

two hundred and seventeen. Our church property is now valued at about two hundred and twenty-three thousand dollars, having increased twenty-two thousand one hundred and thirty-five dollars for the year. Sixty-four of our members have passed away by death, and are, we believe, now singing higher hymns, and joining in loftier worship, before the throne of God. Our number of missionaries in Canada is forty-six, and they are toiling, amidst many difficulties, to build up the walls of our Zion. The English Committee continues to help us, both in men and money. During the year, Bros. G. J. Reeve, J. Ferguson, G. Clarke, and J. Dyke have reached us here, and have entered upon their labour amidst the welcomes of our people, and encouraging prospects of success. The committee trust that abundant blessings will rest upon these brethren, in their new sphere of holy work. The Home Committee have also granted us \$1,946 66 in money, to help us in our work; and, as stated above, our own Circuits and Missions have contributed \$8,079 97; making a total of money at the disposal of the Committee of \$10,026 63. The expenditure for the year is \$10,741 20, so that the outgo has overrun the income by \$714 57. There is no doubt the expenditure will be more the coming year, than the past. We therefore kindly, but earnestly appeal to those who love the Lord's work, to make the income exceed the disbursements; and remembering the answer to the appeal of last year, we have confidence in again asking increased help from those whom God has largely blessed, and who have come to our help before.

The Committee desires you to remember that God has signally and abundantly blessed us as a people. Though young, compared with many of the sister churches, by whose side we labour, yet we are cheered by their kindest sympathies. We reciprocate their confidence and affection. We desire our people everywhere to cultivate the truest love for all who love our Lord Jesus Christ, and to pray unceasingly for the whole church of God.

The Parent Society has reaped abundant blessings during the last year. The financial position is thus epitomised by the Secretary:—

The amount realized at the Metropolitan Anniversary in 1871 was £256 15s. 4d. Received by the Treasurer and Secretary, apart from the district returns, £888 2s. 4d. Repayments by Trustees of Mission Chapels, £575.