

## ROCK LAKE PRESBYTERIAL.

Manitou was the place where the Rock Lake Presbyterian met this year. They met during the week beginning Wednesday, May 26th.

Mrs. (Dr.) McCharles gave the Presbyterial the address of welcome which was replied to Mrs. Gordon of Swan Lake.

The address by the retiring president, Mrs. (Rev.) Hamilton was very interesting. The greetings of other societies were presented — Mrs. McClung, author of Sowing Seeds in Danny, represented the Methodist W. F. M. S., and also greetings from the Baptist and English Church Auxiliaries, also letters of greeting from Carmen, Portage and Brandon.

A missionary address was then delivered by Mrs. (Dr.) McLelland, Winnipeg. Mrs. Prest read an excellent paper on "Character."

An address was given by Miss McIlwain of Swan Lake Indian Reserve, in which some difficulties presented by the Indian work were noted and also a report of the work done was given.

Mrs. Mamilton gave a short account of the meeting of Laymen's Mission Movement. Tables were set in the basement for the tea provided and a very pleasant social hour was spent.

## Evening Session.

Rev. Peter Scott occupied the chair and Rev. Wm. Caven conducted the opening exercises.

A report was then read by the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ferguson, 9 auxiliaries, 4 mission bands, \$458.60 contributed. Miss Crossby sang a solo entitled "The Song the Angels Sang."

Rev. Dr. McIvor gave a very excellent address on Missions and Miss McIlwain also gave an address on the Indian work at Swan Lake.

Rev. M. C. Rumball presented the greetings of Rock Lake Presbytery to the Presbyterial.

The choir of Manitou church led the Praise service and also rendered an anthem.

## Thursday Morning.

Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Ferguson assisted the president in the opening exercises. Mrs. Ferguson of Pilot Mound was elected Mission Band Secretary. Her duties being to visit Bands and organize new ones.

The reports from auxiliaries showed them all to be in a flourishing condition. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Hamilton, Boissevain, president; Mrs. J. H. Black, Morden, cor.-sec.; Mrs. Ferguson, Pilot Mound, rec.-sec.; Mrs. Baine, Boissevain, treasurer. The next meeting is to be held in Pilot Mound.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. W. A. Morrison preached his farewell sermon in Dalhousie Mills church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. A very large congregation was present and the sermon was one of more than usual interest. He took for his text the words:—"Finally brethren, farewell," (2 Cor. 13:11).

Universal regret is expressed at the removal of Mr. Morrison, and it is generally conceded that it will be some time before an equally able successor can be secured. General handshaking was indulged in and many a kindly parting word testified the sincere affection which had grown up between pastor and people. Mr. Morrison left by the evening train on Monday for South Mountain, his new charge, where he was inducted at the Pleasant Valley appointment on Tuesday afternoon.

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## WESTERN ONTARIO.

Mr. Mitchell, a Knox College student, occupied Stanley street, Ayr, pulpit last Sabbath.

Rev. H. J. Pritchard, of Galt, conducted the Knox church preparatory services on Saturday afternoon.

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Members of Knox Church, Acton, congregation, generously subscribed over \$600 towards Knox College Building Fund during Rev. Dr. Gandier's visit last week.

Rev. A. W. McIntosh, of Belwood, has accepted a call to Saskatoon, which has been confirmed by Presbytery. He will preach his farewell sermon at Belwood the last Sunday in June.

The corner stone of the new church at Stroud was laid on Victoria Day by Rev. Dr. McLeod of Barrie. Rev. L. McLean, pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Crockett of Stroud and Rev. G. Crow of Thornton also took part in the service.

The Moderator of Presbytery, Rev. R. McCullough, presided. Rev. Dr. Dickie conducted the examination in Hebrew, Rev. W. R. Shearer in Greek, Dr. McMullen in theology and Rev. Mr. Barber in church history. Rev. M. T. Craig preached the ordination sermon.

A unanimous call has been extended by the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, to Rev. Dr. H. Dickie, of Chalmers Church, Woodstock, to accept the pastorate left vacant by the recent resignation of Rev. A. H. McGillivray.

The commission appointed by the Presbytery to look into the matter of transferring the manse from Ashton to Appleton met here Monday afternoon, and after due consideration decided to let it remain in Ashton, the house to be put in thorough repair and well drained.

The Presbytery of Paris held a special meeting Monday, June 1st, in St. Andrew's Church, East Oxford, for the ordination and induction of Rev. J. Fraser Clugston, B.A., into the pastoral charge of East Oxford and Blenheim, vacant since the translation of Rev. W. J. Booth.

The charge of the pastor was given by Rev. Mr. Barber, of Embro, and the address to the congregation by Rev. R. B. Cochrane, to whom, at the close of the services, a presentation was made on behalf of the congregation for his services during the vacancy. A social meeting was held in the evening, and a hearty welcome was given by the people to their new pastor.

The native Christians of Uganda can set their brothers in other countries an example in church-going. Winston Churchill, in his recent book, "My African Journey," tells us that Uganda is the only country he visited where every person of suitable age goes to church every Sunday morning. Uganda has been called a miracle of missions. Judged by the standard of church-going, a very good test, it is worthy of it.

Many of our readers will regret to learn of the death of J. F. Waters, LL.D., of the Secretary of State's Department at Ottawa, which occurred with great suddenness as he was entering his office one day last week. Dr. Waters was well known as a literary man, and his lectures, frequently delivered before learned societies at the Capital and elsewhere, were models of graceful diction as well as advanced scholarship. Dr. Waters was of a most genial disposition, as so many of the Celtic race are, and his sudden removal will bring sorrow to his many friends. He had, so far as we are aware, no relatives in this country. Though a Roman Catholic he held his degree from Queen's University.

## THE WOMAN'S DAILY NEWSPAPER IN CHINA.

The progress of reform in China is, perhaps, no more forcibly shown than in the publication at Peking, by a woman, of a daily newspaper for Chinese women.

Mrs. Chang, a well-born Chinese woman of marked literary ability, became interested in the education of women, and pondered over the best way to reach the masses. She thought if she established schools she would be limited to a very few. Finally, two years ago, she conceived of this plan to reach into all parts of the empire. As she says in her own words: "To open closed doors to the mind of the Chinese woman, to liberate her from the four walls of her house, which she has never dared or cared to leave in mind or body, is an object worthy of strife. If a change can be brought about, I believe it will be due largely to the work and power of the press."

Her undertaking has been a marked success, the circumstances reaching over 1,600 copies the first year, with a steady increase. Single copies sell for one-half cent, and advertisements are about two characters for a cent, yet she has made it more than pay all expenses. Since its establishment she has opened an industrial school for girls at her own expense, while through its columns she has conducted a crusade for more schools, with the result that more than ten government schools have been opened for girls. Foot-binding has been steadily condemned, and all reforms upheld.

Mrs. Chang does not confine herself solely to what women want to know; she tells them some of the things they ought to know. Telegraphic news, imperial edicts, home and foreign affairs, educational, religious, commercial and items of interest concerning the social world, all find place, as well as recipes for cooking fashions for women, and the rearing of children.

In addition to this daily paper, Mrs. Chang is publishing a tri-monthly, printed for those who are unable to read at all. This is illustrated, the illustrations explaining the subject so well that one need not read to understand. She believes that in this way she can reach many who would otherwise never learn to read.

Mrs. Chang has twenty correspondents outside the city oversees the make-up of her sheets, writes her own headings, dictates all her own editorials, and so forth, and cares for all the business interests of the paper. Her son is with her, and lends some assistance.

She has the honor of publishing the first daily newspaper for women in the world.—Woman's Missionary Advocate.

The Interior describes a movement to unite the theological colleges of the Church of Scotland and the United Free Church. Both schools are in Edinburgh, but a few hundred yards apart, each fully equipped with a large staff of professors. The two schools teach the same confession of faith. The difficulty about uniting at present is the legal condition under which their trusts and chairs are held. The directors do not wish to strike upon the rock which came so near wrecking the union of the United and Free bodies. Whatever plans are adopted will embrace Aberdeen as well, where conditions are similar, but the problem, if anything, is more acute.

To consolidate and methodize and complete what has been most successfully begun in former years—to turn theory into practice—to attack with vigor the great task of life—to cast out old evils, and by grace to exhibit a holy character, these are the duties of him who is growing old. The whole prospect is deeply serious, though it need not be alarming.—F. W. Alexander.