

SYNOD ECHOES.

Regina has greatly improved since we last visited it. Handsome blocks of brick speak of the importance of the place. Knox church is by far the first church in the town in numbers, in influence and, we trust, in spiritual life. The new manse is a credit to any place. It is the best house in the town. We know the pastor, Rev. J. A. Carmichael, is just the man, who will not have his head turned by such distinction. The hospitality of the Regina people, and we speak from personal experience, was unbounded.

“It was the best meeting of the Synod we have ever had.”

Our congratulations are extended to the retiring Moderator of Synod, Rev. D. Stalker, B.A., of Gladstone, for his terse, well expressed and thoroughly practical sermon on “Be not weary in well doing” etc.

If the moderatorship is a reward for faithful service, never was the position filled by a more worthy occupant than by Rev. James Farquharson, B.A., of Pilot Mound, Pastor, Presbytery Clerk, H. M. Convener, and Examiner in Manitoba College. What shall we more say?

Three obituary notices were prepared: Of Rev. Angus Robertson, a faithful home missionary, of Rev. John McKay, our well-known Indian missionary, and of Hon. Gilbert McMicken, a prominent and staunch elder of the Church in Winnipeg.

A graceful act was done by the Synod, in urging that Mrs. Robertson and her two children be put on the Widows' and Orphans' fund.

Regina Presbytery asked that Rev. John Geddes, who has endured great hardship on the prairies of Assiniboia for the cause of Christ, be recommended to the Aged and Infirm Minister's fund.

The Nisbet Academy difficulty was managed well. Rev. Dr. Jardine was present and made a good appearance before the Synod. The late board has paid off all claims, and upwards of \$6,000 are still in Dr. Reid's hands. It is not the intention to rebuild the academy in the meantime. A good working majority of the board was appointed from among our people in Prince Albert, and the objectionable synodical controlling committee was not re-appointed. We congratulate the Synod on its course on this vexed question.

The “Western Missionary” was complimented by the Synod, and continued.

An overture was forwarded through the Synod from two of its members for a summer session in theology.

The Superintendent reported \$9,800 a year for five years, as promised, to help up the Home Mission finances. No wonder the Synod rejoiced!

Next meeting of Synod will be held in Brandon in November.