

## THE PRESENT PASTORATE

In November, 1907, the congregation decided to introduce the individual Communion cup. In voting upon the question only eighteen recorded their votes against the innovation.

In April, 1909, a new organ was installed at a cost of \$5,000.

In 1914 the Sabbath School building was enlarged at a cost of nearly \$3,000.

On the 20th of January, 1908, an Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was organized by Mrs. T. F. Towers, and at the request of the minister was named the "Thompson Auxiliary." The first officers of this organization were:

*Missions* Honorary presidents, Mrs. Charles Mackenzie, Sr., Mrs. David Milne, Mrs. W. B. Clark, Sr.; president, Mrs. Jas. D. Stewart; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Andrew Lockhart; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Robt. G. MacArthur; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. John Hetherington; secretary, Mrs. W. E. McKelvey; assistant secretary, Mrs. H. Unsworth; treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Williams; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Andrew Lockhart; "pioneer" secretary, Mrs. Sutherland Johnston.

In May, 1914, an amalgamation of the W. F. M. S. and the W. H. M. S. Auxiliaries took place. The united body was named the Women's Missionary Society. The first officers were: president, Mrs. J. J. Paterson; 1st vice-president, Mrs. John McGibbon; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. A. B. Telfer; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. (Dr.) Bell; 4th vice-president, Mrs. W. R. Gemmill; treasurer, Mrs. A. Lockhart; corresponding and recording secretary, Mrs. W. E. McKelvey; literature secretary, Mrs. F. Gutteridge; strangers' secretary, Mrs. (Dr.) MacLean; press secretary, Mrs. J. Galbraith; envelope secretary, Mrs. J. Hetherington; pianist, Mrs. James Watson.

In the autumn of 1912 Miss Margaret Brebner was designated to the Foreign Mission field at Mhow, Central India. The Rev. Dr. MacKay, Foreign Mission Secretary of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, assisted by the Rev. J. J. Paterson, conducted the designation service in St. Andrew's Church. Miss Jessie Brebner accompanied her sister to India, and St. Andrew's was the poorer by the loss of two earnest workers.

In August, 1914, the Great War broke the peace of the world. St. Andrew's sent out its quota of young men, some, alas, never to return. The ladies of the congregation have been second to none in their zeal for Red Cross and other forms of patriotic work.

At the present time the membership stands at 632, and last year the congregation raised for all purposes the sum of \$10,311.

We are well aware that in this necessary brief sketch there are many things omitted that would be well worth a place. Twenty-five years hence St. Andrew's will, in the providence of God, celebrate the centenary of its organization as a congregation. To the historian of that occasion we leave the task of filling in many