

tender their sincere and heartfelt sympathy, and earnestly commend them to the "God of all grace and of all consolation."

According to the last report, the number of communicants on the roll was 254. During the year 24 have been received, and 18 removed, chiefly by certificate, making the number now on the roll 260.

The number of baptisms was 15—infants, 14; adult, one.

The financial condition of the Congregation will be fully laid before you in the Report of the Temporal Committee; and their Report, on account of the large expenditure involved in the changes and improvements made upon the church, will possess a very special interest. We bespeak for it your earnest attention, and for the Committee to be appointed for this year, your generous support and cordial co-operation.

The thanks of the Congregation are due to the lady collectors, who have with diligence and faithfulness distributed the "*Record*," and received your contributions to the "Schemes of the Church." The Session regret that there are still so many members and adherents of the Congregation whose names do not appear on the books of the lady collectors as contributors, and would earnestly urge upon every one the duty of making a regular monthly contribution to these important schemes. If this were done, the amount which we give annually to aid in carrying forward the great work in which the church is engaged would be much larger than it has yet been.

The Sabbath School and Bible Class have been regularly maintained during the year, and are now in a prosperous condition. A full report of the attendance and finances of the school will be presented to you by the Secretary and Treasurer.

Since the re-opening of the church, there has been a very gratifying increase in the attendance at the Sabbath services; and the Session extend a cordial welcome to those families who have recently identified themselves with the Congregation, and to all others who are seeking to do so.

The attendance at the prayer-meeting has been fully up to the average; but there can be no doubt that the attendance at this meeting, and at other services, would be much larger if the privileges and benefits of the public worship of God were more generally recognised, and more highly appreciated.

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