

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF CITY MISSIONS.

This the fourth Annual Report of the Board of City Missions is submitted with feelings of devout gratitude to God. We have to thank Him for His goodness in making us His instruments of doing something for His Glory. We exult this year in the transformation of one of our Missionary Stations into a flourishing and sustaining Congregation, with a pastor and full appliances for carrying on the ordinance of the Gospel.

In the first year of the existence of this Board it was enabled to sustain a City Missionary; for want of means, however, his services were discontinued. The Board had also to provide funds for the Sabbath School Association in connection with our Church, but other arrangements were made which rendered that Association independent of our aid. Our other Missionary efforts have been—

THE ERECTION OF ST. JOSEPH STREET CHURCH.

This Church was built in the year 1862, and opened for public worship in 1863. Owing to the increasing numbers attending, it was enlarged in the year 1865, and it can now accommodate 556 persons with sittings. At the commencement of this year from the last Annual Report presented to you, we find it with a diminished attendance, an irregular supply of preaching, and a debt on the building of about \$10,000—a conjuncture of affairs truly discouraging—but some of the good people of St. Joseph Street were not discouraged, a meeting of the congregation was held on the 31st of June last, when it was resolved, “That it is the desire of the congregation of the C. P. Church of St. Joseph Street, to have a Pastor permanently settled over them, at as early a date as practicable, and also saying that they