

portions of Scripture is a special and an interesting feature. The average attendance is from fifty to sixty. It is open to all, old and young, and it is hoped that a still larger number of the congregation will this year take advantage of the instruction which it affords. It affords the Session special pleasure to know that the Sunday meetings of the Young Men's Association have been much better attended than formerly. These fellowship meetings have been highly appreciated by those who have attended them, and are cordially commended to all the young men of the church.

The communion roll having been closely scrutinized, since last report was published, the actual number of communicants at the beginning of the year was found to be 490. Eighty-five were added to the roll during the year—twenty-four by examination and sixty-one by certificate from other churches. Ten were removed by death, and ten by change of residence. The present number on the roll of communicants is 555—a net increase for the year of sixty-five.

There were present at the communion in January, 416; in June, 404; in October, 410. During the year, 531 different persons joined in one or other of the communion services.

The Session have agreed that, in the absence of any unforeseen occurrence, the Sacrament of the Lords' Supper will be statedly observed on the last Sundays of January, May, and October.

The number of Baptisms during the year, was	23
“ Marriages	8
“ Burials	22

In closing, the Session takes the opportunity of commending to the special notice of the congregation the claims of the Missionary and Benevolent schemes of the Church. It is hoped that the increased responsibilities connected with the maintenance of ordinances among ourselves, will not be allowed to interfere with the duty we owe to those in the remote settlements of our own country, and in distant heathen lands, who do not enjoy the religious privileges which we possess. The whole amount contributed last year through the Schedule system was \$3,550. This, as explained in the report, is a trifle less than was given the previous year for these purposes. The Session is glad to notice, however, that the number of contributors is slightly increased. Yet it is a very small amount compared with our ability, with what is spent upon ourselves, and with the requirements of the mission fields. Since it has come to our knowledge that in that part