

ance, and it was proposed to extend it where the manse stood. The loss on the building is estimated at \$17,000; organ, \$3,000, and the insurance is covered as follows: London Assurance, \$1,000; London and Lancashire, \$3,200; Western, \$2,000. Besides this the London and Lancashire has an insurance of \$2,000 on the organ. The loss to Rev. Mr. Tolmie on account of removal of furniture is small and is covered by insurance.

THE Presbyterian congregations of Seymour East and Rylstone raised last year a total of \$2756.37. Rev. John Moore is pastor.

THE bazaar held by the Ladies Aid Society of Stewarton church, in aid of the new hall cor. Bank and Frank streets, was very successful.

A LADIES Aid Society has been formed at Lindsay, with Mrs. H. Rezin, as president; Miss Escott, as secretary; and Miss Annie Cowieson, as treasurer.

AN unusually interesting social gathering was held recently at South Branch, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of St. Andrew's church, Martintown. The proceeds amounted to over \$60.

THE Presbyterian church at Dresden has been moved across the river to a more convenient site. It was hauled across on trestle work constructed on the ice, and is now on its new site on St. George street. The extensive improvement to be made in the edifice has been begun, and it will be ready shortly.

THE receipts of St. Andrew's church, Ottawa, for the past year amounted to \$9,584, which, with a balance over from last year, made the total receipts \$10,353. The expenditure was \$10,007. The new organ cost \$3,900, and the new Glebe Sabbath school when completed will cost \$2,500.

THE Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Andrew's church, London, held a successful pound social in the lecture room of the church. The admission fee at least one pound of some kind of provisions brought out a wagon load of parcels suitable for food, which will be divided among the poor of the congregation and St. Andrew's Society.

Presbytery of Regina.

A *pro re nata* meeting of the Presbytery of Regina was held in Wolseley on Tuesday, March 12th. Sederant, Mr. Moore, moderator, Messrs. Carmichael, Reddon, Campbell, MacLeod, McKechnie, Matheson, Ledingham and Muirhead, ministers; Messrs. McAlister and MacLeod, catechists; Messrs. Crawford, Murray and Bompas, elders; and Messrs. Matheson and Morrison, students. The meeting was to receive and dispose of the Home Mission report, in order that the convener might attend the Synodical Home Mission Committee in Winnipeg on the 13th. The grants for the past half year and also for the current six months were read and passed. Messrs. McKay and Muirhead with Mr. Robertson were appointed to visit Ubleh field, to secure, if possible, better organization and more liberal self-support. The report re supply of mission fields was received and adopted. A resolution was received from Moose Jan asking Mr. Ledingham's re-appointment. As Mr. Ledingham expects to receive an appointment in the foreign field in June, it was decided to secure other ordained supply for April 1st. Petitions were read from Battelford and Indian Head, in favor of Rev. Alex. Robson. He accepted the one for Indian Head. An application for Rev. A. A. Laird, F.A., to be received and given work was referred to Synodical Home Mission Committee. The reports re the change of boundaries of Wapella, Welwyn, Lansdowne and Green Valley fields were received, and it was agreed that the changes suggested be made. The report re suggested congregations was passed as read. The auditors reported the Home Mission Committee convener's books were neatly and correctly kept. It was agreed that the ordained missionaries in Grenfell, Whitewood, Lamaden, Balgonie and Ohlen, be re-appointed for two years. On Wednesday the Presbytery met for reg-

ular business, sederant same as day before, with Messrs. McKay and Hofstrand, ministers; Mathermell, elder; and T. H. Boyd, student, in addition. An elder's commission for Grenfell in favor of A. T. Fotheringham was received, and his name added to the roll. Applications from Lansdowne, Whitewood and Moosomin for loans from the church and manse building fund were received and recommended. Dr. Robertson was nominated Moderator of the next General Assembly. The commissioners appointed were Messrs. MacLeod, Hofstrand, Matheson, Campbell and McKay, ministers; Bompas, Mathermell, Anderson, Fotheringham and John McCalla, elders. Mr. Campbell referred to Mr. Robson's work, and it was agreed that we, as a Presbytery, heartily commend Mr. Robson's enterprise, re "Prairie Witness," and urge that it be given the hearty support of the members of Presbytery in every possible way. The reports of the standing committees for the year were read, and ordered to be sent to the convener. An application was received from T. Hunter Boyd, asking to be taken on trial for license. Agreed to ask leave from General Assembly. An application was received from Rev. S. O. Irvine, a minister of the Methodist Church, asking to be received as a minister of the Presbyterian Church. Upon examination of his certificates, etc., it was agreed to ask leave of General Assembly to receive him as a minister of our Church. Mr. MacLeod submitted a deliverance re Mr. Campbell leaving the Wolseley field, and it was ordered to be inserted in the minutes. "Whereas, it has been decided that the tie now existing between the Rev. Alexander Campbell, B.A., and the mission field of Wolseley shall be severed at the end of the current month, therefore, be it resolved,—That the Presbytery express its hearty appreciation of Mr. Campbell's faithful, untiring and pre-eminently successful service, as evidenced by the very satisfactory reports of work from year to year, the building of churches and other material progress that has been made. The Presbytery is deeply sensible of the value of the work done by Mr. Campbell, both in the mission over which he presides, and in various capacities outside the boundaries of his own field, as well as his judicious and exceedingly helpful advice, always so freely given, and records its earnest hope that in the providence of God he may soon find a congenial sphere of labor within our bounds." The docket being completed, the benediction was pronounced, and the Presbytery adjourned to meet in Regina on the second Wednesday of July. J. W. MUIRHEAD, Clerk.

Presbytery of Sarnia.

THE Presbytery held its regular meeting in St. Andrew's church, Sarnia, on the 25th of March. Mr. Elliott, moderator, in the chair. Mr. Arch. McDiarmid, of Napier, was appointed moderator for the next six months. Dr. Thompson intimated the death of Rev. Alex. Urquhart, after a lingering and painful illness, on Sabbath, the 3rd of March. Mr. Currie intimated the sudden demise of Rev. George Haigh, late of Adelaide and Aikona, on the 14th inst. The Presbytery expressed its sorrow and regret at the sudden, startling, solemn intelligence, which had been intimated. The Presbytery appointed Dr. Thompson, Messrs. Pritchard, Nichol, ministers, and Messrs. Hunter and Towers, elders, to draft a minute in reference to the matter and submit the same at a future sederant. Mr. Pritchard on behalf of the committee on the State of Religion, gave in an admirable and comprehensive report. Mr. Nichol, minister, and Mr. Thos. Wyatt, elder, were appointed the Presbytery's representatives on the Synod's Committee on Missions and Overseas. An application from the Rev. J. Hale, a minister of the Church of England, laboring in Point Edward, was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Jordan, Bradley and Fadie, ministers, and Messrs. Hunter and McDiarmid, elders, who reported favorably. Mr. McKee reported for the committee on Sabbath Schools. The thanks of the Pres-

bytery were conveyed to the committee, an especially the convener, for their diligence in the matter, and the convener was instructed to forward the report to the Synod's convener on that question. There was read an extract minute from the Presbytery of Chatham requesting this Presbytery to resume the occupancy of the mission field organized in Dawn by this Presbytery two years ago, but disallowed by the Chatham Presbytery. The clerk was instructed to inform the Presbytery of Chatham that Mr. Bird, of Bridgen, is ready and capable of supplying the field till the meeting of the Synod in Woodstock, at which meeting this Presbytery invites a conference between the two Presbyteries in the matter. The Rev. Prof. Gordon, of Halifax, was nominated as Moderator of the next General Assembly. Mr. Nichol, on behalf of the committee on Temperance, gave in an excellent report, which was discussed and adopted, and the Presbytery tendered its thanks to Mr. Nichol instructing him to forward the report to convener of the Synod's committee on that question. Dr. Thompson on behalf of the committee appointed to draft the minute in reference to the deceased brethren, presented a minute which was adopted and ordered to be entered on the records of the Presbytery. Mr. Nichol was appointed to preach and declare the congregation of Corunna and Mooretown vacant and act as interim moderator of session. Mr. Currie was appointed to preach and declare the congregation of Adelaide and Arkona vacant and act as moderator of session. The Presbytery appointed Messrs. Nichol, McPherson and Cuthbertson, ministers, and Mr. Towers, elder, to visit the whole field, consisting of Burnis church, Knox church, Corunna and Mooretown, Courtright, Sombra and Dathel with a view of re-organizing these into workable congregations and report in April during the meeting of the Synod. It was further agreed to ask for \$100 supplement for Corunna and Mooretown. Mr. Currie, convener of the Home Mission Committee, gave in the half yearly report from the 1st of Oct., 1894, to the 31st of March, indicating the work done, claims for said work from Home Mission and Augmentation Funds amounting to \$78, for mission stations, and \$358 for augmented congregations. In terms of the recommendations of deputations from the various fields, it was agreed to ask \$150 for Albert St. congregation, Sarnia; \$100 for Point Edward; \$100 for Corunna and Mooretown, \$100 for Napier and Brooke. Inwood and Stations \$2.00 per Sabbath, Marthaville, \$1.00 per Sabbath, Mr. Daly was appointed interim moderator of Marthaville. The report was adopted and application ordered to be made for students' and other supplies during the summer months and the moderator instructed to sign the necessary schedules as directed by the General Assembly. It was agreed to ask from the committee of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund one year's grant to the widow of the late Alex. Urquhart who had been sick and infirm during the period previous to his death and the clerk was instructed to explain the case. Tuesday, 1.30 p.m. The Presbytery appointed the following delegates to the General Assembly.—Rev. Messrs. Hector Currie, John McKee Ph. D., W. G. Jordan and, by ballot, Dr. Thompson and Mr. Graham. The following elders were appointed: Thos. Towers, Thos. Hunter, I. A. McDiarmid, John Hunter and Thos. Banks. The remit in reference to ministers and licentiates giving a year's labor in the mission field previous to settlement was disapproved of. In the remit regarding the Hymnal the Presbytery agreed to approve of the action of the Hymnal Committee as passed by the General Assembly. Mr. Fadie, on behalf of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, gave in an interesting and exhaustive report. After discussion the report was received and recommendations adopted, and the convener instructed to forward the same to the Synod's convener on that question. The next regular meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held in St. Andrew's church, Sarnia, on the first Tuesday in June at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. The meeting closed with the benediction.—Geo. CURRIERSON, Clerk.