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## OTTAWA.

Rev. Principal Scrimgeour, of Montreal College, preached in St. Paul's morning and evening, last Sunday. Dr. Armstrong was conducting anniversary services at Brockville.

The corner stone of the new Erskine Church will be laid by Rev. Dr. Armstrong, moderator of the general assembly, on Thursday evening, June 29th, at 7 o'clock. No doubt there will be a large attendance.

Rev. A. A. Cameron, of the First Baptist church, and Mrs. Cameron have sailed for London, England. Mr. Cameron will attend the Baptist congress that is to be held in London, after which he and Mrs. Cameron will visit Scotland and other places of interest.

On Sunday afternoon the Sunday school of Knox church held its closing exercises for the summer months. They were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Ramsay. The Sunday school will not meet again until September 3rd.

Rev. Dr. Herridge preached at both services in St. Andrew's. He announced the names of ministers who will fill this pulpit during his two month's absence in Britain. These were given in the Dominion Presbyterian a couple of weeks ago. The Sunday school has disbanded until the first Sabbath in September. Dr. Herridge leaves immediately for Britain.

Mr. William Whillans, last week, at a congregational meeting, seconded by Mr. J. D. Anderson, placed an unanimous resolution in the hands of the chairman to be forwarded to Rev. Guthrie Perry, who was recently appointed professor of Oriental literature in Manitoba college, Winnipeg, by the general assembly, and who was formerly a member of St. Paul's church Sunday school, congratulating him on his successful achievements.

The midsummer convention of the Christian and Missionary Alliance to Ottawa will commence Sunday morning, July 2nd, at 11 in the First Baptist church, closing Thursday, July 6th. The convention will be addressed by the following prominent Bible teachers, speakers and missionaries: Rev. A. B. Simpson, New York; Rev. Dr. John Urquhart, Scotland; Mr. W. E. Blackstone, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stephens, Toronto; Rev. H. Wilson, D.D., New York; Mrs. J. Woodberry, Shanghai, North China; Miss M. Quinn, Central China; Miss E. Wells, Kaira, India; Miss C. McDougall, India; Rev. D. Buchanan, Argentine Republic; Rev. J. C. Wickware, Congo, Africa. Dr. A. E. Simpson in the early seventies was minister of Knox Church, Hamilton. Thereafter he was pastor of a Presbyterian church in Louisville, Ky. For several years he has been at the head of the missionary alliance and editor of the journal published in its interest.

The meeting of the alumnae of the Ottawa Ladies' College was held last week with the president, Mrs. T. Ahearn, in the chair. The secretary, Mrs. E. A. LeSueur, and treasurer, Mrs. G. Patterson Murphy, were also present. There was a large attendance and a great many who had not previously been members of the Alumnae joined. It was decided to affiliate the society with the National Council of Women, and a committee was appointed to frame a constitution. The committee consisted of Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Kingston and Mrs. F. Bronson. After the business meeting the society had the pleasure of listening to an address by Prof. Walton, M.A., LL.D., Dean of the Faculty of Law at McGill University. Dean Walton's address was specially appropriate, dealing with the relations in

which graduates and alumnae should stand to their alma mater. He advocated the cultivation of an ardent "esprit de corps" as an admirable thing for alumnae to possess in common with the pupils of the institution from which they graduate. The speaker further advised that everyone should, as a means of preserving youth, have some particular interest to study. After the meeting the party adjourned to the lawn where sumptuous refreshments were served in prettily decorated marquees. Mrs. Grant Needham received the guests on the lawn, the booths being waited on by some of the young ladies of the college.

The Ottawa Ladies' College has just closed a highly prosperous year. The following are the graduates for 1905:—1, Gertrude Cram, Ottawa; 2, Laura Gamble, Wakefield; 3, Tena Gates, Ottawa; 4, Fern Kerr, Farran's Point; 5, Oril Kerr, Farran's Point; 6, Bonnie Mitchell, Ottawa.

Miss Gertrude Cram has taken the matriculation diploma for Queen's University.

From I Collegiate to II Collegiate—Ethel Crombie, Isabel Garland, Estelle Mitchell, Margaret Oliver, Marion Rudlick, Maymie Stewart.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

The members of Salem Church, Summerville, are planning for an excursion and dinner on the 12th prox.

Rev. Orr Bennett, of St. Andrew's Almonte, left for Cuba last week. He will spend his vacation there.

Rev. J. A. Cranston, M.A., Collingwood, assisted in the preparatory service in St. Paul's Church, Thornbury, on Friday evening of last week.

Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, preached in Kemptonville, his native town last week. His aged parents are both alive and listened to the sermon.

Mr. Cameron, of Knox College, is taking the services at Coopers Falls for the summer, and will hold divine service in St. David's church on alternate Sundays.

The members of both local Masonic lodges attended divine service in the First Brockville church last Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. McLeod preached an appropriate sermon to the brethren.

Rev. H. J. McDiarmid, of St. Lambert, but formerly pastor of St. Paul's church, Kemptonville, was in town and conducted the anniversary services of St. Paul's church on last Sunday.

The Rev. H. McKellar, who has had charge of the Sundridge and associate stations for six weeks, has accepted an appointment to a mission field near Calgary, and expects to leave next week for his future home in the West.

Rev. R. Young, Pakenham, is taking his holidays and on Sunday next Mr. Patterson, of Perth, will take the services, and the next two Sabbaths Rev. Mr. Conn, of Nanpew, (formerly of Blakeney) will occupy the pulpit.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Montreal, and Mr. Donald MacNish, of Southwold, were in Cornwall last week on business in connection with the estate of the late Rev. Neil MacNish, of which they are executors.

Rev. A. M. Currie, of Almonte, has been taking in the great Sunday School convention last week in Toronto. During his absence for holidays his pulpit will be occupied by Rev. Dr. Campbell of Perth, and Rev. Henry Young, of Prince Albert, Sask.

The Presbyterian social held on A. E. Ault's lawn, Aultsville, on Friday evening was a decided success. A large crowd was present. The lawn was beautifully decorated with Chinese lanterns.

Rev. R. McLeod Ripley, a former pastor of the Dunvegan congregation, visited here: the first of the week, and preached at the two services on Sunday. Many old friends were glad to see their former pastor, as well as to hear his voice again.

At a congregational meeting in St. Andrew's church, Huntsville, the Rev. G. B. McLennan, of St. Thomas, was chosen pastor in succession to Rev. A. MacVicar. The moderator, Rev. J. Becket, of Allansville, presided.

The Presbyterians of Vankleek Hill held a series of evening services last week in Knox church, preparatory to the regular quarterly Communion, which was observed on Sabbath morning last. Rev. T. G. Thompson, pastor, was assisted by Rev. C. A. McKenzie, of Montreal, John R. McCrimmon, student, and others.

As already intimated Mr. A. D. MacKenzie, M.A., of Montreal, will address meetings with the view of deepening interest in the work of missions, as follows: July 2—Williamstown, morning; Summerstown, evening; July 9—Woodlands, morning, Pleasant Valley, afternoon; Aultsville, evening; July 16—Lancaster, St. Andrew's church, morning and afternoon, Knox church, evening; July 23—Vankleek Hill, morning; East Hawkesbury, evening.

A correspondent of the Orillia Packet, in a few notes on the Mara and Rawen Sunday School convention, says: "The Rev. Dr. Grant, of Orillia, spoke very wisely to the church members, advising them to be loyal to their own church home, and help to build up the same, and not be wandering about as sheep without a shepherd, or as religious tramps, taking a meal wherever they could get it, but never paying for the same. The Rev. Joseph Odery's address reached the hearts of all, especially his allusion to the lost child. Oh, how many lost children there are, and whose fault is it? But nothing pleased the present writer more than the Rev. J. M. White's allusion to the family pew. This almost drew forth a Methodist amen. I believe in the good old family pew. My children with me occupied the same till one by one they went out from their father's home, and my eldest son on a recent visit to his home was first found by his father on entering the church, in the family pew. Would that church have seemed the same to him if there had been no family pew? Many a lost boy would be saved were he brought up in the family pew. I know one father who enacted a rule in his home that when his children would no longer sit with him in the family pew, they would no longer sit with him at the same table. The latter penalty was never enforced, from the fact that it was never required."

## WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. Donald Tait, B.A., of Toronto, is supplying the pulpit of the Penetanguishene church. He will officiate at the communion service on 2nd July. Rev. Dr. Campbell resigned a few weeks ago and has left Penetanguishene.

Rev. W. J. Clark, London, conducted the anniversary services of the Rodney and New Glasgow churches last Sunday, and delivered a lecture upon "Scotland and the Scotch" in New Glasgow on the Monday following. Both the services and lecture were greatly appreciated by all who heard them.

A most successful social and garden party was that held last week at Dover Centre church, of which Rev. Mr. Neilly is pastor. There was a large attendance, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all present, while the receipts amounted to over \$150.