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## Retirement of Dr. Fraser

At the meeting of the General Assembly in June, Dr. Fraser presented his resignation as Editor and Business Manager of PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS, on the ground, as he himself expressed it, of "advanced age, and lessening staying power," having entered on the ministry some forty-seven years ago and having now completed twenty-two years of service in connection with the PUBLICATIONS.

The Assembly, in accepting the resignation, expressed its appreciation of Dr. Fraser's long and arduous service, by according him the title of Editor Emeritus, and granting him an allowance of \$2,000 per annum from the funds of the Board of Publication.

When Dr. Fraser assumed charge of the Publications in 1898, they included only the TEACHERS MONTHLY, two Scholar's QUARTERLIES and two Scholar's LEAFLETS. One addition after another has been made to the number as the need developed, until it has now reached twenty-seven. This includes a complete series of Departmental Graded Lesson Helps and three Illustrated Papers. Besides a large business has been developed in general Church and Sunday School and Y.P.S. requisites, while last year a Lantern and Lantern Slide Department was successfully established. The Church has now, in these varied lines of publication and business, an increasingly valuable abiding asset.

From the beginning, the Committee, afterwards the Board of Publication (with the trade name, PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS) has been closely linked with the Board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies, and, since 1918, has been closely linked up with the other Boards of the Church for cooperation in the matters of publicity.

In every forward step in their career, during this score of years and over, the PUBLICATIONS have had in Dr. Fraser a guide at once prudent and progressive. It is the simple truth that the chief factor in the success of the Publications has been Dr. Fraser's editorial skill and alertness, combined with a rare business shrewdness and energy.

In the retirement of Dr. Fraser, the Publications have suffered a great loss, lessened, however, by the hope that his wisdom and experience may be largely drawn upon during his years of comparative leisure.

J. M. DUNCAN

## EDITORIAL

### Mr. Mutch's Resignation

The General Assembly had also, before it in the Report of the Board of Publication, the resignation of Rev. J. M. G. Mutch, B.D., who, for three years, has been Associate Editor, having been called to this position by the General Assembly of 1917 from a successful pastorate in Stouffville and Melville Churches, in the Presbytery of Toronto. At the time of his appointment, Mr. Mutch was already a tried worker in the Sunday School field, having, while still a