

## VII. REPORT OF YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The Young Men's Association experienced rather an uneventful session. Though somewhat diminished in the number of meetings we carried out a most interesting and instructive programme of Lectures on literary and social topics, the consideration and discussion of which, we trust, have had a beneficial effect on the members.

During the winter, the Rev. J. Edgar Hill, our honorary president, delivered a most admirable lecture on "John Wesley"—Dr. T. Sterry Hunt, spoke to us on "The Food of Plants"—the Rev. James Barclay on "Savonarola," and our worthy president, the Rev. John Williamson, favored us with an address on "Robert Burns," on the anniversary of the birth of this great Scotch poet.

The committee cordially invite the young men of the congregation to attend our meetings, whether with a view to enrolment or not.

H. O. ROBERTSON,  
*Secretary.*

## VIII. BAND OF HOPE.

We meet this evening to celebrate the Seventh anniversary of St. Andrew's Church Band of Hope and to present our annual reports of this Society.

During the year 75 members signed the pledge. The "Blue Ribbon" badge was introduced into our Society, all members taking the pledge of total abstinence being entitled to wear one, if they so desired.

At the beginning of the session we were anxious that more children of the congregation should attend our meetings so letters were sent to the parents of almost every family asking them to allow their children to attend, to which appeal many responded.