

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's church met, Mrs. W. D. Armstrong presiding. The business of the meeting was to make some preliminary arrangements for the sale which will be given in the autumn. The object of the sale is to provide funds for the renovation of the church, especially by the addition of a new roof. Some work was distributed among the ladies at the meeting.

At the regular meeting of St. Paul's Auxiliary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Miss Isabella Gallagher gave a talk on the introduction of Christianity into Great Britain and the work of St. Patrick, St. Columba and St. Augustine. She gave a graphic survey of the British Isles when first heard of in history, of the introduction of Christianity and of the length of time before they were thoroughly Christianized. Mrs. Thorburn presided. It was decided not to hold a meeting in July, but to resume work in August.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. K. A. Gollan, Dunvegan, preached in the Alexanria church on a recent Sunday morning.

Rev. Mr. Sherer, B. A., Field Secretary of Lord's Day Alliance, preached in the Port Hope church Sunday 22nd inst.

The members of the Eganyville Masonic lodge attended service in the church on Sunday morning, 22nd inst. Rev. M. H. Wilson, of Snake River preached the sermon.

Rev. H. McKellar, of Martintown, preached in St. Andrew's Church, Williamstown, on Sunday night, 15th inst., for Rev. A. Givan, who was attending the General Assembly.

A lawn social will be held in the garden of Mr. Benj. Gordon, Plantagenet, on Coronation evening. Proceeds to be devoted to the building fund of the new Presbyterian church.

Rev. R. Young, pastor of St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Miller, assistant pastor of St. Andrew's church, Arnprior, on Sunday 15th inst.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Jane Fraser, of Kingston, and formerly of Pembroke, to the Rev. Thurlow Fraser, Ottawa, missionary designate to Formosa. The event will occur on July 1.

Rev. John A. Mair, formerly of Lanark, now of the Edmonton district, applied at the late meeting of the Presbyterian Assembly at Toronto, for admission from the Congregational to the Presbyterian church.

The members of True Britons' Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Perth, will attend Knox Church on Sabbath, 29th inst., in a body, where Coronation services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Woodside, of Carleton Place, who is a prominent member of the order.

Rev. W. H. Cram, the newly appointed Minister of Cobden and Osceola, was inducted on Friday, June 9th, at Cobden. Rev. A. D. Meizies preached; Rev. J. Rattary, of Eganyville addressed the minister and Rev. C. A. Ferguson, the people. Rev. John Hay presided as Moderator for Presbytery.

Mrs. McIver, aged 83, died in Kingston on June 9. She was a playmate and school mate of Sir John A. Macdonald, and died on the eleventh anniversary of his death. She was born in Kingston, May 18, 1810, married in 1830 and widow in 1868. One son, treasurer of Queen's University, and one daughter, Miss McIver, survive. Deceased was a Presbyterian. Her father, Mr. John Butterworth, was a victim of the cholera epidemic in Kingston.

A very large crowd attended the W. F. M. S. convention held recently in the Presbyterian church Newington. The following were the speakers: Rev. Mr. McVicar, Rev. Mr. Coburn, Rev. A. A. Russell, Rev. W. M. McIntyre and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton who has lived in Bush Glen was converted under Rev. A. A. Russell's preaching. He has been a missionary in India for the past eight years. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton gave a very interesting address and lecture on the missionary work in India and also the famine. Mr. Hamilton was all through the famine and had \$20,000 of the famine fund to distribute. He is home on a short furlough. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton intend returning in November. Mrs. Hamilton is an American and was born near Saratoga, N. Y. A large number of delegates came in by train and were met at the depot by members of this circuit. They were hospitably entertained. Among those from a distance were the follow-

ing delegates: Laggan—Mrs. W. D. McLeod. Glen Donald—Mrs. D. McDonald. Avonmore—Mrs. D. D. McIntyre and Miss L. McCafferty. Wales—Mrs. Allen Grant, Mrs. Hoople, and Mrs. Chamoine. Finch—Mrs. (Rev.) McVicar. Martintown—Mrs. J. D. McCallum, Mrs. Foulds, Mrs. (Rev.) Langill, Miss Gretta Foulds and Miss A. May McCallum. Cyser—Mrs. Jas Pollock and Mrs. Andrew Jardine. Moose Creek—Mrs. Blair, Mrs. W. Beag and Mrs. D. D. McRae. Woodlands—Mrs. Young and Mrs. Morgan King's Road—Miss McGroger. Lancaster—Mrs. Jas Fraser and Mrs. (Rev.) Graham. Cornwall—Mrs. J. D. McLennan, Mrs. Copeland, Lunenburg—Miss Markell, Mrs. I. Rombough and Mrs. E. Paupst. Dunvegan—Miss Fera Grant. Dalhousie Mills—Miss Jessie Morrison. Lochiel—Miss McRae. Kirkhill—Mrs. McCallum.

Western Ontario.

Rev. A. P. Gillespie, of Mansewood, and Rev. H. A. Macpherson, Acton, exchanged pulpits on Sunday morning 22nd inst.

Rev. Wm. Robertson, of Puslinch, occupied Knox Church pulpit, Acton, on Sunday 15th inst. Rev. Mr. Macpherson was at Puslinch preaching missionary sermons.

The Rev. J. W. McNaughton of Queen's University, preached last Sunday morning in the Central Church, Hamilton, and the pastor in the evening. Ordination of seven Elders in the evening.

The Rev. R. Haddow, B. A., of Toronto, preached two excellent sermons in Chalmers church, Guelph. The Rev. Mr. Glasford conducted anniversary services yesterday for his brother-in-law, Rev. R. A. Cranston, of Cromarty.

Rev. W. A. Bradley, of Berlin, occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's church yesterday in the absence of Rev. T. Eakin, who was attending the meeting of the General Assembly. Rev. Mr. Bradley delivered thoughtful and eloquent sermons, which were greatly appreciated by his auditors.

Rev. D. R. Drummond, B. D., of St. Thomas conducted anniversary services at the South Church, near Glanworth, Westminster township, on Sunday 22nd inst. On Monday a garden party and strawberry festival was held. An orchestra of fifteen instruments assisted in the programme.

The annual Sunday school convention of the Embro and West Zorra Sunday schools was very well attended in Knox church on the 17th inst. Rev. Mr. Toll, president, acted as chairman during the sessions. The afternoon session was not very well attended but at the evening session a very large number were in attendance. At the evening session vocal selections were given by Miss Maggie D. Murray, Miss T. Rutherford and Messrs. A. E. Campbell and J. A. McKay.

Northern Ontario.

The Sundridge pulpit was supplied by the Rev. James Mather of the United Free Church of Scotland, who is visiting the son of Rev. J. Becket at Bloomfield.

The Presbyterians of Oak Hill have been fixing up their church and are painting it both inside and out, and intend opening it next Sunday, and a tea and concert Monday.

Rev. J. H. McVicar, of Fergus, lectured in Chalmers church on "The Signboards of Old London," June 23rd. The lecture is illustrated, and has been given with great appreciation to large audiences in Toronto and Montreal.

Rev. Mr. Henderson, Presbyterian minister at Magnetawan, who was in Toronto attending the General Assembly, last week immersed four young people who wished to join the Presbyterian church at Taylor's Lake, near Dunchurch.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in Bethel Church, Bloomfield on Sabbath, 22nd inst., by the pastor Rev. J. Becket. Preparatory services on Friday, and the Sacrament of baptism administered and new communicants received.

The congregation of Erskine church, Montreal, have presented their pastor, Dr. Mowatt, with a purse of \$1,200 for the purpose of enabling him to better enjoy his trip to Europe.

Rev. Mr. McFarlane, of Ottawa, took the services in St. Andrew's church on Sunday, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Woodside, who was at Midville and Darling.

Principal Grant.

BY A MEMBER OF GLASGOW PRESBYTERY.

In the early fifties four students were sent to Glasgow University from Nova Scotia—John Cameron, George Grant, Simon Macgregor, and — Macmillan. They brought with them a breeze of the fresh Colonial life, and came to be no small part of the University. They all distinguished themselves in the study for the ministry, and all returned to the Colony again for a time. Macmillan passed away about 1872, Cameron came back to Scotland as a minister of Campbelltown, and subsequently of Dunoon. Macgregor is minister of the Parish of Appin, and Grant, who occupied the foremost place in the Ecclesiastical and political life of Canada, has now passed on to the majority. The tidings of his death will awaken vivid memories of the University in the minds of many of his fellow students still alive. He was the most distinguished man of the period 1853-1860. Nichol, late Professor of English Literature; Everett, of Queen's College, Belfast; Galbraith, late Sheriff; and the two McLeods, X-man and John; Dan Gordon and George Mathieson, excelled in particular branches, but taking the classes all through, Grant excelled as a scholar, had a great personal influence among the students, and could impress them more by his eloquence than any other. At the times when there was an election of a Lord Rector he was splendid. Even then there was manifest the power that came afterwards to tell in the pleadings for the Confederation of the Provinces and the Union of the Churches in Canada.

Such was his reputation not only in the University, but in the City, that when he preached in the Barony and Cathedral, on the Sunday after his license, these Churches were filled to overflowing. He returned to the Colony, and for a year or two was minister of a Church in Prince Edward Island, then he was called to St. Matthew's Church, in Halifax, the most influential in Nova Scotia. He frequently received invitations to charges in this country, but there he remained, until about 1875 he succeeded Dr. Snodgrass as Principal of Queen's University, Kingston. His influence was great upon the students, but it went far beyond them. In the political and social life of Canada he was a large factor, and his genial warm heart made him a favourite among all parties. The Principal did not publish much for a man with his power and position. Many of his pamphlets were most opportune in the changing phases of Canada. He is known as the author of "From Sea to Sea," a prelude to the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the two beautiful volumes, "Picturesque Canada" and the "Churches of Christendom."

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