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The Congregational Year-Book

SCHEDULE

FOR USE OF THE CHURCH FOR 1910

To the Clerk, Minister, or other Reporter:

The Report given in this Schedule is needed for publication in the Year-Book and Minutes of the State Conferences, and it is necessary that they are issued at the earliest possible date. Any delay on your part will postpone and make late the issue.

Will you kindly fill out this schedule as soon as possible after December 31. You *can* do this *if you will*. A late issue of the Year-Book means great inconvenience and large expense. We believe you will help us.

Do not fail to read carefully all the instructions before you begin your work upon the report of your church. This is very important because of the changes recommended by National Council, Boston, 1910.

This Schedule was filled by

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BOSTON, MASS.

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Report of

Church

Read Instructions

Table I.—THE CHURCH

1. Name of Church..... *Pilgrim*
2. Place..... *Duluth, Minnesota*
3. Date of organization..... *1871*
4. Date of erection of present house of worship..... *1887*
5. Clerk (full name: Rev., Dea., Mrs., Miss)..... *Brewer Mattocks Jr*
6. P. O. Address of Clerk..... *1701 E. Third St. Duluth,*
7. Minister (full name: Rev.)..... *Alexander Milne*
8. P. O. Address of Minister..... *1131 E. First St. Duluth*
9. Date of his ordination. Year *1889* Mo. *June* Day *19*
10. If not ordained, is he licensed?
11. Date of license, Year..... Mo..... Day.....
12. If installed by Council, Year *1899* Mo. *July* Day *10*
13. *If recognized by Council, Year..... Mo..... Day.....
14. Date of beginning service, Year *1899* Mo. *Feb.* Day *10*
15. If not Congregational, to what denomination does he belong?
16. If the Minister reported last year has left, give
(a) His full name.....
(b) P. O. Address.....
(c) Date of dismissing Council. Year..... Mo..... Day.....
(d) If not dismissed give date of leaving. Year..... Mo..... Day.....

Table II.—MEMBERSHIP

17. *Total number of Members reported last year..... *427*
(Consult Year-Book of 1910.)
18. Number of Male Residents, January 1, 1911..... *157*
(Include non-residents.)*
19. Number of Female Residents, January 1, 1911..... *266*
(Include non-residents.)*
20. Total number of Members, January 1, 1911..... *423*
(Include non-residents.)*

See Explanations.

21. How many Non-Resident Members?	68
22. How many were added on Confession, 1910?	10
23. How many were added by Letter, 1910?	3
24. Total number added in the year 1910?	15
25. How many were removed by Death, 1910?	5
26. How many were dismissed by Letter, 1910?	14
27. How many were removed by Revision of Roll and Discipline, 1910?	
28. Total number of Removals, 1910	19
29. Number of Adults baptized, 1910	2
30. Number of Infants baptized, 1910	16
31. *Number of Families included in Parish	200

Table III.—SUNDAY SCHOOL

32. Name of Superintendent	Andrew Nelson
33. Number of Officers, Teachers and Scholars	223
34. If you have an active Home Department, mark "H"	
35. If Mission School is included, mark "M"	

Table IV.—YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND MEN'S SOCIETIES

36. Numbers of Members in Young People's Society, Active, Junior, Associate	34
37. Number of Members in { Men's Organizations . . . } Total	
{ Boys' Organizations . . . }	

Table V.—SALARIES, ETC.

38. Give salary named for the year to the Minister	\$ 3,000. ⁰⁰
39. Does that amount include missionary aid?	no.
40. Has the church a Parsonage?	yes.
41. Is use of Parsonage free to Minister?	Pays small rent
42. Give value of your Church Property . . . (Include Church, Chapel, Parsonage, etc.)	\$ 67,000. ⁰⁰
43. Give amount of Invested Funds	
44. Give amount of Debt (not the year's deficit)	4,000. ⁰⁰
45. Name churches joined in support of a Pastor	

Read Instructions

INSTRUCTIONS TO CLERK

These instructions must be read before the Blank is filled.

1. Do not enter a figure until you have understood the question.
2. Underscore P. O. Address if it differs from the name of the town.
3. Check off questions, as answered, that none be overlooked.
4. Be sure that your total is correct. Revise work. Make no mistakes.
5. If your church gave nothing, enter zero (0).
6. If no report is given, leave space blank.
7. Be careful to note separate columns for reporting Beneficence.
8. Please balance report for church membership with last year.

EXPLANATIONS

Question 13. "Recognized" means that a Council of Congregational churches has been called by letter missive to recognize, simply, the minister as pastor of the church. Mark such "r."

Questions 17-27. Compute gains and losses from last year's total, always. Do not guess. Add your additions to last year's total, then subtract your removals: A name once removed by revision, if returned, must be entered under "Received by Letter."

Questions 18-20. A non-resident means the removal of member from limits of the parish, severing residential connection with the church, with no intention to return. Members at school and on extended journeys and temporarily away are not "non-residents."

Question 31. "Families" include such as come under pastoral care, and consider themselves identified with the church and parish.

Question 55. Do not confuse "Benevolence" with "Home Support." Include all moneys given by (not to) Sunday-school and other organizations connected with the church; also moneys furnished for missionary boxes and donations of individuals. "Loans paid back" is not Beneficence.

Question 58. Home expenditures must include minister's salary, expenses of Sunday-school and parish, repairs, improvements. Do not include the amount of missionary aid, because you did not raise it.

Questions 46-48. Please be careful in report of offerings. Distinguish between amounts for our societies in particular. After entering amounts sent to the treasurers of our societies, be careful to show in your answer to Question 55 all other contributions for our own church work. Gifts to objects not Congregational may be entered at Question 56. If clerks of churches wish to do so, they may give simply the total of their offerings in answer to Questions 54 and 55. Still they are asked to answer Question 56 as indicated. The amounts given will be compared with the figures found in the books of the treasurers of our Benevolent Societies, and the editor of the Year-Book will assume to have the figures confirm each other.

APPEAL

Great care should be taken in reporting Ministers. If any Congregational Minister is living in your parish, and is in good standing, please advise your State Secretary.

If you wish an early issue of the Year-Book, do not wait, but fill the blank at once and forward it to your State Secretary. If you delay, it will mean expense and waste, and you will be responsible. The Year-Book should be issued by May 1. Your report should be in the hand of the Secretary before February 1. You can do this if you will.

Table VI.—CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 1910

Be careful to note the changes in questions. Do not enter an amount before reading and understanding the question. Kindly answer exactly as the question requires. Amounts reported by clerks of churches will be changed or confirmed by the books of the treasurers of the National Societies.

Do not give cents.
Give only dollars.

46. What did your church give to the treasurer of the American Board in 1910? (Do not include other foreign mission gifts.)	530
47. What did your church give to the treasurer of the Woman's Board in 1910? (Do not include other foreign mission gifts.)	185
48. What did your church give to the treasurer of the Congregational Education Society in 1910? (Do not include other educational gifts.)	63.00
49. What did your church give to the treasurer of the Church Building Society in 1910? (Do not include gifts to other church building.)	117.00
50. What did your church give to the treasurer of the Home Missionary Society in 1910? (Do not include gifts not sent to this Society.)	388.00
51. What did your church give to the treasurer of the American Missionary Association in 1910? (Do not include gifts not sent to A. M. A.)	138
52. What did your church give to the treasurer of the Sunday-School and Publishing Society in 1910? (Do not include gifts for other Sunday-school work.)	56.00
53. What did your church give to Ministerial Relief in 1910? (Include in the amount given both State and National gifts.)	30
54. Total of the above contributions given to our National Benevolent Societies in 1910	1507
55. Give the amount of other charities which were strictly and exclusively Congregational, in 1910	83
56. Give amount of your charities that were not Congregational, but undenominational, in 1910	97
57. Give amount of legacies, principal not interest, including also legacies for the support of the gospel, actually paid in 1910	
58. What amount was given for home expenditures in 1910? (Include minister's salary, church expenses, expenses for Sunday-school and parish, building, repairs, improvements. Do not include missionary aid.)	12229

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Clarks Report Jan 19 1911

The church memberships as shown by the year book at the opening of the year 1910 showed a total ~~number~~ enrollment of 427
 we have received into membership during the year by Confession of faith 10
 Received by letter from other churches 5
 442

We have granted letters of Dismissal to unite with other churches of Duluth 6
 To churches outside of Duluth 8
 We have also lost by death during the year 5

Mar 21 Ward Ames
 June 23 Mrs WC Johnson
 Aug 16 Mrs SW Foglesong
 Oct 6 Mrs Mary E Townsend
 Dec Ino Christie Jr
 making a net loss of 4
 leaving a total enrollment of

423

Respectfully Submitted

Brewer Matthews Jr
 Clerk

To the members and supporters of Pilgrim Church, Duluth:

I congratulate myself that I have the privilege, for the twelfth time, of presiding over and presenting as pastor my [annual] report, to the annual meeting. To have been connected with this church for so long a period of service is certainly high honor. It would not be easy to express adequately my gratitude for the consideration and appreciation of which I have been the recipient, during the past twelve years.

It is a matter of deep regret to me that during the year past circumstances made it impossible for me, for four months, to render the service, expected of a pastor, and I am sorry that for some time I shall be able to take only a portion of my duties. For the first time in twenty one years I was unable to respond to the various calls that come to a minister. It was not easy to

be thus helpless, but such or similar experiences come to all, in the Providence of God, and it is a part of our Christian duty to bear them cheerfully and bravely. That I should have been an added burden, rather than a help, in the trying crisis resulting from the fire sharpened my regret, but even this will no doubt ^{also} work out that which is good. That the congregation have kept so well together and that the very heavy burdens have been so well taken care of is evidence of a very warm and steadfast loyalty.

With the exception of the time and experiences just alluded to the year 1910 passed very much as others. During the early part of the year it quite an addition was made to the calls for pastoral service by the fact that two of the prominent downtown churches were without pastors, and the pastor of a third church was abroad on an extended trip. The outside calls were principally for

and these were sometimes as numerous as
four in a week.
funerals, and ~~these one week~~ amounted to four.

One blessing that came as the result of my absence from duty was the opportunity to have our foreign missionary, Mr. Irwin and his wife present with us. Both commended themselves to our people as high-minded, able, sincere consecrated servants of God. The work of a foreign missionary is altogether different from that of a pastor at home. The fact that Mr. Irwin rendered so acceptable a service is proof of unusual adaptability and tact.

The action taken at the last annual meeting in regard to the publishing of a church directory was not carried out. It seemed wise to wait until fall because so many changes of residence are made in the spring and late summer. When fall came the circumstances made the doing of the work for the time being impossible. It will probably be attended to during the

present year.

It remains for me to express my grateful appreciation of the many and great kindnesses I have received during the entire period of my twelve years pastorate and especially during the past ~~five~~ ^{five} months. I should like if it were possible to give utterance to my own and the common appreciation of the valuable service rendered by the various officers and workers. Mr. Mitchell and the trustees have spent much time and have given much thought and labor to the business and material interests of the church. ^{The deacons have put us all in their debt by their care for the mid-week service.} The Sunday School has an exceptionally fine and loyal body of workers. All our societies have been well-manned or womaned and have done very good work. As for our ladies:

"Here my ~~mouse~~ her wings must cover
Such flights are far beyond her power"
It was the custom, I understood, in the

days of Queen Victoria, when a group of officers
in her army were ending their repast for me to
rise, proposing the toast: "Gentlemen, the
Queen: God bless her." I am moved to pro-
pose to the men of the church the toast
"Gentlemen, our Ladies; The most capable,
most loyal, most harmonious, most ef-
ficient body of women in this town,
'God bless them.'"

Alexander Melne, Pastor

Report of the Woman's Missionary Society of
Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duluth for 1910.

The records of a woman's missionary society usually vary so little from year to year that the report of one year might be substituted for that of another without detection save by the few who are regular attendants at the meetings from month to month.

But the report of this society for 1910 has a few distinctive features of its own, familiar to all.

The first event of note was the holding with us of the thirty eighth annual meeting of the Minn.-Woman's Home Missionary Union and the thirty third annual meeting of the Minn. Branch of the W. B. M. S., which held their sessions in the church auditorium from April 19th to Apr. 22d, inclusive.

At these meetings we were put in touch with the work of our mission boards at almost every point, active listeners to the addresses and discussions of national and state workers, and to our missionaries on furlough who were present.

Those in attendance from day to day must have received renewed impulse and purpose for more earnest effort, and have made a deeper consecration to the great work of the church - missions at home and abroad - but for lack of time in these days so full to the brim of strenuous activity, we failed to confer together to emphasize the suggestions especially appealing to us as individuals, that unitedly we might form plans by which some of the methods suggested could be put into effect; therefore I fear that no fruit will show itself in our midst from some of the good seed sown.

However, a few suggestions made their impressions upon us, and have been acted upon, and others, no doubt, will yet claim our attention.

The second unusual feature connected with our work was the presence in our city for some weeks of our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert W. Irvine - both of whom addressed us, inspiring us with a greater interest in the work in Turkey, as they gave us

glimpses at the country itself with its new life under its new conditions with the Young Turks apparently seeking to bring it to a higher place among the nations.

Mrs. Towner addressed us at our Oct. meeting which was held on an ideal day with no less ideal surroundings at the home of Mrs. W. A. McGonagle at Reister's Park, nearly fifty being present. Mrs. Towner was not with us at a meeting of our society, but addressed us at a reception given in her honor by Mrs. W. H. Cole to which all the ladies of the church were invited, and which was largely attended by members of our missionary society and others.

Ten meetings were held during the year with an average attendance of twenty eight the largest number present being at the Thanksgiving meeting, which was held in Nov. at the Manse.

At this time sixty three women listened to Mrs. John Mabel Leod of Glen Aron Church as she ably reviewed the work of the A. B. C. F. M.

during the past century as given in recent volumes by Wm. E. Strong.

In addition to our offerings sent to the foreign and home boards, we did a little work along independent lines.

We began work of that nature by sending a large quantity of reading matter to Rev. W. J. Horner who distributed it among the lumber camps and homes on the West Shore near Grand Marais.

We closed our year's work by collecting papers and magazines for Rev. H. Milford of Superior, Wis. to use in camps and otherwise.

Two boxes of clothing, valued at \$125 were sent in Oct. to the home of one of our State mission workers in Aitkin County - as was a small box of fancy articles to the little band of Congregationalist women at Grand Marais, for at sale they were holding -

All of this work was greatly appreciated by the recipients, and was one of love on the part of the contributors.

At the December meeting, it was voted to adopt the weekly envelope system, recommended at the W. B. W. S. Convention by Mrs. S. E. Hurlburt, W. B. W. S. treasurer.

By this method all may aid in the work by enclosing their contributions to the W. B. W. S. in envelopes furnished them for that purpose, and dropping them into the church collection plate weekly.

Thus every woman in the church may have one vital point of contact with the work of our Woman's Board, and their mission, and our hope is that this plan will help bring nearer the day when all Christian women will be enrolled as active members of our Missionary Society.

Respectfully Submitted

Rebecca E. Holt, Pres.

The treasurer's report for the year is as follows:

Cash on hand Jan. 1910	12.50 ✓
Collections at monthly meetings	21.93
Collection received for Mrs. Irwin	15.00
Subscriptions for Foreign Missions	111.75
Subscriptions for Home Missions	122.01
Balance from funds collected for expenses for missionary contributions	5.70
Thank offerings	<u>112.00</u>

This is again over last year of \$8.78, 388.39
400.89

Disbursements.

W. B. M. S. for Foreign Missions	\$118.00 ✓
W. B. M. S. for Home Missions	165.08 ✓
To the Ladies Union	5.70
To Oberlin Home for Missionaries	
children	10.00 ✓
To Mrs. Irwin for Christmas	25.00 ✓
Current Expenses	<u>7.03 ✓</u>

Total Disbursements 330.81
Balance on hand, Jan. 1911, \$ 70.08

7. Our apportionment for the year was \$185.00
for the W. B. M. S., and the same amount for
W. H. M. U. of Wain.

With the help of the Friends in Council
and the Christian Endeavor Society we
were able to raise the whole amount.

We received \$40 from the Friends in Council
and \$27 from the Christian Endeavor Society
for Foreign Missions and \$20 from Friends
in Council for Home Missions.

We have \$56.00 of our Thank Offering set
aside, planning to raise it to \$100.00 and
then send it to Fur, and Wro, Town to help
furnish their new school home.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) Carrie B. Strong - Treas.

Pilgrim Congregational Church.
Treasurer's Report
Year Ending Dec. 31, 1910.

General Fund.

Receipts.

On hand Jan. 1, 1910	348 24	
Received on Regular Pledges	4933 32	
Loose Collections, Mornings,	375 09	
Do Evenings	74 41	
Rent of Church	25 00	
Money borrowed	300 00	
From the Brotherhood	200 00	
from Fire Ins. Adjustment on loss	1824 00	
from Special Collection	<u>1875 75</u>	
Total Receipts		\$9955 81

Disbursements.

Pastor's Salary	3000 00	
Pulpit Supply	389 25	
Sanitor	310 00	
Music	1431 95	
Light	172 69	
Gas & Water	40 62	
Printing & Stationery	268 48	
Coal	188 69	
Lamps & mantles	26 10	
Expense of Delegates	24 06	
Fire Insurance	119 88	
Organ Blower	353 47	
Repairs on Building & Grounds, (Not a/c fire loss)	665 14	
Sunday School	~~XXXX~~ 67 10	
Per Capita Tax	~~XXXX~~ 23 65	
Removing Ashes	3 00	
Hotel Church Directory	6 00	
Slides	~~EXX~~ 2 20	
Interest on loan	4 75	
Tools, Brooms Etc.	~~XXXXX~~ 12 21	
Paid parsonage Note	500 00	
Paid Money Borrowed	300 00	
Repairs a/c Fire Loss	<u>2086 57</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$9955 81

Respectfully submitted
H. H. Nichols
Treasurer

Parsonage Fund.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1910,	90 00	
Received for Rent	<u>360 00</u>	
Total		\$450.00

Paid--		
Taxes	154 52	
Fire Insurance	72 00	
Interest	<u>73 00</u>	<u>299 52</u>
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1910.		150 48

Respectfully submitted
H. H. Nichols
Treasurer.

FRIENDS IN COUNCIL.

Report for 1910.

The Friends in Council is not a large society numerically, but what we lack in numbers, we make up in height and breadth, as well as in enthusiasm and good will. It is our constant regret that we are not able to do more toward the great work of "Christianizing the World" as it is put by the Layman's Association.

With each meeting we are more and more impressed with the vastness of the fields for missionary labor; and our hearts are drawn first in one direction and then in another. At one time it is to India, at another to China, and when Mrs Irwin spoke to us, it seemed as though the one place where we should expend our best efforts was in Turkey.

When we hear of the great need of the missionaries in Utah, or in the mining towns of the west and north, and when the call reaches us from the colored people and the mountain whites of the south, and last but not least from the Jews in our midst, it is the Home Mission field that seems to need our first attention.

We were indeed fortunate in being addressed by Mrs Irwin at our December meeting, even though we, or rather the church parlors gave her such a cool reception that we were obliged to adjourn our meeting to the YWCA rooms.

At our last meeting, Rev. Gulick of the Bethel told us of the work that is being done in Christianizing the Jews, in various parts of the old world, in the United States, and particularly the work in Duluth. He spoke of the urgent need in our own city of more helpers. This

was another occasion where one of our earnest members wished that there were several Saturdays in each week.

Trying to do a little definite personal work, we have undertaken to entertain the boys and girls of the Children's Home for an hour each week, and the members of the Society have gone to the Home in ones and twos, where they have told stories, or played games and sung with the children. The little ones have appreciated our efforts and each one who has gone up there has felt the strength of the old maxim 'that it is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Socially, we have done but little outside our suppers once each month, though we spent one most enjoyable evening, a few weeks ago, at the home of Miss Moody.

When we think of the many things we have left undone, we feel that we have accomplished but little; but like the widow with her mite, we have done what we could.

The following is our financial report for the year:

RECEIPTS:

Bal on hand Jan. 1910.	12.49
Receipts from suppers	35.80
Dues	4.25
Plodges	79.00
Thank Offering	12.50
Total receipts	<u>144.04</u>

EXPENDITURES:

To W.B.M.I.	✓ 40.00
H.M.S.	10.00
A.M.A.	5.00
Cong. Bldg. Ass'n	5.00
Bethel Home	5.00 ✓
Irwin Fund	27.76
Suppers	32.53 ✓
Stationary &c	1.90 ✓
Total Exp.	<u>127.19</u>
Balance on hand	16.85
	<u>144.04</u>

Respect fully submitted
Catherine Shearer *pres.*

Annual Report of Christian Endeavor
Members of Congregational Church.

The Financial Report is as follows.

Balance Jan. 1910. \$24.18.

Receipts.

Missionary Dues	\$ 72.70	
Socials	\$ 4.65	
Miscellaneous	\$.90	
By subscription	<u>\$ 18.00.</u>	<u>\$ 96.25</u>
		\$ 120.38

Disbursements.

Missionary Works.	\$ 62.75	
Delegate to State Con.	\$ 18.00 ✓	
Duluth City Union	\$ 4.00 ✓	
State Union	\$ 10.00 ✓	
Refreshments	\$ 6.45 ✓	
Flowers	\$ 12.30 ✓	
Printing	<u>\$ 4.75 ✓</u>	<u>\$ 118.30</u>
		\$ 2.08

Balance Jan. 1911. \$2.08.

The membership of our society is 34, of which 19 are associate members and 15 active members. During the past year we have lost several very active members, some by marriage and others by removal from the city.

The Missionary Committee during the past year report meetings held at the Poor Farm and Tuberculosis Hospital every six weeks, which are greatly enjoyed by the inmates and have proved a great benefit to our members as well. Reading material and fruit has been carried out, and these were duly appreciated as such things are scarce out here. Our society joined with others in helping a poor family that was burned out during the year. Among the donations made for our new Bethel our society was well represented. Some of our individual members made very generous pledges, as could also be said of the Building Fund for our new C.E. Headquarters at Boston.

Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas dinner,
and Christmas tree with toys were furnished
for a very needy family.

The Social Committee has been
active during the past year, brighten-
ing the social side of the Christian
Endeavor life.

Flowers have been supplied to all
our sick members by the Flower Com.

Owing to our Active Prayermeeting
and Music Committee our meetings
have been especially enjoyable as well
as beneficial.

Thanking the members of the church
who have taken an interest in our
society during the past year. And espe-
cially Mrs. Milne whose kindness and
help we greatly appreciated.

We respectfully submit this report.
Winifred Warner - Pres.

Jan. 19, 1911.

Annual report of the Ladies' Union of
Pilgrim Church for the year ending
January 17th 1941.

Ten regular meetings with an average
attendance of 20 and three special meetings
were held.

At the January meeting it was voted to
divide the East End Circle. The boundaries
established are as follows.

Star Circle includes all ladies living
west of 2nd Av. East.

Square Circle all between 2nd and 9th Aves East.

Circle No. 4. — 9th to 15th Av. East.

Salter Circle — 15th to 21st Av. East.

East End Circle — All living east of 21st Av. East.

All circles have raised money
for the Union by pledges, and some
have increased their gifts by special work.

The different circles have done social
and philanthropic work along separate
lines.

The Star Circle was entertained
by Mrs. Kaiser at the S. M. C. A. and also by

Mrs. Paddock at her home. Mrs. R.A. Webster and Mr. Mary M. Cox entertained the Star and Square Circles, Friends in Council and C. E. Society at a Valentine Party. There was a large attendance and all enjoyed and appreciated the evening's entertainment. Mrs. Maynard invited Star Circle to her home at Park Point. A musical program was given and refreshments served.

The Square Circle takes the banner for average attendance at meetings. Eight circle meetings were held with an average attendance of 15 members. Aside from their pledges they paid into the treasury of the Union \$66.25. The greater part of which was made at their sale at Gray & Tallant's in December. Circle No. 4, has held the greatest number of meetings and it is evident the ladies were not idle when they met for with the profit on aprons made by them they purchased a coffee urn and a gas

store for the kitchen at a total cost of \$92.75. This circle still has \$42.20 in its treasury. Half of this sum was commission for subscriptions taken for the Ladies Home Journal and other magazines. Salter Circle held two meetings at which the ladies made ten garments for the Children's Home. The East End Circle made waists for the children at the Home.

These two circles undertook a work different from the ordinary work of church societies. Ladies living in the neighborhood of the Salter School felt that there was great need of a Domestic Science department in that school.

The School Board when appealed to said they thought there was no desire for such a course in the East End and that they did not have money to establish it.

The committee, consisting of Mrs. J. J. Davis, Mrs. E. W. Matter, Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Frick, Mrs. Hegardt, and Miss Mars

decided that if the Board would equip a room in the Salter School with stoves and necessary cupboards and tables they would furnish all utensils and materials for cooking and pay a teacher for the spring term. The two circles furnished supper for a preliminary meeting of the Laymen's Missionary Movement at which they cleared \$33.66. This amount more than paid for the utensils furnished for the school. A teacher from Minneapolis was engaged. Miss Frick proved to be a very competent and successful instructor. The girls of the 6, 7 & 8 grades and also a class of boys the Salter School received free instruction not only in cooking but in the composition and value of foods. Private classes were formed with a total membership of forty. A charge of \$5 per term of 10 lessons was made. This amount paid teacher's salary and supplies and at the close of the school year the com. had \$48 in the treasury which has been given

to the Ladies' Union. The ladies demonstrated that the girls not only wished but were anxious to have the lessons.

This year the Board engaged the same teacher and are paying all expenses.

Girls from 6, 7, & 8 grades Jefferson, Indian, and Salter Schools receive instruction.

The Board requested that the com. in charge last spring have a general oversight of the work. Lessons were also

given to girls in the Salter School in bed making and the care of rooms by Miss Paisy Hirth under the supervision of the same com. Miss Hirth received

no salary and the com. appreciate the conscientious and faithful work done by her. The Easter collection which amounted

to \$200 was given to the ladies to apply on the cost of a new floor covering for the audience room.

The Ladies Union gave a birthday party at Mrs. Paul's in May, which netted the society \$47. Over a hundred of the ladies of our congregation were present.

As usual the Harvest Home supper and reunion was held in the church parlors in the fall. Net receipts \$50.35.

For five days the ladies served luncheon to the pupils of the High School. Each circle taking one day. They cleared in all \$86.20.

The society has held two grocery sales. The one in May giving us \$46.29 and the one in November \$155.27.

We received a profit of \$15.75 from the generosity of the Brotherhood at their meeting in December.

The pledges for the year amounted to \$364.65. Total receipts \$1513.22

We have had a standing com. to assist in the work of the S.S. consisting of Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Field, Mrs. Fred Bates, and Mrs. Nichols. We have given \$25 to the S.S. and have furnished ice cream for the S.S. picnic and refreshments for two parties given in the church parlors for the children and their parents.

The society furnished decorations for the church on Easter Sunday and one of our members decorated the church at her own expense for Christmas.

\$13.50 was expended for flowers sent to members of the society.

Other expenditures were,

curtains

\$5.70

Hogan & Co. for cleaning walls of audience room
and decor painting kitchen & adjoining room 183.00
Interstate Rug Co. cleaning cushions, and cleaning
and laying carpet in organ loft & on floors
of S.S. rooms 63.00

Cleaning church

17.00

Mrs. W. H. Cole to apply on mortgage on Maunse 5.00.

Lincoln for main room 438.40

Total expenditures 1512.75

Cash on hand 47 cents.

At a special meeting called after church on October 30 the resignation of our president Mrs. Horr was read and accepted with regrets. It was voted that the vice president act in her place for the remainder.

of the year. At this meeting a com. consisting of Mrs. E. H. Matter, Mrs. Field, Mrs. Wieland, Mrs. B. Hefner and Miss Paddock was appointed to confer with the trustees in regard to the decorating, and covering of floor, of the church.

Before the work was completed Miss Paddock left the city and Mrs. Prince was appointed in her place.

Officers elected for the ensuing year are.

Vice president	--- Mrs. H. B. Paul
Secretary	--- Mrs. Brewster Matlock
Treasurer	--- Mrs. A. W. Trick.

Respectfully submitted,
 Jessie J. Hegardt
 Vice president

Jan.	Am't on hand.	✓	142
Feb.	Bal. on calendar.	✓	6
Mch.	Easter Collection	✓	20
	From Annual Supper.	✓	
Apr.	" Card No 4 for Coffee Urn.	✓	4
May.	" Lundmark & Francon Sale	✓	4
	" Universal Flour Co.	✓	2
	" Missionary Convention	✓	3
June	" Mrs Milne Birthday party	✓	47
Sept.	" Harvest Home Supper.	✓	69
Oct.	" Lunches served to High School scholars.	✓	86
Nov.	" Lundmark & Francon	✓	86
	" Goran. Cyclopedia & Thruway.	✓	50
	" English Universal Flour.	✓	5
	" Minn. Soap Co.	✓	13
			807

"	"	"	Congregational Missionary Association	100.00
"	"	"	American Missionary Association	100.00
"	"	"	Congregational Church Building Society	47.00
"	"	"	Congregational Education Society	40.00
"	"	"	Congregational S. S. & Publishing Society	30.00
"	"	"	Ministerial Relief Society	15.00
"	"	"	American Bible Society	25.00
"	"	"	Harvest Supper	41.63
"	"	"	Balance on hand.	50.80
			Total	1416.76

Bal. b.b. m.

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Dec.

From Brotherhood Supper

✓ 15 75

" Circle No 4. for kitchen range.

✓ 50 -

" Ballie + East End ladies ⁸²⁶⁶ and tuition of
Domestic Science classes - ¹⁹³⁻

227 -

Sq. Circle Sale at Gray Tallant Co

✓ 46 61

Pledges. East End.

✓ 110 50

" Ladies

✓ 71 -

" Circle No 4.

✓ 87 -

" Square

✓ 162 45

" Hair

✓ 33 70

1511 22

Mrs. Hegarall

✓ 2 -

Total

7513 22

"	"	"	American Missionary Association	100.00	✓
"	"	"	Congregational Church Building Society	100.00	✓
"	"	"	Congregational Education Society	47.00	✓
"	"	"	Congregational S. S. & Publishing Society	40.00	✓
"	"	"	Ministerial Relief Society	30.00	✓
"	"	"		15.00	✓
"	"	"		25.00	✓
"	"	"		41.63	✓
"	"	"		50.80	✓
				1416.76	72.43

Oct	Am't to Mrs.		374	95
"	To Cash to Mrs B Webster		17	15
"	" " Gray Gallant Co. for cash.			75
"	" " Mrs Ed. Field for S. S. work.		25	-
Nov	" " Mrs W. H. Cole on money		500	-
Dec	" " Water & Light Co. for stove bought by Emily M. &		49	-
"	" " Duluth paper Co.		1	20
Jan	" " Interstate Rug & Cb. Co. for cleaning & laying ^{carpet in small meeting}		28	-
"	" " Gray Gallant Co. for linoleum in audience room		438	40
"	" " W. M. Lukins for gloves thro. year		10	-
"	" " Le Bonius " " "		13	50
Dec 24	" " Ice cream for S. S.		457	95
Jan 16	" " Interstate Rug Co. Cleaning & laying carpet in lecture		2	00
"	" " Duluth Paper Co. Carpet lining		35	00
"	" " Mr. Carl Boree - Cleaning floor in audience room		570	
	" " do same & ^{down} ^{balance}		970	
			7573.22	

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"	"	"	Ministerial Relief Society	30.00	✓
"	"	"		15.00	✓
"	"	"		25.00	✓
"	"	"		41.63	✓
"	"	"		80.80	✓
				1816.76	7293

Jan.	To cash.	Mrs Hagarat for cleaning ch.	11	60
Feb.	"	D. Freimuth for coffee boiler	1	50
"	"	Gray. Tullant Co. for curtain muslin	5	70
Mar.	"	John Hogan & Co.	38	-
"	"	Roy W. Fenton for new church members.	2	-
"	"	Mrs E. W. Matter for postage	2	-
Apr.	"	Kelley Hardware Co. Coffee Wm Guide No 4.	42	65
May	"	John Hogan Co for cleaning walls of ch.	65	-
June	"	Mrs B. Mitchell ice cream,	3	20
"	"	for ice cream for S. S. picnic	8	75
Sept.	"	for carrying on Domestic Science work. by Salleri + East End Girls -	187	-
Oct.	"	for man cleaning moly after fire	1	-
"	"	to Dutch Ess. Herald.	2	25
"	"	D. Freimuth for 1 doz trays & potato masher	4	30
			374	95

"	"	"	100.00	✓
"	"	"	100.00	✓
"	"	"	47.00	✓
"	"	"	40.00	✓
"	"	"	30.00	✓
"	"	"	15.00	✓
"	"	"	25.00	✓
"	"	"	41.65	✓
"	"	"	50.80	✓
			924.3	

Saint Paul

FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY

F.R. BIGELOW, VICE PRESIDENT.

J.T. WILLIAMS, TREASURER.

ASSETS \$ 5,829,929.
LIABILITIES \$ 3,954,249.
(JULY 1ST 1909)

Superintendent. Andrew Nelson
Ass. " E. A. Schulze
Secy. Eugene Harrison

Primary Dept.
Sept. - Mrs. Dr. Schulze
Ass. " - " Henry Paul

Junior Dept.
Sept. - Brewster Mottlocks Jr

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid from Deacons' Fund to parties in need	\$ 71.33 ✓
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Feb. 7, " Special to Congregational Home Missionary Society	5.00 ✓
" " " Special to American Missionary Association	5.00 ✓
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July 12, " Special to work of Rev. Geo. D. Wilder	5.00 ✓
Dec. 31, " American Board of C. for Foreign Missions	525.00 ✓
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" " " Congregational S. S. & Publishing Society	40.00 ✓
" " " Ministerial Relief Society	30.00 ✓
" " "	15.00 ✓
" " "	25.00 ✓
" " "	41.63 ✓
" " "	50.00 ✓

Report of Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasurer of
the Benevolent funds of Pilgrim Congregational Church for 1910.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1st, 1910, Balance on hand in Deacons' Fund	\$ 49.50	✓
Jan. 1st, 1910, Balance on hand in Missionary Fund	.39	✓
Special Gift for Congregational Home Missionary Society	5.00	
Special Gift for American Missionary Association	5.00	
Special Gift for Work of Rev. Geo. D. Wilder	5.00	
Special Gift for West Duluth Church	100.00	
Missionary Collection for year (Pledges)	1177.76	
Missionary Collection for year (Transient)	4.69	
Collection for year Deacons' Fund	69.42	

TOTAL ----- \$ 1416.76

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" " " American Missionary Association	100.00	✓
" " " Congregational Church Building Society	100.00	✓
" " " Congregational Education Society	47.00	✓
" " " Congregational S. S. & Publishing Society	40.00	✓
" " " Ministerial Relief Society	30.00	✓
" " " American Bible Society	15.00	✓
" " " Chicago Theological Seminary	25.00	✓
" " " Balance on hand, Deacons' Fund,	41.63	✓
" " " Balance on hand, Missionary Fund,	50.80	✓
TOTAL -----	\$ 1416.76	✓

H. H. McMillan
TREASURER.

TO THE MEMBERS AND CONGREGATION OF PILBRIM CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH:

The trustees beg leave to submit this, their report
of the business affairs of the Church for the calendar year
1910.

As shown by the Treasurer's Report, he keeps a separate
fund known as the "Parsonage Fund" and in this he has a bal-
ance on hand amounting to \$150.48. The other fund, which
he calls the "General Fund" is ~~overdrawn~~ ^{even} ~~\$75.75~~ ^{to 75} ~~Combining~~
~~the two balances, there is shown a net balance in both funds~~
of ~~\$75.75~~ ^{150.48} ~~Less~~ ^{but due on Mtg} ~~270.00~~ ^{130.47} ~~130.47~~ ^{40.75} ~~119.52~~

The fact that the trustees have been able to come to
this meeting with debts all paid should not lead any one to
believe that the finances of the church are properly taken
care of by the definite weekly pledges. As shown by the
Treasurer's report, a special collection, amounting to ~~\$1000.00~~ ^{1875.75}
was made to enable the church to come to the annual meeting
free of debt.

There have been some extraordinary expenses during the
past year arising out of repairs of the buildings and grounds,
and also arising out of repairs made necessary by reason of
the fire. The Treasurer's report shows total paid out for
repairing the fire loss \$2086.57 as against total receipts
from fire insurance of \$1824.00. The balance of \$262.57
represents the additional cost made necessary by the repairs
being much more extensive than were actually necessary by
reason of the fire.

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The trustees have in their report each year urged the necessity of definite weekly pledges in a larger amount to take care of the ordinary expenses of the church, and have urged that every family of the members and congregation of the church be represented in some such definite way. We have also urged the necessity for more liberal giving upon the part of a large number of the church and congregation. The fact that a special effort is made each year and the debts are paid and that a few, comparatively speaking, connected with the church make good the deficiency ought not to relieve those who are not at present paying their full share, from their obligation to do so.

As a practical matter, it seems difficult to maintain and operate the church with its different activities and curtail to any considerable amount the expenses. The two large items of expense in connection with the regular operation of the church is the pastor's salary and the music. The salary now paid our pastor is less than that paid to a number of the other churches of the city, and in view of prevailing prices is as low as practicable to make it.

The music expense for the past year was \$1431.95,--within a few dollars of half of the salary of the pastor. This expenditure has been criticised to the trustees as being excessive, but it is the view of the music committee that the members of the church want the standard and quality of the music kept as high as it is possible to keep it, and they do not seem to see any practical way of cutting down the ex-

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penses in this department.

If there is ~~now~~ feasible method of cutting down expenses, then it is apparent that additional money must be raised and the trustees merely take this opportunity to say, in the most emphatic way possible, that no person connected with the church, either as a member of the church or as a member of the congregation, ought to be unwilling to do his full share. If some persons are not paying toward the support of the church what they ought in fairness to pay, it necessarily follows that others are paying more than they ought in fairness to pay. Under our system, the amount each person shall give must be determined by himself alone. There is no separate authority to determine and assess contributions that shall be made. We merely want every one to understand the situation exactly as it is, and to know that it is no easy burden that the trustees have to take care of the finances when the definite pledges run short, as they do, of the amount of money absolutely necessary to be raised and expended.

The church building is in better condition that it has been probably at any time recently because of the very thorough overhauling it has received since the fire. The insurance companies were very liberal, and prompt in their settlements, and advantage was taken of the opportunity to make a complete overhauling of the church at this time. It has been re-wired, entirely re-decorated, and the ladies have put down an entirely new floor covering.

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The trustees cannot over-state their obligations to the Ladies' Union and to the Building and Grounds Committee, and especially to Mrs. Hegardt of the Ladies Union and Mr. Anderson of the Building and Grounds Committee for the very great services performed in connection with re-decorating, repairing and general over-hauling of the church, and we take this opportunity to express in this manner our appreciation of their work.

The business organization of the church is in good shape. The plan which has been adopted of having a Finance Committee and a Building and Grounds committee both appointed by the trustees and both working under them, has given excellent results, and has relieved the trustees, as a body, from the burden of these details.

Request has been made to the trustees to have the church as a whole assume the expense of maintaining of the Sunday School and have the contributions of the Sunday School go to the general fund of the church.

This affects a matter of general policy of the Sunday School as well as of the church and the trustees have not felt at liberty to decide the matter themselves. We think something might be said on both sides of the question, and we prefer to submit the matter to the church as a whole for its determination.

We bespeak for the coming year the earnest aid and co-operation of all of the members of the church and congregation in aiding the different committees in the business or-

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ganization of the church in performing their full duties.

We feel that the church as a whole may well feel proud of its record the past year when it has worked under a handicap caused by reason of the condition of the church building for a large part of the time and also by the fact that for so long a period of time, the paster was unable to be in his accustomed place. We feel that there is no excuse for discouragement. That there is every reason for hopeful anticipation for the work of the coming year and we confidently look forward to the hearty co-operation of all of the members of the church and congregation to make 1911 one of the best years in the history of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BY

Oran Mitchell
Chairman.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

DULUTH, MINNESOTA.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

January 19, 1911.

It gives me pleasure to report to the Pilgrim Church and congregation that definite progress has been made in our Sunday School work along certain lines during the past year. First of all I desire to mention the change that has been made in the classification and grading of our Sunday School. Thanks to the united efforts of all of our Sunday school workers, our Sunday school has now attained the standard which is required of every first class Sunday school by the State and National Association. The points of excellence which this standard makes necessary are as follows: A cradle roll, a beginners department, a primary department, junior department, an intermediate department, a senior department, a teachers' training class and an adult Bible class. During the past year there have been organized in our Sunday School a Junior Department and a Teachers' Training Class. The Junior Department comes between the Primary Department and the Intermediate department. The pupils in this department have their opening exercises in part with the intermediate and senior departments. The room set aside for this department is the west room of the Sunday School. After the pupils of this department have participated in a part of the opening exercises of the whole school, the doors are closed between the two departments and the juniors under the leadership of Mrs. B. Mattocks, continue with exercises of their own. These exercises are specially adapted to the age and capacity of the pupils in this department, and naturally differ from the work which is appropriate for the intermediate and senior departments. Thus the integrity and unity of the Sunday School are maintained, while the wants of each division and department are separately taken care of. In bringing about this classification much credit is due to Mrs. E.D.

Field and Mrs. C. E. Adams, the latter of whom has been Superintendent of classification during the past year.

Another important step in advance is the organization of a Teachers' Training Class, under the direction and leadership of Mrs. Field. This class is pursuing a course especially adapted to the training and the preparation of Sunday School teachers. The work is being done with much enthusiasm, and good results are with confidence anticipated. The object of this work is to fit and prepare future teachers for our Sunday School. For many good reasons teachers must abandon the work after years of faithful service and their ranks can best be filled by those who have had special preparation for the work of Sunday School teaching. This need our Teachers' Training Class will endeavor to supply.

The adult Bible class under the efficient leadership of Mr. Coffin, has been doing excellent work during the past year. The number enrolled in this class has been gratifyingly large, but during the coming years it ought to grow considerably. It would be very desirable if a large number of the men of our church would avail themselves of the various opportunities afforded by this class. It would be a splendid example to our younger classes, to say nothing of the personal benefit which would accrue to each and every member of the class. I would like to have the men of this church understand that it is not so much their duty as their privilege to be members of this class.

Perhaps the most radical and important change which our Sunday School has made during the past year, is the introduction of the graded series of lessons. In stead of having the same lessons for all pupils above the primary grade, we now have a graded system of instruction, adapted to the knowledge and attainments of the pupils of different ages. The plan provides for a progressive course of instruction, which varies from year to year. In order that these lessons may be properly prepared, a certain amount of home work must

be done every week. I would like to impress this fact upon all parents who are present. One of the difficulties with the other system of lessons was that scarcely any home work was done, and practically all preparation was left to the Sunday School hour itself. This necessarily resulted in superficial work. The aim of the new plan is to give more thorough and systematic instruction in the history, biography, and teachings of the Bible. We confidently believe that one of the results will be a better knowledge of the Bible, and its characters. The plan has not been in operation long enough to attain that degree of success which has been predicted for it. It is now undergoing a fair and honest trial, and we expect to be able to demonstrate its usefulness and superiority to the old. I desire to say in this connection that much of the credit for introducing the system of graded lessons is due to Miss Grace Duncan, who as chairman of the committee on grading and quarterlies, has been untiring in her efforts and zeal for improvement.

At their last meeting the officers and teachers of the Sunday School unanimously adopted a resolution recommending to the church that thereafter all of the money collected from the Sunday School, except missionary funds, be turned over to the trustees of the church and placed in the general fund of the church, and that all of the expense and bills of the ^{Sunday School} church be paid out of the said general fund. This does not mean that the Sunday School is trying to place a burden upon the church. We simply want an opportunity to encourage the Sunday School to a larger giving and for a definite purpose. In the past missionary collections have been taken up once every month. A special effort has usually been made to bring these collections to a high figure, and such efforts ^{have} been uniformly successful. The Sunday School has paid for itself in the past except so far as extraordinary expenses are concerned, and I have no doubt that it will continue to be self-supporting under the new plan.

It will be impossible for me at this time to enter into an extended discussion of the merits of this plan. I only wish to say that if we can tell the pupil of our Sunday School that their contributions are going to this or that special and worthy object they will appreciably increase. We recommend that it be adopted by the church. This plan of handling the Sunday School receipts and disbursements should commend itself for this special reason, that it will tend to establish and maintain a closer connection between the church and the Sunday School. The Sunday School can be induced to give more liberally for some special object than for mere current expenses for quarterlies and other supplies. Moreover, the Sunday School will feel a deeper interest in the general activities of the church, when it knows that its general contribution goes into the general fund of the church. I may also add that the plan is not an experiment inasmuch as it has been tried with marked success in many of the larger churches of our country. I recommend that it be tried by our church for at least one year.

In the matter of Teachers' Meetings we have followed a different plan during the past year. The teachers and officers of the Sunday School have met regularly once a month at the Manse, where the problems of our Sunday School have been freely discussed and appropriate action taken toward their solution. These meetings have proven to be very helpful, and much of the progress which has been referred to in this report has originated and taken definite form in these Teachers' Meetings. They have been uniformly well attended, and a spirit of interest and helpfulness on the part of all of the teachers and officers has been very marked, and experience, and seems to demonstrate that such meetings are very necessary in order that our work may go forward. They will undoubtedly be continued during the coming year.

During the last few months, Mr. E. A. Schulze, our able

Assistant Superintendent, has been acting as chairman of the committee on new members of our Sunday School. In this capacity he has shown great diligence and won considerable success. He is now evolving a new plan for increased activities with a view to numerical growth during the coming year. The plan will soon take shape and be put into operation.

I herewith submit the statistical report of Mr. Harbison, our Secretary for the year of 1910. It is as follows:

Number of officers of the whole Sunday School,	6	
Number of teachers in all departments,	16,	
Number of scholars in all departments, except cradle roll,	175,	
Number enrolled in the cradle roll,	26,	
Total,	223.	
Total attendance in days for the whole year	8560	8310
Average attendance for each Sunday during the year,	165,	
Largest attendance, 4th Sunday in March,	216,	
Smallest attendance, 2nd Sunday in September,	82.	

The financial report of Mr. Taylor, the treasurer follows herewith:

General Account.

Debit balance forwarded from 1909,	\$ 52.78
Total Collections	\$316.14
Total Expenditures	\$ 363.97
	416.75
	316.14
Debit balance in General Account,	\$ 100.61

Missionary Account.

Balance forwarded from 1909,	\$ 59.87
Total collections	94.15
	\$154.02

Expenditures

Mrs. Field Special Miss. Coll.	\$ 39.11
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Womans Board of Missions of the
Interior

39.11

6.25

W. A . McGonagle Relief Work
Northern Minn.

7.17

\$52.53

\$101.49

\$100.61

88¢ in Tres.

I present herewith the report of Mrs. A. G. Schulze, the
Superintendent of the Primary Department.

"The report from the Primary Department can be very brief
but there are a few things we would like mentioned. We want those
who have helped so much to make our new room so bright and pleasant
to know how much we appreciate it. The black-boards which have
been needed so long have been given to us, the walls freshly paint-
ed, a picture rail put up and lights put in, this was all a gift
from one person and a very great help to us. Then we have \$25.00
from another friend and \$10.00 from another to be used for anything
we need.

We would also like our much needed new piano mentioned and
the fact that the teachers have undertaken to pay for it by giving
the Brotherhood Supper, however, if any one feels moved to help us
we shall be very glad."

I think this is about all, ^{that} is necessary to say about us as
your report will no doubt be quite a long one anyway.

Our collection for the year was \$39.93-birthday box \$3.15,
and mite box \$8.25, you can use this or not as you like."

One of the most pressing and important needs of the Sunday
School at the present time is a set of new and servicable Song
Books. They should be provided without delay. The pamphlet
song books which have been in use during the past two years are now
practically worn out.

In conclusion, I desire, on behalf of all of the teachers
and officers of our Sunday School, to express to the members of the

church and congregation generally, our most sincere gratitude for your willing and substantial support which we have constantly received and enjoyed. We believe that the year 1911 will prove to be the most prosperous and fruitful year in the history of our school. In order that this hope may be fully realized, we bespeak for our Sunday School the same constant and hearty encouragement for the future that has been ours in the past. Let us all unite our efforts in a most intelligent manner, fully realizing the tremendous responsibility which we owe to our young in the matter of their religious education, and ever praying for divine guidance in the discharge of this responsibility.

Andrew Nelson
Superintendent.