

be used hereafter, we trust, in the general work of the Church. Notwithstanding the fact that the larger portion of the Century Fund money was actually paid during the past year, the contributions of our people to the regular Schemes are greatly in excess of the preceding year, and are much the largest in the history of the Church. The receipts for the Century Fund to this date are \$1,430,000, viz.: \$867,000 for the debt department and \$563,000 for the Common Fund.

The Year's Growth

Steady progress has been made in almost every department of the work. In connection with the 58 Presbyteries of the Church, there are 1,368 ordained ministers, of whom 1,198 are pastors of congregations, professors in colleges, or filling positions to which they have been appointed by the Assembly. There are 783 self-supporting charges, embracing 1,152 congregations, and 203 charges—embracing 370 congregations — aided by the Augmentation Fund. In addition to these, we have 506 Home Mission fields, with 1,461 stations, at which the gospel is more or less regularly preached by our missionaries. Our elders number 7,559; our families 118,114, and our communicants 219,470, a net gain of 5,799 to the membership reported a year ago. The number of communicants received during the year on profession of faith, was 11,259, an average of 7 to each congregation. Not including mission fields, 228 congregations report no conversions during the year,—no members received on confession of faith,—and in 656 of the other congregations of the Church, where additions