

SECRETARY'S REPORT.



To the Members and Congregation
of the Metropolitan Methodist Church.

Dear Friends :—

Another year has passed, and we are celebrating our Eightieth Anniversary. While we are thankful for the many blessings bestowed upon the School, we regret that our report does not show more work accomplished, and a larger membership.

A number of scholars have professed conversion, and during the year twenty six have joined the Church, making a total of 160 Church members in our School; and we anticipate an increased membership in the near future as a result of the Sunday afternoon prayer meetings conducted by the Pastor for the past few Sundays, to which all were invited, and a number attended.

The majority of our scholars are pledged against the use of intoxicating liquors, tobacco, profane language, and the reading of bad books.

We regret having to report three deaths in our ranks during the year,—Ed. Viel, of Miss Shaver's class, Bertie Cook, of Miss Lundy's class, and Lillie Arnold, of Miss Higginbotham's class. We would assure the bereaved relatives that they have our prayers and sympathy.

Three officers and a number of teachers have found it necessary to resign. We regret the loss of these workers, as their services were very much appreciated.

The following have addressed the school, and assisted at the services :—Miss Gaston, of Chicago; Mrs. G. G. Kerr; the Pastor, Rev. Mr. Bowles; Revs. W. H. Withrow, James Allen, and W. G. Watson; Messrs. J. J. Maclaren, J. B. Willmott, J. B. Boustead, E. Gurney, and N. W. Rowell.

The following were Banner Classes, or classes in which all the scholars were present every Sunday for a month: Miss Cuthbertson's class, (two months); Miss Weddell's (two months); same class, for four months; Miss Tonkin's, (three months); Miss Hargrave's; Miss Wright's; Miss Lundy's; Mr. Patterson's; Mr. Phillip's; and Mr. Park's.