

Sabbath the 20th ult., was the 21st anniversary of the induction of Rev. A. A. Scott as pastor of Zion church, Carlton Place. Rev. D. M. Ramsay, B.D., of Knox church, Ottawa, preached morning and evening, in the morning from the words "But grow in grace," from 2 Peter iii. 18 and in the evening from "Have faith in God," Mark xi. 22. Large congregations were present at both services. The new pipe organ which has just been placed in the church at a cost of \$1,500 was used for the first time on this occasion. During Mr. Scott's pastorate the membership has increased from 80 to 444, the church has been twice enlarged, a new manse has been built, and the amount contributed last year was \$4,600, as against \$1,400 twenty years ago.

St. Stephen's church, Winnipeg, held special Home Mission services on Sunday, Feb. 20th, the amount realized being \$202.15. At the evening service the pastor, Rev. C. W. Gordon, spoke on Home Missions, showing what an enviable heritage the people of Western Canada have to develop, and the urgent need of the progress being consistent with Christianity. Sir Thomas W. Taylor also spoke on the same subject, and explained the many reasons why this particular branch of Church work is so important, and why it rightly claims the attention and assistance of Christian people. Special reference was made to the opening up of the British Columbian, Yukon and Peace River mining districts, and the extra obligations which the Church must meet to establish missions there.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Brockville, held at Lyn on the 31st ult., Rev. Dr. Torrance, of Guelph, was nominated Moderator of the General Assembly. Rev. Geo. MacArthur, B.A., of Cardinal, clerk of the Presbytery was nominated Moderator of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa. The following delegates to the General Assembly were appointed:—John J. Cameron, Duane McEachern, Jas. A. Sinclair, John McC. Kellock, James Stuart, Ministers; also Wm. Campbell, James Cumming, Wm. B. Smellie, Wm. Clark, Wm. Deeks, Elders. Rev. Wm. G. Jordan, of Strathroy, was nominated successor to Prof. G. L. Robinson, of Knox College. A call from Laguerre and Port Lewis to Rev. Donald Stewart, of Duubar, was accepted. Mr. McEachern was appointed Moderator of the Duubar Session. The next meeting will be held at Morrisburg July 12th next.

HOW MRS WM. HENRY MAKES MONEY!

I have been so successful in the past few months that I feel it my duty to aid others by giving them my experience. I have not made less than \$18 any day for the last five months, and have not canvassed any. I put a notice in the papers that I am selling the Iron City Dish Washer, and people send for them by the dozen. They give such good satisfaction that every family wants one. Dishes washed and dried in two minutes. I think any person can easily clear \$10 a day, and double that after they get started good. I don't see why any one should be destitute, when they may just as well be making lots of money if they try. Address the Iron City Dish Washer Co., 145 S. Highland Ave., Station A, Pittsburg Pa., and they will give you all instructions and testimonials necessary to succeed.

GUELPH PRESBYTERIAL.

The 13th annual meeting of the Guelph Presbyterial Society, in connection with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, opened on Wednesday, Feb. 16th, in St. Andrew's church, Fergus.

The opening exercises were conducted by Mrs. K. Maclean, of Guelph; Mrs. Dickson, of Galt, and Mrs. Pritchard, of Fergus.

The President, in her address, reviewed the work of the year. The annual reports showed an increase in money, value of goods sent to the Northwest, and of interest in the work. The amount raised was \$2,187. Miss Bruce of Waterloo, gave a most interesting address on "The Uses of Literature in Our Work."

At 4 p.m. all the Mission Bands were addressed by Mrs. Jeffrey, of Toronto, General Secretary for the Northwest, on "Work Among the Indians," and much valuable information was given.

The evening meeting was largely attended, Mr. Mullan presiding. Rev. R. P. McKay, Foreign Mission Secretary, gave an able address on "The Habitations of Cruelty." He spoke of the terrible prevalence of infanticide in India and China and cannibalism in Africa—the result of superstition, poverty and want of education. He contrasted heathen religions with Christianity, showing that whatever good there might be in the former, they must fail to elevate or satisfy the world, because they were dead, and that only the living Christ could meet men's needs.

The Thursday morning meeting opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Mr. MacVicar. Letters of much interest from the Industrial School at Regina were read, and Mrs. Jeffrey gave some items of interest.

Miss Ross, of Guelph, was appointed Permanent Supply Secretary.

Mrs. Horne, of Elora, conducted the Question Drawer, and in the discussion that followed elicited many new plans of work and suggestions to be used in the coming year.

Miss Cant spoke on "Why are not all our women members of the W. F. M. S.?" showing the magnitude and honor of the work that the Society is doing, and the blessing that has followed to the Church at home.

Mrs. T. Guldie followed with a few closing words. The meeting closed with singing and prayer, after which lunch was served in the basement.

The next meeting of the Society will be held in Galt.

THE RUSH TO KLONDIKE

And Alaska for 1898 has begun. It will not be necessary to endure the terrible hardships or to pay the excessive packing rates, in making the trip this year, that it was in 1897. A good rail and tramway is now in operation across the Chilkoot Pass; a wagon road hewed out of solid rock extends from Skagway to the summit of the White Pass, and a tramway is in operation around White Horse Rapid. The number of steamers between Puget Sound Ports and Dyea and Skagway, and on the Yacon River, has been so increased that there is now a large fleet.

The new routes via Cook Inlet, and Prince William Sound and Valdez Pass to the head waters of the Copper and Tanana Rivers, opens not only a large and rich Gold and Copper country near the coast, but also gives access to the Dawson City region as well.

The Northern Pacific has the latest and best Klondike and Alaska map and folder published. It is up to date in steamer sailings and also contains the latest and most authentic information obtainable. Send Chas. S. Fee, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul Minn. 2 cents for it.

QUEBEC SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

The sixty first annual meeting of the Sunday School Union of the Province of Quebec was held in Stanley St. Presbyterian church, Montreal on Thursday evening last, and the report shows considerable activity in the prosecution of its work. For many years the society occupied itself mainly with the founding of Sunday schools in districts that were not sufficiently covered by the church organizations. The need for this has now largely passed away, and what remains can best be over taken by the several churches. Attention has therefore of late been given more to efforts to stimulate the existing organizations to do better work by means of convention in the different localities, normal classes, and personal visitations. Last year a summer school was held for three weeks at Georgeville which was well attended. This is to be held again this year and as the point selected is an excellent summer resort where health and recreation may be obtained as well as instruction a still larger attendance is expected. It will be under the special direction of the Secretary Mr. G. H. Archibald who is a graduate of the Springfield school for Christian workers.

The report shows a large amount of activity on the part of the Secretary during the year. He travelled 8,794 miles, had given the equivalent of 487 half hour addresses. Sent out 3,750 letters, attended 49 conventions, held 28 Sessions of the Primary Union, 13 Sessions of the Legion

of Honor Normal Class, delivered 7 lectures to college students and visited 40 schools.

The cost of the work was only \$2,613 and the revenue had enabled them to reduce the debt left over from previous years. The bulk of the money was given by Montreal, though the bulk of the work was done in the country, but it would be difficult to suggest any other way in which an equal sum of money would tell more largely on the future character of the population of the Province. The agency that awakens the teachers to a fuller sense of their responsibility and opportunity tells on many souls and shapes many characters.

In addition to local speakers the meeting was addressed by Miss Bertha F. Vella of Boston on the subject of "Child Study." This lady is Superintendent of primary work in Massachusetts and is a recognized authority on her subject.

THE GOLDEN KLONDIKE.

An Enormous Rush of Gold Seekers Going in.

Some Sound Advice from One Who Has Made the Trip, and Knows Something of the Hardships the Gold Seekers Must Undergo.

In the rush towards the golden fields of the Klondike, there are thousands who are ill-fitted to stand the strain of hardship and exposure, which are inseparable from that trip. Illness, disease and death is almost certain to claim many of the ill-prepared adventurers. The following letter from one who has undergone the hardships of the trip, will prove interesting to those who intend going into the desolate but gold laden north:—

SKAGWAY, Dec. 12th, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—My object in writing this letter is to give a word of advice to those who contemplate going to the Yukon gold fields. For ten years I have followed the occupation of prospecting, timber estimating and mining, and the hardships and privations which one has to undergo, are enough to wreck the strongest constitution. In the spring of 1897 I was stricken with pleurisy, as the result of exposure. I recovered from this, but it left behind the seeds of disease which manifested themselves in the form of heart and kidney troubles. I managed to reach Vancouver, but did not have much hopes of recovering. I was advised, however, to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial and at first purchased but two boxes. Before these were gone I found beyond a doubt that they were helping me, and their continued use "put me on my feet again," to use a common expression. I then engaged to go to the Yukon country and only those who have made the trip to Dawson City can form even the faintest conception of the hardships that have to be borne in making the trip. Before starting I added to my outfit two dozen boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I can honestly say no part of my outfit proved of such invaluable service to me, and I would strongly urge every man who goes in to take a supply with him, as he will find the need of such a tonic and upbuilder of the system on many occasions. I went in and returned to this place by the Dalton trail, which consists of 350 miles of old Indian trail, starting at Pyramid Harbor. In going over the trail one has at times to wade through mud more than a foot deep, and ford streams waist deep in ice cold water. When I started for the Yukon my weight was only 140 pounds, and I now weigh 160 pounds, thanks to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

I am soon starting for another trip to Dawson by the same route. This time, however, the travelling will be on snow-shoes, and you may depend upon it Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will again form part of my outfit.

I write this letter for the twofold purpose of letting you know what your medicine has done for me and urging those who go in to take a supply with them. Every man, whether he is sick or well, who undertakes the trip to the Yukon will require something to brace him and keep his constitution sound in that country. I may say that my home is at Copper Cliff, Ont., where my wife now resides.

Yours very truly,

JOHN PIERCE