

A gratifying feature of the annual meeting of Chalmers Church, Guelph, was the enthusiastic adoption of a resolution acknowledging the great indebtedness of the congregation to Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Glassford for their able services and unremitting labors during the past nine years. The harmony that has characterized the congregation during that period—the progress it has made, as well as the good work of the various organizations—are in large measure, under the Divine guidance, due to their prudence, enthusiastic leadership and great devotion to the Master's cause.

Mr. William Seely, who has been for the past four years leader of the choir of St. Enoch's Presbyterian church, Toronto, and who has recently resigned the position, was waited on at his residence, 41 Rose Ave., on Wednesday evening by a deputation representing the session, board of managers, choir and congregations, and presented with an address and a purse of gold as a mark of esteem of recognition of his many valuable services. Although taken by surprise Mr. Seely made an appropriate reply, thanking the gentlemen who had waited on him and feelingly acknowledged the mark of affection and regard from the congregation.

The annual meeting of the Huron Presbyterian Women's Foreign Mission Society was held in St. Andrew's church, Blyth, recently. The different reports read were highly satisfactory. The contributions from all sources this year amounted to \$1,750.50, a small increase over the contributions of last year. At the afternoon session, Miss Campbell, a missionary from India, on furlough, gave an interesting and graphic description of the work done in that country. Miss H. I. Graham, of Edmondville, Presbyterian delegate to the annual meeting of the general society, in Toronto, gave an interesting report of the proceedings of that meeting. Interesting and profitable papers were read by Mrs. Sowers, of Brucefield, and Mrs. Hamilton, of Goderich. This was an anniversary meeting, commemorating the 25th gathering of this society, and many of those belonging to the Huron staff of workers were present, viz., Mrs. Goforth, Dr. Jean Dow, Dr. Agnes Turnbull and Miss Pyke, each of whom spoke encouragingly of their work. At the evening meeting, Rev. Mr. Jamieson, late of India, gave a stirring address on the mission work in that field. Miss Campbell also gave an address, while Rev. N. Shaw, of Edmondville, as a delegate from the Presbytery, conveyed the greetings of that body to the ladies.

The annual meetings of the Parkhill and McGillivray congregations, (Rev. Robt. Aylward, B. A., pastor,) have just been held and, as the various reports showed, the year has been one of steady and substantial progress. The number of families and under pastoral oversight is 135. Seventeen persons have united with the church during the year and the losses by death and removal number 11, making a net gain of 6. The membership roll now stands at 268. The total receipts for the year for all purposes amounted to \$259.94 and the disbursements to \$256.85 leaving a balance on hand of \$92.09. The disbursements included the following contributions to outside objects: For the Century (Common) Fund \$61.35; for Missions, etc., \$256.80, making a total for the schemes of the Church of \$868.05. The pastor presented the following statistics: He had conducted during the year 134 regular Sabbath services and 50 week night services, had dispensed the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper 5 times, had made 125 visits, had conducted 13 funerals, had baptized 7 children and 1 adult, and had performed 9 marriages. In the interests of the congregations he had also driven in the neighborhood of 2000 miles.

Ottawa.

On the 6th instant a very pleasant social was given by the Ladies' Aid of Knox church.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Stewarton church met on the 7th instant.

The Chinese class in connection with Knox church, Ottawa, held its annual festival last Monday evening.

The annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society of St. Andrew's church, was held on the 7th inst. The Ladies' Aid Society met on the same day.

In Knox church last Sunday Rev. Mr. Singer, of the Jewish Mission, Toronto, preached on the work being done by the Jewish Christians in Toronto and Hamilton. He pointed out that several actual conversions had taken place and he thought the day was not far distant when the entire Jewish population of Canada would become Christianized. In the morning Mr. Singer preached at MacKay Presbyterian church.

Eastern Ontario.

The young people of Knox church, Perth, have organized a Guild, the principal object of which is to develop the social life of the church, and to increase interest among the members in the church work generally.

Sabbath, a week ago, the Rev. Dr. Heine, of Montreal, conducted the continued anniversary services, both morning and evening, in St. Andrew's church, Perth. The previous Sabbath admirable discourses were given by Rev. Prof. McComb, of Queen's University.

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's church, Lanark, was held recently. There was a large attendance. Rev. D. M. Buchanan acted as chairman. The report showed that during the year six new members had joined the church. The financial report, read by Mr. John James, showed an increase in the ordinary collections.

The past year in the Middleville congregation has been a success. The amount raised for missions was larger than usual. The W. F. M. S. made a contribution of \$50, besides shipping a bale of clothing to the Northwest. The congregation and their pastor, the Rev. W. S. Smith, are to be congratulated in their prosperity.

Blakeney Presbyterians joined in the anniversary services of their church Sunday, Jan. 26th. Rev. G. Cowan McLean, of St. John's church, Almonte, was the preacher, and two earnest, thoughtful and appropriate discourses were delivered before large congregations. The anniversary tea-meeting was held on Monday evening. Rev. Mr. Conn, pastor, presided.

The annual meeting of the Lanark and Renfrew Presbyterian was held in St. Andrew's church, Renfrew, last week. The President, Mrs. W. C. Irving, of Pembroke, presided. The address of welcome was read by Mrs. Hay, of Renfrew, and responded to by Mrs. Frost, of Smith's Falls. Dr. Marion Oliver, of India, was unable to be present, on account of illness. The meetings throughout were inspiring and all felt the power of united effort to evangelize the world, especially in giving liberty and gospel blessings to the women of heathen lands.

At the annual meeting of St. Andrew's church, Almonte, Mr. George Patterson, elder, conducted devotional exercises. The financial statement was read by Mr. W. H. Black, the acting treasurer, showing the congregation to have raised during the past year, \$3,899.22 for all purposes, an increase over the preceding year. Reports of all branches of church work were also received and were eminently satisfactory. Of that amount \$307.98 is reported from the session; ladies' aid, \$210.65; W. F. M. S., \$112.34; mission band, \$78.65; Sunday school, \$140.56. New members were elected to the board, as follows: Messrs. W. S. Moore, Dr. Oliver, W. J. Paul and Robt. M. Paterson.

State of the Funds.

AMOUNTS STILL REQUIRED.

The amounts still required to end the year free from debt are as follows:—

Home Missions.....	\$36,000.00
Augmentation.....	11,750.00
Foreign Missions, not including W. F. M. S. Funds.....	18,000.00
French Evangelization.....	11,500.00
Pointe-aux-Trembles.....	5,800.00
Widows & Orphans Fund.....	10,000.00
Ag'd & Infirm Ministers Fund.....	7,500.00
Assembly Fund.....	2,500.00
Knox College.....	8,000.00
Queen's College.....	4,000.00
Presbyterian College, Montreal.....	3,700.00
Manitoba College.....	1,500.00

A very large number of congregations have thus far sent nothing for any of the schemes. The year ends on 28th February and the books close promptly on the evening of that day. It is necessary therefore that contributions that are to appear in the annual printed statement should reach the office of the Church, Toronto, on or before the evening of Friday, 28th February.

R. H. W.

Toronto, Feb. 8th, 1902.

I cheerfully testify to the excellence of Crockery's Eastern Balm as a medicine for coughs and colds. It has been used by different members of my family with the best results. REV. A. H. MCFARLANE, Franktown, Ont. For sale by all dealers and by the proprietor, John Crockery, Perth, Ont.

Northern Ontario.

Recent alterations in the arrangements of St. Andrew's church, Beaverton, have placed the choir and organ in the body of the church in front of the reading desk. The improvement is very marked. The annual report of the church has been published for the year and shows the finances and work of the church to be in a very gratifying condition.

Winnipeg and West.

Rev. James Lawrence has been elected Moderator of Winnipeg Presbytery.

The Winnipeg Presbytery has agreed to organize congregations at Dunria and Nettley.

The Presbytery of Winnipeg has nominated Rev. Prof. Bryce for Moderator of next General Assembly.

The congregation of St. Stephen's, Winnipeg, has decided on the erection of a new church to cost \$25,000 or \$30,000. Last year's reports all indicated increasing prosperity in all departments of congregational work.

At the annual stock-taking in St. Giles' church, (Rev. John Hogg, pastor) the various Christian activities of the congregation were found in a healthy condition. There are 242 members on the roll. The Manager's report declared the year closed the best financially in the history of the church; a balance of \$13.05 had been brought over from 1900, and that, together with the other items, made the income total \$1,668.37; all expenses had been met, and a balance of 49c remained on the credit side.

At the 15th annual business meeting of Augustine church, (Rev. Dr. Wilson, pastor) the reports were of a very encouraging character. Prof. Baird read the report of the session. Thirty-nine new members had been added during the year, to the congregation, and ten removed, leaving 281 on the roll. The revenue for missionary and benevolent purposes amounted to \$899. The revenue for congregational purposes amounted to \$2,300; \$1,312 was collected during the year on account of the century fund, and \$377 had been paid on account of the lots purchased during the summer for church building purposes.

Rev. D. Munro, pastor, took the chair at the annual meeting of Point Douglas church. The manager's report showed such good results for the past year and prospects for the future that they were warranted in suggesting a substantial increase to the minister's stipend, which was at once agreed to. The Sabbath School is in a flourishing condition with an average attendance of 207. The Christian Endeavor, Ladies' Aid and Women's Foreign Missionary Society all show an expansion in their different schemes of Christian work. The treasurer of the century fund reported \$725, which had been secured without any canvas of the people.

The First Presbyterian church, Vancouver, (Rev. R. G. McBeth, M. A., pastor) is in an excellent position. The reports presented at the annual meeting showed that the membership had increased, the attendance at all the services and meetings had grown, the various societies and organizations were in a flourishing condition and the congregation was most harmonious and united in all its work. The missionary giving had doubled during the year and several new departments of work had been opened. The Sunday school had done very important and valuable work and had contributed very liberally to the work of the congregation and the missionary enterprises of the church. The total revenue from all sources for the year 1900 was \$5,874.08 and for the year 1901 it was \$6,747.22, a very gratifying increase of nearly \$900; and the debt of the church had been reduced by \$1,553.50.

Home Mission Committee.

The Home Mission Committee, Western Section, will (D.V.) meet in the Lecture Room of Knox church, Toronto, on Tuesday, 11th March at 9.30 a. m. Ministers, students and others desiring Mission work are requested to forward their applications to the Secretary, Rev. Dr. Somerville, Owen Sound, prior to March 5th. Schedules of claims from Presbyteries for the current half year should reach the Secretary by March 7th.

ROBT. H. WARDEN,
Convener.