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Hours of Service.

SABBATH 11 A.M. and 7 P.M.
 SABBATH SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS 3 P.M.
 WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING - Wednesday Evening at 8 o'clock.
 SABBATH PRAYER MEETING - in the Lecture Room at 10.15 A.M.

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 Mr. HENRY M
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SESSION.

Pastor.

Rev. P. McF. MACLEOD, 91 St. Joseph Street.

Elders.

Mr. JOSEPH STEPHENS, - - - - -	26 McCaul Street.
Mr. ALEXANDER MURRAY CLERK, - - - - -	502 Church Street.
Mr. DANIEL McINTOSH, - - - - -	80 St. Mary Street.
Mr. JAMES RUSSELL, - - - - -	20 St. Vincent Street.
Mr. A. T. CROMBIE, - - - - -	93 Maitland Street.
Mr. HENRY MELDRUM, - - - - -	520 Yonge Street.
Mr. DAVID GOURLAY, TREASURER, - - - - -	10 Division Street.
Mr. JOHN HARVIE, - - - - -	358 Spadina Avenue.
Mr. W. E. MURRAY, - - - - -	111 Carlton Street.
Mr. W. C. FORMAN, - - - - -	127 Blecker Street.

→ * ELDERS' + DISTRICTS. * ←

(East of Yonge Street.)

- First.—Bounded by Wellesley Street on the South, and Yonge Street on the West.—Mr. A. MURRAY, *Elder*.
- Second.—North of Carlton Street to Wellesley Street, and East of Yonge Street.—Mr. A. T. CROMBIE, *Elder*.
- Third.—North of Gerrard Street to Carlton Street and East of Yonge Street.—Mr. WILLIAM E. MURRAY, *Elder*.
- Fourth.—South of Gerrard Street and East of Yonge Street.—Mr. WILLIAM C. FORMAN, *Elder*.

West of Yonge Street.

- Fifth.—North of Bloor Street, and West of Yonge Street.—Mr. D. GOURLAY, *Elder*.
- Sixth.—St. Joseph Street to Bloor Street (both sides), West of Yonge Street to the Park.—Mr. D. McINTOSH, *Elder*.
- Seventh.—North of Grosvenor Street to St. Joseph Street; West of Yonge Street to the Park. Mr. H. MELDRUM, *Elder*.
- Eighth.—Yonge Street on the East, Grosvenor Street on the North, Queen Street Avenue and Simcoe Street on the West, South to the Lake.—Mr. JAMES RUSSELL, *Elder*.
- Ninth.—West of Queen's Park and North of College Avenue.—Mr. J. STEPHENS, *Elder*.
- Tenth.—Queen Street Avenue and Simcoe Street on the East; and South of College Avenue.—Mr. J. HARVIE, *Elder*.

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8 o'clock.
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Trustees of Church Property,

JOHN E. MITCHELL.
JOSEPH STEPHENS.

JOHN MCMICHAEL.
JAMES RUSSELL.

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Managers for 1883.

W. NICHOLAS MILLER, *Chairman.* RICHARD DONALD, *Treasurer.*
A. R. CREELMAN, *Secretary.*

JOHN BARR.
THOS. CHRISTIE.
ANDREW JEFFERY.
A. H. CRAWFORD.

S. B. WINDRUM.
B. JENNINGS.
D. B. GARDNER.
JAS. WATSON.
C. B. PETRIE.

R. G. A. PATON.
GIDEON ROBERTSON.
Dr. F. KING.
J. E. MITCHELL.

Committees.

Finance—Messrs. DONALD, MITCHELL, JEFFREY, JENNINGS, GARDNER,
CREELMAN.

Heating, Lighting and Property—Messrs. WATSON, ROBERTSON, CHRISTIE,
PATON, KING.

Seat-Letting—Messrs. WINDRUM, DONALD, BARR, CRAWFORD, PETRIE.

Missionary Society.

REV. P. MCF. MACLEOD, *President.*

A. T. CROMBIE, *Treasurer.*

JOSEPH KILGOUR, *Secretary.*

The contributions to this Society are voluntary. Contributors are supplied with special envelopes for the purpose, which are returnable on the last Sabbath of each month.

Ladies' Aid Society.

Mrs. MELDRUM, *President.*

Mrs. KENNETH MCLEAN, *Secretary.*

Mrs. J. E. MITCHELL, *Vice-President.*

Miss. BESSIE MCKAY, *Treasurer.*

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Central Church Auxiliary of Women's Foreign Mission Society.

Mrs. JENNINGS, *President.* Mrs. MACLEOD, Mrs. MILLER and Mrs. CROMBIE, *Vice-Presidents.*
 Miss J. GORDON, *Secretary.* Miss MATHER, *Treasurer.*

Sabbath School.

Rev. P. McF. MACLEOD, *President.*
 Mr. J. STEVENS, *Superintendent.* Mr. G. MELDRUM, *Sec.-Treas.*
 Mr. C. B. PETRIE, *Librarian.* Miss A. McINTOSH, *Organist.*
 Mr. H. B. GORDON, *Treasurer of Building Fund.*

TEACHERS.

Mrs. STEPHENS.	Miss MICKLE,	Mr. J. RUSSELL.
Mrs. MELDRUM.	Miss S. MICKLE.	Mr. A. T. CROMBIE.
Mrs. HARVIE.	Miss MATHER.	Mr. H. MELDRUM.
Mrs. CROMBIE.	Miss ROBERTSON.	Mr. W. E. MURRAY.
Mrs. MACLEAN.	Miss JENNINGS.	Mr. H. B. GORDON.
Miss WILLING.	Miss GORDON.	Mr. W. LOWE.
Miss PATON.	Miss FOX.	Mr. D. B. GARDNER.
Miss GORRIE	Miss MCKAY.	Mr. J. T. WILLING.

MISSION SCHOOL

Mr. D. McINTOSH, *Superintendent.* Mr. W. C. FORMAN, *Secretary.*
 Mrs. TYSON. Miss McINTOSH. Mr. MANN.
 Miss BURNS. Miss L. MATHER.

Sabbath School Teachers' Association.

Rev. P. McF. MACLEOD, *President.* GARNET MELDRUM, *Secretary.*
 All the Sabbath School Teachers are Members of this Association.

Literary Association.

Rev. P. McF. McLeod, *President.*

W. E. MURRAY, *1st Vice-Pres.*

C. B. PETRIE, *2nd Vice-Pres.*

R. C. DONALD, *Secretary.*

Miss JEANIE HARVIE, *Treasurer.*

Editors—Miss BELLE WALTON and J. T. WILLING.

Business Committee—Miss L. MCINTOSH, Miss L. STEPHENS, Mr. J. McEWAN, Mr. JOHN WATSON.

Organist of the Church.

Miss DALLAS, St. Mary Street.

Church Officer.

W. FINLAY, 88 William Street.

REPORT OF THE SESSION.

The Session have again the pleasant duty of reporting a year of marked prosperity. At the date of last report there were 304 members on our roll; during the past year 107 members have been added, 76 of these by certificate and 31 by confession of faith. In the same time 42 members have been removed from the roll, 37 of them having been disjoined by certificate and five removed by death. It will be interesting to the congregation to know where these 37 members have gone, as it will show how the spiritual life among us may eventually tell upon the whole continent. Ten have settled in Manitoba, seven in Parkdale, three in Deerpark, two in Montreal, two in Paris, two in Chicago, one in Louisville, Ky., one in Shelburne, one in Peterboro', one in Leslieville, one in Caistorville, one in King, and five in churches in other parts of the city. All of these friends went out from us with our prayers and good wishes, and, we believe, carrying with them very pleasant memories of the Central Church. The five of our number whom God hath taken from amongst us witnessed a good confession while living, and are, we trust, now enrolled in the general assembly and Church of the First Born. How many of our number may be thus taken away during the present year who can tell. Let us then watch and be ready so that we can joyfully say, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Deducting

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then our losses from the 107 added, our gain during the year is 65, so that we have now 369 members on our roll.

The Session took the step during the year of increasing the opportunities of remembering the Lord's death till he come by providing for the observance of the Lord's supper quarterly in the evening as well as quarterly in the morning, and they have been glad to see by the attendance at the evening Communion that this movement has been appreciated by the congregation, and they are not without evidence that it has proved helpful in quickening the spiritual life of many of our members. We are sorry to say our weekly prayer meeting has not increased during the year in proportion to the increase in our membership. If our prayer meeting is an institution of our own invention we can afford to esteem it lightly, but if it is a means of grace provided for us by the Lord it should be as sacredly upheld as the services on the Lord's Day.

The Session greatly rejoices in the prosperity of the Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes, and congratulates the congregation on our possessing a noble band of teachers whose zeal and faithfulness are producing good fruit in their most important field of labour.

The Session would call the attention of the congregation to the circular addressed to them by the Pastor on the subject of our contributions to the mission schemes of the Church at large, and to our own home mission effort at William Street, and they are sure from past experience that there will be a liberal response from all our members and adherents, so that as we have been an example to others from our liberal contributing for our own purposes we will become also an example from our liberal giving to the cause of missions at home and abroad.

The Session are pleased to note the activity and devotion of the women of the congregation in the cause of missions and in the care of the poor, and they have reason to know that their zeal has provoked very many.

They cannot close this report without a reference to the young people of the congregation who have shown such a deep interest in our progress, and who, in the choir and in the association, have done such noble service as to place us under the deepest obligations to them. As long as we have such a band of young people with us we can have no fear for the future prosperity of the Church.

The Session have held regular monthly meetings during the year for the transaction of business, and also monthly devotional meetings. These latter have been conducted by the elders in turn, and have proved specially pleasant and profitable to those who have been able to attend them. It is hoped that these meetings will be kept up with increasing interest during the present year. At the close of the year it was felt needful to increase the

Session by three members, and the choice of the congregation fell upon Messrs. Harvie, Murray and Forman, the two first named having been elders in other congregations come to us with ripened experience in the Lord's work, while Mr. Forman now for the first time puts on his armour as an office bearer in the Church of God. The Session looks for good results from this accession to their numbers, and enters upon the new year with the earnest prayer that their labours may be owned for the spiritual growth of our people and the salvation of the lost.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Infants baptized during the year, - - - - -	12
Adults " " " " - - - - -	1

Members on the roll 31st December, 1881, - - -	304
Added during the year, - - - - -	107
Removed during the year, - - - - -	42

Net gain, - 65

At present on the roll, - - - - - 369

P. MCF. MACLEOD, *Moderator.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

June 9, 1882, To Cash from Mr. Murray	\$25 08	
" " three collections	35 02	\$60 10
By Communion Expenses	\$9 45	
Postage, printing, etc.	1 58	
Ladies' Aid Society	20 00	
Help to the Hospital	75	
Balance	28 32	\$60 10

D. GOURLAY, *Treasurer.*

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SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT, 1882.

In presenting their Eighth Annual Report your Sabbath School teachers have reason to feel deeply thankful to Almighty God for the many evidences He has given them during the past year that the good seed which they have faithfully endeavoured to sow in the hearts of the young committed to their care has not been without its results, and for the abundant blessing which He has caused to accompany the feeble efforts they have been privileged to put forth for the advancement of His kingdom. His loving kindness has also been manifest in the perfect harmony and temporal prosperity which the school has enjoyed during the past year, and which have been more notable features in its existence than at any previous period of its history.

In the last annual report mention was made of the fact that the school and Bible classes had each become a distinct institution in itself, so that in considering the present numerical position of the school and the results of its work during the past year this circumstance should be kept prominently in view.

The accompanying figures, in which allowance has been made for the withdrawal of the Bible classes, indicate decisively that the school has continued to grow not only in point of numbers, but also in a sense of its duty toward the mission schemes and building fund of the Church:—

Number of scholars on roll.....	231,	increase over 1881...	22
Average attendance	173,	" "	3
Collection for missions.....	\$95 18,	" "	\$2 30
Collection for Building Fund	79 40,	" "	33 74
Amount received from Church ...	44 31,	" "	6 29

The teachers, while heartily thanking the congregation for the liberal support which has been extended toward the school during the past year, beg respectfully to submit that in their opinion the system through which the school at present derives funds for its maintenance—namely, by collections from the Church at irregular intervals—is incorrect on principle; and although up to the present time no very great inconvenience has been experienced therefrom, still it is obvious that through circumstances which are too palpable to require enumeration, and over which no control can be exercised, these results might not only prove very unsatisfactory but greatly embarrass the efficient working of the internal affairs of the school, and against such a contingency as this it is the earnest wish of the teachers to provide. They trust therefore that the congregation will, at as early a moment as practicable, adopt some means whereby the views of the teachers may be acceded to,

either by appropriating yearly out of the general funds of the Church a sum sufficient to defray the expenditure of the school, or in whatever other manner may suggest itself as most likely to conduce to the attainment of this desirable end.

The library, which is now under the efficient management of Mr. C. B. Petrie, has recently been purged of about 200 old, worn out and unsuitable books, in the place of which 75 new volumes have been substituted. In order, however, to make this indispensable adjunct a credit to the school 75 additional volumes will require to be added to it.

The teachers have again to thank Miss Annie McIntosh and Messrs. Kilgour Bros. for the renewed favours they have extended towards the school; to the former for having so efficiently conducted the music at no little inconvenience to herself, and to the latter for the printing they have undertaken for the school during the year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. STEPHENS,

Superintendent.

G. H. MELDRUM,

Secretary.

S. S. TREASURER'S REPORT, 1882.

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Jan. 1, To Balance	\$4 78
Mar. 20, Proceeds of Social	8 00
May 28, Collection from scholars	4 93
Aug. 20, Proceeds of Picnic	6 00
Sep. 3, Interest on Bank account	3 94
Sep. 3, Subscription for Library	5 00
Oct. 15, Church Collection	44 31
Nov. 30, Hymn Books, etc., sold	4 61
	\$81 57

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Jan. 23, By Advertising	\$1 75
June 9, Hymn Books	2 50
Sep. 3, Library Books	2 50
Oct. 16, James Bain's account	63 80
Nov. 30, Duty on books	16
Dec. 23, Foolscap paper	95
Dec. 30, Postages	15
Dec. 30, Balance	9 76
	\$81 57

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Accounts

January 16, 1882

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ALLOCATION OF MISSIONARY MONEY.

Foreign Missions	\$40 00	
Home Missions	25 00	
William Street Mission	20 18	
Convalescent Home for Sick Children's Hospital	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$95 18

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

To Cash		\$79 40
Paid Church Treasurer	\$75 00	
Balance	4 40	
	<hr/>	\$79 40

G. H. MELDRUM, *Treasurer.*

Accounts examined and found correct.

January 16, 1883.

D. B. GARDNER, } *Auditors.*
 W. E. MURRAY, }

REPORT OF THE BIBLE CLASSES
 FOR 1882.

The Bible Classes in connection with the Church have been carried on during the year with very gratifying success. The system inaugurated in September, 1881, of having the classes conducted entirely apart from the Sabbath School and under their own management, is found to work admirably and to be convenient to both the classes and the school, and also the means of having more interest taken by the members in the work of the former.

At the beginning of the year the classes were conducted by the Pastor and Mr. Gordon, and the number of names on the roll was 93, twelve of whom were young men in Mr. Gordon's class. The classes took up the study of the International Series of Lessons.

At the end of the half year a re-arrangement of the classes was made. The teaching of the ladies' class was conducted by Mrs. Harvie, and the class was "to be composed of all the young ladies

who desire to receive the benefit of her instructions, also of all the young ladies promoted from the Sabbath School who may remain in the class as long as they are in the school, but who must, at least, remain in it one year before being eligible for the Pastor's class." Mr. Gordon's class was to be composed of young gentlemen under the same conditions. The Pastor's class was to be the Senior Bible Class, "in which the teaching will be of a character suited to those more advanced in years, and who are well instructed in the Word of God. The general rule of admission is, that applicants are over eighteen years of age, and are members of the Church; but the class shall be open to all adults in the congregation or out of it who are approved by the Pastor, whether members of the Church or not; it being always understood that none shall be admitted from the other classes until they have been one year attending those classes."

During the latter half of the year the classes have been carried on under this arrangement with much satisfaction to all. On the 15th of October the Pastor's class began a study of the books of the Bible, taking up the history of the particular book and a study of the historical narrative contained in it, devoting one Sabbath to each of the books.

The attendance at the classes has been considerably in advance of last year, as the following comparative statement will show:—

	1881.	1882.
Average attendance for 1st quarter.....	48	87
" " 2nd "	39	83
" " 3rd "	32	57
" " 4th "	61	78

The number of names on the roll at the end of the year was 121—Mrs. Harvie's class, 54; Mr. Gordon's class, 10; Pastor's class, 57. Of these 41 are members of the Church, but there are many members who attend the Pastor's class irregularly whose attendance it is difficult to register, and whose names are not on the roll.

During the year four of the members have been promoted to be teachers in the Mission and Sabbath Schools. When the classes were severed from the Sabbath School, in 1881, it was the intention to provide a separate library for the use of the members of the classes, but nothing was done in the matter until February, 1882, when an entertainment and book reception was held by the members. This was most successful—60 volumes and \$40 were collected. This money being added to a donation of \$25, kindly made by a former member, was expended purchasing books. In April another entertainment was given and the proceeds expended in providing a suitable book-case. The members of the

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classes have largely availed themselves of the opportunity of using these books provided. In July the first annual excursion of the classes took place to Niagara, where a pleasant and enjoyable time was spent. Two lady members of the classes have acted as visitors, calling on any of the ladies who have been absent, and in this way showing their interest in them.

The members of the classes feel thankful for the opportunity and privilege of having the means afforded here of studying God's Word, and pray that the study thereof may continue to be a source of blessing and strength to the Church.

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. WILLING, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1882.

Collected for Missions:—	
First six months	\$54 89
Second six months	47 40
Total	\$102 29
Which has been apportioned as follows:—	
For supporting a pupil at P. A. T. school	\$50 00
Foreign Missions	20 00
Mothers Mission, William Street	10 00
Knox College Missionary Society	10 00
Church Building Fund	12 29

LIBRARY FUND.

<i>Dr.</i>	
To Cash, Friend	\$25 00
Bible Class Collection	7 65
Entertainment	29 28
" "	31 71
Collections	8 50
	\$102 14
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By Books, per auction	\$10 00
" " Briggs	31 66
" " Bain	21 00
" "	9 48
Expense, per Low	30 00
Rawlinson for Case	30 00
	\$102 14

WILLIAM STEEET MISSIONARY REPORT.

We are again called upon to report another year's work in our William Street Mission. On the 26th of March last we entered our new, bright and commodious premises, and have found them well adapted and a great help in carrying on our work. The property was purchased and the hall built by a private friend, we only being responsible for the rent of same.

Our Sabbath School opened the year with 27 scholars, five teachers, superintendent and secretary; and closed the year with 42 scholars on the roll, six teachers, superintendent and secretary; the attendance averaging about 24 in the early part of the year, and latterly about 33 scholars, considerable advancement being noticeable in many of our scholars, and we would especially mention our fine infant class.

Our Sabbath evening service, since entering our new premises, has brought out larger numbers of adults, while losing the unruly element of large boys; our attendance varying from eight to seventeen adults, with about equal number of children.

Our prayer meeting on Thursday evenings has increased in number of adults, though still small, varying from six or eight to fifteen or twenty, about equally divided between adults and juniors. From these meetings we have, during the past year, added two members to Central Church.

Our night school, last term, closed with an attendance of ten or twelve, this term we opened with fifteen or twenty scholars, but lack of teachers compelled us to let many go away; the attendance now being from six to twelve.

Thanking our Heavenly Father for His goodness through you, and seeking remembrance in your pleadings at His Throne of Grace we would go forward looking for the harvest which follows the seed time.

W. C. FORMAN, *Secretary.*

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF WILLIAM STREET MISSION
FOR YEAR ENDING '31st DECEMBER, 1882.

RECEIPTS.

To Cash from Central Church Sabbath School ..	\$41 68
" " Ladies' Aid Assoc'n ..	8 80
" Church Collection	79 53
" Four friends of Mission	57 00
" Small donations and Missionary Box ..	14 64
" Rent of Cottage	54 00
	<hr/> \$255 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Cash, School Furniture	\$42 73
" Mrs. Maguire, Rent	22 00
" Mr. Helliwell, Rent	128 00
" Caretaker	23 00
" Fire wood, coal oil, etc.	32 73
" Water rent	7 00
"	19
Cash on hand	<hr/> \$255 65

ANNUAL REPORT OF L. A. S., 1882-83.

The ladies of the Central Church have much pleasure in presenting this, the Second Annual Report of the Ladies' Aid Society for the year ending January 2nd, 1883.

This year we decided to interest ourselves particularly in the children, and to direct our efforts towards helping the teachers of the William Street Mission to rescue the children of that district from vice and want. In this we have had a moderate measure of success, and would doubtless have had more but that we have had the baneful home influence to counteract, and in several cases that has been instrumental in undoing all that we have done. In several cases we have found ladies willing to take girls to train for servants, and, after securing good homes for them, they have left and gone back to their former life of misery notwithstanding all our efforts and entreaties; indeed, our greatest obstacle in the way of rescuing children from this life of sin has, in several cases, been

their own parents, who have completely paralyzed all our efforts on the childrens' behalf by refusing their consent to their removal from these scenes of vice.

The sewing class was still continued at William Street, and the mothers' meetings, held last winter by one of our members unaided, were, at the beginning of this winter, incorporated as part of the Society's work, and several ladies appointed to act as a committee of management. These meetings are principally to assist those who are earning for themselves but who cannot pay out a large sum of money at once, so they are allowed to purchase the material and make it up under the supervision of the ladies, paying a few cents weekly as they can afford it, and when the full amount is paid up they are allowed to take their purchase home. These meetings are opened and closed with devotional exercises, and during the hours of work the time is made to pass pleasantly by the reading aloud of some interesting and instructive book.

Our system of envelope contributions has been given up as it was thought to interfere with the Foreign Mission scheme of giving, but the funds of the Society have not suffered by this change, as both the ladies in and out of the Society have given very liberally of both money and materials, which has been very thankfully received, as was also the sum of \$20 very kindly granted the ladies by the Session of our Church from the Poor Fund of the congregation.

The year has passed very pleasantly, and there has been complete harmony among our members, every one working voluntarily and heartily, and all feel much indebted to our most efficient president, who has striven by her constant courtesy, kindness and hearty interest to make our meetings both profitable and pleasant. We have every reason to be thankful that during the past year we have had such a large measure of success in the work we have undertaken as a Society, and although the attendance at our meeting has not been quite as large as last year—the greatest number present being nineteen, and the average thirteen—still the interest in our Mission work has not flagged, and we have the satisfaction of knowing that although there may not be any very noticeable results of our work, yet we have endeavoured to clothe and care for the needy, visit the afflicted, and above all it has been our aim to try and bring the Gospel to those that have it not, and we know that we have for our encouragement those words of our loving Saviour, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me."

C. WILLING, *Secretary L.A.S.*

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1882, OF THE C. P. C.
LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

RECEIPTS.

To balance from last year	\$4 83
Subscriptions per L. A. meetings	10 72
Special subscriptions	5 00
C. C. Session Fund	20 00
Special Collections	9 46
Goods donated and sold	90
	<hr/> \$50 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Dry Goods	\$14 17
Boots	11 30
To Mission School	8 00
Mission Mothers' meeting	4 00
Cash relief	2 50
Cartage of goods	20
Balance on hand.	10 74
	<hr/> \$50 91

J. GORDON, *Treasurer.*

ESTHER MCKAY, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE MOTHER'S MEETINGS AT WILLIAM STREET.

Our meetings began on Friday, the 20th of October. Mrs. Stephens conducts the devotional exercises, Mrs. Bertram superintends the sewing and cutting, and Miss Cobban has always been present to read something interesting while the work is going on, which the workers seem to appreciate very much; she has been occasionally relieved by Mrs. Gzowski, who very kindly offered her services. We have reason to be encouraged that our work has prospered, for our meetings began with two women and now we have on an average an attendance of fourteen. We have tried to reach the hearts of the women by making ourselves one with them in having a cup of tea and some plain refreshments, this, by some, may be thought unwise, but we who are engaged in the work feel that we reach their hearts by showing a fellowship for them and sympathizing with them in all their troubles.

We have expended, for cotton and flannel, \$8.28; received from the Ladies' Aid, \$4.00, the balance being paid by the women themselves. We give them the cotton at a reduced rate and they pay what they can weekly towards it. We have a balance on hand of \$2.75. We feel truly thankful for past success, and will go on trusting in the Divine Giver of all blessings for future success, "For who hath despised the day of small things."

(Signed) AGNES M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S LITERARY ASSOCIATION, 1882.

The Young People's Association has much pleasure in submitting its Third Annual Report, not merely on account of the marked improvement which has taken place in the Association during the year, but also on account of the numerous indications that it has at last become one of the permanent and necessary organizations of the Church.

The usual session of the Society began this year on Monday, September 25th, and it has since continued to hold its meetings weekly. Up to the end of the year there have been held one public lecture, one conversazione, a sale of work and eleven ordinary meetings, with an average attendance at each of 64; the

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largest attendance at any one meeting being 79, and the smallest 50. There were, at the opening of the present session, 75 members in full standing, 41 ladies and 34 gentlemen; there have since been added 28 new members, 11 ladies and 17 gentlemen, making the total present membership 103, 52 ladies and 51 gentlemen.

Besides reporting the prosperous state of its membership the Society has also to report that of its finances. It having been decided by the Young People to devote all the surplus funds of the Association towards the liquidating of the Floating Debt of the Church; such has been done, and already, though the season has not by any means concluded, they have had the honour and pleasure of presenting to the Managers for that purpose the sum of \$400, to which they have, since the beginning of the present year, added the further sum of \$25, making in all \$425.

The Association desires to express to the congregation its thanks for the liberal patronage they have bestowed upon it during the past three months, and it would ask for a continuation of their favour during the remainder of the session.

In conclusion the Association feels itself bound to acknowledge the manifold blessings received from above, and in return would thank our Heavenly Father for them, and pray for a continuance of the same throughout the remainder of the present year, and throughout the whole future of the Association.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. McF. MACLEOD,
President.

R. C. DONALD,
Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Missionary Committee, Central Presbyterian Church,

FOR 1882.

Your Committee desire to report that they have received contributions from ninety subscribers to the Missionary schemes of our Church, which amount to \$463.55, or about \$38.63 per month on an average, or say for each contributor \$5.15. In the aggregate the amount is a little more than last year, although the number of contributors is less. The individual contributions per month are from 5c. to \$6.00. The amount will be allocated as

the congregation may now direct. Your Committee would suggest the following:—

Foreign Missions to receive, say	.. .. .	\$100 00
Home " " "	.. .. .	107 90
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	.. .. .	40 00
French Evangelization Fund	.. .. .	50 00
Colleges .. .. .	.. .. .	100 00
Manitoba College .. .. .	.. .. .	20 00
Assembly Fund .. .. .	.. .. .	15 00
		\$432 90

With increasing prosperity, as manifested in our givings for Church purposes, we earnestly trust that the congregation will ever keep in mind the obligation to give as God hath prospered them, that the perishing heathen at home and abroad may enjoy the same precious blessings as ourselves.

In behalf of your Committee.

A. T. CROMBIE,

Treasurer.

JOSEPH KILGOUR,

Secretary.

No.	Amount Subscribed	No.	Amount Subscribed	No.	Amount Subscribed	No.	Amount Subscribed
2	\$3 50	35	\$24 00	61	\$23 00	103	\$3 00
3	3 00	37	72 00	63	12 00	108	25
4	1 50	38	2 55	69	2 00	109	5 50
6	1 75	39	1 15	70	1 00	112	1 15
7	1 75	41	7 80	71	2 40	113	3 00
8	4 00	43	3 00	72	1 80	115	50
9	3 00	44	5 05	73	70	118	1 25
10	50	46	15	74	18 00	119	1 60
11	12 00	48	75	76	3 00	120	2 25
12	5 75	49	18 00	77	1 00	121	12 20
14	2 00	50	2 75	78	2 75	122	3 05
15	1 00	51	3 00	80	25	123	3 05
16	1 00	52	3 80	81	1 50	126	10
17	25	53	2 75	90	1 75	127	10
18	1 00	54	12 00	91	2 85	131	15
25	1 00	55	3 00	93	2 75	133	1 25
26	1 75	56	3 15	94	2 00	136	2 50
29	1 20	57	1 65	96	25	138	4 50
30	2 75	58	75	97	30 00	139	50
31	2 75	59	3 00	98	50		
33	12 00	60	12 00	101	12 50		\$422 65
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Amounts with no numbers, composed of four checks, \$12.25; notes, \$10; gold, \$5; notes, \$5; smaller sums, \$8.65; total, 463.55.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DEC., 1882.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand 31st December, 1881	\$4 59	
Cash in Union Loan and Savings Company 31st December, 1881	433 80	\$438 39
Subscriptions for the year 1882	463 55	
Interest on deposit	7 30	
		<u>\$909 24</u>

PAYMENTS.

Paid Rev. Dr. Reid, to be distributed as follows:—		
College Fund	\$100 00	
Home Mission	138 39	
Foreign Mission	50 00	
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund	40 00	
French Evangelization Fund	75 00	
Manitoba College	20 00	
Assembly Fund	15 00	
		<u>\$438 39</u>
Paid for Presbyterian "Record," three years,	37 50	
" Matthews & Bro., for framing card ..	45	
Cash in Union Loan and Savings Company	\$431 71	
Cash on hand	1 19	
		<u>\$432 90</u>
		<u>\$909 24</u>

A. T. CROMBIE, *Treasurer.*

I certify that the above Statement agrees with the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund of the Central Presbyterian Church, which have been duly audited and found correct.

J. ERSKINE, *Auditor.*

TORONTO, January 26th, 1883.

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MANAGERS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1882.

To the Members and Adherents of the Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto:—

In submitting their Annual Report for the past year, your Managers have pleasure in congratulating you on the increase in numbers of the members and adherents of the congregation, and on the success of the efforts to reduce the floating debt.

At the close of the year ending 31st December, 1881, there were 147 contributors by envelope, subscribing weekly an average of \$83.15. At the close of the past year there were 168 contributors by envelope, subscribing weekly \$89.00.

The weekly collections by envelope and extra collections for the years 1881 and 1882 were as follows:—

	1881.	1882.
First quarter.....	\$86 65.....	\$96 61
Second "	98 31.....	104 96
Third "	86 85.....	96 55
Fourth "	100 11.....	108 22

The total average from envelope and extra collections for the year 1881 was \$93.48 per week. The total average from the same sources for the year 1882 was \$101.71 per week. You will remember that at the end of the year 1881 there was a deficit of \$1,100, this deficit was added, at the beginning of the year, to the floating debt, and the income from envelopes and other collections during the year has been applied in meeting the expenses for the year. Last year the total expenses amounted to \$104.96 per week, being \$3.25 weekly beyond the receipts. The deficit in 1882 is therefore \$172.

It is expected that the ordinary expenses of the Church for the current year will not exceed those of last year, and if the increase in the contributions is in the same proportion as last year the managers for the present year will be able to report, one year from the present time, that there will be a surplus instead of a deficit, as has been the case for several years past.

The managers congratulate the congregation upon the fact that the weekly contribution is now sufficient to meet the ordinary expenses of the Church, and they trust that their successors in office will be enabled, by the liberality of the congregation, to show a substantial reduction in the floating debt during the present year.

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At the beginning of last year the debt of the congregation beyond the mortgages was \$6,118.48. At the end of the past year this debt was \$4,118.18, the same having been reduced to the extent of \$2,000.30 by contributions to floating debt and Building Fund account.

For your information we append the following synopsis of contributions:—

10 contributed 10 cents weekly.				4 contributed 60 cents weekly.			
4	"	15	"	1	"	70	"
9	"	20	"	3	"	75	"
45	"	25	"	1	"	80	"
11	"	30	"	25	"	\$1.00	"
1	"	35	"	1	"	1.25	"
36	"	50	"	4	"	1.50	"
8	"	40	"	3	"	2.00	"
				2	"	2.50	"

The following managers retire by rotation, and are eligible for re-election:—Messrs. DONALD, BARR, CHRISTIE, RUTHERFORD, LIVINGSTONE, KILGOUR, PATON and WATSON. It will be necessary also to elect a manager in the place of Mr. W. E. MURRAY, who has been elected an elder.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. R. CREELMAN, W. NICHOLAS MILLER,
Secretary. *Chairman.*

Financial Statement of the Central Presbyterian Church

YEAR 1882

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
To Envelope collections, first quarter	\$1,054 99	By Rev. P. McF. McLeod ..	\$2,500 00
Envelope collections, second quarter	1,144 13	W. Low, four months ..	66 66
Envelope collections, third quarter	1,048 75	G. Kembley, eight months	192 00
Envelope collections, fourth quarter	1,287 84	Miss Dallas, 14 months ..	233 33
Loose collections	855 19	Interest mort'ge. \$1,471 67	
Music class		" notes	387 03
1st choral service \$59 00		" overd'n ac.	7 01
Lecture	14 25		\$1,865 71
2nd choral service	66 32	Insurance	40 00
Tickets for class	87 50	Stationery and printing	67 96
	\$227 07	Fuel	120 75
Floating debt account	53 82	Gas, three quarters	90 48
Imperial Bank	252 56	Water	26 00
		Presbytery	10 10
		Assembly	50 00
		Pulpit supply	49 00
		Pumping organ	28 90
		Repairs	56 70
		Sundry accounts	32 33
		Music class	
		W. H. Clark	\$300 00
		Printing cards, &c.	22 80
		Advertising	37 25
			\$360 05
		Balance	134 38
	\$5,924 35		\$5,924 35

FLOATING DEBT ACCOUNT.

To contributions received ..	\$1,657 95	By Circular, Envelopes, etc...	\$16 70
" Y. P. Ass'n	400 00	Balance due treasurer, 1st	
Building Fund		January, 1882	55 14
Bal. per treasurer, \$168 17		Accounts due before 1st	
Contributions rec'd	56 05	January, 1882	181 51
Treas. S. School	75 00	Notes paid	2,050 00
	\$299 22	Balance	53 82
	\$2,357 17		\$2,357 17

R. DONALD, *Treasurer.*

We hereby certify that we have audited the books of the Treasurer of the Central Presbyterian Church, and certify that the above Statement is in accordance therewith.

THOMAS GORDON, }
J. ERSKINE, } *Auditors.*

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AMOUNTS

No.	Promised.
2	\$50 00
3	25 00
4	5 00
5	10 00
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16	10 00
21	50 00
22	100 00
23	50 00
25	100 00
30	200 00
32	100 00
33	25 00
36	15 00
38	12 00
43	5 00
44	5 00
45	100 00
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49	50 00
50	12 00
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FLOATING DEBT.

January 1st, 1882, notes.	\$6,050 00	January 1st, 1883, notes	\$4,000 00
January 1st, 1882, ac- counts due	181 51	January 1st, 1883, due bank	252 56
January 1st, 1882, due treasurer	55 14		
	<u>\$6,286 65</u>	Less balance on hand.	134 38
Less Building Fund bal.	168 17		
	<u>\$6,118 48</u>		<u>\$4,118 18</u>

FLOATING DEBT SUBSCRIPTION.

AMOUNTS SUBSCRIBED AND PAID TO 1st JANUARY, 1883.

No.	Promised.	Paid.	No.	Promised	Paid.	No.	Promised.	Paid.
2	\$50 00	\$25 00	62	\$24 00	\$6 00	116	\$8 00	\$1 00
3	25 00	25 00	63	20 00	100 00	119	10 00	10 00
4	5 00	5 00	64	100 00	50 00	120	12 00	6 00
5	10 00	3 75	65	50 00	25 00	125	50 00	25 00
9	50 00	—	67	50 00	—	127	6 00	3 00
10	12 00	6 00	68	8 00	4 00	128	100 00	100 00
11	100 00	22 00	69	50 00	50 00	129	20 00	20 00
13	10 00	10 00	72	12 00	4 50	130	100 00	100 00
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16	10 00	2 50	75	—	40 00	132	5 00	5 00
21	50 00	50 00	76	52 00	51 00	133	24 00	5 00
22	100 00	50 00	79	—	50 00	134	20 00	—
23	50 00	50 00	83	40 00	20 00	135	10 00	4 40
25	100 00	50 00	84	40 00	—	137	—	30 00
30	200 00	75 00	85	32 00	4 00	139	26 00	13 00
32	100 00	50 00	86	25 00	25 00	140	10 00	2 50
33	25 00	25 00	87	50 00	25 00	141	5 00	5 00
36	15 00	15 00	89	6 00	2 75	142	12 00	—
38	12 00	6 00	91	38 00	11 75	143	50 00	50 00
43	5 00	5 00	96	—	—	144	50 00	5 00
44	5 00	5 00	101	40 00	20 00	145	1 00	1 00
45	100 00	40 00	102	52 00	—			
48	—	7 00	108	10 00	10 00			
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GENERAL NOTICES.

The Session meets on the evening of the first Thursday of every month, at 8 p.m.

The Managers meet on the first Thursday of every month at 8 p.m.

The Ladies' Aid Society meets every alternate Tuesday at 2 p.m.

The Central Church Auxiliary of Women's Foreign Mission Society meets on the second Tuesday of every month, at 3 p.m.

The Teachers' Association meets on the third Monday of every month at 8 p.m.

The Literary Association meets every Monday during the winter months at 7:45 p.m.

The Choir meets for practice every Friday at 8 p.m.

The Seat Letting Committee are in attendance every Wednesday evening, before and after the Prayer Meeting. The Weekly Envelope System is the mode adopted by the Congregation for raising the ordinary revenue.

SACRAMENTS.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is dispensed on the second Sabbath of March, June, September and December, at the Morning Service, and on the last Sabbath of January, April, July and October, at the Evening Service.

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Sabbath of each month.

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RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1882.

Ordinary Revenue	\$5,390 90
Floating Debt	2,057 95
Music Class	227 07
Building Fund	131 05
Session Fund	35 02
Sabbath School	76 79
" " Missions	95 18
" " Building Fund	75 00
Bible Class Missions	102 29
" " Library Fund	102 14
William Street Mission School	151 71
Ladies' Aid Society	26 08
Missionary Committee	470 85
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