and devout attendance at all the the services on Sunday, and on Wednesday evenings, and at prayer meetings. He took the deepest interest in the whole work of this Church of every kind, and his thorough practical knowledge of everything connected with building, was found to be of great value, when any additions, alterations or improvements were being made. In 1866 he was elected a Deacon in the old Coté street Church, and in 1879 in our present building he was elected an elder. In 1882 he was appointed one of the Trustees. His loss will be long felt by those who knew him.

Notwithstanding all the changes taking place, the Lord's work is going on increasingly,—and let us see that we do what we can to keep it going on increasingly amongst ourselves, outside of ourselves, even throughout the world—

> Till o'er the whole creation, The rays of truth shall shine, And nations now in darkness, Arise to light divine.

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I will now say a few words on behalf of the Weekly offering scheme now in operation for eight years. The ease of its manipulation, its success, as shown in the large sum it produces annually, the maintenance of this large product ever since its commencement, its direct appeal to the conscience, and that without any undue pressure, in short its superiority in every respect to any plan we ever had before, for providing for missionary and benevolent purposes must commend it to every one. It provides for about twenty different objects. All those for which the General Assembly orders annual collections to be taken for, and such other objects as we think it well to promote-all of importance. I hope therefore that all will give it conscientious consideration and act accordingly. Not only should every head of a family but every member take part in it. Giving for such objects is a good habit to teach the young, and like all good habits, tends to elevate the character. Especially do I wish those who more recently have joined us, and who may not have fully realized the importance of this scheme, to consider it carefully, that they may know how much is dependent on it and their obligations to it as professing christians.