

## W. F. M. S.

The seventh annual meeting of the St. John Presbyterial W. F. M. Society was held in St. John's Church, Moncton, on the 2nd and 3rd days of July. The weather was charming, and the new Church, with its profusion of pretty bouquets and potted plants, was a very pleasant place in which to assemble. The hospitality of the Moncton ladies was most kind, and the bountiful luncheon and tea provided for all delegates and visitors in the basement of the Church was a substantial proof of the cordial welcome given in the opening session, and the standing vote of thanks by the members in the closing session was a true expression of gratitude for all kindness received. The President, Mrs. McFarlane, of Fredericton, occupied the chair at all three business sessions, and her admirable address was listened to with the closest attention. The four papers read during the day contained much valuable information, and were too good to be enjoyed only by the fifteen auxiliaries and bands represented by the thirty-five delegates present, therefore it was thought best to have them published in one or two of our Church papers, that all the members might be privileged to read them. These papers were written by Miss Barker of Escuminac, Mrs. Corbett of Kirkland, Mrs. Menzie of Springfield, and Mrs. Bruce of St. John. The reports of Secretary, Treasurer and Secretary of Y. P. work showed that progress had been made during

the year in the gaining of new auxiliaries and an increase in funds. Mrs. Clark of Chipman, formerly Miss Semple, one of our Trinidad teachers, was present, and kindly answered questions relating to the work in Trinidad. Mrs. Atkinson, of the W. C. T. U. was also present and addressed the meeting. The question drawer which was opened on Friday provoked a very pleasant discussion, principally on Mission Band work, which no doubt will prove very helpful in the future. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Mrs. J. M. Robinson of Moncton, President; Miss Upton of St. John, Mrs. Bailey, Carleton, Mrs. Corbett, Kirkland, Mrs. Howie, Fredericton, Mrs. Dr. King, Buc-touche, Mrs. Donald Fraser, Hampton, Vice-Presidents; Miss Grace B. Stevens, St. Stephen, Secretary; Miss Wark, Fredericton, Treasurer; Mrs. R. D. Ross, St. Stephen, Secretary of Y. P. Work.

The public evening meeting was well attended, and was presided over by Rev. Dr. Whittier. An interesting address bearing on the work among the Indians of the North West was given by Rev. Mr. Hogg of Manitoba, a former pastor of St. John's Church, Moncton, after which Mrs. E. A. Smith, of St. John, gave her interesting and instructive address on suffering Armenia. Those who had looked forward to hearing Mrs. Smith's address with eagerness and pleasure were not disappointed, and all present must have gone away with a feeling of sadness after the heart-rending accounts to which they had listened, and also with a feeling of gladness that they had been privileged to listen to such an admirable description and discourse.

The solos with which Miss Willis, of Moncton, and Mrs. D. McLean, of St. John, favoured the audience,