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## OTTAWA.

The Glebe congregation has added \$100 per year to the stipend of Rev. J. W. H. Milne.

All the reports submitted at the annual meeting of the Glebe church, indicated steady growth and increasing prosperity. The session report showed that 37 names had been added to the membership roll during the year. The total revenue from all sources has reached \$2,617.28, as compared with \$2,159.77 an increase of \$457.51. The three retiring members of the board of managers were reelected: Messrs. Jas. Skeud, J. M. McAdam, A. S. Robertson. Messrs. W. Binks and H. V. Rorke were elected auditors. Messrs. Jno. Tully and T. T. Stoddart were re-elected trustees. The prospects of the congregation are very bright. In a short time services will be begun in the handsome edifice now nearing completion at the corner of First avenue and Lyon street.

At the annual meeting of the Home Mission Society of St. Andrew's church the officers elected were: Honorary president—Mrs. W. I. Herridge; President, Mrs. Walter Bronson; Vice-presidents, Mrs. Levi Crannell, Mrs. W. G. Perley and Mrs. Meikle; Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Gillelan; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Gullock; Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Ray; Council, Mrs. Burgess, Mrs. Farquharson, Mrs. Topley, Mrs. Urquhart and Mrs. Gleshan. The financial report was very satisfactory; \$500 had been sent to the Swan River Mause fund, \$25 to assist the Fort Francis, Ont., congregation, which had lost its church buildings by fire and there was a balance of some \$50.

At Stewarton church Mr. Stevens of the Y. M.C.A., took the services in the morning and Rev. Mr. White formerly of Erskine church, officiated in the evening. The pastor Rev. Mr. McElroy is confined to the house with illness.

At Erskine church, Rev. Joseph White took the morning services in the absence of the pastor, who was preaching anniversary sermons at Carleton Place.

Rev. Principal Gordon, D.D., was the preacher in St. Andrew's a week ago last Sunday morning. Many old friends were present to hear him. Dr. Herridge preached in the evening.

At the monthly meeting of the St. Paul's auxiliary to the W.F.M.S., Mrs. Thorburn conducted a map exercise upon Japan and Mrs. Denisha and Mrs. J. R. Hill an interesting series of questions and answers upon the characteristics and early history of that country. Mrs. McKinley and Mrs. Blackett Robinson were appointed representatives to the Presbyterian annual meeting, to be held on the 7th and 8th March, in Knox church.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's church, held last week, arrangements were made for entertaining the members of Ottawa Presbytery at their next meeting, which is announced to be held in this church.

The vital statistics of Ottawa for the year recently ended show 588 marriages, 1,504 births and 1,234 deaths.

## VACANCIES.

Petrolea, Sarnia Presbytery, Rev. W. G. Richardson, B. A., Wyoming, moderator.

Harrow, Chatham Presbytery, Rev. Thomas Nittriss, Moderator, Amherstburg.

Comber, Chatham Presbytery, Rev. Peter Nichol, Tilbury, Moderator.

Blythwood, Chatham Presbytery, Rev. Mr. Hamilton, Leamington, Moderator.

Brampton, Toronto Presbytery, Rev. A. Gandier, St. James' Square, Toronto, Moderator.

Dovercourt, Toronto, Rev. Alex. Macgillivray, Bonar church, Toronto, Moderator.

Curious, says a Nova Scotia paper, that North Sydney, in the centre of a great coal region, should recently have suffered severely from a coal famine. Great snow storms and badly blocked roads were the principal cause of the famine.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. T. A. Sadler, of Russell, occupied Knox church pulpit, Lancaster, the last two Sundays. Rev. Mr. Prettie, of Vernon, occupied the pulpit of the Russell church on the 19th.

On Wednesday evening last Rev. E. S. Togie, of Winchester, delivered a missionary address in St. Andrew's church, Smith's Falls, after which a social was held.

The reports submitted at the annual meeting of Knox Church, Perth, showed a year of marked prosperity and faithful work on the part of officers and organizations. The plate collections, exclusive of special collections, amounted to \$881.32, a slight advance on any previous year. The collections for missions on communion Sundays amounted to \$503.60. A special contribution of \$101 was made to the deficit in the Foreign Mission fund; \$115 was given to the Pointe aux Trembles building fund; \$7.50 to the Gravenhurst sanitarium; \$4 to the Samaritan Hospital at Dawson and \$19 to Mr. Potter's work for sailors and lumbermen. The Sunday school and Bible class made contributions to the Pointe aux Trembles schools, Sick Children's Hospital and struggling Sunday schools, amounting to \$103. The report of the Young People's Society was the best in its history. At the beginning of the year the society undertook to purchase a piano for the lecture room. They collected \$290 for the purpose, gave \$50 for missions and have a balance of \$21. The Vision Band collected \$38.21; of this amount they gave \$34.17 for missions. The W. F. M. S. sent \$138.80 to the treasurer of the central society. For the Woman's General Society it was a banner year; they collected in all \$115.50; of this they gave \$250 for the support of a home missionary and retained the balance for local purposes. Four Indian orphans are supported by individual members of the congregation and one by the Sunday school at a cost of \$18 each. The sum of \$14.79 was spent for benevolent purposes in the congregation. The sewer put in front of the church by the corporation enabled the managers to excavate a place for the furnaces under the floor of the church. The furnaces are now in position and it is found that under the skilful management of the sexton, Mr. T. Crosbie, the church will be very much more comfortable. For defraying the cost of moving the furnaces the sum of \$121 has been collected. The total amount given for missionary and benevolent purposes by the congregation during 1904 was \$1,421. The entire revenue of the congregation for the past year for all purposes, including stipend, missions and running expenses, amounted to about \$3,815. For this creditable showing much credit is due to the enthusiasm and diligence of the women of the congregation as well as to the growing liberality of the people. The congregation is sensible of what they owe to the skill and fidelity of their aged financier, Mr. James Allan, upon whose shoulders the weight of eighty-one years seems to rest lightly. On February 12th the congregation will celebrate its sixtieth anniversary. Of the members who organized the congregation Mr. Allan is the only one left. During the long period of sixty years he has been untiring in his zeal and service for the congregation. His capacity for work as superintendent of the Sunday school and as financier of the congregation seems unimpaired, and the congregation fervently hope and pray that he may be long spared to carry on the work so congenial to him and so beneficial to them.

On February 21st, Rev. J. H. Borland, M.A., late of Barrie Presbytery, was inducted into the pastoral charge of Columbus and Brooklin. Rev. G. McGregor presided and inducted; Rev. Hugh Munroe preached; Dr. Abraham addressed the minister and Rev. Wm. Cooper the people.

The congregation of Columbus and Brooklin, a rural charge, leads the Presbytery of Whitby in contributions to the schemes of the church.

Rev. A. S. Ross, of Westboro, occupied the pulpits of the Russell and Metcalfe Churches last Sunday.

The anniversary services in connection with Zion church, Carleton Place, were observed on

Sunday, the 19th February, and everything contributed to make the occasion a season of happy memories. The weather was fair, the attendance throughout was large, the music was excellent, and all concerned seemed happy in being able to take part. Rev. A. A. Scott, who for twenty-seven years has occupied the pulpit as pastor, was present throughout, although relieved of the duties of the day by Rev. A. E. Mitchell, of Ottawa, who preached both morning and evening. The evening service in St. Andrews was given up in order to permit the two Presbyterian bodies to unite for the special occasion. On Monday evening the annual social was held when a fine musical programme was rendered, and Mr. Mitchell gave an address on the ideals and characteristics of the Japanese people.

A very pleasant and instructive evening was spent in St. Andrews Church, South Lancaster on Friday night, February 17th, when Mr. Carnegie gave Sheldon's "In His Steps" illustrated by beautiful limelight views. Two songs were sung by Miss T. M. Fraser, "The Holy City," and "Daddy." Owing to the severe storm and the bad roads many from a distance who had intended coming were prevented. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Carnegie, Miss Fraser and Mrs. D. G. MacEwan for their contributions to the evening's entertainment.

Rev. D. Currie, B.D., for eleven years pastor of Knox Church, Perth, and Mrs. Currie, were presented with a cabinet of silver at the recent jubilee anniversary of the congregation.

The friends of Rev. J. D. Boyd, B.A., and they are legion, will be delighted to learn that that gentleman has so far improved in health as to be able to return to his home in Kingston.

At the annual meeting of the Zion Church congregation, Lanark, Treasurer J. A. Watt stated that the funds were very healthy. After transferring \$200 to the building fund he had a balance on hand of over \$50. The weekly offerings amounted to \$588.10 and the plate collections to \$227.08. Contributions to missions and for other purposes brought the total received by the church's treasurer to \$1,305.10.

Rev. Wm. Patterson, of Buckingham, lectured in the town hall, Hawkesbury, on the evening of the 20th, on "Burns and his message." Mr. Patterson, though an Irishman, is an ardent admirer of the Scottish bard. The lecture was thoroughly enjoyed by all who heard it. The musical part of the programme, which was chiefly Scotch, was also of a high order.

St. John's Church, Cornwall, held its anniversary services a week ago last Sunday, when Rev. W. G. Wilson, of Smith's Falls, preached eloquent sermons. On the following evening, the 20th, the usual anniversary social was held. A choice musical programme was rendered and Rev. Mr. Wilson delivered an address.

The 20th annual meeting of the Brockville Presbytery was held on Monday and Tuesday of this week, the Presbytery also meeting on the same days. Dr. Margaret McKellar, returned missionary from India, addressed the meetings.

The lecture and concert given on Tuesday evening, the 21st instant, under the auspices of Woodlands Presbyterian church, was a decided success. Notwithstanding the almost impassable condition of the roads, the hall was well filled. Patriotic choruses by the choir, well filled. Patriotic choruses by the choir, and Roy comic songs by James W. Stubbs and Roy Brownell, a reading by Robert Tulloch, a solo by Miss Francis Stewart, a duet by Miss Daisy Campbell and Miss Clara Brownell, and a number of gramophone selections from Lorne Shaver, preceded the event of the evening, a lecture "Leaders and Litters," by Rev. D. N. Coburn, of Lunenburg. Mr. Coburn has marked ability as a lecturer and held his audience pleased and instructed for one hour and a half.

The Rev. J. J. Wright, formerly pastor of the church at Lyn, who has rendered the church such splendid services in White Horse, Yukon, during the past few years, finds it necessary to remain in Ontario meantime, and the Home Mission committee is on the look out for a suitable person as his successor at White Horse.