

III.—CAER HOWEL STREET SCHOOL

In presenting our Annual Report, we cannot claim for the School much advance over its state at the beginning of the year. It has however held its own in the face of some serious disadvantages.

The number of Scholars on the roll is under sixty, and the average attendance a little less. A single fact will show the shifting nature of the population among which we work, and the effort required to maintain the School attendance; some thirty-three scholars on the roll on 1st January, 1876, are now removed from it.

The number of teachers is the same as at the date of last Report, viz., six. In place of Mr. Blackly, the School has received back Mr. John O. Anderson. Miss Gemmel, in addition to teaching a class acts as organist for the School, placing it thereby under a debt of gratitude. Mr. Gemmel, one of the members of the Session, has been a frequent visitor of the School, and kindly took charge of Mr. Builder's class in his absence from the city.

Two small additions have been made to the Library during the year, and the enjoyment of the children has been cared for in a Summer and a Winter gathering of a social kind. The expenses connected with the School have been met partly by the Young Men's Christian Association, and partly by the teachers.

There has been collected for Missionary purposes the sum of \$41.50 which has been allocated as follows, for Home Missions \$21.50; for Foreign Missions \$10; and for French Evangelization \$10.

ROBERT KILGOUR, *Superintendent.*

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