

ment, and in September last the Board had a circular printed and issued to the members urging them to make their Sabbath contributions in *silver*. The extra amount thus given would not really be seriously felt by any, and it would sufficiently increase the aggregate to keep the Treasurer always in funds, and meet, in a liberal manner, all the ordinary expenses of the congregation for stipend, salaries, repairs and general incidentals, without resorting to special calls, which are always more or less vexatious to some. This circular, and the monthly reminders which followed, did not effect much improvement, although it was hoped the congregation might in a short time be educated to a more liberal and systematic method of giving for the maintenance of religious ordinances and Church privileges, which now require from \$4,000 to \$4,500 yearly.

5th. The Board has seriously considered the question of making the pews and sittings in the Church FREE, and instituting a system of voluntary offerings in envelopes for the support of Gospel ordinances. This is unquestionably the scriptural method, and wherever it has been introduced and properly worked, the results have been highly satisfactory both to the membership and management.

6th. The property of the Congregation has been well maintained and improved during the year. Attention is specially called to the removal of the picket fence and substitution of an iron railing around the Church and Manse, which was occasioned by the change of side walk and boulevards on Waterloo Street by the Corporation. We have now one of the most handsome Church properties in the City.

7th. In April last the Board had under consideration the closing of St. Andrew's Cemetery, owing to the likelihood, in the near future, of further interments there being prohibited, and there being now, it might be said, no applicants for plots, the families connected with the Congregation having mostly secured ground in the other new cemeteries. We have been offered land from both of the new cemetery Boards on very favorable terms, giving plot-holders in our cemetery the privilege of selecting their own sites ; or, if desired, the Church could secure sections in the other cemeteries for allotment to