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PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER MEETINGS.

SUNDAY SERVICES.—

| Morning, at 11 o'clock. Evening, at 7 o'clock. Adult Class for Scripture Study, at 3 p.m., conducted by Rev. Prof. Fenwick. Sunday School, at 3 p.m.
| Bible Class for Males in S. S., conducted by Mr. George Hague, 3 p.m. Bible Class for Females, conducted by Mrs.

Week-Evening Service.—Wednesday, at 8 p.m., in the Lecture-room of the Church.

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CHURCH.—For the Reception of Candidates, etc., at 8 p.m. of the Wednesday preceding the first Sunday of the month.

ORDINANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.—On the first Sunday of the month.

MEETING OF PASTOR AND DEACONS.—At 8 p.m. on the Monday succeeding the Communion Sunday, every alternate month.

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CHURCH BOARD.—At 8 p.m. of the Monday preceding the Monthly Church Meeting.

Anniversary of Opening of the Church.—The second Sunday in January.

Women's Prayer Meeting.—Monday, 4 p.m.

Ladies' Aid Society.—When convened.

CHOIR PRACTICE.—Saturday, at 8 p.m.

HISTORICAL MEMORANDA.

On the 10th March, 1875, 111 members of Zion Church withdrew from that fellowship, for the purpose of forming a new Congregational Church under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., one of the joint-pastors of Zion Church. On Sunday, March 14th, 1875, after an appropriate service conducted by Mr. Stevenson, the Church was duly organised, and Mr. Stevenson was unanimously chosen Pastor. At the same time the Church, by formal Resolution of the united brotherhood, received the name of "Emmanuel Church." As the Church possessed no local habitation of its own, the public services on the Lord's Day were held in the Montreal Gymnasium Building; and on week-evenings, in the Lecture-Room of Erskine Church. In the month of June, 1875, ground was broken for the erection of a new church-edifice, on a site occupying the corner of Stanley street, and facing St. Catherine street.

On April 15th, 1876, the corner-stone was laid by the Pastor, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Wilkes. To the Pastor a silver trowel was presented, bearing the following inscription:—

Presented to the
REV. JOHN FREDERICK STEVENSON,
On the occasion of his laying the
Corner-stone of EMMANURL (Congregational) CHURCH, Montreal.
April 15th, 1876.

"Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain who build it."

The jar deposited in the corner-stone contained the following:—

- 1. An Historical Sketch of the origin of Emmanuel Church.
- 2. A copy of the Church Manual for 1875.
- 3. A list of the names of the Building and Finance Committee.
- 4. The names of the Architect and Contractors.
- 5. Newspapers.
- 6. Starke's Almanac for 1876.
- 7. Canada Congregational Year Book for 1876.
- 8. Various current Coins of the Realm.

On January 14th and 21st, 1877, the building was opened for Divine Service with special Dedicatory Services.

Number of members received since the organisation of the Church, 314.

Number in fellowship January 1st, 1882, 243.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF EMMANUEL CHURCH, 1882.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Emmanuel Church was held on the evenings of January 16th and February 1st, 1882, in the Lecture-Room of the Church.

The Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Stevenson, occupied the chair.

- τ. Devotional service and Pastor's address.
- 2. The Report of the Board of Trustees, together with the Treasurer's Statement, was read; and, on motion, received and adopted.
- 3. The Church elected by ballot the following brethren to serve on the Board of Trustees for the current year:—Messrs. Reid, Jamieson and Dr. Cornish.
- 4. The Annual Report of the Church Board was read; and, on motion, was received and adopted.
- 5. The Rev. Dr. Cornish was re-elected Church Secretary, the Church at the same time again expressing its cordial thanks to him for his services continued during the past year.
- 6. On the question of the mode of appointing brethren to serve on the Church Board, it was *Ordered*:—That a Nominating Committee be named by the Chair, to present a list of names for election by the Church.
- 7. The Pastor nominated Messrs. Henry Lyman, J. S. McLachlan, and F. F. Blackader as the said Committee, who withdrew, and returned with the following list of names for presentation to the Church, viz.:—Messrs. J. D. Dougall, J. M. M. Duff, F. F. Blackader, H. Sanders, C. T. Williams, James Taylor, W. R. Ross, Chas. Gurd, and J. B. Sutherland.

- 8. On motion, it was *Resolved* unanimously:— That the nomination now submitted be received, and that the brethren therein named be elected to serve on the Church Board for the current year.
- 9. The Report of the Ladies' Aid Society was read and adopted. Whereupon,
- ro. It was, on motion, *Resolved* unanimously:—That the Church has heard with much gratification the Report now read, and desires once more to record its grateful appreciation of the valuable services again rendered by the self-denying and untiring efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society.
- and received, and the Committee for the present year was appointed. It was *Ordered*:—That the sum of \$100 for the current expenses of the School for the present year be paid by the Trustees from the funds of the Church.
- 12. The Report of the Committee on Psalmody was read. It reported satisfactorily on the regular attendance and diligence and good progress of the members of the choir in all matters appertaining to the Psalmody of the congregation, and recommended the appointment of Mr. A. C. Lyman as organist and choir-master for the present year.
- 13. On motion, the above report was received; and, as amended, (viz. that the sum of \$500 be granted to the Committee, provided the funds of the Church shall warrant the Trustees in granting the same), was adopted; and the following were appointed as the Committee on Psalmody:—Messrs. Learmont, Henry Lyman, Gurd, Andres, C. M. Alexander, A. C. Lyman, Porteous, and C. F. Williams.
- 14. The Report of the Young People's Association was read and received. This Association has for its objects:—"The advancement of the cause of Christ and the interests of our Church; also the promotion of Sociability and Literary Culture among the young people of the Congregation."
- 15. The Pastor, and Messrs. Alexander and Jamieson were appointed the Committee on the use of the Church Building.

- 16. Mr. H. W. Walker, the Secretary, presented a report of the proceedings of the Building Fund Union during the past year, and submitted the Treasurer's Statement, which was received.
- 17. On motion, it was *Resolved*:—That a Church Directory be published, as heretofore, with the report of the Church Board in full, under the care of the Church Secretary.
 - 18. The above minutes were read, and confirmed.

After prayer by Mr. C. R. Black, the meeting adjourned.

GEORGE CORNISH,

Church Secretary.

THE PASTOR'S LETTER.

My DEAR FRIENDS ;-

Another year of our church life has passed away, and carried with it many thoughts and feelings, and some work also done for the Master. It has taken, moreover, some whom we had known and loved for years into the world hidden from us by the veil of death. The year itself is gone, but its results remain, and have become unalterable. They are what they are, and no desire or regret of ours can any longer change their character.

So it is with every year as it passes; so therefore it will be with the one that now opens before us. This is what gives its meaning to reflection on the past, which, but for its influence on the future, would be idle and futile.

As to those who are gone, we have every comfort in thinking of their assured entrance upon the higher and better world. They are gone to be rid of much weakness and pain, and to serve the Master in purer forms and greater measure. Some had served him already for many years, growing venerable and honoured in His service; and the younger life that has been taken was so full of gentle and growing goodness as to make us feel that his removal is only the call of the Master's voice, saying "Friend, come up higher."

We have to be thankful for tokens of prosperity, not only continued, but increased. The congregations are increasingly good and the membership of the Church is growing. I am not without hope that those who worship with us are helped and strengthened in the growth of their character and the deepening and enlargement of their spiritual life. It is my most earnest desire and prayer that it may be so. The longer I live and preach, the more do I feel that there is one thing only worth striving for,—the bringing our own souls and those of others into the glorious light and liberty of the children of God. Let us try to do this. Let us enter on our great inheritance in Christ. The thoughts of God are large, the love of God is infinite. May they inspire us, Pastor and people, and make us a centre of quickening influence to those around.

I desire to call special attention to the definite activities of the Church, as for instance the Sabbath School, the Young People's Association, and the Ladies' Aid Society. It is greatly to be desired that all who can do so should unite themselves to some one or other of our institutions for doing and getting spiritual good. Much has already been done, and more may be. I ask the co-operation of all; especially of the young people of our number. In blessing others they will themselves find blessing.

The financial condition of the Church is good and encouraging. I hope, however, that we shall not allow ourselves to be satisfied until our Church-building is entirely free of encumbrance. There are, and wil be, many calls upon our diligence and liberality; let us liberate ourselves as quickly as possible from home liabilities.

Again, I urge upon you the desirability of attending, as far as may be, at *all* our public services. I cannot think it much for a man to do for his Lord, to meet his brethren in Christ for common prayer and praise, and to listen to the Divine Word twice or thrice in the week. We do much more for our own pleasure, and sometimes even for our self-indulgence. Do not, I ask you, forget the Wednesday-evening service. It will do you good to come, and me good to see you there.

There is, of course, much more that I might say, but I will close by earnestly asking your prayer and your co-operation in my work for Christ. One of the most honoured of our English brethren, who lately passed away, ascribed the continual success of his ministry to the devout prayers and untiring labours of the band of devoted workers who gathered round him. Why should not you and your pastor enjoy similar success? "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open upon you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it"

I am, dear brethren,

Your affectionate pastor,

J. F. STEVENSON.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH BOARD FOR 1881.

The duty once more devolves upon your Board of presenting a Report of the life and progress of the Church during another year of its history; and they have great pleasure in stating that it has been a year of continued prosperity. Death, however, has removed more from our ranks than in any previous year. Shortly after the last Annual Meeting, the Church had to mourn the loss of Mr. Lemuel Cushing, junior, who had for several years filled various offices among us with usefulness and efficiency, and who gave promise of still greater usefulness in the future. Mr. Agnew, who had for some time been absent from us, but whose name still remained on our roll, died in a distant city; and Mrs. White and Mrs. Sutherland, aged members of the Church, and held in high and deserved esteem, died after short illness in the summer. And whilst these have gone to their rest and reward, others who have long been among us, and whom we all love for their works'sake, have been laid low by the hand of sickness. In these mournful events, there is a voice speaking to one and all, reminding us of the uncertainty of life and of health, and calling upon us to do what we have to do, and what we can do, in the service of God's Church, with promptitude and energy, " while it is day," remembering that "the night cometh in which no man can work."

It is matter for great thankfulness, that the health of our beloved Pastor has been uniformly good throughout the year, and that he has been enabled to discharge his various duties among us with vigour and success. In the month of April, the Deacons presented a Report to the Church, to the effect that the Pastor had intimated that it was his desire, for family and personal reasons, to visit England during the following summer or autumn, provided it could be done without detriment to the interests of the Church; and that, as he had been invited to represent our Canadian churches at the great Jubilee Meeting of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, it was his purpose, if practicable, to be present at the autumnal meeting of the Union. The Deacons, after giving to this matter the careful and respectful consideration it demanded, were unanimously of opinion that, on denominational as well as on personal and private grounds, the Pastor should be enabled to make this visit; but that, in the interests of the Church, it would be preferable it should be made in the summer rather than in the autumn months. They accordingly recommended the Church, that leave of absence be granted the Pastor from Sunday, April 24th, to Sunday, July 31st, inclusive, and this recommendation was unanimously concurred in, the Pastor pledging himself, in response thereto, to do all that in him lay to make his visit beneficial to the Church and to the Denomination at large. In order to afford all the members of the church and congregation an opportunity of meeting him before his departure, a largely attended and successful social meeting was held on Wednesday, April 20th; and on the 23rd, Dr. Stevenson sailed from Halifax and after a prosperous voyage arrived in England in time to be present at the May meeting of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, from all of whose officers and members he met with a very cordial reception. After a very satisfactory and successful visit, both publicly and privately, he returned, in good health and vigour, on July 30th, and on the first Sunday in August he resumed his public ministrations among us. During the months of May and June, the pulpit was supplied by Ministers from divers places :- the Very Rev. Principal Grant, of Kingston; Dr. Buckham, from Vermont; the Rev. F. H. Marling, of New York; the Rev. J. G. Sanderson, of Danville; Rev. Dr. Brostow, of Burlington; Rev. T. G. Sargent, Brookline, N. H.; and Rev. D. O. Clark, Stoughton, Mass., rendered the church willing and valuable services.

The Ladies' Aid Society, thinking it would be well to take advantage of the absence of the Pastor, to accomplish an object which had long been needed, viz. the thorough cleaning, and tinting of the walls of the building, suggested to the Trustees that the church should be closed after the first Sunday in July until the first of August for this purpose, and the Trustees accepting their suggestion recommended accordingly. But it was found that there would be a difficulty in completing the work within the time originally contemplated; and so the Church, on recommendation of the Trustees, resolved to suspend the public services on the Lord's

Day after June 26th until the first Sunday in August, at the same time instructing the Trustees to make arrangement for holding the public services in the Lecture-room, should the main building not be ready by the latter date. This important work was completed, to the general satisfaction of the church and congregation, and the building was reopened for public worship on the second Sunday in August, from which time onwards the congregation has showed a gratifying increase in numbers. In this connection, it is proper to report, that the best thanks of the Church are due to Dr. and Mrs. Stevenson for their personal exertions and trouble in making arrangements for the delivery of a course of public Lectures, the proceeds of which were appropriated to help in defraying the expenses incurred in the work above referred to. The Rev. Paxton Hood, of England; Principal Grant, of Kingston; Rev. G. H. Wells, of this city; the Rev. Dr. Bevan, of New York; and Dr. Stevenson, delivered each a Lecture on a specific topic. These Lectures were, one and all, of great interest and value to the large numbers who attended to hear them, and the church is under great obligation to these gentlemen, severally, for the valuable service which they thus rendered, and that too, gratuitously.

Your Board have to report, that in accordance with the By-Law, the Church Roll has been carefully examined and revised, and that the statistics of the year are as follows:—

66	ed to Fellowship:— on profession,			14
66	by Letter, .			31
	Total, .			45
The rer	novals have been:-			
	By death, .			4
	" transference,			1
	" excommunicati	ion		1
	" Rule for unrep			
	absentees,			6
	,			— 12

Thus there has been a clear gain of thirty-three, leaving a membership on the first Sunday in the year, of 243.

Your Board recommend that in the Official List of members published in the Year Book the names of absentees who regularly report themselves, be indicated accordingly.

Several Social Meetings of the church and congregation have been held during the year, the arrangements for which were made by the Ladies' Aid Society. Your Board regret that they have not been so well attended as could be desired; but, still convinced of their value, they recommend that they be not discontinued. The thanks of the Church are again due to the Rev. Professor Fenwick for his efficient conduct of the Adult Class for the study of the Scriptures, which meets on Sunday afternoons. Mrs. Stevenson and Mr. Hague likewise continue to conduct their classes, in connection with the Sunday School.

The Infant Class-room has been finished and thoroughly fitted up, at the voluntary expence of Mr. Scholes, and the room in which Professor Fenwick's Class meets has been improved in like manner by Mr. Porteous. The thanks of the Church are due to all these friends, severally, for the self-denying and generous services here noted.

The valuable and efficient services of the organist and of the Choir deserve grateful mention. Early in the year, Mr. Hecker, on his removal from the city, resigned his position as organist, and the Committee on Psalmody, from numerous applicants for the office, unanimously recommended Mr. Clarence Lyman for the ensuing three months, which recommendation was adopted; and on the expiration of that term, the Committee again recommended the appointment of Mr. Lyman as organist for the remainder of the current year. This recommendation was unanimously concurred in by the Church, with expressions of satisfaction with the manner in which Mr. Lyman had discharged the duties of organist during the period of his temporary appointment.

The Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec met in the City of Toronto, and Messrs. C. R. Black and Hague, by appointment of the Church, attended the meetings as delegates, and Mr. J. M. M. Duff was deputed to represent the Church at the annual meeting of the Provident Fund Society.

The operations of the Sunday School will be duly reported by the Committee charged with the same. It is again gratifying to note, that many of those who have been received into fellowship on profession have come from the Sunday School.

The Young People's Association in connection with the Church has continued in operation, and has had the advantage of the attendance and presidency of the Pastor, who has devoted much time to the delivering of addresses, answering questions, &c., on topics of literary interest. Your Board would like to see all the young people who worship with us active members of this Association.

The following special collections have been made during the year:—at the Communion Service in February for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$25; for the Can. Cong. Missionary Society, \$213; for the Cong.

College B. N. A., \$442; for the House of Industry and Refuge, a collection at a United Thanksgiving Service of Calvary and Wesley Churches with this Church, \$55; and a special collection at the Communion Service in November, in aid of Rev. W. M. Peacock and family, \$55; Foreign

The financial affairs of the Church come within the province of the Board of Trustees and of the Building Fund Union. But your Board cannot refrain from the expression of their gratification with the healthy condition of the Finances, and with the fact that something has been done through another year to reduce the debt on the building, and they would respectfully suggest that, without unnecessary delay, some well-devised plan be adopted by the Church to secure a complete and speedy removal of those liabilities, the interest on which from year to year absorbs so much of the current income of the Church, which all would rejoice to see expended in other and more profitable ways. The following comparative statistics, kindly furnished by our esteemed treasurer, will be of interest and value, as matter for record, on this the seventh annual meeting of 7

No. of Contributors to	Current Expense Fund :-
1875	66.
	66.
1877	
1878	100.
1879	
1880	121.
1881	
[- 4] ·	

In this review of another year of our history as a Church, there is much to be found that may well call forth our thanks and praise for the good hand of our God which has been upon us, blessing as in so many ways; much, too, to stimulate us to greater zeal and self-consecration in the promotion of each other's well-being as members of the Household of Faith, and in making the world outside us the better for our existence as a Christian community in this city. Truly, much has been given to us; and as every privilege and advantage, in accordance with the just and equitable law of God's spiritual kingdom, have their corresponding responsibilities, much therefore will be required of us. Let us, then, in humble dependence on our Divine Master and Head, do all that in us lies to be found faithful in the much that has been committed to us. So shall we most fully develop all that is highest and best in our spiritual life and be a blessing unto others, and thereby honour Him who has given us a name and place in His kingdom among men.

All which is respectfully submitted by your Board.

GEORGE CORNISH, Church Secretary.

Montreal, January 30th, 1882.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Your Trustees have pleasure in reporting that for the past year, as you will note by the Treasurer's statement, the receipts have been sufficient to meet the ordinary current expenses. You will also note that the interest upon the Church Debt has been reduced about three hundred dollars.

It was deemed advisable that the Church Building should be cleaned during the month of July: the opportunity was taken, and it was thought best to have it done in a way that would last for a number of years without further expense. Your Trustees are pleased to state that the most of the Congregation express satisfaction with the appearance of the building. A considerable sum of money was expended for painting, repairing roof, pointing stone-work, and supplying two new furnaces, &c. We have to thank The Ladies' Aid Society for their valuable assistance in enabling your Trustees to defray part of the expense.

During the past year your Trustees have to record the death of their valued Secretary, Mr. Lemuel Cushing,—a man loved by all, and who was of inestimable service to this Church and Congregation.

In accordance with the Act of Incorporation, the following members of the Board retire, viz.:—Messrs. Linton, Jamieson and Reid.

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. WILSON
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Trustees have laid before the Church, in printed form, their financial statement for the past year, which shows the total contributions for current expenses to have been \$7,139.81, a slight increase on the previous year, notwithstanding the fact that several subscribers reduced their respective amounts during the year. The special contribution to the Decoration Fund amounted to \$701.60; added to this \$80 from Sundries, and a Balance of \$10.37 from 1880, gives the total \$7.931.78.

The state of the Church Building called for special expenditure in the way of repairs and decoration; the cost of which amounted to \$1,577, the ordinary expenses of the year to \$7,309, leaving a deficit of about \$1000, which amount has been borrowed from the Merchants' Bank at 6 per cent.

It is confidently expected from the increase in the number of subscribers for 1882, that this amount will be paid off as well as the current expenses met during this year without there being necessity for special effort in this direction. The charge up on Current Expense Account for 1882, will be materially lessened, as the rate of Interest on Mortgage has been reduced from 7½ to 6 per. cent. During the past three years the contributions have fallen short of the disbursements, by several hundred dollars. The Trustees and some of the Church-officers have hitherto made up the required amount, but it is now hoped that such effort on their part will not be necessary; but that the general contributions will afford all that is needed. Appended hereto is a statement showing the increase in number of subscribers during the past seven years.

	Subscribers.	Amount.	Ave	age.
1875	66	\$6393	\$96	80
1876	70	6090	87	00
1877	100	7717	77	17
1878	120	7195		96
1879		7084	-	77
1880		6997	-	32
1881		7139	50	

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. McLACHLAN.

Treasurer.

REPORT OF BUILDING FUND UNION.

The Committee of the Emmanuel Church Building Fund Union beg leave to report that the Union, which has for its object the partial or entire extinction of the debt upon the Church property, has now completed the second year of its existence.

It was established with the view of enlisting the sympathy of all seat-holders and their families.

With this view the sum of \$20,000, (aimed at as a first effort), was divided into 4,000 shares of \$5 each, payable quarterly, annually or otherwise, over a period of one, three, or five years.

The subscribers to the Building Fund Union number as yet but little more than one-half of the regular subscribers to the Church Funds.

" (Ladies' Aid	Society	\$1,500 1,225 1,000
66		3,000
Six of \$500 Seven of \$255	=	1,750

Subscribers of \$100 each and under

 $\frac{2,835}{\$11,710}$

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On account of above subscriptions, \$4,500 was received during 1880; and \$1,700 in 1881; total \$6,200, which will have reduced the total indebtedness from \$36,000, at the end of 1879, to \$30,000 for the present year.

From the above figures it will be seen that, unless aided by some very exceptional benefactions or legacies, there still remains ample room for further effort, on the part of the Union, towards reducing the Church debt to safer limits, or for its entire extinction.

The Committee would therefore close their Report with a hope that they may have the pleasure before their term of office expires, of enrolling, as members of the Union, for a larger or smaller amount, every seatholder in the Church, and each member of every household.

The Treasurers Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, which has been already distributed, is hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted.

Two of \$200

H. W. WALKER, Secretary. HENRY LYMAN,

President

REPORT OF THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Society commenced its winter work, by arranging for a Course of Lectures, in aid of the Church Decoration Fund. With the very efficient aid of our Pastor, the services of several able speakers were secured. The first lecture was given by Rev. Pazton Hood, on "Kings Crowned and Uncrowned"; 2nd. "Norman McLeod," by Principal Grant; 3rd. "A Trip to California," by Rev. G. H. Wells; 4th. "The English-speaking People," by Dr. Bevan, of N. Y.; the last, "Tennyson and the Brownnings," by Dr. Stevenson. After all expenses were paid, the lectures realized \$250. The financial result seems, however, quite dispro-

portionate to the merit of the lectures, and but poorly expresses the delightful appreciation they received, from those who heard them. And perhaps their benefit went still further, and by them was given an enlargement and stimulus to thought and increased activity that caused the subsequent work of the Society to be undertaken with so much interest and spontaneity.

The appeal for donations of money and clothing, for Dorcas-work, was met with most charming promptness and liberality. A large supply of good wearing-apparel was contributed and \$61 in cash. Three valuable boxes of clothing and material have been sent to the families of ministers in the country, and from the letters of thankful acknowledgement received, they seem to have been warmly appreciated. Aid has also been given to several families in the city, known to be in special need, and other cases of destitution will be relieved, whenever reported to the Society. Money has also been collected for several well-known institutions and objects, as Home for Friendless, \$35.50; Industrial Rooms, in materials, etc., \$50; Labrador Mission, \$52.

The Prayer Meetings have been held every alternate Monday, through the winter, and the increased attendance at them, as well as the business-meetings, has been a source of pleasure and encouragement, and has imparted greater it terest to the meetings themselves.

Owing to the generally approved decision to have no Bazaar this year, as well as to discontinue the of sending out the "mite-boxes," our financial exhibit is less than in previous years; but reference to the report of the Building Fund Union will show, that the Ladies of this Society have relaxed neither interest nor efforts for their Church-home, but have, instead, worked for this object through another channel.

Desiring to establish some *basis* of membership, an annual fee of 25cts has been decided upon this year, which is to be given to the Building Fund. But we wish no one to feel, that the *omission* of this payment, would prevent her being warmly welcomed, at the businessmeetings.

In reviewing the work of the year, we can but wish much more had been done, and it is but simple justice to state, as we do most gratefully, that what has been accomplished, is largely due to God's blessing upon the untiring zeal and energy of our devoted President.

Our warmest thanks are due to Dr. Stevenson, not only for his own most interesting lecture, but for his assistance in securing the others of the entire Course, given in our behalf. Thanks are also tendered to Mr. Wm. McLachlan, for his kindness in packing and sending the three boxes to the country.

The Rec ord of 1881 is now closed, but much of the winter—the most fa vourable time for our work,—still remains, and the Ladies' intend to make some further efforts, toward the reduction of the Church Debt. This object must appeal to the heart of every lady in the congregation; and we most cordially invite the sympathy and aid, not only of those who have hitherto worked so faithfully, but of many more, who have never given us, the moral support of their presence. We earnestly desire that they should feel it, not only a duty, but a high privilege to engage in this work for the Divine Master, "Who hath been mindful of us, and will ever bless us," in all work reverently and lovingly done for Him.

Respectfully submitted.

MARY B. COWAN, Secretary-Treasurer.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL.

From a recent corrected list of the scholars, the number appears to be, say 130. Changes have taken place in the personnel of the senior classes, scholars who were with us in the early part of the year have removed from the city,—on the other hand, during last fall there were accessions to our numbers; these we expect will remain until the summer vacation. The attendance since September has been larger than during the former months of the year, a difference of about ten per cent in favor of the last half of the year; our average may be said to be 107.

In last Report your Committee called attention to the want of a room suitable for our Infant Class. The Committee are happy to report that early in the year through the kindness and liberality of Mr. Francis Scholes, that want has been supplied. Your Committee are happy to state that the room is one of the most attractive of its kind in the city, fitted up with graduated circular seats, blackboard, &c., the walls have also been tastefully tinted, all of which has been done at the sole expense of Mr. Scholes. At the quarterly meeting last April, a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Scholes was placed on record, this action of the Committee was in due course communicated to him.

Your Committee with regret have to report the death of Mr. Lemuel Cushing which occurred 1st March last. Mr. Cushing was one of the first teachers of the School, and appropriate allusion was made to Mr. Cushing's death on the Sunday succeeding his funeral.—Your Committee beg to place on record their deep regard for the memory of one of the most honored and consistent of Sunday School Teachers.

A successful pic-nic of Emmanuel, Calvary, and the Students' Schools took place at Cushing's Grove in June last, the weather proved favorable, a very enjoyable day was spent; the difference between expenses and receipts, \$25.47, has been placed to the debt of School Expense account. The usefulness of the Library has been a matter of consideration by your Committee, many of the better class of books are not sought for by the scholars as frequently as your Committee could desire; in this connection, we believe we are justified in saying, that most of the scholars are well supplied with reading material at home; however, it is intended to supply each scholar during the month of February with a new Catalogue. The parents are requested to assist the scholars in selecting their books. The Committee have under consideration the advisability of supplementing the usefulness of the Library by placing in each family represented in the School (except the Infant Class) a copy of some weekly paper suitable to our Sunday School, the paper to be somewhat of the character of the Christian Weekly of New York. It this plan is decided upon, there will be no additions to the Library this year. From a desire to make the Service of Song of the School enjoyable and attractive, fifteen minutes at each service have been allowed for the practice of singing, and as a result your Committee are happy to report much improvement in singing and chanting. The Church is indebted to Dr. S. J. Andres for negotiating a favorable exchange of the melodian formerly in use for the one now in the School-room. The instrument was much needed for the Prayer Meetings and the Sunday School Services, the cost of the exchange was \$100; \$52 have been subscribed; \$34 paid in; \$18 not yet collected; \$48 are still wanted. Further contributions to this special tund will be gratefully received.

The Scholars' have collected for the Building Fund of the Church \$105.75, this amount has been paid to the Treasurer of the Building Fund.

The sum of \$31.81 has also been collected for Missions. Regarding the efficient working of the School from a monetary point of view, your Committee allude to the fact that in 1878, the Church voted, that the sum of \$150 be paid to the School annually; but owing to the burden of Debt on the Chnrch, &c., the School only received \$150 one year, viz.: 1878, since then it has only received \$50 per year. Your Committee while remembering the fact of a heavy Church Debt would respectfully ask the Church to consider the claims of the Sunday School, they beg to suggest for the consideration of the proper authorities—Trustees, Deacons, or Church Board, or all three bodies combined—the following proposition:—That the Church agree to pay the Sunday School for general expenses a

sum, say not less than \$100 per annum, and that if the finances of the Church warrant, the Trustees shall have the power, without further action of the Church, to increase that amount, say, to \$150 per annum.

The Teachers' Prayer Meeting has been regularly held at the close of the school on the last Sunday of the month. These meetings have been well attended, and have been, we believe, a means of profit and encouragement to those who have been present. The main object of all our Sunday School work is the imparting of religious instruction and the building up of the scholars in Biblical knowledge, so that their lives may be early devoted to the service of Christ.

Six of those who have joined the Church during the year are at present, or were formerly, connected with the school.

In summing up we would say, the work has been quiet and unobtrusive, but we have reason to believe that it has not been without good results. Our little band of teachers have been faithful, while the scholars, on the whole, have been attentive to their teachers, and have manifested interest in their lessons.

J. B. LEARMONT,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PSALMODY.

By vote of the Church in the beginning of the year just closed, Mr. Hecker was, on recommendation of the Musical Committee, reappointed organist of the Church.

In the month of March Mr. Hecker was offered a position in Winnipeg, Man., which, after due consideration, he decided to accept, his resignation as our organist naturally followed.

Your Committee in accepting Mr. Hecker's resignation placed on record their appreciation of his constant effort to meet the wishes of the congregation and to promote congregational singing—this action was communicated to Mr. Hecker, coupled with the best wishes of the Committee for his success in his new home. In the month of March, by vote of the Church, Mr. Clarence Lyman was appointed organist for three months; at the expiration of this term Mr. Lyman was reappointed to fill the position until the close of the year 1881.

Your committee have much pleasure in alluding to Mr. Lyman's ability as organist; they also wish to bear testimony to the satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of his position.

Your Committee heartily agree in recommending that Mr. Clarence Lyman be appointed organist for the year 1882.

Your Committee beg to tender their thanks to the ladies and gentlemen of the Choir for valuable assistance rendered during the year.

Your Committee, desirous of making the Choir as efficient as the finances of the Church will admit of, respectfully ask the Church to con sider the following suggestion, viz.:—That the sum of \$500 be allowed to the Music Committee, which sum shall cover all expenses for the music of the Church, excepting necessary tuning and repairs to the organ during the year, and the amount to be paid the bellows-blower for the same period.

Your Committee would again ask the incoming Trustees to consider the recommendation of previous reports, that an organ-motor be added, so soon as the finances of the Church will warrant the expense.

In closing, Your Committee feel they are justified in reporting improved singing.

Your Committee would respectfully ask the indulgence of the Church in their effort to make that part of the service, under their direction, a means of helpfulness and usefulness in our worship.

J. B. LEARMONT.

Convener.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION.

The Association was formed in November, 1880, for the purpose of promoting sociability and literary culture among the young people of our congregation, and also of holding devotional meetings in which the young people would take part.

Since our report last year, and up to the close of the season in March, 1881, three devotional and three literary and musical meetings were held, a temperance lecture was also delivered under the auspices of the Association.

The meetings for the present season commenced in November last. Their character has been altered very much for the better, as Dr. Stevenson has kindly agreed to give up an evening every fortnight for the benefit of the Association. He has delivered up to the present time, four conversational lectures on the following subjects, viz.:—John Bunyan, Thomas Hood, Rev. Charles Kingsley, and Amusements, wise and otherwise.

These lectures have been well appreciated.

A very interesting evening was also spent in hearing the answers by Dr. Stevenson to a number of questions, on various subjects that had been sent in at his request.

At one of our meetings an excellent paper was read by a member, Mr. Kennedy, on the Principles of Beauty. It is hoped that others of our members will help us in like manner, from time to time, so as not only to cultivate literary taste but to develop literary power.

As an outgrowth of the meetings last winter, a Young Men's Prayer Meeting was started in May or June last, and has been held every week since, with one exception. Those who attend have found it helpful, and they feel much encouraged to keep it on.

They would cordially invite any young men who may wish to do so, to unite with them. The meetings are held every Monday evening at eight o'clock, in the Ladies' parlour.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE E. WILLIAMS,

Secretary.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH.

(Those marked with * are non-resident, but wish their names to be kept on the Roll.)

Aitcheson, Miss
Alexander, Mr. Charles
Alexander, Mrs. Henry M.
Alexander, Mrs. Henry M.
Andres. Dr. S. J.
Andres, Mrs.
Bain, Mrs.
Baxter, Mr. M. S.
Baxter, Mr. M. S.
Baxter, Mrs.
Baxter, Miss Annie
Baylis, Miss
Bennet, Miss Annie L.
Birks, Mrs.
Bizzey, Mrs.
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Black, Mr. Charles R.
Black, Mrs.
Blackader, Mr. F. F.
Blackader, Mr. F. F.
Blackader, Mr. Ed.
Briggs, Miss.
Brown, Mr. William
Brown, Mr.
Budge, Mr. D. A.
Blackader, Mrs.
Campbell, Mrs.
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Campbell, Mrs.
Campbell, Mrs.
Compbell, Mrs.
Cocsten, Mr. Thos.
Costen, Mr. Thos.
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Costen, Mr. R.
Cowan, Mrs.
Cowan, Mrs. L.
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Cower, Mrs.
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Cower, Mr. P. H.
Cowper, Mrs. Lemuel
Currie, Mr. W. C.
Cushing, Mrs. Lemuel
Currie, Mr. W. C.

Davis, Alfred Davis, Mrs. A. Dewar, Mr. Guy Dewar, Mrs Dickenson Mrs. Dougall Mr. J D Dougall, Mrs. J. D. Douglas, Mr. Alexander. Douglas, ars. Alexander Douglas, rs. Alexander Douglas, Mrs. C. A. Duff, Mr. J. M. M. Duff, Mrs. Duff, Miss. Margaret A. Duff, Miss. Margaret A Duncan, Mr. John Duncan, Mr. Wm. T. Fallen, Mr. Chas. Fenwick, Rev. K. M. Fenwick, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Fraser, Mr. George B. Fraser, Mrs. George B. Gardener, Mr. John Gerrie, Mr. Andrey Gerrie, Mr. Andrey Gardener, Mr. John Gerrie, Mr. Andrew Gibb, Mrs. Gibb, Miss Mary Bella Gibb, Miss Elizabeth Gilchrist, Miss Alexis Grafton, Mrs. F. E. Gurd, Mr. Charles Gurd, Mrs. Gurd, Miss M. Gurd, Dr. D. F. Hague Mr. George Hague, Mrs.
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Kingan, Mr. Gordon
Kingan, Mrs.
Ketley Mrs.
Kocsis, Mr.
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Lavers, Miss Jane
Lay, Mrs.
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Robinson, Miss Alice
Ross, Mr. W. R.
Ross, Mr. W. R.
Ross, Mr. Bobt.
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Ross, Mr. Henry
Sanders, Mr. Henry
Sanders, Mr. Alfred
Savage, Mr. Alfred
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Scholes, Mrs.
Sharpe, Mr. Edmund
Sharpe, Mr. Edmund
Sharpe, Mr. Ed. S.
Sharpe, Mrs. E. S.
Snedden, Miss
Solandt, Miss Flora Jane
*Spaulding, Mr. Abraham
*Spaulding, Mrs.
Spencer, Mrs.
Stevenson, Rev. J. F.
Stevenson, Mrs. J. F.
Stevenson, Mr. Fred, A.
Stevenson, Mr. J. W.
Sutherland, Mr. J. B.
Sutherland, Miss
Taylor, Mr. James
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Thompson, Mrs. Jas.
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Thompson, Miss Florence Thompson, Miss Margaret Trenholme, Mrs. N. W. Todd, Mr. Robert Todd, Mr. Robert Todd, Mrs. Todd, Mr. Patrick Unsworth, Mr. Jos. K. Vennor, Mr. Henry Walker, Mrs. H. W. Walker, Mrs. S. M. Walker, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. S. M. Walker, Mrs. W. H. Weir, Mrs. W. H. Weir, Mrs. W. H. Weir, Mrs. W. H. Weir, Mrs. W. H. Weit, Miss White, Miss White, Miss White, Miss Annie Wilkes, Rev. Hy., D.D. Wilkes, Mrs. Wilkes, Miss Amelia Williams, Mrs. George E. Williams, Mrs. W. P. Williams, Mrs. C. T. Wilson, Mrs Wilson, Miss Janet Wilson, Miss Janet

MONTREAL, March 2nd, 1882.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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