

the joyful welcome in the church above, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

In his reply Dr. Reid stated that on the Sabbath previous he had occupied the pulpit of Colborne church, where 60 years before to the very day he had preached his first sermon after ordination. He referred to the great changes in all the conditions of life that had taken place during his ministry, and, among others the wonderful development of mission spirit and enterprise. The cause of temperance had also made great headway since the time when he remembered a decent elder at a church gathering being appointed to the office of "grog boss." (laughter) The spread of popular education and freedom of intercourse between religious denominations were prominent among the changes that had taken place. Looking back on his life he felt he had accomplished little, but he felt profoundly thankful for this demonstration of affection and friendship, and those which he had received from many parts of the country.

In 1851 he married Mary Ann Harriet Street, third daughter of Mr. William Street, of Devonshire, England, by whom he had seven children, three sons and four daughters. A widow and two sons and three daughters survive his death, the eldest son, William, having been drowned several years ago at Halifax, N.S.

The funeral took place on Tuesday at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Services were held in Westminster church, the new church of the Charles street congregation, in which Dr. Reid was an elder.

Obituary.

FLORA CAMPBELL, the wife of the Rev. Isaac Campbell, of Erskine church, Ottawa, departed this life on Tuesday, January 7th, 1895. The story of her brief but happy and useful life may soon be told. She was the daughter of the Rev. James Thom, B.A., a respected minister of the Methodist Church, and grand-daughter of the late John Thom, Esq., who served with credit and acceptance for many years as an elder in Knox church, Toronto. Miss Thom received her education in the High Schools of Port Perry and Norwood and at the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby. In February, 1853, being then in her twenty-second year, she and Dr. Campbell were married at Newtonbrook, he being at that time the colleague of the late Rev. Thos. Dick, of Richmond Hill. In December of the same year, 1853, Dr. Campbell and his young wife removed to Listowel, and in May, 1852 they came to Ottawa, Dr. Campbell having accepted the call of Erskine church. It was the privilege of the writer of this brief notice to make her acquaintance in her early childhood, and it was very beautiful to mark even at that tender age the budding of those graces which so abundantly enriched and blessed her mature years, and won for her the love of the people among whom her lot was cast, and for whom her life was spent. From her youth up she was of a sweet and loving disposition which soon came to be informed and controlled by a deep reverential trust in her God and Saviour. She was not a woman of many words but none could come in contact with her in the ordinary course of church work, or family life and not feel that her whole heart was dominated by the spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ. She was one of the most unselfish of women. Her great care was how she might most effectively promote the comfort and best interest of those around her. She had the happy art of commanding the willing help of others, and wherever she went she speedily gathered about her a company which delighted to be associated with her in every good work. Her quiet, but unflinching cheerfulness often revived the hope and courage of those who began to weary under the repeated disappointments by which our faith is so often tried when earnestly labouring for the public good. She is still remembered with affection in the Richmond Hill church to which she went as a bride, and where she remained only a few months. In Listowel and in Ottawa she was greatly beloved, and will retain a place in the hearts of the people of both those churches while life lasts. The bereaved husband and his three motherless children have the sympathy of his people and of his brethren in the ministry. May God comfort him and comfort us all with those divine consolations which He alone can give when our life is darkened by affliction.

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Annual Meetings.

OLD ST. ANDREW'S.

THE twentieth annual meeting of Old St. Andrew's church was held on January 16th. The membership has grown from 43 in 1876 to 521 at the present day, a more than ten fold increase. Last year forty-eight new members were added and twenty-three dismissed. The average attendance at the Sabbath school was 234, and the library now contains 206 volumes. The meeting was opened by Rev. Dr. Milligan, who briefly reviewed the work of the church during the two past decades and expressed his thankfulness for the growth of the congregation, and more especially for the harmony which had always prevailed. After the reports of the session and the Sabbath school had been read and adopted Dr. Milligan left the chair, which was taken by Dr. Price Brown, chairman of the Board of Managers. The reports of the Board of Managers, Ladies' Aid, choir, mission bands, Women's Auxiliary, Young People's Association and Printing Committee were then read and adopted, all of them being very satisfactory. The financial statement showed that the general receipts for the past year amounted to \$7,015.02 and the total expenditure to \$7,005.42, leaving a surplus of \$9.60. The contributions came, in all, to \$10,332.98, while the further sums that will later be paid in for missions will increase it to between \$11,000 and \$12,000. Four vacancies on the Board of Managers were filled by the election of Messrs. J. E. Bailie, W. L. Symons, John Kent and James Kent. Messrs. Angus MacMurchy and J. B. McCabe were appointed auditors. A large proportion of the congregation attended the meeting, which was in every respect very successful and harmonious. After it had been closed by the singing of the Doxology, those present adjourned to the school room, where refreshments were served.

ST. JAMES' SQUARE.

MUCH business was transacted in cool and prompt order at St. James' square church, at their annual meeting on January 15th. The pastor, Rev. Louis H. Jordan, presided. The managers announced with pleasure that the revenue obtained from all sources had been sufficient to wipe out the adverse balance at the beginning of the year, meet all current expenses, and leave a small balance in the hands of the treasurer. The revenue for the year was made up as follows:—Weekly offerings, \$4,883; open collections, \$1,756; quarterlies, \$530; specials and subscriptions, \$550; total, \$7,670. This amount is about \$30 in excess of the expenditure, and is \$100 greater than the revenue for 1894. The managers desire that a greater number shall contribute by envelopes than at present (1894). Insurance policies to the extent of \$25,000 will expire next month, and \$175 will be required to renew the same for a term of three years. The report concluded by bearing testimony to "the continued zeal of our beloved pastor, the Rev. Mr. Jordan, not only by his strong and faithful preaching and teaching in pulpit and prayer-meeting, but in visiting his flock and unwearied devotion in promoting the Sabbath school, Bible classes, Christian Endeavor, Missionary Societies, and all the organizations of the congregation. It was largely owing to his personal energy that the most complete and comprehensive report yet published was distributed amongst the congregation last spring. The compiling of this report entailed an immense amount of painstaking labor on the part of the committee appointed for that purpose." The report was adopted. The session report was read by the pastor, and stated that the membership now was 541, a net gain of twenty-one during the year. The report of the Sabbath school recorded the very harmonious relations that had existed between the teachers and officers during the year. Parents were earnestly invited to take a deeper interest in this branch of the church work. The report was adopted. The Missionary Association announced that the total amount received from monthly collections and ordinary contributions was \$2,477, which was less than that of the previous year by \$171. There was paid in through the general agent's office for the aged and infirm ministers' fund \$530. A number of mission bands contributed \$1,178. The total amount reported for missionary purposes was \$5,929. A glowing tribute was paid to the ladies for their faithful and zealous work in this connection. The Murray-Mitchell Auxiliary was reported to be in a prosperous and hopeful condition. The membership is 30

which includes five life members. The sum of \$400 was raised by this body, and \$745 by all the mission bands. The report of the Hopeful Gleaners showed progress. The total membership is thirty-two, and the average attendance twenty-five. Two hundred and thirty-three dollars was raised during the year, and six dollars were disbursed, leaving a substantial sum in hand. The Christian Endeavor Society stated that during the past four years \$1,200 had been raised, and nine members of the Society had gone as missionaries to the foreign field. Four were now in southern China, two in Honan, one on the Congo, and one was about to leave for southern China. During the year \$260 was contributed for missions, which was disbursed upon the foreign field. Dr. Anderson, the organist, made a brief report on behalf of the choir, in which he said that although not large in membership the voices in the choir were of good quality. The poor fund reported a balance on hand of \$67. The following are the managers elected for the current year: Messrs. H. W. Nelson, John Paton, A. Nairn, James Brick, W. D. McIntosh, R. C. Steel and Wallace Anderson.

KNOX CHURCH.

THERE was a very large attendance at the annual congregational meeting of Knox Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. Parsons, the pastor, presided. The financial statement in regard to several departments of the work were not completed, and therefore not presented. The following extracts are taken from the trustees' report:—"The receipts from ground rents for the current year, after deducting taxes, etc., are \$2,878.28. As the rents under the new leases, as agreed by arbitration between the tenants and your trustees, amounted to \$6,267.53, the difference will show the falling off in revenue from this source to be \$3,389.25, caused by the failure of several of the lessees to fulfil their obligations. The mortgage debt on the church property remains the same as last year, namely, \$18,000, bearing interest at 5 per cent. In addition to the mortgage, the amount of unpaid liabilities is \$2,360.40, of which \$2,107.60 is due the Standard Bank on an overdraft. Reference was made to the damage done to the spire of the church in the great fire of the 3rd of March last. "The building," said the report, "was fully covered by insurance, the companies interested paying \$6,000 to make good the loss." In this connection it was added:—"After carefully considering the question, it was decided not to erect another spire, or put in a new bell (a. owing to the changed conditions of the city, the higher buildings adjoining destroyed the effect of the spire), but to remodel the tower, put in stained glass windows, and thoroughly repair the outside of the edifice. The building is now in a good condition, and should not require any money spent on it for a number of years." The treasurer's statement showed a deficit for the year of \$540.06, which, together with a deficit from the previous year of \$1,820.34, makes a total deficit of \$2,360.40. The total receipts were \$11,272.39. The session reported that "We still find our roll is diminished every year by removals to other congregations and by deaths." The reported communing members at the beginning of the year was 654; added during the year, 33; by error in the last roll, 3; returned from absentee list, 4; by confession, 13; by certificate, 13; making a total of 692. In the same period 12 were removed by death; 22 to absentee list; 35 by certificate, and one excluded; making the total of removals 70, and leaving on the roll on December 31st, 1895, a membership of 622. The number of those who died included several of the oldest and most faithful members. The various church organizations were all reported to be in a satisfactory condition. Rev. R. A. Mitchell and Miss Annie McKenzie were sent to the missionary field, Honan, China, by these organizations, and are doing good work there. Mr. Alex. Shepherd, who had been in charge of the Duchess street mission and Sabbath school, recently left for California, to engage in similar work there. Regret was expressed at the loss of his services, but the hope was added that he might prove as successful in the new as in the old field. Messrs. James Scott and Paul Campbell resigned from the Board of Trustees. There were three others vacancies, making five in all. The following gentlemen were elected to fill them:—Messrs. Hugh Macdonald, Charles Cockburn, John Burns, H. J. Summerville, and C. W. Thompson.