

ing college, but meantime, on the family homestead he is serving the Master in Bible-class, Christian Endeavoring, Y.M.C.A. and temperance work, besides having the charge of a Sunday-school, and the duties of manager and treasurer of the congregation. The eldest daughter is the wife of a missionary in Manitoba; and the youngest, although an invalid, is actively engaged in Sunday-school and W.F.M. Society work. Of the grandchildren, all who are of age—six—are members of the Church and active members of Christian Endeavor societies. One is the wife of Rev. A. L. Manson; another is at present engaged as a student missionary in Manitoba.

Not many departing fathers have the satisfaction of bequeathing to the Church a dozen direct descendants (besides those with whom they are allied), not only adorning the doctrine of their father's God by a consistent life and conversation, but actively engaged in propagating the gospel. The leading traits of this man's character told in a sentence, may be expressed in the words of love and sincerity. His son—now at Claude—when a student at Knox College, and attending St. James Square Church, has said that almost invariably he went all the way round the church to enter by a particular door, because the elder who stood at that door had a handshake that was almost as good as a sermon. Such was our experience with the deceased. A shake of his hand was worth walking a mile out of one's way to secure; it was something to be remembered. Whilst learning a trade in the Granite City (Aberdeen, Scotland) he was a hearer of the great Dr. Kidd, then in the height of his fame. He took a conspicuous part in the great non-intrusion controversy, which culminated in the Disruption of 1843. He sided with the Free Church party, among whom he was ordained an elder, and was a delegate on more than one occasion to the General Assembly at Edinburgh. Fully conversant with all the leading incidents of the "ten years' conflict," he was always ready to speak of the "Banner and its battles." For many years he led the service of praise and always took great interest in any endeavor to improve congregational singing. He emigrated with his family to Canada in 1866, and settled in the township of Tilbury East. He was soon invited to join the Session in Tilbury East congregation under Rev. John Strath, where his experience and sound judgment were much appreciated. He took a warm interest in the action of the various sections of Presbyterianism in 1873, and everything relating to union the world over. Retiring from the farm on the death of his wife, he resided with his son, first at Dover, then at Claude. About a year ago he had a stroke of paralysis from the effects of which he never wholly recovered, and on the fourth of last month, at the manse Claude, passed peacefully to his rest at the good old age of eighty-two years and ten months. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

#### PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

HONAN: The Presbytery of Honan met at Ch'u Wang, Honan, on May 23rd, immediately after the arrival of our brethren, Messrs. Goforth, Slimmon and Malcolm, from Canada, the Moderator, Rev. M. McKenzie, in the chair. Two new members, viz.: Messrs. Kenneth McLennan, and James A. Slimmon were welcomed with the right hand of fellowship, and enrolled as members of Presbytery. A letter was read from Rev. E. P. MacKay announcing that the Y. P. S. C. E. of Souris, Manitoba, wished to support a native pastor; Presbytery thanked the Souris Y. P. S. C. E., and allotted them a helper. Reports were presented from our three stations—Hsin Chen, Ch'u Wang, and Chang Te Fu—showing all to be quiet and the work of the mission in a prosperous condition. At a small village near Hsin

Chen, where we have several earnest enquirers, the Roman Catholics are interfering, but thus far have done little harm. Great want is experienced by many of our enquirers and church members in all parts of the field. This has been a very hard year for many. One of the members of Presbytery called on two "Fu" and nine "Hsien" magistrates and presented them with copies of "Dr. Faber's Civilization," which were cordially received. Two members of Presbytery, assisted by a large band of natives, attended the annual religious fair at Hsin Hsien, and met with much more encouraging results there than in any previous year. Presbytery after long discussion, resolved that in view of the varied obligations and circumstances of unmarried male missionaries, their salaries could not wisely be reduced. Presbytery discussed at length the wisest method of dealing with polygamous enquirers, and resolved that, after having heard the diverse methods adopted by many of the older missions in China, a digest of our correspondence with other missions be forwarded to the Foreign Mission Committee, and the whole matter left to the General Assembly of our Church for decision. Considerable routine business was disposed of through committees. Presbytery discussed the outlook for mission work in China, resulting from peace between Japan and China, but felt that it was yet too early to forecast the real results. It was resolved to re-rent the premises at Hsin Chen, on the best possible terms for another term of five years, with additional premises for medical work, if possible. The mission staff were arranged for the summer as follows:—Mr. Goforth at Chang Te Fu; Messrs. Slimmon and Grant at Hsin Chen; Messrs. McGillivray, McKenzie, Malcolm and MacLennan at Ch'u Wang. Presbytery unanimously resolved to ask the Foreign Mission Committee to urge strongly upon single men the advisability of coming out unmarried, and remaining so for at least two years, setting forth numerous and weighty reasons for the same. Having heard of Mr. John Penman's generous offer to support a physician in Honan, Presbytery expressed their hearty appreciation, and took measures to make satisfactory arrangements for accepting the same. Presbytery then adjourned sine die to meet at the call of the Moderator.—W. HARVEY GRANT, Clerk pro tem.

BARRIE: This Presbytery met at Midland on July 30th. Mr. James was elected Moderator for the next six months. At his request Mr. McLeod, the late Moderator, occupied the chair for the day. The resignation of the charge of Parry Sound, tendered by Mr. Duncan at last regular meeting, was accepted, to take effect at the end of September. A minute of the congregation was read expressing the high esteem in which he is held by the members of the Church. Mr. James was appointed to preach the charge vacant on first Sabbath of October, and Mr. Findlay to act as Moderator of Session during the vacancy. Mr. Carswell resigned part of his charge, that of Monkman's. Messrs. Smith, Hewitt and Ross were appointed a committee to confer with the congregation and to acquaint the associate congregation of Bondhead of the result of their conference, and report at a special meeting of Presbytery to be held on first Tuesday of September. The resignation of the charge of North Bay, tendered by Mr. McMillan, was laid over to the same meeting. Dr. Clarke was appointed to cite the congregation for their interests. A petition from a number of persons, Methodist and Presbyterian, who have been accustomed to worship in a church at Gilford, said to have been closed by the late Conference of the Methodist Church, asking for services by Mr. Ross of Churchill, was read. Mr. Ross was instructed to confer with the chairman of the district as to the occupancy of the church and report at next meeting. It was agreed that services be held at Dec Bank during the winter and at Windermere during summer. Leave was given to mortgage the church property at Novar for \$350. The Standing Committees for the year were appointed. The conveners are: Home Missions, R. Moodie; Augmentation, the same; Church Life and Work, Dr. Grant; Sabbath Schools, W. R. Johnston; Finance, J. Leishman; Statistics, F. Smith; Young People's Societies, Christian Endeavor, J. A. Ross; Old Students, J. D. Leishman; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, J. K. Henry; French Evangelization, D. James. Mr. James stated that arrangement was made for a public meeting in the church on the occasion of the Presbytery meeting in Midland, and topics appointed for conference. The arrangement was cordially approved of. At 5 p.m. the Presbytery met again and was constituted in presence of a considerable number representing different churches. During the session appropriate addresses on Missions and Systematic Benevolence were delivered by Messrs. D. D. McLeod, R. N. Grant, D.D., and J. A. Ross, B.A. There was marked attention to the addresses. The Rev. Messrs. Caldwell, of the Methodist Church, and Kendall, of the Baptist, also gave short fraternal addresses. The choir was present and led the praise of the congregation.—ROBT. MOONIE, Clerk.

SUPERIOR: This Presbytery met in the Presbyterian Church at Port Arthur on Wednesday at 10 a.m. Members present: Messrs. S. C. Murray (Moderator pro tem.), W. L. N. Rowand, Dr. Robertson and Mr. Wm. Haddon, and Messrs. Bryan and McMillan missionaries at Schreiber and Igroce. The principal business for which the Presbytery met was the licensure of Mr. A. L. Bryan. A letter of transference for Mr. Bryan from the Presbytery of Kingston, authorizing the Presbytery of Superior to take him on trials for licensure, was read. A certificate of sufficient college education was also read. Mr. Bryan was

then examined on the usual subjects and written exercises and the examination was sustained as satisfactory. The question appointed to be put to candidates for licensure were asked and satisfactorily answered, whereupon Presbytery licensed Mr. Bryan to preach the gospel. A letter from Mr. Floyd, student missionary at Fort Francis, representing the Presbytery to appoint him a course of study for the second year in theology, and examine him thereon, was read. In view of the fact that Mr. Floyd had proved himself a good student while at college, that he was doing a valuable work at Fort Francis, which could not be interrupted, without serious loss, and that Fort Francis is a remote field, and difficult to supply satisfactorily, it was agreed on motion of Mr. Rowand, seconded by Mr. Haddon, that the Presbytery prescribe Mr. Floyd a course of study, examine him on the same next March, and that if the examination be found to be satisfactory, the General Assembly be asked to sustain the examination as sufficient and give Mr. Floyd third-year standing in theology thereon. Dr. Robertson was authorized, and requested to secure a student to labor for a time in the Oliver and Paiponge settlements. The Presbytery then adjourned.—W. L. H. ROWAND, Clerk.

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An unbroken record of successes in the past is the best possible guarantee that the Toronto Industrial Exhibition of 1895, which opens on the 2nd of September, will be a display of unrivalled attractiveness. Many improvements in the buildings and grounds have been made to further the convenience of exhibitors and the public, and with the return of an era of prosperity the enterprise of the management will doubtless be rewarded by a thorough appreciation of the inducements offered. The volume of exhibits this season will be larger and more diversified than ever before, and special attractions of a brilliant and exciting character will be presented, including the novel military spectacle, "The Relief of Lucknow," with gorgeous Oriental accessories and pyrotechnic effects on a scale of grandeur and variety hitherto unequalled. The system of cheap railway fares and special excursions from far and near enables all to visit the fair at trifling cost, and everyone should take advantage of the opportunity, as it embodies all that is best worth seeing and knowing in mechanical progress and scientific invention. All entries close on the 10th of August.



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