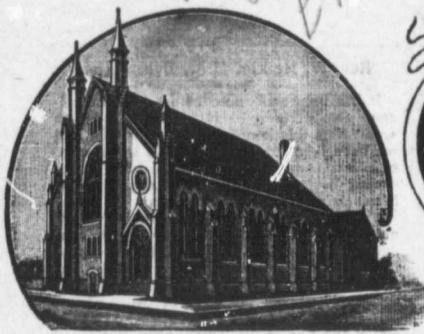


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### Our Meetings.

#### SUNDAY—

9.30 a.m., Sabbath School in Mission, King and New  
Streets.

10.30 a.m., Prayer meeting in Schoolroom. All are  
welcome.

11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Public worship in the Church.  
3 p.m., Sabbath School and Bible Classes. — Young  
Men's and Young Women's.

MONDAY—8 p.m. every Monday, the Young People's  
Society of Christian Endeavor.

The Earnest Helpers' Mission Band every 2nd  
week at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY—The Board of Management meets on Oct.  
2nd, Nov. 6th, and Dec. 4th, at 8 p.m.

The Auxiliary of Women's Foreign Missionary  
Society meets on Oct. 9th, Nov. 13th and Dec. 11th  
at 8 p.m.

The Ladies' Aid meets on Oct. 30th, Nov. 27th and  
Dec. 25th, at 3 p.m.

Boys' Brigade, every Tuesday at 7.30.

WEDNESDAY—8 p.m., the Weekly Prayer Meeting.  
On the first Wednesday of each month it is a  
Missionary Meeting.

The Session meets at 7.30 p.m. on the 2nd Wed-  
nesday of each month.

FRIDAY—Choir practice at 7.30 p.m.

Baptism will be regularly dispensed on the FIRST  
SABBATH each month at the morning service; also  
on the SECOND WEDNESDAY at weeknight service.

A great deal of trouble has  
been caused in the past by con-  
tributers using old envelopes.

THE MANAGERS THEREFORE  
WISH TO EMPHASIZE THE NECES-  
SITY FOR DESTROYING ALL OLD  
ENVELOPES, AS SOON AS NEW  
ONES ARE RECEIVED.

### Editorial Notes.

The Managers wish to say that as the  
amount of the weekly offerings has not during  
the Summer been up to the general average a  
special effort will need to be made by contri-  
butors between now and the end of the year,  
if the revenue of the church is to be sufficient  
to meet the expenditure. Those who were  
away on vacation should see to it as soon as  
possible that their offerings for the Sabbaths  
they were absent are sent in, as well as those  
now falling due.

Many of the contributors send in their weekly  
offering only when they are at Church where-  
as it is understood that these offerings are  
weekly and therefore to be made up whether  
present or not each Sabbath. If this were al-  
ways done there would be no danger of a defi-  
ciency at any time.

### Our Tenth Anniversary.

The Tenth Anniversary of the opening of  
our Church building will be celebrated on the  
16th and 17th of December. The Rev. Dr.  
McTavish, of Central Church, Toronto, has  
kindly consented to preach on Sabbath, and  
address the Monday evening meeting. Dr.  
McTavish is not only one of the ablest of our  
Ministers, but one of the most spiritually  
minded, and we may therefore expect that our  
Anniversary will not only be a great occasion,  
but a season of grace from God. Let us pray  
that it may be so and then we shall certainly  
not be disappointed.

### Sabbath Observance.

The Sabbath Observance Association is keep-  
ing steadily on at work. The meeting to be  
addressed by John Charton, M.P., which was  
postponed from Oct. 2nd for good reasons, will  
be held October 30th. It will be a great  
occasion. The Echoes hopes that all its  
readers will be there. It is not often we have  
an opportunity to hear a member of Parlia-  
ment dealing with a question of this kind at all  
and still more seldom that we have an oppor-  
tunity of hearing one of such eminence and  
exceptional oratorical ability as Mr. Charton  
is acknowledged by all to be. His visit should

do much to stir up the slumbering sentiment of  
our city on this great question. Meantime the  
Alliance has a strong Legal Committee quietly  
but earnestly at work carefully and accurately  
ascertaining the state of the Law on all phrases  
of the question from the best possible authori-  
ties so that the Alliance may know just what  
to do and how to do it and be prepared to take  
a vigorous and successful stand at the beginning  
of another season of Sabbath desecration  
which almost certainly will be attempted next  
Spring or Summer.

### "Go Ye."

Those who were present the other Sunday  
morning when our minister preached on the  
text, "Go ye into all the world and preach the  
Gospel to every creature," cannot but feel how  
guilty a thing it is to let any opportunity go by  
of obeying that great and plain command of  
our Master. Many of us—most of us—cannot  
go in person in obedience to this command,  
but we are none the less required to obey it,  
which we can do by sending a substitute. If  
Dr. McKay or Mr. Goforth go away out to  
China to preach the Gospel and you and I give  
"as God hath prospered us" for their support  
while there and pray for the power of the Holy  
Spirit to accompany their words we just as  
much "go" as Dr. McKay or Mr. Goforth do  
and in every soul converted to Jesus by their  
instrumentality you and I have a share and our  
Master will credit us with it against the Great  
Day of rewards, and "they that turn many to  
righteousness shall shine as the stars for ever  
and ever." And it is no less true that in  
every soul lost in China, because our Mission-  
aries were unable to reach it with the message  
of salvation, we have a share also; and our  
Master will confront us with it in that Great  
Day of Punishment. Will there be any soul  
present before the Throne in that Great Day,  
to which the Saviour will point His one hand,  
while with the other He points to this simple  
command, "Go ye, preach the Gospel to every  
creature," saying to you, "This soul that I  
loved so well, that I died on the Cross to save  
him, is lost, eternally lost, because you with-  
held the money that would have sent him the  
news of salvation?" This is an awful question,  
but we do well to consider it now, lest we incur  
such fearful guilt? What about last month's  
pink Envelope for you, dear reader? Was it  
sent in with a willing offering? Or is it lying  
waste and empty, at home? JESUS KNOWS!