

The question at present of most interest in connection with our secular affairs is the erection of the new church edifice, and as the Congregation have been informed from time to time of the progress made, and the Building Committee will report on the matter, your Board of Managers deem it unnecessary to enter at length upon the subject. We would here mention, however, that although some trivial obstacles have been met with, nothing sufficiently serious has occurred to materially retard progress in our proceedings, and with the first appearance of fine spring weather, building operations will undoubtedly be commenced and pushed forward with all dispatch towards completion at the earliest possible date.

Your Board of Managers gratefully acknowledge the generous spirit manifested by the Congregation by so liberally responding in the matter of the subscription list. Previous to its being started \$5,000 was the maximum of what might be expected, whereas the amount subscribed exceeds \$7,000, of which over \$1,500 has been paid to the Treasurer.

The Loan has also been completed, so that, financially speaking, all is in readiness, and we can hopefully look forward to the completion of the Church about the end of the present year.

Three members of the Board have retired by rotation and are eligible for re-election, viz. : A. M. Hamilton, Wm. Craig, and A. Sharp.

Your Board respectfully recommend the following :—1st, that Rev. W. J. Clark's stipend be \$2,100 for the present year ; 2nd, that the usual grant of \$50 be given to the Sunday School of the Church.

The thanks of the Congregation are due to the Choir for their faithful services, and the gentlemen who have so efficiently acted as ushers.

A. MCPHERSON,
Secretary.

R. REID,
Chairman.