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## GENERAL NOTICES.

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- Public Worship**..... Lord's Day, 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.  
**Sabbath School and Bible Class**..... Lord's Day, 2.30 p.m.  
**Prayer Meeting**..... Wednesday, 8 p.m.  
**Young People's Society of Christian-Endeavour**  
..... Monday, 8 p.m.  
**Women's Association**... 4th Thursday of each month at 3 p.m.  
**Choir Practice**..... Friday, 8 p.m.
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The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is dispensed on the last Sabbath in the months of February, May, August and November.

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Sabbath of each month. Parents are expected to notify the Minister during the preceding week of their intention to present their children for Baptism.

Applications for sittings may be made to the Pew Manager, J. J. Banfield, at the close of any of the regular church services.

No charge is made for pews, but all who regularly attend the Church are expected to contribute to its support in proportion to their ability and according to some definite and systematic plan. The method

preferred by the Managers and hereby recommended to the congregation is what is known as the "envelope system." The plan is as follows: The envelopes given to each individual bear a number that corresponds to the number opposite to that individual's name on the Envelope Secretary's book. Each contributor undertakes to give a certain amount weekly, and to make up the deficiency in case of absence on one or more Sundays, and the Secretary will, unless otherwise instructed, enter in his books the amount contained in the first envelope received as the amount which the contributor undertakes to give weekly. A contributor may notify the Envelope Secretary at any time that he finds it necessary to decrease his weekly offering or to discontinue it altogether, but, unless the Secretary is so notified, the contributor will be expected to pay the full amount for the current year.

A special collection in aid of the Sabbath School will be taken up during the summer.



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C. Clark

J. McQueen  
J. T. Brown

R. Macpherson

List of Office-Bearers for 1896.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

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| G. Cassady.....     | Chairman           |
| F. R. Stewart.....  | Secretary          |
| F. M. Black.....    | Envelope Secretary |
| Jas. Stark.....     | Treasurer          |
| J. J. Banfield..... | Pew Manager        |
| R. McPherson.....   | J. Duff Stuart     |
| J. McQueen.....     | F. Cockburn        |

ORGANIST.

G. Griffith.

SABBATH SCHOOL.

OFFICERS.

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| Superintendent.....           | Jas. McQueen      |
| Assistant Superintendent..... | F. M. Black       |
| Treasurer.....                | Miss M. McIntosh  |
| Secretary.....                | John Duberley     |
| Recording Secretary.....      | Alex. Muir        |
| Organist.....                 | Miss M. Cassady   |
| Librarian.....                | Miss E. McFarlane |
| 1st Assistant Librarian.....  | Miss M. McFarlane |
| 2nd " ".....                  | Walter Stark      |

TEACHERS.

	Rev. E. D. McLaren.....	Bible Class
Mrs. F. M. Black	Miss Gatter	F. M. Black
Mrs. D. C. McGregor	Miss Davenport	John Gerrard
Mrs. Baker	Miss McHaffie	J. D. Murray
Miss Grant	Miss Sarah Campbell	Alex. Muir
Miss M. McIntosh	Miss Mary Campbell	Mr. Forin
Miss R. McFarlane	Mrs. McNaughton	J. B. Smith
Miss Bain	James Ramsay	Wm. Brown
Miss Bennett	J. G. Brown	Mr. Stewart

FAIRVIEW SABBATH SCHOOL.

OFFICERS.

James Logan.....	Superintendent
D. Buchanan.....	Secretary-Treasurer and Librarian
Miss Buchanan.....	Organist

TEACHERS.

	J. J. Logan.....	Bible Class
	Miss McLean.....	Infant Class
Mr. G. W. McRae	Mrs. J. J. Logan	Miss Buchanan
Mr. St. Quinten	Mrs. W. Christie	Miss Currie

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

President.....	Mrs. McLaren
Vice-Presidents.....	Mrs. Banfield and Mrs. Stark
Secretary.....	Mrs. Taylor
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Browning

DIRECTRESSES.

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Mrs. Ferguson	Mrs. Stark

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ENDEAVOUR.

Hon. President..... Rev. E. D. McLaren  
President..... Mr. Gerrard  
Vice-President..... Miss Gerrard  
Secretary..... J. B. Smith  
Corresponding Secretary..... D. Grant  
Treasurer..... Miss A. M. Willis

JUNIOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN  
ENDEAVOUR.

President..... Alma Wood  
Vice-President..... Arthur Gatter  
Superintendent..... Miss R. Macfarlane  
Assistant Superintendent..... Miss Gray  
Secretary..... Edna MacQuarrie  
Treasurer..... Jessie Stark

BOYS' BRIGADE.

Captain..... J. A. Forin  
1st Lieutenant..... J. Duff Stuart  
2nd "..... J. D. Scott  
3rd "..... K. L. Burnett



## “SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.”

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Congregations are expected not only to devise liberal things in regard to their own congregational life and work, but also to take an active interest in the various departments of the general work of the Church. These different forms of general Church work, which are usually spoken of as the “Schemes of the Church,” are of four kinds, Missionary, Educational, Benevolent and Ecclesiastical.

### I. MISSIONARY.

The Missionary enterprises of the Presbyterian Church in Canada are four in number.

1. **Home Missions**—The object of the Home Mission Fund is to assist Presbyterians in the newer and more sparsely settled districts of the country to secure the services of student-catechists or ordained missionaries. In the Western Section of the Church, which extends from Quebec to the Pacific Ocean, there are 1,007 preaching stations under the care of the Home Mission Committee. The people belonging to these stations raised for the support of ordinances during the year 1894-95 the sum of \$69,012, and this amount was supplemented by grants from the Home Mission Fund amounting to \$61,549. The Mission stations in the Synod of British Columbia received aid from this Fund to the extent of \$15,754.

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2. **Augmentation of Stipends**—This Fund was established for the purpose of enabling weak congregations to enjoy the services of their own regularly inducted ministers, and securing to these ministers a stipend of at least \$750 and a Manse. During the past year 152 congregations received aid from the Augmentation Fund. These congregations promised to contribute towards their ministers' stipends \$85,163, and the Augmentation Committee promised to aid them to the amount of \$19,130.

3. **French Evangelization**—The money contributed for this purpose is expended on the salaries of missionaries and colporteurs amongst the French Canadians, and on the support of the school at Pointeaux-Trembles and Coligny College, Ottawa.

4. **Foreign Missions**—There are seven Foreign Mission fields occupied by the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

(1) In the New Hebrides Islands we have 3 ordained missionaries ; (2) in Trinidad 4; (3) in Central India 8 ; (4) in Formosa 2 ; in Honan 8 ; (5) amongst the Indians in the North West Territories and British Columbia 7 ; (6) amongst the Chinese in British Columbia 1 ; and (7) amongst the Jews in Palestine 1. In each of these fields there are also native helpers regularly employed ; and in several of them there are female missionaries and medical missionaries as well.

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## II. EDUCATIONAL.

There are six Theological Colleges connected with the Church, viz.: Dalhousie College, Halifax; Mortin College, Quebec; the Presbyterian College, Montreal; Queen's College, Kingston; Knox College, Toronto; and Manitoba College, Winnipeg. None of these Colleges are fully endowed; each depends, for a portion of its revenue, upon the annual contributions of the congregations of the Church.

## III. BENEVOLENT.

Under this head two funds are included :

1. **The Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund**, whose object is to provide annuities for the widows and orphans of the Ministers of the Church.

2. **The Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund**, which seeks to secure an adequate retiring allowance to Ministers who have been compelled, through sickness or old age, to withdraw from the active work of the Ministry.

## IV. ECCLESIASTICAL.

Presbyteries, Synods and the General Assembly all require money for stationery, postage, printing, clerks' salaries and other purposes. These Church Courts have no revenue of their own, and therefore the expenses connected with them must be provided for by the congregations of the Church.

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## Minutes of the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Congregation.

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The Seventh Annual Meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church was held in the church on the evening of Wednesday, February 5, 1896. The Minister occupied the chair, and the meeting was opened with devotional exercises.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, as printed in last year's report, be held as read and confirmed.

The Chairman read the annual statement of the Session.

The report of the Board of Managers was read by J. McQueen, and the financial statement was presented by J. Duff Stuart.

The Sabbath School report was read by the Superintendent, J. McQueen.

The report of the Branch Sabbath School at Fairview was read by the Superintendent, Captain J. Logan.

P. McNaughton read the report of the Women's Association.

The report of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour was submitted by J. B. Smith.

The report of the Junior Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour was presented by Miss Edna McQuarrie.

The report of the Boys' Brigade was read by F. M. Black.

Each of these reports on being presented was, by formal motion, unanimously adopted.

The election of Managers was then proceeded with, and resulted in the election of Geo. Cassady, James Stark and F. M. Black. Fred. Cockburn was elected to fill the place of H. P. McCraney, who has removed from the city.

The meeting closed with praise and benediction.

E. D. McLAREN, Chairman.

J. DUFF STUART, Secretary.



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## STATEMENT OF SESSION.

In submitting their annual statement, the Session desire, first of all, to discharge the pleasant duty of giving thanks to Almighty God for the goodness shown to the congregation as a whole and to the families and individuals of which it is composed. Peace and harmony have continued to prevail; the various departments of congregational activity have been carried on with efficiency and zeal; and notwithstanding the large number of removals from the city (the result of the continued financial depression), the congregation has more than held its own as regards the number both of families and of communicants.

Number of Communicants on Roll, 1st Jan., 1895.....	429
Number added during the year :	
(1) By Certificate, 34 } .....	47
(2) By Profession, 13 }	
Number removed during the year :	
(1) By Death.....	2 }
(2) By Certificates to other Churches... 16 }	35
(3) By transference to Supplemental Roll 17 }	
Net increase during the year.....	12
Number on Roll, 1st Jan., 1896.....	441
Average attendance at the Lord's Supper.....	200
Number of Baptisms :	
(1) Adult 1 } .....	42
(2) Infant 41 }	
Number of Families in the Congregation.....	240
Number of Single Persons.....	90

These figures are disappointing only in one particular, viz., the attendance at the Lord's Supper.

The Session hoped to have been able to report a considerable increase in the number assembling to commemorate their Lord's death, and the decrease above shown, although slight, is very disappointing.

During the year the following deaths have occurred in the congregation :

## OBITUARY.

- Miss Sully ..... 5th January
- James Earle, child of Mr. J. W.  
Armstrong... .. 14th January
- J. M. Atkins..... 12th February
- M. A. McLean..... 4th April
- —, child of Mr. G. F.  
Fraser..... 19th June
- Bella, infant child of Mr. T.  
Veitch..... 12th September

To those who have been called to mourn the loss of loved ones the Session tender their heart-felt sympathy.

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The lack of interest in the work of the Church at large, as evidenced not merely by the small amount contributed for the "Schemes of the Church," but also and still more by the small number contributing, is a matter of very deep regret. There must be many in the congregation whose failure to have any part in this important work is due not to inability, but to indifference. The total amount available for the Schemes is only \$592.50, and of this sum \$13.55 was given by the Fairview Sunday School, \$25 by the Junior Christian Endeavour Society, \$25 by the Women's Association, \$45 by the Sunday School, and \$199 by the Senior Christian Endeavour Society. Of this last amount \$49 have been devoted to the the Chinese Mission in this city.

In accordance with the suggestions of the Presbytery's Finance Committee, it is proposed to apportion these sums amongst the different Schemes as follows:

Home Mission Fund.....	\$170 00
Foreign Mission Fund.....	144 90
Augmentation Fund.....	75 00
Widows' and Orphans' Fund.....	40 00
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.....	35 00
College Fund.....	70 00
Presbytery (11), Synod (14.50) and Assembly (\$5) Funds..	30 50
French Evangelization Fund.....	25 75
Expense remitting money.....	1 35
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The Session are very much pleased to hear of the success of the company of the Boys' Brigade which has been organized in connection with the congrega-

tion, and which, with the hearty approval of His Excellency the Governor-General, has been called the Gordon Highlanders.

They desire to express their grateful appreciation of the services rendered by the members of the choir, the teachers of the Sabbath Schools and the officers and members of the various organizations connected with the congregation.

They trust that the New Year will prove to be for all the members and adherents of the congregation a very happy and prosperous one, and they earnestly pray that to each one there may come in richest measure "grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord."

In the name of the Session.

E. D. McLAREN,  
*Moderator.*



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## Report of the Board of Managers.

The Managers beg to submit the following statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1895 :

### I. ORDINARY REVENUE.

#### RECEIPTS.

By Balance.....	\$ 48 48	
Envelopes.....	2,934 15	
Open.....	1,835 50	
		<u>\$4,818 13</u>

#### EXPENDITURE.

Minister .....	\$2,500 00	
Organist.....	520 00	
Caretaker.....	300 00	
Choir Expenses.....	169 92	
Fuel.....	110 50	
Gas.....	251 00	
Organ Expenses.....	52 75	
Stationery.....	100 55	
Sundry Expenses.....	19 55	
Repairs.....	88 75	
Building Fund.....	251 56	
Interest.....	4 85	
Taxes.....	219 04	
Insurance.....	125 00	
Pulpit Supply.....	30 00	
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## II. BUILDING FUND.

### RECEIPTS.

Special Contributions.....	\$1,024 25	
Ordinary Revenue.....	251 55	
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### EXPENDITURE.

Instalment.....	\$ 500 00	
Interest.....	775 80	
		<u>\$1,275 80</u>

## III. SCHEMES OF CHURCH.

### RECEIPTS.

Contributions.....	\$419 00	
		<u>\$419 00</u>

### EXPENDITURE.

Cheque to Mr. McLaren.....	\$419 00	
		<u>\$419 00</u>

## IV. SACRED CONCERTS.

Receipts.....	\$116 55	
		<u>\$116 55</u>
Choir Expenses.....	\$116 55	
		<u>\$116 55</u>

### CHARITY.

Receipts.....	\$2 00	
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Expenditure.....	\$2 00	
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In presenting their annual report, the Managers regret that the financial statement is not more favorable than it is, but considering the severe and long continued commercial depression through which we are passing, the report affords abundant reason for thankfulness and confidence.

Included in the receipts are several I. O. U.'s, or promises to pay, carried forward as follows: From 1894, \$110; from 1895, \$218.50. But the Managers hope and expect that these amounts will shortly be paid into the Treasurer, and have felt justified in counting them as cash.

It will be noticed that the total contributions to the Building Fund throughout the year amounted to \$1,024.25, and the interest paid to \$775.80, consequently the Managers have only been able to pay \$500 on the principal sum of the mortgage, instead of \$1,000 as required by the terms thereof. In view of this, the Managers have been considering the advisability of adopting some other and more systematic method of raising money for the Building Fund.

For the ensuing year there will be required, over and above ordinary expenses, \$1,000 on account of Building Fund and \$735 for interest on mortgage. Every friend of the congregation must, therefore, see the necessity of being as liberal as possible in their contributions.

The contributions by envelope amounted to \$2,934.15, being \$615.75 less than for the previous year. The Managers regret this falling off, and earnestly urge all who can to adopt the regular and sys-

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tematic method of contributing by envelope. They believe it to be the best plan, and, if adopted by all, it would enable the Managers to form a comparatively correct estimate of the annual revenue, and thus facilitate their work.

The Managers have again to state that, for want of funds, they have been unable to make certain much-needed repairs to the church, or erect the necessary addition to the lecture room for the use of the Sabbath School.

Three members of the Board of Management retire annually, but are eligible for re-election. The retiring members on this occasion are Messrs. George Cassady, R. A. Anderson and James Stark. Another member of the Board, Mr. H. P. McCraney, having left the bounds of the congregation, it will be necessary to elect some one to fill out the remainder of his term.

In conclusion, the managers desire to record their gratitude to God for his goodness to the congregation in the past, and they solicit His guidance and blessing in the future.

All of which is respectfully solicited.

J. DUFF STUART,  
*Secretary.*

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## Report of the Sabbath School.

In submitting their Annual Report, the Teachers and Officers of the Sabbath School desire to express thanks to Almighty God for His goodness manifested to them. During the past year the work of the School has gone on very much as in former years, with the exception of a change made for a time in the hour of meeting. On the first Sabbath in June the hour was changed from 2.30 p.m. to 9.45 a.m. The change was followed by a large decrease in the attendance, and on the first Sabbath in September we returned to the old hour, with the result of a considerable increase in the attendance.

A large majority of the Teachers have been regular in their attendance and faithful and earnest in their work, but we have, nevertheless, had a good deal of difficulty in keeping up a full staff of teachers, and regret that so many members of the congregation competent to teach do not seem to realize their responsibility in this matter, and fail to offer themselves for the work.

The Infant Class is still large and flourishing. Miss Allan, who had charge of this class for several years, resigned during the past summer. It was with regret that we parted with her valuable services, but were fortunate in getting Mrs. McNaughton to take her place for a time, and she, assisted by Miss Campbell, has conducted the class in an efficient manner.

Our standing grievance of lack of class-room accommodation still exists.

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Scholars on the roll, including Bible Class, 345; average attendance, 231.

Officers and Teachers on the roll, 34; average attendance, 28. Number of classes, including Bible Class, 27.

Total amount raised by the School during the year, \$332; expended on the School, \$112.25; Schemes of the Church, \$66.40; balance, \$112.30. Of this balance \$100 goes for books for the Library.

The following is a statement of receipts and expenditures for 1895 :

RECEIPTS.

Balance due Treasurer from 1894.....	\$ 46 65
Collections for 1895.....	176 35
Balance from Picnic.....	5 35
Special Collection on Children's Day.....	9 25
Balance from Cantata.....	100 00
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EXPENDITURE.

Paid Balance due Treasurer.....	\$ 46 65
Catechisms.....	3 85
Missions.....	57 15
Bells and Tickets.....	5 85
Expenses, Picnic.....	2 80
Supplies (Lesson Helps, etc.).....	58 50
Primary Cards.....	1 20
Supplies for 1896.....	29 00
Cards, Hymnals, etc.....	11 05
General Assembly's Sabbath School Committee....	9 25
Balance on hand.....	112 30
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SCHOOL-ROOM BUILDING FUND.

Balance from 1894.....	\$330 15
Collections for 1895.....	41 05
Interest .....	7 14
Total amount on hand.....	<u>\$378 34</u>

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. McQUEEN, Superintendent.  
M. McINTOSH, Treasurer.  
A. MUIR, Secretary.



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## Report of Fairview Sabbath School.

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In presenting the third annual report of the Fairview Sabbath School it gives me much pleasure to state that there has been a marked advancement in every department.

The average attendance has increased from 43 in 1894 to 57 in 1895; the average contributions from 97 cents to \$1.25 per Sabbath.

We have also had to form one more class, and now have seven classes besides the Bible Class.

During the month of October the Sabbath School moved from the old Rustic Building to a room in the new day school. To enable us to seat this room, a concert was held, at which several of the members of St. Andrew's Church Choir kindly assisted. The proceeds of this concert amounted to \$30.65.

At a meeting of the Sabbath School teachers and parents of the scholars, held early in the year, it was decided to give the collection taken on the first Sabbath of each month to Home Missions. This amounted to \$13.55, of which \$5 has been paid to our pastor. The balance, \$8.55, has been handed in this evening.

One of the Sunday School scholars has received a diploma and book prize from the Higher Religious Instruction Committee and is again trying for another prize.

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## Report of the Women's Association.

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In summing up the events of the past year, it is not at all a difficult task to report the work undertaken by our Association.

It has been, on the whole, a time of sowing, and we can but patiently await the harvest time for results.

As far as possible, we have tried to awaken the interest of the women of St. Andrew's in the work of the church at home and abroad, and to bring them into closer and more sympathetic relations one with another through numerous social gatherings.

Early in the year, in February, a talent social was given under the name of a "Rainbow Tea."

At this time those of the congregation who had taken talents returned them with the amount gained, and the result was a handsome sum, as will be seen by the report of the Treasurer. A tea was served and a most social evening spent.

On June 26th a successful afternoon tea was served in the lecture room, at which mite boxes were received and again distributed.

The Association chartered the City of Nanaimo for an excursion in July, mainly for the purpose of bring-

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ing together the families of the congregation, hoping in this way to help newcomers to a better acquaintance with, and a greater interest in, the welfare of the congregation.

In October a special invitation was sent to each and every woman of the congregation to attend an afternoon meeting in the lecture room.

This was, perhaps, the most successful effort of the year in bringing together the strangers and helping them to feel at home among us.

On the evening of January 15th a Thanksgiving service was held instead of the regular weekly prayer meeting. This was attended by a large number, and proved both an interesting and helpful service.

The Missionary Committee has been particularly active all the year, and has done much toward fostering a love for Mission work among our people.

Other Committees have found plenty of work awaiting them in the visiting of sick and poor; the seeking out of strangers, and in attending to mite boxes.

The year 1896 is now fairly begun, and bids fair to be a prosperous one.

Shall we continue to "do the duty which lies nearest," and trust an all-wise Father for guidance in the work undertaken for Him ?

M. H. McNAUGHTON,

*Secretary.*

RECEIPTS.

To Balance from 1894 .....	\$105 35
“ Membership Fees for 1895.....	37 00
“ Proceeds of Mite Boxes.....	42 15
“ Proceeds of Talent Work.....	88 60
“ Proceeds of “Rainbow Tea”.....	53 75
“ Donation from Mrs. P. Dunn.....	5 00
“ Collections for Missions.....	10 95
“ Thank Offering for Missions.....	17 25
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EXPENDITURE.

Paid Russell, McDonald & Co. as per acc't for Pail, Dipper, Spoons and Dishpan.....	\$ 2 55
“ Robertson & Hackett for work done on open- ing of Dunn Hall.....	13 15
“ Expenses in connection with “Rainbow Tea”.....	4 50
“ Advertising “Rainbow Tea”.....	2 00
“ Local National Council of Women for Rescue Work.....	10 00
“ Japanese Mission of Vancouver.....	3 00
“ Home Mission per Rev. E. D. McLaren.....	16 45
“ Foreign Mission per Rev. E. D. McLaren....	8 55
Cash on hand.....	299 85
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M. H. BROWNING, Treasurer.

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## Report of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour.

Another year has been numbered with the past, reminding us that we are another year nearer the end of life's journey.

The Christian Endeavour Society present their report for 1895 in a spirit of thankfulness to Him whose blessing alone can crown their efforts, however feeble, with success.

The Society has had a fairly prosperous year, and notwithstanding a number of members having left the city, the membership has kept up, and numbers a little over what it was at the beginning of the year.

The Society met regularly in the lecture room every Sunday evening up to the middle of the month of November, when the night of meeting was changed from Sunday to Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Society endeavours to accomplish a large amount of useful work, such as calling upon the sick, visiting the hospital, assisting the missionary enterprises of the Church, and extending a hearty welcome to strangers by means of social gatherings, as well as in other ways.

At the beginning of the year the Missionary Committee of the Society promised to raise \$75 for Home Missions, \$75 for Foreign Missions, and \$42 for the Chinese Mission in this city. It is pleasing to be able to report that they have accomplished this and something more, as, in addition to above, they have donated a small sum towards the Chinese Mission organ fund.

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G, Treasurer.

The following is a statement of the receipts and disbursements during the year :

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1894.....	\$ 22 50
Monthly Collections.....	26 20
Social Entertainments.....	92 50
Collections for Missions.....	9 80
Monthly Subscriptions.....	74 90
Voluntary Contributions.....	25 00
	—————\$250 70

DISBURSEMENTS.

Society Literature and Supplies.....	\$ 11 10
Caretaker.....	5 00
Organist.....	10 00
Expenses of Socials.....	4 50
Expenses of Delegates to Convention.....	4 00
Chinese Mission.....	48 90
Home Mission.....	75 00
Foreign Mission.....	75 00
Balance on hand.....	17 20
	—————\$250 70

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. SMITH,  
*Secretary.*

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Report of Junior Endeavour Society.

During the year meetings have been held every Sunday, with the exception of the months of July, August and September.

The average attendance has been about twenty-five members and three visitors.

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The work of the Society is carried on by seven Committees, every member being on at least one of them.

A scrap-book social was held in May, when books were made for the Children's Home; and in November a Thanksgiving social provided \$1.35 in cash and a quantity of provisions for the same place. A special collection in December enabled us to give them toys and books.

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The Mission and Book Committees made a special work of sending literature to the outside districts, and succeeded in sending between three and four thousand papers and magazines, raising the necessary postage, amounting to \$10.85, by subscriptions of 5 cents a month from the members.

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Twenty-five dollars was given to the Home Missions and \$32.25 collected for the Sabbath School building fund. Flowers have been distributed in the hospitals, and also assistance given to the ladies in church decorations. One of our members has presided at the organ in the Sabbath School for the past year, and it is owing to the efforts of a few of the others that a Sabbath School choir has been organized, and which it is hoped will be a success.

The following is a statement of receipts and expenditure :

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand .....	\$31 70
Collection from all sources .....	50 50
Received from Socials .....	6 35
	———— \$80 85

EXPENDITURE.

Paid to Home Missions .....	\$25 00
Paid for Postage on Literature .....	10 85
Paid for Supplies .....	1 75
Delegates Expenses to Victoria .....	4 00
Paid to Children's Home .....	3 35
Expenses of Socials .....	5 65
Sundry Expenses .....	5 00
Balance on hand .....	32 95
	———— <u>\$88 55</u>

The officers for 1896 are as follows :—

- Superintendent—Miss R. Macfarlane.
- Assistant Superintendent—Miss Gray.
- President—Alma Wood.
- Vice-President—Arthur Gatter.
- Treasurer—Jessie Stark.
- Secretary—Edna MacQuarrie.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDNA MACQUARRIE, Secretary.

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## BOYS' BRIGADE.

Although this organization has only been in existence between three and four months, it has already exercised an influence for good over the boys of the congregation.

The Service Roll of the Company contains the names of 53 boys, two of whom, however, have recently removed from the city.

During his visit to Vancouver in the month of November, His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen was kind enough to inspect the Company (then in its infancy), and to express his entire satisfaction with the proposal that the Company should be known as the Gordon Highlanders.

The Officers in charge are J. A. Forin, Captain; J. Duff Stuart, 1st Lieutenant; J. D. Scott, 2nd Lieutenant, and L. H. Burnett, 3rd Lieutenant.

The meetings for drill, which are held every Tuesday evening, are opened and closed with prayer.

The Company is deeply indebted to Lieut. Burnett for the large amount of trouble he has taken in connection with it.

The boys have collected \$82 towards their equipment. They had an opportunity of taking part in a Christmas Cantata given in aid of the Sabbath School Library fund, and they certainly contributed their share to the success of a very successful entertainment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. A. FORIN, Captain.

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## Total Amounts Raised During 1895.

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By the Congregation for Current Expenses.....	\$4,769 65
By the Congregation for Church Debt and Interest.....	1,024 25
By the Congregation for "Schemes of the Church".....	285 00
By the Congregation for Charitable Objects.....	200 00
By the Sabbath School.....	290 00
By the Fairview Sabbath School.....	100 00
By the Women's Association.....	255 00
By the Y. P. S. C. E.....	237 00
By the Junior C. E.....	57 00
By the Boys' Brigade.....	82 00
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