

In looking back over the year which has just closed, the Session rejoice to be able to state, that it has been among the most prosperous and successful of all the years during which the congregation has existed. In the early part of the year, the Rev. Robert Laing, M.A., who had been our assistant-minister for nearly five years, received and accepted a call from St. Matthew's Church, Halifax. He closed his efficient labours amongst us on the 17th of March last.

During the last four months the Rev. W. R. Cruikshank, B.A., has, with great faithfulness, and with profit to the congregation, assisted Dr. Jenkins in both pulpit and pastoral work. It may be stated, that the services on Sabbath mornings have been more largely attended this year than at any former period. The Session would, however, draw the attention of the congregation to the unsatisfactory attendance at the Sabbath evening services. The comparative smallness of the numbers attending these services may, in part, arise from the considerable distance from Church at which many of the families reside; but this does not sufficiently account for the disparity which usually exists as to numbers between the morning and evening services. The attention of the congregation, and especially of communicants, is also drawn to the importance, in the interests of the Church, of securing a much larger attendance at the Wednesday evening prayer meeting.

The three Communion seasons of the year have been times of refreshing, from the presence of the Lord. The numbers in attendance have been as follows:—In January, 374; in May, 353; in October, 398.

The number of communicants reported last year to the					
General Assembly was	...	...	...	...	537
The number on the roll at present	...	...	...	...	546
The number of persons added to the roll during the					
year 1878 is	...	...	...	...	45
The number of deaths	...	...	...	...	6
The number of removals	...	...	...	...	30
The net increase during the year	...	...	...	...	9
Present roll	...	...	...	...	546