

Kelburn Presbyterian Church



Thirty-ninth ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ending
June 30, 1947

To be presented at the
ANNUAL MEETING
Thursday, Aug. 28, at 7.30 p.m.

FOREWORD

DEAR FRIENDS,

I wish to commend to your careful reading and study the reports of the congregational activities for the past year which are contained in this annual report. They make interesting and inspiring reading, and show that the work here has been well maintained. They reveal that the congregation has done much to extend the faith of the Church to the uttermost parts of the earth. Behind this fine achievement has been a band of enthusiastic and able leaders of the various organisations, and supporting them has been a loyal and willing congregation. In these days when the strain of life bears heavily on many of our people, it is encouraging to find so much being achieved for Christ's Kingdom in a community like ours.

I would draw the attention of the congregation to the many different ways in which we support the work that is outside the bounds of the congregation. This is good. But I feel that we must not forget the needs of those who are nearer the church. The spiritual need of the people in this community is, I feel, just as great as the need in the most distant missionary fields of the church. I hope that in this coming year we will give special attention to this work of evangelism directed to the unconverted in our midst. Just what is the best method to use in this work remains to be seen. But I feel that if we all bring this matter in prayer to God, He will direct His servants and use us for His glory. Last year, the United Church of Canada launched a most successful campaign of house to house evangelism with great spiritual results. Maybe we could attempt something along the same lines. I mention this matter because I feel it is something with which we must grapple in the coming year. It is a very familiar saying, but it is abundantly true—Evangelise or perish.

On behalf of Mrs. Pellow and myself, I wish to express our very sincere thanks for the loyal and gracious support you have given us throughout the year, and for the many acts of kindness to us.

Your sincere friend,

W. J. PELLOW.

Kelburn Presbyterian Church.

Annual Report

KIRK SESSION.

THE Session, in presenting its 29th Annual Report, desires to render praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings He has bestowed upon the Congregation during the year.

The improvement in attendance at the services of worship has been maintained.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in October to coincide with the world-wide Ecumenical Communion, and in December, March and June. The attendances were: October, 157; December, 173; March, 183; June, 190. The average of 178 is slightly lower than that of last year. Thirty-one new members were added to the roll of Communicants, twenty-four by certificate from other Congregations, and seven by profession of faith. Twenty-one names were removed from the roll, twenty by disjunction, one by death. The roll now stands at 259, a net increase of ten for the year.

The Minister has conducted 14 baptisms.

The Session extends its sincere sympathy to the relatives of the late Mrs. H. J. Fletcher and Mr. R. Moffatt, who passed away during the year.

Mr. D. H. Edgar, who has been living at Raumati South for some time, tendered his resignation from the Session. In accepting the resignation, Session placed on record its appreciation of the services rendered to the Congregation by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar, and by Mr. Edgar since his ordination and induction as a member of the Session on June 18, 1933.

Mr. G. Thompson again represented the Session on Presbytery. The Minister attended the General Assembly held at Wanganui in November.

This year some of the services have been broadcast through 2 YA at the request of Presbytery.

The children's Christmas Carol service was held in December as usual, and the Harvest Thanksgiving and Orphanage Gift Sunday was observed in April. The usual Family Services have been held on the Sundays immediately preceding Communion, and while the attendances have been good, Session would be pleased to welcome a larger attendance of parents. Special Services were held on Christmas Day, Good Friday, on Mothers' Day, and on the days set aside by the General Assembly as Foreign, Home and Maori Mission Sundays.

Session again expresses its gratification at the continued healthy growth in the Youth Departments. All the sections of this important part of the Church's activities are well conducted, and the whole Congregation is under a debt of gratitude to the Bible Class leaders and Sunday School teachers for their loyal services.

Religious instruction has been continued by the Minister and Mrs.

OFFICE-BEARERS AND ADDRESSES

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PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

Dr. Seelye, Messrs. I. M. Cleland, C. C. Kenward, P. D. Clark (Convener).
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Messrs. A. Miles, C. J. Young, L. A. Lowe, J. A. McQueen,
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Mrs. Singleton and Miss Davidson are co-opted members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Messrs. G. W. Dick, L. B. Mushet, H. Valentine, and H. Gapes (Convener).

Lane in the Northland School, and by the Minister and Mrs. Singleton in the Kelburn School.

At the close of the year the Congregation at a special meeting re-elected Professor F. F. Miles, Messrs. C. R. Lane, P. Smethurst and P. Clark to the Board of Managers for a period of three years, and for a similar period elected as new managers Messrs. G. Barton, J. A. McQueen and A. G. Robertson.

Mr. Crisp, for business reasons, was obliged to resign his position as Organist and Choirmaster. Session has endeavoured to secure the services of a successor, but at the date of making this report has not been able to make a suitable appointment. Session would extend its warm appreciation to Mrs. L. G. MacMillan and to Mr. S. W. Thomson, who have rendered such a fine service as acting organists during the vacancy.

Some years ago Captain W. McLeod donated a sum of money to form the McLeod Memorial Fund in memory of his son. The money was to be invested and the interest used under certain conditions. Because it was not possible to meet the conditions, the Session has consulted Captain McLeod, and with his approval has framed new conditions. Recently the family of the late Mrs. M. Johns gave a sum of money to the Congregation, with the request that it be invested and the interest used to provide prizes for the Sunday School. The conditions which Session has attached to this fund are the same as those for the McLeod Memorial Fund, except that the latter is to provide a prize for the best boy in the senior class of the main Sunday School, and the former fund will provide a prize for the best girl in the Senior Class. The full conditions of both funds have been recorded in the minute book of the Session.

At the request of the Minister, the Session appointed Mr. R. A. Ewing in his stead to act as Editor of the News-letter.

Session would again convey its sincere thanks to all those who have rendered in any way some service in the Congregation, and would express to Miss Davidson its appreciation of her continued service in arranging the flowers in the church each Sunday.

In conclusion, Session expresses its warm appreciation of the services of the Minister and Mrs. Pellow. Mr. Pellow invariably enters the pulpit Sunday after Sunday after careful and prayerful preparation. He is a consistent and devoted pastor, and takes an active interest in all the affairs of the Congregation. In his activities he is ably supported by Mrs. Pellow, who also renders service among the women of the Congregation. Session prays that they may both be abundantly blessed of God in their labours.

P.W.M.U.

The Kelburn Branch of the P.W.M.U. presents its Annual Report for the year ending June 30, 1947, and the first offers Gratitude to Our Heavenly Father for His Guidance through the year we have just completed, acknowledging His Care and Help in all our work and we humbly pray for a continuance of His Mercies.

All our activities have been well maintained, due not only to the faithful service of the Leaders of different Groups, but to the co-operation of every member within those groups; to whom tribute is paid.

Membership.—We have 38 financial members and we would be glad to see an increase and thus extend the interest of Mission Work throughout our Church Membership.

Meetings.—Four Executive meetings were held during the year.

and nine General meetings, the latter with an average attendance of 22. The newly furnished Fellowship Room makes a pleasant place for our meetings.

Speakers.—We have again been fortunate in having visiting Speakers at our monthly meetings and have derived much benefit from their talks to us.

August, 1946: Rev. Ashleigh Petch—on Methodist Mission.
September, 1946: Rev. D. M. Hercus—on Iona Community.
October, 1946: Mrs. Spence (Seaton)—Life in Middle East.
November, 1946: Late Rev. Brian Kilroy—on Sincerity of Mission Work.
December, 1946: Mrs. Gladstone Hughes—on Conference at Wanganui.
March, 1947: Members Afternoon—on Mission Circulars.
April, 1947: Mrs. Sutherland—on Jagadhri Hospital.
May, 1947: Sister Helen Arndt—on Life at Training Institute.
June, 1947: Members Afternoon—on Missionary Letters.

Annual Guest Afternoon.—This was held in November when the members of St. John's and Johnsonville P.W.M.U.'s were our guests and the late Rev. Brian Kilroy was the Speaker, and his message to us all will be long remembered.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL SECRETARIES

Associate Members.—Mrs. Andrew, Secretary, reports 15 members who are appreciative of the Missionary letters.

Maori Mission Birthday League.—Mrs. Snelhurst, Secretary, reports a slight increase in contributions this year, the amount being £14/6/3.

Stamps.—Mrs. Trevelthick has completed over seven years as Secretary, and has now tendered her resignation from this Department, and the Executive desires to place on record her excellent work and asks her to accept the thanks of all members.

Mission Boxes.—The Secretary, Mrs. Mushet, reports an increase in the number of Mission Boxes this year, and from 44 the sum of £34 was received.

Field Work.—Mrs. Seator, Secretary, is still attending to this work and has recently forwarded clothing to our Mission Station at Ruatuhua.

Deaconess Committee.—Mrs. Singleton and Miss Kennedy are our representatives on this Committee, and report to our meetings on the activities of this service—our trading table at monthly meetings raised £5/11/7 towards the Furnishing Account for Deaconess House, and we also contributed a supply of pantry goods recently.

Harvest Field.—Miss Holmes, who has been Secretary for Harvest Field for over 12 years, has found it necessary to resign owing to failing health and we wish to place on record our grateful thanks to her, for her return to health. There are 56 subscribers to the magazine.

P.S.A.—Mesdames Tait and Wilson represent us on this Committee and keep us in touch with all aspects of this work. We also do the mending when called upon to do so.

Hon. Auditor.—To Mr. Alan Lambert we again offer our grateful thanks for all his help so cheerfully given.

In conclusion we wish to thank our President, Mrs. Pellow, for her help and guidance and Leadership and we earnestly invite all women of our Congregation to join us. We assure them of a welcome and also interesting meetings.

BUSY BEES

Last year during the winter months the Busy Bees met on alternate Saturdays, and the results of their work were seen at their concert and sale of work, with a display of rugs, toys, etc., to be sent to the mission fields. This parcel of goods was sent to the Missions Office, and Mr. MacDiarmid advised that it would go to China. The sum of £15/10/-, from offerings and sale, was handed to the Church treasurer for Missions. Two plays, one a traditional Chinese play, and the other about the New Hebrides, were presented by the children. This year the Hive begins with a roll of 18, and we hope interest will be maintained.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

With an increase of 10 over last year, our roll now stands at 120 pupils, 65 girls and 55 boys, 54 of the total being in the Primary Department. Attendances have been well maintained. It has been very pleasing to have worked with a full staff in the Senior Department throughout the year.

We desire to thank the following teachers who have so faithfully assisted us throughout the year:—Mrs. Bullick, Mrs. Hanson, Miss Andrew, Miss Colquhoun, Mr. Cleland and Mr. Falconer, with special thanks to Miss Joan Andrew for her work in preparing, etc., pupils for the children's Christmas Choral Service and 2YA Broadcast Services.

Our grateful thanks are due to Mrs. C. R. Lane (Superintendent, Primary Department), who reports a decrease of two on last year's roll. Throughout the latter part of the year Mrs. Lane had had a most difficult task, at times having only one assistant in her work among the 54 smaller children.

Miss Jocelyn Tanner has been a regular assistant, and more recently we have had the valuable assistance of Mrs. Blount and Miss Joan McDonald.

Our thanks are also due to Miss Joyce Thomson and Miss Margaret Johns for their help during the first part of the Church year.

The annual Sunday School examination, as set by the General Assembly, was held in September, all senior pupils participated with very favourable results.

There have been two new annual prizes awarded:—Mrs. John's prize for girls and the McLeod Memorial prize for boys, to be awarded to the best all-round girl and boy in the senior classes.

The Christmas tree party was again a great success, held in conjunction with the annual prize-giving ceremony. The Sunday School prizes were presented by Mrs. Lane.

Owing to inclement weather, our annual picnic at Scots College grounds was not held, but a function in the Sunday School Hall was enjoyed by the pupils.

We thank God for His guidance over our Sunday School in the past, and assurance of help and strength in the future.

CUBS

The Cub Pack at the end of the fourth year is progressing well, and the year has been full of activity. Hikes have been held and Church parades regularly attended. Anniversary weekend camp at Butterfly Creek, organised for the whole of our district, was well attended, and our Pack was represented. Other activities have been

Founder's Day Service at the Town Hall, a District Cub picnic at Maidstone Park in April, a parents' evening in June, which turned out very successfully, and our Cub Pack's birthday party in June.

BROWNIES

The Brownie Pack continued during the year with increasing membership. It is now a registered Pack, and the "Brown Owl," Miss Barbara Hall, has obtained her Warrant.

Considerable progress has been made, four Brownies receiving their Golden Bars and One Year Service Stars. One of the original members hopped up to Guides, joining the Northland Company.

We had several outings and some parties were held, the foremost being the Christmas tree party, at which there was a good attendance of parents, and the Pack's first birthday party in April.

The membership is now fifteen, and a "Tawny Owl," Miss Margaret Kenward, has been appointed. There are three vacancies in the Pack. It is hoped that further members of the Sunday School will join at an early date.

CRADLE ROLL

There are now 59 children below the age of four years, who are enrolled in the Cradle Roll of our Church. Eleven names have been added, ten of children received by baptism, and one who has been transferred from another congregation. During the year seven children have graduated from the Cradle Roll on reaching their fourth birthday, making a net increase of four for the year.

As has been the custom for several years past, a party was held for the children, their mothers and their grandmothers, at the end of March. Forty-four children were present, their ages ranging from four weeks to four years. This proved one of the most enjoyable and successful functions of the year. Not only were the children completely happy, but their mothers appreciated the opportunity of meeting with other women of the Church, and sharing in the fellowship of the congregation.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Women's Association has met on eight occasions during the year, with an average attendance of 41, including visitors.

We wish to thank the following, who have entertained us:—The League of Mothers' Choir; Mrs. Bartlett, of the Salvation Army, who spoke on "The Slums of London"; Mr. Allright, who spoke on "Population"; the Petone Ladies' Choir; Mrs. A. Harvie, who spoke on "Some Present-day Problems of India."

A very happy afternoon was held for grandmothers, and an interesting and amusing 1890's afternoon. The Spring Fair held in September was most successful, and enabled the Association to pay for curlicues for the Session room and the Fellowship room and Minister's vestry, and paint for the Fellowship room.

This year we were sorry to lose the services of our very able president, Mrs. L. C. Dunn. The Association wishes to record its appreciation of her untiring work since its inception in 1941.

We were pleased to welcome as new president, Mrs. L. B. Mushet, who had also served the Association so well as secretary.

Our thanks are due to all those who have given items for our entertainment, and to all who have in any way helped to make our meetings the success they have been.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Six meetings were held during the year, and the speakers and their subjects were as follows:—

July 1st, 1946 .. Mr. J. R. Marshall—Amsterdam Youth Conference, 1939.
August 5th Mr. B. Kuskie—Australian Aborigines (illustrated with films).
September 2nd .. Rev. G. A. D. Spence, O.B.E., M.C.—Experiences of a Chaplain.
October 7th Professor Murray—The Greek Dramatists.
May 5th, 1947 .. Professor F. F. Miles—Reminiscences of a Trip to Australia.

June 2nd Mr. G. R. Laking—United Nations' Organisation.

The Fellowship is very grateful to the speakers for their addresses, which were all most interesting and instructive. The meeting on August 5th was the ladies' evening, and was particularly successful. The average attendance at the ordinary meetings was 15.

The sum of £2/9/5 was handed to the Church treasurer as a donation to the Church funds.

Consideration was given at the annual meeting in May to the desirability of continuing the Men's Fellowship, but it was unanimously decided that these meetings should continue. The co-operation of all men of the congregation is therefore invited in order to make the Fellowship a success. The meetings are held on the first Monday of most months.

YOUNG MARRIED CIRCLE

The Young Married Women's Circle has had another successful year, although attendances have varied, due mainly to sickness. It was decided to meet monthly, and the average attendance was nine.

Very interesting and enjoyable addresses were given by Mrs. Patrick, who spoke on her stay in Geneva, Mrs. Kuskie, on Canberra, and Sister Helen Arndt on the Presbyterian Women's Training Institute. We extend our thanks to those people, and to the members of the Circle who made their homes available for meetings.

For study evenings we again used the studies published by the National Council of Churches in New Zealand for Women's Groups, and the discussions were enjoyed by all.

We wish to thank the Women's Association for the invitation to attend their meeting held on the 22nd October.

Our annual meeting was held at the Manse on the 17th April, Mrs. A. M. Lambert being re-elected as President and Mrs. Leighton as Secretary.

All young married women of the congregation are cordially invited to join our Circle.

SENIOR Y.M.B.C.

We have successfully met for another year under the leadership of Mr. Alan Miles, studying the Youth Committee syllabus, "Faith and Conduct," and including other subjects for discussion.

Our membership now stands at 12, and we have had an average of seven. We are glad to say all our members are now communicant members of our Church.

The senior boys were responsible for regaining and gaining hand-

ball and basketball titles at indoor sports, and a combined effort gained for us the Athletic Sports Shield. Our social activities included many successful socials, teas, the highlight being an excellent weekend retreat at Lowry Bay. Club is also functioning on Saturday nights.

We raised our Missions quota of £11, though not without effort. We look forward to another year of service, and thank God for what we have done and ask help for what we might do.

INTERMEDIATE Y.M.B.C.

The class commenced the year under the leadership of Mr. Jim Robb. The class roll is seven and attendance has been very good. We have used the study book, "Unto the Hills," for most of our work, taking a series of studies from the Gospel of St. Luke, and we have also had a series of studies on the Apostles' Creed. We joined with the other classes in a retreat at Lowry Bay in May last, and spent a very profitable weekend there under the leadership of our Minister, Mr. Fellow. Five of our members attended the Wellington District Easter Camp at Waikanae, where we had a profitable and enjoyable time. Our Mission contribution for the year was £3/10/-. The class wishes to express its deep regret at the departure of Mr. Robb. It thanks him sincerely for his inspiring leadership, and extends to him its very best wishes for the future.

JUNIOR Y.M.B.C.

We have pleasure in again presenting our report for the past year. At the beginning of the present calendar year it was decided to divide last year's Junior Class into Intermediate and Junior. But with the departure of Mr. Jim Robb, the present leader of the Intermediate Class, the two classes will again amalgamate.

Together with the Intermediate Class, the Juniors have been successful in raising £6 for Missions.

The studies for the first half of this year have been taken from a book of studies entitled "Unto the Hills," and have proved very useful.

As we look forward to another year's work, we are conscious of the challenging days which are before use, and we ask for the prayers of the congregation for the success of our efforts.

INTERMEDIATE Y.W.B.C.

The Intermediate Girls Class has a membership of eight. We are studying the Bible Class Syllabus, "Unto the Hills," and have found it very interesting and helpful.

Easter camp held at Otaki Health Camp was a great experience to the three girls who attended, and through the influence of camp two of the girls joined the Church and are also doing good work in the Kindergarten Class in the Sunday School.

For our contributions to the Missions this year, we combined with the Junior Class in a very successful sale of work. The girls worked very hard and were quite delighted with the results (£18) for the good work.

Quite a number of social evenings have been held, and no canvassing is necessary to rally the crowds, and we have had many jolly nights and visiting classes always add to the enjoyment.

We were fortunate this year in having the opportunity of a

Retreat at Lowry Bay. Ideal surroundings and weather made it something to be remembered for a long time, and we look forward to a similar week-end next year.

JUNIOR Y.W.B.C.

The Junior Girls' Bible Class membership has risen to 13 during the past year. We are studying the Junior Syllabus, "Unto the Hills," which we find most interesting. One Saturday each month we meet for tea and games. In August last our class held a fellowship week-end at Titahi Bay. Four of our members attended Easter Camp, held in the City Mission Camp at Otaki, while nearly all members attended the retreat at Lowry Bay. The class has given £12 to our Y.W.B.C. funds. We co-operated with the intermediate girls in a sale of work, at which £18 was raised.

SENIOR GIRLS' CLUB

Early this year the Senior Girls' Club was recommenced. Meetings were held fortnightly, mostly at the Manse, but occasionally at private homes. Under the leadership of Mrs. H. Gapes, a study of other religions was undertaken, and an interesting talk was given by Mrs. Patrick on her work in Geneva. The Club fills a need among the senior girls, and it is hoped that others will join during the year.

BOARD OF MANAGERS

The Committee again expresses thanks to God for another successful year as far as the business or material side of the affairs of the congregation is concerned.

During the year the buildings were kept in a reasonably good state of repair, but, owing to the continued shortage of labour and materials, it was not possible to carry out some of the work planned. For instance, the foundations of the Sunday School Hall still require to be renewed and strengthened. The electric installation was overhauled and renewed in accordance with the requirements of the City Council, and opportunity was taken to provide for a possible increase in load should the congregation decide to alter or extend the heating system.

The grounds have been kept in order by voluntary labour, except assisted from time to time by working bees, a small band of faithful for the resurfacing of the south path, which was done under contract, volunteers has cut up into firewood several of the pine trees at the south of the property, and bagged and sold the wood.

The ladies have greatly improved the furnishings of the prayer meeting-room and have provided hearing-aids at a cost of £98 in the Church.

Owing to the inclement weather the congregational picnic was abandoned this year, and instead a successful children's party was held in the Sunday School Hall.

Good use of the hall has been made by organisations of the congregation and certain other bodies have also been permitted to hold occasional fatherings there.

The Committee arranged a book table in the Church under the supervision of Mrs. Hall, books and pamphlets on religious subjects being displayed and sold during two separate months.

The total ordinary weekly offerings for the year show an increase

of £5/6/2 from £908/17/9 to £914/8/11. Envelope offerings totalled £588/3/6, an increase of £12/2/6, and the loose coin total of £326/0/5 is a decrease of £8/16/4.

Contributions on behalf of Missions by various organisations amount to £200/14/1, an increase of £37/4/10, and receipts for other objects outside the congregation totalled £49/10/7, while donations for general purposes and the use of the garage produced £42/15/-, making a total income, including the credit balance of 13/10 carried forward in the General Account of £1212/17/5.

The ordinary expenses of the congregation amounted to £795/8/2, and our Mission allocation was exceeded by £8/6/8, a total of £277/6/8 being paid over to the General Treasurer. £15 was paid on account of the P.S.S.A., and the £49/3/1 subscribed for Special Objects was paid over, making a total expenditure of £1136/17/11. Receipts thus exceeded the expenditure by £70/19/6, and of this amount £50 was transferred to the Renovations and Repairs Reserve Account, leaving a credit balance in the General Account of £20/19/6.

Renovations and Repairs Reserve Account.—A further transfer of £50 (£30 for premiums payment, £20 ordinary credit) from the General Account has increased the credit balance to £136/6/-. Of this £62/3/- has been invested in Building Society shares, which in a period of years will provide funds for ordinary renovations and repairs to the buildings. During the year extensive rewiring had to be done in the Church buildings to comply with the City Council's requirements, and this work cost £32/18/-. The balance of £94/3/- in the account is being held to meet the cost of necessary repair work in the Sunday School Hall and of providing new forms. This work was sanctioned by the congregation some time ago, but due to the difficulty of obtaining material and labour it has not been possible to have the work completed.

Property (Trees) Account. An account has been established to receive the moneys resulting from the sales of wood from the pine trees felled on the Church property. The gross receipts to date are £19/16/-, less £1/5/- equipment expense, and much credit is due to the personnel responsible for this endeavour. It is proposed to share this money with the expense of replanting more suitable native shrubs and the Missions Account.

Overseas Food Parcels. The Managers, in consultation with the Session, have agreed to send food parcels to the Robert Hamilton Memorial Church in Glasgow. Supplies of goods have been contributed, plus £12/16/- in cash. It is hoped to send parcels regularly as long as the need exists, and therefore donations of food and money will be welcomed.

General.—Although the weekly offerings were fairly well maintained, it would have been difficult to have met our increased Budget this year without the substantial assistance given by various organisations and other donations. Apart from the £200/14/1 raised by them towards our Missions allocation, a further amount of £49/10/7 was contributed by Church organisations for transfer to Church work outside our own Budget. These are indeed encouraging figures, and should inspire us individually to consider the necessity of increasing our regular freewill offerings to maintain our congregational income in a proper relationship to these figures.

The estimate of expenditure appended is unavoidably increased, but the Board is confident that the challenge it makes will be met successfully by a prayerful, appreciative, and determined people.

BUDGET, 1947-48

	Ourselves.		Others.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Stipend	450	0 0		
Car Allowance	25	0 0		
Pulpit Sunday	20	0 0	Allocated by Wel-	
Organist's Salary	52	0 0	lington Presbytery	305 0 0
Assembly Expenses Assmt.	13	10 0	P.S.S.A.	15 0 0
Presbytery "	5	0 0		
Beneficiary Fund	22	10 0		
Sunday School Expenses	30	0 0		
Renovations and Repairs				
Reserve	30	0 0		
Heating, Lighting, Clean-				
ing	70	0 0		
Interest, Insurance and				
Rates	40	0 0		
Printing and Advertising	30	0 0		
Telephone, Postages and				
Sundries	45	0 0		
Property Expenses	10	0 0		
	£813	0 0		
	Total		£1163.	
			£320 0 0	

ENVELOPE SECRETARY

The amount contributed through the Freewill Offering system was £588/3/6, an increase of £12/2/6 over the previous year's total. Six members withdrew and nine new members joined during the year, increasing the number of subscribers to 94. This number is, however, considerably below that of earlier years, and it is hoped that new members and adherents of the Church and, particularly, the younger members will become envelope subscribers in the present year.

The accounts show that the envelope subscribers, though representing only 40% of the congregation, again provided nearly 65% of the total ordinary offerings, and their loyal support of the Church finances is greatly appreciated.

KELBURN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30th, 1947.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Land and Buildings	8256 12 11	Sundry Trust Accounts—	
Less depreciation	83 8 7	Sunday School Bibles	
Pipe Organ and Pianos	453 11 0	Overseas Food Parcels	0 4 0
Less depreciation	22 13 3	Renovations and Repairs Account	156 6 0
Furniture and Furnishings	381 14 7	Property Trees Account	18 11 0
Less depreciation	6 1 2	Building and Furnishing Reserve	9 17 2
General Treasurer—Deposit Account	325 13 5	Sunday School Pledge Fund	17 3 9
Post Office Savings Bank Account	181 19 6	John's Memorial Fund	21 0 1
Building Fund Shares	62 3 0	Benewolent Fund	12 13 9
Cash at Bank	31 1 3	McLeod Memorial Fund	12 16 6
		Pipe Organ Extension Fund	10 6 9
		Excess of Assets over Liabilities	305 6 6
£4256 1 8		3950 15 2	
		£4256 1 8	

I have examined the accounts of the Kelburn Presbyterian Church for the year ended June 30, 1947, and report that, from the information and explanations given me, they correctly set forth the financial position at that date.

H. A. GOLD, F.P.A.N.Z.
Hon. Auditor.

G. W. DICK,
Hon. Treasurer.

22nd July, 1947.
Wellington.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
To Balance	8 7	By Amalgamation Fee	5 0
" Collections	11 6 9	" Organising Secretary Fee	1 8 6
" Subscriptions	2 17 0	" Annual Reports	9 0
" Donations	2 1 0	" Petty Expenses Account	1 11 3
" Nine Annual Reports	9 0	" Donation Te Whaiti Carpenter's Fund	5 0 0
" Spring Fair	41 1 0	" P.A. 40th Anniversary Fund	10 0 0
" To Deaconess Fund	5 11 7	" Harvest Field Account	4 4 0
" Maori M.B. League	14 6 3	" Church Treasurer—	
" Mission Boxes	34 0 0	" General Missions	£71 0 0
" Harvest Field Account	4 4 0	" Deaconess Fund	5 11 7
" Interest P.O.S.B.	5 6	" Maori M.B. League	14 6 3
		" Field Work	2 2 0
		" Cash in hand	5 4
		" Cash in Bank	7 3
			92 19 10
			£116 10 8

Checked and found correct: A. M. LAMBERT. Acting Treasurer: JESSIE MCQUEEN.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1947.

KELBURN BRANCH, P.W.M.U.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
To Balance 30/6/1946	0 13 10	By Stipend and Car Allowance	475 0 0
" Offerings: Envelopes	588 3 6	" Public Supply	25 0 0
" Plate	326 0 5	" Sunday School Expenses	25 9 4
" Donations	27 15 0	" Benevolent Fund Assessment	22 10 0
" Garage	15 0 0	" Presbytery Expenses Assessment	4 1 0
" Book Table	0 7 3	" Assembly Expenses Assessment	13 10 0
		" Property Expenses	24 5 3
		" Insurances	27 0 6
		" Rates	13 10 3
		" Heating, Lighting, Cleaning	64 15 10
		" Printing and Advertising	40 10 1
		" Telephone, Postages and Sundries	33 12 11
		" Organ Maintenance	6 0 0
		" Missions and Special Objects, Accounts	
		" Transfers—	
		" Budget Missions	76 19 10
		" P.S.S.A.	9 12 6
		" Gaming Commission	5 0 0
		" Renovations and Repairs Account	50 0 0
		" Balance	20 19 6
			£958 0 0

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1947.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

FOR THE YEAR END ED JUNE 30th, 1947.

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