# St. Andrem's Church Presbyterian Banconver, British Columbia



Ementy-Fifth Anniversory

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

**PRESBYTERIAN** 

VANCOUVER, B.C.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

1888-1913

Rev. R. J. Wilson, M. A., Moderator of Session





ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO-DAY



## Chronology of St. Andrew's Church

July. 1888-First Building erected and opened,

Sept. 20, 1888—Congregation organized—Rev. T. G. Thomson in the chair.

Sept. 30, 1888-First Session inducted.

Feb. 13, 1889-Rev. E. D. McLaren, M.A., B.D., inducted as Minister.

May 25, 1890-Second Building opened and dedicated by Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., of Toronto.

Dec. 3, 1890-Four additional Elders ordained and inducted.

July 17, 1892-Three additional Elders inducted.

July 16, 1893-Fairview Sunday School organized by Session under care of Geo. McCuaig.

Feb. 20, 1898-Klondyke Mission Fund started,

Aug. 26, 1898—Four additional Elders inducted.

Sept. 1, 1902—Rev. E. D. McLaren, D.D., becomes Secretary of Home Mission Committee of General Assembly.

Nov. 6, 1902-Petition to form St. John's Church.

June 2, 1903-Rev. R. J. Wilson, M.A., ordained and inducted as Minister.

June 9, 1903—General Assembly met in St. Andrew's Church.

Aug. 23, 1903-Four additional Elders inducted.

1904—New Sunday School Building opened.

June 19, 1905—Three additional Elders inducted.

Nov. 16, 1906—Enlarged Church opened by Rev. Clarence McKinnon, B.D.

May 17, 1909—Chinese Mission work in city placed under care of Session.

Sept. 24, 1909—Rev. Robt. Duncanson, B.A., ordained as Congregation's Missionary Pastor to South China.

Nov. 28, 1909—Six additional Elders inducted.

April 24, 1910-New organ opened and dedicated.

Jan. 22, 1911-Ten additional Elders inducted.

June 1, 1911—Deaconess appointed.

1911—Church office established and ordained Assistant appointed.

Sept. 21, 1913—Twenty-fifth Anniversary services of Church.



REV. E. D. MCLAREN, M.A., D.D. MINISTER ST. ANDREW'S 1889 - 1902



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SHOWING ORIGINAL BUILDING IN REAR USED AS CHURCH TILL 1890 AND AFTERWARDS AS SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM

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Moder	ATORS OF	St.	Andrew	's		
Rev. T. G. Thompson	Sept.	20.	1888	Feb	. 13,	1889.
Rev. E. D. McLaren, M.A., E				Sept		
Rev. Geo. A. Wilson, B.A (Interim.)	Sept.	1,	1902	Jun	e 2,	1903.
Rev. R. J. Wilson, M.A	June	2,	1903			
ELE	DERS OF ST.	Anı	DREW'S			
J. M. Browning			1888	Resigno	ed Feb.	22, 1900.
John Munro	11	11	11	Resign	ed Jan.	18, 1893.
Donald McAllister		6.6				14, 1890.
Charles Clark	Dec.	3,				14, 1899.
Robt, Macpherson		4.6				
David Anderson		11	**	Resign	ed Sep.	16, 1892.
John Wright		1.6		Resign		1892.
James McQueen	July	17,	1892			
Geo, McCuaig		**	**	Resign	ed,	1894.
J. T. Brown	***	1.6				29, 1904.
J. J. Logan	Aug.	26,	1898	Resign	ed,	1902.
F. M. Cowperthwaite, B.A		4.6	11			
J. B. Smith		44	44	Resigne	ed Feb.	22, 1900.
D. M. Stewart		14	44			
Geo. McCuaig	Aug.	23,	1903			
W. J. White		**		***		
John M. Murray		**	š			
David Grant, LL.B., J.C.C		**	**	***		
John Norris	June	19,	1905			
G. W. Grant		11				
Wm. Bell		**	**	Resign	ed Jan	. 8, 1910.
Albert Whyte	Nov.	28,	1909			



MR. GIDEON ROBERTSON



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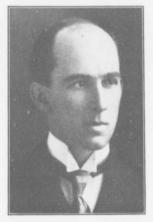
#### ELDERS OF ST. ANDREW'S-Continued

NAME	DATE OF INDUCTION		CTION	REMARKS	
T. D. Macdonald	11	5.6	44	Resigned Ap. 15, 1910,	
Geo. Middleton	1.6	11	4.6		
W. J. Baird, M.A., LL.B	44	44	11	******	
Rev. G. C. Pidgeon, D.D.	April	25,	191	0	
Rev. John A. Logan, M.A.	+ 6	6.6	6.6		
Dr. B. C. Haworth	Jan.	22,	191	1	
J. B. Campbell	11	6.6	11	Resigned Apr. 3, 1913.	
John McEwen	1.6	11	1.6	Resigned Mch 20 1912.	
Donald N. McTavish	4.6	11	.14		
Robert Stewart	1.6	11	- 11		
Robert M. Miller	11	11	11		
Walter L. Smyth, B.A.	4.6	44	4.5	*******	
John J. Banfield	11	64	11	******	
John Prentice	44	11	11	********	
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#### COMMITTEE ON TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

Rev. R. J. Wilson James McQueen Robert Macpherson Geo. McCuaig
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LATE MR. J. M. BROWNING, FIRST ELDER



LATE MR. DONALD MCALISTER, FIRST ELDER

## Historical Sketch

In the early part of the year 1888 the office bearers and members of the First Presbyterian Church recognized the importance of establishing a second Presbyterian congregation in the western portion of the City, and a Committee was appointed with this object in view. Arrangements were speedily made for the erection of a building for public worship, which would be available as a Lecture Room when the congregation should find itself in a position to erect a larger edifice. The first service in the new building was held on the second Sabbath in July, 1888. At a meeting of the Presbytery of Columbia held at New Westminster on the 11th of September following, a petition was presented from the persons worshipping in this building, asking that they be organized into a congregation to be known as the congregation of St. Andrew's Church. The Rev. T. G. Thomson and his elders were appointed to organize the congregation and to act as an Interim Session until elders should be elected. The organization took place on the evening of Tuesday, the 20th of September, when after Divine Service conducted by Mr. Thomson, a Communion Roll was made up containing the names of 48 persons. Immediately after the organization, the congregation proceeded to the election of elders, when Mr. J. M. Browning, Mr. D. McAlister and Mr. J. Munro were unanimously chosen. On the 30th of September these Elders-elect were duly inducted to the office of the Eldership,

On the 6th of December the congregation extended a unanimous call to the Rev. E. D. McLaren, M.A., B.D., of Brampton, Ontario. The call was sustained by the Presbytery of Columbia, transmitted to the Presbytery of Toronto and accepted by Mr. McLaren at a meeting of the Toronto Presbytery held on the 8th of January, 1889.

Mr. McLaren's induction to the pastorate of St. Andrew's Church took place on the evening of Wednesday the 13th of February. The congregation having outgrown the accommodation provided for it, it was unanimously resolved, at a congregational meeting held on the 9th of May, to proceed at once with the erection of a larger building; and Messrs. T. Dunn, J. M. Browning, P. A. Anderson, G. Cassady, J. Munro, G. I. Wilson, J. C. McLagan, C. D. Rand and A. W. Ross were appointed a Building Committee.



MR. ROBERT MACPHERSON, ELDER



MR. JAS. MCQUEEN, ELDER

The new church was opened for Divine Worship on Sabbath the 25th of May, 1890, the opening services being conducted by the Rev. G. M. Milligan of Toronto.



LATE MR. CHARLES CLARK, ELDER

The session, weakened by the death of Mr. Donald McAlister on the 14th of November, 1890, was enlarged by the ordination on the 3rd of December following of Messrs. Charles Clark, Robert McPherson, John Wright and David Anderson.

The congregation has since this time continued to grow and to exert an increasing influence in the community.

In anticipation of extending its influence into the unchurched districts of the city, a Sunday School was opened in the Fairview district in 1893, which became the nucleus of Chalmers Congregation, Mr. G. McCuaig being the first Superintendent.

In 1899 two lots were purchased on Bute St. with a view to extending the work of St. Andrew's to the west end of the city, and in 7902 the congregation, having previously sold these lots acquiesced in the prayer of a petition signed by 153 residents for the formation of a congregation in the west end, contributing later toward the new cause more than 200 members and over \$3400. This was the beginning of the now flourishing congregation of St. John's.

#### REV. R. J. WILSON'S INDUCTION.

On the first of September, 1902, the Rev. E. D. McLaren, who as Minister of St. Andrew's for fourteen years had guided the destinies of the Congregation, became the General Secretary of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee, having been appointed by the General Assembly, in June of the same year. The Congregation remained vacant until the following year when Mr. R. J. Wilson,

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LATE MR. J. T. BROWN, ELDER FORMER PRESIDENT ALEXANDRA ORPHANAGE



MR. A. H. BEWELL, ORGANIST

M.A., having been licensed by the Presbytery of Paris on April 27, 1903, was called at a Congregational meeting held on the 28th of April. The call was accepted and on the second day of June, 1903, Mr. Wilson was ordained into the Christian Ministry and inducted by the Presbytery of Westminster into the pastoral charge of St. Andrew's Church. Rev. Hugh Robertson, Moderator of Presbytery, presided, and inducted the Minister. Rev. Herbert Irwin preached the sermon, Rev. Thomas Scoular addressed the newly inducted Minister and Rev. Geo. A. Wilson, interim Moderator, addressed the people. Mr. Wilson has remained as minister of the congregation since that date. One week later, on the 9th of June, 1903, the Venerable the General Assembly met in St. Andrew's, Vancouver. In anticipation of their coming the Church had been thoroughly renovated at a cost of more than \$2,500. The Rev. Geo. Bryce, D.D.L.L.D., was the retiring moderator and Rev. D. Fletcher, D.D., of Hamilton, the moderator-elect.

In 1904 the present Sunday School Building was completed and opened, at a cost exceeding \$15,000.

In 1903 the offering for Missions was received monthly instead of quarterly, and two years later it became a weekly contribution. The growth of Missionary contributions may be seen by the fact that in 1903 the total offering of the Congregation for Missionary and Benevolent purposes was \$899.50, while in 1912, last year, the Congregation contributed for Missionary and Benevolent purposes the sum of \$12,466.

In 1906, owing to the crowded condition of the Church, the congregation decided to enlarge the building. The first building, which at the formation of the congregation was used as a Church and afterwards as a Lecture Room, was taken down and the site covered by the extended Church which now covers the lot. In spite of this increased accommodation the congregation was not long in outgrowing the building. In the winter of 1912 an overflow service was held for three months in the lecture room to take care of the evening congregation.

The present organ was installed and dedicated in 1910.



SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC AT JERICHO IN 1891

The property held by the Church has grown very greatly in value. The original lots were bought for \$600 each—they form at present one of the most valuable sites in the business section of the city.

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Of the destiny of St. Andrew's Church none can speak but the congregation is of one mind and heart in its prayer that its future may not only be worthy of its past but that it may increasingly become the Metropolitan centre in the city of those who adhere to the Presbyterian faith.

#### GROWTH

No. on roll when congregation was formed, Sept. 20, 1888	3
No. on roll Sept. 20, 1913	1,435
No. of Elders in 1888	.3
" " 1913	23
No, of Managers in 1888	7
" " 1913	12
Value of first site when purchased	1,200
Value of present site (estimated)	360,000
Total amount contributed in 1912	32.673
of which \$12,466 was for Missionary and Benevolent purposes.	

#### ST. ANDREW'S SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday School which on the 11th of September, 1888, became known as St. Andrew's, was organized on the 8th of July, 1888, in the afternoon of the day on which the First Church building was opened. The staff of officers and teachers being: Superindtendent, Jno. Munro; Bible Class Teacher, Rev. T. G. Thomson; Teachers, Mrs. Clowes, Miss Nellie Allan, who was also Treasurer, Miss Bain, Miss M. Brown, Miss Logan, Miss Jamieson, Mr. Angus McEdward and Mr. J. Wright. No records of attendance, etc., were kept for the first six months. The attendance on the first Sunday in January, 1889, was 72; the average for the year was 110, the attendance on the last Sunday of the year 150, and collections, \$172.00. In February, 1889, Rev. E. D. McLaren took charge of the Bible Class. The first library was opened in May, 1889, with 62 volumes, in charge of Mr. R. Macpherson, assisted by Mr. C. Y. Walker as Librarian, and Mr. Shaw acting as Secretary. The first picnic was held during the summer at Hastings, and a Christmas tree in

December closed the work of the year. In 1890 Mr. Munro resigned as Superintendent, and Mr. Jno. Wright was appointed in his place, with Mr. David Anderson as Assistant Superintendent.

The business meetings of the School were held at this time and for some years afterwards quarterly on Wednesday evenings at the close of Prayer Meeting. The second Church building was opened on May 25th, 1890, and the old building was then given up to the Sunday School and continued along with the Church to do service until our present Sunday School Hall was erected.

The Sunday School picnic this year and for several years following was held at Jericho, now known as The Country Club. The School was growing at this time and for many years afterwards very rapidly, and made necessary many changes in the staff of Officers and Teachers—and the space at our disposal will not permit us to enumerate many of them. 1891 saw the same officers with the addition of Mr. Chas. Milne as Secretary. During this year the first steps were started looking forward to the building of a new and commodious Sunday School Hall, by the commencement of a building fund for that purpose. Average attendance this year, 197; collection, \$305.00.



MR. GEO. MCCUAIG

In 1892 Mr. Geo. McCuaig was elected Superintendent, and remained as such till August, 1893, when the Session relieved him of his duties to take charge of the Branch Sunday School started in Fairview. This year also the Sunday School, along with the Y. P. S. C. E., That they made a good purchase is seen by the fact that the same instrument is still in use and doing good service for the infant class. In September, Mr. Anderson having given up the office of Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Jas. McQueen was appointed in his place, and Mr. Robert Macpherson acted as Secretary. Average attendance, 219; collection, \$284.00.

1893—Mr. R. Macpherson, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. A. Muir, Secretary, and Miss Campbell, Treasurer. On August 6th, Mr. McCuaig and

Mr. McCaulay with + teachers organized the Branch Sunday School in Fairview with an attendance of 38 scholars, renting a room for which \$5.00 per month was paid. It is now the flourishing Congregation and Sunday School on 12th Ave. known as Chalmers Church. Mr. R. Macpherson was then appointed Superintendent in place of Mr. McCuaig, and Mr. McQueen, Assistant Superintendent. The Building Committee reported \$267.00 on hand.

1894—Not much change this year. Sunday School held its annual picnic at Ladners. Mr. James McQueen, Superintendent from 1894 to 1896.



MR. W. J. WHITE

1895—Mr. F. M. Black elected Assistant Superintendent. School now had grown so much that it occupied both Church and Sunday School Hall.

1897—Mr. F. M. Black elected Superintendent, and Miss R. M. Macfarlane, Assistant Superintendent.

1898—Mr. Black, Superintendent; Mr. Milne, Assistant Superintendent, and Mr. W. J. White, Secretary. In September Mr. Black resigned, and Mr. W. J. White was elected Superintendent, and Mr. Wm. Brown, Secretary. The School was now growing so rapidly that the constant need of more room compelled the removal of the infant class to the rooms of the Aberdeen School,

in charge of Mrs. W. J. White, where they continued for some time, and were then removed to a room on Georgia Street, where they remained until the new Sunday School Hall was built.

In 1903 steps were taken for procuring another lot on which to build the Sunday School Hall. This was done, and plans were then prepared and finally in 1904 the new building was completed and opened in September, with appropriate services. In this Hall the work has been going on ever since, with more or less success. In the beginning of 1903 the first big falling off in attendance was made by the removal of 120 scholars and teachers to the new Church of St. John's, and the attendance has been fluctuating somewhat ever since from various causes. A new impetus was given the work two years ago by the

appointment of Miss B. E. Watson as Deaconess to the Congregation. A splendid lantern was added to the equipment somewhat over a year ago.

#### MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

In the fall of 1910 a Men's Bible Class was organized under the care of Mr. J. M. Wyatt, M.A., and during the following winter season much good work was accomplished. One of the rooms of the Sunday School Hall was furnished as a Club Room, being provided with a piano, books, magazines, writing



REV. A. C. CAMERON, M. A.

material, etc., and all who desired to use the room were made welcome. In the fall of 1911, Rev. Alex. Dunn, M.A., B.D., was made Assistant Minister, his special care being the young men of the Congregation.

In 1912, Mr. Dunn having resigned, Rev. A. C. Cameron, M.A., was appointed to his place. The men's work is fully organized with religious, social, literary and athletic departments. In 1911 the Football Club won the Brunswick Cup, and in 1912 both the Brunswick Cup and the League shield. Mr. R. M. Millar is President, W. B. Murray Secretary, and Jno. Cumming, Treasurer.

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

In October, 1911, a Young Women's Bible Class, under the supervision of Miss Watson, was organized. It was divided into four departments in charge of several of the younger women of the Congregation, who did good and efficient work. A pleasant feature of this class is their Sunday evening tea in the ladies' parlor, and a Tennis Club during the summer months. Both of these things have contributed not a little to the success of the organization. The Men's and Women's Bible Classes are doing a quiet but very effective work, raising considerable money and in many other ways adding much to the success of the Congregation as a whole. As the years go on, the work of the Sunday School in its various branches is likely to become somewhat changed and more difficult in the centre of the city, and a much larger and better equipment will be required.



MISS BERTHA E. WATSON DEACONESS OF ST. ANDREW'S

#### WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

There have been but few years in the history of the Congregation when the women, through their several organizations, have not been active in every good work. To their energy and enterprise in early days must be attributed much of the comfort of the Church building, and not an inconsiderable amount of financial help.

#### WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The first Women's Association was organized on the 12th of October, 1889.

Mrs. J. M. Browning was President,
Mrs. H. P. McCraney, Secretary, and
Mrs. D. Ferguson, Treasurer. The
Directresses were Mrs. Geo. Taylor,

Mrs. G. I. Wilson, Mrs. W. Templeton and Mrs. J. O. McLeod. Their efforts were directed toward the carpeting of the Church, at a cost of almost \$1200, which represented their first year's work.

For some time later their efforts were centred on reducing the debt on the Church organ.

In 1896 their contributions were devoted to purchasing a lot north of the Church in anticipation of a Sunday School building. In 1898 the Association provided a copy of the Presbyterian Record for each family in the Church. In 1900 the name of the organization was changed to "The Women's Guild," and divided into 12 sections.

The money raised by the Guild was for a couple of years thereafter directed paying for the Bute Street lots.

The Executive Officers of the new organization were: Mrs. E. D. Mc-Laren, Hon. President; Mrs. P. McNaughton, President; Mrs. F. F. Burns, Secretary-Treasurer, with the following as Conveners and Secretary-Treasurers for each of the sections: Section 1, Mrs. Leckie, Convener; Mrs. Patton, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 2, Mrs. G. McL. Brown, Convener; Miss N. McHaffie, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 3, Mrs. McNaughton, Convener; Mrs. Gordon, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 4, Mrs. Templeton, Convener; Mrs. Gordon, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 6, Mrs. W. J. White, Convener; Mrs. H. McDowell, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 7, Mrs. F. E. Hobbs, Convener; Mrs. J. Fisher Mowatt, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 8, Mrs. Hamilton, Convener; Mrs. Taylor, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 9, Mrs. Telfer and Mrs. Morris, Joint Convener; Mrs. Center, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 11, Mrs. N. McLeod, Convener; Mrs. Center, Secretary-Treasurer. Section 12, Mrs. Britton, Secretary-Treasurer. In 1901 the total receipts of the Woman's Guild amounted to over \$1,700. In 1904 the Guild raised \$2,028, the larger part of which was applied to the furnishings fund of the new Sunday School Building.

In 1907 the Guild arranged a series of topics of discussion for their monthly meetings, the list being as follows: Life of David Livingstone, The Romance of the Hymn Book, Ideal Womanhood, Carlyle, Burns, an illustrated talk on music, Puritan Influence on New World Ideals, Thanksgiving and Glimpses Abroad. A change in the organization was made in 1908 and the work placed under the care of a Presidential Board, with a General Secretary, four Vice-Conveners and four Committees, as follows House Committee, Purchasing Committee and Flower Committee. The work of the Woman's Guild has been uniformly excellent. Their aim during the past few years has been less the raising of funds-though each year has shown a considerable amount contributed to the various activities-than to developing a warm social spirit among the membership of the Church; \$1,000 has been paid by the Guild toward the new organ. No account of their work in later years would be complete without reference to the excellent complimentary banquets they have tendered the Congregation from time to time and very notably the great Congregational Banquets at the Yearly Congregational Meetings in January of each year.

At the close of 1912 the Guild disbanded. It is a general hope that reorganization will take place almost immediately.

#### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

The W. F. M. S. was first organized in March, 1896, with a membership of ten. Mrs. E. D. McLaren was President, Mrs. J. J. Logan Vice-President, and Mrs. R. Macfarlane, Secretary. The first full year's work is summarized thus: "Collected \$62.35 in money; shipped a box of clothing to Alberni valued at \$40, and assisted in the formation of a Presbyterian Society."

In 1905, the W. H. M. S. was organized to take over and enlarge the work of the Women's Home Mission Collecting Committee.

The two Women's Societies united in 1908 and formed with the men a General Missionary Society, and in 1912 re-organized themselves into a General Women's Missionary Society, Home and Foreign, with Mrs. E. P. Miller as President, Mrs. Center, Secretary, and Mrs. G. McCuaig and Mrs. D. Grant, Treasurers.

#### MISSION BAND

The Bright Sunbeam Mission Band was organized in 1900, with Miss Marguerite Russell as President, Miss Bain as Sewing Superintendent, Miss Sadie Atkins as Secretary, and Miss Nettie Russell as Treasurer. It has carried on among the younger girls of the Congregation an efficient Missionary work.

The present Officers are: President, Mrs. Main; Sewing Superintendent, Mrs. Drummond; Secretary, Miss Kathleen Mutrie; Treasurer, Miss Annie L. Paddon.

#### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

In 1891 a society with two departments, Christian Endeavor and Literary, was organized, with R. Macpherson as President.

In 1892 the dual society disbanded, and a distinctly Christian Endeavor Society was organized, with R. Macpherson as President, and Mr. Dan Grant as Secretary, the Literary Society organizing separately with F. M. Cowperthwaite President, and J. Duff Stuart Secretary. The work the C. E. sought to accomplish is thus summarized: Calling on the sick, visiting the hospitals, assisting the Missionary enterprises of the Church, and by means of social gatherings as well as in other ways extending a hearty welcome to strangers coming into the Congregation. The aim of the society is described as "a faithful ally and loyal supporter of the Church in its work for Christ." In 1893 the Society raised \$150 for Mission work and sent nearly a dozen volunteers to help in the Chinese Mission.

At one time or other almost every form of Christian work has been attempted by the C. E. Society, but their consistent Missionary effort and their

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work in collecting magazines and forwarding them to the lumber and mining camps and their regular Sunday evening song services in the hospitals are worthy of special mention.

In 1898 fifty Testaments were supplied for Klondike outfits, and one thousand invitations were distributed to strangers on entering the Church on Sabbath.

In 1900 the Society reported that sixty per cent. of the active members were teaching in the Sunday School, and over fifty per cent. of all the Sunday School teachers were members of the Christian Endeavor. The Society has fluctuated from year to year as the interest of the young people has quickened or their zeal cooled, but the work has throughout the years been on the whole well maintained. While the attendance has never been very large, it is an interesting fact that a great majority of the present officers of the Church received at least part of their training in Christian work in the Christian Endeavor Society.

The Society is at present well-officered, and in good heart. Miss J. Orr is President, T. Law, Secretary, and A. Henderson, Treasurer.

#### KING'S DAUGHTERS

The St. Andrew's Circle of King's Daughters was organized on January 30, 1896, with Mrs. W. M. Murray Leader and Miss Lena Ferguson, Secretary.

The organization is undenominational, and has ever since its inception done quite, effective work in helping needy ones, visiting Orphanages and Hospitals. Hundreds of garments have been provided for Children's Aid and Rescue Homes. Christmas dinners and Christmas toys have each year been provided for the poor and much thought, time and sympathy have been expended in fulfilment of the motto of the Order: "She doeth little kindnesses which most leave undone or despise."

The present Officers are: Leader, Mrs. C. Milne; Vice-Leader, Miss A. G. Henderson; Secretary, Mrs. D. McIntyre; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Pringle.

