

The Lawn Social held at Craigie Lea Friday night under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of Knox church, Galt, was a great success. The attendance numbered over 500.

The number of communicants at New St. James' church, London, at the recent service was the largest in its history. Twenty new members were received Friday evening.

Mr. Wm Hamilton, occupied the Knox church pulpit, Embro, on Sunday evening. Many old friends were glad to have the opportunity of hearing another Zorra boy who will yet add his name to the many who have already become famous in the Presbyterian ministry.

The annual W.F.M.S. Presbyterian meeting was held in Division st., church, Owen Sound, on Tuesday of this week.

The forenoon session was devoted to routine business. In the afternoon in addition to interesting reports there was a discussion on Mission Bands led by Miss Rodgers and Miss Dow, a solo by Miss Hodgins, and an address by Miss Sinclair, who has been many years as a missionary service in India.

The jubilee tea-meeting of St. Andrew's church Glenworth, was quite a successful affair, realizing the handsome sum of \$95. Elder John H. Elliott, gave an interesting address dealing with the history of the congregation since its inception in 1856. Speeches were made by Revs. James McEwen, H. Reiland, F. Ballantyne, of London, and Revs. R. McIntyre, of Tempo, and Currie of Belmont. Vocal and instrumental music varied the proceedings, which were presided over by Rev. Dr. McCrae, of Westminster.

Rev. W. J. Clark, First church, London, left on Monday for a two months' vacation which will be spent in Winnipeg, Calgary and Edmonton. His pulpit will be occupied by Rev. Robert Laidlaw, excepting the last two Sundays, when Rev. Frank Ballantyne will preach.

Rev. Mr. McLaren, of Woodstock, preached in St. Andrew's, Hamilton, on Sunday. In the evening his text was from 2 Kings 2. His theme was the lesson of Elisha's persistency in following Elijah, illustrative of the duty of the Christian to follow Christ.

Montreal Presbytery.

This Presbytery met recently in Knox church, the Rev. James Fleck, B.A., being in the chair, as the moderator could not be present at the hour of meeting.

The Rev. W. J. Clark, of Anworth, Scotland, and the Rev. Mr. Craig, of the Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery, being present, were requested to sit as corresponding members.

The Rev. George Kinnear resigned his charge at Beech Ridge. The pulpit will be declared vacant on the last Sabbath in August.

The Rev. F. M. Dewey submitted the following minute re the resignation of the Rev. George Kinnear:

In accepting the resignation of the Rev. George Kinnear, and releasing him from the pastoral charge of the congregation of Beech Ridge, the Presbytery of Montreal places upon record its high sense of appreciation of the valuable services rendered by him in that trying field. Mr. Kinnear has given five years of earnest, self-denying labor to the congregation of Beech Ridge, and amidst many discouraging circumstances, has awakened such an interest and developed such a measure of life that it is believed that the congregation is now, in spite of the steady decrease of the Protestant families in the community, in a better state than at any previous period of its existence. The Presbytery sincerely prays that our Heavenly Father may so direct the footsteps of Mr. Kinnear that he will soon find a field of labor in which the excellent gifts he and his partner of life possess, may find a suitable sphere of usefulness. The Presbytery would also assure the congregation of Beech Ridge of its full sympathy in being deprived of the pastoral oversight of one whom they have learned to love and trust, and whose services they have so highly prized; also of their hope that very soon they may have settled over them one who will be a worthy successor of their last pastor.

The Rev. W. R. Cruikshank reported for the Home Mission and Church Extension Committee; Rev. F. M. Dewey for the Foreign Mission work; Rev. G. C. Heine, B.A. for work among the French and Rev. Dr. Morison for the Augmentation Committee.

The Rev. Dr. R. Campbell gave a short report on the city mission work, drawing special attention to the chief interest of the fresh air work for the summer, in which the missionary takes a special interest every year.

British and Foreign.

Mr. James Barnes, of Halifax, has been appointed Instructor in Physics at John Hopkins' University, Baltimore, U.S.

Notable Scottish Professors are giving courses of lectures in connection with the American Universities. Dr. Dods is giving several courses. Dr. Stalker, and Dr. Iverach also are on this side of the ocean.

Paul Loubet, eldest son of President Loubet, works in a French bank at a salary of \$100 per year. The young man has made a good start toward following in his father's footsteps.

Ex-President Kruger, the grand old man of the former Transvaal republic, is spending the remainder of his life in Mentone. Recently he has signed a relinquishment of a \$5,000 legacy left him by an old admirer. Mr. Kruger directed that it should be divided among the relatives of the deceased.

At the recent Commencement of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. Merle H. Adderson, pastor of the Third Street Presbyterian Church at Dayton, O.

The University of Chicago will soon inaugurate the "Oxford idea" of teaching, and will abandon the "University" system. Plans for a complete system of colleges, both for men and women, involving the erection of two entire blocks of buildings, have been announced in the report of the University Building Commission. It is said that the change will be made at an expense of between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

Pledges of \$220,000 toward an endowment of \$500,000 for Macalister College were announced at a banquet given at the Aberdeen Hotel, St. Paul, Minn., by the trustees of the College in honor of Dr. James Wallace, the institution's president.

The death is announced of Dr. Samuel Smiles, the author of the once exceedingly popular book "Self-Help." Smiles was a Scot, a ready writer, an interpreter of the best current thought of the day. One of his best books is a history of the great publishing house of John Murray, London. Smiles was nearly 92 years of age.

The book wagon, the first public library on wheels to be sent out in the United States, is the first just completed by the Wisconsin Free Library Commission. As the wagon passes through the counties the farmers will be invited to select their winter's reading. Each family will be allowed to make as large a selection as desired. In the following spring the wagon will make another trip through the same territory to gather up the books and return them to the Central Library.

The Third International Congress of the Salvation Army opened at London, on June 24, with a meeting in Albert Hall, attended by over 5,000 delegates. General Booth presided. King Edward received General Booth at Buckingham Palace, on June 22, and discussed the forthcoming international convention of Salvationists. King Edward displayed special interest in everything relating to the work of the Army in behalf of the poor, and on parting with General Booth expressed his sympathy with his work and the most cordial good wishes for its prosperity and success.

The great influx of immigrants, resulting from the reduction of Transatlantic passenger rates, has almost doubled the usual work of the Immigration Department. The low fare has attracted a class of immigrants regarded by the authorities in New York as undesirable, and nearly half of the steerage passengers who have arrived from Europe during the last day or two have been detained pending a special inquiry into their circumstances. Many of them will probably be sent back to the ports of embarkation.

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The Rev. Dr. Bryce.

The Rev. Dr. Bryce, of Manitoba University, passed through Montreal last week homeward bound for Winnipeg. Dr. Bryce remained over at St. John, N.B., after the close of the General Assembly, to attend the Annapolis and other celebrations which have had so much historical interest for Eastern Canadians. He declares them to have been greatly productive of good feeling among the nationalities who were once opposing each other on fields of strife. The address of the French Consul-General was especially well received, and all through the ceremonial was heartily enjoyed.

Dr. Bryce will be back in Winnipeg for the Dominion Industrial Exposition, which opens there on July 20, and which the great western country has set its heart upon. It will be open for two weeks, and the managers have been engaged in making their preparations for some time past.

Concerning Manitoba University Dr. Bryce said it was progressing with a satisfactory, steady swing onward. Some new appointments were expected shortly, and no fewer than eight hundred students had been examined this year, including arts, medicine, and law, so that it soon will be the largest university in Canada. In addition, there is the establishment of a new agricultural college this year, which will be situated about two and a half miles from the university up the Assiniboine river. This college will be affiliated with the university, but will be under independent management. The buildings have been commenced and will cost one hundred thousand dollars. There will be an annual expenditure of twenty thousand dollars, so that the institution will be a really excellent one. It is supported by the province.

Manitoba University has had twenty thousand dollars from Lord Strathcona recently, not as an endowment at all, but for immediate use as the work demands it. In October five thousand of this sum will be available. The university support comes chiefly from the Manitoba school lands, with some Provincial Government support.—Montreal Witness.

Northern Ontario.

The Rev. Alexander Grant, of St. Mary's, a brother of the Rev. George Grant, B.A., preached in the Orillia church last Sunday.

Some of These Days.

Some of these days all the skies will be brighter—
Some of these days all the burdens be lighter;
Hearts will be happier—souls will be whiter—
Some of these days!

Some of these days in the deserts upspringing.
Fountains shall splash while joy bells are ringing.
And the world with it's sweetest of birds shall go singing—
Some of these days!

Some of these days: Let us bear with our sorrow!
Faith in the future—its light we may borrow—
There will be joy in the golden tomorrow—
Some of these days!

—Frank L. Stanton.

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