

Thirteenth Annual Report

(For 1898)

Melville Church,

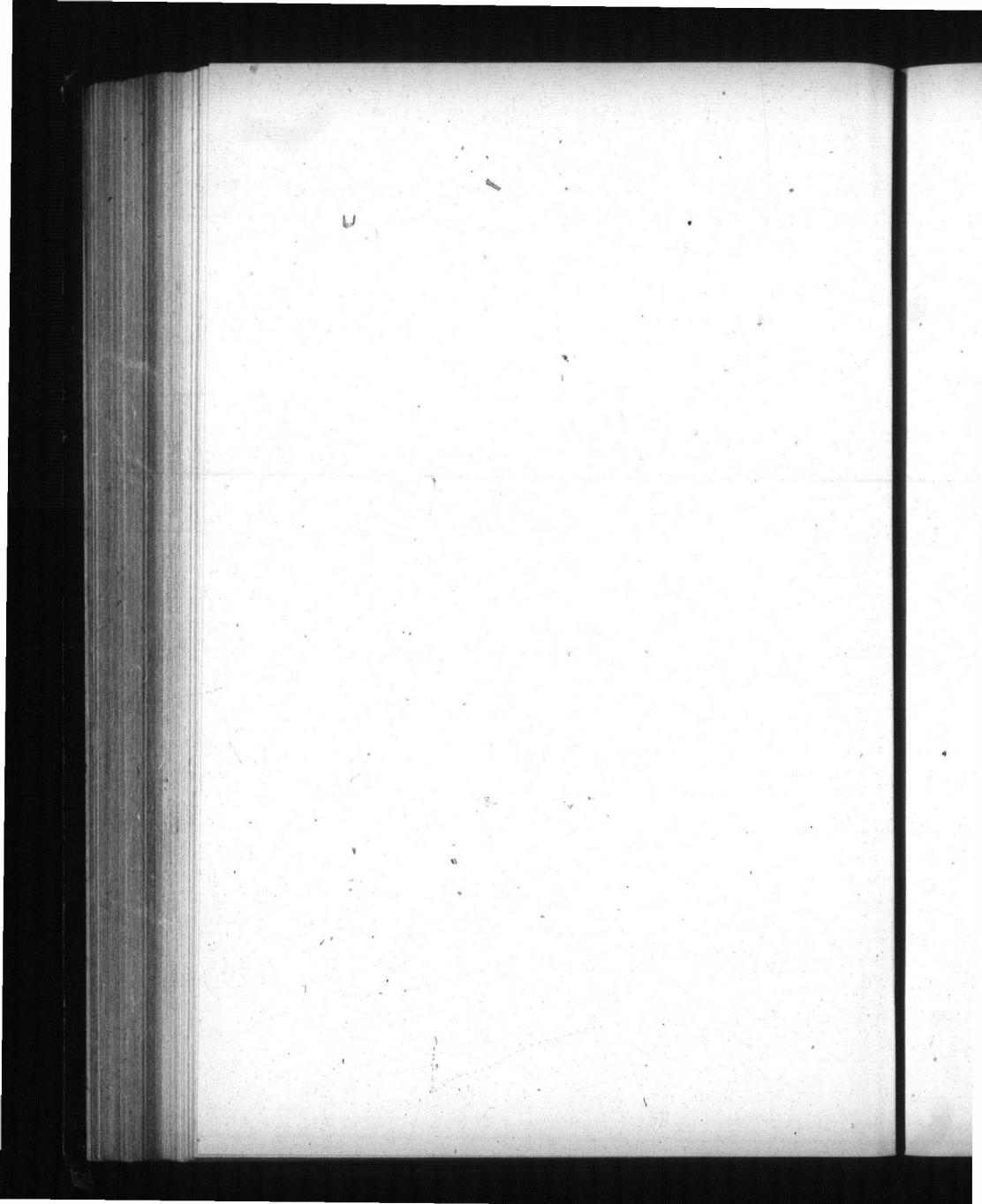
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MELVILLE CHURCH.

WESTMOUNT.

Pastor - - REV. T. W. WINFIELD.

SESSION.

REV. T. W. WINFIELD, *Moderator.*

REV. JOHN CAMPBELL, M.A., LL.D. WM. GREIG.

ROBERT GREIG. J. H. CAYFORD.

D. MCCORMICK, Q.C. J. A. NICHOLSON, M.A.

A. C. HUTCHISON, *Session Clerk.*

TRUSTEES.

A. C. HUTCHISON. WILLIAM GREIG.

ROBERT HARVIE. CAPT. J. A. MACMASTER.

WILLIAM MINTO.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR 1899.

ROBERT HARROWER, - - - *President.*

THOMAS BRADY, - - - *Vice-President.*

H. C. RUSSELL, - - - *Secretary.*

WILLIAM MINTO, - - - *Treasurer.*

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G. W. WOOD. D. C. DEWAR.

W. C. JARVIS. JAMES BROWN.

T. F. HOW. E. S. MATTICE.

AUDITORS.

J. H. WALLACE. ALEX. WILLS.

PEW COMMITTEE.

G. H. CORNELL.

MUSIC COMMITTEE.

THOS. BRADY. JAMES BROWN.

HOUSE COMMITTEE.

W. C. JARVIS. G. W. WOOD.

Pastoral Letter.

TO THE CONGREGATION OF MELVILLE CHURCH.

In entering upon the second year of my pastorate of this Church I desire to record my thankfulness to God for His manifold mercies, and to thank you, the members of the church, for the many kindnesses I have received at your hands.

The services of the Church have been regularly held, and I trust have brought many blessings to all of us.

I rejoice with you in the completion of the new church building and in the many evidences of progress and growth that ought to inspire in us humble gratitude to God.

I trust that the year upon which we have entered may be more abundantly fruitful in blessings upon ourselves, and that by our labours in the vineyard of our common Lord we may do more to extend His Kingdom of righteousness and peace.

Yours very truly,

T. W. WINFIELD.

Report of the Session.

At the close of another year we, the Session of Melville Church, desire to acknowledge the goodness of God, and to record our thankfulness that we are able to report growth in the membership of the Church and continued usefulness in the several organizations.

At the beginning of the year there were 284 communicants on the church roll, to which 86 have been added during the year, *i. e.*, 18 on profession of faith, and 68 by certificate from other churches, while 15 have been removed by certificate, 1 by suspension, and 1 by death, making the membership at the close of the year 353, being a net increase of 69.

The member removed by death was Mr. CHAS. EDWARD RAY, who, since his connection with the congregation eleven years ago, has always manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the Church, and for many years did faithful and valuable service as a member of the Board of Managers.

In December, 1897, two of the Elders—Messrs. M. Hutchinson and J. K. Macdonald—resigned their positions. These resignations were held over until February, 1899, when they were accepted. The Session then decided to ask for the election of four new Elders to meet the requirements of the congregation, and after due notice, a meeting of the congregation was held on the 13th day of April for the purpose of receiving nominations. The ballots were returned on the 24th of April, and the following were duly elected: Messrs. J. A. Nicholson, J. H. Cayford, and D. McCormick. On the 15th day of May, after a sermon preached by the Rev. Principal MacVicar, Messrs. Nicholson and McCormick were ordained as Elders by the Pastor, and together with Mr. Cayford, who had been ordained in another Church, were inducted as members of the Session of Melville Church.

On the 12th day of October, the Session held a conference with the Missiary Society and the Woman's Auxiliary, which, it is hoped, will result in deeper interest and larger financial support for missions.

On the 13th and 20th days of October, conferences were held between the Session and the young people of the congregation, the result of which was the organization of the Pastor's Bible Class.

The Opening Services of the New Church were held on the first and second Sundays of November. The Dedicatory Service was conducted by the Pastor on the 6th day of November, when the Rev. W. T. Herridge, B. D., of Ottawa, preached, and otherwise conducted public worship both morning and evening. A Children's Service was held in the afternoon when addresses were delivered by the Rev. Professor Campbell, LL.D., and the Rev. James Fleck, B.A. On Sunday, the 13th day of November, the services were conducted by the Rev. James Barclay, D.D., and the Rev. Professor Ross, B.D.

By the advice of the Session, a Chinese Sunday School was organized in March, a report of which will be presented.

On the 9th of December the Session authorized the formation of "The Ladies Association of Melville Church."

During the year the Pastor baptized 14 infants, solemnized 2 marriages, and officiated at 9 funerals.

T. W. WINFIELD,

Moderator.

ALEX. C. HUTCHISON,

Clerk.

STATEMENT OF POOR FUND.

1898.		RECEIPTS.	
Jan. 1.	To Balance from 1897.....	\$160.67	
	" Cash collections, January 2.....	\$23.00	
	March 6.....	18.00	
	June 8.....	10.00	
	Sept. 18.....	12.00	
	Dec. 11.....	15.00	
		<hr/>	78.00
	" Interest		2.81
			<hr/>
			\$241.48
1898.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 31.	By Disbursements during year.....	\$ 94.20	
	" Balance on hand	147.28	
		<hr/>	\$241.48

ALEX. C. HUTCHISON, *Treasurer.*

Obituary.

Member.

CHARLES EDWARD RAY.

Adherents.

THOMAS BIRCH.

JOHN KEITH MACDONALD.

Abstracts of Minutes of Congregational Meetings

HELD SINCE THE DATE OF THE LAST REPORT.

Special Meeting held on Wednesday evening the
16th of February, 1898.

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the Pastor, and the chair was occupied by the President, D. McCormick, Q.C., who briefly stated the plans which had been devised to meet the demands for increased accommodation up to the present, and then submitted to the congregation the question which they had been called together to discuss, viz.—the advisability of erecting a new place of worship.

The New Church Building Committee, which was appointed at the annual meeting of the congregation held on January 13, 1897, presented a report, in which it was recommended—That the permanent Sabbath School Building be erected in rear of the old church, and that it be fitted up to be used as a church until such time as the church proper is constructed; the old building, in the meantime, to be used for the purposes of the Sunday School.

The proposed building was estimated to seat between 850 and 900 people, and to cost, including the amount required to re-arrange the old building for the use of the Sunday School, about \$12,500.

It was also recommended that an appeal be made at once to the members and adherents of the congregation for subscriptions, and that, if the response be liberal, operations be begun as soon as possible.

The report was adopted by a vote of 24 to 9.

Mr. A. C. Hutchison was, by the unanimous vote of the meeting, chosen as architect for the proposed building.

The name of the Pastor was added to the Committee, which was also given power to add to its numbers; and Messrs. N. McLeod and J. K. Macdonald resigned from the same.

Special Meeting held on the 22nd of June, 1898.

Business :—To elect Trustees in the place of Messrs. M. Hutchinson and J. K. Macdonald, who had resigned; and to authorize the mortgage of the Church property, the amount to be applied towards the construction of the new building, now in course of erection.

Messrs. J. A. Macmaster and Wm. Minto were elected to fill the vacancies.

The Trustees were empowered to mortgage the Church property to the amount of \$10,000, and the Chairman of the Building Committee was authorized to sign the contracts for the new building.

Spécial Meeting held on Wednesday evening, the
14th of December, 1898.

Business :—To consider the advisability of changing the present system of raising the revenue.

On the opinion of the Board being asked for, the following recommendations were made, all of which were adopted, the first and last unanimously, and the second on a vote of 38 to 10, viz :

- (1) That the present system of weekly contributions be continued.
- (2) That the Board be empowered to fix the amount which each sitting is expected to contribute as a minimum for maintenance, any amount over and above that which is required for maintenance to be applied as the Board may direct.
- (3) That only such number of sittings be allocated to any one person as are really required, or likely to be regularly occupied.

The principle of fixing a minimum rate of contribution for each sitting was recommended, to correct as far as possible the two chief weaknesses of the voluntary system, viz : a tendency on the part of pew-holders to appropriate more sittings than they can fully occupy, and the opportunity it affords contributors to shirk their due share of responsibility, the former of which was so strikingly apparent on the allocation of seats in the new church that the Board decided to consult the congregation as to the advisability of adopting a scheme which might be expected to remedy these defects, and to recommend as above, should their view of the question be desired.

The Board was instructed to examine into the whole question, arrange all details, and report to the annual meeting to be shortly held.

Annual Meeting, held on Wednesday evening the
18th of January, 1899.

The President, Mr. McCormick, occupied the chair, and the devotional exercises were conducted by the Pastor.

The minutes of the last annual meeting and those of the three special meetings held in the interval were read and confirmed.

Mr. Brady, for good and sufficient reasons, declined to make the motion regarding the right of adherents to vote, of which he gave notice at the last regular meeting.

The Managers' Report was read and adopted, clause by clause. In connection with the clause treating of Mr. Harvie's resignation, as he declined to withdraw it, Rev. Prof. Campbell moved, Mr. Robert Thomson seconded, and it was unanimously carried "That the resignation of Mr. Harvie be accepted with regret, and that there be placed on record the sense of the obligation under which the congregation is placed by his long and useful services."

Reports were submitted by the Treasurer, and by the Building Committee, and these were adopted without discussion.

The usual order of business was then suspended, and the election of officers for the ensuing year proceeded with, resulting as follows :

President, R. Harrower ; Vice-President, Thos. Brady ; Secretary, H. C. Russell ; Treasurer, Wm. Minto. Managers (in order of nomination)—W. C. Jarvis, T. F. How, J. L. Kerr, D. C. Dewar, Jas. Brown, and E. S. Mattice. Auditors—J. H. Wallace and Alex. Wills.

The Special report of the Board on the details of the new system for raising the revenue was then presented, and after a short discussion was adopted by a large majority, on motion of Mr. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. J. R. Walker.

Votes of thanks were tendered to the Building Committee, the volunteer members of the Choir, and the retiring officers and members of the Board. The first was fittingly acknowledged by Messrs. Harvie, and A. C. Hutchison, and the last by the President.

The following motion which was made by Mr. Hutchison, and seconded by Mr. G. A. Robertson, was unanimously carried, viz : "That the new Board be instructed to see that the scheme for paying off the debt by weekly contributions be not only continued but brought more prominently to the notice of all contributors, with a view to securing a much larger amount than has been obtained hitherto for this purpose, so that the liquidation of the debt may be shortly effected.

Report of the Board of Managers.

The Board of Managers beg to submit their report for the year 1898, as follows :—

Since the date of our last report a new place of worship was begun, completed, and opened for service—a fact by which the year just ended will be specially marked in the history of the Congregation. As, however, this undertaking was carried out under the direction of a Committee appointed by the Congregation—the report of which will doubtless contain the fullest information—it remains for us only to express our joy at this outward evidence of prosperity, and our devout thankfulness to the Giver of all good for his continued favour and aid, and also to urge on the attention of the members and adherents of the Church the claims of the fund for the liquidation of the debt which has been thus created, in order that the burden, although comparatively light, may be removed as soon as possible.

It will be seen by reference to the Treasurer's statement that the finances of the Church are in a healthy condition, and as the report of that official will deal with this question at as great length as the circumstances demand, there is no need of repetition or further enlargement on our part.

At a Special meeting of the Congregation held on the 14th of December last, when the principle was adopted of fixing a minimum rate of contribution for each sitting, so that the revenue thus derived might nearly or quite equal the cost of maintenance, your Board was charged with the duty of deciding between the relative merits of a uniform rate and a sliding scale, of determining the rate or rates, as the case might be, and of arranging such other details as might be necessary to the practical working of the system, the whole to be presented in the form of a report for final consideration at this annual meeting. The duty laid upon us has been performed, and a special report on the matter will be duly submitted.

Under the new condition of things it is found that the demands on the members of the Board in the matters of ushering and collecting the offering are greater than can be met with a reasonable degree of convenience, and as, besides, your Board is of opinion that the young men of the congregation should render considerable assistance in this connection they would, therefore, recommend that a committee of young men be formed to act in conjunction with the Board for the purposes above referred to.

At the regular meeting in December, Mr. Harvie tendered his resignation as a member of the Board, but in view of the near approach of the annual meeting, it was thought best to refer it to the congregation—and it is hereby referred—to be dealt with as they may see fit.

It is with deep regret that we are called upon to record the death of one of our members, Mr. C. E. RAY, and in doing so, we desire to express our appreciation of the valuable services which he rendered the Church for many years, as a member of this Board, and more especially in his capacity as sole member of that committee of the Board which calls for the exercise of the greatest consideration and tact.

In conclusion, we take pleasure in recommending an increase of \$250 in the Pastor's stipend, and of \$50 to the Treasurer. The work of both has been greatly increased under the new and enlarged conditions.

In addition to the officers, the following members of the Board retire, the term for which they were elected having expired : Messrs. Harrower, Findlay, Thomson, and Todd, and as a vacancy occurred through death, five new managers will need to be elected. If the resignation of Mr. Harvie be pressed and accepted, then six places will have to be filled.

All respectfully submitted,

D. McCORMICK, *President.*

J. A. NICHOLSON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

RE DETAILS OF NEW SYSTEM OF RAISING THE REVENUE.

Acting under instructions from the Congregation, as given at a Special meeting held on the 14th ult., your Board beg to state that they have given full consideration to the details of the scheme, at that time adopted, for raising the revenue, and trust that the report which they now present will be found to contain as full information as may be required, and that the conclusions reached will meet with the approval of the congregation.

The following statement shows the number of sittings allocated and the average weekly contribution for the years 1887, 1891, 1895, and 1898, also an estimate for 1899.

	Sittings Allocated.	Weekly Contribution per Sitting.			Yearly Average per Sitting.
		Highest.	Lowest.	Average.	
1887	182	59c.	5c.	19 $\frac{1}{3}$ c.	\$10.35
1891	396	65c.	5c.	13c.	6.76
1895	455	65c.	5c.	12c.	6.24
1898	550	76c.	5c.	11 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.	6.11
1899	675	Estimated average.		12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.	6.50

The returns for 1899, being not yet complete, only a probable average can be given. It is worthy of note that this average is higher than that for 1898.

A partial analysis for 1899 shows that 253 sittings (being fully one-third of the whole number allocated) contribute less than 10c. each per week, the average being 8 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. or \$4.33 yearly, 206 contribute an average of 13c. each or \$6.76 for the year, and 143 contribute an average of 24c. each or \$12.50 per year. This shows that much liberality on the part of a considerable number of contributors is required to make up the average of twelve and a half cents.

Your Board have discussed the proposal to adopt a uniform rate for all sittings, and have found that such a scheme, while having the merit of simplicity, would require a rate of between 12 and 13 cents per sitting weekly to produce the present revenue—a rate which would

in the opinion of your Board bear unfairly and heavily on a considerable number of the congregation.

Having gone very fully into the matter we beg to recommend the following scale of rates, viz: $7\frac{1}{2}$ c., 10c., $12\frac{1}{2}$ c., and 15c. per sitting, weekly, as minimum rates for the various pews. At these rates the 675 sittings now allocated would produce about the same amount as would be obtained from the present estimated average of $12\frac{1}{2}$ c., but it is expected that the actual returns would be greater, as it is believed that those who now contribute more than the average would not materially change their present contributions.

It is believed that the rates suggested as the minimum would not bear unfairly on any one, while those who are able to contribute in a larger measure would still be free to avail themselves of that privilege.

The whole respectfully submitted.

D. McCORMICK, *President*.

J. A. NICHOLSON, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1898.

Westmount, 18th January, 1899.

Herewith I beg to submit my report on the Finances of Melville Church for the year 1898.

The total receipts from all sources, including the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, was	\$21,055.79
The total expenditure was	19,829.54
Leaving a balance on hand of	<u>\$ 1,226.25</u>

Full details of these Receipts and Expenditures will be found in the printed statements placed in your hands to night.

In reference to the ordinary Revenue and Expenditure account, notwithstanding an extra expenditure of \$246.40, the increase in the contributions for maintenance over last year from both plates and envelopes fully provided for this and all other expenses, leaving a surplus of \$186.95, to the credit of this account.

On the Building and Property account we had a balance on hand of \$2,128.52, at the beginning of the year. We received during the year contributions of \$6645.56, (Interest \$26.70) and negotiated a loan of \$8,000,—in all a total of \$16,300.78. We expended on the land \$2,475.00; construction of Church \$12,662.48; Sundries \$624.00, in all \$15,761.48, leaving a balance on hand of \$1,039.30. Full details will be found in the report of the Building Committee.

Turning to the finances of next year it is difficult for me to make a safe forecast until the mode of raising the revenue is definitely settled by the Congregation, but taking the replies already sent in by pew holders as a basis, I estimate the Revenue in 1899 at \$5000.00, and the expenditure (including the proposed increases and interest on loan) at \$4,750.00, leaving a surplus of \$250.00, to the good.

The books and accounts have been audited and the cash balance on hand verified by the Church Auditors.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. MINTO, *Treasurer.*

Treasurer's Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1898.

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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

Poor Fund.....	78.00	Paid Session	78.00
Thanksgiving Collection.....	45.04	Montreal General Hospital	22.52
		Western Hospital	22.52
	<u>\$123.04</u>		<u>\$123.04</u>

CASH BALANCE SHEET.

1899.	1899.
Jan. 1. To cash on hand	Jan. 1. By Balance—Ordinary acct.....
	“ Property acct.....
	<u>1226.25</u>
	<u>\$1226.25</u>

Audited and found correct, Westmount, 9th January, 1899.

J. H. WALLACE, }
W. C. JARVIS, } *Auditors.*

WM. MINTO,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE.

The Building Committee beg to submit the following report :—
During the year twenty-one meetings were held.

In March a circular was issued to the Congregation giving the probable cost of the proposed building and soliciting subscriptions towards the Building Fund. This request did not meet with a very liberal response, only 23 answers being received. The Committee then decided to make a thorough canvass of the congregation, which was done, and with such satisfactory results that the Committee decided to commence the building at once.

The contracts were awarded in May, and the work proceeded with immediately thereafter, with the result that the opening services were held in the new building on the first Sabbath in November.

The old church has been converted into a comfortable and commodious Sabbath-School and Lecture Hall.

The Organ has also been repaired and a water motor attachment put in.

We are pleased to be able to state that all the contractors have been paid, and the only accounts remaining unpaid are those of the architect (in part) and of Thos. Ligget (the work of the latter not being completed). The cash on hand and unpaid subscriptions will more than cover these two accounts.

Regarding the mortgage of \$8000, this was raised for a term of years, bearing interest at 5% per annum, the agreement being that it can be paid off at any time in sums of \$1000: upon two months notice being given. The financial statement and full list of contributions will be printed in the annual report of the Congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. HARVIE,
Chairman.
THOS. M. TODD,
Secretary.

Jan'y 1899.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT,—BUILDING AND PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

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RECEIPTS.

1898.	
Jan. 1 To Balance on hand.....	\$2128.52
Cash paid on Land in 1897	100.00
RECEIPTS IN 1898.	
Contributions by envelopes to	
31 Dec 1898	\$ 857.75
Subscriptions paid to date....	5704.61
Special collections — Opening	
services	171.20
Wm. Greig (Furnaces) value..	320.00
A. C. Hutchison, preliminary	
designs, value.....	133.84
A. C. Hutchison, curtains and	
rods, (Sunday School) ...	56.45
Bank interest	26.70
Mortgage Loan	8000.00
Total	17499.07
Balance due.....	485.36

EXPENDITURES.

By Paid for Land in full	\$2575.00
Construction of Church:	
Carpenter	\$4241.38
Brickwork	2681.00
Masonry	2087.00
Ironwork	1080.00
Plumbing and Heating	1037.90
Furnaces	320.00
Painting	571.00
Plasterer	511.20
Roofing	510.90
Electric Wiring	323.00
Sundries:	
Furniture and Furnishings	670.02
Organ moving and refittg.	211.20
Motor for Organ	65.00
Sundry Supplies	84.93
Alterations	39.57
Caretaker, extra work.....	45.00
" cleaning	18.00
Architect's commission.....	1135.72
Total expenditure	669.20
Cash on hand	1741.30
	243.13
By Balance	\$17,984.43

WESTMOUNT, 18th January, 1899.

WM. MINTO,

Treasurer,

Building Fund.

MEMO.

Cr.	Cash on hand this date.....	\$243.13
	Subscriptions unpaid (portion not yet due) 1341.00	
		\$1584.13
	Dr. less Balance of Architect's account... \$485.36	
	T. Liggett's acct for cushions say. 375.00	860.36
	Surplus to apply on Mortgage.....	\$723.77

15166.30

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS TO THE NEW CHURCH
BUILDING FUND.

Year	NAME.	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid.
1893	Hutchison, A. C.		\$200.00
1894	"		500.00
1895	"	\$300.00	
	" Friend," per A. C. H.	10.00	
			310.00
1896	Hutchison, A. C.	250.00	
	Hutchison, W. B.	100.00	
	Phymister, James	100.00	
	" Friend," per H. C. Russell	10.00	
			460.00
1897	Hutchison, A. C.	250.00	
	McMaster, J. A.	250.00	
	Brown, James.	20.00	
	Surplus from Building and Property acct. ...	142.23	
			662.23
	Bank interest.		96.29
	Total to end of 1897.		2228.52
	Paid on Land in 1897.		100.00
	Balance on hand 1st January, 1898.		\$2128.52

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS IN 1898, AND UP TO 17TH
JANUARY 1899, INCLUSIVE, ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY.

NAMES.	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid.
Archibald, Geo. H.	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Armstrong, Joseph.	15.00	
Barber, W. H.	5.00	5.00
Brown, Grace	10.00	10.00
Brodie, Hugh	300.00	300.00
Brodie, Mrs. M. L.	5.00	5.00
Brodie, Mrs. R.	10.00	10.00
Brady, Thos.	40.00	20.00
Brisbane, Wm.	25.00	25.00
Campbell, Rev. J.	50.00	25.00
Campbell, Alex.	5.00	
Campbell, E. M.	10.00	10.00
Cayford, J. H.	25.00	25.00
Cuttle, J. A.	25.00	25.00
Chaplin, W. J.	25.00	25.00
Crockett, Mrs.	25.00	25.00

Dr. 1898 balance in advance, \$ 860.36
T. Liggett's acct for cushions, say, 375.00 860.36
Surplus to apply on Mortgage, \$723.77

Building Fund.

15766.30

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS, 1898 to JAN. 17, 1899—Continued.

NAMES.	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid.
Cable, H.	\$ 5.00	\$
Cowan, Miss J. S.	25.00	25.00
Cornell, G. H.	35.00	35.00
Cooper, F. S.	50.00	
Dewar, D. C.	25.00	25.00
Dow, A. W.	25.00	25.00
Duffin, Miss M. A.	10.00	10.00
Elliot, James.	100.00	100.00
Elliot, Wm.	25.00	25.00
Elder, Dr J. M.	100.00	75.00
Finlayson, D. J.	25.00	
Finlayson, Miss J. M.	10.00	10.00
Fetherstonhaugh, C.	10.00	2.00
Fletcher, G. C.	15.00	15.00
Forbes, Alf P.	15.00	15.00
Forbes, W. E.	50.00	
Finlay, Robt.	25.00	
Ferguson, J. M.	40.00	40.00
Gibb family.	100.00	100.00
Gow, John	5.00	
Greig, Jas. R.	15.00	
Grant, C. E.	5.00	5.00
Hutchison, A. C.	1000.00	1000.00
Hutchison, W. B.	100.00	100.00
Hutchison, Geo. N.	50.00	50.00
Hutchison, C. A.	10.00	
Hutchison, W. C.	10.00	
How, T. F.	200.00	200.00
Hawthorne, W. J.	25.00	
Hall, J. H.	25.00	25.00
H. G. B.	50.00	50.00
Hope, W. H.	5.00	5.00
Hobus, Louis	12.00	
Hyndman, Mrs.	5.00	
Harvie, Robt.	500.00	500.00
Inglis, R. J.	150.00	50.00
Jarvis, W. C.	100.00	100.00
Junod, H. E.	10.00	5.00
Kerr, J. L.	20.00	10.00
Kinsella, Miss.	10.00	5.00
Kerr, Mrs.	5.00	5.00
Kerr, Miss J.	5.00	5.00
Kerr, Miss R.	5.00	5.00
Luckhurst, Geo.	50.00	25.00
Lawrence, A. J.	25.00	25.00
Locke, J. C.	5.00	5.00
"Lady," per A. C. H.	4.00	4.00
Mission Band	25.00	25.00
Murray, J. S.	100.00	100.00
Minto, Wm.	50.00	30.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS, 1898 TO JAN. 17, 1899—Continued.

NAMES.	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid.
Maxwell, E.	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Marrotte, S.	25.00	25.00
Moffatt, D. S.	5.00	5.00
Mason, Jas.	5.00	5.00
Morrison, A. J.	5.00	
McMaster, J. A.	730.61	730.61
McCormick, D.	300.00	100.00
McKay, Wm.	100.00	50.00
McArthur & Sons, W.	50.00	
McIntosh, Alex.	25.00	25.00
Macdonald, N. K.	25.00	25.00
Mackie, Jas.	20.00	20.00
McIntyre, A.	5.00	
McArthur, Dr.	10.00	10.00
McGregor, M.	5.00	5.00
McKay, J. B.	5.00	5.00
McDonald, R. H.	10.00	
Nelson, Alex.	25.00	25.00
Nelson, Miss J.	10.00	10.00
Nelson, A., jr.	5.00	5.00
Outhet, E.	5.00	
O'Neil, J.	20.00	20.00
Outhet, Mrs.	10.00	
Outhet, J. R.	25.00	
Oborne, Jas.	50.00	50.00
Paxton, Wm.	50.00	50.00
Paxton, A. N.	25.00	25.00
Phillips, John.	50.00	50.00
Phillips, And.	5.00	
Robertson, G. A.	100.00	75.00
Robertson, Mrs. W.	25.00	5.00
Robertson, W. S.	10.00	
Ray, C. E.	25.00	25.00
Rodgers, Thos.	20.00	20.00
Ramsay, W. M.	25.00	25.00
Ramsay, E. T.	2.00	2.00
Stewart, John.	50.00	50.00
Smith, James.	50.00	50.00
Swan, Mrs.	25.00	25.00
Simpson, R. M.	25.00	5.00
Sandreuter, E.	15.00	15.00
Shanks, Miss.	5.00	5.00
Symington, Miss.	5.00	5.00
Scott, C. J.	15.00	15.00
Shewan, J. G.	10.00	10.00
Scane, Dr.	10.00	
Sharp, Robt.	50.00	50.00
Sclater, Wm.	10.00	
Todd, T. M.	200.00	200.00
Thomson, Robt.	50.00	30.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS, 1898 TO JAN. 17, 1899—Continued.

NAMES.	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid.
Thompson, J. L.	\$ 50.00	\$ 10.00
Trenholme, Mrs. N. W.	50.00	50.00
Tweed, Mrs.	10.00	5.00
Telfer, James	10.00	10.00
Walker, J. R.	250.00	
Winfield, Rev. T. W.	50.00	25.00
Wallace, J. H.	50.00	50.00
Wills, Alex.	26.00	
Wood, G. W.	60.00	60.00
Williamson, T. S.	15.00	
Wallace, Mrs. J.	5.00	5.00
Williamson, D.	250.00	250.00
Anonymous.	5.00	5.00
Anonymous.	2.00	2.00
	\$7,057.61	\$5,716.61
Deduct part Dewar's subscript. included in envelopes	12.00	12.00
	\$7,045.61	\$5,704.61

Wm. Greig Furnaces. value, \$320.00

A. C. Hutchison .Preliminary designs for Church. " 133.84

A. C. Hutchison .Curtains and Rods for S. School. " 56.45

E. J. Maxwell I plank choice oak for collection plates.

NOTE—Several subscriptions unpaid are not yet due.

WM. MINTO, *Treasurer B. F.*

Report of the Missionary Society.

OFFICERS FOR 1899.

President	J. H. CAYFORD.
Vice-President	R. H. McDONALD.
Secretary-Treasurer	GEO. N. HUTCHISON.

COMMITTEE.

JAS. GREIG.	ALEX. WILLS.
F. S. COOPER.	DR. McARTHUR.
JOSEPH LOCKE.	JAS MACKIE.
E. M. CAMPBELL.	W. C. JARVIS.

MEMBERS OF SESSION (*ex officio.*)

The Missionary Committee begs leave to report that the total collections during the past year by subscriptions and envelopes were \$432.91, an increase of \$5.96 over the preceding year.

The monthly contributions (subscriptions) amounted to \$388.65, an increase of \$65.90, and the weekly contributions (envelopes) \$44.26, a decrease of \$49.94.

The regular monthly subscribers number 65 and an average of 7 envelopes were received each Sunday during the year.

The demands on our funds are becoming larger every year, and it is only reasonable to expect that with the increased membership of the congregation, the missionary funds should be increased accordingly.

The thanks of the Committee are due to the lady collectors who rendered valuable assistance during the past year.

The sum of \$25.00 was received from the Session and paid for a scholarship in the Presbyterian College, Montreal.

The following amounts have been allocated by subscribers to the different schemes :—

Home Missions	\$ 42.78
North-West	17.00
French Evangelization	6.65
Foreign	19.65
Honan	9.60
Chinese Scholars for Chinese Work	13.76
Total	\$109.44

Your Committee recommends the allocation of funds as follows :

Home Missions	\$ 85.00
North-West	20.00
French Evangelization	45.00
Foreign Missions	70.00
Honan	25.00
Augmentation	60.00
City Missions	40.00
Montreal College	25.00
Aged and Infirm Ministers	10.00
Widows' and Orphans' Fund	10.00
Students' Missionary Society	25.00
Assembly Fund	8.00
	\$423.00

W. C. JARVIS,
President.

GEO. N. HUTCHISON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Jan. 25th, 1899.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

REVENUE.

To Balance from 1897	\$429.03
Y. P. S. C. E.	12.30
Session for College Scholarship.	25.00
Chinese Sunday School.	13.76
Collections (monthly)	388.65
" (weekly)	44.26
Interest.	3.00
	<u>\$916.00</u>

EXPENDITURE.

By paid Dr. Warden :	
Home Missions	\$ 85.00
Foreign "	80.00
Augmentation	40.00
French Evangelization	50.00
North-West Missions.	65.00
Honan	20.00
Montreal College.	20.00
Widows' and Orphans' Fund	10.00
Aged and Infirm Ministers	10.00
Assembly Fund.	8.00
	<u>\$388.00</u>
City Missions.	25.00
Students' Missionary Society	10.00
Old Brewery Mission.	5.00
D. Bentley & Co. (envelopes).	11.50
Records.	27.50
Dr. Warden (Scholarship).	25.00
Balance on hand	424.00
	<u>\$916.00</u>

Audited and found correct,
WM. MINTO.

Jany 11th, 1899.

GEO. N. HUTCHISON,
Treasurer.

Report of the Ladies' Aid Society

OFFICERS.

President .. ..	..	..	..	..	MRS. R. HARVIE.
Vice-President .. ..	..	..	..	..	" GEO. H. CORNELL.
Secretary-Treasurer .. ..	..	..	..	..	MISS HARDMAN.

At the first meeting of our society for the season, held Oct. 20th, the ladies present, satisfied with the good result of their labor of former years, decided to still continue their work by providing clothing for two of the pupils of the Mackay Institute, viz: one girl and one boy, one of the girls assisted last year having become able to support herself.

In submitting our report, while we feel that we would like to have welcomed to our membership a larger number of ladies, and thus have increased our work, yet those of us who attend the meetings held fortnightly, find a pleasure and benefit derivable from our work and thus feel encouraged, looking for the approval of the Master.

The Treasurer's statement shows that notwithstanding the request made by the Pastor from the pulpit, only twenty dollars have been received from the ladies of the Congregation. It has been decided to ask the Session to grant a donation of twenty dollars from the Poor Fund to enable the Society to finish the work they have undertaken.

H. HARVIE, *President.*

AGNES D. HARDMAN, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Oct. 20th, 1898..	To balance on hand	\$.17
Jan. 24th, 1899.	" Subscriptions	20.00
		\$20.17
Jan. 1899.	By Materials purchased... ..	\$19.32
	" Cash on hand.....	.85
		\$20.17

January 25th, 1899.

AGNES W. HARDMAN.

Annual Report of the Sabbath School.

OFFICERS.

<i>Honorary Superintendent</i>	REV. T. W. WINFIELD.
<i>Superintendent</i>	ALEX. C. HUTCHISON.
<i>Assistant Superintendent</i>	J. A. NICHOLSON, M.A.
<i>Secretary</i>	MISS M. L. FERGUSON.
<i>Treasurer</i>	" M. ELLIOTT.
<i>Librarian</i>	WM. B. HUTCHISON.
<i>Assistant Librarian</i>	NORMAN K. MACDONALD.
<i>Organist</i>	WM. PHILLIPS.

TEACHERS.

D. McCORMICK, Q.C. } Bible Classes.		
J. H. CAYFORD, }		
R. HENDERSON.	ALEX. WILLS.	MISS L. McARTHUR.
J. LOCKE.	J. A. NICHOLSON, M.A.	" M. TELFER.
R. H. McDONALD.	JAS. GREIG.	" J. HARVIE.
W. H. BARBER.	A. K. TRENHOLME.	" J. FERGUSON.
JNO. GREIG.	MRS. BRODIE.	" A. RUTHERFORD.
WM. HENRY.	MISS M. ELLIOTT.	" M. RUTHERFORD.
JAS. B. KERR.	" J. MAXWELL.	" M. KERR.
E. M. CAMPBELL, B.A.	" J. NELSON.	" J. PARK.
A. R. McMASTER, B.A.	" A. SMITH.	MRS. GOW.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Superintendent</i>	MISS M. L. FERGUSON.
<i>Assistant Superintendent</i>	
<i>Secretary</i>	
<i>Pianist</i>	

TEACHERS.

MISS G. ARCHIBALD.	MISS J. BROWN.
" E. JARVIS.	" E. SHEWAN.
" J. McARTHUR.	" E. BRODIE.
" I. PAXTON.	" E. LARMONTH.

ATTENDANCE.—At the beginning of the year 1898 there were on the roll :—

Teachers and officers	39
Scholars, Bible Classes	24
" Sunday School, boys	153
" " girls	136
Total	352

At the close of the year the roll was as follows :

Teachers and officers	39
Scholars, Bible Classes	34
" Sunday School, boys	155
" " girls	152
Total	<u>380</u>

During the first six months of the year the average attendance was :

Teachers and officers	34
Scholars, including Bible Classes	219
Total	<u>253</u>

During the past four months it was :

Teachers and officers	35
Scholars, including Bible Classes	230
Total	<u>265</u>

Making the average for the year :

Teachers and officers	35
Scholars	224
Total	<u>259</u>

COLLECTIONS.—During the year the sum of \$193.68 was collected in the Class Missionary boxes. After deducting from this amount expenses for maintaining the School (\$65.37) the balance (\$128.31) was allocated as follows :—

Pupil at Pointe-aux-Trembles	\$ 50.00
Home Missions.	35.00
Foreign "	26.00
Sunday School Union.	10.00
Fresh Air Fund.	7.00
	<u>\$128.00</u>

Besides the amount collected in Missionary boxes, three special collections were taken : one on March 27th in aid of the Library fund, one on September 25th (Children's Day) for the General Assembly's Sunday School Committee, and the third on November 6th, the opening day of the new church, in aid of the Building fund.

LIBRARY.—Besides the collection for the library, several friends contributed a sum sufficient to place 91 volumes upon the shelves ; it now contains 1285 volumes, all of which have been maintained in good order.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.—This department of the school is under the efficient management of Miss Ferguson and a staff of eight teachers. Owing to the parlor of the old Church building having to be removed to make room for the new building, this department had to be disbanded in the beginning of June for the summer holidays, and as the new building was not ready for occupation when the School re-assembled in September, the use of two rooms in the Town Hall was obtained in which they met until the parlor in the old church was prepared for them on November 20th.

BIBLE CLASSES.—The Young Men's Bible Class is still conducted by Mr. D. McCormick, Q.C., and the Young Ladies' Class by Mr. J. H. Cayford. We have pleasure in reporting an increased attendance at these classes.

NEW BUILDING.—Since the erection and occupation of the new building, the old church has been specially arranged for the Sunday School. The classes are now seated on chairs, and each class has a table with a drawer for hymn books. Ten of the classes are enclosed by curtains which can be left open or drawn at pleasure.

SOIREE AND PICNIC.—The annual Social was held on the 28th January, and the Picnic to Ste. Rose in June in conjunction with Stanley, Westminster and St. Matthias Sunday Schools. Both occasions were enjoyed by the scholars and their friends.

AGNES SMITH, *Secretary*.

LIBRARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance, 1897.....	\$.06
Subscriptions,—Alex. Wills.....	\$ 2.00
Dr. Elder.....	2.00
A. C. Hutchison.....	12.00
W. B. Hutchison.....	15.00
	31.00
Sale of Catalogues.....	1.94
Sunday School General Fund...	3.85
Special Collection, Sunday-School.....	24.94
	\$61.79
EXPENDITURE.	
W. Drysdale & Co., (Books).....	\$50.25
Morton. Phillips (Repairing books).....	2.10
J. C. Wilson (Paper).....	1.94
E. G. Hart (Printing).....	7.00
Sundries.....	.40
Balance.....	.10
	\$61.79

MELVILLE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL—TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.	
To Balance 1897—Picnic	\$ 6.68
Ordinary	127.88
	<u>\$134.56</u>
“ Collections,—January	22.66
February	18.12
March	14.04
April	19.47
May	23.76
June	11.82
September	11.19
October	26.17
November	19.00
December	25.15
	<u>191.38</u>
Birthday Box—May	2.02
December .....	.28
	<u>2.30</u>
Special Collections—Children's Day, October 2	14.00
Opening New Church, Nov. 6	25.20
	<u>39.20</u>
Sale of Catechisms	1.26
Subscriptions to Social	29.56
Receipts Annual Picnic	52.54
	<u>82.10</u>
	<u>\$450.80</u>
EXPENDITURE.	
Pointe-aux-Trembles School	\$ 50.00
Home Missions	31.00
Foreign “	26.00
French Evangelization	10.00
Sunday-School Union	10.00
	<u>\$127.00</u>
Expenses, Social	29.55
“ Annual Picnic	52.54
	<u>82.09</u>
General Assembly Sunday-School Committee	14.00
Building Fund New Church	25.20
W. Drysdale & Co. (supplies)	67.50
Jas. Walker & Co.	2.25
Straps for Hymn Books .....	.60
	<u>2.85</u>
Library Fund	3.85
Balance	128.31
	<u>\$450.80</u>

MAUDE ELLIOTT, Treasurer.

Report of the Chinese Sunday School

IN CONNECTION WITH MELVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Chinese School in connection with Melville Church was organized on the 20th of March last, there being seven scholars present on that day.

The demands of this work are such that a teacher is required for each scholar, it being seldom that the education of any two is at the same stage of development. It is to be borne in mind that the Chinese must first be taught to read. The main effort, therefore, is to give them an understanding of the English language, then to direct their studies along Gospel lines. In our school the men are all at various stages, some still struggling with the a b c, while others are reading more or less fluently in the Gospels. Our aim with the latter class is to see that understanding follows the reading.

The attendance has averaged eleven scholars and twelve teachers per Sabbath. There are seven laundries in Westmount, with seventeen resident Chinamen. In addition to these there are two or three laundries adjacent to the Town, so that in all the membership could be increased to twenty or twenty-five had we a teaching staff to warrant such extension. It may be said that the Chinese are particular about having the same teacher and will not make a practice of attending if a regular teacher is not available. With ten or twelve more teachers, who would attend regularly and promptly next year, a great mission work could be done.

At the special request of the Chinese, a collection has been taken up each Sunday since the first of October, the amount contributed to December 31st being \$13.76, which is given exclusively for mission work in China.

The school session is held every Sunday morning, from 9.45 till 10.45, in the Sunday school room.

ROBT. GREIG,
Superintendent.

WESTMOUNT, Jan. 3rd, 1899.

Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

It is with regret that we report to the Congregation at this annual meeting that the Society of Christian Endeavor has closed, and with it the missionary, charitable, and other active work in which we were engaged.

For seven months, during the past year, the Society held meetings regularly; money was raised for missions; clothing and warm coverings were made and sent to cases of need in the city; and magazines and papers disposed of to be sent to Home Mission fields.

In the month of October, the members decided to disband, as the lines upon which a Society of Christian Endeavor is conducted did not harmonize with the expressed views of the Session and other members of the Congregation, and we felt that the Society was standing in the way of an association which might include in its membership a larger number of young people, if conducted upon broader and different lines. The Active membership of the Society was twenty-one, and all our members favor the principles and methods of the Christian Endeavor organization.

As our work only covers a few months of the year, the amount of money raised for missionary and other purposes is not as large as in previous years.

Appended is the Treasurer's statement.

Respectfully submitted.

R. H. MACDONALD, *President.*

ELIZABETH GREIG, *Secretary.*

Y. P. S. C. E.—TREASURER'S REPORT, 1898.

SOCIETY FUND.

Jan. 1.	To Cash on hand	\$ 1 73	
	“ amounts by envelopes	6.71	
	“ box Collections	7.07	
	“ Special Collections	3.35	
		<hr/>	\$18 86
	By Supplies David Allan	7.50	
	“ Flower Committee	3.50	
	“ Dominion Alliance	3.00	
	“ Endeavor Union	2.00	
	“ Balance on hand	2.86	
		<hr/>	\$18.86

MISSION FUND.

To Collections by envelopes	\$ 9.44	
“ Balance Society Fund	2.86	
	<hr/>	\$12.30
By Treasurer of Church Missionary Society	\$12.30	
	<hr/>	\$12.30

Report of the Mission Band.

OFFICERS, 1898-99.

<i>Hon.-President</i>	Mrs. GEO. WOOD.
<i>President</i>	MISS BRODIE.
<i>Vice-President</i>	“ JARVIS.
<i>Secretary</i>	“ KERR.
<i>Treasurer</i>	“ CAYFORD

The work of the Mission Band for the season of 1898-99 was resumed on the 6th of October; the officers above named being elected.

No marked departure from the programme of previous years was considered possible, the Society feeling that no more worthy objects or ones appealing with greater force to the imagination of the children could be devised than the support of a Cot in the General Hospital, and to clothe, to the extent possible, a girl in the Mackay

Institute. To these objects was added the preparation of "comfort bags" for the miners, containing a receptacle for small requisites such as needles, pins, buttons, thread, &c., &c., to which was added a compartment containing a Bible.

The distribution of "mite-boxes" to the members and others has been attended to and the work is progressing very favorably.

Respectfully submitted.

MAY BRODIE, *President.*

MABEL KERR, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—MISSION BAND.

BALANCE OF SEASON, 1897-98.

To balance on hand, 1897	\$ 6.23
" Fees	7.00
" Donations	16.00
" Proceeds from Calendars	17.51
" " " Sale	126.04
" Returns from Mite Boxes	27.67
	<hr/> \$200.45

EXPENDITURE, 1898.

By Clothing, material, &c	\$ 15.34
" Expenses of Sale	31.03
" Cot in Hospital	60.00
" Building fund	25.00
" Balance on hand, June, 1898	69.08
	<hr/> \$200.45

SEASON 1898-99.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance on hand	\$ 69.08
" Fees	2.00
" Proceeds from Sale (extra)	2.05
	<hr/> \$73.13

EXPENDITURE, 1898-99.

By Clothing for girl in Mackay Institute	\$ 3.40
" Material for sewing	3.76
" Balance on hand, Jan. 1899	65.97
	<hr/> \$73.13

EMILY CAYFORD, *Treasurer.*

Report of The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary.

<i>Honorary-President</i>	MRS. WINFIELD.
<i>President</i>	MRS. R. BRODIE.
<i>Vice-President</i>	MRS. McMASTER.
<i>Secretary</i>	MISS M. L. FERGUSON.
<i>Treasurer</i>	MRS. HUGH BRODIE.
<i>Representatives</i>	{ MRS. WM. GERRIG MRS. D. McCORMICK.

Since the last annual report, eight regular meetings have been held, at which many phases of mission work, both at home and abroad, have been presented.

We were brought into closer touch with our energetic sisters in the West, by the presence at their annual meeting, last May, in Toronto, of our President and Vice-President.

In October, our first thank-offering service was held, of which a tangible result was the donation to the parent Society of thirty-seven dollars and sixty cents (\$37.60).

Several interesting papers have been contributed during the year by our own members; in addition to these there have been addresses by the Rev. Mr. Winfield, Madame Amaron, Mrs. Scott, and Mrs. Thos. Allen, of the African Inland Mission.

The thanks of the Society are due to the four members who again this year canvassed the congregation in its interest: it is regrettable, however, that while so many ladies are willing to contribute to its funds, very few lend to its regular meetings the inspiration of their presence, the average attendance being but seventeen.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. FERGUSON, *Secretary*.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Membership fees.....	\$35.75	Paid to M. W. M. Society..	\$37.60
Envelope collections.....	37.95	“ for Mite boxes.....	1.50
Plate collections.....	13.81	“ Stationery & postage.	2.40
Mite box collections.....	10.21	“ for flowers.....	1.25
Miscellaneous.....	2.38	By Balance	94.95
Special collect'n for Thank Offering.....	37.60		
	<u>\$137.70</u>		<u>\$137.70</u>

WESTMOUNT, Jan. 24, 1899.

ALICE M. BRODIE, *Treas.*

Report of the Literary Society.

OFFICERS, 1898-99.

<i>Honorary President</i>	REV. T. W. WINFIELD.
<i>President</i> ,	MR. R. HARROWER.
<i>Vice-President</i> ,	J. A. NICHOLSON, M. A.
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	MISS J. A. FERGUSON.
<i>Musical Director</i>	MR. ALEX. WILLS.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

MRS. COOPER.	MISS HENDRIE.
MRS. H. BRODIE.	MR. THOS. BRADY.
DR. MCARTHUR.	MR. WM. GREIG.

MR. J. L. KERR.

The object of the Society, viz: "the cultivation of a taste for good literature, home reading, and intellectual improvement, particularly by the young people of the congregation," has been in good measure attained.

The meetings of the Society were held fortnightly throughout the winter months, with an average attendance of about forty members. The programme of the session 1897-98 was successfully carried out; and judging from the fact that the membership at the present time numbers over sixty, it is confidently assumed that the work of the Society is being appreciated. As to the work projected for the session 1898-99, it is unnecessary to speak here, (the Syllabus having been placed in the hands of the congregation). Only about one-third of the current season's work of instruction and entertainment has been carried out, so that there is still ample time for *all* members and adherents of the Church, who have the desire, to meet with the Society; the matter of becoming members or joining in the active work does not follow the mere fact of attending the meetings.

In addition to the study of literature, music (vocal and instrumental), with elocution and recitation, have a place in the work of the Society. It may be that the "Literary" is somewhat ambitious, but it is satisfactory to those who have had to do with it, that it has at least been productive, not only of instruction and entertainment, but also of a kindly Christian sociability.

R. HARROWER, *President*.

Total Amount raised by the Congregation

DURING THE YEAR FOR ALL PURPOSES.

Ordinary Revenue	..	..	..	..	..	\$4,037.55
Building and Property Account	..	..	..	..	..	6,595.36
Kirk-Session Poor Fund	..	..	..	..	..	78.00
General and Western Hospitals	..	..	..	..	..	45.04
The Missionary Society	..	..	..	..	..	432.91
The Ladies' Aid Society	..	..	..	..	..	20.00
The Sunday School (ordinary)	..	..	..	..	..	316.24
" " (Library Fund)	..	..	..	..	..	57.88
The Chinese Sunday-School	..	..	..	..	..	13.76
Young People's Society of C. E.	26.57
The Mission Band	198.27
The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary	137.70
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						\$11,959.28

Since 1890 the sum of \$5,949.62 has been given, by the weekly envelopes, for Reduction of Debt and Building Fund :

1890	..	\$378.15	1895	..	\$775.25
1891	..	513.10	1896	..	784.40
1892	..	519.10	1897	..	889.17
1893	..	616.70	1898	..	857.75
1894	..	616.00			
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					\$5,949.62

List of Members. December 31st, 1898.

Anderson, Miss J.	Cooper, F. S.	Harvey, Wm.
Archibald, Mrs. G. H.	Cooper, Mrs. F. S.	Harvey, Mrs. W.
Archibald, Miss E.	Cornell, Geo. H.	Hawthorne, Wm.
Armstrong, Jos.	Cornell, Mrs. G. H.	Hawthorne, Mrs. W.
Armstrong, Mrs. J.	Cowan, Miss J. S.	Hendrie, Mrs. W.
Armstrong, Miss E. A.	Cowan, Miss J. P.	Hendrie, Miss L.
Armstrong, Miss Lily.	Cross, Miss J.	Hobus, L.
Armstrong, Miss F.	Cross, Miss R.	Hope, W. H.
	Currie, Miss F.	Hope, Mrs. W. H.
	Currie, Miss M. A.	Hope, Miss M.
Barber, W. H.		Hope, Miss E.
Barber, Mrs. W. H.	Deacon, R. S.	How, T. F.
Birch, R. J.	Deacon, Mrs. R. S.	How, Mrs. T. F.
Blair, Mrs. H.	Dewar, D. C.	Hoy, G. B.
Brady, Thos.	Dewar, Mrs. D. C.	Hoy, Mrs. G. B.
Brady, Mrs. T.	Dow, Mrs.	Hudson, Mrs. T. H.
Brady, Jno.	Duffin, Miss M. A.	Hutchison, A. C.
Braidwood, F.		Hutchison, Mrs. A. C.
Braidwood, Mrs. F.	Elder, J. A., M.D.	Hutchison, C. A.
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