

specially note-worthy feature. In the year preceding there was an unusually large addition to the membership (181 in all), thus almost exhausting the constituency whence members by profession are drawn, leaving the work of instruction and edification very onerous, while reducing the number of those likely to unite with the Church by profession of faith. The main work of the minister and Session thus varies with the changing conditions of the congregation.

There are now 189 families connected with the congregation, with seven others to whom pastoral attention is given. Fourteen new families were added to the congregation, and seven removed beyond the bounds, leaving the net increase seven and the total number of families 189.

There were 23 communicants added to the roll during the year, 13 by certificate and 10 by profession.

There were 20 removals; 17 by certificate, 2 by death, and one was dropped. The number on the roll at the beginning of the year was 466.

During the year the Session held 18 meetings, which were generally well attended. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper was dispensed four times, and there were 17 baptisms—all infants.

The attendance at the regular diets of worship continues to afford ground for thankfulness, and the regular prayer meetings are well attended, although there is still room for improvement as in former years.

The Sabbath School, we are pleased to say, was never in a more efficient state than at present. We have a good staff of teachers and officers who are regular in attendance, as a rule, and do their work with faithfulness. There appears also to be a greater interest in the work of the Sabbath school on the part of the people generally. We earnestly hope that this interest may continue and increase.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has continued its work regularly during the year, and has, we believe, accomplished results in fields hitherto but little cultivated. We commend this department of Christian effort to the congregation generally, and especially to the younger people not yet identified with Christian work.

The Session desire to repeat the observation of last year to the effect that there is still room for improvement in the matter of liberality to the Mission Schemes of the Church. This is an object to which all should deem it a privilege to contribute. The Church at large does not ask for anything unreasonable or impracticable in this connection, and if each one will do a little this year we can easily exceed the givings of former years. An average of one dollar per member would give us a goodly increase over the contributions of the year just closed.

Two of our members were taken from us to the Church above—Mrs. Hugh Francis and Mrs. James Hamilton. Of both we can speak in the language of comforting assurance. Mrs. Hamilton, in particular, bore, through years of suffering, a testimony of unspeakable value to the goodness of God and the