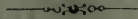


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The Kirk Session.

REV. M. MACGILLIVRAY, M. A.

ELDERS.

JAMES GRAY.	JOHN JAMIESON.
SAMUEL WILSON.	DONALD McPHAIL.
JOHN ARMOUR.	JAMES McFARLAND.
ROBERT ALLAN.	GEORGE TEMPLETON.
DANIEL GLOSSOP.	F. B. ALLAN.

SESSION CLERK,	- -	F. B. ALLAN
TREASURER OF KIRK SESSION,		JAMES GRAY.
REPRESENTATIVE ELDER,	-	JOHN ARMOUR.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

WILLIAM MEIGHEN.	E. G. MALLOCH.	ROBT. J. DRUMMOND.
JOHN ARMOUR.	JOHN WILSON.	HENRY TAYLOR.
ALEX. ROBERTSON.	J. M. WALKER.	WALTER FERRIER.

<i>Chairman,</i>	- - -	E. G. MALLOCH.
<i>Secretary,</i>	- - -	HENRY TAYLOR.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	- - -	WILLIAM MEIGHEN.

<i>Organist,</i>	- - - - -	MISS WALKER.
<i>Superintendent of Sabbath School,</i>	- - -	JAMES GRAY.
<i>Sexton,</i>	- -	DAVID LOWE.

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Report of the Kirk-Session,
1882.

In submitting a brief report of the state of the congregation for the past year, the Session has pleasure in stating that substantial and encouraging work has been done. This may well be regarded as just ground for thankfulness; and it is earnestly hoped that God will grant us more substantial progress in His work among us during the year on which we have just entered. The Session believes that the facts stated in this brief report fully justify the congregation in entertaining this hope.

Early in the year it was felt desirable that the Session should be enlarged so as to meet more efficiently the growing needs of the congregation. A field so large, and in the country portions of it so scattered as this, could not possibly be overtaken by four or five men however zealous and devoted. Accordingly the Session was increased to eleven members; and with this staff it is believed the spiritual work of the Church may be adequately overtaken.

In the course of the year Mr. Duncan McNee, a member of the Session, tendered his resignation, on the ground that the state of his health at times seriously interfered, as he believed, with the efficient discharge of his duty. In parting with him as a member of the Session, his brethren put on record an expression of their high appreciation of his christian worth, faithfulness, and courtesy.

The number on the roll of membership is 276. The number added during the year is 46; the majority of these by profession, the others by certificate. There were four removals by certificate, and three by death. The total number of deaths was six; of these, three were members: Mr. James Templeton, Mrs. Walter Ferrier, and Mr. Nicholas Andison; and two were adherents: Mr. John McPherson and Mr. Robert Scott. The sixth removed by death was Master Clarence Templeton. The number of baptisms was 14.

The interest shown in the Sabbath services is fairly encouraging. A large majority attend most regularly, and this fact testifies

to the interest felt in the duties of the religious life, and the enjoyment which they afford. May such a state of things continue; and may the message of mercy fill the hearts of the brethren with more and more joy.

Yet there is room for much improvement. There are people enough (including members and adherents) connected with the congregation, to fill the church any fair Sabbath, but we are never cramped seriously for want of room. Let the Session, and all the congregation, take more interest in the welfare of Zion, and carelessness and irregularity will disappear. The Session asks the cordial assistance of every member and adherent in developing more aggressive christian work among us. The Lord requires it.

The prayer meeting, while probably up to the average prayer meeting life, might be a much greater power than it is among us. An hour of public worship in the six days is not much to spend with God; but even for that short space of time His fellowship is not sought with any extraordinary avidity. In the course of the past year the Gospel of Mark was expounded at these weekly meetings.

The attendance at ordinances is not what it should be. At the last dispensation of the Lord's Supper not many more than half the communicants were present. After making every allowance for the severity of the weather, the infirmities of age, and other legitimate causes of absence, the fact remains that the attendance is singularly irregular. The Session sincerely hopes that this year will witness a decided amendment in this respect. Spiritual life is far from the mark when a fact like this has to be noticed. Surely it must be forgotten that "They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

The Session has resolved to give more attention to the distribution among the congregation of suitable literature for the purpose of instructing them more fully in the doctrines, worship, and government of their own church. The Session believes the congregation will cheerfully approve a small allowance of money every year for this purpose. If we have faith in our church, faith in Presbyterianism as a Christian organization eminently fitted in every way to glorify the Redeemer in the salvation of men (as the

Session is persuaded we have), should we not be ready and anxious to do a little more than we have been doing in demonstrating by our life, and in every other lawful way, its principles and its practice?

The Session has great pleasure in bearing witness to the excellent work done in the Sabbath School. This sphere of church work is deserving of our most prayerful endeavours. The character of youth must tell powerfully on the church of the future. How important, therefore, that the young should be well taught in the principles of sacred truth! Mr. Gray, the Superintendent, is an enthusiastic S. S. worker, and the condition of the School shows that his labors are not in vain. He is ably assisted in this most useful work by Mr. F. B. Allan, and an excellent staff of teachers. Not a few of the children attend a Union S. S. on the Scotch Line, where Mr. S. Wilson and Mr. Robert Allan, of this Session, and others of our brethren are doing useful, earnest work. There is a Bible Class conducted by the pastor in connection with the School, and held in the church. The number of teachers is 19; names on the roll, 148; average attendance, 94. The amount expended on the school during the year was \$44; and given to missions, \$40. The library numbers some 500 volumes. The teachers are supplied with the helps of the American Presbyterian Board. The papers read are the "Sabbath School Messenger" and "Children's Paper." Two of the dear little ones were removed by death—Clarence Templeton and Albert Spalding.

The following statement shows the amounts received during the year for the Mission, College, and Benevolent Schemes of the Church. The contributions show that our people are sensible of their christian obligations, and also of the striking fact that a living church must be a working church. "Herein is my father glorified that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples." "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth."

M. MACGILLIVRAY, *Moderator.*
F. B. ALLAN, *Session Clerk.*

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, PERTH,
Annual Statement of Missionary Collections for 1882.
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1882. RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Amount Remitted to Rev. Dr. Reid.....\$417 14	Home Missions.....\$181 84
Amount Remitted to Rev. W. Warden..... 80 35	" per Rev. James Robertson,.... 23 80
Amount Remitted to Mr. James Croil..... 42 00	Foreign Missions..... 113 56
Amount Remitted to Rev. Mr. Crombie..... 12 00	French Evangelization..... 80 35
Assembly Expense Fund..... 10 00	Colleges..... 57 82
	Aged and Infirm Minister's Fund..... 27 40
	Assembly Fund..... 12 72
	Widows and Orphans' Fund..... 42 00
	Presbyterial Fund..... 12 00
	Assembly Expense Fund..... 10 00
	\$561 49
Benevolent Fund—Balance paid..... 18 25	Benevolent Fund..... 24 80
Balance..... 6 55	
SABBATH SCHOOL—	SABBATH SCHOOL—
John Hart..... 12 02	Amount collected each Sunday..... 80 91
F. B. Allan..... 21 52	Collection in Church for expenses..... 12 02
J. M. Walker..... 12 75	Balance of Pic-Nic, by Mr. Walker..... 3 50
Balance..... 50 14	
	96 43
QUEEN'S COLLEGE—Remitted..... 225 00	QUEEN'S COLLEGE—
Balance on hand..... 32 50	Amount Collected..... 257 50
	\$940 22

The Annual Meeting.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, held on Thursday, the Eleventh day of January, 1883, at 2.30 o'clock p. m.

William Meighen was called to the chair, and Henry Taylor acted as Secretary.

The meeting having been opened with prayer, the minutes of the last annual meeting, and of special meetings held during the past year, were read and confirmed.

The reports of the Session and the Managers were presented, received and adopted.

The Managers were authorized to borrow on the security of the new manse property a sufficient sum to complete the building and other necessary improvements.

Messrs. Alexander Robertson, Walter Ferrier and James M. Walker were elected managers instead of those who retire by rotation.

WM. MEIGHEN, *Chairman.*
HENRY TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

Report of Managers of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, for the year 1882, submitted to the Congregation at the Annual Meeting, on 11th January, 1883.

The Report which the Managers now submit cannot fail to be in many ways satisfactory to the Congregation.

Although the past year is the first since the introduction of the Envelope System for raising the fund for the Stipend and other expenditures of the Congregation, the result has been more satisfactory than was generally anticipated.

The amount contributed through envelopes was \$1054.70, while the amount directly paid to the Treasurer was \$225.65, showing that a very large majority of the contributors adopted the system. The Managers strongly urge the contributors as a whole to adopt the system.

An examination of the list of contributors will show that while a number of the members and adherents contribute liberally, a considerable number give much less than might reasonably be expected of them, and we regret to have to state that quite a number enjoying the same privileges have contributed nothing.

Notwithstanding this state of facts the ordinary receipts have more than counterbalanced the regular expenditure for the year, in addition to paying arrearages for 1881 of over \$100.

If each contributor were to give all that might reasonably be expected, the affairs of the congregation would be in a most flourishing condition.

During the year considerable repairs were made in the church, largely increasing its sitting capacity and adding greatly to the comfort of the congregation. The expenditure for this purpose amounted to about \$760. To meet this extraordinary expenditure the sum of about \$96 was raised by subscription. The sum of \$200 was received on account of the purchase money of two lots in Perth belonging to the congregation, which were sold, and about \$460 remain unpaid. It will be necessary to adopt some means to liquidate this debt.

The sale of the old manse and lands attached, sanctioned by the congregation, has been completed pursuant to the resolution adopted at a special meeting held for that purpose.

The Managers have pleasure in stating that the new manse which the congregation decided to erect, will soon be completed, and it is hoped it will be ready to be occupied by the Minister by the first of March next. The total cost of the land, manse and out-buildings will be about \$5,000.

In order to meet this expenditure the sum of \$3,400 was advanced by those who contributed to the scheme adopted by the congregation. About \$900 were given by a few members of the congregation by way of ordinary subscription ; and it is right to mention here that \$800 of this sum were given by Mr. Armour. The balance, about \$700, will require to be raised by mortgage on the manse property.

The Managers who retire by rotation are Daniel Glossop, Walter Ferrier and Alexander Robertson.

The whole respectfully submitted.

E. G. MALLOCH, *Chairman.*
HENRY TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

PERTH, January 10th, 1883.

Financial.

STATEMENT REPAIRS ACCOUNT, 1882.

1882.	RECEIPTS.	
July,	Amount received from E. G. Malloch on account of two lots land sold Gallipeau	\$200 00
	Amount received on subscription list of 1882.....	96 00
	W. H. Grant for sand.....	2 12
	David Lowe for old stove pipes sold.....	5 30

\$303 42

1882.	EXPENDITURES.	
July 5,	Paid Benjamin Wright's account.....	\$106 71
“	“ James Morrison's account	51 83
“	“ Peter McGregor's account	35 00
“	F. W. Allan's account (lumber)	10 53

294 07

Balance on hand \$ 9 35

NOTE.—The following accounts in connection with the repairs are yet to be collected :—

Peter McGregor	\$ 53 00
Benjamin Wright	48 10
Account for Brick.....	8 62
Briggs' account for Furnaces.....	354 22

\$463 94

PERTH, 11th January, 1883.

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO FUND for Stipend and other Expenditures.

1882.	RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 30,	Contributions by Envelopes during the year.....	\$1054 70
	Payments to Treasurer	225 65

\$1280 35

1882.	EXPENDITURES.	
April 6,	Paid discount on note.....	\$ 4 64
June 17,	“ Prof. Mowat	20 00
July 6,	“ Dr. Bain	10 00
“ 10,	“ Prof. Fowler	10 00
	Rev. M. Macgillivray.....	1100 00

\$1144 64

	Balance of 1882 account on hand.....	\$135 7
Feb. 22,	By paid note in Bank on 1881 account	285 43
	Less Balance of 1881 account on hand.....	197 46

87 97

Balance on hand January, 10th, 1883..... 47 74

STATEMENT ORDINARY WEEKLY COLLECTIONS :—

Total Receipts, 1882.....	522 52	
Total Expenditure, 1882.....	513 00	9 52

Total Balance on hand \$57 26

Contributions

To Fund for Stipend and other Expenditures,
1882.

Armour, John.....	\$100 60	Gemmill, Miss.....	7 00
Allan, F. B.....	31 95	Gilchrist, William.....	4 00
Allan, Robert.....	15 00	Gibson, John.....	4 00
Allan, Robert (Blacksmith)...	8 00	Golightly, Miss.....	1 00
Abercrombie, William.....	6 00	Gamble, Andrew R.....	5 00
Adams, Alex.....	6 20	Gibson, William.....	5 00
Andison, Mrs. N.....	2 00	Hart, John S.....	31 75
Austin, Alexander.....	2 25	Hunter, Mrs.....	6 00
Andison, Mrs. Robert.....	7 75	Hyslop, Mrs.....	2 00
Blair, James W.....	5 00	Hogg, George.....	5 30
Bell, C. J.....	2 00	Hart, Mrs. John, sr.....	10 00
Brown, Alex.....	2 00	Holliday, Mrs....	2 00
Baird, Mrs. William.....	4 90	Jamieson, John.....	12 75
Campbell, John G.....	32 05	Keays, Andrew.....	11 00
Croskery, Mrs. R.....	3 25	Kilpatrick, Peter.....	2 05
Campbell, Mrs. A.....	12 75	Lafferty, Mrs.....	9 25
Cram, Peter (part year).....	14 00	Lowe, David.....	6 95
Cameron, Ewen.....	10 50	Lawson, Mrs.....	3 00
Campbell, Mrs. James.....	5 20	Malloch, E. G.....	42 50
Cunningham, Walter.....	5 00	Malloch, late Judge.....	16 00
Coombs, Mrs.....	8 00	Meighen, William.....	40 00
Croskery, Miss Jane.....	4 00	Meighen, Mrs. Arthur.....	26 50
Croskery, Miss Mary....	5 00	Mansfield, Thomas.....	18 65
Cameron, Peter.....	10 00	Meighen, Charles.....	12 00
Croskery, R. W.....	5 30	Michell, F. L.....	16 30
Cameron, D. M. (part year)...	1 25	May, Daniel, jr.....	4 85
Campbell, Miss Jane.....	4 00	Mullen, Miss.....	2 50
Drummond, R. J.....	13 25	Moodie, Thomas.....	4 75
Drysdale, Miss (part year)....	1 35	Moodie, Andrew.....	1 85
Ferrier, Walter L.....	14 75	Moodie, Joseph.....	2 10
Fisher, Donald.....	5 00	Morrison, Peter.....	1 50
Ferrier, John L.....	9 00	Moodie, James, jr.....	50
Ferrier, William.....	4 15	Moodie, Andrew, jr.....	1 70
Flett, Mrs.....	1 12	Moffatt, Miss.....	8 25
Fisher, Annie.....	1 00	Millar, Miss.....	1 00
Fidler, Mrs.....	1 25	Millar, George.....	4 00
Fraser, John P.....	6 90	McAdam, Mrs. (part year)....	11 00
Gray, James.....	26 40	((\$8 for 1883.)	
Glossop, Miss.....	42 40	McNee, Duncan.....	11 10
Grant, W. H.....	14 75	McPhail, Donald.....	10 75
Glossop, Daniel.....	8 10		

McTavish, Peter	2 50	Smith, Miss	4 00
McEwen, Mrs.	6 25	Spalding, Mrs. James	2 00
McTavish, Mrs. Alex.	4 00	Scott, John J.	6 70
McLean, Mrs. R.	5 30	Scott, William	3 55
McPherson, Miss	10 00	Sym, Andrew	75
(\$5 for 1881.)		Stewart, Edwin	1 30
McGillivray, Mrs. L.	4 10	Scott, Thomas	3 00
McFarland, James	6 15	Thompson, Sheriff	41 25
McKinley, Miss	1 60	Taylor, Henry	40 75
McEwen, Mrs.	2 05	Templeton, George	26 50
McDonald, James	3 00	Templeton, James	16 00
Neilson, Mrs.	2 40	Templeton, Mrs. James, jr. . .	6 00
Noble, Mrs.	4 15	Truelove, John (put on 1881 ac.)	3 00
Oatway, William	4 35	Tierney, Mrs. D. (part year) ..	35
Oatway, Mrs., sr.	3 80	Taylor, William	5 00
Oliver, Mrs. George, sr.	10 46	Thompson, Robert	4 00
Oliver, George	9 00	Thompson, John R.	5 00
Old, George	4 75	(\$5 for 1881.)	
Philip, Mrs. Andrew	5 20	Walker, J. M.	26 35
Poole, Mrs. (part year)	7 70	Walker, W. T. (part year) . . .	5 75
Paul, William	5 00	Weatherhead, Mrs.	10 00
Robertson, Alexander	26 50	Waddell, James	9 00
Richmond, John	7 80	Wilson, Samuel	7 80
Rutherford, Miss	6 00	Walker, Mrs. G. L.	7 50
Robertson, John	3 70	Wilson, John	8 00
Rice, Frederick	8 00	Wilson, Gilbert	7 90
Richardson, Robert	3 60	Wilson, George	5 50
Stone, Robert	8 00	Weston, Mrs.	4 30
Scott, Mrs. Robert	4 95	Wright, Benjamin	5 95
		Wilson, Isaac	4 00
		Walker, Miss	4 22



