

The main feature of "Church Life and Work" this month was the meeting of the Synod of British Columbia, duly reported in the daily press. What may, without disrespect, be called the routine business of the Synod, was supplemented by a number of stirring addresses, the speakers including, in addition to local men, Rev. D. C. MacGregor, of the Social Service Board, and Rev. Mr. Macleod, of Formosa, whose address one pressman of insight characterised as a "heart cry." Rev. Dr. Ferguson, formerly of Nelson, and now a district superintendent, also took part in the Synod meetings. Miss Gordon, of the Social Service Home, gave an impressive address.

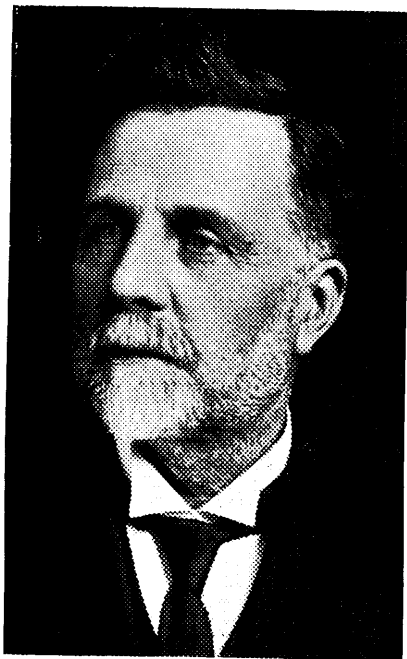


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REV. W. L. MACRAE, OF GOLDEN
Unanimously elected Moderator of the 1914 Synod of
British Columbia

Perhaps no address bearing on the conditions at home was more calculated to impress western workers than that given by Rev. D. C. MacGregor. His report of the statement of a worker, who was formerly secretary for a licensed association, that the "problem is WITHIN the Church," carried conviction. "As soon as the people within the churches say this or that evil must cease, so soon will changes take place."

It is too true that members of the churches generally, and sometimes even ministerial representatives, are not awake to the power they might wield, through the press and otherwise, if they let their voices be heard clearly and collectively.