

giving for missionary purposes during the year was about \$32. The number of names on the rolls in the classes meeting in the large room upstairs is 79 boys and 98 girls, a total of 177. The class of young women taught by Mr. Kirkland, has 46 names on its roll (a larger number than at any other period), and the class of young men taught by Mr. Johnston has a roll of 32 names; this gives a total of 347, an increase of 36 over the number reported last year. It has to be explained however, that in connection with the young men's class, Mr. Johnston who took the charge of our late pastor's class on the 28th of October last, that the number on that roll should, in fairness, be deducted from the total—inasmuch as in our former Sunday School Reports we have not included the members attending that class. Still, in deducting the number in attendance in that class, we have an increase of 4 over the year 1882; this we consider, on the whole satisfactory from this fact, that during the past year several families moved from the bounds of the congregation, to which no inconsiderable number of children belonged that were in attendance at our school.

The attendance of both teachers and scholars during the year has, on the whole, been very satisfactory. Besides those removals which we have indicated, there have been not a few absentees, now and again through sickness, and it is gratifying to know that so many who have been sick have been restored to health again, and some who are sick still, we hope and pray may yet be granted health and length of days to engage in the service of Christ with us here. In our two previous Annual Reports it was our pleasing duty to state that the angel of death had not appeared among us, calling Home any teacher or scholar; it is different with us to-night. On Sabbath, the 3rd of June last, the spirit of Bessie Cairns left the earthly for the heavenly home. She had been a sufferer, but a patient sufferer, for many weeks. She had learned useful lessons in the Sabbath-school, but she learned

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