

## C. E. Convention.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Ontario C. E. Union was held in Ottawa from the 7th to the 10th inst. The headquarters were fixed in Knox church but several meetings were held in Dominion Methodist church.

The attendance of delegates was good, the citizens turned out in goodly numbers, the programme was excellent and the interest was sustained to the end. Rev. Dr. Scofield was obliged by illness to cancel his engagement at the last moment. This was a serious disappointment but the executive proved equal to the occasion and in the end secured Miss Ben Olie, daughter of the famous Jewish missionary, who entertained her audience charmingly with her illustrations of eastern manners and ideas.

It was very fortunate that Father Endeavor Clark was able to be present, fresh from a long series of journeys in the interests of the movement. He drew a full house on Tuesday evening for his description of various scenes he had recently beheld whereby was emphasized the international social value of Christian Endeavor. As you listen to Dr. Clark it becomes very evident that he was raised up to do this one thing. He would hardly have made his mark as a preacher, earnest though he is, but his services are invaluable to the organization which he had the honor to found.

Probably the man whose words were most eagerly listened to was Rev. C. W. Gordon. Mr. Gordon the speaker, hardly reaches the high level of Ralph Connor the writer, and it is probable that some were disappointed with his addresses but that would be the result of unwarranted expectations. In his style in his whole bearing it was easy to detect the note of distinction which makes him worthy to be called a true christian gentleman. On Thursday morning his subject was, The Chivalry of Jesus, and he handled it with grace and reverence.

Notable addresses were made by Rev. A. L. Geggie, the cheery pastor of Parkdale Presbyterian church, by Rev. Dr. Chown, the Methodist champion of prohibition and by Rev. Dr. Weeks, the spiritually-minded Baptist of Toronto. But indeed not a single address or paper of the whole convention was in any sense a failure.

Mrs. Clark presided with great tact at the junior breakfast and conference on Wednesday morning when various phases of junior work was discussed and many helpful suggestions given.

A very interesting item was the junior rally in the Russell Theatre on Friday afternoon. The spacious building was filled with the children and friends. The Junior Choir "looked lovely," the little girls all dressed in white and winning their audience by their bright faces and sweet voices. A patriotic exercise entitled, "Junior's Love of Country" was carried out very satisfactorily by the number of Local Endeavorers.

Those who were detained in the city were sorry to miss the trip to Aylmer on Wednesday afternoon. There Dr. Clark, who is a native of Aylmer, unveiled a memorial window in the Presbyterian church to his father, mother and brother. Various appropriate addresses were made and in spite of the dreary weather the excursionists returned to the city in good spirits.

The executive of the local committee are to be congratulated on the success of the convention and it may be hoped that it will have served to rouse the waning interest in the society. Dr. Clark was careful to say with emphasis that the movement was not declining. One may rejoice to believe that the number of endeavorers is increasing throughout the world but it cannot be denied that the zeal of many of the older societies has grown cold and greatly needed such a stimulus as an enthusiastic convention may communicate.

## Western Ontario.

The Rev. A. J. Mann, B. A., Erasmus, preached in Mimos: on the 12th instant.

Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Preston, is occupying the pulpit of the Millbank church.

Rev. F. H. Larkin, of Seaforth, conducted anniversary services in Belgrave church last Sabbath.

Rev. Jas. Barber, of Forest, has been called to Russell, Man. The stipend offered is \$1,100 and a manse.

The choir of Barrie church announce a concert by the famous Westminster Abbey Coronation choir on the 4th of November.

Rev. Dr. McCrae, of Westminster, has just returned home after a visit to the Pacific coast. One of his sons, who has been unwell for some

time, accompanied him from British Columbia. While in Vancouver the doctor preached with much acceptance in St. Andrew's church.

Mr. W. W. McLaren of Knox College, took the services last Sunday for Rev. H. D. Cameron, of Alandale, who preached anniversary sermon on that day at Bradford.

Rev. Dr. Battisby, of Chatham, has just celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his induction to that church. He was presented with a purse of gold, a beautiful bouquet of twenty-five roses and an address by Rev. J. C. Tolmie on behalf of the congregation. The speakers of the evening were Rev. W. E. Knowles, Rev. J. C. Tolmie, Rev. Dr. Jamieson of Blenheim, and Rev. Dr. Battisby.

Rev. J. G. Scott, B. D., of Brantford, preached at Hamilton on the 12th instant, on the seventeenth anniversary of the opening of Wentworth church, with great acceptance. Rev. A. McWilliams, B.A., filled Mr. Scott's pulpit in Brantford. Wentworth church, under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. MacWilliams, is doing a good work. The congregation is steadily growing, and the Sunday School is one of the largest in the city, the superintendent of which is Mr. W. R. Leckie.

At a largely attended and harmonious meeting of the congregation of Knox church, Hamilton, a unanimous call was extended to Rev. E. A. Henry, pastor of the First church of Brandon, Manitoba. Six names were placed in nomination, and a ballot taken on them, the lowest being dropped each time. On the final ballot Mr. Henry had a majority of 69 on a total of 310 votes, and a motion to make the call unanimous was carried. The stipend will be \$2,200 with six weeks vacation.

Mr. R. J. Wilson, who has been the popular assistant to Rev. Dr. McMullen, pastor of Knox church, Woodstock, said farewell to the congregation Sunday night. A large congregation was present to hear his last discourse. The text was "I write unto you, young men, because ye are strong," and from it Mr. Wilson developed many thoughts appropriate to a closing sermon. In closing, he referred to the pleasant relations that had always existed between himself and the congregation, and expressed regret at the severance of the ties that had been formed during his stay. Mr. Wilson has returned to Knox College to complete his course there.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Stratford Presbyterian Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held in Knox church. The past year, as shown by the various reports, has been one of marked success. About one hundred new members were added, and the contributions were larger than those of the previous year by \$212.45. The secretary-treasurer of the supply committee reported that eighteen bales of goods had been sent to the Northwest during the year. The total value was \$503.62. In the presbytery treasurer's report the total collections were shown to be \$1,628.78. The officers were re-elected by acclamation: Miss Macpherson, Stratford, President; Miss Rennie, New Hamburg, recording secretary; Miss Hamilton, Stratford, corresponding secretary; Miss McDowell, Stratford, supply secretary; Mrs. Gibb, St. Marys, treasurer. The vice-presidents were elected by ballot, as follows: First, Mrs. Hislop, Stratford; second, Mrs. (Rev.) A. Grant, St. Mary's; third, Mrs. (Rev.) R. F. Cameron, North Easthope; Mrs. (Rev.) T. A. Cosgrove, St. Marys. Rev. A. B. Winchester of Toronto, addressed the evening meeting.

## Presbytery of Bruce.

Presbytery held a special meeting at Paisley on the 7th Oct. to consider a call from Wolds-ville and Newbury in the Presbytery of London, to the Rev. S. D. Jamieson.

Presbytery of London was represented by Rev. James Wilson, of Glencoe, and there was a large deputation from Mr. Jamieson's pastoral charge. All the circumstances in the case were very fully presented on both sides, and the people to whom Mr. Jamieson has ministered for the past three years were as anxious to retain him as the others were to have him translated. Mr. Jamieson having intimated his desire to accept the call, the Presbytery agreed to his translation, which is to take effect on the 19th Oct.

Presbytery met at Hanover on the 9th Oct. for the induction of Rev. A. L. Badge, formerly of Presbytery of Sarawak. Mr. Badge received a very hearty welcome from the people of his new charge, and enters upon his work there with bright prospects of a successful pastorate.

## Eastern Ontario.

The annual missionary services were held in the Vankleek Hill Church last Sabbath.

Rev. James Cormack of Maxville preached for Rev. H. McKellar, at Martintown last Sabbath.

Rev. D. D. Millar, pastor of the Hawkesbury church fell on Wednesday last week and broke his arm.

In St. Andrew's church Almonte, anniversary services were held last Sabbath conducted by Rev. Dr. Jordan, of Kingston.

Rev. Mr. Woodside, of Carleton Place, will preach anniversary sermons in St. Paul's church Athens, on Sabbath Oct. 26th.

Rev. Mr. Elmhurst, of Admaston, conducted the service in Melville church, Eganville, on Sunday morning on behalf of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

Rev. Dr. Hutchison, who preached so acceptably in St. Andrew's, Carleton Place, the last two Sabbaths, left for his home at Brechin. Rev. Mr. Woodside filled his own pulpit last Sabbath.

A well attended social under the auspices of the W. F. M. S., was held in MacLaren Hall, Alexandria. During the early part of the evening an interesting lecture on Corea, was delivered by Rev. Mr. Harkness, of Cornwall, who for several years labored as a missionary in that eastern country.

Rev. Colin Campbell, who many years ago bore his entering the ministry, resided in Eganville as a visitor there last week. He came to spend a day or two with the family of his late brother (Rev. J. C. Campbell), before going to New Denver, B. C., where he will take the pastorate of the Presbyterian church.

Knox church Camden, was re-opened, after being thoroughly renovated last Sunday. Rev. M. MacGillivray, M. A., of Kingston preached in the morning. Rev. Mr. Weatherill in the afternoon, and Rev. James Wallace, M. A., of Queen's College in the evening. On Monday a social gathering was held.

Rev. W. Guy, B. D., of Bath, occupied the pulpit at Napanee on Sunday morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. W. W. Peck, is Moderator of the session at Picton during the vacancy, and communion dispensed there. On Monday evening a congregational meeting was held to extend a call.

The good people of St. Paul's church, Winchester, are considering the building of a manse for their minister. Their church edifice is one of the nearest and most commodious in Eastern Ontario, and a new manse would make their church property very complete, as well as enhance the comfort of the minister's family.

Barrie Presbytery will meet in the Presbyterian church, Stayner, on Tuesday Oct. 28th at 1.30 p.m., for the examination of Mr. W. T. Allison and if examination be satisfactory, for his ordination and induction into the pastoral charge of Stayner and Sunnidale Corners.

## Ottawa.

Rev. Dr. Moore preached at both services on Sunday in Bank street church.

The congregational meeting to consider Dr. Moore's resignation and appoint delegates to the Presbytery will be held on Thursday night.

In the absence of Rev. A. E. Mitchell in New York, the service on Sunday morning in Erskine church was conducted by Rev. Jos. White, a former pastor. Rev. A. S. Ross of Westboro' preached in the evening.

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