

added and extensive repairs made. The work was done entirely by the Trustees and the young men of the congregation. Sixteen were added to the communion roll. The following Trustees were chosen for 1896: J. S. Clarke, Wm. Megarrity, Wm. Robertson, J. D. McKay, J. H. Murphy, S. Wark, T. S. Hill, David Ross and A. Belyea. Mr. J. H. Murphy was appointed Chairman, and Mr. T. S. Hill, Secretary. A vote of thanks was given to the retiring Trustees, two of whom, Messrs. J. Buchanan and S. E. Dailey, have been members of the Board for over 10 years. A vote of thanks was also given to the Young People's Society, which has done much to further improvements in the Church.

St. John's Church.

The annual congregational meeting of St. John Presbyterian Church was held on Jan. 15th, in the basement of the Church. The meeting was opened in due form, with prayer and singing. On motion W. J. Parks was elected Chairman, and E. J. Armstrong, Secretary. On motion the election of Trustees was proceeded with, and resulted in the following gentlemen being chosen: E. J. Armstrong, H. H. Burns, C. H. Doig, W. J. Youngclaus, W. J. Parks, J. V. Russell, J. A. Magilton, D. Mitchell, W. Kein. The report of the Trustees showed that last year was one of financial interest in the Church. The report of the Session was also read, and showed that the past year was one of much spiritual interest to the Church. The report of the Sunday School was also presented. The scholars are very proud of their satisfactory and gratifying showing. The report of the Ladies' Mission and Benevolent Society was a very satisfactory one. A great deal of

help was given and much missionary work done. The Ladies' Aid Society has done a very remarkable work during the year, and by the report presented showed that they have been the means of helping to pay a large number of outstanding debts. The reports of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the Mission Band and the Boys' Brigade were very satisfactory, and met with the hearty approval of the congregation. On motion D. McLean and W. Craig were elected auditors. A vote of thanks was tendered to Miss J. Henderson for her untiring work in connection with the Ladies' Aid Society during the year. The choir was also thanked for their services. The meeting closed with the doxology.

St. David's Church.

On Sunday, the 2nd inst., the services in this Church were of an anniversary nature, the Rev. Dr. Bruce having on that day entered upon the 14th year of his pastorate there. In the morning he preached a powerful and appropriate sermon from Heb. x. 25, "not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together," during the course of which he briefly reviewed some of the changes which had taken place in the congregation and in the community since his induction. In the evening his remarks were based on Exod. xiv. 15, and had special reference to the work in the Sunday School.

In addition to the above the following particulars may be given. Last month the annual meeting of the congregation was held; the attendance was good, the spirit excellent, and the proceedings very interesting. The Trustees report was one of the most encouraging ever submitted to the congregation. Under the force of united and con-