

The expenditure during the same time was \$4,141.46. There is then a decrease in the receipts of \$218.36, and an increase in the expenditure of \$80.22, as compared with the preceding year. The principal decrease is observable in the quarterly contributions. The increase in expenditure is occasioned by a larger payment for the Sabbath School than formerly.

In view of this falling off in the contributions and of the fact, that, during the year we have entered on we shall have a larger expenditure, the managers desire to commend the matter to the earnest attention of the congregation. Some are giving quite as much as could be expected, but others could contribute a great deal more than they do at present. There are some again who give liberally, while worshipping with the congregation, but who neglect to make up their contribution for any Sabbaths they may have been absent.

The managers feel that an attempt to remedy these defects in giving should at once be made, and would therefore suggest that cards be issued on which each member or adherent may state the amount he proposes to contribute weekly or quarterly during the year, and that they be filled in and returned to the managers. If this is complied with, and these sums, that may be promised, regularly given, it is hoped that through the liberality of the congregation there will be a large increase reported by the Treasurer at the close of the year.

The membership of the congregation remains about the same as last year.

The Sherbourne street property has been advertised for sale; several offers were received by the agent in whose hands it was placed, but, being far below its value, they were not entertained.

In their last report the Managers stated that a committee had been appointed to take into con-