

For information as to the varied activities of the Church, I refer you to the reports of our different Societies. Among them I cannot forbear to mention with special gratitude and pleasure the Ladies' Aid Society. It is my fervent prayer that the blessing of God may rest upon our work in the future as it has already done, but in far greater degree, and that the Church may grow in love and wisdom, in favour with God and in power for good among men.

Your affectionate Pastor,

J. F. STEVENSON.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH BOARD FOR 1882.

In presenting this the 8th Annual Report of Emmanuel Church, your Board would call upon all to unite with them in thanksgiving for the good hand of God which has been upon us throughout another year. The health of Pastor and Office-bearers has been uniformly good, and the work of the Church has gone on with regularity from month to month; and though it has not been marked by any extraordinary incidents, yet your Board trust, that there has been satisfactory and enduring progress made.

The numbers in attendance at the public services on the Lord's Day have shown a decided increase; so much so, that a difficulty is beginning to be felt by the Trustees in finding seat-accommodation for new applicants. Still, the evening congregation is not so largely attended on the part of members of the Church and Congregation as it ought to be, for whatever may be going on elsewhere our duty is to be found in our proper places in our own Church-home. The attendance at the week-evening services and business-meetings of the Church ought also to be larger; and it is earnestly to be desired that members of the Church and young members especially, should lay this matter to heart, with a view to improvement therein; for the general condition and life of the whole body must suffer if individual members are remiss in the discharge of their duties, or the enjoyment of their privileges. We have in the midst of us piety, intelligence and energy, amply sufficient to make these services not only interesting but also powerful stimulants to higher and better things for us as a Church.