

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY HAS A BUSY TIME ON ITS FIRST DAY

Three Sessions of W. F. M. S. in St. Andrew's Church Wednesday

MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE REPORTS READ

Statistics from the Presbyteries - General Reports from Board of Management Officers - Public Meeting With Addresses on Missionary Work

At the first business session of the W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian church, eastern district, yesterday morning in St. Andrew's church, Mrs. Robert Baxter, of Halifax, presided. The following were appointed a nominating committee: Mrs. J. P. Fraser, Pictou, chairman; Miss Kerr, Halifax; Mrs. J. Dickie, Truro; Mrs. Geo. Fraser, Yarmouth; Miss Rogers, Pictou; Edward Island; Mrs. McLeod, Sydney; Mrs. McGregor, Lunenburg; Mrs. McKeen, Amherst.

On behalf of the St. John branch Mrs. E. A. Smith delivered a delightful address of welcome to the delegates. The comprehensive nature of the report presented was touched upon, the good work to be done was prophesied and the many points of interest in and about the city which would add to the interest of the visit of the delegates were mentioned.

Statistical reports from the various Presbyteries in the three provinces were read. That from Pictou showed 53 auxiliaries, \$3,260.80 raised in all boxes, of the value of \$239.36 sent to missionaries. Halifax reported 22 auxiliaries with 32 bodies of scattered helpers; 11 boxes were sent to missions, the total value being \$107.75.

Truro reported 33 auxiliaries with membership of 1,029, an addition of 65, missionary boxes to the value of \$143.15 were distributed. St. John reported 37 auxiliaries, with 833 members, an increase of 77; boxes made up valued at \$173.

Miramichi had 33 auxiliaries, 583 members, an increase of 38; three new life members and \$106.00 worth of missionary goods distributed. P. E. Island reported 36 auxiliaries, an increase of 19 in membership and \$38.90 expended in missionary boxes. Inverness reported a membership of 2,225, 992 added during the year and \$68 was contributed in missionary boxes. Wallace presbytery had an increase of 55 members and gave \$208 worth of missionary goods. In Sydney 64 members were added and \$43 contributed in boxes, while Lunenburg and Yarmouth reported an increase in membership and a missionary contribution of 88.

Mrs. McNab, corresponding secretary, presented a most encouraging report. Of Miss McCully's tour of the presbyteries special mention was made. The report showed the total number of auxiliaries 296, with a membership of 7,225, 992 added during the year. Thirty-six life members had been added and the Message had a total issue of 5,106. The total value of missionary boxes sent was \$1,288.20. The reports were delivered by Pictou, Miss J. Falconer; Halifax, Mrs. H. White; Truro, Mrs. J. D. McKay; St. John, Miss Gilley; Miramichi, Mrs. G. B. Fraser; Inverness, Mrs. Ernest Bain; Wallace, Mrs. Hayden; Sydney, Mrs. L. Moore; P. E. Island, Mrs. McLeod; Lunenburg and Yarmouth, Mrs. D. Grant.

A vote of thanks was passed to the recording secretary. Afternoon Proceedings. At Wednesday afternoon's session of the W. F. M. S. convention greetings were received from other denominations. Mrs. Davidson speaking for the Anglican church, Miss Howard for the Methodist, Mrs. Manning for the Baptist Women's Foreign Missionary and Mrs. W. S. Pritchard for the Congregational church. Mrs. McNab, of Halifax, brought the greetings of the western church, and Mrs. Dearborn, the greetings of the New Brunswick W. C. T. U.

had been received and printed in the Message. A union meeting for Miss McCully returned missionary from Corea, was held in St. Matthew's church, Halifax, on another meeting in St. Andrew's church. During the year Miss Forrest, secretary of supplies, has resigned on account of health. The position she held for twenty years efficiently and ably. Miss Sanderson, secretary-treasurer, on her departure for Toronto, had to resign her position which she so well filled.

The thanks of the boards was declared due both ladies for their work. A motion to make the treasurers of presbyteries a delegate to the general meeting of the W. F. M. S. was brought out quite a discussion. Those in favor of the motion argued that it was essential for the information of the convention that in discussing the finances, the treasurers should be present. The opposition came from those opposed to the increase of the number of delegates, believing that there should rather be a decrease.

The motion was ultimately carried. The greatest discussion was caused by a motion to change article 8 which constitutes the president of the various presbyteries a delegate to the convention. The motion was to add the words "or substitute," after the word "president." This created a lot of debate in which nearly all the delegates participated. The motion was carried by a vote of 104 to 19.

Those opposing spoke strongly against the plan. It was thought by them that it went back to the question of an increased number of representatives, and further that it gave those presbyteries whose presidents were members of the board of management practically three delegates. The report was carried by the close vote 104 to 19.

The question of the vice-presidents of the presbyteries being made members of the board of management was also discussed and a motion in accordance with the idea passed. This brought the meeting to a close. The body of the church was well filled at the evening meeting. Rev. David Lang presided and Rev. A. A. Graham, Rev. Dr. E. D. Miller, of Yarmouth, moderator of the provincial synod, and Rev. J. P. Fraser, returned missionary from Demerara, occupied seats on the platform.

Rev. Dr. Miller was the first speaker. He read the statistics of the women's Foreign Missionary Society, under the jurisdiction of the provincial synod. He said there are about 8,000 members of the society, and that the total value of boxes of missionary goods to the mission fields besides which raised \$1,170.88. The mission bands raised during the same period \$3,000.40.

He congratulated the society on its increasing value to the church and expressed the hope they would be able to increase their membership next year. Dr. Miller then went on to speak of the greatness of the work in which the ladies were engaged and the large amount of money required to carry it on. He urged the women to speak of the needs of some parts of the field. He said that the New Hebrides had only three ordained ministers, and that the population of the island was 8,000. He urged that greater consecration and self-sacrifice be brought into the work.

Miss McCully, home from Corea, to which country she expects to return in about a month, gave a very interesting address on her work and labors. She spoke especially of the work among the women who, she said, never had any one to tell them the gospel was for them. Many times when their husbands were attending the missionary meetings they would be at home practicing their leather work. She said that 2,000,000 in small islands of the population of Corea and there are only four ordained missionaries in the whole country. Last year there were 308 commitments, 228 in Corea and between 800 and 900 annually.

Miss McCully spoke of the great needs of the work which are money, workers and the prayers of the church. At this point Mrs. McNeill sang a solo and Rev. Mr. Forbes then spoke briefly of the work in Demerara. The missionaries there labor among a population of 125,000 East Indians. Most of these are Hindoos, although one-fifth are Mahomedans. He gave a brief historical sketch of the mission there and concluded with an earnest appeal for help.

At Thursday morning's session doubt as to whether the passing of the motion Wednesday afternoon on the increase of delegates to the convention had been constitutional or not was expressed. A vote of two-thirds was necessary, whereas the vote stood 60 to 19. The vote was ordered re-taken. On the first section as to the treasurers of auxiliaries attending the general convention, the vote stood 104 for and 19 against, the motion being thus carried. On the second section, as to the adoption of a substitute for the presidents of auxiliaries and presbyteries, the vote stood 70 for and 24 against. Thus this motion was lost.

Michael withdrew her resolution of the morning on the union of home and foreign work in the case of blackwood's amendment. The report on young people's work was read and proved of great interest. The report followed:

In looking forward to the preparation of our annual statement we are struck by the unusual severity of last winter which caused a perceptible difference in the return from our presbyterial societies. Such facts, however, are not to be regarded as a great cause for concern, but rather as a step in advance. We again able to mark a step in advance. The following statistics show the increase in the various presbyteries. The following stand highest in membership and contributions:

Table with columns: Presbyteries, Members, Funds. Lists various presbyteries like Pictou, St. John, Miramichi, Lunenburg, etc., with their respective member counts and fund amounts.

Fifty-one boxes and parcels have been prepared, nineteen more than last year. The return on the boxes sent to the various presbyteries has been better, twenty-one more than last year. Nearly 2,000 letters have been sent to the various presbyteries and in many cases these are read not only to the members of the society but to the young people of the church. We are glad to see that the work is being carried on so well.

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Waddell; treasurer and secretary of life membership certificate. Publication committee, editor McGeach, Mrs. Harrington; assistant, Miss Harrington; committee, Miss Allen; district committee, Miss Campbell, Miss Scott; board of management, Mrs. Baxter, Miss Curry, Miss Sutherland, Mrs. Paine, Mrs. Waddell, Mrs. R. C. Crankshaw, St. John; Mrs. Blackwood, Mrs. McNab, Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. D. Archibald, Mrs. K. McKinnon, Mrs. D. McPherson, Halifax; Mrs. Curry, Windsor; Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Corcoran, Mrs. Coleman, Halifax; Mrs. Geo. Campbell, Miramichi; Mrs. D. C. Fraser, New Glasgow.

Following the election of officers Mrs. McCullough held a meeting Oct. 8, when the hand work. Those taking part were Mrs. Strathay, P. E. Island; Mrs. Roxborough, North Sydney; Mrs. Rogers, P. E. Island; Mrs. Currie, Pictou; Mrs. D. Archibald, St. John; Mrs. D. C. Fraser, New Glasgow. The meeting passed a resolution of appreciation of the work done by Mrs. McCullough in connection with the presbyteries.

The balance for the year was reported and Mrs. McCullough moved it be kept but on a vote being taken this motion was lost and a further motion to hand over the balance to the presbyteries for the latter motion to hold out \$500 for working expenses was carried. The appointments for the year were: St. John, P. E. Island, \$700; St. John, P. E. Island, \$700; St. John, P. E. Island, \$700. Total, \$2,100. These appointments were then read and discussed. Questions from the question period were answered and the meeting closed with the singing of God Be With You Till We Meet Again. New Glasgow was designated as the place of meeting for next year.

WEDDINGS. Sprague-Reed. A very pretty home wedding occurred at the residence of Albert Reed, Springfield, on Tuesday evening, Oct. 5, when Fred Reed, a very pretty young man, was married to William Hayes Sprague, also of Springfield. The happy couple entered the parlor to the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Woodman, and took their place beneath an arch of hemlock trimmed with autumn leaves and branches of thorn apples, whose vivid colors were reflected in the eyes of the bride and groom. The bride was attended by a maid in a white dress, and the groom by a groomer in a white dress. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Penna, of Belleisle, performed the ceremony. The bride was attended in a fawn colored traveling suit, and the groom in a white suit. The bride's hair was dressed in green and white silk. Guests were present from Springfield, Pictou, and other places. Refreshments were served in the dining room, which was decorated with flowers and greenery. Mr. and Mrs. Sprague left for a short tour through the province, amid showers of confetti and good wishes. They will reside in St. John.

OBITUARY. Pilot James Reed. Pilot James Reed died suddenly at his home, St. James St., Wednesday morning. Although he had been in poor health, he was out on Tuesday evening and after reaching home, he went to bed. He died at 10 o'clock. He was a native of Scotland and had been in the service of the Canadian government for many years. He was a pilot for thirty-three years, and was 59 years old. He leaves a wife and four daughters. Pilot Reed was well liked.

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Miss Annie Smith. A cable message from Sheffield (Eng.) yesterday informed Rev. Joseph Smith of the death of his daughter, Miss Annie Smith. Deceased had been living in Sheffield for some time. She was a music teacher. While her family knew she was sick, no serious results had been anticipated. Her friends will be deeply pained by the sad news.

Mrs. Ellen O'Neill. Mrs. Ellen O'Neill, who had been the faithful housekeeper of Rev. J. J. O'Donnell, died Monday evening in her 86th year, at her home, 171 St. James street. She had been in poor health for some time. She was a devoted wife and mother. She was born in Ireland and came to this country in her youth. She was a member of the Methodist church. Her funeral will be held on Thursday morning.

Albert Trenholm. The death of Albert Trenholm, a respected resident of Bayfield, occurred on Saturday after a painful and protracted illness. Deceased was fifty-seven years of age. His wife, whose name was Mrs. Trenholm, survives.

on and their return will reside in Coadie street. Trendwell-Thompson. In the Free Baptist church, Carleton, Wednesday morning, A. A. Trendwell and Mrs. Gertrude Thompson were married. Rev. R. W. Ferguson performed the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Walter Trendwell, returned to her home in Carleton. The bride wore a travelling suit of navy blue broadcloth and hat to match. The beautiful presents testified to the esteem in which the young couple are held.

Wednesday in the Carleton Presbyterian church, Rev. H. R. Reid, united in marriage Walter Althingam and Miss Bertha A. Amos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Amos. The newly wedded couple left for the St. Croix Hotel, New York, to spend their honeymoon. The bride wore a travelling suit of navy blue broadcloth and hat to match. The beautiful presents testified to the esteem in which the young couple are held.

Miss Laura B. Kimball, of Adelaide street, left Monday for Vancouver (B. C.) where she will be married to Alvin Park, formerly of Yarmouth. She received numerous wedding gifts from St. John friends. Willis-Tracy. Mon. Oct. 11—The wedding took place here this afternoon of John Willis, of the I. C. R. marching shop, and Miss Tracy, daughter of Mr. Tracy, inspector of I. C. R. car cleaners. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home by Rev. J. E. Whitehouse.

Harcourt, N. B., Oct. 11—(Special)—William Hannah, of Arlington Heights (Mass.), was married yesterday evening at the residence of the bride's father, Joseph Miller, by Rev. Mr. Townsend, at 6 o'clock. They were attended by David Taylor and Miss Margaret Cameron. The groom formerly resided at West Branch. The happy couple left for Arlington today.

George A. Worden, of Johnston, Queens county, and Miss Pearl Thorne, of the same place, were married Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mr. Thorne, Victoria St., North End, by Rev. D. H. Hunt, pastor of Main street Baptist church. The bride was attended by Miss Marion Woodman, of Newton (Mass.), who was dressed in green and white silk. Guests were present from Springfield, Pictou, and other places. Refreshments were served in the dining room, which was decorated with flowers and greenery. Mr. and Mrs. Sprague left for a short tour through the province, amid showers of confetti and good wishes. They will reside in St. John.

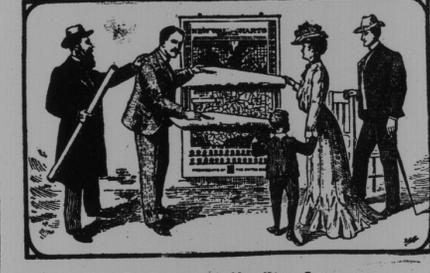
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monken with his family and was appointed to a position in the I.C.R. audit office. During the many years the deceased carried on business in Moncton he took an active interest in civic affairs, and was one of the town's leading citizens. He served a term at the city council board and was identified with other bodies having to do with the management of civic affairs. He was also an active member of St. John's Presbyterian church, occupying the position of elder during his former residence here. He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all classes of citizens.

LOCAL NEWS

Common Clerk Wardrop is confined to his house with an attack of pleurisy. The deceased was 62 years of age and is survived by a widow and a son and daughter, both at home. The son is Stewart Girvan, and the daughter is Jennie Girvan. Mr. Girvan was a native of Galloway, Kent county.

An indication of the demand for St. John Business College graduates is shown by the fact that several of our graduates have been placed in banking institutions and many others in the best business houses. Inquiry at the Protestant Orphan Asylum last night elicited the information that the two boys, Wm. Green and Ed. Little, missing since Monday, had been located, though diligent search had been made.

Frederick Crozier, son of James Crozier, Willow Grove, employed with a team at Mosser, Mooney's water works extension contract, had his leg broken above the knee by a fall from a horse on Monday. Dr. Baxter went out to attend him. Mrs. B. Doucet, of Richfield, was brought to the city by train last evening. Mrs. Doucet, who is suffering from appendicitis, was taken to the hospital in the ambulance. She was accompanied by her husband.

A mouse weighing more than 1,000 pounds was brought to the city yesterday. It was shot near the South Branch of the Orromet by Frank Flowering, of Sippit & Flowering. The first mouse brought in by a French hunter was shot Monday at Mosquash by Benjamin Williams. The South African veterans met last night at the city by train last evening. Numerous ideas were under consideration but it was decided to await the action of other legislative action. The unveiling of the memorial tablet at Trinity church is arranged to take place on the 28th of this month.

John Hughes died at the General Public Hospital Tuesday night, from a complication of ailments. He had been in the city, occupying a private ward. Mr. Hughes was fifty-eight years of age, and leaves three sons and two daughters. The sons are George, Leonard J., and Hartley W. All of this city. One daughter, Miss Hazel M., resides here, and the other is Mrs. Harold Webber, of Everett (Wash.).

Dr. A. Stockton, who is retained in the case of Robertson vs. Fairweather, which is to be heard by the city court today, will leave for England today, but as there he will see to it that the case will be put down for hearing he has decided to defer his departure until next week. A. H. Hamilton is the opposing counsel.

Harcourt Happenings. Harcourt, Oct. 12—Mrs. William Hannah, of Nicholas River, went to Arlington Heights (Mass.), on the 11th inst. with Mrs. (Miss) Hannah, of the latter place. Fred Woodcock came home on the 10th inst. from Sydney (N.S.), where he had been visiting several days.