

hindrances to the progress of the School, viz.: the difficulty of obtaining good Teachers who can attend regularly, and the temporariness of the connection of many of the Scholars with the School owing to removal from the place.

A very pleasant Social Gathering was held on the 28th December. As the expenses of the entertainment did not amount to the sum collected, it is proposed to procure suitable Hymn Books for the School with the surplus.

With reference to the Prayer Meeting and Bible Class, the Session simply repeat the words of last year's Report:—"Two Prayer Meetings are held every week, one on Wednesday evening and the other on Sabbath morning, an hour before Service. The attendance at these meetings, though generally good, might be very much better, and the Session earnestly urge those who have neglected them heretofore to attend them in future."

The following sums were raised by Session during the year 1874:—

(I.) FOR CONGREGATIONAL PURPOSES.

Subscription for Library.....	\$100 00
Collected for Mission Vessel.....	6 42
" in School.....	42 50
" Christmas Entertainment..	54 20
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	\$203 12
Collected for other purposes.....	147 00

(II.) CHURCH SCHEMES.

Foreign Mission.....	\$ 34 37
Synod's Home Mission.....	10 00
Young Men's Bursary Fund.....	12 68
Widows' Fund.....	50 00
Presbytery's Home Mission.....	113 85
Charitable Institutions, &c.....	59 00
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	\$630 01

Finally, Brethren, let us persevere in Prayer, Liberality, and every good work.

There is a work for every one in the Church to do. Let every one, therefore, find out his or her work, and do it heartily.

That as a Church we may have great prosperity during the year upon which we have entered, and that the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and Communion of the Holy Ghost may be with you all, is the earnest prayer of the Session.

JOHN McMILLAN, *Minister.*

JOHN R. ROSE, *Clerk.*

(II.) REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

The Treasurer, in handing in the

Financial Report of St. Paul's Church, for the year 1874, congratulates the Congregation on the increase of Subscriptions and Pew Rents.

Cash in hand for 1873.	\$ 43 48
Voluntary Contributions, 1874.....	814 24
Pew Rents, paid 1874.	77 88
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	\$935 60

Pew Rents unpaid..... 47 21

Cr.	\$982 81
Amounts paid, due for 1873	\$ 52 00
Rev. J. McMillan, 1874.....	550 00
G. Room and J. McDonald.....	120 00
Sabbath School, repairs, &c., during the year 1874.	116 40
Life Policy	42 00
Premium Insurance on Church.....	20 00
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	\$900 40

Cash in Treas.'s hands, Dec. 31, 1874	\$35 20
Pew Rents to collect.....	47 21
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	\$982 81

The total amount collected for 1873..	\$820 08
Add amount in Treas. hand, commencing 1874.....	43 48
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	\$863 56

Increase for 1874... ..	119 25
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	\$982 81

The Congregation have great reason to thank God for the prosperous condition of the Financial affairs of the Church.

The Congregation have again undertaken to decrease the sum received from Presbytery by the sum of one hundred dollars.

ALEX. MCKAY, *Treasurer.*

(III.) REPORT OF MANSE BUILDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee, in handing in Report of building of Manse, beg to state that they have done the duty to the best of their ability.

The following is the statement of whole expenditure up to end of 1874.

Paid for the Site.....	\$ 700 00
One year's interest to Oct., 1874....	49 00
Contract for building Manse.....	2325 00
Extra for Stone Wall.....	10 00
Contract for Barn.....	180 00
Locks, Hinges, Line Fences, Well and Pump and sundry other ex- penses, Register Grates, &c	499 00
Insurance on building (\$1500).....	21 50
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	\$3784 50

Balance in Treasurer's hands end of year 1874.....	138 09
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	\$3922 59