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WEEK OF UNIVERSAL PRAYER, JAN. 3-10, 1897.
TOPICS SUGGESTED.

Sabbath, Jan. 3rd—Sermons. Text, Lam. iii. 25.
Monday, Jan. 4th—Thanksgiving and Humiliation. Praise and Thanksgiving: For the countless mercies that have crowned the past year; for special "times of refreshing"; and for the general prevalence of peace.—Ps. cvii. 1-9; cxiv. 1-9; Eph. i. 3-7; 2 Cor. ix. 15. Humiliation and Confession of Sin: For slothfulness in Christ's service; for losing opportunities for witnessing for Him; for conformity to the world.—Ps. cxxxix. 1-6; Joel ii. 12-14. Prayer, for more entire consecration of heart and life; for a more steadfast "looking for the coming of the day of God."—1 Cor. vi. 19, 20; Col. i. 10, 11; 2 Peter iii. 11-14.

Tuesday, Jan. 5th—The Church Universal. Prayer that the whole Church of Christ may be more separate from the world; that there may be more true oneness of heart among her members, and that this oneness may be manifest; that what is formal and sensuous in worship may be swept away, and that there may be instead of it a soul-thirst for God.—John xvii. 20, 21; Col. ii. 16, 19; 1 Thess. i. 5-8; iii. 12-13.

Wednesday, Jan. 6th—Foreign Missions. Praise to God, for the "open doors" in nearly every part of the world; for the success which has attended the proclamation of the Gospel, especially in Africa, China and South America; for consecrated lives given up to Christ's service in heathen and Mohammedan lands; for the large number of faithful native labourers in various countries, and for the spirit of liberality existing among the native Christians generally.—Acts xi. 19-24; Rev. vii. 9, 10. Prayer, that the hearts of Mohammedans and heathen may be opened to receive the Gospel; that the Church of Christ may fully realize her responsibility with regard to those who are still in darkness.—Isaiah vi. 5, 8; Zech. iv. 6-7; Mal. i. 11; Luke i. 78, 79; Matt. ix. 36-38.

Thursday, Jan. 7th—Nations and their Rulers. Prayer, for the evangelization of the world, that the nations may speedily become Christian; for Sovereigns and Rulers, and for all that are in authority; that cruelty and oppression may cease; that protection may be extended to the Armenian Christians, the Stundists, and all who are suffering grievously for Christ's sake. That all the momentous events happening among the nations of the earth may only tend to the more rapid growth of the kingdom of Christ.—1 Kings iii. 5-10; Prov. xiii. 34; xvi. 12; Jonah iii. 5-10; 1 Tim. ii. 1-4; James ii. 8, 9.

Friday, Jan. 8th—Home Missions and the Jews. Home Missions.—Praise for increased activity amongst God's people, and for many tokens of the power of the Holy Spirit accompanying the means used. Prayer, for the blessing of God to rest abundantly upon all Evangelistic efforts; for work amongst Soldiers and Sailors; and for the better observance of the Sabbath. Jews.—Praise for the wide circulation obtained for the Hebrew New Testament, and for the encouraging work amongst Jews. Prayer that there may be such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Jews as has never been witnessed since Apostolic times.—Isaiah lix. 20, 21; lxii. 6-12; Zech. x. 9-12; xii. 10; Rom. xi. 26-27.

Saturday, Jan. 9th—Families and Schools. Thanksgiving, for Families bound together by the love of Christ: for the earnest work carried on by many Students in our Universities and Colleges.—Eph. iv. 31, 32; v. 1, 2; Col. iii. 18-22; Deut. vi. 6-9; Ps. cxix. 9-12; cii. 28; 2 Tim. iii. 14, 15. Prayer, that Parents may more constantly seek to bring up their Children in the fear and love of God; that greater prominence may be given in Christian households to the study of God's Word and to united prayer; that a special blessing may be outpoured upon Universities, Colleges and Schools, and that the religious teaching given in them may be thoroughly Scriptural; that Sunday Schools may increasingly become nurseries for God's Kingdom.

Sunday, Jan. 10th—Sermons on Foreign Missions. Go ye therefore and disciple all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.—Matt. xxviii. 19, 20.

At the St. Andrew's banquet in Boston a former clergyman of our Church, Rev. Charles J. Cameron, very recently of Brockville, Ont., was accorded an excellent reception. Referring to the event, the *Boston Herald* says: "Amid much enthusiasm toastmaster Brown felicitously introduced the Rev. Charles J. Cameron. He made a ringing speech on St. Andrew's Day that caught the deepest feelings of all around the tables, and he was applauded heartily and a long time. With considerable oratory Mr. Cameron recalled some momentous events in early Scotch history, notably the gallant resistance to Cæsar, when the watchword was 'Thus far shalt thou go, and no farther.' He touched on the virtues of St. Andrew, saying: 'This anniversary commemorates a man of faith and enthusiasm, who lived the creed he professed.'" The *Evening Transcript*, in the same connection, remarked: "Rev. Charles J. Cameron made a speech full of patriotic fervor, which roused the feelings of those about the tables to a great pitch of enthusiasm."

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERY.

ALGOMA.—At Thessalon, third Tuesday March, 1897, at 7:30 p.m.
BRANDON.—At Brandon, first Tuesday in March,
BARRIE.—At Urtilla, December 15th, at 2 p.m.
GLENBORO.—At Glenboro, on the second Monday of March, at 7:30 p.m.
HURON.—At Blyth, January 19, at 11 a.m.
KINGSTON.—In St. Andrew's Church, Belleville, on December 15th, at 2 p.m.
LINDSAY.—At Lindsay, December 15th, at 11 a.m.
MAITLAND.—At Wingham, January 19, at 9 a.m.
MELITA.—At Melita, in the first week in March, 1897.
MONTREAL.—In Knox Church, Montreal, on December 15th, at 10 a.m.
OWEN SOUND.—In Division Street Hall, Owen Sound December 15th, at 10 a.m.
PETERBORO.—In St. Paul's Church, Peterboro, on December 15th, at 9 a.m.
STRATFORD.—In Knox Church, Stratford, January at 10:30 a.m.
SUPERIOR.—At Superior, first Tuesday in March, at 10 a.m.
QUEBEC.—At Richmond, December 15th.

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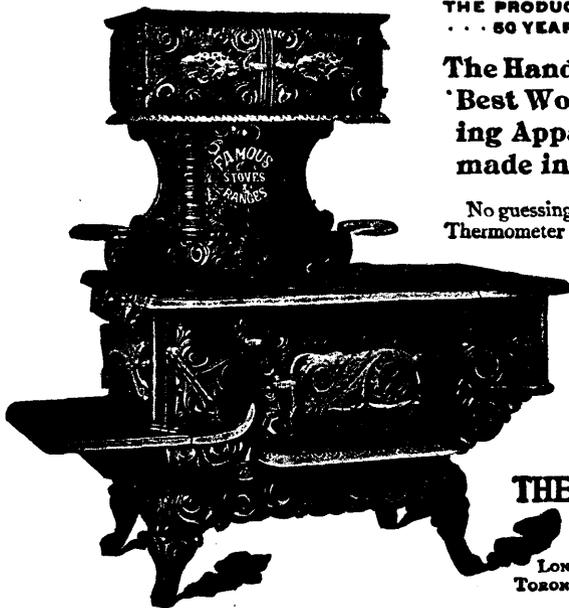
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