

MANAGERS' REPORT.

The managers, in presenting their seventeenth annual report, do so with mingled feelings of satisfaction and regret. A review of the congregational affairs for the past year presents much which calls for gratitude, and also for serious consideration and improvement.

The year 1870 is one which will be ever memorable in the history of the congregation, as the year which witnessed the entire extinction of the debt on the church property. This grievous burden, under which we so long labored, is now a thing of the past. Not many years ago this was a consummation wished, rather than hoped for; but the Lord has led us by a way that we knew not.

The year will further be noticeable as that on which the congregation resolved to extend its sphere of usefulness and to undertake Sabbath School and Evangelistic work in the north-eastern part of the city. During the past year too, the income of the congregation from ordinary sources has been larger than in any previous year, and the Treasurer closed his books with the handsome balance on hand of \$706 42.

To all, this state of things must afford matter for deep thankfulness, and those especially of the congregation who remember the days, when the great difficulty was to meet the ordinary expenditure without increasing the debt; when a balance on hand of even a few dollars was considered satisfactory and cause for congratulation, can, and surely ought, in all sincerity to say, "Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things, and blessed be his glorious name for ever." "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to thy name give glory."

The ordinary income of the past year has been \$2,907 54, which has been made up thus:—Weekly offerings, \$1,449 95; Quarterly contributions, \$507 83, and Sabbath collections, \$949 76,

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