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Sabbath School Report, 1877.

In presenting to you the Annual Report of Knox Church Sabbath School, for the year 1877, we are happy to state: first, that the attendance of pupils has been greater than that of the preceding year; and secondly, with regret, that a difficulty was experienced during a portion of the year in securing the services of teachers for the different classes of the school. It is very gratifying to thus record the progress of the school numerically, but also sad to find an increasing harvest met with the old cry of "The labourers are few." We may here mention, however, as an encouragement that the Superintendent has lately secured the services of three new teachers, so that the work is not likely to fail for lack of help; but still we would suggest that a further increase be made in the number of teachers in connection with the Sabbath School, so as to form a reserve from which a supply could be obtained in case of the sickness or absence of the regular teachers. In this way at all times the Superintendent would be aided by a full teaching staff.

One pupil, Newton McFarlane, has been called away during the year by Him who while on earth loved to gather the lambs in His arms, and carry them in His bosom.

This year it was deemed advisable by the S. S. teachers and Superintendent to dispense with all prizes to the pupils, except those given annually for regular attendance, and also those given for introducing two or more new pupils to the School.

The lessons studied during the first half of the year were contained in the Old Testament, and during the second half in the New Testament. A review of the lessons was held at the close of each quarter. While we are unable to estimate the spiritual good these lessons fraught with gospel truths may have accomplished, we can pray for a blessing on the seed thus sown by the teachers and trust that it may have the desired effect of leading many to the Saviour.