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Ministers and Churches.

Rev. John McLean who was called to Dun-
troon has declined.

Rev. Dr. Mowat, of Queen's University, is
visiting friends in Gananoque.

All the London Presbyterian ministers, with
the exception of Rev. Robert Johnston, ride
bicycles.

The Rev. M. N. Bethune, minister of Knox
Church, Beaverton, is taking needed rest in a
voyage across the Atlantic.

Rev. G. B. Greig, formerly of Paisley, has
been inducted as pastor of the Presbyterian con-
gregation of Cookstown, Simcoe county.

Rev. Dr. G. L. McKay, wife and family and
native, helper will return to their work in Formosa
next October. The native helper and Mr. Mc-
Kay, jr., have been presented with bicycles.

Rev. Dr. Watson, of St. Andrew's Church,
Beaverton, preached a vigorous sermon to the
Orangemen of that section on Sunday morning
last. About sixty of the brethren were present.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's Church,
Victoria, presented Mrs. MacRae, the pastor's
wife, with a beautiful silk autograph quilt upon
which they have been working for the past six
months, and from which they realized nearly one
hundred dollars towards the funds.

The St. Thomas Journal says: Rev. Dr.
Cochrane, of Brantford, preached two powerful
sermons, last Sunday week, at the re-opening
of the Avondale Church after its renovation. Two
very large congregations assembled to hear the
eloquent preacher, who held the closest attention
of his hearers throughout the services.

Rev. J. McMillan, an old Crinan boy,
who spent several years in Africa as a foreign
missionary under the Presbyterian Board in the
United States, has had the degree of Ph. D.
("Doctor of Philosophy") conferred on him by
Whitworth College, Sumner, Washington.
Mr. McMillan is now a resident of Chicago.

Anniversary services in connection with Kirk-
ton Presbyterian church were held last Sabbath.
In the morning Rev. Dr. Fletcher, of Hamilton,
addressed the children, and the former pastor,
Rev. H. Gracey, now of Gananoque, preached an
able sermon. Not more than half the audience
could be accommodated in the Church, the crowd
was so great.

At the sacrament held in Kintyre Church,
June 2nd, 174 members sat at the Lord's Table.
Twenty-one new members were received into the
communion of the Church. The sacrament of
baptism was also administered to three adults and
five infants. The pastor (Rev. J. H. Barnett)
was assisted at the Preparatory and Thanksgiving
services by the Rev. R. J. Hunter, Ridgeway;
J. A. Mustard, Kent Bridge; and W. Kay, Duart.

In the absence of Rev. C. J. Cameron, the
pulpit of St. John's Church, Brockville, is being
filled by Mr. W. W. Peck, a recent graduate of
Queen's University. The Recorder speaks of
him as follows:—"His discourses showed deep
research along various lines of thought, and at the
same time were very practical, his illustrations
being clear and to the point. He is a splendid
reader and his style of preaching easy, graceful
and impressive."

The Rev. Louis Jack, for fifty years a minis-
ter in the Presbyterian Church, celebrated his
jubilee recently in the home of Dr. King, his
son-in-law, Buctouche. Many of his relatives
met. Among them were Dr. King and family,
Rev. Chalmers Jack, of Maitland, N.S., his son;
Mrs. Roseburg, his daughter; Mrs. Salter, of
Chatham, daughter; and many others. The
Rev. L. Jack came from Scotland to New Brun-
swick nearly fifty years ago. He was soon after-
wards inducted into the Presbyterian congrega-
tion of St. James, Charlotte county. After a five
years' pastorate he was translated to the congre-
gation of Springfield, where he labored with great
success for upwards of 30 years, much beloved by
all who knew him. Mr. Jack was one of the
pioneers of the Presbyterian Church in New
Brunswick. He is now 84 years of age and still
wonderfully strong. He retired from the minis-
try a few years ago and is spending the remainder
of his days in the hospitable family of Dr. King.

Rev. R. M. and Mrs. Craig have returned to
Fergus from New Mexico, where they spent the
winter for the benefit of Mr. Craig's health. A
number of friends were at the depot on their ar-
rival and gave them a hearty welcome. On the
evening following, the Christian Endeavor Society
gave them a reception in the manse, which was
largely attended by the congregation. It was an
evening of mutual rejoicing. Mr. Craig expressed
the delight of Mrs. Craig and himself at being
back, also their high appreciation of the kindly
words just spoken, as well as for all the fond re-
membrances which they had received while absent
and all the expressions of genuine welcome since
their return. On Sabbath morning Mr. Craig
was in his own pulpit, and after referring to some
of the beliefs and forms of worship in New Mexico,
he announced his text as Rom. i. 16, "I am not
ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ," from
which he preached a forceable sermon to a very
large congregation. Melville congregation and
the community at large are pleased to see Mr.
Craig back again in the enjoyment of good health,
and trust that he may long be enabled to carry on
the work in which he is engaged.

The Rev. John Anderson, B.D., late of St.
Stephen, N.B., has returned from California
where he has been with his family for nearly a
year. Mr. Anderson intends to remain in this
country and is available for pulpit supply. His
present address is Knox College, Toronto.

On Wednesday evening, 19th inst., under the
auspices of the W. F. M. S. of Duff's Church,
Morriston, R. T. Cockburn, student of Knox
College, delivered his lecture on "The Cata-
combs of Rome." The audience was large, and,
as the speaker led them step by step in his de-
scription of the origin, construction, use, abandon-
ment, and re-discovery of these early monuments
which proclaim the certainty of a true living
faith in a risen Saviour during the first centuries
A. D., the followed him with close attention and
keen interest. A quintette from the congregation
and accompaniment by Mrs. T. Day, organist of
the society, rendered several excellent pieces of
music. On behalf of missions a liberal contribu-
tion was offered. During the evening the Rev.
Wm. Robertson, M.A., pastor of the congrega-
tion, occupied the chair.

A convention for the promotion of Christian
life and work was held in the Presbyterian Church,
Pleasant Valley, Stormont Co., Ont., from June
the 9th to the 16th. Three meetings were held
each day. The mornings were given to Bible
study. Short addresses on the "Christian Life"
occupied the afternoon. The messages in the even-
ing were directed to the unsaved. From Friday
morning till the close of the convention the in-
terest was centered in missions. On Sunday
morning, the 16th, Rev. W. Russell, Evangelist,
preached a missionary sermon, after which pledges
for missions were received approaching the sum
of \$1,100. The following workers took a fore-
most part in the convention:—Rev. W. Russell
and Mrs. Russell, Evangelist; Rev. Jas. Hastie,
Cornwall; Miss Jamieson, missionary from
India, and the pastor A. Russell.

BRANDON PRESBYTERIAL W.F.M.S.

The ninth annual meeting of the Brandon
Presbyterial W.F.M.S. was held in First Presby-
terian Church, Brandon, June 6th. The various
auxiliaries were well represented by women deep-
ly interested in mission work. Winnipeg sent
visiting delegates. The president, Mrs. Mc-
Tavish, of Treherne, occupied the chair. The
morning meeting, which was occupied with the
business of the society, was opened with praise
and prayer. The minutes were read and the Roll
called, after which reports were read from the
various auxiliaries and mission bands—twenty-
four in all. The following officers were appoint-
ed: President, Mrs. McTavish, Treherne; vice-
presidents, Mrs. J. McLeod, Portage la Prairie;
Mrs. Ross, Douglas; Mrs. Carswell, Carberry;
Mrs. Broatch, Alexander; treasurer, Mrs. Mc-
Diarmid, Brandon; rec.-sec., Mrs. R. H. Robert-
son, Portage la Prairie; cor.-sec., Mrs. J. Murray,
Brandon.

The afternoon meeting was well attended by
delegates and citizens, and much interest was
shown in the proceedings. The address of wel-
come by Mrs. Shewan, Brandon, was responded
to by Mrs. Pearson, Carberry. The secretary's
report showed an addition of two new mission
bands during the year. The floating character of
the population is a considerable drawback to our
work. One society reported the removal of all
its officers to other parts, during the year, but
still, every society is taking courage and going on
in the good work. The report from Beulah Aux-
iliary, composed of Christian Indian women,
showed the membership and the average attend-
ance to be precisely the same, and these Indian
women, in spite of extreme poverty, by the sale of
their work, and in other ways, gathered together
\$8.00 and sent it to the treasurer. Nearly every
society held a thank-offering meeting last year,
and these have proved not only an added source
of revenue, but of great spiritual blessing. The
treasurer reported amount contributed during the
year \$942.75.

The president, in her address, made some
very practical remarks on the necessity of greater
liberality on the part of home Christians for carry-
ing on the work abroad. Mrs. Ross, of Douglas,
read an extremely well written paper on "Sleep."
Very satisfactory reports were read of the work
being done in Portage la Prairie and Regina
Indian Schools. The question drawer was ably
conducted by Mrs. McEwan, and greetings were
received from sister societies. At the close of the
afternoon session the delegates and their friends
were hospitably entertained at tea, in the Bible
class room, by the Brandon ladies.

A public meeting was held in the evening
which was well attended and much enjoyed. The
Rev. Mr. Haig of Glenboro' occupied the chair.
Mrs. Smart, of Brandon, read a very interesting
paper on "Woman's Work for Women," in which
she pictured the great need of work being done
among our heathen sisters, and some of the re-
sults already accomplished by our lady mission-
aries. The Rev. Mr. Carswell, of Carberry, fol-
lowed with an address on missions. He spoke of
the different standpoints from which the work
may be viewed: 1st, "The World's Need";
2nd, "The Church the Commissioned Instru-
ment"; 3rd, "As the Work of God," and spoke
for a time on "God's Agency in Modern Mis-
sions." His address was listened to with great
attention, and his earnest stirring words will not
soon be forgotten by those who had the privilege
of hearing them. The Rev. Mr. Woodsworth,
Superintendent of Methodist Missions, was called
upon, and spoke for a few minutes on the mag-
nitude of the work. The various items of the

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presented themselves. The events which have
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have had the effect of arousing the thinking por-
tion of our French speaking population, of
creating a spirit of inquiry which will prove bene-
ficial or disastrous, according to the way in which
it is met. There are hundreds of young men and
women, and persons of riper years, who now
stand on the border line between the old system
in which they are losing and have lost faith, and
the dark abyss of religious doubt, skepticism and
all that these lead to. These persons are suffi-
ciently independent to enter a French Protestant
house of worship, to listen to an intelligent,
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truths of the gospel of the Son of God. On hear-
ing that message, proclaimed in love, many will
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this direction, while worshipping in the old Rus-
sell Hall, which has been sold and demolished be-
cause it has become altogether too small and in-
adequate for the needs of the work. We are thus
without a meeting place of our own and the im-
portant missionary enterprise committed to our
care is suffering loss. Our new Church is now
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