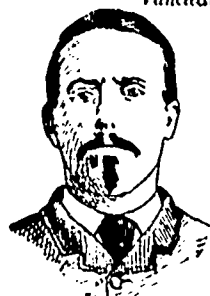


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Rev. J. Wilkie is expected to return from India next month owing to ill-health.

Rev. W. J. Jamieson, of Neenuch, Central India is also unwell, and may return this summer.

The Rev. J. B. McLaren, Columbus, has been appointed moderator *pro tem* of Claremont, Whitby Presbytery.

Rev. Norman Macphree, of Marsboro' Quebec, has been laid aside from work for several weeks and is still in a critical condition.

Mr. J. A. Slimmon, who is under appointment to go to Honan, has gone to Winnipeg to take a summer session at the college there.

Rev. J. R. MacLeod, of Three Rivers, has been nominated Moderator of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa by the Presbytery of Montreal.

Mr. Swartout has gone over the field at Alberni, and reports that the Indians are very anxious for schools for the education of their children.

The Rev. J. G. McIvor, M.A., B.D., F.R.H.S., from Scotland, has received an unanimous call to the congregations of Newbury and Woodville.

A party of young folks lately visited the manse of Rev. A. E. Vert, Delaware and made him a valuable present as a slight token of their appreciation of his services.

The Rev. Principal Caven, the whole church will be glad to learn, was sufficiently recovered to leave Toronto on Monday last for Winnipeg, to take part in the work of the Summer Session.

The Rev. G. M. Milligan, B.A., preached the seventy-sixth anniversary sermon of the Bridge St. Methodist Church, Belleville lately. Almost 1,700 persons were in attendance at the evening service.

Rev. Mr. McNair, of Carleton Place, delivered his popular lecture on the World's Fair in the Town Hall, Lanark, on Good Friday evening, at the sacred concert given by the Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Andrew's Church.

Reports from the missionaries in Honan, Central China, have arrived and are very hopeful in their tone. Mrs. Goforth and her son, who is in delicate health, will return this summer, and Mr. Goforth will likely return some time next year.

The work among the Chinese on the Pacific coast is making good progress. Schools have been opened in Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster, West Nelson, etc. At Vancouver there are 65 pupils on the roll, and the schools are kept open four nights each week.

Mrs. R. N. Grant and Mrs. Needham will represent the Barrie Presbyterial W.F. Society and Mrs. Main the Orillia auxiliary at the annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in Ottawa, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

The Rev. Mr. Bennet, of Springville, preached in the Presbyterian church, says the Millbrook Reporter, on Sunday the resignation of the pastor, the Rev. J. A. Bloodworth. He cited the congregation to appear at Port Hope at a meeting of the Presbytery to show cause why the resignation should not be accepted.

Rev. A. H. Kippan, pastor of Erskine church, Claremont, has resigned his charge, after preaching and laboring successfully for the last nine years. He and his esteemed helper in life will carry with them to their new home, wherever their lot may be cast, the good will and affections of a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, M.A., B.D., of St. Andrew's church, Vancouver, B.C., preached lately in the Presbyterian church, Brampton, to his old congregation. The people of his former charge were pleased to have the opportunity of hearing him once more, and many others gladly availed themselves of the privilege.

Recently a very successful "At Home" was held in the basement of Knox church, Guelph by the ladies. There was a large turnout and all evidently enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The serving of refreshments was dispensed with and the two hours were devoted to social intercourse interspersed with songs and instrumental music.

A missionary institute was held in St. Andrew's Church, Whitby, on Monday, April 16th, under the auspices of the Whitby Presbytery. Those who had the privilege of being present were more than delighted, especially with the addresses delivered by our F.M. Secretary, the Rev. R. P. McKay. Such gatherings cannot but be productive of good.

Rev. W. T. Herridge, of Ottawa, a few days ago sent an invitation to the Venerable Father Dawson, the aged Roman Catholic priest, of Ottawa, to address the children of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School. The venerable priest was not able to comply for sufficient reasons, though he expressed the pleasure such a duty would have been to him.

A congregation which completely filled the church assembled in the Presbyterian Church, Alvinston, recently to assist at the inducting Rev. W. A. Bradley, B.A., late of St. Thomas North Dakota into the pastoral charge of Alvinston and Euphemia. The whole service was unusually impressive. At the close, all present repaired to the manse, where the ladies had prepared a choice repast.

Very successful evangelistic meetings were held recently in St. James Presbyterian Church, Dalhousie. The Rev. Mr. Buchanan, of Lanark, assisted the pastor, Rev. Mr. McConnell, in conducting the services. Large numbers attending from night to night indicated the hearty interest the people of the community took in the meetings. During the week's service, under the blessing of God, many took their stand for Jesus and rejoiced in the hope of salvation in Christ.

The Knox church mission band, Winnipeg, gave a public entertainment on a recent evening. Rev. Dr. Bryce, superintendent of Knox Sunday school, occupied the chair and introduced the various members. The president, Miss Jean Russell, read a report showing what the work of the society had been during the several years of its history. At the intermission Dr. DuVal addressed a few words to the members of both societies.

The Presbytery of Glengarry held an adjourned meeting at South Finch on the 27th ult., Rev. D. D. MacLennan, Moderator, *pro tem*. The Rev. J. J. Cameron demitted the charge of St. Matthew's, Osnaburck; Rev. Jas. Hastie was appointed Moderator of Session *ad interim*. A happy union between St. Luke's, Finch, and the mission station at South Finch, was consummated, after an appropriate sermon had been preached by the Rev. A. K. MacLennan.

The convener of the Assembly's Committee on Temperance wishes to acknowledge, in this way, the receipt of Presbyteries' reports, and to ask Presbytery conveners who have not yet forwarded copies of their reports to be kind enough to do so as soon as possible. The following have been received from Presbyteries in the Western Section: Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Maitland, Chatham, Huron, Sarnia, Orangeville, Kingston, Guelph, Rock Lake, Kamloops.

At a recent meeting of the Willing Workers Society of the Presbyterian congregation at Winchester, one thousand dollars was donated to the building committee of the new church. There is still a handsome balance in the hands of the society for the furnishing of the church. The pastor Rev. D. G. S. Connerly, M.A., on a recent Sabbath presented 24 volumes as prizes to twenty-four S.S. scholars for perfect attendance. On Wednesday last Rev. L. R. Gloag, of Morewood, delivered a powerful and eloquent address to a large congregation.

The S. S. Convention for South Hastings was held lately in St. Andrew's church, Trenton. At the afternoon session Dr. Harrison, Peterborough, spoke on "Organization," and also on "Sabbath School in the Home;" G. M. Elliott, of Napanee, on "How to Study a Lesson;" H. C. McMullen, M.A., of Picton, on "How to Interest Young Men." The evening session was addressed by Rev. Mr. George, of Belleville, on Bible study, and Rev. Dr. Potts, of Toronto, on the international lesson system. Both gentlemen gave very interesting addresses.

Rev. Andrew Dowsley, B.A., Campbellford, died suddenly on Thursday night. He was born in Brockville in 1844, studied at Toronto University and graduated in divinity at Princeton. He first settled at Lansdowne, but being invited by the Church of Scotland, he went as a missionary to India and took charge of all the church work in Madras. Afterwards he went to China, where he labored for eight years. He travelled for some time in the east and stayed one year in Scotland and England. Some years ago Mr. Dowsley returned to Canada and settled in Campbellford.

The opening of the new lecture-room of Knox Church, Montreal, took place recently. The first service was held at 11 a.m., when Rev. Prof. Ross, M.A., of the Presbyterian College, occupied the platform in the absence of Rev. James Fleck, who was too ill to attend. The lecture-room, which is in the basement of the new church, comprises the whole flat, and will comfortably seat a thousand people. There were about 800 present at the morning service. Rev. E. Scott, M.A., and Rev. Dr. A. B. Mackay, of Crescent street church, addressed the Sabbath School gathering at 3 o'clock. Rev. Prof. Scrimger preached at evening service.

The regular meeting of the London Presbyterian Council was held recently in the lecture hall of the First Presbyterian Church, Mr. A. Thomson presiding. A very large representation of the various Presbyterian sessions was present, including all the city ministers except Mr. Talling, who was absent through illness. The desirability of inviting the General Assembly for 1895 was discussed, and it was unanimously decided to invite them to the Forest City. Mr. John Cameron then read a paper on the "Enrichment of the Praise Service." A very animated discussion followed, taken part in briefly by all those present. A vote of thanks was tendered the essayist, and a request made that he publish it in full for the benefit of the church at large. The paper appears elsewhere in this issue.

Homer street, Vancouver Woman's Missionary Auxiliary "quoted verses" appropriate to the occasion which brought together about twenty-five ladies at the hospitable home of Mrs. Cosman, Homer street, for which a programme was provided by the general executive board in the March number of the Monthly Leaflet. All the exercises, conducted by the capable president, Mrs. Watson, consisting of suitable hymns, prayers, Bible readings, and the reading of "That Missionary Baby," by Mrs. Rumble, and "Thanksgiving Aim," by Mrs. Geo. Martin—most truly missionary leaflets—and a Bible reading on "Reasons for Being Thankful," were so intensely interesting and profitable that the hour passed all too quickly. The amount of the offering in envelopes was \$20.

Miss McWilliams, returned missionary from Ujjain, Central India, delivered a lecture in the Central Presbyterian church Galt, Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Y.P.S.C.E. of that church. Rev. Dr. Dickson presided at the meeting, and after devotional exercises, introduced Miss McWilliams and spoke very highly of the work in which she is engaged. The speaker gave a very vivid description of her work among the heathen of that country and also of the condition of the people, who are naturally clever, but who are dwarfed spiritually, mentally and physically by their heathen idolatry. She strongly impressed upon her hearers the necessity of prayer for the work in general, and made a strong appeal for workers for the field, and also substantial aid.

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Rev. Dr. G. L. Mackay, accompanied by his Chinese student, visited Montreal last week and did much to arouse interest in behalf of Formosa. He addressed meetings on Sabbath, 11th inst., in St. Paul's Church in the morning, Stanley Street Church (union meeting of Sabbath Schools) in the afternoon and Crescent Street Church in the evening. On Tuesday evening in Erskine Church, and on Wednesday evening in St. Matthew's Church, he addressed large congregations. He spoke to a gathering of students in the Presbyterian College Convocation Hall on Wednesday afternoon, when there were seen on the platform Sir J. W. Dawson, ex-Principal of McGill College, and the principals of the Presbyterian, Episcopal, Methodist and Congregational Colleges of Montreal. On Friday he accompanied Dr. Warden and Rev. E. Scott to Pointe aux Trembles and addressed the pupils of the well-known mission schools there. Dr. Mackay's visit was most thoroughly enjoyed by the friends in Montreal and the result will be greatly increased contributions to the Foreign Mission Fund. The church has good reason to be grateful to God for such a missionary, who has perhaps no equal in any part of the foreign field.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Woman's Missionary Society was held this year in Erskine Church, on the 13th inst. The lecture room was filled with ladies from the city and vicinity. Mrs. G. A. Grier presided. After the president's address, reading of reports, etc., Miss Marion Oliver, M.D., delivered a stirring and instructive address on India. The Montreal Society support a missionary in Honan, China, a Bible woman among the French in Montreal, and a trained nurse among the English poor of the city, etc. After their annual business meeting the ladies entertained the members of Presbytery and many friends to tea. Rev. Dr. Warden presided, and after refreshments a number of impromptu addresses were given, including one from Miss Baker, from Prince Albert, N. W. T. Indian Mission. In the evening of the same day, a largely attended public meeting, under the auspices of the society, was held in Erskine Church. Dr. R. H. Warden occupied the chair. After devotional exercises by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Mowatt, a most telling address was delivered by Dr. George Mackay, on his work in Formosa. His native student also spoke and sang a verse of a Chinese hymn, followed by a verse of an English hymn. The meeting will long be remembered by those privileged to be present.

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