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wonderful psalms and hymns to sustain and comfort them in the days that lie ahead.

As a Society we need to re-emphasize our aims and what we believe, in view of the loose opinions held by so many today and being taught from platform and pulpit. We stand for the Deity of Christ, His atoning sacrifice and shed blood, the personality of the Holy Spirit, the integrity and authority of the Scriptures. No other message can prevail either in the Home or Foreign fields. We are fortunate in having in these fields men and women who stand firm in this respect.

It has been hinted in some quarters that we interfere with the Budget of the Church. This is wrong, for we have every reason to believe that we share together the advantages of the work which each is accomplishing.

Our Deaconesses have done splendid work wherever they have been placed, and we are pleased to know that Rev. Mr. Morgan to whom we gave a deaconess salary is doing good work at Strathcona.

I would like to speak a word of appreciation regarding the work of our Field Secretary, Miss McGregor. Wherever she went she stirred up an interest and kept the work of our Society before the people and all were delighted with her. She has been sowing seed, and reaping time will come later.

Those who organized the W. M. S. saw with clearness the future and place in the Kingdom of God for the women and children in heathen lands, and seeing, they worked and prayed to make their belief a reality. I wonder if along with our prayers we are putting a strong effort in sacrifices and gifts.

You will have the reports from the various secretaries and we rejoice that so much has been accomplished. The work among our young people who are to be the coming generation is encouraging. They need our prayers, as the world of men such an attraction to them today, that they need strength to resist. At this writing I am sure how we stand financially, but I fear there is a deficit. You may not all agree with me but I am quite sure it need not have been so. All our Auxiliaries had watched their funds from the very beginning of the year, this would not have happened. To be sure there were some who could not give much, but there are many who could have given for those who could not.

I think I am safe in saying that we have passed through the most trying years of our experience as a Society but not withstanding this we have kept faith with our work and fields in a wonderful way; and to God we give the glory. We all need a spiritual awakening, and when that comes about, there will be no lack of funds for the Missionary cause.

I was delighted to have been able to be present at two of our Presbyteries, namely Inverness and Prince Edward Island. I was sorry not to be able to attend others, but they met on or about the same date it was impossible. Coming from the noise of even a city like Sydney it was delightful to enjoy the quiet of the countryside. Sitting under the trees and having our meals served there (and as the minister in Belfast called it, "God's Temple") was carried back to earlier days and memories were stirred not soon to be forgotten.

Then the audiences were splendid, and as I looked into the earnest faces I was thrilled and inspired. We were pleased to have Mrs. Robert Johnston of Ottawa represent us and bring greetings from the Society to the International Union of Women's Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Re-

formed Churches, which met in Belfast, Ireland. We had hoped that Mrs. McCready, of this city, would have represented us, but eventually she found it impossible. It is to be regretted that more of our women do not take the Message, which is so ably edited by Mrs. McNab, and keeps before us the work of our Society. In the home and foreign fields, surely there are women enough in all our churches, who could spare 35c. a year so that we might not have to come before you with a shortage in this fund.

I am sure you will be disappointed to know that Dr. McCune of Pyeng Yang College, who was in America and intended being with us is unable to come as he has to return to Korea early in October, but we are fortunate in having Dr. Blair, who has been associated with the College since its beginning, and we are delighted to have him. We are pleased to have with us Rev. Dr. Norman MacLeod in the absence, on account of illness, of our Moderator, Dr. Grant.

We are sorry to hear that Rev. W. G. Brown, who did such wonderful work as Moderator has been forced to give up work for a time. Let us pray that if it is God's will, he may be restored to health again.

And now a word in closing. I may not have come up to all your expectations but I can say I tried to do my Master's will, remembering His own words, "I come not to do mine own will but the will of Him who sent me." Of course our service at best is imperfect, but trusting in His strength we can not fail.

I shall miss the work, as I have formed many precious friendships and to you all I say, "Thank you," as I step aside and some one else takes my place. I trust that whoever may be your choice she will have the hearty support of all the women of our Society, for without it one cannot accomplish much. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them that are sanctified.

Field Secretary's Report

The report of the Field Secretary was presented by Miss Jean MacGregor. Since the appointment made a year ago, she had attended 150 meetings, and had made contacts with 210 organizations. During winter months it was necessary to postpone the visits, due to the condition of roads. Work had been carried on in the following districts: Miramichi, Cape Breton, Pictou County, Halifax, Truro, Wallace, St. John and Prince Edward Island.

Second Session

The second session of the annual meeting of the W. M. S. opened at 2 p.m. The President, Mrs. McK. MacLeod, presided over the devotional exercises, in which hymn 254 was sung and prayer by Mrs. Clark Elliott of Sussex, N. B. The minutes of morning session were read by Mrs. A. A. Mutch, Charlottetown, who was appointed Recording Secretary, pro tem, in the absence through illness of Mrs. W. R. Grant of New Glasgow, N. S.

The Historical Report by Mrs. (Rev.) Frank Baird of Pictou was a source of very great pleasure and interest.

The Field Secretary, Miss Jean MacGregor, New Glasgow, N. S., gave a very clear and concise report of her work during the year. The Treasurer, Miss Jean MacGregor, New Glasgow, N. S., gave a splendid report, which was encouraging and expressed thought that the past year was difficult, yet W. M. S. had no reason to be discouraged. An interesting discussion followed this report.

The President's address was most inspiring, full of cheer and courage.

Greetings from the Loyal Orange Lodge were conveyed to the W. M. S. annual by Mrs. Fred Shaw, Worthy Mistress, and responded to by Mrs. Glassey, Windsor, N. S.

Report of young people's work read by Miss Duncan, Campbellton, N. B. As all reports were not in her report could not be completed.

Report of Mission Bands by Mrs. R. B. Christie, North Sydney, N. S. Throughout the report there was a note of advice to W. M. S. Presidents to help the leaders of the Mission Bands. The Secretary stated that "any leader working with an eye single to God's glory will receive a vision of truth and beauty to transmit to her Band." She urged

Trinity United Church
THURSDAY

330—Ladies' Aid — Opening meeting — Ladies' Parlor.
8.00—Executive, Young People's Department — at residence Mrs. E. H. Ramsay, Upper Prince Street, 1420.

About 600 A. D. Pope Gregory sent out Augustine with other missionaries to Britain. Whatever Britain and the Empire was in the world, they owed to Augustine. At the time when those missionaries had been sent out, Rome had been in a state of deep poverty and distress.

About 100 years ago Great Britain was reaping the poverty resulting from the Napoleonic War. In Canada at the present time property value was 36 billion dollars and debt amounted to only one-eighth of that amount. One hundred years ago the indebtedness of Britain was 81% of the property value, but at the same time the Old Country churches were supporting churches in Canada.

The second objection was that "we have home missions to support."

In the early days at Jerusalem, not one per cent of the people were Christians. Yet the church here sent out its missionaries.

In the days of Gregory the Great, similar conditions obtained in Rome, and one hundred years ago conditions were unfavourable in Britain, yet the people maintained their mission work.

"Why bother with the heathen? Leave them alone," was the third objection. In the early days, the Jews considered themselves God's chosen people, but Peter said that "God is no respecter of persons." Paul said that there was neither Jew nor Greek, Paul and Barnabas formed churches in Corinth, Rome, Ephesus and elsewhere, to which Paul wrote letters, which comprise one-third of the Bible, the outcome of the missionary enterprise.

Gregory was charged with bothering about wild people, but he carried out the missionary enterprise. In this country there was contempt for Chinese, for East Indians, for Australian aborigines, for natives of Africa. Chinese coolies had done their part in the Great War, East Indian troops had also helped, India sent to the war more than a million soldiers. What type of character had the person who had contempt for those people, the speaker asked. In closing he pointed out that a person who actually believed in home missions must also believe in foreign missions.

Evening Session

At the public session in the evening, the devotional was led by Rev. Dr. R. M. Legate, Rev. Allister Murray, Caledonia, Moderator of the Prince Edward Island Presbytery, extended greetings to the delegates of the W.M.S., Eastern Division, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Reference was made to the representation of Cape Breton, which was actually a province, the speaker said.

He paid tribute to the remarkable work of the Women's Missionary Societies, who had the same zeal, spirit and zeal, as was being manifested by the women from coast to coast. In closing he reiterated words of welcome to the visiting delegates.

Mrs. Jessie MacLeod, Sidney, N. S., President of the W. M. S., Eastern Division, thanked Rev. Mr. Murray for his words of welcome. Rev. Mr. Murray had preached in the church in which her father had preached, Mrs. MacLeod stated.

Mrs. MacLeod stated that the members of the W. M. S. were not depressed, but were going forward in the Lord's work. There were many who did not take the missionary work seriously, and some had fallen asleep. There were all kinds of excuses, mostly selfish ones.

People were taking the material part of their work too seriously, and the spiritual part not seriously enough.

Mrs. MacLeod reviewed the financial attainments of the year, and expressed the hope that next year God would enable the society to do more than ever before.

Rev. Dr. Norman MacLeod, Brockville, Ont., Deputy Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, was introduced by Rev. Dr. Legate, who stated that Dr. MacLeod represented the moderator, that he was a Maritimer, and that his name carried with it hallowed associations.

Dr. MacLeod stated that the Assembly had asked him to act as Deputy Moderator. Rev. Dr. Grant had asked him to express appreciation of the efforts and work of the W. M. S., Eastern Division. As a member of the General Board of Missions he had heard the treasurer report that conditions were much better than they had been four months ago.

Foreign Missions

The subject on which he would speak was an old fashioned one, "Foreign Mission." He would confine his words to three very ancient and very modern objections to foreign missions.

"The first objection was a very common one: 'That we are too poor to give.' It was peculiar how impoverished people got when missions were spoken of. Women never thought of poverty in relation to their social life, and men in relation to things political, fraternal organizations, and certain pleasures. Those things might be all right in themselves, but should not come before the work of Christ.

In the early church at Jerusalem a diaconate had been established to look after the poor. Early Christians gave all they had to the church. That church in its deep poverty sent out the missionaries who lit the torch of Christianity in Europe and Asia Minor. The people of today owed their Christianity to the early Church at Jerusalem.

Trinity United Church

Presbyterian Women's Missionary Societies, were hearing reports at Belfast, Ireland, was in itself an interesting coincidence.

Mrs. Stewart gave information regarding the suggestion of the General Assembly, namely, that the Old Gordon House at Alberton, P. E. I., be used for all archives of the Presbyterian Church, and reported on the three tablets in the old Covehead Church, which is the oldest Presbyterian Church on the Island. These tablets are in memory of Rev. Peter Gordon, Rev. Robert Douglas, and Rev. James Allen. Mrs. Stewart closed her interesting report with incidents relating to the history of the church at Belfast.

This report was published in P. E. Island papers but it might well have had a wider circulation.

Our Historical Committee has no fund at its disposal but we rejoice that, of late, there is an awakening to a sense of the necessity of gathering up Presbyterian Historical data to be preserved and passed on to posterity.

From Inverness Presbytery, I received an account of the One Hundredth anniversary of Farquharson Memorial Presbyterian Church at Middle River, on July 27th. Charles Foote, only son of the late Dr. Foote, formerly a missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, was the student-in-charge of the above congregation.

Douglas Young, a son of Rev. Luther Young, our Missionary Working among the Koreans in Japan, had charge of a church near Sydney, during the summer. It is encouraging that we can report that sons of two missionaries were ministering to our people in Cape Breton Island during their vacations.

Historic Steps in Belfast at Council

During the Conference of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System in Belfast, Ireland, in June, two steps of historic significance to our W. M. S. were taken.

First, — Presbyterian womanhood bearing a petition for a larger share of direct service in the Alliance was favourably received by a crowded unanimous assembly; and, secondly, Presbyterian Youth was welcomed officially for the first time in the history of the Councils.

The Historical Exhibition in connection with the Belfast Conference was representative of many parts of the world, and was really very interesting. Sacred books from France, Germany, Holland and England were on the literature table. A Franco-Irish Psalter printed in Dublin in 1726 was of special interest.

Copies of the Presbyterian Message were sent by your Secretary for this table.

Wanted

By the Historical Committee of the W. M. S. (E. D.)

A copy of the paper read by Mrs. MacKenzie at the Wallace Presbyterian in 1923, at which time this Presbytery was reviewing its thirty years of service.

The following Historical gifts have been contributed:

From the Misses MacCulloch, Truro, 1. Portrait of Mrs. John Geddie, of the New Hebrides Mission, photographed at Melbourne, Australia, when she was ninety years old with the request that it be placed with that of her husband near the Geddie clock in the vestry of First Presbyterian Church at Pictou, N. S.

2. A copy of a Lecture on the New Hebrides Mission by Rev. Dr. Robert Steel, of Sydney, Australia, published at Sydney in 1884.

3. A copy of the Journal of Rev. John Geddie, March 1847, containing extracts from private letters of Mr. and Mrs. Geddie published for the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia.

4. A statement from Rev. A. J. MacDonald, of Lachine, P.Q., of the contents of the medicine chest furnished by the Halifax druggists for the Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, which was valued at \$33.10.

5. And a drawing of the chest which was 3 ft. 8 1/2 inches long, 2 ft. 2 1/2 inches broad, and 1 ft. deep, on the top of which was printed

Missionary Medicine Chest

John Geddie 1846

From The Minute Book of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Presbytery of St. John from 1887 to 1902.

I noticed, from a study of this large and well-kept Minute Book that a minister was usually if not always present at the women's meetings.

It may be of interest to some to know that at an exhibition arranged by the women of First Presbyterian Church, the call to Dr. MacCulloch, dated May 1st, 1804 was displayed and attracted attention.

Mrs. Priest, Knox Church, Halifax, has picture of the Dayspring, which she would like to contribute, I am told.

Respectfully submitted, (Mrs. Frank) Sara H. Baird, Con. Historical Committee, Pictou, N. S.

I move the adoption of this report.

INTERNATIONAL REPORT

W. M. S. (E. D.) for the year 1932-1933

A study of the Missionary work of Presbyterian women throughout the world reveals the fact that our Presbyterian women and young women engaged in this work put their trust in God and His promises, and are, as it were, a link in the great chain of missionary workers encircling the world.

Our society is indebted to other societies in many lands for magazines, reports and letters regarding their work. These have produced in us a feeling of sympathy and friendship toward them, and given us information regarding their energy for and devotion to missionary work.

Important Historical Event

Internationally, the outstanding missionary meeting of the year was at Belfast in June.

The attendance, though large was not as large as had been hoped, owing to the existing economic conditions, but, the missionary zeal of those who were fortunate enough to be present made up, to a degree, for the loss in numbers; and the proverbial hospitality of the Belfast Presbyterians made all who attended the Conference feel at home.

The tenth quadrennial conference of the International Union of Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches was held in Rosemary Street Presbyterian Church, Belfast, Ireland, in June, during the week that the Presbyterian Alliance was also being held. Provision was made for representation by our Women's Missionary Society, (E.D.), by our asking Mrs. Johnson, Ottawa, to convey our greetings.

Mrs. Forgan, the President of this Union, was unable, because of an accident, to take the chair, so the vice-president, Mrs. Paul, wife of Principal Paul of Belfast, presided during this historic meeting.

While addressing the conference, Mrs. Paul said "In view of the immense services to the church performed by the women, they felt that they should now be recognized as the Women's Section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches 'holding the Presbyterian System.'" This was received enthusiastically.

It was arranged to have Rev. Professor Curtis, the chairman of the Alliance business committee, introduce a deputation from the Women's Union to the Alliance to consider the "Place and Work of Women in the Alliance." This deputation was led by Mrs. Paul. The other members present were Miss Matthews and Mrs. D. Hamilton, English Presbyterian Church; Miss Wark, South African Presbyterian Church; Mrs. McKay, Southern Presbyterian Church of America; Mrs. Laird, United Church of Canada; and Miss MacPaul of the New Zealand Presbyterian Church.

The terms of the Memorial requesting the official recognition of the Women's Union were read for them by Professor Curtis.

Mrs. Paul was then permitted to address the Alliance Council, and, in so doing, touched upon the history of the Women's Union, and showed how women were experts in many departments of Christian work, and how their advice and help would be of great benefit to the council.

Following Mrs. Paul's address, Professor Curtis referred to the part that women had played and are still playing in all the great activities of the Presbyterian Church in all sections of the world, and then submitted a resolution: "The Council greatly appreciates the memorial from the Committee of the International Women's Union, so far as concerns its request for official recognition; it, accordingly gives a general approval to the proposed constitution and by-laws, and refers them to the Eastern and Western Sections for consideration, and, if they shall deem it advisable, for such preparatory action as may be constitutionally possible, in view of the next Quadrennial meeting of the General Council.

"The form of the resolution," Dr. Curtis said, "was such, as to enable the Women's Union to have their recommendations ready, and these might be dealt with very early at the next Quadrennial Council, so that the women, provisionally elected in accordance with the plan, might be admitted forthwith."

The resolution was favorable to the request of the Women's Union, but, owing to the terms of the constitution of the Alliance, it would be necessary to submit the matter to the Eastern and Western Sections for their consideration and approval before final action could be taken.

So, it is probable, that when the request is taken up to be disposed of early at the meeting in 1937, in Canada in the city of Montreal, the finding will be that The International Union of Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches is now recognized as The Women's Section of the Alliance.

The above resolution was second-

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ed by Dr. G. W. Richards, the President of the Alliance, and passed unanimously, after which the chairman congratulated the women on the admirable skill with which they had drafted the petition and presented their case, and closed his remarks by saying "The Apostle Paul wrote, 'Help these women.' He felt sure that if the Apostle were to write again in this twentieth century, he would say, 'Women, help these men.'"

Probably all who were present realized as never before the greatness and the importance of our beloved Presbyterian Church.

It is with pleasure that I report to you a review of my correspondence during the year. I learned that the Women's Missionary Society, (Western Division), of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, has six Provincial Societies, forty-one Presbyteries, and 738 Auxiliaries, besides Young Peoples' Societies and Mission Bands; that their Foreign Missionary work is carried on in Japan, among the Koreans, in the Bhilaud Jhansi Fields of India, in Formosa, Manchuria and British Guiana; and that at home their energies are used in hospitals, school residences, improved day schools, in deaconess work, and in work among the Chinese in Canada.

The children of the West were not forgotten. The June number of "Glad Tidings" was a special Mission Band number. The opening article was headed "Canada's Greatest Resources are Her Children." This was written as though the writer were speaking to the Bands in which were children whose parents are English, Scotch, Irish, Jewish, Chinese, Italian, Hungarian, Ukrainian, Indian, French, etc., but they are all really Canadian now, because they live in Canada.

As many of you are aware, a Student Department has lately been instituted, the object of which is to seek personal contact with students and nurses coming as strangers to schools and colleges, that they may be linked up with their local churches.

The Women's National and Foreign Missionary organizations of the United States of America have supplied your Secretary with copies of their pamphlets, leaflets, and reports on their work, a study of which is a convincing proof of the enormity of their work.

Facing the present world conditions they have realized that if they expect to continue to carry on efficient and profitable Missionary work their spiritual lives must be deepened, and their local missionary societies must be bound more closely together.

That the above results may be attained, groups for study, meditation and prayer are being organized.

South African Missions

Reports from the Presbyterian workers in South Africa were both encouraging and interesting.

The annual report of the United Church of Canada, and their monthly Magazines, including the children's paper "World Friends" tell of their various activities throughout the year.

May God grant that women of influence, talents and devotion may always be found to carry on their missionary work in every country of the world for God's glory, and their own good.

Respectfully submitted, (Mrs. Frank) Sara H. Baird, Con. International Com. W. M. S. (E. D.) Pictou, N. S.

Literature Committee

Following is the report of the Literature Committee, as presented

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LEGION NOTICE Annual Meeting and Memorial Service

The annual general meeting of the Canadian Legion E. E. S. L., for the election of officers and transaction of business will take place at the Legion Home at 8 P. M. Thursday, September 28th, 1933.

Memorial Service will be held at the Cemeteries Sunday afternoon, October 1st. Parade leaves Home at 2 P. M.

MARRIAGES

MURRE-MCLEOD—At Montague September 19, 1933, Cameron Murre of Montague to Annie McLeod of Victoria Cross. Minister Rev. G. C. Pringle.

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