

Christopher Armstrong in Burford. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in the community. Service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Booth assisted by Rev. Dr. McKey, of Woodstock, a life long friend of the deceased.

Rev. B. B. Williams, of Guelph, preached at the Brick Church, Eramosa, last Sunday.

Rev. R. Martin lectured in Erskine school room on a recent evening on "Presbyterian Foreign Missions in India," illustrated by limelight views. It was an interesting and profitable occasion.

The Presbyterians of Plumas, Man., are building a new manse. The contract has been let to Bolton and Buchanan. This building is to be completed by July 15.

Eastern Ontario.

Rev. Mr. Rattray, of Eganville, preached most acceptably in Calvin church, Pembroke, on Sunday. Large congregations attended.

Rev. Walter Bennett, of Breckendale, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. (Dr.) Bennett, Almonte, who has been seriously ill.

Presbyterian services are now held regularly in the Trout Creek Hall every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. A student is in charge.

Rev. Mr. Findlay, of Bell's Corners, exchanged pulpits with the Rev. Mr. Wood, of Richmond, on a recent Sunday.

Lord Strathcona has contributed \$300.00 towards the Grant Hall at Queen's University; and Gilbert Parker \$200.00 for the same object.

Walter W. McLaren, M. A., B. D., of Renfrew, has been appointed to supply St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Hamilton, during the absence of the pastor.

Rev. Dr. Parsons is announced to conduct special services at Churchill next Sabbath, 25th inst. The occasion will mark the tenth anniversary of the induction of Rev. Mr. Ross into the pastorate of the Presbyterian church here.

Rev. Robt. Young, of St. Andrew's church, Pakenham, preached two special sermons last Sabbath. In the morning his subject was "Sabbath Labor," and in the evening "Sabbath Pleasure"; both were timely and profitable.

Mr. D. J. Davidson of the Toronto Union Student's Volunteer Movement, is spending a few weeks visiting the congregations of Lindsay Presbytery. In every instance his address has been listened to with close attention and deep interest. We are grateful that he has been able to come to us.

The clergymen of Metcalfe village have formed a vigilance committee to fight the illegal sale of liquor in the hotels of the place. On visiting the hotels on a recent Sunday night it is reported they found men in both bars stupidly drunk, and the sale of liquor going on as merrily as if it were Monday and within legal hours.

At the meeting of the Queen's University trustees the following trustees were elected: Rev. Dr. Wardrop, Guelph; Rev. Dr. Campbell, Montreal; Dr. A. Drummond, Kingston; Hon. E. H. Bronson, Ottawa; Mr. M. Leggatt, Hamilton, and Mr. George Gillies, Toronto. Dr. P. C. McGregor, of Almonte, was also re-elected a trustee of the university council.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at London, among the reports presented was that from Brockville Presbytery, of which the following is a brief summary:—"Full of hope and courage; auxiliaries formed in nearly all congregations, and bands in all the most flourishing congregations; 28 auxiliaries and 12 bands; contributions in advance of last year; amount raised, \$1,625."

In his address in the First church, Brockville, on Sunday, Rev. Mr. Laird recalled the fact that the last day's preaching done by the late Principal Grant, of Queen's College, was in Brockville, on the last Sunday in last July, just previous to sailing for the Old Country. He preached in the First church on the morning of that day and in St. John's at the evening service. He spoke with much vigor and force, and his words at that time left a deep impression on the minds of all who heard him.

The Rev. D. McDonald, for more than a quarter of a century minister at Glenora, and who has been seriously ill since mid-winter, has been called away from his work and place amongst us. At his home, Glenora, on Sunday, May 4th, he quietly breathed his last. The funeral was very largely attended, the service being conducted by the Moderator and brethren of Lindsay Presbytery. Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. McDonald and her son and daughter;

and is deepened by the fact that this is the second bereavement in the family within a few months.

Three members of St. Andrew's church, Perth, Messrs. Peter McPhail, John Fair and Robert Allan, sr., were ordained as elders of the church on Sunday morning by the pastor, Rev. A. H. Scott, assisted by Rev. Dr. Crombie, of Smith's Falls. After the ordination the latter charged the new elders briefly and then addressed the congregation.

Kingston.

Tuesday morning the remains of the late Principal Grant, Kingston, were removed from his late residence to Convocation hall, which is draped in black. Students and graduates acted as guards of honor. At three o'clock the burial service began. Rev. Dr. Warden, moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, officiated and preached the sermon. Rev. Dr. Ross, senior member of Queen's theological faculty, assisted. The hall was crowded, many representatives of church, state and education being in attendance. Col. Drury, C. B., A. D. C., represented the Governor-General, and John Miller, deputy minister, represented the Hon. R. Harcourt, minister of education for Ontario. The venerable chancellor of Queen's, Sir Sandford Fleming, Ottawa, also attended. Dr. Warden, in his address, spoke of the deceased principal as a national figure, for whom the whole country mourned. He recalled his early life at school and in quiet country parishes then in the larger spheres at Halifax and Kingston; the hugeness of his task to relieve Queen's from the imminent peril which threatened it in 1877; the zeal, courage and optimism he manifested in his work until his death, when Queen's is recognized as one of the most potent factors in the intellectual life of the Dominion. Nowhere was his statesmanship shown to better advantage than in connection with the university. Dr. Warden referred to the contagious magnetism and winning personality of Dr. Grant, which had won Queen's loyal and devoted sons. The true monument of his labors, devotion and sacrifice was this university. His life as a churchman was sketched by the Moderator, his share in Presbyterian union, and his active and intelligent interest in all matters as a publicist. He had stood in the forefront, few had exercised greater individual influence in public affairs, and he had abounding faith in our country and in its future. His imperialistic conceptions, his fearless advocacy of that which he considered right, his largeness of spirit, his absence of prejudice, made his life and influence such that he will rank with the best in Canadian history. As a man, he was genial, unselfish, generous to a fault, ready with counsel, and because of his sympathetic nature he exercised mastery over the hearts of others. His religion was of deeds, rather than of words. His faith was simple, trusting, childlike, and his end was peace. Might God raise up some one to take his place, and carry to a successful completion the great work for which he toiled, and sacrificed, and gave his life, was the concluding prayer of the Moderator. Old collegians from Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Hamilton, London and small points were in the cortege, which proceeded down the main driveway and out Stuart street, up University avenue to Princess street and thence to Cataraqui cemetery. The mayor of Kingston issued a proclamation calling upon the citizens to close their places of business and observe the afternoon as a time of mourning, and this was very generally observed. All the schools were closed. At meetings of the board of education and city council Monday night resolutions of condolence were passed.

W. F. M. Society Notes.

The annual reports reviewed the year's incidents—the reopening of the work in Honan, the death of Mrs. Ball, the combined famine distress in India. The missionaries were endeavoring to provide industrial training for the women and children. The report dealt at some length with conditions existing at Indore, Mhow, Dhar, Ujjain, and Neemuch, and the work which had been accomplished at these stations. It expressed keen regret at the death of Rev. Dr. G. L. Mackay of Formosa, and referred to the work being done there. One discouraging note from the west was the increase of the liquor evil among the Indians.

The advance in finances was the greatest save in one previous year, every society increasing its contributions. The membership had gained

\$500. The circulation of Tidings was now 17,000. The financial statement showed receipts of \$47,620, an increase of about \$3,000 over those of last year. Of this total \$29,831 had been paid to Rev. Dr. Warden, general agent, and there was a balance of \$16,451 in the bank. The work in India during the year cost \$24,885 and in Formosa \$1,145.

Mrs. Telfer, after more than twenty years valued services as Secretary of Publications, has owing to ill-health resigned; but was elected one of the Vice Presidents of the Society.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—President, Mrs. Shortreed; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Telfer; Recording Secretary, Miss Bessie MacMurchy; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Martin; Secretary of Indian work in the North-West and British Columbia, Miss Craig; Secretary-Treasurer of Publications and Life Memberships, Miss Parsons; Secretary of International Conference, Miss Caven; Treasurer, Miss George; Editor of "Tidings," Mrs. J. A. McGillivray; Home Secretary, Mrs. Grant; Foreign Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Bell. The following were chosen to form the standing committees:—Executive—The officers of the society, and Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Jeffrey, Mrs. Lavey, and Miss Smith, of Toronto. Nominating—Mrs. McMurrich, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. G. H. Robinson, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, of Toronto; Mrs. Fletcher, Hamilton; Mrs. MacLean, Guelph; Mrs. Ross, Lindsay; and Mrs. MacLennan, Owen Sound.

Interesting missionary addresses were delivered by Miss White of India and Mrs. Goforth of China. The former spent seven years at the Mohallah schools and zannas in India, and she remarked that the famine there had greatly interrupted the work, which now consisted largely of relief measures. There was a great need of women to carry the message of the Gospel to the people of India in opposition to the castes and the idolatry there existing. Mrs. Goforth mentioned incidents arising in her work in China, and showed the necessity for close, earnest attention on the part of the missionaries. She said that the danger was great, and that no one knew what a day would bring forth. She urged her hearers to instill even greater enthusiasm into the auxiliaries and mission bands, so that the work might be effectively continued.

The closing words of the convention were spoken by Mrs. Macallister, Iroquois, who remarked that they had been upon the mountains during the conference, but they had to go back to the valleys, where the real work was to be done. In the course of a bright address she reviewed the work accomplished at the conference, and spoke hopefully of the future. Mrs. McLaren, Toronto, offered the closing prayer, and the President wound up the business with a few words. She urged the society not to stand still in the work, but to be earnest in seeking to see Jesus. It was, she said, through the Spirit of God that progress was made.

The James Robertson Memorial Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Warden acknowledges with thanks the following additional contributions: Mr. Jas. McKoy, Chesley, \$2.00; Rev. E. A. McCurdy, Halifax, \$5.00; Arrow River, Mimota and Man. \$5.00; Rev. Prof. McFadyen, Toronto, \$5.00; Rev. A. MacTavish, Carnduff, N. W. T., \$5.00; Mr. W. H. McLaren, Hamilton, \$20.00; Mr. Wm. Mackintosh, Madoc, \$5.00; Selkirk, Man., \$10.00; Mr. Jas. McCrea, Margaret, Man., \$5.00; Quebec St. Andrew's Ladies Aid, \$25.00; Summerside P. E. Q., \$12.00.

Conveners and Secretaries of Standing and other Committees of the General Assembly, will please note that to insure their reports being stitched with the volume to be distributed at the meeting of Assembly, the manuscript must be in the hands of The Murray Printing Company, Melinda street, Toronto, on or before Thursday, May 22nd. It is hoped, however, that all reports may be in the printers' hands a sufficient time prior to that date, so that proofs may be sent to the parties forwarding them, and returned to the printers in good time.

Montreal.

The Rev. F. M. Dewey, of Stanley Street, church, and the Rev. D. J. Graham, of Montreal, Annex exchanged pulpits last Sunday morning.