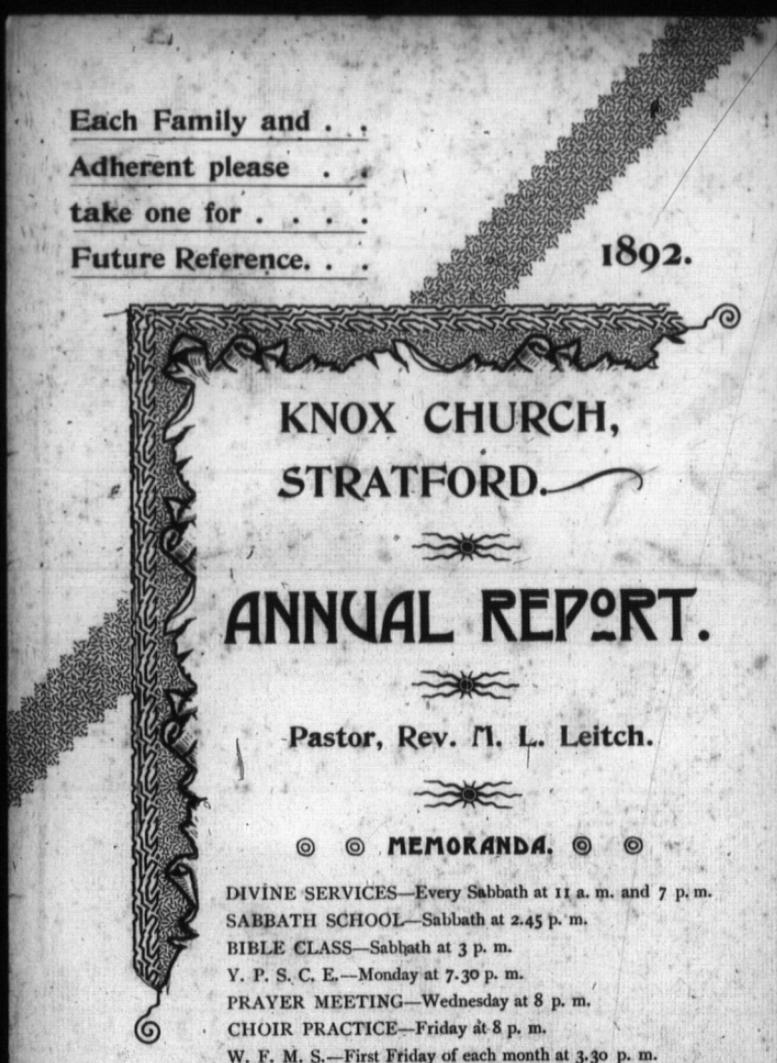


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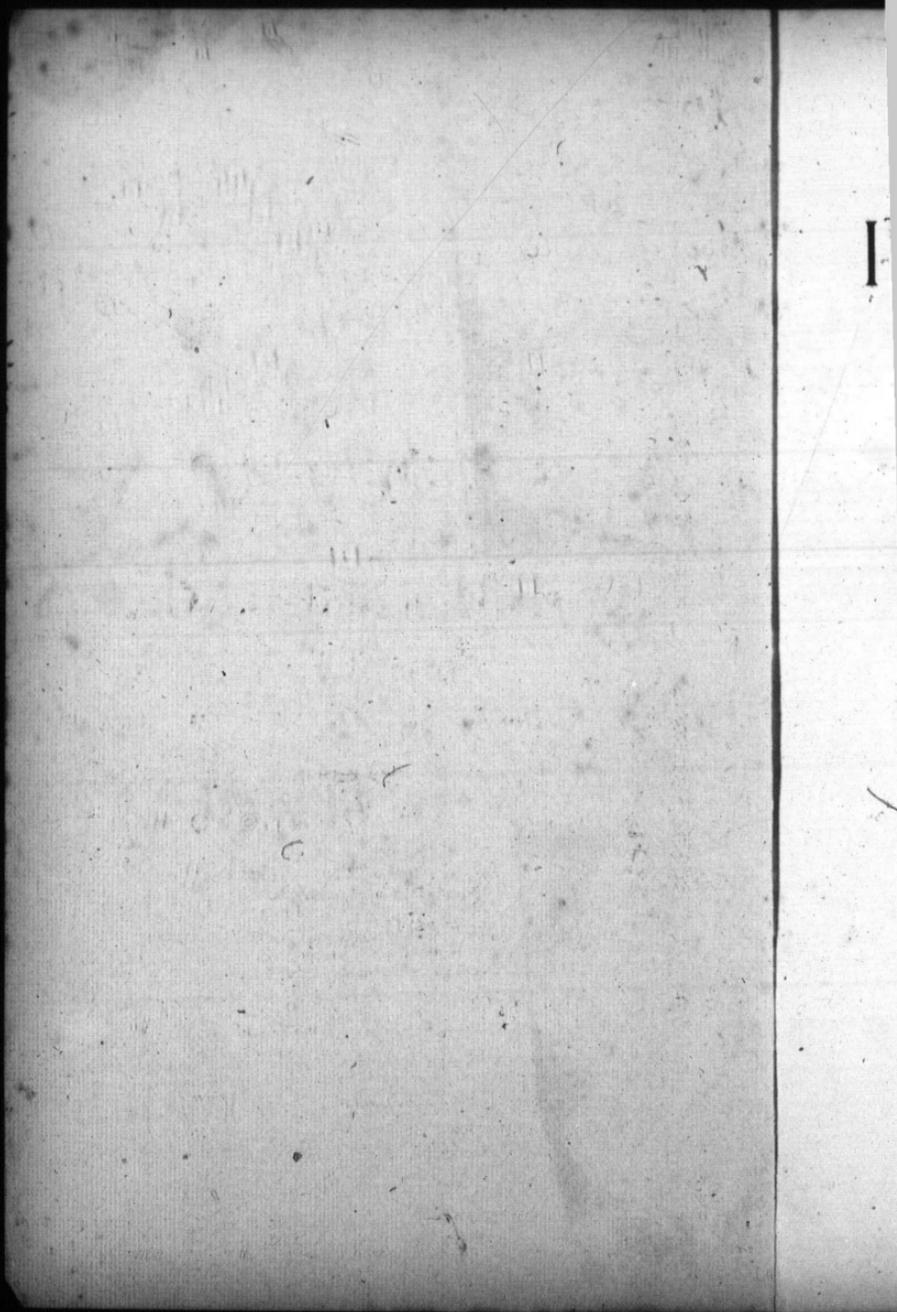
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Pastor, Rev. M. L. Leitch.

◎ ◎ MEMORANDA. ◎ ◎

- DIVINE SERVICES—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, September  
and December.  
JUNIOR Y. P. S. C. E.—Every Friday at 4.30 p. m.

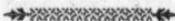


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## ANNUAL REPORT

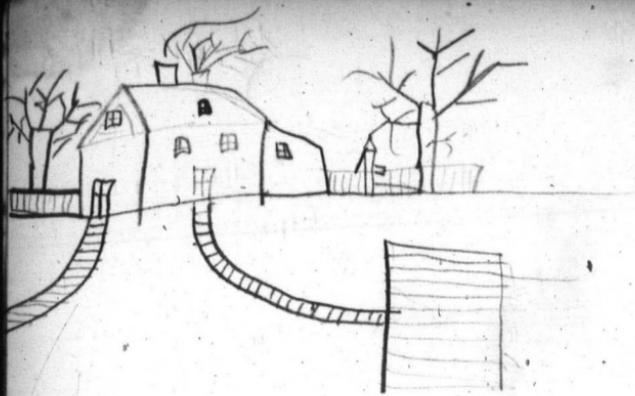
FOR THE 

Year Ending December 31st, 1892.

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## Report of Session for 1892.

THE Members of Session wish to put on record their gratitude to God that this year He preserved their number unbroken, whilst last year they were called upon to part with three brethren.

The usual steps were taken and an addition of four made to the eldership, making the number 16, and districts assigned to each.

Eighty-eight additions were made to the membership of the Church, 40 by certificate and 48 by profession of faith; the removals were 21 by certificate and 11 by death, making our net gain for the year 56, and our total membership, 633.

The Members of Session would here express their sympathy to all afflicted, tried and troubled ones. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

The attendance on the ordinary means of grace was well sustained. The Church owes a deep debt of gratitude to all her earnest workers in the Sabbath School and Bible Class, and would especially remember the faithful services of Mr. Hunter as Superintendent for many years.

The continued interest shown by the young people in the Y. P. S. C. E. and Junior Endeavor gives us much satisfaction.

The increased contributions to the schemes of the Church through the various missionary organizations show greater interest in the work and a deeper appreciation of our privileges. We here again commend to the prayers and sympathies of the congregation, Miss Duncan, now a missionary of our Church in India.

The Session received a bequest of \$50 to our Poor Fund, which came very opportunely, the demands on the Fund being unusually heavy.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed four times as usual and the Sacrament of Baptism administered to 51 persons, two of whom were adults.

The choir rendered freely excellent service and in this connection we would not forget—the voluntary service for over a year by Mr. Ballantyne as organist. After four years' faithful service, Mr. Freeland's resignation was accepted and Mr. Alexander appointed choir-master and organist.

The Session would reverently acknowledge that Salvation is of the Lord and attribute to Him all that is worth recording in connection with the progress of His Kingdom in our midst and would conclude with the words of the Master, "This is My Commandment, that ye Love one another even as I have loved you."

M. L. LEITCH, Moderator.

JOHN McINTYRE, Clerk.

### Members of Session.

REV. M. L. LEITCH, Pastor.

Mr. Wm. Dunn,	Mr. H. McDermid,
Mr. James Callin,	Mr. W. Douglas,
Mr. Wm. Ireland,	Mr. J. Mills,
Mr. George Hunter,	Mr. W. Jeffrey,
Mr. S. Rankin,	Mr. G. Malcolm,
Mr. J. Barton,	Mr. D. McKay,
Mr. H. Duncan,	Mr. A. Williamson.
Mr. R. D. Hamilton,	Mr. J. McIntyre.



## IN MEMORIAM.



NAME.	AGE.	DATE.
Wm. Doig.....	44 years	Jan. 9
Mrs. Nunns (R. Ross' dau.)	27 years	Jan. 18
John Payne.....	46 years	Feb. 8
Douglas, son of R. Porteous.	1 year 3 mos	Feb. 21
Thomas Robertson.....	70 years 11 "	Feb. 26
A. Dingwall, child.....	1 year 5 "	Mar. 3
J. Beattie.....	71 years 8 "	Mar. 13
Mrs. S. Scott.....	76 years 11 "	Apr. 26
Miss M. McLean.....	40 years	May 19
Mrs. Jas. Stewart.....	42 years 9 "	May 21
Phil, son of A. F. Philips....	4 years 1 "	June 2
Arthur Robb.....	46 years	June 7
James E. Edmonds.....	18 years 4 "	June 26
Mrs. R. Cawston.....	71 years	July 4
J. H. Mayberry.....	11 "	July 20
Mrs. T. M. Daly.....	69 years	July 29
J. M. McLeod, infant.....	3 "	Aug. 5
H. McLarty.....	50 years	Aug. 20
Mrs. A. S. Gourlay.....	24 years 3 "	Aug. 25
Mrs. Grace Murray.....	52 years	Aug. 26
Mrs. Donald Campbell.....	50 years	Aug. 26
Jas. Crosssett.....	76 years	Sept. 1
Mrs. John Campbell.....	58 years	Sept. 5
R. Gibb, child.....	1 year	Sept. 30
Mrs. Nairn.....	64 years	Nov. 9
Maggie Ross Nunns.....	10 "	Nov. 3
Mrs. G. Gibb.....	25 years 4 "	Dec. 1



## Knox Church Managers' Annual Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1892.

THE Board of Managers of Knox Church in submitting their annual report for 1892 are pleased to state that it shows a satisfactory progress for which we are thankful, and for which we have searched the records of the congregation in vain for a parallel.

There is happily an increase in the revenue from Pew Rents, Sabbath Collections; Anniversary, Hospital and Thanksgiving Charities, over what was recorded a year ago. Commencing the year with a balance on hand of \$464.59, we expended during the year \$4,939.18 and still have a balance on hand at the end of the year of \$361.62. Included in this expenditure we show a re-constructed second furnace, the stonework of the Church foundations and buttresses re-cemented and pointed, window sashes and fence re-painted; the payment for the purchase of the Church organ, insurance and fuel, and a reduction of \$700 from the principal of the mortgage debt. Your Board would recommend that the mortgage debt which has now been reduced to \$6,800 be reduced from the balance on hand by the sum of \$300.00 and by further sums from time to time as the cash on hand shall warrant. Your Board regret that an otherwise favorable report should be marred by the state of the arrears of Pew Rents which show an increase as compared with last year of \$116.70, the total being \$765.50, but which we are glad to inform you have been reduced since the new year by \$187.00 making the net arrears to-night \$578.50.

The arrears of a year ago all came in during the year, except about \$190. With regard to arrears your Board would say that it only requires a more uniform habit of payment in advance to have them reduced to a minimum. Your Board are thankful for the way the congregation have supported, by their contributions, their policy of efficiency with economy in order to the wiping out of our Church debt, and hope there shall be no departure from these lines until the last of the debt shall have been wiped out and the Church be as free from debt as God would have his people.

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The members of the Board retiring this year by the effluxion of time are: Messrs. F. D. Hamilton, C. E. Nasmyth, and Andrew Johnston.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ANDREW JOHNSTON,                      JAMES BENNOCH,  
Secretary.                                      Chairman.

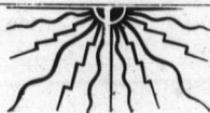
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MANAGERS FOR 1893.

Mr. James Bennoch,                      Mr. John McMillan,  
Mr. R. Donaldson,                      Mr. James Dow,  
Mr. D. Stewart,                      Mr. John McIntyre,  
Mr. T. Trow,                      Mr. A. Jeffrey,  
Mr. James W. Brown.

USHERS FOR 1893.

Mr. Wm. Donaldson,                      Mr. Peter Bradshaw,  
Mr. W. Neil,                      Mr. W. C. Orr,  
Mr. James McFadden,                      Mr. Geo. Kay,  
Mr. Kenneth Turnbull.



## Knox Church Financial Statement for 1892.

### RECEIPTS.

To Cash Balance in Bank .....	\$ 464 59	
" Pew Rent .....	2301 12	
" Collected on Arrears .....	458 68	
" Sabbath Collections .....	1541 61	
" Sabbath Anniversary Collections .....	154 70	
" Sabbath Hospital Collections .....	133 00	
" Preparatory Collections .....	49 85	
" Thanksgiving (Poor Fund) .....	65 00	
" Donation (Poor Fund) .....	50 00	
" Anniversary Social .....	80 25	
" Porch .....	2 00	
		\$5300 80

### EXPENDITURE.

By Rev. M. L. Leitch .....	\$2000 00	
" W. J. Freeland .....	250 00	
" R. Donaldson .....	500 00	
" Pulpit Supply .....	66 25	
" Presbytery and Synod .....	46 10	
" Poor Fund .....	108 60	
" Property Repairs .....	197 56	
" Printing and Stationery .....	33 36	
" Porch .....	26 00	
" Insurance .....	70 00	
" Organ Rent and Purchase .....	90 00	
" Anniversary Services .....	18 00	
" Miscellaneous .....	33 35	
" Fuel .....	132 96	
" Gas .....	127 00	
" Hospital .....	133 00	
" Mortgage Interest .....	417 00	
" Mortgage Reduced .....	700 00	
		\$4939 18
Cash Balance in Bank .....	\$ 361 62	
		\$5300 80
Arrears due Dec. 31st, 1892 .....	\$765 50	

We hereby certify that we have examined the Books of Accounts and Vouchers of R. DONALDSON, Treasurer of Knox Church, for 1892, and have found them correct.

CHARLES SCOTT,  
JAMES MACDONALD, } AUDITORS.

## Knox Church Sabbath School Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1892.

IN submitting the report of the Sabbath School and Bible Class, we would again acknowledge with thankfulness the saving help of our God, in all success attending the work in which we have been engaged during the year.

Our number has not been broken by the angel of death.

In such a large school each year is marked by many changes, some of a joyous nature and others as a cross to be meekly borne. We are glad at every accession to our number of scholars and teachers and at every token of blessing which has come to any through the school. We are sorry at every phase of loss sustained in character or number and chief among the losses to the school during the year, we deem the fact that four of our most faithful teachers and workers have ceased working with us: Miss Jessie Duncan by going out to the foreign mission field in India; Miss Bella Orr, by removing to Guelph; Mrs. Merry (nee Miss Mowat) by removing to the British Metropolis; and Mrs. Hislop, on account of ill health. While regretting our loss we are glad to know that all are still able to witness and work for the Master, and that to some it is given to stand in the high places of the field and fight in the front of the battle. "God be with you till we meet again." We cannot estimate the worth that four such workers has been to our school, and we ask you to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers to His harvest.

We are pleased the Bible Class continues to prosper under the leadership of Mr. George Malcolm and that from its members and the Sabbath School many during the year have come forward into full communion with the Church.

The financial statement shows the finances of the school to be in a prosperous condition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE HUNTER, Superintendent.

## Sabbath School Financial Report

FOR THE YEAR 1892.

### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand.....	\$126 68	
Sabbath Collections.....	215 60	
Sabbath Collections, Mission Barrels.....	5 40	
		\$347 68

### DISBURSEMENTS.

1892.		
Feb. 11.	J. H. Kenner, Library.....	\$ 24 61
Mar. 1.	J. Hord, S. S. Con.....	3 00
Mar. 10.	Indore Missions.....	50 00
"	Point Aux Trembles.....	50 00
Aug. 12.	N. T. Wilson, Books.....	7 02
"	S. S. Supplies.....	5 25
"	N. T. Wilson, Papers, $\frac{1}{2}$ year account, 1892.....	47 46
Dec. 11.	N. T. Wilson, Papers, $\frac{1}{2}$ year account, 1893.....	43 50
Dec. 31.	Indore Mission.....	50 00
"	Point Aux Trembles.....	50 00
	Drafts.....	36
	Balance on hand.....	16 48
		\$347 68

### Office-Bearers.

MR. G. HUNTER, Superintendent.

" W. IRELAND, Assist.-Superintendent.

" DOUGLAS BROWNLEE, Secretary.

" G. HAMILTON, Assist.-Secretary.

" R. DONALDSON, Treasurer.

" G. MALCOLM, Teacher of Bible Class.

MESSRS. G. HAMILTON, P. STEWART, L. ROBERTSON,

D. Dow, Librarians.

MISS McLENNAN, Organist.

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**Teachers.**

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Mrs. Brown,	Miss Patton,
“ Alexander,	“ Forbes,
“ White,	“ McDonald,
Miss M. S. Miller,	“ Rattray,
“ Turnbull,	“ K. Hamilton,
“ Johnston,	“ A. Duncan,
“ Fortune,	“ McIntosh,
“ Gourlay,	“ Stevenson,
“ Moderwell,	“ Hunter,
“ E. Stevenson,	“ Dalzell,
“ Hyde,	“ Bruce,
“ Cassels,	“ Grant,
“ McLennan,	Mr. Ireland,
“ A. E. Miller,	“ McKay,
“ Ireland,	“ Williamson,
“ A. McIntyre,	“ Stewart.
“ Douglas.	“ White.
“ J. McDonald,	



## Missionary Association Financial Statement.

FOR THE YEAR 1891-92.

### RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1, 1892. To balance on hand..... \$359 18    \$359 18

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Mar. 10, '92.	Home Mission.....	200 00	
For 1891.	Augmentation.....	20 00	
	Foreign Mission.....	75 00	
	Widows' Fund.....	10 00	
	Aged & infirm Ministers	15 00	
	French Evangelization..	20 00	
	Manitoba College.....	10 00	350 00

Balance..... 9 18

\$359 18

Mar. 10, 1892. To bal. on hand..... 9 18

Contributions from collectors as follows:

Miss Miller.....	36 60
“ Duncan.....	2 15
“ Moderwell.....	15 65
“ Dow and Forbes...	24 75
“ Ireland.....	40 05
“ Matthews.....	31 75
“ McDonald & Cassels	18 15
“ McKellar.....	15 15
“ Hyde.....	28 90
“ McIntosh.....	30 50
“ Baxter.....	15 20
“ Hamilton.....	12 35
“ Grant.....	18 03
S. Rankin's district....	22 25
J. Callin's “.....	15 25
J. Mills’ “.....	14 25
6 Individuals gave.....	25 50
Paid for records in seats	8 45
<i>Miss L. Macdonald</i>	<u>25 38</u>

\$409 46

### EXPENDITURE.

Home Mission.....	\$200 00
Foreign “.....	53 00
Queen's College.....	10 00
Aged & infirm Ministers	30 00
Widows and Orphans...	15 00

Augmentation.....	25 00	
French Evangelization..	20 00	
Records.....	56 25	
Remittings.....	21	
		\$409 46

Summary of Missionary contributions for the year ending December 31st, 1892.

To Foreign Missions.....	\$450 00	
“ Home “.....	200 00	
“ French Evangelization..	70 00	
“ Augmentation.....	25 00	
“ Queen's College.....	10 00	
“ Aged & infirm Ministers.	30 00	
“ Widows & Orphans.....	15 00	
		\$800 00

### Auxiliary of the W. F. M. Society.

THE members of the Auxiliary of the Women's Foreign Missionary have pleasure in reporting the prosperity of their society during the year 1892. The number of members in the society is 41, five of whom have joined during the past year. The average attendance at the regular meeting was 14. Though this is a larger attendance than in the previous year, it is to be hoped that it may be largely increased during 1893.

The contributions for the year amounted to \$160.19 of which \$36.65 was raised at the Annual Thanksgiving Offering Meeting held in December. In addition to this \$22.25 in money, and clothing valued at \$39.00 was sent to the North-west to Rev. H. S. Moore, of the Muscowpeting Reserve.

The names of Officers for the year 1893 are as follows:

Hon. President, Mrs. Leitch,  
 President, Mrs. Hislop,  
 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Rankin,  
 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Stuart,  
 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Ireland,  
 Secretary, Mrs. Mayberry,  
 Treasurer, Mrs. Macfadden.

MRS. MAYBERRY

Secretary Aux. W. F. M. Society.

## Report of the Gordon Mission Band

FOR THE YEAR 1892.

THE Gordon Mission Band are pleased to report that the past year has been one of steady progress. The attendance is slightly increasing and there is a greater demand for Leaflets than in former years, showing that a deeper interest has been manifested in missionary work.

Our membership is now 36 with an average attendance of 16. We have 4 members of the General Society and 1 Life Member.

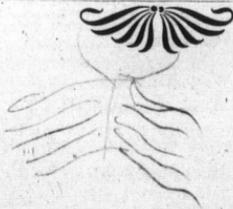
During the year we have held three evening meetings at private residences, and have found that these are much appreciated and well attended. At the last of these which was a farewell to Miss Duncan, we were pleased to have several members of the Auxiliary present, thereby augmenting the attendance to 50.

Our contribution from all sources amounted to \$120.28 of which \$25.00 was contributed by a friend for Miss Duncan's life membership. After deducting expenses there is a balance of \$109.00 to be paid to the President-Treasurer.

M. JOHNSON, Secretary.

Officers for 1893.

President, Miss Moderwell.  
1st Vice-President, Miss Hamilton.  
2nd Vice-President, Miss Fortune.  
Secretary, Miss M. Johnston.  
Treasurer, Miss J Macdonald.



**Report of the Y. P. S. C. E.**

FOR THE YEAR 1892.

THE Y. P. S. C. E. in submitting their annual report desire to express their gratitude to God for the way in which he has led them through the past year. Although our ranks have been severely tried by the removal of many of our most earnest workers, still others have been raised up to fill their places and we are thankful to say that the interest taken in the prayer meetings by our young people has not abated.

A great honor conferred on our Society and one for which we are deeply grateful to our Lord and Master was the designation of one of our members—Miss Jessie Duncan—as a missionary to India. Before Miss Duncan left us to take a course of study in the Chicago Training School last February, the Society, as a free-will offering, presented her with a purse of over \$50 to help defray her expenses while at that institution.

During the year 19 have joined our Society as Active members, 5 as Associate members and 1 as an Honorary member. Fourteen have withdrawn from the Society and 20 have been placed on the absent list.

There are now on the roll 4 Honorary, 53 Active, 32 Associate members—a total of 89—with a very fair average attendance. Quite a number of our members have become members of the Church during the year.

The work of the Society is divided among eleven committees as follows: The Executive Com., Look-out Com., Visiting and Flower Com., Music Com., Temperance Com., Sunday School Com., Missionary Com., Literature Com., Prayer Meeting Com., Social Com., and the Relief Com.

This last committee has done noble work during the year in the way of providing work and clothing for needy ones in our midst. Since September alone 122 articles of clothing have been distributed. Medicine has been furnished in some cases of sickness; \$6.94 was spent for Relief purposes and \$5.00 was given by this committee to the Union Society for the Xmas baskets. \$3.00 was also given for this purpose from the general funds of the Society. \$29.83 was contributed at the monthly Consecration meeting, which with a balance of \$7.97 from 1891 made a total of \$37.80 to

meet the general expenses of the Society. These amounted to \$37.72 so we have a balance on hand of 8cts. \$14.78 was collected from our quarterly offerings for missions, and \$37.43 from the monthly contributions of 15 members, making a total of \$52.21 for missionary purposes. \$50.40 of this money the Society decided to appropriate to the maintenance of two native Bible women in India.

Respectfully submitted by  
E. STEVENSON, Recording Secretary.

Hon. President, Rev. M. L. Leitch,  
President, Miss A. S. Turnbull,  
Vice-President, Mr. Wm. Myers,  
Cor. Secretary, Miss B. Fortune,  
Rec. Secretary, Miss E. Stevenson,  
Treasurer, Miss. M. S. Miller.

### Report of Junior Society of C. E.

**W**E are pleased to render the report of our first year's work. Although small in number there has been a steady growth of interest and there is great promise of increased zeal as well as numbers. The average attendance is about 17, with 30 names on the roll.

During the year we have had one social and two picnics, which were successful.

The collections amount to \$9.50.

During the spring the Sick and Flower Committee visited the hospital regularly, carrying flowers and fruit to two little sick girls there. Their work was much appreciated. We have six committees at work; Look Out, Prayer Meeting, Mission, Social, Music and Sick and Flower Committees.

We hope by these means to achieve something for the Master, and although being one of the least, we will hear His "well done."

Respectfully submitted by  
LILY McDONALD,  
Secretary of Knox Church J. S. C. E.

#### Officers:

President, Lily McDonald.  
Vice-President, Georgina Rankin.  
Secretary, Nellie Gibson.  
Treasurer, Jennie McKay.

