chalmers' church, Kingston, on third Tuesday in September, at 3 p.m.

Presbytery of Bruce.

THE Presbytery of Bruce met at Paisley on July 10th, when Rev. J. R. Craigie was appointed moderator for the next half year, and presided. A minute of Assembly was read, setting forth that Rev. J. Anderson had been allowed to retire from the active duties of the ministry. Rev. W. Nowat reported having moderated in call from Tara to Rev. A. H. Kippan. The call, which was signed by 154 members and sixty-three adherents and accompanied with the promise of an annual stipend of \$500 and manse, was sustained and ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Kippan. There was also submitted by Rev. J. R. Craigie, a call from Geneva church, Chesley, to Rev. E. A. McKenzie, and the guarantee of a stipend of \$1100 per annum. The call was signed by 311 members and 165 adherents. On motion the call was sustained and forwarded. Provisional arrangements were made in the event of the calls being accepted. Rev. J. Anderson's resignation of the charge of Tiverton, tendered at last meeting, was taken up for consideration, and was accepted to take effect on the 15th inst., and Rev. H. McQuarrie was appointed to preach and declare the charge vacant on that day. Mr. Fitzpatrick was appointed moderator of Tiverton session. A complimentary resolution regarding Dr. James' resignation was submitted by Mr. Johnston and adopted. The following were appointed conveners of standing committees for the year: Home Missions, Mr. Tolmie; State of Religion, Mr. Craigie; Sabbath Schools, Mr. Eckford; Temperance, Mr. Johnston; Statistics and Benevolence, Mr. Curley; Superintendence of Students, Mr. McQuarrie; Finance, Mr. Fitzpatrick; Sabbath Observance, Mr. McLennan. The clerk was instructed to notify neighbouring sessions that the Presbytery has in view the organizing of mission stations at Dobbington and Gillies Hill.

REV. J. A. MORRISON, B.A., who will be inducted to the pastorate of East church, Toronto, to-day, was the recipient from Knox church, Listowel, of a parting address and a valuable gold headed cane. After the speeches larch was served by the ladies in the school room of the church. The address was as follows: "Rev. J. A. Morrison, B.A. Dear Sir,—As members and adherents of Knox church, Listowel, now about to lose the comfort and guidance of your ministrations, we are met this evening to express in humble manner the deep appreciation we feel of the services you have rendered alike to us and our Master during the short time you have been amongst us as our pastor, and our kindest wishes for your future. We realize that your life and talents have been freely and cheerfully given to the promotion of our advancement, spiritual, moral and material, we trust with lasting benefit to all of us. You have been able and fervent in the pulpit, prompt and