

astronomy by Mr. Wm. Findlay, B.A., and on Roentgen rays, with illustrations, by Mr. J. W. Russell, B.A. Special and grateful mention must be made of recitations given by Miss Gertrude Trotter, A.T.C. M., and vocal solos by Misses Carrie Scott, A. N. Doran, Mr. Magson and Mr. C. F. Britton.

THE Annual Meeting of the Fyfe Missionary Society was held in the Jarvis St. Baptist Church on December the 10th, and was of a very interesting and profitable character. President Goodspeed in his opening remarks made a reference to the name which the Society bears. It perpetuates the name of one of the heroic pioneers whose influence will always be felt by Canadian Baptists. The annual report was presented by Mr. C. H. Schutt, B.A., Secretary of the Society. This report, which was given in a very clear and forcible manner, showed a very encouraging year's work. The most interesting features were the mission work done in the city by the students and the opening of new fields throughout the country.

Mr. McDonald, President of the Presbyterian Ladies' College and editor of the *Westminster*, delivered an excellent address, and his earnest and stirring words will not soon be forgotten by the students. The report which had just been presented suggested to him the fact that the important work of any Christian body was not in the large churches, but among the smaller country churches, which supplied the best and most enthusiastic workers for the larger centres. The pastors in them need our sympathy and support in the exacting and varied labors which they are called upon to perform. The churches are laid under great obligations. They must reach out to the farthest limits of the world. There are opportunities opening out before them such as the world has never seen before, and the clearing away of difficulties is the call of Christ to go forward. We must not estimate the results of the work by the arithmetic of this world. The cold-blooded statistician is one of the greatest hindrances to the efforts of the church. If the election of Grace means to do, as well as to be, that we are not only to keep warm our own hearths, but to kindle a fire on others', then we need (1) Intelligence as to the means of giving and the results obtained. There is in these days too much ignorance on these subjects among our church members. At this time when missions are being subjected to so much criticism, it is essential that there should be knowledge on the part of all Christians. What is the result of a day's study on ordinary subjects in comparison with a day devoted to missions? Here is geography, history, language, etc. India has become not a mere spot on the map, but a place where men live and suffer and die, just as we do. (2) The truth must be fired with great passion. There is too little fire in our preaching to-day. Men need to be filled with an intense passion for God and for human souls. This was the great characteristic of Christ himself, and to feel and understand it we must have the constant indwelling of the Holy Spirit. There is need of men who will do the very best work, men who will do work not only well, but excellently.