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REPORTS

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,
MONTREAL.

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REPORTS

FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1884.



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MITCHELL & WILSON, PRINTERS, 1727 NOTRE DAME STREET.

1885.

Names of Ministers and Elders.

*in the order of their appointment from the formation of the Congregation
until the present time.*

MINISTERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>When appointed.</i>	<i>Remarks.</i>
REV. EDWARD BLACK, D.D.	1832,	Died 8th May, 1845.
REV. ROBERT MCGILL, D.D.	5th Nov. 1845,	Died 4th February, 1856.
REV. WM. SNODGRASS, D.D.	4th Nov. 1856,	Now Minister of Canonbie, Scotland.
REV. JOHN JENKINS, D.D., LL D.	27th June, 1865,	Resigned, 25th October, 1881.
REV. JAMES BARCLAY, M.A.	11th Oct. 1883.	

ELDERS.

PHILLIP ROSS	} The First Kirk-Session.	{ Died in Montreal. Died in Montreal, 17th April, 1857. Died in Montreal, 23rd July, 1863.
ROBERT ARMOUR		
JAMES CARSWELL		
WILLIAM KERR		
JOHN REDPATH	31st May, 1835.	Died in Montreal, 8th April, 1842
GEORGE MCKENZIE	do.	Resigned, 30th January, 1844.
JOHN BRUCE	do.	Died in Montreal, 13th February, 1868.
HON. PETER MCGILL	28th Decr., 1845.	Died at Lachute, 19th January, 1866.
DUGALD STEWART	do.	Died in Montreal, 28th September, 1860
GEORGE McDONALD	do.	Died in Montreal, 25th January, 1852.
WILLIAM GUNN	do.	Died in Montreal, 20th November, 1869.
WILLIAM CHRISTIE	do.	Died in Quebec, 16th December, 1856.
WILLIAM ROSS	do.	Died in Montreal, 26th September, 1882
THOMAS A. GIBSON	do.	
ARCHIBALD FERGUSON	13th May, 1855.	Died in Montreal, 9th October, 1876.
JOHN GREENSHIELDS	do.	Died in Montreal, 23rd March, 1867.
HEW RAMSAY	do.	Died in Montreal, 22nd February, 1857.
A. B. STEWART	do.	Resigned, January, 1867.
ROBERT WEIR	do.	
DAVID MORRISON	17th March, 1867.	
WILLIAM R. CROIL	do.	Died at Nassau, N.P., 3rd April, 1873.
ALEXANDER MACPHERSON	do.	
JAMES RIDDELL	23rd April, 1871.	Died in Montreal, 22nd August, 1875.
ALEXANDER MITCHELL	do.	
NEIL J. MCGILLIVRAY	do.	
ROBERT WATSON	do.	Resigned, September, 1879.
CHARLES D. PROCTOR	do.	
WILLIAM REID	do.	
JAMES CROIL	do.	
JAMES ROSE	25 Feb., 1877.	Died in Montreal, 25th April, 1884.
JAMES TASKER	do.	
JAMES A. CANTLIE	do.	
JAMES MOORE	do.	
RICHARD JELLYMAN	do.	Resigned, 24th January, 1885.
ALEXANDER MOFFAT	do.	Resigned, December, 1881.

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MINISTER.

REV. JAMES BARCLAY, M.A. .. 747 Dorchester Street.

MINISTER EMERITUS,

REV. JOHN JENKINS, D.D., LL.D., .. In England.

ELDERS.

THOMAS A. GIBSON,	Residence, 845 Ontario Street.
WILLIAM ROSS,	" 149 Laval Avenue.
ROBERT WEIR,	" 51 Anderson street.
ALEXANDER MACPHERSON,	" 74 McGill College avenue.
DAVID MORRISON,	" 13 Brunswick street.
JAMES CROIL,	" 158 Mansfield street.
NEIL J. MCGILLIVRAY, B. A.,	" In Scotland.
ALEXANDER MITCHELL,	" 83 Simpson street.
CHARLES D. PROCTOR,	" 724 Sherbrooke street.
WILLIAM REID,	" 1746 St. Catherine street.
JAMES CANTLIE,	" 152 Mansfield street.
JAMES MOORE,	" 196 Peel street.
JAMES TASKER,	" 81 Mance street.

<i>Session-Clerk,</i>	T. A. GIBSON, M.A.
<i>Treasurer of Kirk-Session,</i> ..	JAMES TASKER.
<i>Representative Elder,</i>	ALEXANDER MITCHELL.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

ANDREW ALLAN.	ALEXANDER EWAN.
ALEXANDER MITCHELL.	JOHN HOPE.
JOHN C. WATSON.	ROBERT A. RAMSAY.
EDWARD B. GREENSHIELDS.	JOHN RANKIN.

Chairman ANDREW ALLAN.

Secretary, E. B. GREENSHIELDS, 305 Peel street.

Treasurer, ALEXANDER EWAN, 15 Victoria Square.

Organist J. H. ROBINSON, 22 McGill College Avenue.

Superintendent of Sabbath-School. JOHN L. MORRIS, 292 Peel street.

Sexton. THOMAS GARDINER, who resides at the Church.

Elders' Districts.

The Congregation is divided into fourteen Districts. Each District is assigned to one or more Elders. The Elders visit the families in their respective Districts, note changes of residence, and acquaint the Minister and Session of cases requiring special attention, such as sickness, &c. *For residence of Elders see preceding page.*

DISTRICT No. I.—MR. PROCTOR, *pro tempore*.

From McGill street (inclusive) to Dalhousie Square.
From Craig Street (inclusive) to the River.

DISTRICT No. II.—MR. TASKER, *pro tempore*.

From Craig to Sherbrooke Streets (not including either).
From St. Charles Borromee Street (inclusive) to Papineau Road.

DISTRICT No. III.—MR. PROCTOR, *pro tempore*.

From St. Charles Borromee Street (not inclusive) to St. Denis Street.
From Sherbrooke Street (inclusive) to Petite Cote, etc.

DISTRICT No. IV.—MR. WEIR.

From St. Charles Borromee Street (not inclusive) to Bleury Street (inclusive).
From Craig Street to Dorchester Street (including both.)

DISTRICT No. V.—MR. TASKER.

From St. Charles Borromee Street (not inclusive) to Bleury Street (inclusive).
From Dorchester Street (not inclusive) to the Mountain.

DISTRICT No. VI.—MR. GIBSON with MR. MOORE.

From Bleury Street to Union Avenue (not including either).
From Dorchester Street (inclusive) to the Mountain.

DISTRICT No. VII.—MR. MITCHELL.

From Union Avenue to McGill College Avenue (both included).
From Dorchester Street (inclusive) to the Mountain.

DISTRICT No. VIII.—MR. PROCTOR.

From Bleury Street to St. Genevieve Street (not including either).
From Dorchester Street to Craig and St. Antoine Streets (both included.)

DISTRICT No. IX.—MR. CANTLIE.

From St. Genevieve to Mountain Street (both included).
From Dorchester to St. Antoine Streets (both included.)

DISTRICT No. X.—MR. REID.

From Mountain Street (not inclusive) to farthest West.
From Dorchester Street to Bonaventure Street (not including either.)

DISTRICT No. XI.—MR. MACPHERSON.

From McGill College Avenue to Mountain Street (not including either).
From Dorchester Street (not inclusive) to the Mountain.

DISTRICT No. XII.—MR. CROIL.

From Mountain Street (inclusive) to Cote St. Antoine.
From Dorchester Street (inclusive) to Cote des Neiges.

DISTRICT No. XIII.—MR. MORRISON.

From McGill Street to Mountain and McCord Streets (inclusive).
From St. Antoine Street (not inclusive) to the Canal.

DISTRICT No. XIV.—MR. REID, *pro tempore*.

From Mountain and McCord Streets (not including either) to farthest West,
including Wheel-House and Lower Lachine Road.

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PUBLIC WORSHIP on the Lord's Day, at Eleven A.M., and Seven P.M.

WEEKLY SERVICE IN THE CHURCH, Wednesday Evening at Eight o'clock.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL meets every Sabbath at Three P.M.—except in the months of July and August, when the School is closed.

THE MINISTER'S BIBLE-CLASS meets every Tuesday afternoon at half-past Four :—open to all the Congregation.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER is usually administered in the last Sundays of January, May and October.

ORDINARY MEETINGS of the Kirk-Session are held on the first Sabbath of each month, immediately after the Morning Service.

THE MISSIONARY AND BENEVOLENT SCHEMES of the Church are under the management of a Committee, consisting of the Minister, three members of the Kirk-Session, three members of the Board of Trustees, and four members of the Congregation appointed at the Annual Meeting.

Mr. JOHN McDONALD, *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer's address is 231 University Street; Office, No. 414 St. James St.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation for the transaction of business is held in the School-room of the Church, on the second Monday of January in each year.

THE YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION meets in the School-room every Sabbath Morning at a quarter past Ten o'clock, and on alternate Monday Evenings at Eight o'clock during the winter months.

THE DORCAS SOCIETY and LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION meet at half-past Two o'clock on Tuesday afternoons during the winter months.

APPLICATIONS FOR SITTINGS may be made to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees or to the Sexton at the Church.

MEMBERS changing their residence are requested to notify the Minister or the Elder of the District in which they reside.

CASES OF SICKNESS should be made known to the Elder of the District and reported by him to the Minister with as little delay as possible.

Pastoral Letter.

DEAR FRIENDS :

There is much in the past year to encourage us as a congregation and give us heart of hope. Outwardly our congregation has prospered—its roll of membership is larger—the attendance at ordinances has been more regular, and in all the branches of the Church's work there has been a deepened interest and an increased activity.

It is not ours clearly to read, much less to pass sentence on the inner life of others, but our hope and prayer is that the outward prosperity has been accompanied by a proportionate growth in grace and in spiritual life.

The year has had many lessons for us—lessons from commercial disaster and depression, from social and political movements, from Church work and experience—from sickness and death. Sorrow and bereavement have visited several of our homes, and the transiency of the "temporal" has been taught by the removal of our fellow-members alike in cases of lingering sickness, or of startling suddenness.

Thankful for the measure of life and progress we have attained in the past, I am sure, we all feel that we have much to learn and much to unlearn, and that we may well, forgetting the things that are behind, press forward towards a higher mark, towards a closer union with, and a nearer likeness to our Master. The attendance both at the ordinary services and at communion might be more regular, and I would fain see some enter into full communion with us, who for some reason have delayed complying with the Saviour's invitation, "Do this in remembrance of Me."

The Wednesday evening service, the only service we have during the busy week, with its trying cares and its tempting pleasures, might be much better attended. There has been latterly a decided improvement, and with the children leading our praise, I hope to see more of the parents and grown up people availing themselves of this help and privilege.

The Young Men's Association has met with gratifying encouragement and success. The subject chosen for our Monday evening meetings has awakened a wide interest and secured large attendances.

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I am specially pleased with the Sunday morning meetings. My heart has been cheered and my hands greatly strengthened by the attendance of so many, and by their manifest interest in the study of God's word.

Will not more of our young men join us? Whatever they regret, they will never regret doing this. I long for the time when the young men shall be, not as they too often are now, the chief anxiety, but the chief strength and glory of our congregation.

Most cordially do I thank the Trustees for their constant and cheerful readiness to promote in any way they can the welfare of the church; the Elders, for their counsel and cordial co-operation with me in the work of the pastorate; the Superintendent and Teachers of the Sunday School, for their unwearied interest in their work and in the welfare of the scholars; the members of the Ladies' Association, for their labours of love towards the poor; the leader and members of the Choir, for their faithful attendance at practice, for the invaluable assistance they give in the services of the Church, and for the readiness with which they contribute of their "gift of song" to so many of our different meetings. I must thank the children for the way in which they give their time to the Church—it is a joy to all of us to hear their sweet young voices leading us in our praise of God.

I take this opportunity of gratefully acknowledging contributions amounting to \$160, sent to me by one or two members of the congregation, for private distribution amongst deserving poor; this has been a real boon, enabling me to give relief in cases which could not have been otherwise met.

That the new year on which we have entered may be one of continued prosperity and peace—of health and happiness in your homes, of success in your callings—of greater prayerfulness—of holier life—of deepening love to Christ and growing charity toward others is the earnest prayer of

Your affectionate Pastor,

JAMES BARCLAY.

Report of The Kirk-Session.

1884.

The Kirk-Session invites the attention of the Congregation to the accompanying reports of the Board of Trustees, the Committee in charge of the Missionary and Benevolent schemes of the Church, the Statements relating to the Sabbath-Schools, the Minister's Bible-Class and the Young Men's Association. These are better fitted to convey an adequate idea of the life and work of the congregation during the past year, than anything that can be advanced by the Kirk-Session. There is cause for congratulation that the various agencies of the Church are working together harmoniously.

Since the date of last report no less than twenty-two members and adherents of St. Paul's Church have been removed by death—some in youth, some in the prime of life, others in old age. To some, wearisome days and months were appointed; to others, the summons came suddenly. Mr. James Rose, a member of the kirk-session, and for many years an active and useful member of the congregation, died on the 25th of April, after a long and painful illness. The Rev. Thomas Fraser, who since his retirement from the active duties of the ministry has been a member of this congregation, was taken away in his 93rd year, "like as a shock of corn cometh in his season." Let us who remain lay to heart that to each of us, even as to them, the night cometh when none can work.

The attendance at the public services on the Lord's day has been gratifying. Although fewer have hitherto availed themselves of the week-day services than might reasonably be expected, there has been improvement in this respect, also, especially within the last few months. The service of praise continues to be efficiently conducted by Mr. Robinson, who has also given a good deal of time to the instruction of the young in vocal music. A number of the Sabbath-School scholars now regularly assist the choir on the Wednesday evenings. They have also on other occasions added interest to the public services. The new Sunday-School Hymnal has been adopted for use in the week-day meetings and is highly appreciated.

The Minister's Bible-Class now meets on Tuesday afternoon, at half-past four o'clock, instead of Sunday afternoon. Besides being more convenient for the minister, the Sunday-School teachers are thus enabled to attend the class, in which the consecutive study of certain

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portions of Scripture is a special and an interesting feature. The average attendance is from fifty to sixty. It is open to all, old and young, and it is hoped that a still larger number of the congregation will this year take advantage of the instruction which it affords. It affords the Session special pleasure to know that the Sunday meetings of the Young Men's Association have been much better attended than formerly. These fellowship meetings have been highly appreciated by those who have attended them, and are cordially commended to all the young men of the church.

The communion roll having been closely scrutinized, since last report was published, the actual number of communicants at the beginning of the year was found to be 490. Eighty-five were added to the roll during the year—twenty-four by examination and sixty-one by certificate from other churches. Ten were removed by death, and ten by change of residence. The present number on the roll of communicants is 555—a net increase for the year of sixty-five.

There were present at the communion in January, 416; in June, 404; in October, 410. During the year, 531 different persons joined in one or other of the communion services.

The Session have agreed that, in the absence of any unforeseen occurrence, the Sacrament of the Lords' Supper will be statedly observed on the last Sundays of January, May, and October.

The number of Baptisms during the year, was	23
“ Marriages	8
“ Burials	22

In closing, the Session takes the opportunity of commending to the special notice of the congregation the claims of the Missionary and Benevolent schemes of the Church. It is hoped that the increased responsibilities connected with the maintenance of ordinances among ourselves, will not be allowed to interfere with the duty we owe to those in the remote settlements of our own country, and in distant heathen lands, who do not enjoy the religious privileges which we possess. The whole amount contributed last year through the Schedule system was \$3,550. This, as explained in the report, is a trifle less than was given the previous year for these purposes. The Session is glad to notice, however, that the number of contributors is slightly increased. Yet it is a very small amount compared with our ability, with what is spent upon ourselves, and with the requirements of the mission fields. Since it has come to our knowledge that in that part

of Central India, in which the Canadian Mission is situated, there is only one Christian Missionary for every two millions of heathens, a proposal has been made by some members of the congregation to provide the means of supporting an additional missionary in that country, without in any way interfering with the pecuniary support we are at present giving to the schemes of the Assembly. It is needless to say that the Session heartily endorses the proposal and will be glad to hear that it is carried into effect. But whether this is done or not, the Session earnestly desires and hopes that during the year on which we have entered, every member and adherent of St. Paul's Church will, in one form or other, and in such measure as they may be able, esteem it their privilege no less than their duty, in this way to help on the Lords' work.

"God be merciful to us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us; that Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations."

In name and behalf of the Kirk-Session,

T. A. GIBSON,

Session-Clerk.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,
31st December, 1884.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY TREASURER OF KIRK-SESSION.
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1884.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance from 1883.....		\$ 41.08
Collections for the Poor, as under:—		
January 20	\$150.38	
June 1	160.72	
October 12	175.00	
November 17	92.51	
December 25	118.54	
	\$697.15	
		\$738.23
PAYMENTS.		
By relief to the poor in twelve families.....	\$380.50	
" Poor, per Rev. J Barclay	35.00	
" Session Clerk	100.00	
" Bursary to Theological Student.....	50.00	
" Church Social, old account (1883).....	5.00	
" Communion elements.....	27.75	
" Communion cards and envelopes.	13.50	
" "Witness" account.....	10.00	
" Balance on hand	116.48	
	\$738.23	

Montreal, Dec. 31, 1884.

JAMES TASKER,

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The Annual Meeting.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of St. Paul's Church, held within the School-room of the Church, on Monday the twelfth of January, 1885, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. John Hope was called to the chair, and Mr. E. B. Greenshields requested to act as secretary.

After these appointments were made the meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barclay.

The minutes of the last annual meeting, held on the 14th January, 1884, were read and confirmed.

The Secretary then read the annual report of the Trustees, in further explanation of which the Chairman read a minute of a meeting of the Trustees in reference to the prices to be charged for the sittings in the different parts of the Church, and thoroughly explained the views of the Board regarding the advance in the rental of the pews, and the state of the finances of the Congregation generally.

Whereupon it was moved by Mr. P. S. Ross, seconded by Mr. J. Larmonth, and carried

That the report of the Trustees be approved of, and adopted, and that it, with the Treasurer's statement, and the minutes of this meeting, be printed for circulation among the members of the Congregation.

Mr. Tasker then read the report of the Standing Committee on the Missionary and Benevolent schemes of the Church,—when it was moved by Mr. H. Munro, seconded by Mr. M. Mackenzie, and resolved:—

That the report of the committee be received, approved, and printed with the other reports for distribution, and that the Committee be thanked on behalf of the Congregation, for the manner in which it has managed the funds contributed by the members of the Congregation during the year, and that the special thanks of the Congregation are due, and are hereby tendered to, Mr. J. Tasker for his able conduct as Treasurer.

The following resolutions were then moved, seconded and carried in the order mentioned, viz. :

Moved by Mr. J. Tasker, seconded by Mr. H. Newman,

That, inasmuch as the Committee on the Missionary and Benevolent Schemes of the Church has been found to be too large, it be not re-appointed, but that the Committee for the future shall consist of the Minister of the Church, three members of the Session, three members of the Board of Trustees, and four members to be elected by the Congregation,—and that Mr. J. Murray Smith, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. J. L. Morris, and Mr. John McDonald be elected as the four members from the Congregation for the current year.

Moved by Mr. Gavin Houston, seconded by Mr. William V. Gordon,

That the thanks of the Congregation be tendered to the Trustees for their able and satisfactory management of the financial affairs of the Church during the past year.

Moved by Mr. Robert Macfarlane, seconded by Mr. John Baird,

That Mr. J. C. Watson and Mr. Alex. Mitchell be re-elected Trustees for the usual term.

Moved by Mr. R. A. Ramsay, seconded by Mr. John Lewis,

That Messrs. John Fair and P. S. Ross be thanked for their services as auditors for the past year, and that they be requested to continue their office for the present year.

Moved by Mr. J. C. Watson, seconded by Mr. G. M. Kinghorn,

That the thanks of the Congregation are due, and are hereby tendered to the Organist for the attentive and able manner in which he has conducted the musical service of the Church ; and to the members of the choir for their valuable assistance.

Mr. William Reid then moved a vote of thanks to Mr. John Hope, the chairman of the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. C. D. Proctor, and was carried in a very cordial manner.

There being no further business before the meeting, it was closed with prayer.

JOHN HOPE, *Chairman.*

E. B. GREENSHIELDS, *Secretary.*

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Report of the Trustees.

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting to the Congregation their annual report of the finances of the Church.

They note with satisfaction that the year has been a very prosperous one, and that the Congregation has increased in numbers, and in activity under the able ministration of the Rev. JAMES BARCLAY, M.A., who has worked energetically and successfully for the welfare of the Church.

As will be seen, on reference to the Treasurer's statement, there are several items of an exceptional nature in the expenditure this year, which do not properly come under the head of annual expenses. These make the amount drawn by the Treasurer from the Guarantee Fund larger than it would otherwise have been.

The Trustees are glad to see that there is a considerable increase this year in the amounts received from pew rents and also from the plate collections. While this is very gratifying, it is evident that no additional income from the present pew rents can be expected for the ensuing year, as every seat in the Church is let except those retained for the free sittings. Last year the scheme of increasing the revenue of the Church by voluntary additions to the pew rents, was proposed, but although the plan was received in a favorable way, very little of a practical nature resulted.

As the Congregation has now had more than a year's experience of its increased responsibility, and as it is evidently necessary that the Church's revenue should be added to considerably, the Trustees have, after very careful consideration, decided upon raising the rents of the pews.

The Board hopes and feels confident, that, by adopting this means, and assisted by an increased liberality on the part of the members of the Church in the Sunday collections, to which their earnest attention is asked, the Congregation will have its financial affairs placed upon a permanently satisfactory footing.

The Trustees who now retire by rotation are Messrs. Alex. Mitchell and John C. Watson, both of whom are eligible for re-election.

ANDREW ALLAN,
Chairman.

MONTREAL, 12th Jan., 1885.

Dr. **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.** **Cr.**
TREASURER'S STATEMENT FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1884.

RECEIPTS.	1884.	EXPENDITURE.	1884.
Jan. 1. To balance forward from 1883.....	\$297.79	By Cash paid during the year:	
Dec. 31. " Cash received from		Rev. Dr. Jenkins.....	\$2000.00
Pew Rents to date.....	\$5954.50	Rev. Mr. Barclay.....	7300.00
" " Special.....	220.00	Pulpit Supply.....	\$9300.00
" " Arrears.....	276.75	" Church Officer.....	40.00
" Received from Plate Collections:	6451.25	" Organist's Salary.....	500.00
Ordinary.....	\$3022.22	" Tuning Organ and water for same	57.58
Special.....	697.15	" Music for Choir.....	80.52
" Received from Guarantee Fund.....	3719.37	" Poor Fund Collections.....	1063.08
	4300.00	" Water Tax.....	697.15
		" Coal Account.....	\$115.90
		" Gas.....	402.40
		" Special Property Tax.....	246.73
		" New Furnaces, &c.....	765.03
		" Sundry repairs to Building, &c.....	187.91
		" Sundry accounts, as per list.....	707.66
		" balance on hand forward to 1885.....	551.38
			680.13
			276.07
	<u>\$14,768.41</u>		<u>\$14,768.41</u>

Audited and found correct.
JOHN FAIR, Auditor.
P. S. ROSS, Auditor.

Montreal, 31st December, 1884.
ALEX. EWAN,
Treasurer.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE MISSIONARY AND BENEVOLENT SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

The return of Schedules is as follows :

5 contributions of	\$1.00	\$5.00
10 " "	2.00	20.00
2 " "	3.00	6.00
3 " "	4.00	12.00
15 " "	5.00	75.00
2 " "	6.00	12.00
3 " "	8.00	24.00
12 " "	10.00	120.00
2 " "	12.00	24.00
1 " "	15.00	15.00
13 " "	20.00	260.00
8 " "	25.00	200.00
5 " "	30.00	150.00
1 " "	35.00	35.00
3 " "	40.00	120.00
1 " "	42.00	42.00
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16 " "	50.00	800.00
1 " "	75.00	75.00
4 " "	100.00	400.00
1 " "	145.00	145.00
2 " "	200.00	400.00
1 " "	300.00	300.00
1 " "	400.00	400.00
12 " "	included in above.	
125 Total		\$3688.11

Five anonymous contributions are included in above, viz. : one of \$2.00, one of \$4.00, one of \$12.00, one of \$25.00, and one of \$50.00.

The amount contributed is less by \$300. than that of the previous year. This is to be regretted. While it may be accounted for by death and removal of several of the largest contributors, it would have been pleasing to state that others had come forward to take their places. It will be noticed, however, that the number of contributors has slightly increased, although it appears that more than one-half of the parties to whom the schedules were sent made no response whatever.

The Committee are sorry to say that their esteemed chairman, Mr. J. Murray Smith, who has always taken a very deep interest in this department of the Church's work, has been for some months laid aside by sickness, and is now in Britain for the benefit of his health. In the meantime, in accordance with a resolution passed at the annual meeting of the Congregation, the Committee has been reconstructed, and now consists of the minister, three members elected by the Kirk-Session, three by the Board

Treasurer.

ALEX. EWAN,

Montreal, 31st December, 1884.

Audited and found correct.
JOHN FAIR, Auditor.
P. S. ROSS, Auditor.

The Sabbath-School.

JOHN L. MORRIS	..	..	..	<i>Superintendent.</i>
F. E. JODERY,	
JOHN FAIR, JUNR.	..	..	..	<i>Librarian and Secretary.</i>
KENNETH MCLEA,	..	..	..
WM. SHAW,	..	..	..	} <i>Assistant Librarians.</i>
WM. CAMERON,	..	..	..

TEACHERS.

Mrs. MORRIS,	Miss GREENSHIELDS,	Mr. PHILIP S. ROSS,
" TASKER,	" FAIR,	" HOMER TAYLOR,
Miss RAMSAY,	" MCLEOD,	" HY. NEWMAN,
" CALDWELL,	" JESSIE SHANKS,	" JODERY,
" HELEN GARDINER,	" DRUMMOND,	" JOHNSTON.
" CROIL,	" OGILVY,	
" McCULLOCH,	" CHRISTIE,	
" BROWN,	" McARTHUR,	
" SHANKS,	" BROWN,	
" ROBERTSON.	" SHAW,	
" LAWDER,	" ADAMS,	

The day for holding the Minister's Bible-Class, which was reported last year upon the roll, has recently been changed to Tuesday, so that it no longer is connected with the School.

The number of Scholars upon the roll is 239, shewing increase since last report of 29, and an increase of 3 teachers.

The attention of the Scholars has, as usual, been directed to Missionary objects. The Cot in the Children's ward of the Montreal General Hospital is still supported by the School at a cost of \$60 a year.

The other objects contributed to are the Formosa Mission, \$75; The India Juvenile Mission, and The Bible-Women's Effort, Montreal.

The Home Mission Scheme of the Church. The Helping-Hand Society, and the Student's Missionary Association. The School has derived great benefit from the kindly sympathy and encouragement of the pastor, Rev. Jas. Barclay, who has endeavored to be always present both at the opening and closing exercises.

The Teachers and Scholars have had great pleasure in welcoming amongst them on several occasions, their old Superintendent and friend, Mr. Croil, to whose interesting addresses they always listen with delight.

Mr. Robinson again kindly trained the Scholars for the part which they took in the Christmas service.

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Treasurer.

DEC., 1884.

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ON, Auditor.

He has also invited the older Scholars to attend a week-day practice on Wednesday evening, thus fitting them to join with the rest of the congregation in the service of praise.

Miss J. Greenshields has also contributed greatly to the improvement of the singing in the School, not only by presiding at the organ, but also by meeting with the Scholars every Saturday morning for half an hour, for the practice of the hymns to be sung on the ensuing Sabbath.

On New Year's day the Scholars as usual attended the mass meeting of Sabbath-Schools, connected with the Montreal Sabbath-School Teacher's Association, under the presidency of Mr. Croil.

The missionary collections for the year were \$234.42, of which \$44.85 were from the Bible-Class.

JOHN I. MORRIS,
Superintendent.

Victoria Mission Sabbath-School.

EXECUTIVE.

Mr. JOHN LARMONTH,	..	..	..	<i>Superintendent.</i>
" GEORGE WILSON,	..	..	..	<i>Secretary.</i>
" D. J. FINLAYSON,	..	..	..	<i>Assistant Secretary.</i>
" W. S. LEE,	..	..	..	<i>Treasurer.</i>
" CHARLES TYMONDS,	..	..	..	} <i>Joint Librarians.</i>
" PETER MCPHEE,	..	..	..

TEACHERS.

Mr. W. DUNCAN,	Mrs. TYMONDS,
" ROBT. DONALDSON,	Miss ROUGH,
" W. S. LEE,	" PARKER,
" J. C. PATON,	" CRAIG,
" D. M. FINLAYSON,	" ANDERSON,
" THOS. LOGAN,	" WILSON,
" JONAH HOWELL,	" FINLAYSON.

The number of Teachers and Scholars on the roll at the close of the year is about the same as the preceding year, viz : 196 Scholars, and 19 Teachers.

The Missionary collections for the year amounted to \$87.55, being an average of about \$1.86 per Sabbath.

The Sunday evening meetings are conducted by Mr. J. H. Higgins, of the Presbyterian College, who was requested by the members

attending, to take charge of the services again this winter. The collections average \$1.05 per service, and these supplemented by generous subscriptions from members and friends in the district, suffice to pay all expenses connected with these meetings. The School closed during the months of July and August, but "Children's Services" were conducted by the Teachers living in the immediate vicinity of the School, and were very successful. The Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand at the end of the year. Notwithstanding that a new furnace had to be put in to replace the one used since the chapel was built.

At the commencement of the year the young Ladies connected with the Sunday-School, organized a "Cheerful Workers' Society" with the express object of maintaining a Scholar in the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools, for a term of years, at an annual cost of \$50. It is pleasing to state that already sufficient has been raised to cover this amount for two years. Would that more had the spirit and earnestness of our "Cheerful Workers' Society" in doing missionary work at home or abroad.

The Ladies of the School and district have under contemplation a Bazaar to be held during the coming year, the entire proceeds of which are to be devoted to reducing the present mortgage (of \$1200) on the building. In this effort they ask the support and countenance of the members of our congregation.

Arbour Day in May last, was celebrated by the Scholars and Teachers planting some 30 trees in the vacant lot, and around the Chapel on the street front. The expense was borne by gentlemen teachers.

JOHN LARMONTH.

The Young Men's Association.

REV. JAMES BARCLAY,	..	..	..	<i>Hon-President.</i>
DR. W. G. BEERS,	..	..	..	<i>President.</i>
W. G. KINLOCH,	..	..	..	} <i>Vice-Presidents.</i>
JOHN SHAW,	..	..	..
ALEX. MCFEE,	..	..	..
W. G. KINLOCH,	..	..	..	<i>Secretary-Treasurer.</i>
				<i>Sec'y Sunday Morning Meeting.</i>

Committee :

J. H. SAMUEL,	JOHN BAIRD,
WILLIAM JOHNSTON,	GORDON MACPHERSON,
W. G. ROSS,	W. A. CARLYLE,
J. A. KINLOCH,	W. M. STYLES.
F. E. JODREY.	

Musical Committee :

J. H. ROBINSON,	-	-	<i>Convener.</i>
REV. J. BARCLAY,			W. S. ROSS,
K. R. MACPHERSON,			J. SHAW.
A. F. ANGUS.			

The Young Men's Association, in submitting its report for the past year, does so with thankfulness for the abundant success vouchsafed to it.

In the beginning of October, the first meeting was held to re-organize for the winters' work, at which the office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year. It was decided after due deliberation to change the nature of the regular fortnightly meetings, and have a consecutive series of papers upon Canadian history; to make the meetings open to all members and friends of the congregation, including the ladies; and to devote the first thirty minutes of the meeting to a musical programme. A syllabus was prepared accordingly. The Society feels that the new departure has been beneficial, as evidenced in the large attendance, especially of the young men of the Church, the membership now being 143, as compared with 65 last year. Gratifying as the increase is, we still feel that there are many young men in the congregation who have not yet joined us, and we trust they will soon be enrolled as members.

The Sunday morning meetings at 10:15 o'clock, "that were inaugurated by Mr. Barclay, on assuming the pastorate of the Church, have been particularly well attended, there being a marked increase over last year. To those who attend, the meeting is a source of very much good in affording an opportunity of mutual study of the Scriptures. Therein lies the strength of the Society, we trust all the young men of the Church will make an effort to attend, as they will find it not only a pleasure but a privilege to be there. The number on the roll at present is forty. The average attendance is eighteen.

The financial condition of the Society is in a satisfactory state, being free from debt at the beginning of the winters' work.

ALEX. MCFEE,
Secretary-Treasurer.

31st December, 1884.

Dorcas Society.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR NINE MONTHS, VIZ.: FROM JANUARY 1ST TO OCTOBER 1ST, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance from Dec. 31st, 1883	\$130.27	
" Subscriptions, &c.	3.67	
" Balance due Treasurer.	6.86	
		\$140.80

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid for flannel and blankets	\$ 29.20	
" Payments on account of rent, &c.	107.00	
" Sundry small accounts.	4.60	
		\$140.80

ELIZABETH G. TASKER,

Sec'y-Treasurer.

Oct. 7th, 1884.

Ladies' Aid Society.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FROM JAN'Y 1st TO OCTOBER 7th, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

To balance from Dec. 31st, 1883	\$61.74	
" Members' fees	12.00	
" Goods sold	3.30	
" Collected for Industrial Bazaar	81.50	
		\$158.54

EXPENDITURE.

By Namur Mission	\$10.00	
" Flannel for Hospital	12.50	
" Material for Industrial Bazaar	45.30	
" Cash paid Treasurer of Industrial Rooms	81.50	
Balance	9.24	
		\$158.54

JESSIE SANDERSON,

Treasurer, Ladies' Aid Society.

At a meeting, held October 7th, 1884, the above Societies were united under the name of "Ladies' Dorcas and Aid Society," with the following office-bearers.

Mrs. BARCLAY,	<i>Hon'y-President.</i>
" TASKER,	<i>President.</i>
" MACFARLANE,	<i>Vice-President.</i>
Miss ROBERTSON,	<i>Treasurer.</i>

During the last three months of the year, one hundred and four yards of unmade material, several warm garments and four pairs of boots were given to the poor and needy. In November, twenty-eight flannel garments were sent to the Hervey Institute. In December, eighteen pinafores to Children's ward in General Hospital, also seven nightgales to Ladies' Benevolent. The above garments were the work of the members, who meet on Tuesday afternoons at half-past two.

Thanks are due those ladies who undertook the arduous duty of collecting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LADIES' DORCAS AND AID SOCIETY,
FROM OCTOBER 7TH TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance received from Miss Sanderson.....	\$ 9.24
" Membership fees and collections.....	249.30
" Goods sold.....	8.41
	\$266.95

DISBURSEMENTS.

By balance due Mrs. Tasker	\$ 6.86
" Flannel, cotton, blankets and boots.....	74.06
" Amount paid towards support of two women...	14.00
" Diet, Dispensary.....	10.00
" Balance in hand.....	162.03
	\$266.95

MISS ROBERTSON,
Sec'y-Treasurer.

31 December, 1884.

The Choir.

Mrs. MCINTYRE,
Miss LUSHER.
" EVANS,
" IDA EVANS,
" REID,
" MACPHERSON,
Mrs. DARLING,
Miss McDONALD,
" MACPHERSON,
" DARLING,

Mr. SHAW,
" HOUSTON,
" ROSS,
" K. R. MACPHERSON.
" A. F. ANGUS.
" JOHN BROWNING.
" J. CALDWELL,
" G. B. MACPHERSON,

J. HENRY ROBINSON,
Organist and Choir Master.

Summary of Revenue and Contributions.

Received by the Board of Trustees	\$10,170.62
" by the Committee for the Schemes of the Church	3,799.19
Received towards the Congregational Endowment Fund	2,697.00
Contributions to Queen's College Fund	1,740.00
" to Manitoba College	1,560.00
" to Presbyterian College, Montreal	1,065.00
" to Augmentation of Stipends Fund	1,158.70
Missionary contributions of the Sabbath-School	234.42
The Dorcas and Ladies' Aid Society	346.47
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	\$22,771.40

In addition to these Congregational contributions, a large amount is annually paid by members of St. Paul's Church to the benevolent institutions of the city, as well as for educational purposes.