

REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

The Trustees beg to submit herewith a statement of the Income and Expenditure of Saint David's Church during the past twelve months. They do so, before the day fixed by law for the Election of Trustees, instead of after it, as has been the custom for some time back, that the congregation may know the position of the affairs of the Church before that day.

In submitting this Statement, the Trustees would congratulate the congregation, that notwithstanding the dullness existing in business circles, the financial affairs of the Church shew such a healthy condition.

The amount of Sabbath Collections, although shewing a large increase over previous years, might be still further increased. In suggesting to the congregation the propriety of adding in this way to the income of the Church, the Trustees are of opinion that these collections could be doubled without imposing any burden on even the poorest. In this way, those to whom the management of the affairs of the Church might hereafter be entrusted, could meet the current expenditure without having to call on the congregation for those subscriptions, by means of which a large amount of the revenue of the Church is at present raised.

The Trustees would, in all kindness, and fully appreciating the great and general depression prevailing in business throughout this City, as offering some excuse for those in arrears, either for pew rents or for the amount of their quarterly subscription, beg to remind them, that in justice to those who have discharged similar liabilities, to the Trustees, who, on the strength of expecting to receive promptly the amount of such arrearages, have contracted debts which are now pressing upon them, and to themselves, they should at once meet this indebtedness.

The Trustees regret that the contributions to the Building Fund shew such a marked falling off. Although the necessity to pay off the debt standing on the Church is not a pressing one, the Trustees had hoped that the congregation would not relax its efforts in this direction until the Church was made "free," not in name only, but actually.

The Trustees had contemplated certain repairs in the way of painting the Church, laying out the grounds and repair-