

STATEMENT BY THE SESSION.

The Session feel bound, in presenting a brief Annual Statement, to express their gratitude to the Great Head of The Church, for all the way the Lord hath led us during the past year. Peace has been within our walls and prosperity within our palaces.

The Attendance upon the Public Worship of God has been very satisfactory. The various organizations of the Congregation for Christian work have been carried on with an encouraging degree of life and interest. The liberality of our people in giving for the extension of Christ's Kingdom is gradually and steadily increasing. It is hoped, that in this particular, our beloved congregation will, before long, be a praise in the whole Church.

The Elders, with the view of securing correct Congregational Statistics, have, lately, made a thorough visitation of their respective districts. After a very careful revision of the reports given in by them, the summing up of the whole yields the following results : families, 345 ; single persons not connected with families, 112 ; communicants, 573. The first two of these items may be relied upon as correct. The number of communicants given is only a pretty correct approximation. There are at least 573 communicants ; but some 30 or 40 may have been unavoidably overlooked.

During the year 1880, the members removed from the roll, have been, by death 8 ; by change of residence, 20. In the same period the number added has been 91. These figures for the year just closed are included in the general statistics aforementioned.

It may be interesting to state that during the five years of the present Pastorate, there have been added to the roll 480 names,—removed, 138 ; number of baptisms, 263 ; deaths, 93.