

Last night a committee consisting of T. Moffat, H. E. Irwin, Mr. Welsh and Mr. Robertson was appointed to confer with the members of the congregation, with a view to raising sufficient salary to have a minister of their own. At the time the two churches amalgamated, Weston had only 15 heads of families. To-day they have 79. The following officers and managers were elected: President, James Robertson; secretary, Jas. Cruickshank; treasurer, T. E. Elliott; managers, Thomas McLennan, Alexander Sangster, R. Somerville and T. Moffat.

#### KNOX CHURCH, SCARBORO'.

On Monday Jan. 11th the 48th annual meeting of Knox Church, Scarboro', was held. The session's report shows that 21 persons united with the church during the year, seventeen being on profession of faith. There were nineteen removals, eight being by death; present membership 267. The Treasurer's statement, considering the prevailing low prices for farm products, was very encouraging; total receipts \$2,074. The contribution to missions and the other schemes of the church is \$709.

#### BANK STREET CHURCH, OTTAWA.

The annual congregational business meeting of Bank Street Presbyterian Church was held January 11.

The report of the management committee showed a deficit of \$482, caused by forced expenditure in the church in providing increased means of exit to comply with the fire by-law. The extra sum was partially met by extra subscriptions. The balance of the deficit was due to a falling off in the sustentation fund, caused by a number of the prominent members of the congregation joining the Glebe Church. Steps are to be taken to wipe out the balance of this sum as soon as possible.

The report of the "mission collectors" as presented by Mr. Robert McGiffin showed that the church subscriptions to the regular mission fund, including those of the Sabbath school, amounted to about \$1,000.

Most satisfactory reports showing the various branches of the church work to be in a most flourishing condition were presented from the Ladies' Aid, of which Mrs. John Robertson is President; the Sabbath school, Mr. S. Stewart, Superintendent; the Y. P. A., Mr. Jas. Young, President; the W. F. M. S., Mrs. Hardie, President, and from the Chinese class, conducted by Mr. Alex. Rose.

Mr. W. J. Christie was re-elected church treasurer; Mr. Robt. McGiffin, treasurer of the mission funds; Messrs. W. R. Blyth and J. P. Carruthers, auditors; and Messrs. Crawford Ross, W. R. Blyth, A. M. Fraser, Richard McGiffin, Jas. Graham and G. A. Snider to the vacant places on the management committee.

At a subsequent meeting of this committee, Mr. J. H. Thomson was re-elected church secretary, and Mr. G. I. Dewar chairman of the management committee.

#### ST. PAUL'S, OTTAWA.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Daly avenue, was held on January 12th. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Armstrong presided.

The treasurer's report showed the finances of the church to be in a very satisfactory condition. About \$4,000 has been raised for all purposes during the year. There was a small deficit, which will be wiped out before the annual report is printed.

Reports were also received from the W. F. M. S. and the Young People's Association each showing these branches to be progressing satisfactorily and doing splendid work.

The officers for the ensuing year are:—Secretary, W. J. Irvine; Treasurer, W. Whillans; Asst. Treasurer, J. McKinley; Temporal Committee, Dr. Thornburn (chairman), J. Robertson, W. Hodgson, James Dunnet, R. A. McCormick, W. H. Sproule, T. R. Davies, J. E. Wallace, Mr. McNab, T. W. Anderson and the other elected officers.

A resolution of thanks was also passed to the Ladies' Aid of the church for their untiring efforts and great assistance on behalf of the church during the past year.

#### AN IMPORTANT SECRET.

It is generally conceded that the handsomest advertising pamphlet issued by any proprietary medicine house in Canada, come from the office of the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., and one which has just reached us is no exception to the rule. The cover is printed in colors, the main feature being a reproduction of a painting from the brush of a famous German artist, entitled "An Important Secret." The pamphlet contains calendars for 1897 and 1898, together with a mine of information as to the curative qualities of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. This handsome pamphlet will be sent post paid to any of our readers who write their address on a post card and mail it to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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(Signed) CHAS. E. MORGAN.

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## HEART FAILURE.

### Great Danger Involved In Weak Heart Action.

The Trouble Can be Cured, and Mr. D. A. Bullock, of Georgeville, Points Out the Road to Renewed Health.

From the *Magog Que., News.*

Mr. D. A. Bullock, boatbuilder, of Georgeville, is well and favorably known to all the residents of that village. He has passed through a very trying illness from which his friends feared he could not recover, but he is once more happily enjoying good health. To a correspondent of the *Magog News* Mr. Bullock recently gave the particulars of his illness and cure, saying that he would be very glad if his experience would prove helpful in enabling someone else to regain health. He says:—"There is no doubt in my mind that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills brought me from the horrors of death to the glad cheerful world. Some years ago, owing to over work and trouble I was reduced to a weak state of health, wherein the heart failed to do its work properly, and not unnaturally the stomach became inactive. I had visits from three doctors, but without beneficial results. The medicine given by one of them caused a nervous shock that prostrated me for several weeks. The last one who treated me gave me a preparation of strychnine which upset my kidneys to such an extent that I was confined to the house and daily growing weaker. I had to keep stimulants constantly at my side to keep the heart at work, and even with this artificial aid its action was very faint. Then I began to try advertised medicines, but still without any good results. I lost strength, flesh and hope. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and that reminded me that I had a box of them at my place of business, which had been lying there for more than a year. Without very much confidence in them I decided to give the pills a trial. The result I must confess seemed to be almost magical. I had not taken the Pink Pills long when I was able to rest in my chair and take good refreshing sleep, something that had not taken place for months before. From that day with the use of the Pink Pills I continued to gain in strength, and am to-day a strong and healthy man. I believe that even Pink Pills should be assisted in their good work on the system, and that assistance is exercise, and this exercise I took from the time I began to regain my strength. I have now every faith in this medicine and believe that if those who are sick will use it, health will be the reward.

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