

delivered to a full church by Revs. McGregor, Robertson, Aylward, Sanderson, Fraser and Gunn, with kindly remarks by Mr. Harper, of Cobourg, and Mr. Cassell Hopkins, of Toronto, (nephew of the late Rev. W. H. Heu de Bourck). Rev. Dr. Wild also expected to speak at this meeting, but was telegraphed for to return home that evening, and had to leave, to the great disappointment of every one in the church.

Previous to financial aid being solicited from the audience, the Treasurer of Building Committee stated that the cost of the buildings and furnishing as they now stand was \$9,880, of which amount \$8,329 have been paid or provided for, leaving a balance of \$1,641 to raise. Towards the extinction of this debt a little over \$400 was raised by the supper and at the opening meetings.

*Sunday.*—Re-opening services were continued on Sunday last, when Rev. Dr. Barbour, of Montreal, Principal of the Congregational College, delivered three able sermons—in the morning from 1 Cor. xiii, S. charity (or love) never faileth; in the afternoon from Mat. ii, 1-12, Christ and the church; and in the evening from Num. xx, 1-11, the smitten rock. Each discourse was able, argumentative, helpful to followers of the Master, and appealed in winning terms to all who had not yet accepted the loving Jesus and partaken of the water of life which so freely flowed for all. The church was filled morning and afternoon; while at night, although crowded in every part, many had to retire unable to gain admission.

At all the services the choir, with instrumental additions, added greatly to the interest of the meetings.

*Thanks.*—Trinity Ladies' Aid Society warmly thanks the friends who so ably assisted in furnishing the church; and all connected with the cause acknowledge with gratitude the kindness of outside friends who have aided in the work of rebuilding.—Condensed from *Bowmanville Sun*.

**FIRST CHURCH, KINGSTON.**—The annual meeting of the church and congregation was held on February 13th. Lavishly spread tables filled the lecture room and parlor, at which more than a hundred sat at one time; the rich and the poor breaking bread together with fraternal intercourse.

The after proceedings were held in Congregational Hall, and consisted in a review of the work of the church and congregation during the year 1888, addresses and musical selections, together with friendly intercourse.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. Jackson, stated that, despite many losses by removals in the early part of the year, the congregations were never so large as now, every pew in the church being taken. The church roll, revised at the beginning of each year, showed 154 members at the close of the

year. The Ladies' Association had undertaken the internal improvement of the church building. The Christian Endeavor Society and the Mission Band had done good work. Altogether this twelfth year of his present pastorate had been a happy and successful one.

Deacon J. F. McEwan, Church Treasurer, and Miss Phippen, Treasurer of the Ladies' Association, presented their respective reports of which the following is an abstract: received for current Church Expenses, \$1,933.53; Special and Denominational, \$486.02; Fellowship Fund, \$93.20; Sunday School, \$161.83; Ladies' Association, \$249.79; Mission Band, \$75.48.

The Rev. A. L. McFadyen, B.A., Pastor of the Second Congregational Church, was present and gave an interesting, instructive, and fraternal address; Miss Folger, Miss Phippen, Mr. Savage, Dr. Mossey, and Mr. Coombs sang excellent solos.

On Thursday evening, the 14th inst., the annual festival of the Sunday school was held. After tea the hall was filled with the scholars and their friends. The pastor, who is also Superintendent, presided, and stated that the school consisted of ninety-two boys, eighty-seven girls and twenty-four officers and teachers.

Resolutions were moved and seconded by the scholars to the effect that \$20 should be given to the C. C. M. S. to constitute Miss Jack a life member, and that the contents of the mission boxes should be equally appropriated to Home and Foreign Missions.

The evening's programme, consisting of songs, recitations and dialogues, was conducted entirely by the scholars, and reflected great credit on all concerned.

Mr. Savage, the choir leader, Miss Mule, the organist, and those associated with them in preparing the programme, richly deserved the thanks tendered to them.

**ECONOMY, N. S.**—In my last, I omitted to say the object for which our Sabbath school concert was given was Home Missions. We had another concert last Sabbath night for that purpose, and at the two concerts we realized over ten dollars. It is intended to hold these concerts monthly, and take collections for Home Missions at them. J.M.

**STRATFORD.**—On Friday evening, 18th January, the choir over and above providing for a singing practice at the house of the lately married pastor, Rev. John P. Gerrie, carried baskets with them; and in the language of the local papers, "took the residence by storm." An indication of good will between pastor and people.

**NEW DURHAM.**—The church here has just completed a successful year. A net gain has been