

Ewart, and of which it has ever since been the privilege of each successive President to have the custody.

Having drawn your attention to a few of the memories connected with your Society, it is now my intention to mention some of the more practical matters.

It will be seen by referring to the census returns, that between the years 1861 and 1871 the Scotch population of the Province of Ontario, and also of the city of Toronto, have more than tripled themselves, and on turning to the Roll of your Society, we find that for the five years ending November, 1870, there had been added to the number of the Society one hundred and twenty-five members, that for the five years ending November, 1875, there have been only one hundred and thirty-one members added, thus showing, that although apparently the Society is not losing ground, as far as numbers is concerned, yet, in reality, it is so ; for while the field is becoming more extensive, the number of members added is about the same.

The comparison of the returns of receipts for the past ten years does not show such an increase as might have been desired. By reference to the Treasurers' Reports during that period, the receipts are shown to be as follows :—

For the year 1834-1865	-	-	-	\$168 75
1865-1866	-	-	-	200 00
1866-1867	-	-	-	676 83
1867-1868	-	-	-	571 00
1868-1869	-	-	-	452 09
1869-1870	-	-	-	777 87
1870-1871	-	-	-	544 27
1871-1872	-	-	-	492 00
1872-1873	-	-	-	570 46
1873-1874	-	-	-	433 95
1874-1875	-	-	-	603 42

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