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WINNIPEG AND WEST.

The girls' auxiliary of St. Andrew's church Indian Head, Sask., has ordered a new pipe organ from the east, which will be installed at an early date.

Rev. J. B. McLaren, of Kenton, has been inducted into the Second church in Brandon. Rev. James Hood has been inducted into the charge of Humesville. This leaves three vacancies in Rock Lake Presbytery.

The Kildonan Presbyterians have had a very successful year in spite of the lessening of the communion roll on account of the removal of many of the congregation to the West. The total loss is 10 families. The minister, Rev. Mr. Cameron, has tendered his resignation to the Presbytery.

Roland and Myrtle have had a prosperous year. They have 36 families, 189 communicants, gave \$553 to missions and benevolence. The debt on the Myrtle church is reduced to \$150. The Sunday school has an average attendance of 103. The Young People have contributed \$50.

At a special meeting of Winnipeg Presbytery last week the resignation of Mr. J. H. Cameron of the Kildonan charge was considered and accepted, the Presbytery placing on record its high appreciation of Mr. Cameron's work and regret at his removal. Rev. Prof. Hart was named interim moderator of Session; and Rev. Clarence Mackinnon was appointed to take Mr. Cameron's place as convener of the committee on Church Life and Work.

In pressing his resignation of the Kildonan charge, Mr. Cameron made a statement in part as follows: During the ten years of his pastorate its annual givings had nearly doubled; the contributions for missionary purposes had increased from \$200 to \$430; and the Sunday school attendance from 27 to 90; but he felt that the spiritual progress of the people had been disappointing. He realized that he was no longer doing his best work amid such circumstances. Then besides he felt that the influence of this somewhat severe climate was as oppressive to him. In his present condition of life he was unable to do his best work amid these climatic conditions, and he felt that it was his duty to remove to the Pacific coast where several years of further usefulness might be open to him.

The Rev. William Macdonald, for sixteen years pastor of St. Paul's church, Fredericton, N. B., has sent in his resignation to the Presbytery of St. John. Things have not been going smoothly for some time. The resignation is the outcome of friction with an element of the congregation. Mr. Macdonald succeeded Rev. Dr. Mowatt, now of Erskine church, Montreal.

At the close of the annual congregational meeting of St. John's church, St. John, on the 15th ult., the pastor, Rev. Dr. Fotheringham, was presented with a purse of \$140, in recognition of his long and faithful services. The presentation was made by Miss E. Smith, a little daughter of J. A. Smith, and the address accompanying it, which was signed by the trustees and representatives of the session and congregation, was read by W. J. Parks. Dr. Fotheringham made a fitting reply. Rev. G. M. Campbell, Rev. H. C. Read, Rev. W. O. Raymond, Rev. L. A. McLean, Rev. A. A. Graham, Rev. Gordon Dickie and Rev. D. Lang also spoke briefly.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, of Chatham, Ont., is laid up by an attack of grippe.

The East End London mission is soon likely to develop into a regular appointment. It is expected that two stations can be grouped, and a student placed in charge.

St. Andrew's Church, Wingham, reports one of the most successful years in its history. Rev. D. Perrie, the efficient pastor, has reason to feel encouraged in his work.

The severe snow storms of the past fortnight compelled ministers, in order to keep appointments, to make use of out-of-the-way means in order to do so. The Orillia Packet says that "Rev. A. McD. Haig reached Eson from Jarratt by the ski and snowshoe route!"

Rev. R. W. Craw, of St. Helens, is called to Melville Church, Fergus, vacant through the recent resignation of Rev. J. H. MacVicar, now in Edinburgh, Scotland. Mr. Craw is one of four brothers in the ministry. The stipend is \$1,200 a year, with a month holiday and fine manse.

The Session report at the annual meeting of St. Paul's Church, Ingersoll, indicated a membership of 513, a net increase of 47. The following had been elected to the eldership:—Messrs. R. N. Thurtell, A. Beattie, A. McNevin, D. Gerrie and Wm. Agar. The total income was \$6,496.79.

Much sympathy is felt for Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong, of Baden, in the sore loss sustained by them in the death of their youngest daughter, after a protracted illness. She took a deep interest in all good work, and was greatly beloved in the congregation and in the community.

The Penetanguishene Church made gratifying progress during 1907. At the close of the year there was a surplus of \$112 in the treasury, and it was unanimously agreed to increase the pastor's stipend by \$150. During the year thirty-five were received into full membership—ten by certificate, and twenty-five on profession of faith.

At the annual meeting of Knox Church, Acton, Rev. J. C. Wilson, B.A., (pastor) Mr. David Henderson, M.P., presided, as might be expected, in a most efficient manner. The total receipts amounted to \$4,588.09, and of this sum \$884.00 were given to missions. After a very free expression of opinion, it was resolved to ask the pastor to disperse with all addresses at funerals. During the year the mortgage debt had been wiped out, leaving the church property free of all encumbrance.

The Presbytery of Guelph met last week at Glenallan for the induction of the Rev. H. H. McPherson, M.A., B.D., into the charge of Glenallan and Hollin. Dr. Dickson acted as Moderator in the absence of Rev. W. R. Ross, M.A., of Guelph. The Rev. Mr. Brown, of Fergus, preached. Dr. Dickson asked the usual questions and offered the induction prayer, and addressed the minister on his duties, and the Rev. Mr. Edgar, of Hawkeville, addressed the people. There was a large attendance of members and adherents, notwithstanding the inclement weather and bad roads. Mr. McPherson enters on his work with promise of great success. After the induction all were invited to a banquet prepared by the ladies of the church, and an hour of social intercourse was enjoyed.

The wife of a workman named Young, living in Lillie Road, Fulham, has presented her husband with triplets—three girls, who are to be named, Faith, Hope and Charity.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. A. J. McMullan, of Merrickville, was the preacher at Russell on a recent Sunday.

Rev. Wm. A. Guy, of McDonald's Corners, has accepted a call from Regina, Sask. He was also called to Strathroy, Ont.

The following have been elected managers of Melville church, Eganville, for the ensuing year: Messrs. D. F. McGregor, C. W. White, G. J. Gourley and W. R. McKenzie.

Rev. Norman MacLeod, of Brockville, has left for a lengthened visit to Great Britain. His many friends will wish him a good voyage and a pleasant holiday season.

Rev. Mr. Monds, of St. Andrew's church, Carleton Place, preached anniversary services in Renfrew on a recent Sunday, and Rev. Mr. Hay took the pulpit in St. Andrew's.

Arrangements have been made for a weekly Tuesday evening service in Manson Warner's hall, Mille Roches, to be conducted by Rev. N. H. MacGillivray, M.A., of St. John's church, Cornwall.

The anniversary services of Calvin church, Pembroke, were conducted last Sunday by Rev. Prof. A. R. Gordon, of the Presbyterian College, Montreal. The attendance was very large, and much interest was manifested in the services.

Rev. James Stuart, D.D., for thirty-five years minister of the Presbyterian church of Prescott, died at his home last Thursday. He was a graduate of the University of Toronto and of Knox College. He graduated in 1872, and was settled at once in Pakenham, and after a few years at Prescott, where he continued in the pastorate until he died. He was a man of rare gifts of character. Knox College conferred upon him the degree of D.D. in 1898.

At the annual meeting of St. Andrew's church, Appleton, the treasurer's report showed a balance on hand. The retiring managers were John Stewart and James Syme. Mr. Wm. Spalding was appointed in place of Mr. Scott, and Mr. Syme was re-elected. James Turner, sr., was appointed treasurer for the Sunday school, and Mr. James Syme was re-elected treasurer for the church. J. A. Turner was appointed treasurer for the Home Missionary Society.

Rev. E. W. MacKay, M.A., of St. Paul's church, Smith's Falls, has been lecturing in Knox church, Perth, on "Literature and Life" in an interesting and instructive manner. He traced the beginning of literature in the folk lore of eastern lands, the mythology of Greece and Rome, the ghost stories of Scotland and other lands. He demonstrated how the literature of a people shows what they were thinking about and that genuine literature preserves the life of a nation. He pointed out that the literature of the Jews, the Bible, which preserves to us the religious experience of this remarkable people, is the greatest of all literatures. The lecture was very much enjoyed by those present.

Recently under the direction of Rev. W. Peck, M.A., of Arnprior, Convener of the Presbytery's Committee, a very successful series of Sabbath school and Y. P. S. C. E. institutes were held in the Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew. Afternoon and evening meetings were held at Perth on Monday; Carleton Place, Tuesday; Arnprior, Wednesday; Renfrew, Thursday; Pembroke, Friday. The attendance was exceptionally large throughout and the workers of the congregations and the general public were pronounced in their praises of the practical nature and helpfulness of all the addresses. It is