

The reports showed that while the membership was the same as last year the contributions had been considerably less than in 1896. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to the pastor, Rev. E. F. Torrance, D.D., of a handsome silk gown and cassock from the ladies of the congregation. Sheriff Hall made the presentation.

Rev. Wm. Christie, M.A., (retired) formerly pastor of Chippawa, Mono Centre, Louise, etc., but latterly resident in Ottawa, died on Sunday last aged 78 years. Mrs. Christie pre-deceased her husband by one week.

The anniversary services of the Edmondville Presbyterian church were held on Sunday and Monday, 13th and 14th inst. The weather was delightful. On Sabbath Rev. T. Wilson, of King St. church, London, preached excellent sermons to large and appreciative audiences. On Monday evening the church was again filled. After tea in the basement, a good programme was enjoyed in the body of the church. Rev. N. Shaw, the pastor, presided. Rev. Mr. Wilson again delighted his audience with an entertaining and profitable lecture on "Tramps." Interesting addresses were also given by Rev. Messrs. Bond, Muirgrave, Acheson and Muir. Excellent music also added much to the enjoyment of all present. The proceeds of both days amounted to about \$132.

The Rev. James Dow, B.A., was ordained by the Presbytery of Barrie and inducted to the charge of Gravenhurst on the afternoon of Jan. 25th. This settlement gives much satisfaction to the members of the church, many of whom as well as friends of other churches were present and filled the building. The ordination service was impressive. In the evening a social meeting was held to welcome the new pastor. Mr. A. P. Cockburn was called to the chair. Refreshments, addresses, and music provided by the choir occupied the evening. The address of Mr. Campbell, of Oro, was the chief feature of the meeting. It was suited to the occasion, very able and profitable. At the close Mr. Dow modestly and feelingly expressed gratification for the warmth of his welcome.

Rev. John Young, of Hamilton, delivered a lecture on "Mission Work in Trinidad," in Knox church, Guelph, last Thursday evening. By means of a number of lime-light views, a vivid conception was given of the island, its inhabitants, their customs and chief industries, and then views were given, illustrating both the need of mission work among the coolies and what has already been accomplished by the Presbyterian Church. There are now four Canadian Presbyterian ministers and four Canadian ladies working on the island, besides over fifty coolie catechists, and four ordained coolie ministers. There are about 60 public schools and over 60 Sabbath schools carried on by their staff of workers, besides a theological college. The number of coolie communicants is over 600.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Lanark and Renfrew Presbyterial of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, was held in St. Andrew's church, Perth, last week.

Well Known Pastor

Health, Voice, Appetite and Strength Failed—Completely Restored by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"Last year my health failed entirely. My limbs were so weak that I could scarcely walk. I had no appetite and suffered with constipation. My voice failed me in the pulpit. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and very soon I saw a great improvement. In the winter I was attacked with the grip which left me weak and prostrated. I went back to my old friend, Hood's Sarsaparilla, which seems to be the thing for me." REV. C. S. BEAULIEU, pastor Christian church, Lowellville, Ohio. Remember.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is the best—infact the One True Blood Purifier.
Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

From first to last the five Sessions were notably successful. There was a larger attendance than on any former occasion in the history of the organization. The Lanark and Renfrew Presbyterial is one of the strongest in Canada, the amount raised for Foreign Missions for 1897 being three thousand three hundred dollars. All the Sessions were largely attended. Many were turned away from the church at the closing Session. Rev. A. H. Scott, pastor of St. Andrew's church, Perth, presided at the closing service. Mrs. Shortreed, of Toronto, spoke, and Mr. Woodside, of Carleton Place, delivered an address. Mrs. C. H. Cooke, of Smith's Falls, has been appointed president for the third time. Miss Sinclair and Mrs. MacKay were re-elected secretary and treasurer respectively. All the other officers were changed. The next meeting will be held in Almonte.

Annual Meetings.

Saltfleet annual meeting was held on the 11th. In all departments this congregation is in advance of any year in her history. No debt. Balance \$181.54. Givings \$21 per family.

The annual meeting of Knox church, Lancaster, was held on January 20th, and despite inclement weather there was a good attendance, and all manifested a deep interest in the encouraging reports presented. The total revenue for 1897 was about \$2,600 of which over \$1,200 was given to missions and benevolent purposes. The W.F.M.S. raised \$226 all by voluntary subscriptions. Rev. A. Graham, B.A., who has just finished the third year of his pastorate, occupied the chair.

The annual meeting of the united congregations of Knox church, Reidville, and St. Andrew's, Tamworth, was held at Knox church on Feb. 7th. Rev. Mr. Ballantyne, pastor, presiding. An important feature of the meeting was the announcement of the entire clearing off of a debt that remained on Knox church and the manse at Tamworth. This debt amounted in all to \$1,077.

The annual meeting of the Presbyterian church, Point Edward, was presided over by the pastor, Rev. J. Eadie. There was a large attendance of members. The Managers report all liabilities met and a small balance over. The amount expended for all purposes during the year 1897, was \$1,025. Of this amount \$106 was raised by the Sabbath school, which is in a flourishing condition. The contributions for missions exceed by 50 per cent. that of any former year, which is an encouraging feature. The Session report five members received, three by profession and two by certificate.

The annual meeting of Zion church, Brantford, was largely attended. Rev. Dr. Cochrane presided. The reports showed that in every department of Christian work, there was gratifying progress. The amount reported by the Treasurer for the year was nearly \$9,000; of which \$3,992.94 was given to the various Mission Schemes of the Church, and in addition the sum of \$1,844.52 had been expended on the two Missions connected with the congregation, making a total of \$3,937.36 for Missions and Sabbath school purposes. During the year 116 have been received into full communion by profession of faith, and certificate, leaving the membership at 862. The Sabbath school report showed a roll of 89 teachers and 757 scholars. The Ladies' Benevolent Society reported \$127.19, and the Ladies' Aid Society \$93.90. The church Sabbath school, between maintenance and Mission contribution, reported \$156.64 for the year. The question of appointing a minister to take charge of the Missions of St. Andrew's and Balfour occupied a large portion of time, and finally a motion was carried, that such an appointment should be made, and also that Dr. Cochrane's stipend should be increased. The Dr. asked that this should be dropped, but it was carried with the other recommendations.

Mr. John Imrie, of Toronto, will deliver a lecture entitled "The Poet's Workshop," in College St. church, Toronto, on Friday evening, Feb. 18th. Silver collection in aid of the Sunday School Library.

HEALTH LOST AND FOUND.

The Story of a Young Boy's Trials.

Was Growing Too Rapidly and His Health Gave Way Several Months Doctoring Did Him No Good His Parents Almost Discouraged.

From the Napanee Banner.

It is truly pitiable to see boys just beginning to realize the possibilities of life stricken down with disease, the escape from which is sometimes thought to be little short of a miracle. Hearing of such a case a reporter called on Mr. J. J. Smith, living near Frederickburg Station, in Lennox Co., and interviewed him regarding the cure of his son who was in bad health and regained it by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Smith is one of the oldest residents in the locality, of direct U. E. Loyalist descent, and has resided all his life on the farm on which he lives. He is consequently well known throughout the district. In reply to the scribe's query he gave the details of the case. "My son, Stanley, was taken sick about the first of February, 1895. He became very deaf and had a dull constant pain in his head. He grew very weak, such a condition being more properly described by the term "general muscular weakness." He was troubled with severe pains in the back and had no appetite, continuing to steadily grow weaker and finally lost all ambition. He had little more color in him than a bit of white paper. A physician was consulted on the first appearance of the trouble. He carefully examined the case stating that the hearing was affected by catarrhal deafness, the pains in the back originating from muscular rheumatism and the constant tired feeling and general weakness was caused by over growth. These difficulties together with the after effects of a gripe left him a physical wreck. He had the benefit of careful medical attention for four months. The doctor had carefully treated him for the deafness and succeeded in restoring his hearing, but in other respects was no better. He ordered that he should be carefully nursed which was about all that could be done. To make things more clearly understood I might say he was at this time past twelve years of age, having grown very fast, was large enough for one six years his senior. The doctor said medicine could not benefit him and all that could be done must come by nursing. We naturally felt greatly discouraged at the prospect, not knowing what course to pursue in the future. At this juncture one of the druggists of Napanee who had previously compounded many prescriptions, recommended a trial of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. It was then the first of June when we purchased three boxes and commenced the treatment. When he had finished the second box his appetite, previously fickle and unsteady, had wonderfully improved. He continued taking the pills until seven boxes had been used. His strength returned with renewed vigor, and all signs of muscular rheumatism had vanished and he steadily regained a strong healthy color, and was able to do considerable light work in the harvest field such as riding the mower, reaper or horse-rake. He has since attended school regularly and though a year has elapsed, he has had no symptoms." Mrs. Smith spoken to about the matter readily concurred in all that had been said relative to her son's case, and was very decided in her views regarding the health giving properties contained in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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TORONTO PRESBYTERY.

This Presbytery had a good docket of business for February, but despatched it rapidly. Dr. Gregg, Moderator, presided. A Committee was appointed for East To-