## II. REPORT BY KIRK-SESSION.

The Session have to report favourably concerning congregational matters falling specially to their charge. Early in the year the office of organist and choir-master fell vacant, and the members of Session considered themselves fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Joseph Gould. Since Mr. Gould's appointment the Service of Praise has been all that could be desired, and the Session is pleased to know that their feeling is shared by the entire congregation.

The death rate of the congregation was exceptionally low in 1886.

Speaking generally, the Kirk-Session congratulate the congregation on the healthy state of its affairs and on the spirit of harmony that prevails.

May peace and prosperity ever be the aims of all who desire the well-being of the typical Scotch Church of Montreal.

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