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Presbyterian Church in Canada"**

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"Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Department"

Excerpt: (p.71) [note bold type is in original here] "**Toronto. Miss Mary Murray**, hospital visitor, visits 7 large hospitals in addition to her work among the poor. Gifts of candies and fruit, given in the name of the Presbyterian Church, are much appreciated and Miss Murray's sympathetic interest and counsel eagerly asked for. Miss Kathleen Anderson, "Scott Institute," has also assisted with the relief work of the unemployed, large numbers of whom are given free meal daily." [Report submitted by (Mrs. C. W.) Mabel McMullen]

or needy one, the Welcome and Welfare Department is grateful and we pray that to those who have given their best, "the best may come back."

From Miss Munro's report we quote: Twenty young Scotsmen came out in a party to be employed by the Hudson's Bay Company. Two young men replied to the letter of welcome, which had been sent to them, one in Northern Ontario, the other far above Fort McMurray. Each were many miles from any Protestant Church, were fond of reading but had no facilities for securing any reading matter. A local Auxiliary is sending magazines to them at regular intervals and letters have been received from them expressing their thanks, one young man intimating a willingness to help in any way the work of our department. How little it means to us to send out that welcome, but how much in the life of these newcomers.

EXTRACTS FROM PROVINCIAL REPORTS

Alberta, Mrs. T. L. Walker, "Names received, 429; visits made 1,055; letters sent 305. Some replies to letters were received and some Christmas cards and letters of thanks."

British Columbia, Mrs. W. H. MacInnes, "Names received 579; visits made 550; letters sent 58. Much good work has been done and real service of comfort and cheer rendered to homesick and needy ones."

Manitoba, Mrs. E. H. Lockhart, "Names received 124; visits made in homes and hospitals 2,501; letters sent 75. We feel that the need of this Department is the entering into the work in a loving, helpful way, realizing the usefulness of the Department to our Church."

Ontario Mrs. J. H. Eaton, "Names received 3,936; visits made 12,077; letters sent 1,210. In the matter of reports some Presbyterials had 100%.

There is marked improvement in the reporting of renovations. Many instances of practical sympathy, flowers for the sick, comforts for the needy, old country girls' club with an average attendance of 37, contributed \$50 to the Auxiliary of the W.M.S. An entertainment treat to the Presby-terian boys of Fairknowe Home is a contribution of Mrs. MacOdrum, of Brockville."

Quebec, Miss C. Davidson, "Names received 469; visits made 435; letters sent 36. The new office at the port has been used for weddings as well as a place of rest for the sick and weary."

Saskatchewan, Mrs. D. M. Craig, "Names received 250; visits made 1,570; letters sent 168. One Secretary sent a Christmas card to each of the newcomers, and although only one was acknowledged, the kindly remembrance cannot but be appreciated."

Hospital visiting, flowers and comforts for the sick, Christmas cheer and assistance to the needy are generously given. In one city church, a pew is reserved for nurses in a local hospital.

Have you ever pictured yourself staying in a strange land as far away as Hungary, Poland, Norway, or even the British Isles, for two or three years, and never having an invitation to join a family circle?

Our Church and W.M.S. has extended a welcome to the ports, has assisted on the journey, has forwarded names to other distant Churches, where hospitality and friendship have been extended as an institution.

But, is there any part of the Church in our homes after these new comers have fitted themselves as citizens, by mastery of our language, and shown sympathy with our aims and religion by identifying themselves with our Church organizations? Is the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church in Canada ready and willing to go the other mile?

And there were also with him other little ships." Mark 4:36.

(Mrs. C. W.) MABEL McMILLAN,
Secretary

ORIENTALS IN CANADA

Chinese in Canada

Place	Staff	Date of Appointment
Victoria, B.C.	Mrs. E. Macquenn, B.A.	1919
" "	Miss Gertrude Scott	1925
" "	Miss Lily Chan	1926
Vancouver, B.C.	Miss Sibyl Crawford	1929
" "	Mrs. Louie	1929
Toronto, Ont.	Miss Lavina Fong Dickman	1930
Brockville, Ont.	Miss H. W. Davies	1936
Montreal, Que.	Miss Agnes I. Dickson, B.A.	1926
" "	Miss Hattie Jue	1904
" "	Mrs. Herman	1927
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Victoria.—The kindergarten work with an enrolment of 48 made good progress under Miss Gertrude Scott with Miss Chan's assistance. Music lessons were given to about 24 pupils, girls, boys and women, by Miss Scott. The G.I.T. met fortnightly. The girls of this group devoted some time to the study of missions and contributed hand-work and \$4.00 in money to missionary enterprises. There were 33 members in the Mission Band. They also gave supplies and a contribution of \$5.00 to the mission fund, out of which a part was allocated to the "M. G. A. Memorial Children's Nursing Home in Amkhat."

The English class with 32 pupils was conducted by Mrs. Macquenn. Many of the children were admitted to the public school. Classes were held for women and for men and a night school met three times a week for most of the year.

The Sunday School has been most encouraging. There were 104 scholars, 8 teachers and contributions amounted to \$90.07. A group of older boys and girls was formed, and a choir, averaging about 9, assisted greatly at the Sunday services. The Chinese W.M.A. has a membership of 13. The interest of these women was evidenced by their exceeding their allocation of \$50.00, besides sending supplies valued at \$5.75 to the Presbyterial Treasurer.

Vancouver.—The year 1930 has been a memorable one in Chinese work in Vancouver because in this year the new church became available as a centre of religious life.

Miss Esther Diekman was in charge of the kindergarten until the autumn, when she left to take a Bible study course. Mrs. Louie was transferred from Victoria to take her place. The attendance increased from 25 to 43 during the year.

A Chinese Girls' Club was started among the older girls. These young people have been most helpful in assisting at the Church's entertainments, and have given \$50.00 to the building fund. The "Ling Kwong" G.I.T., organized in September, had a successful term and sent \$1.60 to the Treasurer of the W.M.S., with which they are affiliated. The members of the G.I.T. groups made up the Mission Band, which was conducted by Miss Crawford with voluntary assistance. The Band contributed \$10.00 to the W.M.S. The boys of the Trail Rangers met regularly under the direction of Mr. Oswald, of Gordon Church. There was an increased attendance in the Sunday School, four new classes being formed. Two

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scholars joined the Church and six were baptized. A night school was held for men and a two weeks' summer school met with 52 pupils. Mrs. R. M. Thompson and Rev. David Smith helped greatly towards its success. In September, a Chinese W.M.A. was organized with Mrs. Louie as President. The Auxiliary's donations for four months were \$11.00. 186 visits were made during the year.

Regina.—Mrs. Walter Martin carried on her indispensable voluntary work in Regina. During the year, 942 letters and 156 parcels of Sunday School papers were sent out, and there has followed a general expression of appreciation.

Toronto.—In November, the United Church withdrew from the work of the Institute, which was previously interdenominational. In the same month, Miss Dickson was transferred to Montreal, and Miss Lavina Dickman, of Vancouver, took her place. In the early part of the year, during Miss Dickson's illness, Miss Temperon of the United Church conducted the kindergarten with very little help. Seven children passed on to the public schools, leaving an enrolment of 18 when the year closed.

The Bible Vacation School was held in July with 42 children on the roll. On Saturday afternoons, children's classes were held under the leadership of Miss Lambert, assisted by Miss Lillian Leung and Miss Lily Yeung, and towards the end of the year by Miss Dyckman. A primary Sunday School, held at Cooke's Church, had an enrolment of 40 scholars and 5 teachers. A boys' Sunday class met at the Institute. Two regular meetings a week were held for Chinese women, one a sewing meeting, followed by a Bible lesson from Mrs. Ma, the other, a Sunday Bible study class. A bazaar was held by Chinese women in December, in conjunction with relief work in China. Music lessons were given to 8 pupils by Mrs. Gilbert, Miss Yeung and Miss Taylor.

Monthly visits were made and meetings held in Hamilton. Visits have also been made in Brampton and Windsor and the 52 Chinese families of Toronto visited frequently. The baptism of another Chinese woman was a great joy to the workers.

Grateful mention should be made of the work done by volunteers, especially Miss Carrie Gunn who has been invaluable in the women's work, and Mrs. Matthews.

Brockville.—Miss Davies continued her splendid work throughout the year. She had under her care in Brockville 4 mothers, 6 children and between 50 and 60 men. She has also visited the Chinese and distributed literature in Belleville, Kingston, Gananoque, Cardinal, Prescott, Iroquois, Perth, Smith Falls and Carleton Place, and in December, still further afield in Montreal, Three Rivers, Quebec, Ottawa and Hull.

Montreal.—The work in Montreal was in charge of Miss Ethel Reid until her return to China. In November, Miss Dickson was sent from Toronto to take her place. At the beginning of the year, there were 40 pupils in the school, 13 of these were admitted to the public school.

Miss Reid and Miss Dickson received valuable assistance from Miss Hattie Jue, who taught the greater part of the Chinese subjects and also helped in teaching music and English. Mrs. Herman's training and experience have been great assets to the school, and her efficiency as a primary teacher has left Miss Reid's and Miss Dickson's afternoons free for visiting. Among the kindly and capable voluntary helpers were Miss Jean Kyle and Miss Esle Johnson. The latter organized a club of graduates from the O.G.I.T. in October. Monthly meetings for women were held with encouraging results. Many outside places have been visited during the year.

From Montreal, as from other centres, come acknowledgments of Christmas gifts of warm woollies, toys, pictures, etc. These assisted greatly in making the Christmas entertainments happy events.

It is hardly necessary to say that through all the different activities, the aim of every worker has been to bring the Chinese in Canada to a knowledge of the love of God.

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