

NEW JOHN BLACK MEMORIAL CHURCH

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This handsome frame and stucco building is the new church home of John Black Memorial United church in East Kildonan, which will be formally opened on Sunday. The former church was burned down in August, 1926. The minister is Rev. Dr. H. J. Robertson.

Special Services to Dedicate New John Black Building

\$20,000 Structure Replaces
First Church Burned in Au-
gust, 1926 — Dr. A. B.
Baird, Who Opened First
Church, to be Preacher

Special services will mark the formal opening and dedication for worship Sunday of the new John Black Memorial United church in East Kildonan. Rev. Dr. Andrew Baird, who opened the first church, which was destroyed by fire in August, 1926, will officiate again. The new Sunday school room will be opened by a Sunday school rally in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Rev. Dr. R. B. Cochrane will be speaker.

At the morning dedicatory service Dr. Baird will be preacher, while the Rev. D. H. Jacobs, a veteran Manitoba minister and member of the congregation, will assist. Rev. Dr. J. W. Atkins will preach in the even-

ing, and the choir will provide special music at both services.

Cost Totals \$20,000

The new church building is a frame and stucco structure, measuring 35 by 75 feet, with full basement, and, while not pretentious, is exceedingly attractive in appearance both outside and within. Edgar Prain is architect, and A. Ibbitsen, contractor, in charge of the construction. The total cost of the edifice, which has a seating capacity of 325 persons, is \$20,000.

Since the first building was destroyed, the congregation has been carrying on its work in the Lord Wolseley school and the East Kildonan Scottish hall. The congregation was organized in 1914, and the first church opened on Oct. 4, of that year. Rev. J. W. Little was the first minister until his resignation to become secretary for the Religious Educational Council of Manitoba. Since that time Rev. Dr. Hugh J. Robertson has been minister. C. J. McLeod is chairman of the board of managers and the special building committee.