

The various organizations of the Church are again in full operation. One of the first official acts of the new minister was to revive the Young Men's Association, which has this winter entered upon a new departure with an encouraging attendance. The Minister's Bible-class, held in the Church on Sabbath afternoons, and which is open to all the members of the congregation, has been largely attended and highly appreciated. To both of these the Session earnestly invites the attention of the young people of the congregation especially, as opportunities for self improvement and for the systematic study of the Word of God. A much larger number might connect themselves with these and share in the benefit to be derived from them. A weekly service is held in the Church every Wednesday evening commencing at eight o'clock, which all the members and adherents of the Church are cordially and earnestly invited to attend. The Church and the Mission Sabbath-schools are in a flourishing condition. The Dorcas and the Ladies' Aid Societies continue their labours of love with zeal and diligence and many are benefitted by their kindly efforts.

The communion was dispensed as usual in the months of January, May, and October. The number of communicants at present on the roll is 521. The number admitted to membership during the year was 45. The number of removals by certificate was *eight*; by death *two*. The net increase was *thirty-five*. The number of baptisms was *seventeen*; of marriages, *five*; of burials, *eight*.

Respecting financial matters, the Session respectfully reminds the congregation that under the present system of management the Trustees of the Church look for a considerable portion of their revenue from the ordinary Sabbath collections. This is one of the ways in which every member and adherent may contribute according to their several abilities for the support of ordinances. It is hoped therefore that the suggestions made in this behalf in the report of the Trustees will be carefully considered and conscientiously acted upon. Perhaps the least encouraging feature of the transactions of the year is in connection with the report of the Schedule Committee. The amount contributed for the Missionary and Benevolent Schemes of the Church is less than in the previous year, and there are still apparently a large number connected with the congregation who do not recognize the duty and privilege of contributing to those measures which have for their object the maintenance of religious ordinances in our own country and the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands.—Brethren, this ought not so to be. "As ye abound in every thing, see that ye abound in this grace also."

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