ANNUAL REPORT

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CAMBRIDGE STREET

METHODIST CHURCH,

LINDSAY.

FOR THE YEAR 1895

Greeting.

To the Members of the Church and Congregation :

Again we present our Annual Report, containing, among other things, a record in detail of the Church's givings for local purposes, and in the summary, for connexional purposes as well.

We have suffered severely during the year from deaths and removals—a total loss from these causes of forty.

The attendance upon public worship is not less, but rather more, and upon the social services about as usual.

There are many sources of encouragement, but many reasons as well for enquiry whether or not we are accomplishing all we ought and can. The Church is composed of individuals. The question therefore is a personal one. Opportunity and responsibility measure each other. Much is given before much is required, and privilege invites to service before responsibility commands. The willing service is at once more acceptable and more effective than that which is enforced. Let us ever remember that a Church is prosperous not by reason of what comes into it, but by what goes out from it,—not its gettings, but by its GIVINGS, its DOINGS.

Do we seek the salvation of souls that the Church may prosper, or the prosperity of the Church that souls may be saved? Do we ever mistake the means for the end? Let our prayer and aim be that "the pleasure of the Lord may prosper in our hands."

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