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# Ministers and Churches.

The Rev. D. C. Hossack, M.A., has been called by the Parkdale congregation.

The Rev. J. H. Beatt, of Cumberland, has been preaching with much acceptance for the past two Sabbaths in St. Andrew's church, Berlin.

acquiring the language.

The Presbyterians of Paris are pushing the erection of their new church. It is ex-pected contracts for the building will be let early this month.

Rev. James Gilchrist of Pierson, Man., has accepted the call from Blytheswood, etc., Chatham Presbytery, and will be inducted on Monday, 13th March.

Mr. Arch. McLean of Knox College. preached recently in Knox church, Hamilton. The local papers says that "with fervid eloquence he spoke in pure, classic

Friends having S. S. literature to dispose of, will confer a favour by sending it to Knox College, addressed to the Corresponding Sec'y. of the Missionary Society. This will enable students, on leaving in the spring for their respective mission fields, to take much needed supplies with them.

The numerous friends of Rev. Dr. George, formerly of Belleville, will be glad to know that his work in St. Louis, Mo., is flourishing. His Church raised last year for congregational, mission and benevolent purposes, the large sum of \$22,-

The Rev. G. M. Milligan delivered his lecture on the cultivation of the imagina-tion, entitled, "A Want that is a Want," in the lecture room, St. James' Square Church, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 21st., to a most attentive and appreciative audience. A collection was taken up on behalf of mission work in which Mr. Carter's Bible class is interested.

Friday was a day of unusual interest to the congregation of Knox Church, Listowel, being the induction of Rev. J. A. Morrison, of Montreal, as pastor of the present, as was also Rev. Principal Mc-Vicar, of the Presbyterian College, Mont-real, who addressed the congregation. The induction services took place at 3 p.m. and in the evening a public reception in the form of a tea meeting was given the new

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's congregation, Eldon, was held recently, at which the reports read were of the most encouraging character and showed that the operations of the several departments of the church had been vigorously carried on during the year, and steady progress was being made. The following new managers were elected: Arch'd D. McEachern, P. R. McEachern and E. McEachern. The meeting was characterized by the greatest unanimity, and the pastor, Rev. D. D. MacDonald was in the chair.

Rev. R. Hamilton, of Motherwell, conducted the anniversary services of Knox church, Millbank, Sunday the 12th ult., preaching able sermons to large and attentive congregations. On the Monday evening following he lectured to an attentive and appreciative audience on his late trip to the Holy Land; dwelling upon the principal points of interest along the route, relating some of his experiences with the Arabs, etc. He kept the attention of the audience for about two hours. The sum of \$76 was raised on Sabbath and Monday evening.

One of the most gratifying contributions to the building fund of Manitoba college came into Dr. King's hands last week. It was a contribution of \$32.50 by some Chinamen in the city, in whose religious welfare, not so much Dr. King as his sister, Mrs. Watt, has taken a deep interest. The gift, which was wholly unsolicited, was accompanied by an address duly signed by the donors. It was presented in the house of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson, both of whom have been long conspicuous for their interest in the Chinese

The annual report of Strabane Pres. church shows a slight increase in membership, a marked increase in the number attending Sabbath school and the vimber of children attending the church services. The finances in every department are in advance of any former year. Anniversary services were conducted on the 12th inst. by Rev. Dr. Jackson of Galt, and on the following evening an enjoyable tea-meeting was held, Mr. A. F. Pirie of the "Dundas Banner" occupied the chair. E xcellent music was furnished by the choir of Knox church, Galt, which, together with readings and addresses, made an entertaining program. The proceeds amounted to \$110.

Among the vigorous societies of St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, there is none active and prosperous than the more W. F. M. S. Already its members number about one hundred, making it one of the largest in the Presbyterian church. the monthly meeting held last Thursday, a letter from Miss Calder, who studied in Lindsay and who has lately gone to India, was read. Mrs Hamilton gave an account of the organization and development of the W. F. M. S. of the Presbyter-Miss Calder, who sometime ago left account of the organization and development of the W.F. M. S. of the Presbyter-reached her destination; and is now busy in church in Canada, showing the circumstances that had called the society in cumstances that had called the society into existence, and Mrs. Johnston gave a brief outline of the work being done in the different fields.

> The 5th annual congregational meeting of Wentworth church, Hamilton, was held on the evening of Wed., Jan. 25th ult. After devotional exercises the pastor, Rev. Jas. Murray was chosen chairman and Mr. R. Wallace secretary of the meeting.

The reports presented by the Session. Sunday School, Christain Endeavour Society, Womens' F. M. Society, Ladies' Aid Society, Young Mens' Bible Study and Mutual Improvement Society, Board of Management and Debt Fund Committee were all highly satisfactory and showed splendid work done during the year. The Session reported 85 additions, making at present a total membership of 322. For the schemes of the church the sum of \$410 had been raised. The Sabbath school report showed an enrolled membership of 75 scholars and 40 teachers and officers. Collections etc. amounted to \$415. debt fund committee had paid \$722 on interest and mortgage, reducing the debt on the property to less than \$3,000. For all purposes there had been raised by the congregation \$3,450. A strong and active committee was appointed to take steps as soon as possible, to secure funds for the erection of a school room, the present accommodation being wholly inadequate for this work. At a subsequent meeting of the congregation it was decided to raise the pastor's salary to \$1,400 and pay his supply during the summer vacation.

The anniversary services in connection with the Wingham Presbyterian church were held on the first Sabbath of February. Rev. Mungo Frazer, D. D., of Hamilton, occupied the pulpit at both morning and evening services and delivered eloquent. and evening services and delivered eloquent and stirring discourses to large congregations. A tea-meeting was held in the basement of the church on Monday evening from 5 to 8 p.m., after which speeches and lectures were in order. Dr. Frazer delighted his audience with his popular lecture: "What makes a Man," which abounded with wit and humor and was also full of rousing exhortations to the young men of Canada to "arise and be men" and make progress for themselves and their country as the future of all nations depended on the young. Short addresses were also delivered by the pastor, Rev. H. McQuarrie, and the resident ministers. The choir, under the leadership of Prof. Scott, held a musical service prior to the lecture and also rendered several selections very acceptably during the evening. The church have reason to be gratified with the success discussions and the second seco cess finanically as \$173 was realized for the two days, which is very fair as no special appeal had been made.

The Georgetown and English River Woman's Missionary Society held a public meeting in Knox Church, Howich, on the evening of February 1st. The Rev. G. Whillans occupied the chair. An exceedly interesting programme was carried out ly interesting programme was carried out consisting of addresses by the Revds. C. Heine of Montreal, J. McDougall (returned missionary) and C. M. McKeracher; a recitation entitled "The Famine Cry," by Miss E. Cunningham; music by the choir; a solo by Mr. Heine; the presenting of the annual report, and the reading of a letter from Mrs. G. A. Grier, President of the Montreal Society. Mr. McDougall was listened to with rapt attention as he vividly described idolatry in China and the idly described idolatry in China and the persecutions to which our own missionaries were recently subjected there. Mr. Heine, who is thoroughly acquainted with French work, made an eloquent appeal on its behalf. Mrs. Grier's letter, read by the Cor. Sec., after the devotional exercises, gave tone to the meeting. Its lofty sentiments and earnest appeal made an impression which will not soon be forgotten. The Rec. Sec.'s report showed that the following officers had been elected,-President, Mrs. John Templeton, Vice-presidents, Mrs. McKeracher, Mrs. Whillans, Mrs. W. Cunningham, Mrs. A. Brodie; Treasurer, Mrs. G. McClenagham; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. McKelb; Cor.Sec., Miss T. A. McKeracher; Reps on the Montreal Executive Committee, Mrs. A. Brodie and Miss T. A. McKeracher. The Treasurer's report showed that \$197 had been contributed, which was apportioned as follows: \$50 to support a pupil in Pointe Aux Trembles, \$50 to Honan, \$25 zenana work in Central India, \$25 to make Miss J. McD. Muir a life member, \$38 to Home Mission work in the North West, and the remainder to defray current expenses.

The annual report of Knox Church, London South, showed satisfactory progress in the various organizations connected with the congregation. Forty-three new members had been received, the net increase being 20, making the total number of communicants on the roll 207. The amount contributed to the mission schemes of the church was \$337.43, as compared with \$290 for 1891. The Women's Association contributed \$346.09 to the reduction of the church debt. The Sunday school roll contained the names of 218 scholars, an increase of three over the preceding year. The W. F. M. Society and the Christian Endeavor Society reported additions to the membership and increase of income. The total income of the congregation was \$3,321.11. Messrs. John Macpherson, Col. Gartshore and Alex. Ferguson were elected on the board of management. Before the meeting closed an event of unusual interest transpired, Mr. James Stewart, secretary-treasurer, was presented with a valuable gold watch, the inscription on which was: "Presented to James Stewart by the congregation of Knox Church, in appreciation of his val-

uable services as secretary and treasurer."
The anniversary services of Zion Church, Carleton Place, were conducted by the Rev. Prof. Ross, of the Montreal Presbyterian College, who preached most acceptably morning and evening to large congregations. The annual soiree in the Opera Hall was an enjoyable entertainment, the programme being exceptionally good. Tea was served by the ladies early in the evening, and shortly after eight o'clock, the pastor, Rev. A. A. Scott, took the platform and announced the pro-gramme, which consisted of musical selections by the choir, addresses by Revs Mc-Nair and Sheldon; recitations by Miss McEwen of Ashton, and Miss Bessle Cram; solos by Misses. Hopkirk and Morgan, and Messrs. Jackson and Duff, and an instru-mental trio by the Misses and Mr. Duff. Each of the numbers was well executed, and the performers received their merited share of applause. The total receipts amounted to \$155 odd.

The annual meeting of the Toronto Presbyterial Society was held on Friday, Feb. 24th in Erskine church. The attendance was large, particularly in the afternoon. After devotional exercises the reports of the Sec, and Treas, and convener of the North West Supply Committee were read and confirmed. A letter was read from Mrs.McMurrich,the retiring pesident, expressing regret at not being able to be present; and saying her health was much improved. How to conduct the devotional part of our meetings was the subject of an interesting discussion. One suggestion was that each member answer to the roll call with a verse of Scripture, on some subject previously announced; another that the president might ask some one to read the Scripture lesson for her; another that the scripture lesson for her; another that several ladies, without mentioning names, be asked to offer sentence prayer. At the close of morning session words of welcome to Erskine church were spoken by Mrs. Kerr, and a cordial invitation was extended to all present to remain for lands, which ed to all present to remain for lunch; which proved the good taste and large-hearted hospitality of the ladies of Erskine church. The first order of business in the afternoon was the announcement of the officers elected for the ensuing year as follows: Pres.,

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