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## OTTAWA.

There was a very large attendance at the annual Sunday school festival held in St. Paul's Church Sunday school hall last week. This has been an exceptionally successful year for the school and the enrolment is larger than for years. The supper was given at six o'clock and followed by an excellent program furnished by members of the school. Mr. E. S. Macphail, superintendent, presided. The General Assembly's diplomas for the correct recitation of all the short-er catechism were won by Gracie Ogilvy, Addie Davies, Jean Sharpe, Adeline Ogilvy and Lizzie Sharpe. These girls also received beautiful Bibles given by Mesdames H. H. Horsey, Henry Waters, E. S. Macphail, W. G. Charleson and John McKinley. David Adamson received a beautiful prize from Mrs. Charles Thorburn for reciting half the shorter catechism at one sitting. The following received the red seal from the General Assembly for reciting the second 200 verses of the course in scripture—Jean Sharpe, Mary Macoun, Susie McGiffin and Elizabeth Sharpe. Susie McGiffin also received the gold seal for reciting the last 200 verses of the course and the following received diplomas for reciting the first 100 verses—Alice Ogilvy, Elizabeth W. Sharpe, Mary G. Adamson, Pearl Logan and Grace Ogilvy. The following received prizes for reciting 50 verses of scripture in the primary class set for those who cannot read—John Sharpe, Charles Walker, Fairbairn Adamson, Edwin Davies, Harold Green, May McGiffin. The general proficiency prizes were given to all those who made 90 per cent. of the marks obtainable for learning lessons, bringing Bibles and punctuality. They were won by Fleming McCormac, Charles Martin, James Cooney, David Adamson, Isabel Walker, Harold Martin, Mary Macphail, Martha Walker, Addie Davies, Lily McGiffin, Lizzie Sharpe, Lucy Cooney, Dorothy Ferguson, Marion Ferguson, Laura Watters, Rose Morse, Grace Ogilvy, Alice Ogilvy, Dorothy McGiffin, Margaret Sharpe and Gladys Adamson. Rev. James Little presented the prizes.

Melville Church, Fergus (Rev. Mr. Crawl, pastor), reports receipts amounting to \$3,540.31, not including \$375 subscribed for Knox College, and \$354 for Pointe Aux Trembles building fund. The building fund debt remains practically what it was the previous year, \$1,700. The question of a pipe organ for the church was brought up, and a committee named to solicit subscriptions, \$500 having been already promised.

Annual Meeting, Chalmers Church, Fiesherston. — Notwithstanding being without a pastor seven months an efficient session and active Managing Board kept the work of the congregation well in hand as was shown by the reports presented. During the year nine new members were received and a like number removed, leaving the number on the roll 128 as formerly. The total receipts for the year were \$1,124.00, an increase of \$21 over the former year. All liabilities were met and a good balance remained on hand in each department. The contribution to missions was slightly in advance of the former year and a marked increase for the present year is aimed at. The Ladies' Aid, an active organization in the congregation, have nearly \$200 on hand towards purchasing a new organ. The meeting was harmonious, a spirit of hopefulness prevailed and it was resolved an increase of \$50 be made to that formerly paid on stipend. A settlement of pastor is hoped for at an early date.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Rev. A. Thompson, of Cotswood, was the preacher in Knox church, Cannington, last Sunday.

Rev. J. A. McKeen, Orono, occupied the pulpit of St. Paul's Church, Port Hope, last Sunday. Rev. H. E. Abraham preaching the anniversary sermons at Orono.

Rev. J. S. Caldwell, of Woodlands, is called to Hawkesbury. A special meeting of Ottawa Presbytery sustained the call, which has been forwarded to Glengarry Presbytery to be dealt with in the usual way.

The new officers of St. Andrew's Ladies' Aid Society, Picton, are: Hon. Pres., Mrs. B. Gillespie; President, Miss Jessie Redmond; Vice-president, Miss Jameson; Treasurer, Miss Annie MacDonald; Secretary, Miss K. Young.

The Presbyterian congregation at Lake St. Peter has just received the valuable gift of an organ and piano stool through the Rev. J. W. Mitchell. The gift was given by Mrs. Thomas Ritchie and a few friends of Belleville, and will materially aid in the Sunday services.

Rev. W. Shearer, of Picton, attended the Layman's Missionary Convention in Belleville last week, Monday and Tuesday, and on Wednesday went to Stirling to attend the annual convention of the Kingston Presbyterial Union where he spoke in the evening, his subject being: "The Place of Theology in the Teaching of the Young."

Rev. Malcolm Macgillivray, D.D., of Kingston, preached anniversary sermons in St. Andrew's, Perth, on the 6th inst. Although it is now twenty-one years since he removed from the town the stronghold the reverend gentleman has on this affection not only of members of his old charge, but by many in other congregations, was evidenced by the crowded attendance at both services.

At the annual meeting of St. James Church, Dalhousie, in Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery (Rev. J. A. MacLean, B.A., pastor), all reports presented were of an encouraging nature. The mission contributions amounted to \$203, the largest given in the history of the congregation. The Sabbath school has an enrollment of 229, with a large average attendance. An interesting primary class of twenty-six varying in age from three to five years is taught by the pastor's wife. Sixty-one names were added to the Communion roll, fifty-seven on profession of faith, and four by certificate. The session reported three members removed by death, and one by certificate.

The anniversary services of the Spencerville church were held on Sunday, Feb. 6. Rev. Narcisse McLaren, of Bishop's Mills, was the preacher at both morning and evening services. Mr. McLaren was listened to by exceptionally large congregations, and his hearers were delighted by the preacher's very pleasing yet forceful presentation of the truth. On Monday evening the annual anniversary concert was held in the church. The management are to be congratulated upon having secured the services of Miss Edna Dolores Thomas, elocutionist, graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Elocution, now of Ottawa, and Miss Marion Seymour, contralto, graduate of the London Conservatory of Music, also of Ottawa. The young ladies are both artists in their respective lines and are unsurpassed and seldom equalled. They held the large audience spellbound from start to finish. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. McLaren, Rev. Mr. Hicks, of the Methodist church, and the pastor, Rev. John McDougall. The financial results were extremely satisfactory.

The congregation of Knox church, Beaverton, held their annual meeting last week. The attendance was large, the Rev. W. W. McIcrae, M.A., presiding. The reports in almost all branches of the church work indicated progress, and all the several organizations received a hearty vote of thanks for their faithfulness in the good work. The session's report expressed regret at the near removal of their pastor, Rev. W. W. McIcrae to Regina Presbytery, where he has accepted a call to an important charge, and the congregation manifested its appreciation of his services by voting a full quarter's salary to him. After the business of the meeting was over a sumptuous lunch was provided by the ladies.

## LIFE MEMBER W.F.M.S.

The following list of new members is given in the February F.M. Tidings:

Mrs. David Morton, presented by St. Paul's Auxiliary, Hamilton, on the 60th anniversary of her wedding day. Mrs. James Simpson, Barr's church Auxiliary, Bromley. Mrs. John S. Hart, presented by St. Andrew's Church Auxiliary, Perth. Mrs. Waters, presented by Huron Presbyterial, Nov. 9th, Ujifall, India. Miss Eliza A. Thompson, Newtonville Auxiliary, Clarke, presented by her cousin, Miss Sniveley. Miss Annie L. Burns, McCracken Mission Band, Toronto. Mrs. Samuel Allison, presented by W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Pakenham. Mrs. L. Beaton, Moose Creek, presented by Roxborough Auxiliary. Miss Elizabeth Ross, presented at Christmas by W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Lewmden, Sask. Miss F. B. Colquhoun, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Cornwall. Miss A. Mathieson, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Furlington. Miss Isabella M. Benson, presented by Mrs. Crawford, Niagara Falls, Ont. Miss Maggie Wells, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, presented, Aurora. Mrs. J. M. Robinson, presented by St. Andrew's church Auxiliary, Hamilton. Mrs. John MacDonald, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Petrolia. Miss Edwards, Mrs. Grindrod, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, St. Andrew's Church Auxiliary, Sherbrooke, Que. Mrs. Thos. Houston, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Sarnia. Mrs. A. Pettis, presented by Steady Stream Mission Band, St. Giles Church, Toronto. Mrs. R. Porter, St. James Church Auxiliary, Thamesville. Mrs. Eliza Williams, St. Paul's Auxiliary, Winnipeg, Man. Mrs. George Ross, presented by Mrs. M. Pinkerton, Knox Church Auxiliary, Walkerton. Mrs. D. Morrison, presented by Miss H. Bounhall, Knox Church Auxiliary, Walkerton. Mrs. Alex. Chambers, St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Arthur. Mrs. F. P. Lynn, presented by W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Wlarton. Mrs. Thos. McIntosh, Glen Gordon Auxiliary, Glengarry. Miss L. M. Borrowman, presented by W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Whitby. Mrs. R. J. M. Glassford, presented by the Wardrobe Auxiliary, Chalmers Church, Guelph. Mrs. Jas. B. Lyle, presented by the Willing Workers M.B., Smith's Falls. Miss Isabella Gibson, W.F.M.S., Auxiliary, Eversley and Temperanceville, Richmond Hill. Mrs. J. W. Stephen, presented by the Young Ladies, Guild, Avenue Rd. Church, Toronto. Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Murray Mitchell Auxiliary, Toronto. Miss Mary S. Herdman, presented by the Y.W.M.B., Westminster Church, Toronto. Mrs. John Cameron, presented by Erskine Church Auxiliary, Toronto. Miss Annie McKay, presented by the Alisa Craig Mission Band, Windsor. Mrs. Geo. Ferrier Burns, presented by her sister, the late Miss Isabella Smythe, the Jennings Auxiliary, Toronto. Mrs. C. T. Irish, the J. Kings Auxiliary, Toronto. Miss Jessie Miller, presented by St. Paul's Church Mission Band, Wlarton. Mrs. Donald Fraser, presented by her family, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Emerson, Minn. Miss E. May Fraser, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Mrs. James Gray, presented by branch W.F.M.S. Auxiliary, Toronto.