

tion of Mr. McLean's interest in the temporal and spiritual concerns of all those sitting under his ministry. Trusting that he might be spared to go in and out among them for many years, and at last that he might receive the reward of the good and faithful servant, the address concluded, and was signed on behalf of the donors, by John B. Fraser, James McC. Moore, Charles McWilliam, Angus McLeod, Hugh McLean, and Daniel McAulay.

The above gift amounted to \$135. In the most favoured circumstances of a scattered country congregation, a gift like this would afford a very tangible proof of generous liberality; but it adds very much to the value of the gift, in this instance, that it was contributed at a time when, from the unusual scarcity of money, to contribute at all required, in the case of most, a considerable amount of self-denial.

THE Report of the Sabbath School in connection with St. Andrew's, Halifax, is before us. It shows the school to be in a flourishing condition, both as regards attendance and finance. It is one of the oldest schools in the city; and we have much pleasure in making its acquaintance through its published Report. Instead of giving opinions of our own, we prefer letting the Report speak for itself.

"The numerical strength of the school had increased to two hundred and sixty-five during the first half-year. Then the tide turned, and through various ways our force was reduced to one hundred and ninety-three. Among the classes that suffered most is the Infant Class, which has been under the able supervision of Miss Kate B. Thomson since its first formation; it having at one time forty-nine scholars, and now numbering thirty. During the year, there were three new classes formed, and these being drawn from the Infant Class, may account for the reduction in its numbers."

"The grown up classes have increased towards the end of the year; and now we have two adult classes under the instruction of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell. Mr. Campbell's Bible Class suspended operations during the summer months. This was greatly to be regretted, and it is sincerely hoped that the young men connected with it will keep together during the coming summer."

"The financial condition of the school is very encouraging. There is an endowment yielding \$46.72 annually. This sum is intended to supply books for the library, all other expenses being defrayed by a church-door collection. It will be seen by the Treasurer's statement that the sum of \$94.03 has been expended during the year in payment for religious papers for circulation among the scholars, and sundry other expenses necessary to the efficiency of the school. I may also state that the Scottish Hymnal was introduced into the school, costing \$20.00."

"There is a Teachers' Meeting held weekly after Prayer Meeting on Friday evening, at which the lesson for the following Sunday is studied. And on Friday evening after the first Sunday of the month, a Business Meeting is held, at which the matters concerning the school are discussed, and all necessary arrangements for the following month are made; and, so that the time may be reserved for business, the minister takes the lesson as a subject for lecture in the prayer meeting."

"On the first Sunday of the month, immediately after school, the Teachers hold a devotional meeting of fifteen minutes, for prayer to God on behalf of the work of the school."

"Among the disbursements of the school, will be found \$20.00 toward the *Dayspring*, Mission vessel; and also \$40.00 towards the support of a boy (Isaac Inglis) at the Industrial School; also \$10.00 towards the City Mission."

WILLIAM CALDER, *Superintendent*.

#### REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

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| No. of Office-bearers and Teachers on Roll.....            | 31  |
| No. of Office-bearers and Teachers Average attendance..... | 28  |
| No. of Scholars on Roll.....                               | 265 |
| " Girls.....   | 152 |
| " Boys.....  | 113 |
| Average attendance of Scholars.....                        | 139 |
| " Girls.....   | 91½ |
| " Boys.....  | 47½ |

ALEX. URQUHART, *Registrar*.

The Library of the school is undergoing a thorough revision by the Librarians, and quite a large number of books are to be added immediately.

The money matters of the school are managed by the Treasurer under two heads. The first takes oversight of the current expenses of the school, and the other the missionary and benevolent work of the school. For periodicals, &c., for the use of the school, were expended, \$94.03: and, after the payment