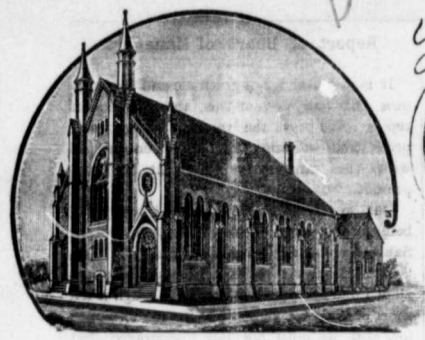


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Our Meetings.

SUNDAY—
9.30 a.m., Sabbath School in Mission, King and New Streets.
10.30 a.m., Prayer meeting in Schoolroom. All are welcome.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Public worship in the Church.
3 p.m., Sabbath School and Bible Classes.— Young Men's and Young Women's.
MONDAY—8 p.m. every Monday, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.
TUESDAY—The Board of Management meets on Feb. 6th, March 6th, and April 3rd, at 8 p.m.
The Auxiliary of Women's Foreign Missionary meets on February 13th, March 13th and April 10th, at 8 p.m.
The Ladies' Aid meets on January 30th, February 27th and March 27th, at 3 p.m.
Boys' Brigade, every Tuesday at 7.30.
WEDNESDAY—8 p.m., the Weekly Prayer Meeting. On the first Wednesday of each month the Missionary Association takes charge of Prayer Meeting and makes it a Missionary Meeting. The Earnest Helpers' Mission Band every week at 4 p.m.
The Session meets at 7.30 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.
FRIDAY—Choir practice at 7.30 p.m.
Baptism will be regularly dispensed on the FIRST SABBATH each month at the morning service; also on the SECOND WEDNESDAY at weeknight service.

Editorial Notes.

READ every word of every report in this issue.
It was decided on Wednesday night last to put in a pipe organ not to exceed \$1000 in cost.
REV. J. MCGILLIVRAY is one of the ablest young ministers in the Presbyterian Church and an enthusiastic Endeavorer.

Be out on Wednesday night for prayer and praise and Bible study

EVERY member and adherent should know what is being done in every department of the Church work. Therefore, read the reports.

OUR givings by pink envelopes for the last five years were: 1889-90, \$93; 1891, \$194; 1892, \$246; 1893, \$300. What will 1894's be?

THE ECHOES believes there is no more generous people than ours. They always respond liberally to every good cause. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." "God loveth a cheerful giver."

THE ECHOES is pleased to notice a decidedly increased attendance on Wednesday nights. Evidently many good New Year resolutions have been formed. Now for the "perseverance of the Saints." As good Presbyterians let us continue in well-doing all through the year.

HAVE you chosen sittings yet? Should not all members and even adherents? You can do so after any service. Ask the ushers. They will introduce you to one of the managers, who will accommodate you. The pews are not rented—only allocated. No price is set on them. You may contribute as you think you should.

THE opening of Wentworth Church's new Sunday School Room will take place on Sunday, 11th February, and following nights. They very highly appreciated our contribution of \$20 to help them in their big undertaking. They have invited our Boys' Brigade to take part in their anniversary programme on Wednesday, the 14th.

THE Third Anniversary of our minister's induction will be observed on Feb. 4th and 5th. Rev. John McGillivray, M.A., B.D., of Montreal, will preach on Sunday. A social will be held on Monday night, which is the exact date of the induction. Tea served from 6.30 to 8. Programme of good addresses and music, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Now you have all said what you think about putting in a pipe organ. And since it is decided to put one in, whether you voted for it or not, fall in loyalty with the majority and do your very best during 1894 "for Christ and the Church."

OUR total givings for 1893 were \$5,333—\$4,321 for congregational purposes and \$1,012 for missionary and benevolent objects. Last year our givings for missionary and benevolent objects was only \$670. The increase is marked. Let us do still better in 1894. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these least ye have done it unto Me," saith Jesus.

THE Boys' Brigade and Young Men's Bible Class take up a good deal of our minister's time. Could it be better spent than on the boys and young men? You can help him in his many labors by not worrying him nor complaining if he doesn't visit you as often as you would like, or as he could before undertaking these extra labors. If you see him every Sunday and Wednesday (and you ought to see him on that night); is it necessary for him to be visiting you as well? And when you are sick send him word. Don't expect him to find out by clairvoyance. And any time you want to see him about anything call at his house, corner Jackson and Ray streets, Wednesday afternoon, or ask him to speak with you after any of the services. He never thinks it a trouble, but rather a privilege.

EDITORIAL.

The Annual Meeting.

As usual our annual meeting was well attended, pleasant, harmonious and thoroughly interesting. Every report was encouraging. See other columns for the reports in detail.
It was decided to continue the publication of the ECHOES quarterly and to put the "Record" into every home. A grant of \$50 was made to