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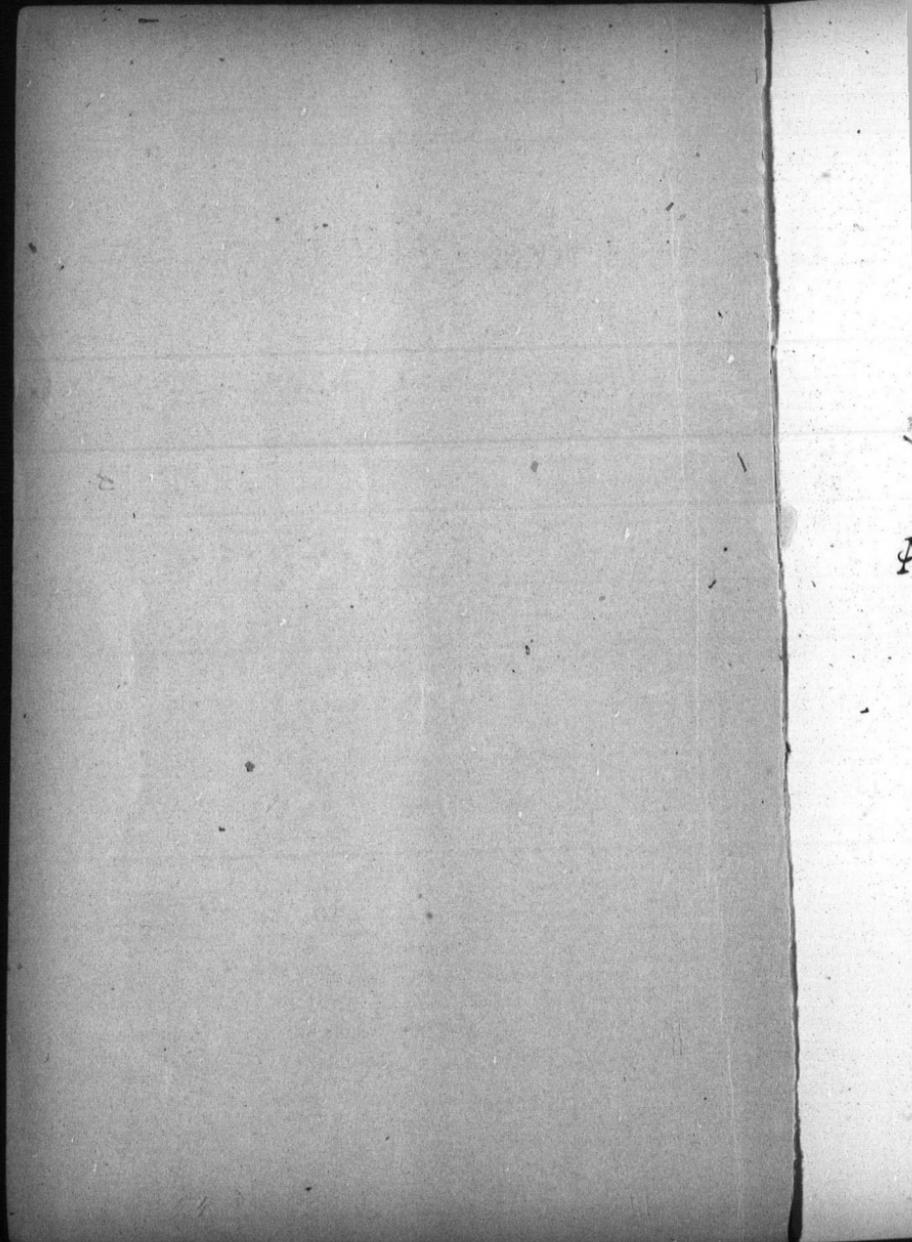
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OFFICE-BEARERS
FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING 1st JANUARY, 1883.

KIRK SESSION.

REV. JAMES FLECK, B.A., - - - - - Moderator.

EDWARD MOORE, Clerk.

W. MACBEAN,

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| D. AIKMAN, | REV. PROF. CAMPBELL, M.A., |
| ARCH'D. SWAN, | W. D. McLAREN, |
| JOHN McDougall, | J. T. DONALD, B.A. |
| JAS. WALLACE, | WALTER PAUL. |

TRUSTEES.

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|---------------|-----------------|
| WM. MCGIBBON, | W. D. McLAREN, |
| D. AIKMAN, | ROBERT GARDNER, |
| A. S. EWING, | ALEX. MURRAY. |

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

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|---------------------|-----------|------------|
| W. D. McLAREN, | - - - - - | President. |
| H. B. PICKEN, JNR., | - - - - - | Treasurer. |
| WM. CAIRNS, | - - - - - | Secretary. |

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| A. S. EWING, | WM. MCGIBBON, | WALTER PAUL, |
| JAS. SNOWDON, | JAS. GARDNER, | ROBT. HENDERSON, |
| J. G. DAVIE, | A. C. CLARK, | A. W. STEVENSON. |

AUDITORS.

JOHN McDougall, JOHN B. PICKEN.

D. C. McLAREN, M.D., Organist.

JOHN DONAHUE, Caretaker, 45 St. Francois Xavier Street.

ELDERS AND DISTRICTS.

District No. 1—EDWARD MOORE, Elder.

From (including)*St. Lawrence Main street, all east of that street; from the river northward.

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District No. 2—JAMES WALLACE, Elder.

From (not including) St. Lawrence Main street to (including) Bleury street; and from the river to city limits.

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District No. 3—W. D. McLAREN, Elder.

From (not including) Bleury street to (and including) St. Genevieve and University streets; and from (including) St. Antoine and Craig streets to city limits.

District No. 4—WALTER PAUL, Elder.

From (not including) St. Genevieve and University streets to (not including) Peel and Windsor streets; and from (including) St. Antoine to (not including) Sherbrooke street.

District No. 5—J. T. DONALD, B.A., Elder.

From (not including) University street to city limits on the west; and from (including) Sherbrooke street to city limits on the north.

District No. 6—Rev. Prof. CAMPBELL, M.A., Elder.

From (including) Peel street to city limits on the west; and from (including) St. Catherine street to (but not including) Sherbrooke street.

District No. 7—JOHN McDougall, Elder.

From (including) Peel and Windsor streets to (not including) Mountain; and from (including) St. Antoine street to (not including) St. Catherine street.

District No. 8—D. Aikman, Elder.

From (including) Mountain street west to city limits; and from (including) St. Antoine street to (not including) St. Catherine street.

District No. 9—ARCHIBALD SWAN, Elder.

From (including) St. Peter street to city limits on the west; and from (not including) St. Antoine street to the river.

STATED MEETINGS.

DININE SERVICE every Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock and evening at 7.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL and **BIBLE CLASSES** meet at 3 o'clock.

TEACHERS' BIBLE CLASS, taught by Rev. Prof. Campbell, meets during the winter months in the Church on Sabbath afternoons at 3 P.M.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER will be dispensed (D.V.) on the third Sabbath of the months of March, June, September and December.

THE ORDINANCE OF BAPTISM will be administered on the first Sabbath of each month. Parents are requested to give notice to either the Pastor or Elder of the District, during the week previous, of their intention to present their child for baptism.

THE SESSION meets monthly at 7.30 o'clock P.M. on the third Monday of each month.

THE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION holds its Annual Meeting on the last Wednesday of January. The Collectors visit their districts monthly to receive subscriptions. Their books and collections should be handed to the Secretary-Treasurer, in the Session Room, before the Prayer Meeting, on the last Wednesday of each month.

THE WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING is held on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The last Wednesday evening of each month being devoted, in part, to *Missionary Intelligence*.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation is held in the month of January.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 8 o'clock P.M. in the Session Room.

Attendance for pew letting at close of Wednesday evening service.

ADDRESS FROM THE SESSION.

The session congratulates the congregation on the encouraging nature of the reports received from all departments of the Church work. Judging by these there has been steady advance during the year all along the line.

The Managers report a general improvement in the ordinary congregational revenue. It is specially gratifying to notice a growing liberality towards the missions of the Church, the contributions for the year just closed showing an increase of fully twenty per cent over those of the preceding year.

Sabbath-School work has been carried on with great vigor and heartiness, both in the Home and in the Mission schools. The Session rejoices to find a most efficient staff of teachers at work, with others equally enthusiastic, ready to enter on this noble service for Christ, as soon as classes are ready for them. In the kindred work of temperance, the Association continues to hold monthly meetings for the dissemination of wholesome sentiments on the subject, for the protection of the young and for the reformation of the erring.

Another indication, and not the least marked, of the Church's prosperity, is the large attendance at the Sabbath services, and especially on Communion seasons. The Session therein commend the congregation and remind them also of the Wednesday evening prayer meeting, affectionately urging them to spend this one hour of the week together in quiet Christian fellowship.

At the beginning of the year the number of names on the church roll was 343; at the close of the year it was 380. During the twelve months 21 names were removed, and 58 added. Of those removed 10 died, and 11 left the city and were certified to other churches. Of those added, 34 were received on profession of faith, and 24 by certificate.

Reviewing thus these unmistakable indications of prosperity and growth, we would not forget that they are outward and visible, nor should we fail to remind each other that the external organization is but a means to an end—the ingathering and up-building of the children of God in holy Christian character. We earnestly exhort you, therefore, brethren, to still greater diligence in the use of all the means of grace, to prayerfulness, activity and consistency in the daily religious life, and we commend you one and all “to God, and to the Word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.”

JAMES FLECK, *Moderator.*

EDWARD MOORE, *Session Clerk.*

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ANNUAL MEETING.

Wednesday, 31st January, 1883.

The annual meeting of the Congregation was held this evening, the Rev. James Fleck, B. A., Pastor, in the chair.

The Secretary of the Board of Managers, acting as Clerk to the meeting, read the Annual Report of the Board, and the Treasurer read the financial statements. After some explanatory remarks by the Treasurer it was moved, seconded and unanimously resolved, that the reports now read be received, adopted, printed and circulated among the congregation.

The election of office-bearers and members of the Board of Management was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—

President—W. D. McLaren (re-elected).

Treasurer—H. B. Picken, jr. (re-elected).

Secretary—Wm. Cairns.

Managers—Robt. Henderson, Walter Paul, A. W. Stevenson, A. C. Clark, in place of J. B. Picken, resigned.

Auditors—John McDougall and J. B. Picken.

The Chairman then made some remarks as to the spiritual condition and progress of the congregation, and asked the members to attend the Wednesday

evening prayer meetings more regularly, as they were productive of much good.

The envelope or schedule system of collections was discussed by the meeting, and it was agreed that the Board of Management at its first meeting, take the matter into consideration, and if deemed advisable, submit some scheme for the approval of the congregation.

Refreshments were served during the evening.

A. W. STEVENSON, *Secretary.*

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KNOX CHURCH

For year ending 31st December, 1882.

At the last annual meeting of the congregation, held on 29th March, notice of motion was given of a proposed amendment to Article 1 of the By-laws, and at a special meeting held on 26th April, 1882, the following resolution was unanimously adopted :

"That Article 1 of the By-laws be, and is hereby altered by substituting the word 'January' for the word 'March' in the third line, which alteration shall have for its effect the holding of the annual meeting of the congregation in the month of January instead of the month of March as heretofore; and the making up of the Books and accounts of the congregation to 31st December in each year instead of 28th February, the first financial period to consist of ten months, ending 31st December, 1882, and thereafter, of each twelve months ending with the calendar year." In accordance therefore with the said alteration, your Board has pleasure in presenting you with the following report for the ten months ending 31st December, 1882, and desires to acknowledge with grateful hearts, God's goodness and mercy, which has been poured out abundantly upon the congregation during the said period.

By the Treasurer's statement shortly to be read, you will learn with pleasure that the Church is now entirely free from debt, the liability of \$1700, incurred for alterations to basement having been

liquidated during the past year. Subscriptions to the amount of \$1393, were collected on behalf of said liability, and the balance, \$307, was paid out of the ordinary funds.

The receipts from pew rents and collections, shew a proportionate increase for the ten months, and notwithstanding the heavy disbursements, the surplus in the Treasurer's hands at 31st December was \$493.94.

The number of sittings allocated at the close of the financial year, was 444 to 146 names.

Pew rent this year is promised to the amount of \$2389.

The Sabbath School and other associations connected with the Church have been carried on with zeal and energy, as their several reports will show.

Several improvements have been made in connection with the heating of the Church, which have proved quite satisfactory.

During the summer, our esteemed Pastor had his usual vacation, the pulpit during his absence being satisfactorily supplied.

The members of the Board retiring this year are Messrs. W. S. Evans, Walter Paul and George W. Lundie, who are all eligible for re-election.

Your Board has resolved that the Pastor's stipend be increased to \$2500 from 1st January, 1883.

In conclusion, your Board, while congratulating you upon the very satisfactory report, and the fact that the Church is now entirely free from debt, desires to express its grateful sense of the Divine presence and encouragement through all the events of the year, and feel with confidence that if the

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members of the congregation will faithfully and conscientiously perform the duties and responsibilities resting upon them, He, who has never failed them in the past will continue to guide and bless them still.

A. W. STEVENSON,
Secretary.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO DEBT FUND.

| | | | |
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| A. S. Ewing..... | \$100 00 | J. B. Picken..... | 20 00 |
| W. D. McLaren..... | 100 00 | E. J. Maxwell..... | 20 00 |
| A. Murray..... | 100 00 | Piers Locke..... | 20 00 |
| "A Friend"..... | 100 00 | J. T. Donald..... | 10 00 |
| Jas. Snowdon..... | 50 00 | D. Mackenzie..... | 10 00 |
| A. W. Stevenson..... | 50 00 | R. Lamb..... | 10 00 |
| J. G. Davie..... | 50 00 | A. M. Ewing..... | 10 00 |
| Walter Paul..... | 50 00 | Mrs. Stevenson..... | 10 00 |
| H. B. Picken, Jr..... | 50 00 | J. Sutherland..... | 10 00 |
| Jas. Gardner..... | 50 00 | John McGill..... | 10 00 |
| R. French..... | 50 00 | R. Gardner, Jr..... | 10 00 |
| Mrs. B. Darling..... | 50 00 | Mrs. R. Gardner..... | 10 00 |
| John McDougall..... | 50 00 | W. Cairns..... | 10 00 |
| George Irving..... | 50 00 | W. Patterson..... | 5 00 |
| W. C. Snowdon..... | 25 00 | T. Henderson..... | 5 00 |
| James Brown..... | 25 00 | W. D. McLaren, Jr..... | 5 00 |
| J. Stevenson Brown..... | 25 00 | John Ewart..... | 5 00 |
| Rev. Jas. Fleck..... | 25 00 | R. G. Brown..... | 5 00 |
| Wm. Caldwell..... | 25 00 | Geo. J. Brown..... | 5 00 |
| Geo. W. Lundie..... | 25 00 | Mrs. McKay..... | 4 00 |
| John Barclay..... | 25 00 | M. McDonald..... | 4 00 |
| Mrs. Monk..... | 25 00 | Alex. Keith..... | 2 00 |
| Miss Black..... | 25 00 | J. W. Cumming..... | 2 00 |
| A. Swan..... | 25 00 | Mrs. James..... | 1 00 |
| H. McLaren..... | 20 00 | | |
| W. Henderson..... | 20 00 | | |
| | | | \$1,393 00 |

KNOX CHURCH.

Financial Statement for year ending 31st Dec., 1882.

H. B. PICKEN, Jr., Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

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| 1882 March 1. | | |
| By balance on hand | \$ 428 12 | |
| " Seat rents | 2191 86 | |
| " Plate collections | 1060 30 | |
| " Special collections | 125 50 | |
| " Subscriptions to debt fund | 1393 00 | |
| " Proceeds sale of Hymn Books | 111 20 | |
| | | \$5309 98 |

EXPENDITURE.

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|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| To Minister's stipend, 10 months | \$1666 67 | |
| " Organist | 208 30 | |
| " Sexton | 166 64 | |
| " Organ boy | 15 00 | |
| " Pulpit supply | 120 00 | |
| " Fuel, \$149.86; gas, \$66.22; water, \$33.25. | 249 33 | |
| " Printing | 53 01 | |
| " Presbytery fund | 15 00 | |
| " Sabbath School | 70 00 | |
| " M. G. Hospital | 25 00 | |
| " Student Missionary Society | 20 00 | |
| " W. C. Snowdon, amount of loan | 1700 00 | |
| " Interest, one year on loan | 119 00 | |
| " Hymn Books | 164 15 | |
| " Insurance | 30 00 | |
| " Sundries | 193 94 | |
| " Balance on hand | 493 94 | |
| | | \$5309 98 |

Examined and found correct.

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| JOHN McDUGALL, | } Auditors. |
| ROBT. HENDERSON, | |

E. & O. E.

MONTREAL, 1st January, 1883.

Poor Fund Statement for the year ending 31st December, 1882.

H. B. PICKEN, Jr., Treasurer.

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| Balance on hand | \$ 50 52 | |
| Collections | 64 15 | |
| | | \$114 67 |
| By Paid Sundries | 66 00 | |
| " Balance on hand | 48 67 | |
| | | \$114 67 |

E. & O. E.,

MONTREAL, 1st January, 1883.

KNOX CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting was held on the evening of the 3rd January, 1883. Rev. Mr. Fleck occupied the chair, and the meeting was opened with devotional exercises, after which the Chairman called upon the Recording Secretary to read the

ANNUAL REPORT.

Your Committee in laying before you the result of the year's work, desire to recognize the "good hand of the Lord upon us," as shown by the very favorable report they are now enabled to submit.

By the change of expiry of the financial year to the 31st December, this report only embraces ten months.

Your Committee scarcely expected that the subscriptions for that term would come up to those of ordinary years, but are happy to say that the response of the Church to their appeal has been so general and generous that they can now report an addition, both in subscribers and subscriptions.

The total amount raised is \$1,122.50, from 108 members, as against \$943 last year, from 105 subscribers—an exhibit which certainly speaks well for the missionary spirit of the congregation.

This favorable showing is doubtless in some measure due to the circular issued by your Committee last June, to the members and adherents of the Church, for though the return of these was very limited, they showed a gain of 8 new subscribers.

In this connection your Committee would heartily submit that much of the success of this year is owing to the zealous labours of the lady collectors.

Mr. Jas. Brown, Superintendent of the Taylor Church Sabbath-School, reports another prosperous year. Increased accommodation has been perforce secured by the addition of three large rooms to the building. The roll at date contains 23 teachers and office-bearers, and 196 scholars, and the work done includes, besides the ordinary Sabbath-School work, Dorcas work, and classes twice a week to teach backward scholars reading and writing.

The Missionary Record has been circulated in increased numbers during the year, and doubtless keeps alive the interest in Missions which this Society seeks to foster.

Thanking God and taking courage, your Committee respectfully submit this report.

WM. PATERSON,

Recording Secretary.

Mr. W. D. McLaren read the Treasurer's Report, which is appended.

It was then moved by Mr. Paul, seconded by Mr. Aikman, that these reports be adopted and printed with the other congregational reports.

The motion was agreed to.

Having been duly proposed, the following were unanimously elected:—

President, - - - Rev. Jas. Fleck.
 Vice-President, - Rev. Prof. Campbell.
 Treasurer, - - - Mr. W. D. McLaren.
 Financial Secretary, Mr. J. B. Picken.
 Recording Secretary, Mr. J. T. Donald.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Messrs. Arch. Swan, Jas. Gardner, A. R. Wightman, A. S. Ewing, W. Paul, Robt. Henderson, A. C. Clark, G. W. Lundie, D. Aikman, Jas. Brown, A. W. Stevenson and Jas. Wallace.

The following ladies were appointed collectors for the current year :—

Misses Goulder, Kinmond, Ramsay, Brown, Kerr, Clarke, Lindsay, Gardner, Swan, J. Brown, Maxwell, and McLaren.

A hearty vote of thanks to the lady collectors was unanimously accorded for their valuable services. Votes of thanks were also given to the Financial Secretary for his energy and zeal, and to the retiring Recording Secretary for past services.

Mr. W. D. McLaren then moved, seconded by Mr. Jas. Gardner, that the Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary and Mr. A. C. Clark, be a Committee to revise the Constitution, and bring it into line with the change of the financial year.—Carried.

The Chairman having made a few remarks appropriate to the occasion, the meeting was closed with devotional exercises and the Benediction.

WILLIAM PATERSON,
Recording Secretary.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS

KNOX CHURCH MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Armstrong, R. J. | \$3 00 | Lundie, Mrs. G. W. | 12 50 |
| Aikman, David. | 15 00 | Lundie, J. A. | 12 50 |
| Acheson, Miss L. | 4 00 | Lundie, J. F. | 12 50 |
| Brown, George. | 3 00 | Locke, P. | 4 00 |
| Brown, George, Jr. | 3 00 | Louson, Mrs. | 4 00 |
| Brown, J. S. | 5 00 | Murray, Alex. | 20 00 |
| Browne, George. | 40 00 | Miller, G. A. | 3 00 |
| Brown, James. | 12 00 | Monk, Mrs. J. | 20 00 |
| Blackadder, Mrs. | 5 00 | Moore, Edward. | 5 00 |
| Black, Miss. | 30 00 | Maxwell, E. J. | 3 00 |
| Barclay, Captain John. | 10 00 | Marshall, T. R. | 12 00 |
| Baillie, A. | 3 00 | Marshall, Jas. | 6 00 |
| Coupar, Mrs. H. S. | 1 50 | McPherson, A. F. | 15 00 |
| Cheese, W. E. | 10 00 | McDougall, J. | 50 00 |
| Campbell, Colin. | 2 00 | McDougall, A. | 6 00 |
| Caldwell, W. | 2 50 | McGillivray, Miss C. | 2 50 |
| Cairns, W. | 3 00 | McGibbon, Wm. | 12 00 |
| Cooper, Mrs. | 3 00 | McKenzie, D. | 5 00 |
| Clark, A. C. | 100 00 | McLaren, Mrs. J. R. | 5 00 |
| Campbell, David. | 12 00 | McLaren, W. D. | 100 00 |
| Cumming, J. W. | 23 00 | McLaren, W. D., Jr. | 10 00 |
| Campbell, Rev. Prof. | 30 00 | McLaren, J. R., Jr. | 9 00 |
| Dunn, Robert H. | 6 00 | McLeod, Mrs. | 10 00 |
| Dunne, Henry. | 3 00 | McNab, Thos. | 2 50 |
| Donald, J. T. | 10 00 | McPherson, R. D. | 4 00 |
| Davie, J. G. | 3 00 | Murray, C. | 6 00 |
| Darling, Mrs. R. | 10 00 | Miller, R. | 0 50 |
| Easton, Mrs. | 3 00 | Paul, Walter. | 20 00 |
| Ewing, A. S. | 30 00 | Picken, Miss Lillie. | 10 00 |
| Ewing, A. M. | 3 00 | Picken, J. B. | 10 00 |
| Evans, W. S. | 10 00 | Picken, Mrs. J. B. | 10 00 |
| French, Miss C. L. | 6 00 | Picken, H. B., Jr. | 10 00 |
| Fairly, Mrs. | 3 00 | Paterson, W. | 6 00 |
| French, R. | 4 00 | Riva, Jas. R. L. | 1 75 |
| Fyfe, Miss H. | 1 00 | Ramsay, John. | 3 00 |
| Fyfe, J. | 3 00 | Rhind, John. | 2 00 |
| Fleck, Rev. J. | 30 00 | Rowatt, Jas. | 2 00 |
| Friend. | 0 25 | Roberts, J. W. | 3 00 |
| Guthrie, Mrs. E. | 0 50 | Rutherford, Wm. | 3 50 |
| Grant, W. H. | 1 00 | Robertson, Mrs. James. | 2 00 |
| Gardner, James. | 30 00 | Swan, A. | 10 00 |
| Harte, Peter. | 5 00 | Stevenson, J. A. | 5 00 |
| Henderson, Wm. | 5 00 | Stevenson, David. | 1 50 |
| Henderson, Mrs. W. | 5 00 | Stevenson, A. W. | 15 00 |
| Henderson, Robert. | 20 00 | Stevenson, S. C. | 5 00 |
| Henderson, T. M. | 25 00 | Stevenson, Mrs. Jas. | 28 00 |
| Henderson, J. N. | 10 00 | Scott, Miss A. | 2 50 |
| Harper, Miss M. | 3 00 | Stafford, H. S. | 6 00 |
| Harper, Miss C. | 1 00 | Snowdon, Jas. | 2 00 |
| Irving, George. | 20 00 | Sutherland, J. E. | 11 00 |
| Inslee, C. | 2 00 | Tait, Chas. | 5 00 |
| Jamieson, Mrs. | 4 00 | Tennant, Thos. | 4 00 |
| Kent, James. | 6 00 | Wallace, Jas. | 4 00 |
| Kinmond, P. L. | 5 00 | Wightman, A. R. | 10 00 |
| Kerr, Miss. | 3 00 | | |
| Lundie, G. W. | 12 50 | | |

\$1,147 50

KNOX CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

*Receipts for Ten Months ending 31st Dec., 1882, and appropriation
of the Funds.*

W. D. McLAREN, *Treasurer.*

RECEIPTS.

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| Members contributed, as per List | \$1147 50 |
| Interest from S. Bank | 4 45 |
| | \$1151 95 |

APPROPRIATIONS.

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| 95 copies <i>Missionary Record</i> | \$ 23 75 |
| Printing | 7 00 |
| Taylor Church and Sabbath School | 200 00 |
| City Missionary | 100 00 |
| Home Mission Fund | 300 00 |
| Foreign " " | 200 00 |
| Colleges Fund | 150 00 |
| French Evangelization | 141 75 |
| Harrington Church Debt | 20 00 |
| Balance on hand | 9 45 |
| | \$1151 95 |

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
KNOX CHURCH SABBATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

For year ending December 31st, 1882.

In presenting our Annual Report for 1882, it is our pleasing duty to announce steady progress in almost every respect, and to acknowledge our deep sense of gratitude to God for the many blessings bestowed on us during the past year.

Our School was closed during the months of July and August, as it was found on inquiry that the majority of Teachers and Scholars would be absent from the city during that period.

The attendance has been very well maintained, and shows a slight increase over that of last year, the average number present being :—Teachers and Officers, 23 ; Scholars and Bible Classes, 131 ; and the numbers on roll at present ; Teachers and Officers, 28 ; Scholars and Bible Classes, 196 We have now great hopes of the success of the coming year, as the attendance of the past two months has exceeded that of any previous year of our history.

Our Missionary Collections on the whole have been very good, as will be shown by the Treasurer's statement, but we regret to observe that the interest in the Children's Missionary Society appears to be lessening, and we would recommend that some change be made in the carrying on of this important branch of Sunday School work.

The Library is still in good form, and continues to supply the Scholars with abundance of good and

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instructive reading. A few months ago we weeded out about 50 books which had done long service, and sent them, by request, to the Rev. Mr. Coboue, who is doing Mission work at Joliette, Que. We are at present engaged in making an addition of from 50 to 100 new books, which, we trust, will make the department still more effective

The Scholars have, as usual, been supplied with various Sabbath School Papers, and the Teachers with the *Sunday School Times*, as heretofore.

The Rev. Mr. Fleck, not being able to resume his Young Men's Class at the re-opening in September, Prof. Campbell kindly undertook to conduct a Bible Class on Sunday afternoon in the Church during school hours. This class, we are happy to report, is being very well attended.

Our Annual Soiree was held Feb. 3rd, and was very largely attended by the Scholars and their friends. A social gathering and Magic Lantern Entertainment was also provided for the Scholars at the re-opening of the School in September.

The usual Sabbath School Pic-nic was held June 15th, at Isle Gros Bois. Owing to the unfavorable state of the weather it was not quite as enjoyable as we would have wished, but all arrived safely home, seemingly none the worse for the many showers which had taken place during the day.

We have lost, during the year the services of several Teachers, who, for various reasons, were compelled to relinquish their labours with us; we are, however, thankful to be able to report that we have also had the good fortune to have their places filled by others, thus leaving us well equipped for the coming year's work.

The regular monthly business meetings of the Association and weekly prayer meetings, after the school, have been very well attended.

In conclusion, we must again acknowledge God's great goodness to us in sparing us all to see the commencement of another year, none having been removed from our School by death since our last report.

We enter now hopefully into the work of the coming year, feeling sure that He who has so abundantly blessed us in the past will crown our future efforts with success.

At the annual meeting of the Association held January 2nd, 1883, the following were elected office-bearers for the year:—

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| President..... | Rev. JAS. FLECK. |
| Superintendent..... | Mr. W. PAUL. |
| Assistant Superintendent..... | " D. AIKMAN. |
| Sec'y.-Treasurer..... | " J. BAILLIE. |
| Librarians..... | { " H. B. PICKEN, Jr. |
| | { " J. MCGILL. |
| Conductor of Singing..... | Dr. McLAREN. |
| Organist..... | Miss BROWN. |

TEACHERS.

Mrs. Brown; Misses Baillie, Kinmond, Sutherland, Goulder, Ramsay, Lindsay, Kerr, McNab, Darling, Wightman, McLaren, Clark; Messrs. Wallace, R. Henderson, McDougall, J. B. Picken, Wightman, Barron, Douglass, Corbett.

JOHN BAILLIE, *Secretary.*

KNOX CHURCH SABBATH SCHOOL SOIREE.

Our Annual Soiree was held on Friday evening, February 9th, 1883, and was very largely attended by the Scholars and their friends.

After all had partaken of the many good things provided, the meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Paul, when all joined heartily in singing a hymn, which was followed by prayer offered by Rev. James Paterson.

The Secretary then read the Annual Report of the School, and the Treasurer the Financial Report, both of which were unanimously adopted.

The Scholars then voted away the past year's Missionary Collections, as follows :—

Moved by Andrew Clark, seconded by Norman McLaren, that \$50 be given to Home Missions.—Carried.

Moved by David Murdock, seconded by James Mackenzie, that \$50 be given to Foreign Missions.—Carried.

Moved by Alexander Lamb, seconded by Royal Bennett, that \$60 be given to the French Bursary.—Carried.

Moved by Alex. Allen, scnded by William Darling, that \$50 be given to establish a "Knox Church Sunday School Cot" in the Children's Ward of the Montreal General Hospital.—Carried.

Moved by David McGill, seconded by James Low, that the balance, viz : \$51.18, be given to the Pointe-aux-Trembles Mission School.—Carried.

The Rev. James Fleck then presented the numerous prizes to the successful competitors, after which he briefly addressed the meeting, as did also the Revs. Prof. Campbell and James Paterson, and Messrs. Paul, Aikman and James Brown.

After the benediction had been pronounced, each scholar was given a box of candy and an orange.

JOHN BAILLIE, *Secretary.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—KNOX CHURCH SABBATH SCHOOL.—JOHN J. MCGILL, TREASURER.
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1882.

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| <p>1882.</p> <p>Feb. 3.—To Subscriptions Soiree..... \$29 00</p> <p>June 15.—" " Picnic..... 42 25</p> <p>" " " " Proceeds sale of tickets..... 13 50</p> <p>Dec. 4.—" " Temperance Association..... 16 48</p> <p>" 30.—" " Annual Church Collection..... 78 00</p> <p>" " " " Sundries..... 2 33</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$181 53</p> | <p>1882.</p> <p>Feb. 14.—By Paid for Missionary Collection Books.. \$ 8 00</p> <p>" 27 " " " expenses soiree..... 39 20</p> <p>" " " " " for Prizes..... 2 45</p> <p>July 4 " " " " expenses picnic..... 72 70</p> <p>Dec. 30 " " " " for Hymn Books..... 3 69</p> <p>" " " " " W. Drysdale's Account, 1882..... 54 18</p> <p>" " " " Balance..... 1 31</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$181 53</p> |
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LIBRARY FUND.

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| <p>1882.</p> <p>Jan. 1.—To Balance on hand..... \$65 75</p> <p>Dec. 31.—" Dividends from Bank Stock..... 32 00</p> <p>" " " " Interest..... 1 75</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$99 50</p> | <p>1882.</p> <p>Aug. 3.—By paid repairing books..... \$7 40</p> <p>Dec. 31 " Balance..... 92 10</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$99 50</p> |
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MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

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| <p>1882.</p> <p>Dec. 31.—To Plate Collections..... \$120 49</p> <p>" " " " Children's Missionary Association..... 138 81</p> <p>" " " " Interest..... 1 88</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$261 18</p> | <p>1882.</p> <p>Dec. 31.—By Balance to be allocated to Missionary purposes..... \$261 18</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">\$261 18</p> |
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KNOX CHURCH SABBATH SCHOOL
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

COLLECTORS AND AMOUNTS COLLECTED.

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| 1. Mr. Paul..... | \$15 00 |
| 2. Isabella McLennan..... | 10 25 |
| 3. Annie Hendry..... | 3 25 |
| 4. J. A. Allan..... | 4 65 |
| 5. D. Murdock..... | 6 00 |
| 6. Maria Wafer..... | 5 45 |
| 7. Jennie Brown..... | 3 80 |
| 8. Archie Swan..... | 3 30 |
| 9. Violet Dunn..... | 2 60 |
| 10. E. Maxwell..... | 1 05 |
| 11. Tilly Johnson..... | 6 65 |
| 12. Hattie Gardiner..... | 34 05 |
| 13. Jas. Lowe..... | 2 45 |
| 14. H. Cooper..... | 4 30 |
| 15. Alice Clark..... | 3 60 |
| 16. Daisy Locke..... | 2 40 |
| 17. Bertie Dunn..... | 6 40 |
| 18. Harry Clark..... | 2 60 |
| 19. Lilly Lamb..... | 5 41 |
| 20. Susie Drew..... | 3 15 |
| 21. R. Stevenson..... | 2 60 |
| Infant Class..... | 9 85 |
| | \$138 81 |

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KNOX CHURCH DORCAS SOCIETY.

Work for this season was begun about the middle of October, and continued up to the 8th of December, with a very good attendance of members. A considerable amount of work was accomplished, and the only poor family in the Church was provided for.

Other distributions as follows :—

Taylor Church Mrs. Louson, for a poor family,
Ten dollars to Nazareth Street Sunday School.

AGNES W. BLACK, *Secretary.*

COLLECTIONS.

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| By Miss Gardner..... | \$31 75 |
| " " McPherson..... | 21 00 |
| " " Brown..... | 17 00 |
| " " Monk..... | 7 50 |
| " Balance from 1881..... | 9 86 |
| | <u>\$87 11</u> |

EXPENDITURE.

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| Paid A. Baillie, for boots..... | \$ 5 25 |
| " Robertson, Dry Goods..... | 14 45 |
| " Mrs. Graham..... | 10 00 |
| " Nazareth Street..... | 10 00 |
| Balance on hand..... | 47 41 |
| | <u>\$87 11</u> |

KNOX CHURCH AND SABBATH
SCHOOL TEMPERANCE
ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting was held on Friday evening, Nov. 10th, 1882.

Rev. Mr. Fleck occupied the chair and opened the meeting with devotional exercises.

The Secretary read the following report, which was adopted, and it was moved that it be printed along with the Congregational Report.

ANNUAL REPORT.

In presenting this the Fifth Annual Report of the Association, your Committee desire gratefully to acknowledge God's goodness as again continued to them in this department of Christian work. At the same time they have to acknowledge with regret that they have not accomplished as much as they expected, nor, in fact, done as much as they intended to do at the beginning of last year. They started with the intention of revising and correcting the entire Membership Roll and vigorously pressing the claims of our Association upon all, but, especially, upon the young people of our Church and Sabbath School who have not yet joined it. The pressure of other very important work upon some of the officers was the cause of postponing the working out of this idea until it was too late to do it this year. Your Committee therefore beg leave to commend the task to their successors in office, asking them to be warned by the negligence of their predecessors, and not put it off till the end of the season.

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The public meetings and entertainments of the Association were continued every month during the winter season, and the attendance and interest manifested were quite equal to any previous years. Your Committee desire again to record their warmest thanks to the several clergymen and the many ladies and gentlemen who so willingly and so ably assisted to make these meetings a success. An opportunity was afforded at every meeting to take the pledge and join our ranks, and quite a number availed themselves of the privilege during the year.

This temperance work is a great work, and under the deep conviction of its increasing importance as a means of protecting and saving our young people from the many temptations with which they are surrounded, your Committee desire, in concluding, very earnestly to press it upon the attention of our whole congregation, in the hope that all our people may be made willing to help on the good work, and especially to rescue the perishing and to care for them who are in danger of being drawn into this dreadful vice.

The whole respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. MCGREGOR.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

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| Balance from last year..... | \$ 1 87 | |
| Proceeds of Concert..... | 28 25 | |
| | | —————\$30 12 |

EXPENDITURE.

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| Advertising..... | \$5 15 | |
| Printing..... | 4 00 | |
| Piano Tuning..... | 1 50 | |
| Do. do. (Lindsay)..... | 1 50 | |
| Postage, &c., &c..... | 1 52 | |
| | | —————\$13 67 |
| Balance on hand..... | \$16 45 | |

It was agreed by the Committee that this balance
be handed over to the Sabbath School Fund.

JOHN A. MCGREGOR.

The following were elected office-bearers for the
ensuing year :—

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| Hon. President, | - - | Rev. Jas. Fleck. |
| President, | - - | H. B. Picken, Jr. |
| Vice-President, | - - | Robt. Henderson. |
| Secretary-Treasurer, | - | T. M. Henderson. |

COMMITTEE.

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| J. B. Picken, | Miss Ramsay, |
| R. Darling, | " Brown, |
| Jno. Baillie, | " M. Gardner, |
| J. Ewart, | " Baillie, |
| J. McGregor, | " McLaren, |
| A. Wightman, | " Wightman, |
| Dr. McLaren, | " Clark. |

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR EXEGETICAL
CHAIR, MONTREAL PRESBY-
TERIAN COLLEGE.

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| Alex. Murray..... | \$50 00 |
| A. S. Ewing..... | 50 00 |
| W. D. McLaren..... | 50 00 |
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| | \$150 00 |

SUBSCRIPTIONS ON BEHALF OF
NORTH-WEST CHURCH AND
MANSE BUILDING FUND.

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| W. D. McLaren | \$50 00 |
| Rev. James Fleck..... | 50 00 |
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| | \$100 00 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Seat Rents..... | \$2,191 86 |
| Ordinary Collections..... | 1,060 30 |
| Special Collections..... | 125 60 |
| Do. do. Poor Fund..... | 64 15 |
| Subscriptions to Debt Fund..... | 1,393 00 |
| Collected by Missionary Association..... | 1,147 50 |
| " Children's do. | 138 81 |
| " Sabbath School and Bible Class..... | 122 33 |
| " for various purposes connected with Sabbath School..... | 137 28 |
| " Dorcas Society..... | 77 25 |
| Special to Montreal College..... | 150 00 |
| " North-West Fund..... | 100 00 |
| " Pointe aux Trembles School..... | 35 00 |
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| | \$6,742 98 |