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CHURCH TIDINGS

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Our Annual Report.

We herewith present a statement of the amounts contributed by each member and adherent toward Ministerial Support and the Connexional Funds, also the total amounts raised for other purposes.

We thank you for your assistance in securing the results as shown in this report; and respectfully solicit your continued aid and co-operation.

On behalf of Quarterly Board,
B. S. Cook,
Recording Steward.

OUR WORK--1903-4.

The usual preaching services have been regularly conducted and well sustained. Four weeks of special services were held, and sacrament of the Lord's Supper observed five times. Our membership report is as follows: removed, 20; died, 3; received by letter, 13; on trial, 15; present membership, 255—increase 5. Seven new subscribers secured for the Guardian and about 500 religious papers distributed by the pastor. The choirs, Sunday Schools, Leagues and Willing Workers have materially aided in the work.

A heartier co-operation and a larger measure of the Divine Spirit would make the coming year more telling than any of its predecessors.

QUARTERLY OFFICIAL BOARD.

- PASTOR--Rev. D. Rogers.
LEADERS--Mrs. J. McKee, J. Rowe, J. Downey, J. Topham, L. Denny, E. Cooper, W. Vines, A. W. Cosens.
STEWARDS--Richmond Fallis, A. McKee, B. S. Cook, R. S., Jas. Fallis, M. Aldrich, S. Vines, Geo. Magee.
SOC'Y REPRESENTATIVES--G. Walkey, A. Edwards, S. Strome, John Patterson, A. C. Johnston, A. McCabe, A. Barnett.

S. S. SUP'TS--J. Rowe, J. A. Patterson
E. Cooper.

E. L. PRESIDENTS--Mrs. W. Downey,
S. Spence, Mary Faust.

FRAGMENTS.

The delusion that is spoiling your life:
The notion that if your circumstances
were changed you would do better.

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A Christian man should hesitate about
joining another secret society, if to at-
tend the lodge meetings makes it difficult
for him to find an evening for church.

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A well-to-do farmer of the Cumber-
land Presbyterian Church offered to
increase his annual contribution for the
support of the pastor from \$4 to \$4.50 (?)
to secure the service of a young preacher
to whom he took a fancy. We think a
brother of his is a Methodist.

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Blessed is he that keeps sweet. There
is much in this life to vex, perplex and
annoy. The world, the flesh, and the
devil have to be contended with and
overcome. Unreasonable men find
fault, misconstrue motives and acts, and
falsely accuse. Envious men watch for
opportunities to assail, heap reproach
upon and drag down their more success-
ful, because more worthy, fellowmen.
All this they did to our Lord: why
should they not do the same to us? But,
amid it all, our Master kept sweet. Why
should not we?—Selected.

Easy indeed it were to reach
A mansion in the courts above,
If swelling words and fluent speech
Might serve instead of faith and love.
But none shall gain this blissful place,
Or God's unclouded glory see,
Who talks of free and sovereign grace.
Unless that grace has made him free
—Cowper.