

ministry. In this connection the Kirk-Session learn with much satisfaction, that Mr. Murray Watson, in whom they have taken a deep interest for some years, expects in a short time to complete his curriculum, and their prayer for him is that he may go forth from us to enter enthusiastically on the work of the ministry, with the blessing of God resting upon him.

The Kirk-Session notice with satisfaction that the special collections on the Communion Sabbaths, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas, amounting in all to \$741.09, were sufficient to meet the expenditure of the year, for the relief of the poor through the Kirk-Session, as well as for other sessional purposes. The demands on our sympathies were more numerous this year than usual, but the collections were correspondingly large.

The whole Congregation was visited during the year by the Minister accompanied by the Elder of the district, when pains were taken to obtain as full and accurate a census of the congregation as possible. The names and addresses of the heads of families and other individual members and adherents, are given in another part of this report, and will be useful for reference. It is hoped that if any mistakes are found in this register, these will be pointed out to the Elder of the district, and also, that due notice will be given to the Elders of the change of address of any of the families.

The number of communicants on the roll is 575, a net increase for the year of 20. There were present at the communion in January, 405; in June, 401; and in October, 420.

The number of Baptisms during the year was	25
“ Marriages	“ “ 9
“ Burials	“ “ 24

The Congregation will be glad to learn that their venerable and much esteemed ex-pastor, the Rev. Dr. Jenkins, has recovered from a severe attack of illness, and is now with his family enjoying a fair measure of health and strength, in the neighbourhood of London, England. They will also be pleased to know that Dr. Jenkins, continues to manifest in a practical manner, his interest in the continued welfare and prosperity of the Congregation, to which in the providence of God, he ministered so long and so successfully.

The Missionary contributions of the year, were considerably in excess of what they were last year, though we are still far from hav-