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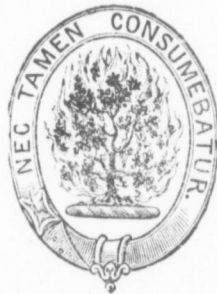
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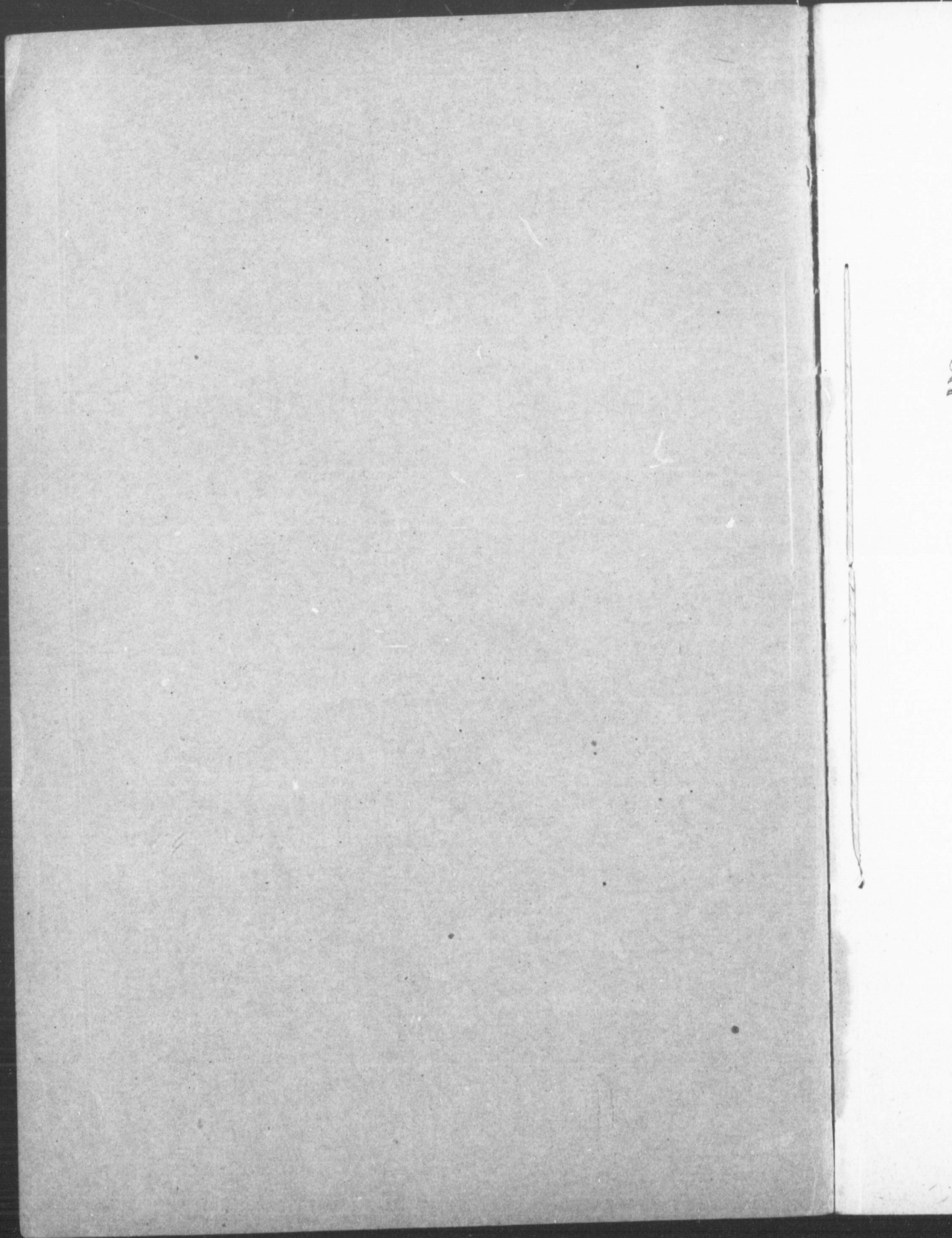


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# The Saint Gabriel Church Montreal,

(Organized, 12th March, 1786.)

## Wirk Session.

### MINISTER.

REV. ROBERT CAMPBELL, M.A., 68 STE. FAMILLE STREET,

### ELDERS.

ROBERT BRODIE,	- - - - -	Coteau St. Pierre.
JAMES H. MICHAUD,	- - - - -	499 Sherbrooke Street.
WILLIAM DARLING, Jr.,	- - - - -	92 Union Avenue.
DANIEL DRUMMOND,	- - - - -	Petite Cote.
THOMAS GRAHAM,	- - - - -	110 St. Lawrence Street.
MATTHEW HODGE,	- - - - -	181 St. Lawrence Street.
JAMES ROBERTSON,	- - - - -	49 Park Avenue.
JOHN A. STUART,	- - - - -	156 German Street.

Clerk of Session,--J. H. MICHAUD.

## Board of Trustees.

WILLIAM ARNOTT,	- - - - -	35 Parthenais Street.
CHARLES BARKER,	- - - - -	879 Ontario Street.
CHARLES BYRD,	- - - - -	94 Durocher Street.
DAVID CUNNINGHAM,	- - - - -	52 Chenneville Street.
WILLIAM DARLING, <i>Chairman,</i>	- - - - -	Hochelaga.
THOMAS GRAHAM, <i>Treasurer,</i>	- - - - -	110 St. Lawrence St.
W. L. HALDIMAND,	- - - - -	1452 St. Catherine St.
ARCHIBALD McNAUGHTON,	- - - - -	1226 Notre Dame Street.
WILLIAM PATTON,	- - - - -	613 Craig Street.
WILLIAM RRED, <i>Secretary,</i>	- - - - -	159 Laval Avenue.
JAMES ROBERTSON,	- - - - -	49 Park Avenue.
DAVID SLEETH,	- - - - -	85 Parthenais Street.

The Board meets on the first Wednesday in each Month.

### AUDITORS.

WILLIAM FOULIS,	- - - - -	58 Cadieux Street.
R. McCULLOCH,	- - - - -	167 St. Antoine Street.

Church Officer,—JOHN THOM, 52 Ste. Elizabeth Street.

The Congregation is divided into NINE DISTRICTS, each of which is assigned to an Elder. It is his duty to visit the families in his District, to note changes of residence, and to inform the Minister and Session of special cases of sickness or poverty.

DISTRICT NO. I.—DANIEL DRUMMOND, *Elder*.

Pointe aux Trembles, Petite Cote, St. Michel, Sault aux Recollets, and all outside the city limits northwards.

DISTRICT NO. II.—MATTHEW HODGE, *Elder*.

From Papineau Road and Square, East, including Hochelaga, Longue Pointe and Longueuil.

DISTRICT NO. III.—JOHN A. STUART, *Elder*.

From Papineau Road and Square, West to Campeau street, including the latter.

DISTRICT NO. IV.—*Elder*.

From Campeau Street to St. Lawrence Street, excluding the latter, and from Sherbrooke Street to the River.

DISTRICT NO. V.—J. H. MICHAUD, *Elder*.

From Sherbrooke Street included northwards to city limits, and from St. Lawrence Street included eastwards to city limits.

DISTRICT NO. VI.—JAMES ROBERTSON, *Elder*.

From St. Lawrence Street to Bleury Streets, included, and from Dorchester Street, northwards to city limits.

DISTRICT NO. VII.—THOMAS GRAHAM, *Elder*,

From St. Lawrence Street, to Bleury Street, both included, and from Craig Street to Dorchester Street, included.

DISTRICT NO. VIII.—WILLIAM DARLING, Jr., *Elder*.

From Bleury Street, westwards to city limits, and from Craig and St. Antoine Sts., northwards to city limits.

DISTRICT NO. IX.—ROBERT BRODIE, *Elder*.

From Dalhousie Square westwards to city limits, and from Craig and St. Antoine Streets southwards to the River.

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## CHURCH SERVICES.

HOURS OF DIVINE SERVICE on Lord's Day; 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING on Wednesday, at 8 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER is observed on the third Sabbath in March, June, September and December.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is administered on the first Sabbath in each month.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS.

Meet every Lord's day at 3 p m.

*Superintendent*,—Rev. R. Campbell, M A.

*Assistant Superintendent*,—Mr. J. A. Stuart.

*Secretary Treasurer*,—Mr. John McAllister.

*Assistant Secretary Treasurer*,—Mr. Archibald McAllister.

*Librarian*, Mr. Wm. Bickerstaff,

*Assistant Librarians*, Messrs. W. Beckingham & J. Robertson.

*Representative to S. S. Association*, Mr. S. Loughead.

*Teachers*, Misses Brophy, M. Darling, Loughead, Lynch, E. MacQueen, A. Michaud, E. Michaud, M. Patton, M. Taylor. Messrs. Hodge, Loughead, McKenzie, Nicholson, and Stuart.

### LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

*President*, Mrs. Campbell.

*Vice Presidents*, Mrs. W. Darling, and Mrs. Jas. Robertson.

*Secretary Treasurer*, Mrs. Haldimand.

The Society meets fortnightly during the winter season, for work, the members also taking work home with them. Besides providing for the poor of the Congregation, the society contemplates affording assistance to the finances of the church, and all the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to the meetings.

### MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

OFFICE BEARERS & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

*President*, Rev. R. Campbell, M.A.

*Vice presidents*, Messrs. JAMES ROBERTSON, & WM. EWING.

*Treasurer*, M. Hodge,

*Secretary*, W. Peddie.

*Auditors*, P. M. MacTavish, and A. Watt.

*Committee* :

Messrs. Bain, T. Brophy, J. Donaghy, J. M. Farquhar, W. D. Hay, W. Irwin, R. Richardson, S. Loughead, J. Loughead, R. McGowan, A. McNaughton, and Albert Taylor.

### COLLECTORS :

District, No. 1	Misses Sleeth & White.
“ “ 2	Mrs. Blair and Mrs. Marsh.
“ “ 3	Mrs. Teskey and Mrs. Foulis.
“ “ 4	Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. R. Stewart.
“ “ 5	Mrs. Lynch and Miss M. Patton.
“ “ 6	Messrs. Byrd and Andrew McAllister.
“ “ 7	Misses Irving and McIntosh.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION.

- President*,—William Darling, Jr.  
*Vice-Presidents*,—John Thom, and P. M. MacTavish.  
*Secretary*,—W. H. Cross.  
*Assistant Secretary*,—Miss Eliza McNaughton.  
*Financial Secretary*,—P. V. Thom.  
*Treasurer*,—J. M. Farquhar.  
*Executive Committee*,—W. T. Lindsay, Geo. Loughead, W. E. Barker, Alice Bruce, Sarah Cunningham.  
*Finance Committee*,—Chairman, J. M. Farquhar.  
*Visiting* “ “ Andrew McAllister.  
*Social* “ “ J. R. Bain.  
*Temperance* “ “ J. T. Cunningham.  
*Music* “ “ Arch. McAllister.

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS CONTRIBUTED BY THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION OF ST. GABRIEL CHURCH ;  
 during the year ending 31st Jan., 1885.

Weekly Contributions of Members received by the Church Treas. from 1st Feb., 1884 to 31st July, 1884 .....	\$73 00	
Less: Three amounts sent in as payments of Pew-Rents but included in above special offerings .....	25 15	\$47 85
From 1st Aug. to 31st Jan., 1885 .....		43 80
		<u>\$91 65</u>
FROM ASSOCIATION FUNDS :		
Feb. 2 Vote to Church Funds from Receipts at Concerts .....		20 00
2 “ Temperance Association .....		12 50
2 “ Church Officer .....		5 00
		<u>37 50</u>
Total, .....	\$129 15	

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.

- Honorary President*,—Rev. R. Campbell, M. A.  
*President*,—Alex. McDonald. *Vice President*,—John Thom.  
*Secretary*,—R. M. Campbell. *Assistant Secretary*,—Janet Lynch.  
*Treasurer*,—Miss E. J. McNaughton.  
*Executive Committee*,—Messrs. W. Irwin, Geo. Loughead, Andrew McAllister, James Robertson, G. P. Schroeder, J. A. Stuart, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. A. McNaughton, Mrs. P. V. Thom, Misses Bickerstaff, Hardie, and Loughead.



## STATISTICS.

No. of Families in the Congregation.....	165
No. of Single Persons not connected with Families .....	40
No. of Communicants on Roll 1st January, 1884 .....	400
No. added during 1884 .....	33
No. removed during year .....	18
No. of Baptisms .....	23
No. of Marriages .....	17
No. of Burials.....	14

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*In Memoriam.*

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The following Members and Adherents of the Congregation were removed by death during the year, 1884 :—

Cumming, Isabella Elizabeth .....	Mar. 18th.
Cunningham, David .....	April 10th.
Donaghy, Mrs. Robert .....	Nov. 3rd.
Henderson, Mrs. James .....	Jan. 14th.
Henderson, Jessie Elizabeth M.[Infant] .....	Aug. 23rd.
Kydd, Anna Louise (child).....	Oct. 14th.
McIntosh, John.....	Nov. 2nd.
Richardson, Mary Isabella (infant) .....	Aug. 21st.
Robertson, Mary Ann (child) .....	Mar. 6th.

## TO THE MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS OF ST. GABRIEL CHURCH.

DEAR FRIENDS,

I gladly avail myself of the privilege of addressing a few words to you in connection with the issuing of the Annual Report.

First, I would express gratitude to God for the comfort and prosperity of the past year. This is largely due to the faithfulness and efficiency of the Kirk-Session, and the earnest attention of the Trustees to the temporal affairs of the Congregation. A church is happy and its prosperity assured, when it can count upon the zealous co-operation of a body of men like those who manage our affairs both temporal and spiritual. To them, for their uniform sympathy and support, I owe the heartiest acknowledgements.

Carefully read this Report; ponder its several appeals, and put it carefully by for future reference. I am sure you will all feel it your duty to relieve the Trustees of their financial embarrassment. You will not wish to see this historical church in debt, at the end of the first century of its existence, and so you will do what in you lies to add to your givings to the funds.

I desire to record my thanks also to the Sabbath-School Teachers, who are helping in the important work of training the young for Christ. Their office is one that involves faith, self-sacrifice and patience, even when things are most favourable. When the scholars are irregular, or come to the school without having paid any attention to the lesson, this adds to the Teacher's trials. You can all help to lessen these trials, by overseeing the preparations of the lessons of the children in your homes and promoting their regular attendance.

The Missionary Association continues to do excellent service to the church. The monthly collections keep up well. Let both collectors and contributors endeavour constantly to realize the privilege of helping on the Lord's work at home and abroad—all for Christ's sake.

Let me in a word say, further, how much I feel indebted to the members of the Choir for their efficient services so cheerfully rendered. It is no small part they perform in aiding our accomplished leader, Mr. Bain, to guide the praises of the congregation intelligently—this part of our service at least comparing favourably with that of any church in the city.

I have on more than one occasion spoken of the work of both the Ladies' Aid Society, and of the Young People's Association. They are the embodiment of the life and energy of the church; and I rely upon their efforts in their several spheres, as two great powers in the congregation, capable of almost any achievement.

This being the 99th year of the congregation's existence it is pre-eminently a suitable time for reflection. How have we profited by the services of God's house in the past? Have we accomplished for God or for man all that could reasonably be expected of us considering our privileges and opportunities? The Lord has greatly helped us—have we striven to help others lying within the reach of our influence? Don't forget that to whom much is given, of them much shall be required.

I have so often spoken of the proposed Centenary Church that you may be tempted to smile when I again refer to it. Every end will be gained if we shall get the new enterprize started at the end of the hundred years. If the whole matter rested with the congregation alone, we should now be well under weigh with the new edifice, but as there are two parties interested, and one of them cannot be got to show haste, we must exercise a little longer the grace of patience. When we do get this enterprize fairly started, Trustees, Elders, and all that have contributed to hold the fort here so long, under some difficulties, will be entitled to no small share of credit.

But let none of us forget that "except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it."

Ever your faithful friend and pastor,

ROBERT CAMPBELL,

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION  
OF ST. GABRIEL CHURCH.

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of St. Gabriel Church, in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws, was held in the School-Room on the evening of the 13th January, 1885.

On motion Mr. James Robertson was called to occupy the chair, and Mr. J. A. Stuart to act as Secretary.

It was then moved by Mr. J. A. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Arch. McNaughton,

"That the Meeting adjourn till the 11th of February at 8 p.m." which was carried.

Signed,        JAMES ROBERTSON, *Chairman*.  
                  JOHN A. STUART, *Secretary*.

The adjourned Annual Meeting of the St. Gabriel Church, was held in the School-Room on the evening of Wednesday the 11th February, 1885.

On motion, the Rev. R. Campbell was called on to preside, and Mr. W. Foulis to act as Secretary.

The Meeting was opened by praise and prayer.

Minutes of last Annual Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Rev. R. Campbell, chairman of committee for the revision of By-Laws, then presented their Report. After some discussion it was moved by Mr. J. A. Stuart, and seconded by Mr. M. Hodge.

"That the Report be recommitted to the Committee to be proceeded with in a regular manner."

Moved in amendment by Mr. W. L. Haldimand, and seconded by Mr. T. Graham.

"That the Report now submitted be received and its recommendations considered *seriatim*." (Amendment carried.)

Moved by Mr. W. Hodge, and seconded by Mr. J. A. Stuart.

"That By-Law No. 6 remain as at present." Carried.

Moved by Mr. Arch. McNaughton, and seconded by Mr. J. R. Bain.

"That the By-Laws as amended be adopted and printed." Carried.

The Report of the Trustees for the past year also the Treasurer's Statement of accounts, receipts, and disbursements, duly audited, were presented.

Moved by Mr. J. A. Stuart, and seconded by Mr. C. Byrd,

"That the Report now read be received, and adopted, and printed for the information of the Congregation." Carried.

Moved by Mr. J. A. Stuart, and seconded by Mr. A. Watt,

"That Messrs. W. L. Haldimand, Arch. McNaughton, and W. Reed be re-elected Trustees, and that Mr. C. Byrd replace Mr. M. Hodge, who retires." Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. L. Haldimand, and seconded by Mr. W. C. Patton,

"That the thanks of the Congregation be tendered to Mr. W. Reed for his valuable services to the Church." Carried.



Moved by Mr. J. R. Bain, and seconded by Mr. W. C. Patton,

"That the warmest thanks of the Congregation are due and are now tendered to the Treasurer Mr. Graham, for the time and patience he has bestowed on the arduous duties of his office. Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. Reed, and seconded by Mr. A. Watt,

"That the Congregation desires at this time to record their thanks to the members of the Choir for the unwearied and cheerful manner in which they have done their part in the service, during the past year, and to Mr. Bain under whose skilful leadership they have made such excellent progress. Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. Reed, and seconded by Mr. W. C. Patton,

"That Mr. W. Foulis and Mr. Robt. McCulloch, be elected Auditors for the ensuing year. Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. Reed, and seconded by Mr. Arch. McNaughton,

"That the Rev. R. Campbell do now leave the chair, and that Mr. John A. Stuart be called on to preside."

It was then moved and seconded,

"That a vote of thanks be tendered to Rev. R. Campbell for the very efficient manner in which he had filled the office of Chairman." Carried.

The benediction having been pronounced by Rev. R. Campbell, the meeting was closed.

ROBT. CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*

WM. FOULIS, *Secretary.*

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES OF ST. GABRIEL CHURCH.

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The Trustees have again, in accordance with the Bye-Laws of the Church, to lay before the Congregation a Report of the proceedings of the Board, including Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for the twelve months ending 31st January, 1885.

The Treasurer's Statement to be presently submitted in detail shows the Contributions to Revenue under the different heads as follows :

Weekly Offerings,	-	-	-	\$1704 87
Pew Rents, (old system)	-	-	-	224 00
Ordinary Collections,	-	-	-	360 90
				\$2289 77

As has been noted in former Reports this total represents our real and only source of revenue and should cover our outlay without requiring to be supplemented, as in the Financial Statement, by the \$300 interest, the employment of which in such a manner being at least questionable, and at any rate should not be depended on.

When the Treasurer closed his books for the year, there remained unpaid on account of Weekly Offerings about \$100. and \$64. on account of Pew Rents, (old system) making \$164. of arrears for the past year only, which if all paid up would have made the showing a little better, but still now with the employment of the amount as interest, the Revenue fails to provide for the Expenditure.

Last year the Treasurer's Statement showed a deficiency of \$74 36—this has grown this year to \$244 78.

The greatest economy has been exercised, and the Financial Statement will show that scarcely any item of Expenditure could be dispensed with.

In this position of our affairs, it seems absolutely necessary that the Members and Adherents of the Congregation should bestir themselves and take more interest in the affairs of the Church, and by their aid and encouragement strengthen the hands of those they have appointed to manage the finances for them, as without the generous assistance of the Congregation it cannot be expected that suitable provision can be made for the creditable support of ordinances among us.

At the time of the inauguration of the Weekly Offerings in 1879, as the working of the system proceeded and its advantages to the individual as an easy method of contributing were realised, it was reasonably expected that as time went on there would have been a marked increase in the totals for each successive year. But though some have been considerate enough to think of this and increase their offerings, it is to be regretted that so many still adhere to the amount

promised six years ago, though the addition of even five cents to their weekly offerings would make a material difference to the aggregate, and probably save the management some anxiety.

The following shows the totals of Weekly Offerings and Ordinary Collections for the six years under the system, an examination of which should be interesting to all contributors. The improvement in the Offerings in the last year of the series is due to a special effort made by a few at the beginning of the year by augmenting the same.

1st February, 1880.	14 Months,	\$1778 94	\$301 67
" 1881.	12 "	1679 70	349 52
" 1882.	" "	1550 70	351 00
" 1883.	" "	1560 40	347 72
" 1884.	" "	1567 20	372 93
" 1885.	" "	1704 87	360 90

Your Board earnestly hopes that the congregation will now realise the need for some vigorous action on their part, and that they will at once adopt such measures as in their judgment may hereafter conduce to relieve the finances from these ever recurring embarrassments.

The Trustees not only desire the counsel of the other members of the Church but invite their criticism, as hardly any greater misfortune could befall a church than indifference on the part of the congregation, with regard to the acts of its managers.

It is very gratifying at the present time to find that members of the Young People's Association are expressing a willingness to co-operate with the management in any way in which they can be serviceable.

Within the compass of a Report of this description, it is difficult to point out the manner in which this may be done, but to willing hearts various ways may suggest themselves in which they may be useful and contribute to the general welfare. There need be little fear for the future prosperity of a Church when the earnest sympathies of the young people are anew enlisted in its behalf.

The retiring Trustees at this time are :—

W. L. HALDIMAND.  
A. McNAUGHTON.  
M. HODGE.  
WM. REED.

The whole respectfully submitted.

W. DARLING, *Chairman.*  
WM. REED, *Secretary.*





EXTRACTS FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

"The Collectors report the kindest reception in the homes of the people of the congregation whom they visit. Their periodical calls are much prized as links binding the families of the church together in an important department of christian work. In this busy age the members of the congregation see each other much too seldom, and so this agency exercises a very wholesome influence."

"The disbursements show that, with the aid received from this Association, this church has been able to take part with the other congregations throughout the Dominion in helping on the work of Christ at home and abroad. And it is right that we should realize the special responsibility lying upon us, as the oldest of the Presbyterian Churches in the Western part of Canada, to see that we come behind in no gift. The grace of liberality is useful as well as beautiful—let us covet earnestly this gift. Let the poor give out of their poverty, and the rich out of their abundance. But let all take their share in this work: let every one, as the Lord hath prospered him, aid us cheerfully in our undertakings, "for God loveth a cheerful giver." Let us see to it, in launching out on another year's voyage, that we go ahead of all our former advances. Forgetting the things that are behind, let us press forward towards higher attainments in liberality, as well as in every other christian grace."

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION in account with  
M. HODGE, Treasurer.

To Balance Nov. 1st, 1884 .....	\$ 73	
" Collections by Mrs. Arnott and Miss Sleeth .....	23 65	
" " " Mrs. Blair and Mrs. Munn .....	33 50	
" " " Mrs. Teskey and Miss Rowan .....	31 45	
" " " Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Stewart .....	89 45	
" " " Mrs. Lynch and Miss Patton .....	53 05	
" " " Miss Henderson and Miss Drummond .....	17 50	
" " " Messrs. Byrd and McAllister .....	87 00	\$336 33
By Paid City Mission Fund .....	\$37 50	
" " College " .....	45 00	
" " Bursary " .....	25 00	
" " Home Mission " .....	10 00	
" " Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund .....	10 00	
" " Foreign Mission Fund .....	43 00	
" " Printing .....	56	
" " Widows' and Orphans' Fund .....	60 00	231 06
To Balance Cash on Hand .....		105 27
Audited and found correct,		
P. M. MacTAVISH,		\$336 33
		<i>Auditor.</i>

Montreal, Nov. 11th, 1884.

Balance voted as follows at Annual Meeting; \$40. to French Evangelization, \$25. to Home Missions, \$20. to City Mission, \$10. to Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, and \$10. to Manitoba College.

ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL.

The Annual Festival was held on the 15th of January last, and the Report then presented was a gratifying one. Special mention was made of the interest taken in the Sabbath School by the Session, one of the members of which attended as a visitor every Lord's day. The number on the Roll during the year was 182,—86 boys and 96 girls. The average attendance was higher than had ever before been reached, being 102,—46 boys and 56 girls. One pupil, a dear girl six years of age, had been removed by death. Mention was made of the admirable Hymnal for Sabbath Schools prepared under the authority of the General Assembly, 100 copies of which had been kindly presented to the School by Mrs. James Robertson. The inefficient condition of the Library was deplored; but as the result of an appeal made during the evening \$67.50 was raised for the purpose of procuring new books. The attendance at the Bible Class was very encouraging, and the best of results were hoped for from the practical topics discussed by it during the season. Regret was expressed at the withdrawal after long and faithful service, of Misses McNaughton and McKay, as well as of Mr. Andrew McAllister. The first prize for Mission Collections was awarded to Sarah Bickerstaff who returned the large sum of \$21.03; the second and third prizes were taken by Martha Cunningham and Elizabeth Lynch. The work of the Teachers is carried on in faith and patience, and is commended anew to the co-operation and prayers of the people.

TREASURER'S REPORT, ST. GABRIEL SABBATH SCHOOL, 1884.

Jan. 1.	<i>Dr.</i>	
To Balance on hand . . . . .		\$88 45
“ Sunday Collections . . . . .		60 42
“ Receipts Annual Festival . . . . .		43 75
“ Special Collections in Church . . . . .		34 00
“ Collected by Missionary Boxes . . . . .		42 58
“ Bank Interest . . . . .		92
		————— \$270 12
	<i>Cr.</i>	
By paid Sums Voted at Annual Festival :		
Pointe aux Trembles School . . . . .		\$50 00
Home Mission Fund . . . . .		20 00
Foreign “ . . . . .		37 66
“ Annual Festival Expenditure . . . . .		41 68
“ Coates' account . . . . .		2 50
“ Drysdale's account . . . . .		48 83
“ Proportion Printing Wednesday Meetings . . . . .		56
“ Balance . . . . .		68 89
		————— \$270 12

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LADIES' AID SOCIETY OF ST. GABRIEL CHURCH in account with  
M. A. HALDIMAND, Treasurer.

1883.	<i>Cr.</i>		
Oct. 9th,	To Cash on Hand .....	\$ 5	14
Nov. 8th,	Received Thanksgiving Collection .....	16	31
	Subscriptions & Collections .....	31	70
	Received from Bazaar Fund .....	28	75
		\$81	90
1883.	<i>Dr.</i>		
	By Aid to the Poor .....	\$55	50
	Paid Holland Windows of Church & School-Room..	15	27
Oct. 21st, 84.	Cash on Hand .....	11	13
		\$81	90

SUMMARY OF FINANCES.

Weekly Offerings and Collections, .. .. .	\$2314 77
Interest on Investments .. .. .	300 00
Special Collections, .. .. .	202 77
Missionary Association, .. .. .	335 60
Subscriptions to Colleges .. .. .	393 00
Sustentation Fund, .. .. .	100 00
Sabbath School, .. .. .	183 07
Young People's Association, .. .. .	91 65
Dorcas Society, .. .. .	31 70
Sabbath School Library, .. .. .	67 50
Other Objects, .. .. .	440 94
	\$4461 00
<i>Expended upon.</i>	
Strictly Congregational objects, .. .. .	\$2793 00
Schemes of the Church, .. .. .	982 00
Other Religious and Benevolent objects, .. .. .	686 00
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In case friends desire to make provision, by will, for helping the proposed Centenary St. Gabriel Church, they are requested to use the following:—

**FORM OF BEQUEST.**

*"I give and bequeath to the Trustees of the St. Gabriel Church, Montreal, (Presbyterian,) for the erection of a new Church for the use of the Congregation, the sum of \$.....and I hereby declare that the receipt of the Treasurer of the said Church for the time being shall be an effectual discharge to my executors for the said legacy."*

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RULES AND REGULATIONS  
OF THE  
ST. GABRIEL CHURCH,  
MONTREAL.

ADOPTED AT A MEETING HELD WITHIN THE CHURCH,

On the 10th of Feb., 1867, and Amended on Feb. 11th, 1885.

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The Property hitherto known as the St. Gabriel Street Church, Montreal, having again come into the possession of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, by the Act of the Parliament of Canada, Vict. 27 and 28, c. 161, and vested in eleven Trustees, named therein, who with their successors in office, are Constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of "the Trustees of the St. Gabriel Church," with certain defined powers; and it being provided, in Section 5 of said Act, that when a congregation shall have been anew regularly organized in connection with said church and a minister for the same duly inducted, such congregation shall themselves by rules and regulations by them adopted for this purpose, subject to the approval of the Presbytery of Montreal in connection with the Church of Scotland, prescribe the time and manner for the trustees named in the Act to go out of office, and the election of others in their stead; and the congregation having been anew organized conformably to the provisions of said Act by resolving to call a minister on the twelfth day of March, 1866, and a minister having been inducted to the charge of the said church on the thirteenth day of December, 1866, the congregation do hereby adopt the following rules and regulations.

NOTE.—By Act 38 Vic. Cap. LXII, of the Province of Quebec, assented to 23rd February, 1875, it was declared: "As soon as the union takes place, all property, real or personal, within the province of Quebec, now belonging to or held in trust for or to the use of any Congregation in connection or communion with any of the said Churches, shall thenceforth be held, used and administered for the benefit

of the same Congregation in connection or communion with the united body, under the name of the "Presbyterian Church in Canada, or any other name the said Church may adopt;" and said Union of Presbyterian Churches, under the name of "The Presbyterian Church in Canada," having taken place on the 15th of June, 1875, since that date "The Saint Gabriel Church" Congregation has been under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Montreal of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and, in interpreting these By-Laws, "The Presbyterian Church in Canada," must be substituted for "The Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland."

#### ARTICLE I.

At all meetings of the congregation for the transaction of business connected with the said church, the only person entitled to vote, or take part in the same, shall be persons of the age of twenty-one years in full communion with the church, being also either rent-payers or registered contributors to the finances of the church, not in arrear. The latest communion roll, duly certified by the minister, or the moderator of session for the time being, together with the treasurer's certificate of stated contributions, or rents paid, shall be the only evidence of qualification received or admitted.

#### ARTICLE II.

The annual meeting of the congregation shall be held within the church on the second Wednesday of January in each year, at such hour as the trustees shall appoint, to be notified from the pulpit after divine service at least ten days previous to the day of meeting. The meeting shall appoint a Chairman and Secretary from among their own number, and the proceedings shall be recorded in a minute book kept for that purpose. Special meetings of the congregation may be called on the requisition of any five of the trustees, or on that of any thirteen voters duly qualified, as provided for by Art. I. No special meeting shall take place until after the lapse of three full days from the time of its notification from the pulpit by the minister on Sabbath, or by written notice affixed during two Sabbaths on the doors of the church.

#### ARTICLE III.

The board of trustees shall consist of twelve members, to be elected in such manner as the meeting may direct, by a plurality of voters present at the annual meeting of the congregation, the same being all duly qualified according to the provisions of Art. I., who shall retain office until removed as hereinafter provided for. And whereas the Congregation of said church on the tenth day of April, 1867, at an adjourned meeting held within the church for the purpose, did elect Alex. Bertram, Chas. Esplin, W. L. Haldimand, H. Munro, James Lillie, William Patton, James Robertson, Andrew B. Stewart, George Cruikshank, James Duncan, Henry Lunan, Walter Peddie, trustees to hold the property named in the said Act of incorporation, and to manage

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and conduct the temporalities of said church, as provided in said Act, who shall continue in office until the annual meeting to be held on the second Wednesday of January, 1868, at which and at each Subsequent annual meeting, four of their number shall retire, but shall be eligible for re-election. The trustees shall take priority on the list according to the number of votes they shall receive, and the four at the bottom of the list shall retire at the end of the first year, and four others shall be elected in their room whose names shall be placed at the top of the list, and in such like manner annually, in regular rotation of office. Any trustee who shall leave the bounds of the congregation, or cease to be a member of the church, shall be disqualified for holding office. In case of the death, resignation or disqualification of any trustee, during the interval between the annual meetings, it shall be competent for the remaining trustees to fill up the vacancy until the next annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV.

Immediately after every annual meeting, the trustees shall elect a Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, from their own number. The trustees shall meet at least monthly for the transaction of business, five to be a quorum, and the Chairman to have only a casting vote. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to call and preside at all meetings of the trustees, to sign the minutes of all meetings of the trustees when they have been approved of, and to sign all orders upon the Treasurer. In the absence of the Chairman at any regularly called meeting, the members present shall elect a Chairman *pro tempore*, who shall have for the time being all the powers of the regular Chairman. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record all proceedings of the trustees in a book provided for that purpose, to take custody of all deeds, books and papers appertaining to the trust, and to give access to these at all times to any of the trustees who may desire to inspect them. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep regular accounts of all moneys received and paid on behalf of the trust, to pay all the salaries of all office-bearers of the congregation when they become due, on the order of the trustees through the Chairman, to submit all accounts to the trustees before paying them, to submit a monthly statement of funds on hand, to pay the necessary expenses of the kirk-session on the order of the session-clerk endorsed by the chairman of the trustees, and to furnish a list before each annual meeting, or whenever the trustees may demand it, of those who are in arrears to the finances of the congregation.

#### ARTICLE V

The annual meeting shall elect two auditors from the duly qualified voters of the congregation, who shall remain in office until next annual meeting, the trustees having power to fill any vacancy during the year,



through the death, resignation or disqualification of an auditor. At the annual meeting of the congregation the proceedings of the trustees for the past year, together with the accounts of revenue and expenditure for the past year, duly audited and signed by the auditors, shall be submitted for inspection, and approved or disallowed as shall seem proper.

#### ARTICLE VI.

The trustees shall not contract debt on the security of the church property, or alienate any portion of it without the authority, obtained in writing, of two-thirds of the duly qualified voters of the congregation.

#### ARTICLE VII.

All deeds, books and documents of every kind belonging to the trust shall be kept in some secure place, approved by the trustees, lists of them being taken and kept on record ; and none of them shall be given out for any purpose whatsoever, except by permission of the trustees.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

This congregation shall be under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, as provided for in section 4 of the Act of incorporation : and in all matters pertaining to the election of ministers and elders they shall conform to the rules and forms in force for the time being in said Church.

#### ARTICLE IX.

It shall belong to the kirk-session to regulate the details of public worship, conformably to the rules of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, and to appoint the Precentor, at such a salary as the trustees may allow ; but it shall belong to the trustees to appoint the church-officer, who nevertheless shall be under the control of the kirk-session.

#### ARTICLE X.

The custody of the keys of the church shall be with the minister during his incumbency, and with the kirk-session during a vacancy, or the absence of the minister, or of his suspension by the supreme court of the Church, or by the Presbytery of the bounds ; it being understood that the right of free admittance into the church shall belong to the congregation at all times appointed by the kirk-session for the worship of God, and to the trustees and committees, on all occasions connected with the business of the church and congregation. In all other cases, the consent of the minister or kirk-session, together with three of the trustees, must be had before the use of the church can be granted.

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## ARTICLE XI.

None of the preceding rules or regulations shall be altered or revoked, and no new rules or regulations shall be enacted, except with the concurrence of at least two thirds of the voters present at the annual meeting or at any special meeting duly called for the purpose, as well as of the Presbytery of Montreal; and no change shall be made in the regulations at any time in force unless notice of the intention of proposing it shall be given in the notification calling the meeting.

## ARTICLE XII.

The trustees named in the Act 27 and 28 Vict. C. 161 shall cease to hold office as soon as the Presbytery of Montreal in connection with the Church of Scotland shall approve the foregoing rules and regulations, and they shall be succeeded in office, with all the powers conferred upon them by the Act. of incorporation, by the persons named in Art III.

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*At St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, the first day of May, 1867,  
which day the Presbytery met.*

*Inter alia.*

The Presbytery unanimously agreed to approve of the Rules and Regulations of the St. Gabriel Church submitted for their consideration in terms of the Act of Parliament.

Extracted, &c.,

JAMES PATTERSON,

*Montreal Presbytery Clerk.*

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*At Montreal, and within the David Morrice Hall there, the 8th day  
of July, 1884, which day the Presbytery met.*

*Inter alia.*

Mr. Campbell, Moderator of St. Gabriel Church Session, made application for the Presbytery's approval of certain proposed modifications of the By-Laws of that Church. These having been read and considered, the application was granted.

Extracted, &c.,

JAMES PATTERSON,

*Montreal Presbytery Clerk.*

