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The following is a synopsis of a report read at the last meeting of the W. M. S. by Mrs. W. R. Proctor, who was a delegate at the Barrie Convention:

The fourth annual meeting of the Toronto Conference Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society opened in Collier St. Church, Barrie, on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 5th, at 2.30 p. m. The President, Mrs. Willmott, of Toronto, occupied the chair.

The convention opened with devotional exercises conducted by the vice-presidents. The report of Mrs. Briggs, Cor. Sec'y, was received, showing an increase of seventy-five new members this year. She also gave interesting information regarding the general work. Next came the report of the treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Ogden. The receipts of the year show an increase of \$458 over last year. The Thank-offering totalled \$900, or an advance of \$100 on last year. The finances of the society are in a flourishing condition.

Mrs. Sisson of Barrie, delivered the address of welcome. She expressed the pleasure of the Barrie Auxiliary, the congregation, and other friends, in having the annual gathering in Barrie this year. She hoped that their visit would be of mutual benefit to delegates and their Barrie friends.

Mrs. Cheyne of Brampton, replied to the address of Mrs. Sissons. Mrs. (Dr.) Willmott, president, then gave her address. She spoke first of Foreign Missions, and second of Home Missions. She gave a synopsis of the work in the orphanages, hospitals, night and day schools in connection with the Woman's Society in Japan, saying that over 1500 patients had been treated in this hospital. She urged increased interest in Home Missions, and gave the following qualities as helpful to the individual society:—(1st) Prayer preparation; (2nd) personal perseverance; (3rd) profitable programmes; (4th) persevering prayer.

Mrs. Gallie, in a practical paper, extended the greetings of the Presbyterian Auxiliary to Missions; Mrs. Sneldon also extended the greetings of the Baptist Church Missionary Society. A letter was also received from the Anglican Auxiliary. All expressed the desire that all missionary societies be co-workers in the extension of God's Kingdom. Mrs. McKay of Alliston, replied appropriately to the addresses from sister societies. A consecration service, led by Mrs. D. G. Sutherland, followed by sacramental service, closed the afternoon session.

At the close of the afternoon session a tea was served in the school room to the delegates. The tea was the occasion of the forming of acquaintances among the many delegates, and a real sociable and enjoyable time was spent.

The Rev. M. L. Pearson presided at the meeting on Tuesday evening. The first address was given by Mrs. Morrow, who has just returned from British Columbia, where she had charge of the Chinese Mission Home, under the direction of the W. M. S. She described her first Sunday in Chinatown, and by means of individual cases showed the difficulties met with and overcome in connection with missions among the Chinese. Mrs. Briggs read a report of the supply committee. She cited several instances where supplies sent by the society had relieved great distress. Sixty-seven places in all had received supplies, and \$4,500 worth of goods distributed. Mr. H. W. Frost, of the China Inland Mission, gave a very interesting address on the work of that country, and the marvellous changes that have taken place.

Mrs. Chapman of Bond Head, spoke on Temperance and Missions. She urged the importance of unity with W. C. T. U. workers. The temperance question was one of most vital importance to our country and homes. The report of organizers was encouraging; seventy-seven Auxiliaries in the Central Branch. Many of the Auxiliaries report the past year one of the best spiritually and financially. The superintendent of Systematic and Profitable Giving also reported awakened interest in this system of giving, and the development of spiritual power and increase in funds largely due to this system; every Auxiliary urged to adopt the tithing system.

On Wednesday evening a Mission Band Service was held, taken part in by the Binders' Band of Barrie. Some very good selections were given at this entertainment. The Mission Band cor. Sec'y report was also given by Mrs. John Hales of Toronto. Mrs. Locke conducted a model Auxiliary meeting; several excellent points were brought out. It was also demonstrated that one hour and a half was the correct time to allow for the Auxiliary meeting. Miss Brown of the "Soe," accepted candidate for missionary work to China, gave a beautiful Bible Reading on Thursday morning. She took the lesson from the first chapter of Joshua: the extent of the promised land; Faith and God's command. From the question drawer and memorials arose some interesting and profitable discussions.

At the evening sessions of the convention the choir of the church rendered some delightful numbers, and the male quartette was especially good. The business of the convention was not concluded until late on Thursday afternoon, when many of the delegates had to hurry to be in time for the evening train leaving at 5.40.

itable discussions.

The residents of Barrie are proud of their town, delightful for situation, overlooking the beautiful Kempenfelt Bay, and many who had carriages took the opportunity of driving delegates or friends around that they might enjoy seeing some of the beautiful views with which the town and country are surrounded. The delegates will long remember with pleasure their trip to the town of Barrie.

Mr. Peter Brown of France who has been spending some time at Mr. Wylie's left last week.

Mrs. C. Chapman returned last week from a visit with Toronto relatives.

Another of our young men has joined the army of benedictines. Mr. Tom Keffer and Miss M. Shunk were married Tuesday last at Parkdale. Congratulations.

Dame Rumor says there will be a wedding this week.

Mrs. T. Rupert returned Thursday from a two weeks' visit with friends in Bruce county.

Mrs. Vanderburg of Toronto is spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lipp of Wheatly, Essex Co. are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mr. Campbell of Toronto spent Sunday at Mr. Henry Keffer's.

Messrs. Keefer and Travers wheeled up from Toronto Friday and called on friends here.

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**MARRIED.**  
Rev. A. R. Sanderson, junior pastor of this circuit, was married on Thursday last to Miss Cora Watson of Brampton. The following sketch of the interesting event was given in the Globe of Saturday:—

"Elmgrove Farm," the house of Mrs. A. Watson, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Thursday afternoon, when her only daughter, Miss Cora E. Watson, was married to the Rev. A. R. Sanderson of Richmond Hill. At 3 o'clock Miss M. M. Sanderson, sister of the groom, began to play Mendelssohn's Wedding March, and the bridal party entered the room, which was daintily decorated for the occasion. The bride wore a gown of albatross cloth, trimmed with pearls and cream lace, with a beautiful star stick pin of pearls, the gift of the bridegroom. She carried a shower bouquet of roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Lillian Watson of Brampton, cousin of the bride, who looked charming in a white organdie gown, trimmed with white moire ribbon. She also carried a shower bouquet of roses and an exquisite ostrich fan, the gift of the bridegroom. The groomsmen were the brother of the bridegroom, the Rev. J. R. Sanderson of Streetsville. The ceremony was performed by the bridegroom's father, the Rev. J. E. Sanderson, M. A., of Brampton, assisted by the Rev. J. E. Lancelley and the Rev. Mr. Hall, also of Brampton. After a sumptuous dejeuner and amid the congratulations and good wishes of their friends Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson started by the eastern train.

**IN HIS 84TH YEAR.**

Mr. Isaac Proctor, father of Mrs. W. A. Sanderson, died at his daughter's residence here on Sunday morning. Deceased had been sinking for the past few months, previous to which time he had been particularly strong and active considering his years. He was born near Newmarket in 1813, where he resided the greater part of his life until three years ago he and his wife, who now survives him, came to live with their daughter and son-in-law here. The funeral took place on Tuesday to the Newmarket cemetery. Previous to starting service was held at the house by Rev. Mr. McCulloch who accompanied the mourners and afterwards assisted in a memorial service in the Christian church, Newmarket.

**AN URGENT APPEAL.**

The Ladies of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, of the Methodist Church met on Monday afternoon to arrange for the packing and shipping of their box of clothing. The great need of the sufferers in the fire districts in the eastern part of our province, was introduced, and it was decided to hold the supplies on hand, and make an appeal to all in our village and surrounding country, for further supplies of clothing and bedding, for those in such urgent need. When it is understood that over 2000 people are left homeless, and without either clothing or food, we feel assured that all our people will gladly send such timely aid as they can. "They who help quickly help twice." "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him." Supplies may be sent to the school room of the Methodist church on Tuesday afternoon next when a committee of ladies will receive them.

**WOODBRIDGE FAIR.**

Woodbridge Fair was held on Tuesday and Wednesday. Yesterday, the last day, the attendance was very large, and the fair was a decided success as usual. A large number attended the banquet in the evening. The prize list will appear in the next issue of THE LIBERAL. The following are the prize-winners in the speeding contests:—

**FIRST DAY.**

Three year old trot—1, Rudd's Marion R.; 2, Kaiser's Maggie Usher; 3, Darling's Tommy D. Best time 2:55.  
Three minute trot—1, Palmer's Kitty R.; 2, Benson's Little Fred; 3, Darling's Billy Humber. Best time 2:36.  
Gentleman's driving horse (12 entries)—1, J. Oliver, Derry West; 2, G. Mathewson, Maple; 3, W. Smith, Woodbridge.

**SECOND DAY.**

Farmers' trot—1, Stein's Hustling Net; 2, McFadden's Helena; 3, Rogers' Lady Jefferson. Best time 2:54.  
2:30 trot—1, Proctor's Lulu B.; 2, Palmer's Kitty R.; 3, Benson's Little Fred. Best time 2:35.  
Open trot—1, Jackson's Dick French; 2, Westcott's Gloriana; 3, O'Halleron's Walter C. Best time 2:30.  
The judges were D. Blea, Humber Bay; W. J. Bell, Beeton; J. Harris, Woodbridge.

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