

REPORT OF THE SESSION.

The Session, in submitting its report for the past year (1894), does so with feelings of thanksgiving, not unmixed with sadness and sorrow. Of thanksgiving because of the many encouraging circumstances connected with the congregation, these being—a desire on the part of many for a higher and holier life, and a riper Christian experience; the spirit of unity and brotherly love that prevails; Christian activity and usefulness, and a display of zeal in the service of the Master. Of *sadness*, because of the number of those with whom we have held sweet fellowship having been translated from the church militant to the church triumphant. The Session tenders its warmest sympathy to the bereaved families. Besides the adult members who have been taken away we have to record the removal of some of the lambs of the fold—children of tender years—who, having heard the gentle voice of the Good Shepherd, are now eternally folded in His arms and resting in His bosom.

In a special degree, as a congregation, we sorrow over the loss of our beloved pastor, Rev. James Allister Murray, who, for nineteen years, went in and out among us, breaking the Bread of Life, sympathizing with those in distress and trouble, consoling the sorrowful, and by his public ministration of the Word of Life, leading the church into green pastures and by still waters. For ourselves, and on behalf of the congregation, we blend our grief with that of the stricken

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