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Future Reference.

1894.

KNOX CHURCH, STRATFORD.

Annual Report

Pastor, REV. M. L. LEITCH.

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MEMORANDA.

DIVINE SERVICE—Every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.
SABBATH SCHOOL—Sabbath at 2.45 P. M.
BIBLE CLASS—Sabbath at 3 P. M.
Y. P. S. C. E.—Monday at 7.30 P. M.
PRAYER MEETING—Wednesday at 8 P. M.
CHOIR PRACTICE—Friday at 8 P. M.
W. F. M. S.—First Friday of each month at 3.30 P. M.
GORDON MISSION BAND—First Saturday of each month, at 3.30 P. M.
BAPTISM—Last Sabbath and first Wednesday in each month.
LORD'S SUPPER—First Sabbath in March, June, Septem. and December.
JUNIOR Y. P. S. C. E.—Every Wednesday at 4.30 P. M.
KNOXONIAN LITERARY—Second and fourth Thursday of each month, at
8 P. M.

Mr. Donaldson will be in the church from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., every
day, except Thursday and Friday.

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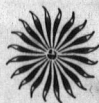
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For the Year Ending December 31st,
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Report of Session.

God has "Crowned the year with His Goodness."

In reviewing the past year, we find cause for thankfulness in the continued large attendance on the means of grace—the Sabbath Services, the weekly prayer meeting and the meetings of the Endeavor Societies.

We also express our gratitude that the Sunday School is prospering, and that the various Missionary Societies of the congregation, show increased interest in the work, and that the choir help so well in the service of praise.

Death removed from us during the year some of our young and most active members, and also several who were connected with this church since its organization.

Our prayer is that God will graciously sustain all who have to bear trials, afflictions and sorrows.

This year we added 79 to our membership—the same number as last year; by certificate, 42, and by profession, 37. The removals have been 13 by death and 24 by certificate, making our net gain, 42, and our present membership, 721. Baptisms—infants, 28; adults, 2. We again ask you to specially remember by name, Miss Duncan in India, in your prayers.

"Let us consider one another, to provoke unto love and to good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together."

M. L. LEITCH,

Moderator.

JOHN MCINTYRE,

Session Clerk.

MEMBERS OF SESSION.

REV. M. L. LEITCH, Pastor.

James Callin,
Wm. Ireland,
George Hunter,
S. Rankin,
J. Barton,
H. Duncan,
R. D. Hamilton,

W. Douglas,
J. Mills,
W. Jeffrey,
G. Malcolm,
D. McKay,
A. Williamson,
J. McIntyre,

In Memoriam.

Mrs. Gilbert Robertson	62 years	January 17
Mrs. George Robertson	69 years 10 months	January 21
Mrs. E. Fraser	84 years 9 months	March 10
Alexander Wildgoose	27 years	March 26
William Clark	88 years 3 months	April 17
David Armstrong	15 years 6 months	May 4
Mrs. C. A. Mayberry	33 years 9 months	May 20
Mrs. Kippan	72 years	May 30
Mrs. Milligan	74 years	June 1
Mrs. McEwen	83 years	June
Miss J. Macdonald	22 years 6 months	June 21
Wm. H. McKim	42 years	June 25
James Jones'	Twin Infants	July 3
Mrs. James McFadden	55 years	June 30
Mr. Patons'	Child	September
James Bradshaw's	Child	September
I. Young	12 years 7 months	Sept'ber 10
Mrs. W. S. Morrison	67 years 9 months	Sept'ber 14
Mrs. Chown	24 years	Nov'ber 6
James Kippan	78 years	July
Mrs. H. Wilson, sr.	88 years	November
Mrs. Angus McKay	49 years	Dec'ber 6
W. J. Freeland	55 years	Dec'ber 31



Knox Church Managers' Annual Report.

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1894.

THE Board of Managers in respectfully submitting their Annual Report for 1894, are glad that by the good hand of God they have again to report well marked progress.

With the balance on hand from last year, \$416.05, the receipts for the year from seat rents and collections amount to \$4707.95, and the expenditure, including \$1000.00 in full of final manse settlement, \$300.00 paid on principal of Mortgage, and \$343.15 on repairs, mostly of a permanent sort, as drains, ventilators, rebuilding well and chimney, renewed joists and flooring, and the straightening and rebolting of church crest; leaves the balance on hand at the end of the year, \$39.99, with the bill of \$350.00 in the financial statement and about \$100.00 interest as contra to the arrears outstanding at the end of the year, amounting to \$1148.55, which arrears have been reduced at this date to \$836.80, and the bill of \$350.00 has now been paid.

Comparing the amount of our indebtedness on the principal of the Mortgage balance against the church property as it stood a year ago, \$3800.00, with what it is now, \$2600.00, the difference in our favor is \$1200.00, and to this adding the sum in bank at this date to credit of Mortgage account, \$440.00, it reduces the balance still to be received from volunteers and subscribers to \$2160.00, ere we can call upon you to jubilate with us over the full redemption of the church property from debt.

The ushers for 1894 did their duty well and are electable.

The managers retiring this year are James Dow, Duncan Stewart and John McIntyre.

J. W. BROWN,
Secretary.

JAMES DOW,
Chairman.

February 5th, 1895.

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Managers for 1895.

Thos. Trow,
J. W. Brown,
John McMillan,
James Dow,

A. Jeffrey,
Jas. Bennoch,
Ralph Donaldson,
D. Stewart.

John McIntyre.

Ushers for 1895.

Wm. Donaldson,
Geo. Kay,
Wm. Neil,

Thos. Orr, jr,

Peter Bradshaw,
James Macfadden,
Roderick Cassels.

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Knox Church Financial Statement,

For Year Ending 31st December, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

To Bal in Bank, 1st Jan., 1894.....		\$ 416 05
" Pew Rent.....	\$ 2018 75	
" Pew Rent, Arrears.....	546 50	
" Sabbath Collections.....	1509 50	
" Hospital Collections.....	104 75	
" I. O. O. F. Collection (Poor Fund)....	12 20	
" Masonic Collection (Poor Fund).....	10 00	
" Thanksgiving Collection (Poor Fund)..	49 80	
" Preparatory Service Collections.....	45 70	
" Mortgage Debt Subscriptions.....	900 00	
" Bills payable.....	700 00	
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		\$ 5891 90
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		\$6,307 95

EXPENDITURE.

By M. L. Leitch.....	\$ 2000 00	
" A. H. Alexander.....	300 00	
" R. Donaldson.....	500 00	
" Pulpit Supply.....	76 50	
" Presbytery and Synod.....	46 00	
" Poor Relief.....	31 00	
" Property Repairs.....	348 15	
" Printing and Stationery.....	25 81	
" Miscellaneous.....	40 88	
" Insurance.....	31 50	
" Fuel.....	24 25	
" Gas.....	94 60	
" Hospital Trust.....	104 75	
" Mortgage Interest (to July 1st, '94)....	99 52	
" Mortgage Debt Reduced.....	1200 00	
" Manse (Final).....	1000 00	
" Bills Payable.....	350 00	
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		\$ 6267 96
" Balance in Bank, 31st Dec., 1894.....		39 99
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		\$6,307 95

Arrears Pew Rent, 31st Dec. 1894, \$1,148 55.

Certified correct.

GEORGE KAY,
JAMES MACDONALD, } AUDITORS.

Report of Knox Church S. School,

1894.



The Officers and Teachers again take pleasure in presenting their annual report. To our Father in Heaven we would offer our first tribute of gratitude for His goodness to us as a Sabbath School, in permitting us thus to work for Him, and for sparing in life and health, so many of those who are interested in this blessed work, although we have not perhaps, done everything to the best of our ability, or in the best way, yet we rejoice over the success that has attended our feeble efforts in the year just closed.

We are pleased to report that 14 members of the Bible Class and Sunday School have this year made public profession of their faith in Jesus Christ, by uniting themselves to the communion of the church. May the Holy Spirit lead many more of such who shall be saved to follow their example.

Our school has been progressing steadily in attendance and finances. We have had an increased attendance. The total for the year being 14,510, an average attendance for the days met, 292, and as shown by the financial statement, an advance in the regular contributions.

This year there has been no special effort put forth by the school to augment its receipts beyond the weekly collections, knowing that many of the congregation have been contributing so largely to other branches of church work.

The teaching of the Bible Class, by Mr. Malcolm, still continues to be highly appreciated, and has met 40 Sabbaths during the year. The average attendance has been about the same, viz: 52. Just in passing we would ask those who have been recently drafted into this Class, still to continue in their interest by their regular attendance on this means of grace.

Death has visited us and called three of our number, viz: Miss. J. Macdonald, I. Young and David Armstrong,—to the parents and relatives of whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

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We would again ask the parents for their continued help in seeing that the children come with their lessons prepared— for unless we have your co-operation in this, we cannot expect to see the spiritual education of the children advance. Then, feeling assured, that if we carry on this work together earnestly, faithfully, and prayerfully, it will not only prove a blessing to those under our charge, but will return in abundant blessing upon ourselves.

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Knox Church Sabbath School Report for 1894.

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RECEIPTS.

To Balance on hand	\$ 22.71	
" Sabbath Collections	211.85	
" Mission Barrels	47	
" Interest	2.29	
		\$237.32

EXPENDITURE.

By N. T. Wilson, half year, '94	\$ 58.74	
" " " half year, '95	50.00	
" D. C. Cook, Primary Cluster	5.12	
" Drafts	83	
" Express, sending old papers	1.15	
" Library	15.85	
" Pic-nic Expenses	6.05	
" " Printing and Stationary	3.30	
" Indor Mission	50.00	
" Point Aux Trembles	46.78	
		\$237.32

WILLIAM IRELAND, Treasurer.

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OFFICE-BEARERS.

Rev. M. L. Leitch, -	Superintendent.
C. A. Mayberry, -	Assist-Superintendent.
R. Donaldson, -	Secretary.
R. White, -	Assist-Secretary.
R. White -	Treasurer.
G. Malcolm, -	Teacher of Bible Class.
Messrs J. Hamilton, G. McIntosh, A. Stevenson, W. Ireland, jr., R. Stevenson, }	Librarians.
A. H. Alexander, -	Organist.
Miss McLennan, -	Assist.-Organist.

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TEACHERS.

Mrs. Hislop,	Miss T. McBurney,
" Alexander.	" M. McBurney.
Miss Hunter,	" Forbes,
" M. S. Miller,	" Frank,
" Turnbull,	" K. Hamilton,
" Johnston,	" McIntosh,
" K. Finlayson,	" Stevenson,
" Gourlay,	" Bennoch,
" Moderwell,	" Dalzell,
" E. Stevenson,	" Bruce,
" Hyde,	" Grant,
" Cassels,	" McLennan,
" Ireland,	Mr. W. Ireland,
" A. McIntyre,	" Williamson,
" Douglas,	" W. R. Hamilton,
" J. Macdonald,	" G. Hunter,
" Finlayson,	" Burns,
" J. Stewart,	" Flemming,
" Hepburn,	" Irving.



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Annual Report of

Gnox Church Missionary Association.

The Missionary Committee in presenting their Annual Report for the year, are pleased to note the slight increase of liberality towards the mission schemes of the church; our contributions for the year amounted to \$354.91. The greater part of this amount has been obtained through the efforts of the collectors who deserve credit for their untiring efforts for the advancement of the Masters' work.

Your Committee are earnestly desirous that every member and adherent should be acquainted with the mission work of our church. All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. DONALDSON, Secretary.

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**Missionary Association Financial Statement
for the Year 1894.**



Receipts.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM COLLECTORS AS FOLLOWS :

	Balance 1st Jan.....	\$ 2 08	
Miss Miller	42 80	
"	Moderwell.....	8 70	
"	Dalzell.....	23 10	
"	Forbes.....	20 55	
"	Grant....(Avon).....	8 35	
"	Ireland.....	31 90	
"	Hyde.....	40 05	
"	Rankin.....	8 75	
"	Hepburn.....	25 25	
"	Bennoch.....	25 00	
"	Cassels & McDonald.....	18 50	
"	Baxter.....	12 25	
"	McIntosh & Welsh.....	21 30	
"	McKellar & Marks.....	11 40	
"	Grant....(Market St).....	21 25	
Mr. Bartons, District	6 75	
"	Mills, ".....	3 50	
"	D. Hislop.....	3 00	
"	D. McDermid.....	3 00	
	Interest.....	3 68	
	Records paid for in seats.....	2 25	
Mr. J. Callin	5 00	
	Collection,....(Rev. Sleeman)....	6 50	
			\$354 91

Expenditure.

Records.....	\$ 50 00	
Home Missors.....	240 00	
Aged and Infirm.....	20 00	
Queen's College.....	10 00	
Augmentation.....	25 00	
Widows and Orphans.....	10 00	
		\$355 00

B. FORBES, Treasurer.

Summary of Missionary contributions for the year ending December 31st, 1894.

To Foreign Missions.....	\$343 00	
" Home Missions.....	240 00	
" French Evangelization.....	50 00	
" Augmentation.....	25 00	
" Queen's College.....	10 00	
" Aged and Infirm Ministers.....	20 00	
" Widows and Orphans.....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$668 00

KNOX CHURCH AUXILIARY, W. F. M. S.

Secretary's Report for the Year 1894.

In presenting the report of the Auxiliary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, the members have much pleasure in stating that the year 1894 has been a very prosperous one, although the society has sustained a severe loss in the removal by death of two of its most active members, Mrs. Maybery, our Secretary, and Mrs. Macfadden, who was Treasurer for the year 1893.

The membership of the Society now numbers 46, four of whom have joined during the year. The Society is not so large as might reasonably be expected from the size of the congregation, yet we confidently hope that many may be induced to join our ranks during the year 1895, and we cordially invite all those who are interested in the work to help us in the spread of the gospel.

The Thank-Offering Meeting held in November, was a most encouraging and enjoyable one. The amount received being \$46.75. This, together with the monthly contributions, make a total of \$161.33. This sum has been raised entirely by the voluntary contributions of the members.

The officers for the year 1895, are as follows :

Hon-President,	-	-	Mrs. Leitch.
President,	-	-	Mrs. Hislop.
1st. Vice-President,	-	-	Mrs. Rankin.
2nd " "	-	-	Mrs. Johnston.
3rd " "	-	-	Mrs. T. Trow.
Secretary'	-	-	Mrs. Malcolm.
Treasurer,	-	-	Mrs. Hossie.

• MRS. G MALCOLM, Secretary.

Report of the Gordon Mission Band

For the Year 1894.



During the past year our meetings have been held regularly with an average attendance of fourteen members; this somewhat low average being due to the illness of members themselves, or to sickness in their homes.

The Band has sustained the loss of one of its members by death, and of two others on their leaving the city. Our present membership is 40. We have two life-members, and two members of the General Society.

This year we have been taking up the study of China. Topics were assigned different members who then came prepared at the next meeting, with short papers on the given topics. We have found that by this means, a greater interest has been awakened in the China Mission Work.

This year, instead of our usual public meeting, we held our first Thank-Offering meeting; the offering amounted to \$15.55

Instead of sending clothing to the North-West this year, we sent a box of gifts for children in one of the schools, which gifts were valued at \$12.58.

The sum of \$82.00 was handed over to the Presbyterian Treasurer.

MARY A. MCBURNEY, Secretary.

Officers for 1895.

President,	-	-	-	Miss Moderwell.
1st Vice-President,	-	-	-	Miss Hamilton.
2nd Vice-President,	-	-	-	Miss N. Macdonald.
Secretary,	-	-	-	Miss M. McBurney.
Treasurer,	-	-	-	Miss A. Hunter.

Secretary's Annual Report, Y. P. S. C. E.

During the past year, although our Society has decreased in point of numbers, yet the work has been continued faithfully, and we trust the interest has increased.

There have been 41 regular, 4 union and 15 executive meetings of Society. The first Union Meeting was held in this church, and was addressed by Mr. W. H. Frost, of China Inland Mission. The second also, held to appoint new officers for Union Executive. The third was held in C. M. Church and was addressed by Rev. Canon Richardson, of London. The subject of lecture was "C. E. Work," which was very ably discussed by the lecturer. A great many practical suggestions were given, and questions on the work cheerfully and thoroughly answered. The last was held in the C. M. Church, and was addressed by Mr. Merchant.

At one of our meetings set apart for missions, a very interesting letter was read from our missionary, Miss Duncan, in India, giving an account of her Zenana work. At same meeting, it was decided to appropriate to the purpose intended, the missionary money collected, amounting to \$60.41. The necessary \$50.40 was sent for the support of the two native Bible women in India, and the remaining \$10.01 divided between Fr. Evangelization Fund and The Algoma Mission Scheme.

During the summer holiday months, owing to the number of members absent, it was deemed advisable to hold our meetings in connection with congregation weekly prayer meeting, the members to take part when no other arrangement had been made. By following this plan, the usual mid-week meetings was more largely attended.

The Society held Several open Social Meetings during the year, for the purpose of welcoming and becoming acquainted with strangers and students who attended our prayer-meetings while in the city.

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Our receipts for year ending 1894 :

From monthly free-will offerings Conse'n.....	\$30.88
Balance from 1893.....	27
Total.....	<u>\$31.15</u>
Expenses During year.....	<u>\$29.92</u>
Balance on hand.....	\$ 1.23

RELIEF FUND.

Proceed, Thanksgiving Social, Nov. 22.....	\$15.30
Expenses in connection with same.....	7.95
Balance for fund.....	<u>\$ 7.35</u>

MISSION MONEY.

Three Missionary Meetings held during year, receipts from which, were.....	\$ 6.48
Monthly Contributions of 16 members amt'g to	\$40.52
Balance from 1893.....	81
Total.....	<u>\$47.81</u>
The Relief Committee during year expended on provisions, medicine, etc., the sum of.....	\$ 9.48
From Treasurer.....	6.00
Balance Collected as req'd.....	<u>\$ 3.48</u>

They distributed 213 articles of clothing among 10 families and Rescue Homes, and made 45 visits in connection with the work. Five dollars (\$5.00) of Relief Fund was voted to Union, towards Christmas Baskets.

On roll there are at present 5 honorary, 39 active, and 11 associate members, making a total of 55 members; the decrease since January 1893, being 19. On absent list are 29 names. Ten committees are actively at work, who report progress every two months.

During the past year several of our most active members have withdrawn from the Society on account of change of residence. Eight new members have joined as active, three as associate, and two have been transferred from associate to active membership. From our number also, three have united with our church. We trust that the work may continue to prosper and bring forth good results during '95.

M. M. EDMUNDS, Recording Secretary.

The Officers for 1895, are:

Honorary President,	Rev. M. I. Leitch.
President,	Miss A. S. Turnbull.
1st Vice-President,	Mr. McTavish.
2nd " "	Miss H. McBurney.
Recording Secretary,	Miss M. M. Edmunds.
Corresponding Secretary,	Miss M. McBurney.
Treasurer	Miss M. S. Miller.



Report of the Junior Christian Endeavor.



The Junior Endeavor take much pleasure in presenting the annual report for 1894.

The number of members on roll is 40, with a good average attendance. Great interest is taken in every meeting by each member. We have special days, such as Missionary, Temperance, Christian Endeavor and Thanksgiving. On these days we have special singing, and readings, etc., to make the meetings pleasant and attractive.

The number of committees is seven—Lookout, Mission, Prayer-meeting, Music, Visiting and Flowers, and Temperance. Each of these committees are endeavoring to faithfully perform their respective duties.

Two of our members visit the Rescue Home every Saturday, and read and sing to the inmates. We made aprons for each of the old ladies during the past year.

We take great interest in missionary work, and during the year made a number of "Comfort Bags," and filled them with whatever we thought the lumbermen up North—to whom we sent them—would find useful.

We hope our meetings will continue to do good work for the Master, as we trust they have done in the past.

Respectfully Submitted by

NELLIE SPENCE,

Secretary of Knox Church, J. C. E.

OFFICERS:

Superintendent,	Mrs. Alexander.
President,	Tenie Stewart.
1st Vice-President,	Nellie Spence.
2nd " "	Clara McTavish.
Secretary,	Jennie McKay.
Treasurer,	Lilly Macdonald.
Organist,	Nellie Spence.