

graduated from Knox College and have entered the ministry, and finally 11 whose names have been dropped from the roll reported to the General Assembly, in accordance with the standing rule of the Session regarding all members of whom we have had no word for two years. Our present membership therefore, as reported to the General Assembly, stands at 676 against 688 last year, a diminution of 12. The following analysis of the 76 removals will be of interest. Nearly one-half, or 35, have left the city; of the remaining 41, 28—in other words, more than one-third of the whole number who have left us—have gone to the new churches of St. Enoch's and Bloor Street, 9 to the former, and 19 to the latter. The rest are distributed among other churches, for the most part in the west of the city.

Very naturally, these removals have left their mark upon the various organizations connected with the congregation. Of these, the Sabbath School has suffered the most in numbers, reporting a total of 287 scholars, or 58 less than last year. The records of the School show clearly that this diminution is due, almost exclusively, to removals from our bounds. Among such have been many large families of children, while among those families who have come to us there have been but few children to take the places of these removed. But we need ever to keep in mind that numbers are by no means the most important measure of efficiency and usefulness; this is specially illustrated in the history of the Sabbath School during this year. Of the whole number who during the year made profession of faith in Christ, a larger number have been from out the School than the year before, when our number of scholars was much greater; and the contributions of the School to various benevolent objects have not only not fallen short, but have exceeded those of last year by \$3.32, amounting to \$435.55, the largest sum given by the Sabbath School in the history of the congregation.

As the Sabbath School, so our various missionary organizations report some decrease in their membership, and also a nominal diminution in their income; in the