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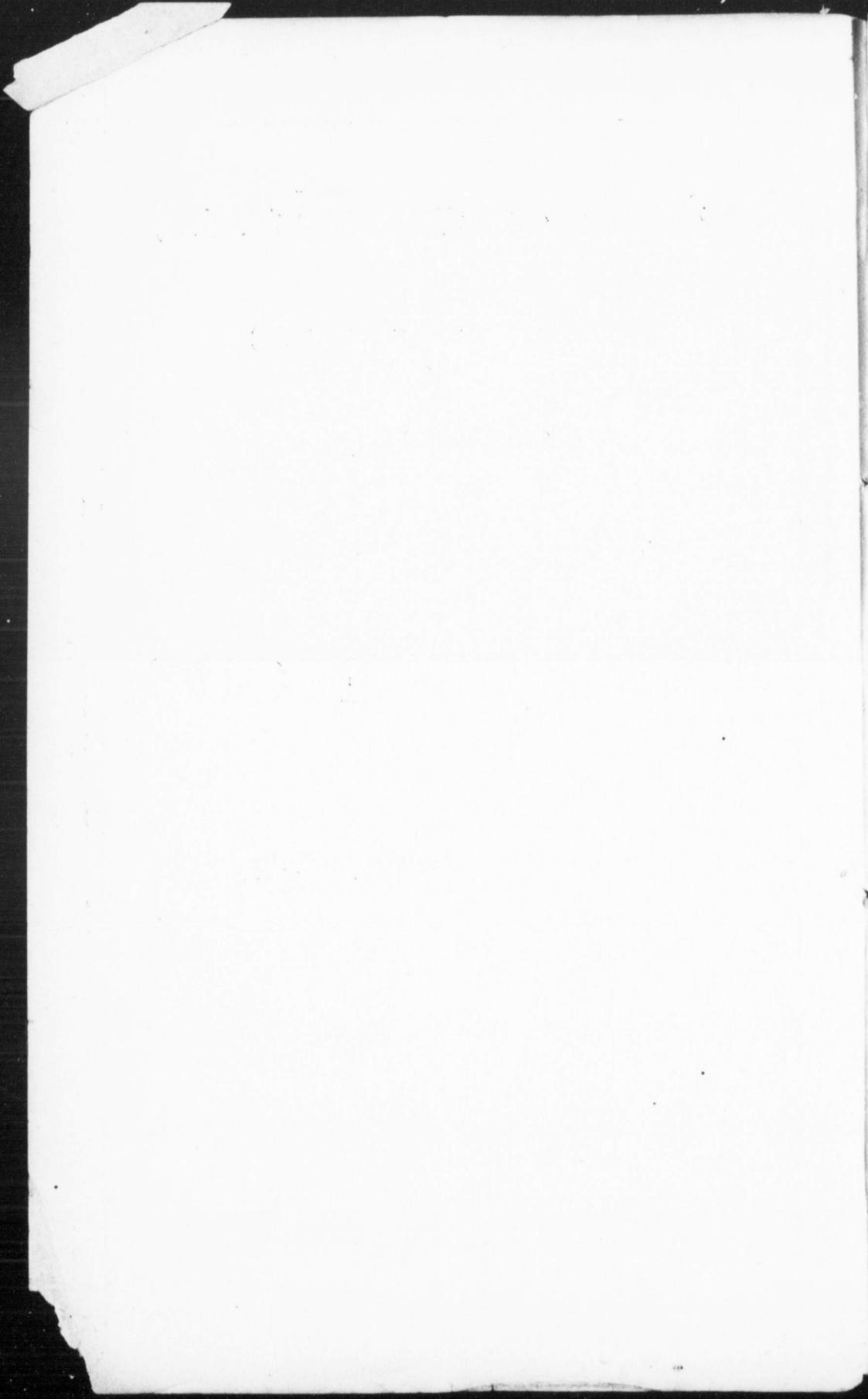
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KIRK SESSION.

MINISTER.

REV. D. J. MACDONNELL, B.D., . 75 Simcoe St.

ELDERS.

GEORGE H. WILSON, 186 Adelaide Street.
 WILLIAM MITCHELL, 35 Melinda Street.
 ARCHIBALD MCMURCHY, M.A., 243 Sherbourne St.
 THOS. A. MCLEAN, M.A., . . . Catherine St.
 JAMES BETHUNE, 406 Jarvis Street.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

ISAAC C. GILMOR, *Chairman*, . 324 Jarvis Street.
 JAMES MICHIE, 40 Wellington St.
 WILLIAM MITCHELL, *Secretary*. 35 Melinda Street.
 WILLIAM HENDERSON, 65 Shuter Street.
 RUSSEL INGLIS, *Treasurer*, . . 73 Bay Street.
 GEORGE KEITH, 164 Carleton St.
 A. T. FULTON, 40 Wellington St.

TRUSTEES OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

HON. JOS. C. MORRISON.	ALEXANDER T. FULTON.
JAMES MICHIE	WILLIAM HENDERSON.
ISAAC C. GILMOR.	WILLIAM MITCHELL.

Superintendent of St. Andrew's Sunday School. William Mitchell.
 Superintendent of St. Andrew's Mission School. . . Archibald McMurchy, M.A.

LADIES' ASSOCIATION.

MRS MACDONNELL, President.
 MRS. I. C. GILMOR, Vice-President.
 MISS MITCHELL, Treas. of Dorcas Fund.
 MISS MORRISON, Secretary.
 MISS HAY, Treas. of Building Fund.

ORGANIST.

MISS NOVERRE, 250 Wellington St. West.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

President, REV. D. J. MACDONNELL.
 1st Vice-President, T. B. BROWNING.
 2nd Vice-President, T. A. MCLEAN.
 Secretary, W. R. GEORGE.
 Treasurer, H. ALEXANDER.

BEADLE.

THOS. GILLIES. 35 Colborne St.

SERVICES AND MEETINGS.

Hours of Divine Service.....11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 St. Andrew's Sunday School.....3 p.m.
 St. Andrew's Mission School.....9.30 a.m.
 Young Men's Bible Class in Mission Church..3.30 p.m.
 Young Women's do in Manse.....3.30 p.m.

The Weekly Prayer Meeting is held on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, in the Church, or in private houses, according to arrangement.

Ordinary Meetings of the Kirk Session are held monthly in the Vestry.

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Sunday in each month.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed on the first Sunday in the months of January, May and September.

Meetings of the Board of Managers are held Quarterly on the first Monday in the months of January, April, July and October, at 7.30 p.m.

Meetings of the Ladies' Association are held weekly during the winter months.

Ordinary Meetings of the Young Men's Association are held fortnightly from the beginning of October to the end of April. All young men belonging to the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

Pew Rents are payable in advance on the 21st day of March, June, September and December respectively. The Managers are in the Vestry from 7 to 9 o'clock, p.m., on Friday and Saturday of the last week of these months, to receive payments and to let Sittings. Application for Sittings to be made at other times to the Treasurer, Mr. Inglis, or to any of the Managers.

SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

Contributions are made to these by means of the Schedule System, and collected by the Ladies' Association. The following are the Schemes to which Contributions are required to be made.

1. **MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND**, for providing annuities for the widows and orphans of Ministers who die in the service of the Church. Each Minister pays \$12 annually to this Fund.

2. **SUSTENTATION FUND**, to furnish the means of paying \$200 a year to each Minister who receives nothing from the Temporalities Fund.

3. **SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND**, for aiding in the education of Students for the Ministry at Queen's and Morrin Colleges.

4. **FRENCH MISSION**, for Mission work among the French Canadians. Mr. Tanner conducts Divine Service in St. John's Church, Montreal, in the French language, every Lord's Day.

5. **PRESBYTERY'S HOME MISSION**, for supplying with the means of grace, destitute localities within the bounds of the Presbytery of Toronto.

6. **MANITOBA MISSION**, for Mission work in the Province of Manitoba. The Rev. Thomas Hart and the Rev. W. C. Clarke are now engaged in the work.

REPORT OF KIRK SESSION.

Number of Communicants on the Roll in January,	
1874, - - - - -	332
Names added since January, 1873, - - - - -	55
Decrease, by removal and death, - - - - -	18
Net increase during past year, - - - - -	37
Baptisms : public, 9 ; private, 8 ; in all, - - - - -	17
Deaths, - - - - -	8
No. on Roll of St. Andrew's Sunday School, - - - - -	208
Average attendance, - - - - -	98
Number of Teachers, - - - - -	14
Number on Roll of Mission School, - - - - -	130
Average attendance, - - - - -	64
Number of Teachers, - - - - -	12
Number in Young Women's Bible Class, - - - - -	20
Number in Young Men's Bible Class, (only begun at the close of 1873), - - - - -	18

In looking back over the past year, the Session find much cause for thankfulness to God. The above figures indicate external growth, and it is humbly hoped that the services of the Church have not been unattended by an increase of spiritual life.

The Congregation was recently divided into the following five districts, each of which is assigned to an Elder.

District No. I. T. A. McLean. *John St. and west.*

District No. II. George H. Wilson. *Between John and Church Streets, north of Queen Street.*

District No. III. William Mitchell. *Between John and Church Streets, south of Queen Street.*

District No. IV. James Bethune. *Church Street, and east to George Street.*

District No. v. Archibald McMurchy. *George St. and east.*

Each Elder will endeavour to make himself acquainted with the families in his District, and to give special attention to cases of sickness and poverty. Changes of residence should be communicated either to the Minister, or to the Elder of the District. It is very desirable that Communicants leaving the bounds of the congregation, should not fail to apply for a certificate of membership.

It will be noticed that the Sacrament of Baptism was administered about as often privately as publicly. It is earnestly recommended that the rule contained in "the Directory for the Public Worship of God" be, as far as possible, observed, and that Baptism be administered not "in private places, or privately, but in the place of worship, and in the face of the congregation."

The weekly Prayer Meeting has been held for the most part in private houses. This arrangement has been found to bring the members of the congregation into closer contact than when the meetings were held in the Church, and it has been specially prized in many instances by the aged and infirm, who cannot often take part in the services of the Sanctuary.

It will be noticed that no contributions were solicited last year by the Ladies' Association for the relief of the poor. The explanation of this fact is, that the collections at communion seasons are at present amply sufficient to meet the wants of the poor, and an arrangement has been made by which the Session supplies the funds needed by the Ladies' Association.

It is gratifying to observe that there is an increase in the amount raised for the Schemes of the Church, the sum available for distribution being \$660 72, as com-

pared with \$521 42 last year. This sum is made up as follows :—

Collected by Ladies' Association,	-	\$524 25	
Interest,	- - - - -	10 40	
Special Collection for Widows' and Orphans' Fund,	- - - - -	62 12	
" " Manitoba Mission,		63 95	
			————— \$660 72

APPROPRIATIONS.

Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund,	- - - - -	\$ 62 12	
Synod's Sustentation Fund,	- - - - -	250 00	
" Manitoba Mission,	- - - - -	160 00	
" French Mission,	- - - - -	30 00	
" Scholarship and Bursary Scheme,	- - - - -	51 60	
" Expense Fund,	- - - - -	49 00	
Presbytery's Home Mission,	- - - - -	50 00	
" Expense Fund,	- - - - -	8 00	
			————— \$660 72

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Communion Collections, (2), for Session Poor Fund,	- - - - -	\$ 84 98	
Winnipeg Ladies' School,	- - - - -	89 00	
Queen's College Lectureships,	- - - - -	50 00	
			————— \$223 98

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS IN SABBATH SCHOOLS.

St. Andrew's Sunday School,	- - - - -	\$ 60 19	
" Mission School,	- - - - -	38 12	
			————— \$ 98 31

In name of Session,

D. J. MACDONNELL, *Moderator.*

MANAGERS' REPORT.

The accompanying Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for the year just closed, continues to show a steady increase of revenue, both from Pew Rents and Sabbath Collections. A comparison with the two previous years gives the following figures :—

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Revenue from } Pew Rents }	\$1,662 24	\$1,748 05	\$1,941 30
Revenue from } Sabbath Collections }	1,592 48	1,649 00	1,695 42
Average Sab- bath Collections } ...	30 32	31 57	32 61

The collections taken at the three Communion Services during the year are not included in the above, these being at the disposal of the Session.

In addition to meeting the ordinary expenses of the Congregation, the sum of \$428 has been paid on account of the debt on the Church from revenue. The debt for which the Congregation is now responsible is as follows:

Additional ground purchased on King and	
Simcoe Streets.....	\$14,000
Dr. Barclay's Annuity, if funded, say about...	3,000
Debt on Simcoe Street Property.....	1,250
" Mission Church	1,011
" St. Andrew's Church	100
Cash borrowed to complete Manse.....	3,000

Total,	\$22,361

In explanation it may be here stated that the additional ground purchased on King and Simcoe Streets was authorized by resolution, passed at a special meeting of the Congregation called for that purpose, in view of the decision of the Congregation to erect the new St. Andrew's Church on this property.

To provide for payment of interest on the purchase referred to, (\$930 annually), it is suggested that the members of the Congregation so increase their weekly offerings as to enable the Managers to meet this additional claim out of the ordinary revenue, and thus avoid the necessity of making special appeals for this purpose.

The amount at present in arrears from Pew Rents is \$165 80; although this item is smaller than that reported last year, it is still much larger than it should be. It is to be regretted that the whole of the members of the Congregation do not take advantage of the opportunity afforded quarterly by the Managers of paying their pew rents directly to them. This neglect entails a considerable item of expense in the way of commission paid to a collector.

The Managers have, in conclusion, to report that, through the want of sufficient pew accommodation, several families have, during the year, been prevented from joining the congregation: to remedy this, they beg to express an earnest hope that the Congregation

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will unitedly, and at once, take the necessary steps for the erection of a larger and more commodious church, in accordance with the decision arrived at last year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. MITCHELL, *Secretary.*

Toronto, 21st January, 1874.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT,

DR.

Balance from 1872.....	\$	61 30
Pew Rents		1941 30
Collections		1695 32
Rent of Humber Farm		125 00
Six months' dividend of Building Society stock		60 00
Interest on Bank account.....		12 28

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Year Ending 31st December, 1873,

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Rev. D. J. Macdonnell	\$2000 00
Rev. Dr. Barclay's Annuity	400 00
Interest on \$1,250.	87 50
Miss Noverre, Organist	137 50
Thos. Gillies, Beadle, and Son	206 00
Archibald Taylor, coal	105 68
Insurance on Church and Organ	65 00
Pulpit supply	52 00
"Presbyterian"	62 30
Manse Fund, on account	428 00
Gas for Church	73 05
Mission Church, for Gas, Insurance, &c.	31 80
Insurance on Manse	22 00
Painting Church	68 25
Commission for Collecting \$843.50	42 16
Bookcase, &c.	39 00
Sundry Accounts per Receipts	53 71
Balance to 1874,	21 25
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	\$3895 20

RUSSEL INGLIS, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF LADIES' ASSOCIATION.

The Secretary, in presenting the Report of the Ladies' Association in connection with St. Andrew's Church, has much pleasure in congratulating the members upon the success which has attended their exertions during the past year, both in relieving the poor and in the other work to which they have devoted themselves.

Several families were largely assisted during the winter months by contributions from the Society, such as money, fuel, clothing, &c. The Ladies decided not to collect for the Dorcas Society this year, owing to a surplus being left over from last year. The Kirk Session agreed to supply the Association with funds out of the collections taken at Communion seasons, there being few claims at present on the Session Fund, and this offer was gladly accepted by the Ladies, as the arduous work of collecting had fallen on the same members of the Association for several successive years.

Sewing Meetings were held during the winter months on Thursday of each week, and were found to be very advantageous in a great many ways. They were the means of bringing the Ladies of the congregation into more intimate and friendly relationship, and at the same time a very great deal of work has been done by them. The average number of Ladies attending these Meetings is from ten to twelve.

In the early part of the year the work was in behalf of the General Bazaar for the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Ladies had the satisfaction of sending in a donation valued at about \$500. Meeting with good success by working together, it

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was proposed to hold a Sale of useful and fancy articles, for the benefit of our own Church. The resolution was adopted, and after six weeks' work, our endeavours were rewarded in the shape of a purse of \$375,—the proceeds of the Sale which took place on Thursday and Friday, the 18th and 19th December.

A Conversazione was also held in the Mission School on Wednesday, the 24th December. The proceeds from this Entertainment amounted to the sum of \$85, which enabled the Society to pay off all debts incurred by the Sale,—thus leaving the \$375 untouched,—this sum to be devoted to the Building Fund of the new Church. It has been decided to continue the weekly sewing meetings, with the intention of holding a larger Bazaar early next Autumn for the same purpose.

The following Office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year :

MRS. MACDONNELL,	-	-	-	-	President.
MRS. I. C. GILMOR,	-	-	-	-	Vice-President.
MISS MITCHELL,	-	-			Treas. of Dorcas Society.
MISS MORRISON,	-	-	-	-	Secretary.
MISS HAY,	-	-	-		Treas. of Building Fund.

MARIE MORRISON, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

1st Jan. 1873.	Balance from 1872,	-	-	\$131 29
	Expenditure in 1873,	-		77 82
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31st Dec.	Balance on hand,	-	-	\$ 53 47

ISABELLA MITCHELL, *Treasurer.*

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION
In Account with the Treasurer.

Dr.

To Cash paid on account of West End Mission	
School	\$61 51
" Cash paid Printing, &c.	8 25
" Cash paid Postages	3 00
" Cash paid sundry expenses	10 00
" Balance	65 32
	\$148 08

1873.

Oct. 20. To amount paid towards liquidation of debt on Mission Church	\$65 32
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By Balance from session 1871-72	\$11 11
" Members' Fees, 1872-73	10 00
" Profits on Lectures, &c., for session 1872-73..	89 97
" Collection in St. Andrew's Church for West End Mission School	37 00
	\$148 08
" Balance	\$65 32

HENRY S. ALEXANDER, *Treasurer.*