

REPORT FOR 1905.

The annual meeting of the Girls' Reading Room and Evangelistic Hall was held on Tuesday afternoon, February 13th, Rev. Mr. Gilmour presiding. The meeting was opened by the singing of a hymn, reading of the Scriptures, and prayer.

Rev. Mr. Gilmour made a few introductory remarks, expressing his pleasure in being asked to preside at the meeting, and saying that he greatly appreciated the work being done for young women and girls in the Reading Room.

The following report was then submitted:

Early in the winter of 1886, the Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association wrote to Miss Barber, whom he knew was actively engaged in Christian work, saying that, in his estimation, there was a great need of more definite work among young women and girls than was at that time being done, and asking her, if nothing more could be attempted—if she would not try to reach them on Sunday evenings after the usual church services.

Miss Barber interviewed the President of the Young Women's Christian Association, asking if that organization would not rent a room in some central place for Sunday evening gospel services, saying that she would gladly help them in the work. After a few days she received a letter from the President, saying the subject had been put before the committee of the Association, and that while they, too,