

The position of St. Paul's Church and Parish is becoming yearly stronger and stronger. It is commanding the confidence of the church people of the community. It is respected and even regarded with affection by the adherents of the other Protestant churches. Its simple and hearty services are edifying and helpful. They win many; they repel none. Its good works are a power for righteousness in the city. Its beneficial effects extend throughout the diocese, the Dominion, and are felt in distant lands. And we are persuaded that as long as it stands for simple and plain church services, simple and plain preaching of the Gospel of Christ, simple and plain christian living, in one word a simple and plain and apostolic style of christianity, free not exclusive, missionary not miserly, aggressive not stagnant, it will most certainly grow with a deep and solid and Divinely favoured growth.

Additions to the Church.

The growth in members during this last year has been remarkable. More new names than ever have been added to the Church list. Most of these are obtained by your clergy and the lay evangelist in their visiting work, in the course of which they are constantly being told of people who are now coming to the church, and are asked to visit them. The result of this visit is often the discovery of a family regularly attending St. Paul's church as their church and the addition of a couple of children to the Sunday School, *117 names being thus added since last April.* The House to House Visitation Committee of the Halifax Sunday School Association brought to our knowledge *112 names of people attending St. Paul's church of whom we had never heard before.* Of course many of these are as yet scarcely more than casual members who simply prefer this church to any other, and attend it when they attend any church which is generally not more than once a week, sometimes once a fortnight. But gradually they will become more and more attached.

We have now enrolled in our register over 600 families and about 235 individuals.