

may know the grace and tenderness of the Lord who "healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds."

During the year, 29 have been added to the Communion Roll,—14 by certificate, and 15 on profession of faith. The net number now upon the Roll is 259. There have been 14 baptisms.

The attendance upon the public services has considerably increased during the year; and yet it is not so large, especially on Sabbath evenings, and at the Prayer Meetings, as it might be, if we all had a right appreciation of duty and privilege. It is to be hoped that the year upon which we have entered may witness a marked improvement in the attendance upon these services.

The Sabbath School and Bible Class have been regularly conducted during the year, and from the earnest and faithful labours bestowed upon these vitally important departments of the Church's work, we hope, by God's blessing, for much fruit.

To the ladies who have faithfully distributed the *Monthly Record*, and collected the contributions to the schemes of the Church, the thanks of the Session are given.

By the last statement the balance on hand of the Session Fund for the relief of the poor was \$3.22. This was increased by the proceeds of a collection, which amounted to \$30. The amount disbursed during the year was \$14.90, leaving a balance of \$18.32.

And now, brethren, chastened by the sorrows and trials of another year, and admonished by its bereavements of our frailty, and of the uncertainty of life, let us gird ourselves anew for the work to which the Master calls us. Let us "work while it is day, for the night cometh in which no man can work." And whilst we thankfully acknowledge that, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us," let us grasp the promise, "Lo, I am with you alway," and go forward relying upon Divine strength and guidance. "Therefore, beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

F. W. FARRIES, *Moderator.*

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