

MANAGERS' REPORT.

The Board of Managers, in presenting their Annual Report to you for your consideration, do so acknowledging God's goodness unto us as a people during the past year.

There being no pew rents, our only source of revenue for running expenses is Voluntary Contributions, either open or in envelopes, each Sabbath. During the past year we have received the following amounts :—From open collections, \$994.84 ; from envelopes, \$3382.31 ; making a total of \$4382.15, an increase of \$36.95 over that of 1888.

Neither of the years' figures used for this comparison include any extra collections. During 1889 we have had only one special collection, while in 1888 we had several.

We would like to bring to your notice, also, the importance of having the ordinary revenue increased so as to meet all the expenses of the congregation, which it does not now do.

In regard to the Building Fund, we desire to bring to your notice the amount received for this purpose. The General Treasurer has given the Building Fund Treasurer \$1110.00 ; \$250.00 more than the previous year. Proceeds of two concerts, \$207.65 ; and from subscribers, \$1616.50. The Building Fund Treasurer has thus been enabled to pay off a good portion of the floating debt, which is one of the pleasant items in the Financial Statement.

On September 1st the Board converted £1000 sterling of the mortgage debt into a floating debt, thereby enabling us to pay off small amounts from time to time as we may be able.

In the second quarter of the year, the congregation gave a special contribution of \$157.66, to clear the Sabbath School of debt.

There are now 700 members in the congregation, and there are 314 persons who contribute by envelope ; yet the managers received only an average of 164 each Sabbath. This shows that a great many are very irregular in contributing—the income being thus very materially reduced.

A Congregational Meeting was held on October 2nd, when it was decided to change the mode of electing managers to that contained in the new book of forms of the Canada Presbyterian Church, viz. :—To first nominate eligible members for the office, then elect the board by ballot from among those nominated, one third of whom shall retire annually, but are eligible for re-election.