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PUBLIC WORSHIP, CHURCH MEETINGS, &c.

SUNDAY	Morning Service	11 o'clock.
	Evening "	7 "
	Sunday School	3 "
	Young Women's Bible Class	3 "
	" Men's " "	3 15 "

MONDAY The Minister receives the gentlemen of the Congregation at his house, 1516 St. Catherine Street, from 8 to 10.30 P.M. Young men and Strangers in the city specially invited.

TUESDAY Young Men's Association, 8 o'clock.

THURSDAY Dorcas Society meets at 11 o'clock.

SERVICES are held on Christmas Day, Good Friday and Dominion Thanksgiving Day, at 11 o'clock.

THE HOLY COMMUNION is dispensed three times a year—on the second Sundays of February, May and November.

PREPARATORY CLASS for intending Communicants meets prior to each Communion.

Order of Public Worship :

1. ANTHEM.
2. THE LORD'S PRAYER.
(In which the Congregation joins audibly.)
3. PRAISE.
4. PRAYER—Adoration.
Confession.
Supplication.
5. OLD TESTAMENT LESSON.
6. ANTHEM.
7. NEW TESTAMENT LESSON.
8. SCRIPTURE SENTENCE (by the Choir.)
9. PRAYER—Thanksgiving.
Intercession.
10. PRAISE.
11. OFFERTORY—INTIMATIONS.
12. SERMON.
13. PRAYER.
14. PRAISE.
15. BENEDICTION.

List of Trustees, Kirk-Session, &c.

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IV. SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASSES.

<i>Superintendent,</i>	- -	REV. J. EDGAR HILL.
<i>Assistant do.</i>	- -	C. N. D. OSGOOD.
<i>Infant Class,</i>	- -	MISS DOW.
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" L. C. BURNS,		" BURNS,
" OSGOOD,		" MACDONALD,
" ROBERTSON,		" ELIZA MACDONALD,
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" NELLIE GRAHAM,		Mr. ROLLAND,
" JESSIE McDUGGALL,		" MORGAN.
" J. DOW,		" HUNTER,
" F. LAWFORD,		
<i>Young Women's Bible Class</i>	-	Mrs. F. J. LOGIE.
<i>Young Men's do.</i>	-	Rev. J. EDGAR HILL.
<i>Librarians:</i>		
Mr. A. W. OSGOOD.		Mr. W. BAILLIE.

V. DORCAS SOCIETY.

<i>Honorary President</i>	Mrs. HILL.
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DISTRICT No. 6.—Mrs. JOHN McDUGALL, <i>Superintendent.</i>		
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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

In sending forth these various Church Reports for 1886, my heart is full of gratitude for another year's congregational life and progress spent under circumstances of great spiritual peace and sympathy. I trust we have all been helped and stimulated devotionally as well as practically to a degree we have not known in past years. Such an experience would only be as it should year by year. Christians are to grow steadily towards the fullness of grace and truth that characterised the Master and they are to look for the fruits of that growth ever more abundantly. To me it has been a year of intense interest and pleasure in ministerial labour; may it have been a year of like pleasure and profit congregationally to each and all of you.

There is one topic of which I desire to emphasize the importance in this letter. I referred to it in the opening service of this year as follows:—"The attendance on public worship has generally been well sustained at morning service, but I must say that while it must be inconvenient for some, from various causes, to attend the evening service it ought to be convenient for a much greater number than usually attend. So long as you have an evening service it ought to be a matter of conscience with those who can find it convenient to be regularly in their places. The loss is theirs who can and yet do not attend, for if public worship be a blessed privilege, neglect of it must be a loss to their spiritual nature." I hope the younger members and adherents of the Church will lay those words to heart. I am quite sure they can have no adequate excuse to make to their own conscience for such neglect of a great duty.

After four and a half years of pastoral duty in Canada, I propose to pay a visit to the old land and the old Church of Scotland in the course of the ensuing summer. Not that I am feeling special need of a long holiday either physically or mentally. I am thankful to say that I have enjoyed great vigor of health both bodily and mentally since coming to Montreal. But it is not wise to wait till health and strength run down before thinking of relaxation. Much better is it to look ahead

and follow the time-honoured maxim "prevention is better than cure." I have come to the conclusion therefore that it will be for your good and also my own, if I should take a three months' holiday this summer in Great Britain and the continent of Europe, and Mrs. Hill and I will sail on board the Steamer "Parisian" on June 23rd. The Kirk-Session have kindly relieved me of all responsibility in the matter of pulpit supply and I am sure their arrangements will be entirely satisfactory to the congregation. I hope to return in the end of September, re-invigorated in body, soul and spirit to fulfil the duties of my ministry with increased faithfulness, strength and ability.

I cannot close this letter without tendering my best thanks to the congregation for the handsome addition to my stipend of five hundred dollars per annum determined at the Annual Meeting on Christmas Day. I value the addition for its intrinsic worth; but far more for the good spirit which prompted it.

Wishing for you all an increase in every spiritual gift.

I am yours ever affectionately.

J. EDGAR HILL.

APRIL, 1887.

I. REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
For 1886.

The usual statement of the accounts of the Trustees, is appended to this report. It shows that the balance which at the beginning of the year was \$1907.08 was at the end of it \$2488.97.

There is an outstanding account amounting to probably \$285.00 in connection with the St. Catherine street property which may have hereafter to be debited against the accounts. The Trustees are making efforts to have that property disposed of, or the Church's connection with it entirely severed.

The Church requires repairs and cleaning externally and internally, and the Trustees hope to be able to accomplish some part of the work during the year 1887. To complete it may necessitate some further call upon the members of the Church, which the Trustees have every confidence will be promptly and fully responded to.

Two Trustees, namely, Mr. George Denholm and Mr. Joseph Hickson, retire; in accordance with the constitution of the Church.

Mr. Law has resigned his trusteeship, and it will therefore be necessary at the meeting of the congregation to elect three Trustees.

By order of the Trustees,

(Signed) JOHN BEATTIE,

Secretary.

Vestry of St. Andrew's Church, }
CHRISTMAS DAY, 1886. *}*

TRUSTEES' ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1886.

RECEIPTS.

To Cash on hand from 1885.....	\$1907 08
" Pew Rents.....	375 51
" Special Collections.....	1872 50
	\$7556 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Minister's stipend.....	\$3500 00
" Special services members of Church at " Casemaker's meeting, 1885.....	250 00
" Casemaker's salary.....	400 00
" Fuel.....	242 30
" Gas.....	169 50
" Water: \$158.23, less paid by Org. \$4. \$60.70	97 53
" Ringing the Bell.....	50 00
" Repairs.....	121 35
" Interest on Poor Fund.....	144 90
" Search on St. Catherine St. property.....	10 95
" Sundries.....	81 60
	\$5067 32
" Balance.....	2488 97
	\$7556 29

II. REPORT BY KIRK-SESSION.

The Session have to report favourably concerning congregational matters falling specially to their charge. Early in the year the office of organist and choir-master fell vacant, and the members of Session considered themselves fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Joseph Gould. Since Mr. Gould's appointment the Service of Praise has been all that could be desired, and the Session is pleased to know that their feeling is shared by the entire congregation.

The death rate of the congregation was exceptionally low in 1886.

Speaking generally, the Kirk-Session congratulate the congregation on the healthy state of its affairs and on the spirit of harmony that prevails.

May peace and prosperity ever be the aims of all who desire the well-being of the typical Scotch Church of Montreal.

*Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by GEORGE GRAHAM, Treasurer of KIRK-SESSION,
for the year 1886.*

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
Balance from last year.....	Organist's salary, expenses of choir, &c.....
Collection for agricultural purposes, including Christmas Day offering for Sunday School, collec- tion for Synodical expenses, Ladies' Aid Society Interest on Legacies for Poor.....	Communion expenses, pulpit supply, &c.....
Special collection.....	Allowance to poor—wood, &c.....
	Advertising, printing, stationery and magazines.....
	Organ tuning, music, stamps, &c.....
	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS:—
	House of Industry and Refuge.....
	Sunday-School.....
	Ladies' Aid Society.....
	Paid to Treasurer of Synod.....
	Special collection.....
	Sundries.....
	Balance.....
\$ 10.16	\$4705.17
2678 51	
144 00	
1872 50	
	25 00
	143 53
	87 49
	77 15
	333 17
	1872 50
	67 20
	141 99
	\$4705.17

III. THE WORK AMONG THE YOUNG.

This work, so successfully carried on by the very efficient staff of teachers, presents few new features. The attendance of teachers and scholars has been very regular, and all have taken a very deep interest in the welfare of the school. The Young Women's Bible Class is developing new life under the very able charge of Mrs. Logie, and promises soon to become a very large class. Mr. H. Ross, who formerly conducted the Young Men's Bible Class with so much acceptance, has felt it necessary, on account of occasional absence from the city, to resign the charge. The class now meets with Mr. Hill in the Church, and it is hoped that all young men of the congregation will make it a duty to attend.

The annual festival was held on the 26th February, and, as usual, the young people and their friends had a very pleasant evening. The yearly contributions of the School were apportioned to benevolent objects by the scholars in the usual way. The teachers take this opportunity of thanking the congregation for their liberal donations, both of money and kind, for this entertainment.

The thanks of the school are due to the congregation for their liberal Good Friday and Christmas Day contributions. These, it is hoped, will in future not only defray the necessary expense (about \$100 per annum) for the proper working of the school, but also give a reserve fund from which to replenish the library from time to time.

C. N. D. Osgood.

IV. DORCAS SOCIETY.

The forty eighth report of the Dorcas Society, being for the year ending April, 1886:

The subscriptions for the year amounted to \$79.30, of which there was expended \$63.16, leaving a balance of \$16.14.

The distributions of the Society to members and adherents of the congregation were as follows :—

29 garments, 15 pairs boots, 2 pairs rubbers, 1 stove, 1 bed comforter, \$1.40 spent in sundries. To Hervey Institute 24 yards flannel. To the Ladies' Benevolent Institution 6 garments. To St. Andrew's Home 12 garments. To the Protestant Small-pox Hospital 2 dressing gowns. To the Metis in the North-West 10 pair blankets and 10 pairs stockings.

J. Dow.

V. LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Thirteenth annual report of the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Church :

On the completion of another year's existence of the Ladies' Aid Society, a brief report of what has been accomplished during the year is presented.

Weekly meetings were resumed November 27th, 1885, and continued through the winter. During the season, owing to small-pox being epidemic in the city, we dispensed with a custom which for many years our Society has taken part in, namely, visiting poor needle women who apply to the Industrial Rooms ; also for the same reason district visiting of the congregation was largely discontinued.

For the comfort of the Protestant small-pox patients of Mount Royal Hospital we had planned during our last session, and continued to provide, each fortnight till late in February, a case containing delicacies of food, clothing and linen in quantities as desired by the Sisters of St. Margaret and solicited from families in the congregation. The same was delivered at St. Margaret's Home for the Hospital, and the Sister in control there expressed much satisfaction with the donations of St. Andrew's Church.

At an early meeting the Rev. J. E. Hill commended, as a special charity, Mgr. Grandin's scheme for aiding the miserably poor Metis of the North-West. In this interest our Society contributed \$25.00 ; a gift of \$30.00 was sent from the Young Men's Association of the Church to be expended by the Aid

Society for the charity ; with these sums blankets and clothing were purchased, and clothing was received from members of the congregation in response to an appeal from the pulpit, all these with the donation of the Dorcas Society, Mr. Hill forwarded to the proper quarter.

During the year we have worked for charitable institutions of the city as follows :—

For the Industrial Rooms \$141.00 was collected in the congregation, and \$156.45 worth of fancy work given to the bazaar.

For the Hervey Institute \$41 worth of fancy work was prepared.

For the Infant's Home, children's garments, etc. were sewed and contributed.

And to the General Hospital we sent fruit and flowers used in decorating the Church on Christmas Day, Easter Sunday and Thanksgiving Day.

Regular meetings were adjourned early in April. A special meeting was called on April 26th. Mrs. Page Thrower then offered to make all arrangements for a concert in aid of the sufferers by the recent disastrous floods in the lower part of the city. The Aid Society took the concert under its patronage, and \$120.00 was realized. Families in distress were visited by two of our members and much real need relieved. This money was distributed through the agency of the parish priest of St. Ann's among Roman Catholic sufferers, Ven. Archdeacon Evans, St. Stephens, among Episcopalians, and our ladies among the Presbyterians.

For funds the Ladies' Aid Society depends on its membership fees and a collection made in Church annually on Thanksgiving day, besides occasional personal appeals to the congregation, which have always met with liberal responses.

We would conclude our report of a year's result of our desire as a Society to aid others, with expressing gratitude to all who have assisted us, and especially to Mr. Hill for kind furtherance in our undertakings.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. MACFARLANE,

November 24th, 1886.

Secretary.

VI. REPORT OF YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The nineteenth session of St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Association was inaugurated on the 16th November, 1885.

We adopted the hearty, though somewhat comprehensive, sentiments of Mr. Talkative in the Pilgrim's Progress, when he expressed his willingness to speak of "things in heaven, things on earth, things past and things to come, provided that all be done to our profit." It may not be improbable, therefore, that many who were not able to be present at our meetings, will be interested to know whether those brilliant prospects, which at the outset met our view, have actually been realised; and it is with the greatest pleasure that your Committee are able to state that at no period of the existence of the Association has the work undertaken by its members been fulfilled more thoroughly or with more advantage to all concerned.

A glance at the syllabus will, we think, exhibit both the variety and importance of the topics which engaged our attention:—

1885.

Nov. 16. Lecture—"Three lights from a lone Scottish Rock of the Sea." Rev. J. Edgar Hill.

30. St. Andrew's Day.—Scottish Concert.

1886.

Jan. 12. Lecture—"Some Scenes and Incidents with the Canadian Contingent in the Soudan,
Mr. B. J. A. Bell.

19. Conversazione.

26. Lecture—"Eating and Over-eating."

Dr. A. Laphorn Smith.

Feb. 25. Do. —"Nature's Fairy Land."

The Very Rev. Dean Carmichael.

Mar. 16. Do. —"The North-West and its Dusky Inhabitants." Mr. Campbell Lane.

26. Do. —"Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland."

Rev. J. Edgar Hill.

The net proceeds from these entertainments (one of the lectures was free) realised \$165.00, which, with \$30.00 donated to the Ladies' Aid Society, and \$5.00 to the Church of Scotland Young Men's Guild, makes \$200.00 as our contribution for the year to charitable and benevolent purposes.

A piano has been purchased for the use of the various societies in connection with the Church, and the Committee desire to tender their best thanks to all who kindly assisted towards this good and laudable object.

Interesting correspondence is received from time to time from the Young Men's Guild in Edinburgh, and it may not be out of place to mention that anyone going from here to the old country can be furnished with a letter of introduction, and it is needless to say will be accorded a hearty welcome. Seven young men during the year were introduced to the Rev. Mr. Hill, who was fortunate enough in securing employment for them.

It was suggested by some of the members that meetings for young men only should be held, alternatively with the lectures, and your Committee held up to their imaginations the expectations of many a hard struggle after truth, of many a keen, and it might be fierce debate; but our efforts to impress others with a becoming sense of the advantages, in which they were at liberty to participate, were in vain.

As in former years, our best thanks are due to the Ladies' Aid Society for their kindness in lending their patronage and disposing of tickets for the lectures, which tended very considerably towards the success of our entertainments.

Four of our members have left us—Mr. Alexander McGibbon, Jr., who was president for two years, has gone to St. Paul; Mr. W. H. Cross to Selkirk; Mr. John M. Scott to Omaha, and Mr. William Watt has returned to Aberdeen.

Entering now upon the twentieth year of its existence, the Association does so with a bright and most encouraging prospect. The work of the past is a partial indication of the possibilities of the future, and we extend a hearty welcome to all young men attending St. Andrew's to join us.

HARRY O. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Treasurer's Report 1885-86.

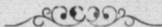
RECEIPTS.

To Balance from last year.....	\$ 3.48
" Membership fees.....	38.00
" Proceeds of Entertainments.....	356.95
" Amount collected for Piano.....	350.00
	\$748.43

DISBURSEMENTS.

By advertising, printing, &c.....	\$ 88.91
" Refreshments.....	10.83
" City Charities.....	165.00
" Young Men's Guild, Edinburgh.....	5.00
" Ladies' Aid Society.....	30.00
" Expenses of Conversazione.....	38.25
" Amount paid for Piano.....	356.75
" Sundries.....	46.99
" Cash on hand.....	6.70
	\$748.43

RODERICK FINDLAY, *Treasurer.*



SUMMARY OF REVENUE FOR 1886.

Trustees' Account	\$5,649.21
Kirk-Session Account	2,832.67
Ladies' Aid Society Account	838.59
Young Men's Association Account	748.43
Dorcas Society Account	79.30
Collected by Rev. Mr. Hill for special objects ..	187.00
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	\$10,335.20

