

ing a new Congregational Church, under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. F. Stevenson. We, further, beg to assure you that we shall rejoice in all the prosperity and success that may be vouchsafed to you in your church relationships and undertakings." This is followed by a list of 111 names which, with others to be added during the present month, give a membership of some 116.

On Sunday, 14th, those who had signified their intention of becoming members of the new church, after the morning service, and with little formality, organised themselves as a Christian Church, of the Faith and Order commonly styled Congregational or Independent. At the same time, it was resolved that the church now formed should be designated "Emmanuel Church," and an unanimous and cordial invitation to the pastorate was extended to Mr. Stevenson, which he accepted. The Rev. Dr. Wilkes gave an appropriate address to the church and concluded the proceedings with prayer. The Diaconate, Church Board, Board of Trustees, &c., have been already appointed, and the church is thus equipped both for its spiritual work, and also for the material work of erecting a new edifice wherein to worship. This latter will be set about with all dispatch, our purpose being to have the basement in readiness for occupation by next autumn. Meantime, the Sunday services are held, with increasing congregations, in the Gymnasium building, and the week evening services in the basement of Erskine Church, which has been kindly placed at the disposal of the new church for that purpose. G. C.

KINGSTON.—The annual meeting of the Kingston Congregational Church and Congregation was held on the 10th March, 1875.

Social in its character, this meeting was designed to promote mutual intercourse and furnish an opportunity to present to the friends of the cause official statements of its state and prospects.

The attendance was very good, and all present seemed to enjoy themselves heartily. The ladies, with their usual taste, provided a liberal tea, and the

exercises of the evening were enlivened with sacred song.

The Treasurer, Deacon Fenwick, presented the annual financial report, a document admirable in the fulness of its details and highly gratifying in its results. It embraced from 1st January to 31st December, 1874, but included only church and denominational objects.

The following is a summary of moneys received during the year :

Sabbath collections	\$272.51
Weekly offering	1,300.08
Qr. centenary contributions...	525.50
Subscriptions to Improvement Fund	579.94
Sabbath School	130.68
Deacons' Fund	160.27
Ladies' Association	556.85
Loan.....	500.00
Denominational objects	959.35
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	\$4,985.18
Add at least \$100 Provident Fund	100.00
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	\$5,085.18

The Treasurer noted the following among other points :— The balance due the treasurer, \$33.89, was smaller than the one with which the year began. 2. The loan of \$500 was only temporary, obtained to liquidate a balance due on the extensive improvements made on the church edifice, and to pay some accounts brought over from last year. 3. All debt on church property had been completely removed, and the Ladies' Association had a balance in hand.

The Superintendent of the Sabbath School, Mr. George Robertson, jun., gave an interesting report, showing that the school was in a flourishing condition, both as to number of attendants and finances. He also noticed the encouraging fact that a number of the scholars had been brought to the Saviour during the year.

The Pastor then gave a review of the past year. It had been one of deep shadows and of bright sunshine ; truly a year of grace, and perhaps the most fruitful in his pastorate of over twenty-seven years. It was requisite that some reference should be made to the forma-