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St. Fillan's Church News

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Congregational Board have fixed the date for the A.G.M. of the congregation for Wednesday, 1st March. It commences at 7.30 p.m. It is hoped that there will be the same good attendance as last year. The Financial and other reports will be given. Six members of the congregation require to be elected to the Congregational Board for a term of three years. Members are asked to consider who they would like to represent them in all the matters affecting the financial and material side of congregational life, and to get their permission before nominating them.

The following retire after completing their term of office, Mrs A. L. Drummond, Mrs J. C. Ford and Messrs D. Gunn, A. D. Lowe, G. M. Pollock, and A. Smith. They have all been regular in their attendance at the meetings of the Congregational Board and we thank them for all the work they have done on your behalf.

After the business we shall have tea and the usual informal evening of games, dancing and singing.

OUR ORGANIST.

We welcome Mr Ronnie Walker as our organist at St. Fillan's Church. Mr Walker, who lives at Cowdenbeath, is Principal Teacher of Music at St. Columba's R.C. High School, Dunfermline. Before coming to Cowdenbeath he was for some years organist at Bonnygate Church, Cupar.

Choir Practice has already been restarted and an invitation is given to new members to join on a Thursday evening in St. Colme's Hall.

OUR GIVE AWAY.

During 1971, as a congregation, we were instrumental in sending away to others the sum of over £2,500. Some of this was

through direct giving; some through efforts such as the Sale of Work, the Coffee Mornings, and the Concert; some through door to door collection. Many of the organisations and charities which received our allocations wrote expressing their thanks for your generosity.

CLAIM.

The Christian Literature Association in Malawi, CLAIM for short, has had another record-breaking year, with its sales soaring by 28%. Such a result was only achieved by a determined policy of taking Christian books to where the people are, at a time when they have money to buy them. This meant going to the little local agricultural produce markets during the three or four months that they are open.

So CLAIM hit on the idea of erecting temporary, light-weight "MINI" KIOSKS which could be quickly set up, and after the market closed quickly dismantled and stored until next year.

This year CLAIM wants to use many more MINI KIOSKS. The cost of each is only £40. In addition more bikes are needed to take books right into the villages where people live. Each bike costs £25. There are still many little market towns in Malawi where CLAIM would like to erect a permanent kiosk for £115.

HAPPY CHILDHOOD.

The United Society for Christian Literature publishes in Hong Kong a Christian magazine for children. It is 'Happy Childhood,' and is the only children's magazine in Chinese, the second most widely spoken language on earth. To enable as many Chinese children as possible to read it the price is kept down about 3p by subsidising it to the extent of £500. What a chance for reaching the young people of China.

TRIBUTE TO MR HUGH BRAES.

Last Monday morning, 9th August, Mr Hugh Braes, who had been in failing health for some months, passed to his rest.

As the farmer of Bouprie Banks he was well-known in many circles and will be remembered far beyond the bounds of this parish.

Mr Braes was the senior elder of our congregation and was ordained some forty years ago. He was made an elder of St. Fillan's Church not long after it was restored during the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Johnstone. He saw many changes — the union of St. Fillan's Church with St. Colme's Church and Dalgety; and more recently the dissolution which led to the separation of the parishes.

Through his long service he was a most faithful elder. He was a diligent visitor in the homes of his wide country district, which, when he relinquished it recently on account of ill-health, stretched all the way from North Queensferry to Crossgates and Linnhead. He was always a welcome friend, and had a kindly generosity of nature which endeared him to all who knew him.

He faced his long and trying illness with great courage and Christian faith.

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs Braes, who helped him in everything he did for our congregation, and to his daughters, Mrs Niven and Mrs Low.

COFFEE MORNING.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

On Saturday, 20th May, 1972

from

10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

in

the Church Hall

BRING AND BUY STALL

Tickets — 15p.

OUR CHURCH.

By the first quarter of the 17th century St. Fillan's Church had been gradually converted from a plain Romanesque building to a typical post-Reformation Scottish Church, with the pulpit on the south wall and either two or three galleries. It was to remain in this form until the end of the 18th century, when a new church (the present Church Hall) was built in the High Street. The date for the building of this new church is given as 1790.

It has generally been assumed that the reason for the building of the new Church was, either that St. Fillan's had fallen into a state of disrepair, or that on account of the population explosion at that time, it could no longer accommodate the worshippers. The former was to some extent true. The Church was in a very bad state of repair, but there were other reasons, which have just recently come to light. It has always seemed extraordinary that there appears to be no reference to the building of the new Church in any of the records. Kirk Session Minutes, Presbytery Minutes, and the Minutes of the Heritors all have a blank as regards the building of the Church, though there are references to the building of the new Manse — the present one — in 1802. We are indebted to one of our members, Mr Norman Stackhouse, for bringing to light some letters amongst the Morton Papers which refer to the projected new church. It is clear from them that for a long time previously the Morton family had been desirous of getting rid of St. Fillan's as a place of worship, as it encroached upon the privacy of the Castle. The Minister in those days was the Rev. Robert Liston, whose memorial is on the north wall of the church. He had a large family and was quite eager to increase his stipend. So, when Dalgety became vacant in 1776 and it was suggested that there be one Church in Wester Aberdour to serve both parishes, he was very much in favour of it, as there would be an augmentation of stipend.

That union of the churches did not take place, but it does give an indication of the way the wind was blowing and it certainly looks as though by 1790 both the Mortons and the minister got their way.

D.W.R.

MR CHARLES GUILD.

We very much regret the passing of our organist, Mr Charles Guild. He came to us in 1958 and throughout the years played a significant part in the life of the congregation. Though at times his health curtailed his activities he had tremendous energy and was deeply interested in all

aspects of music. As a choirmaster he was well-known in musical circles, having been the founder conductor of the Cloister Singers in St. Andrews, and also for some years the conductor of the Kinghorn Choir. More recently he undertook the conductorship of the Royal Bank Choir and gave a number of very successful recitals. He took part in broadcast programmes on a number of occasions.

He had a great love for St. Fillan's Church and enriched its music not only through his playing and his training of the choir, but through the organists and choirs which he was instrumental in bringing for evening recitals.

His loss is a very real one as was shown by the number of friends and associates, who attended the funeral service in St. Fillan's Church. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs Guild and her daughters.

SUNDAY NIGHT FILMS.

Sunday, 27th February

"To-morrow will depend"

This film depicts the rural work of the Vellore Christian Medical College and Hospital in South India. It has interesting sequences describing village Hinduism and a Hindu festival.

Sunday, 26th March

"The Ongoing Vision"

A modern presentation, part cartoon, part real life, it starts with the space age and ends with the need of each one for the "Word of God." Produced by the Bible Societies.

Sunday, 30th April

"The Migrant Way"

About the poverty and the way of life of peasants in Northern Brazil, with examples of church supported schemes for helping landless families — a Presbyterian Health Centre and an agricultural resettlement scheme which is bringing renewed fertility to the land.

O Lord,
Thou givest us everything,
At the price
Of an effort.

Leonardo da Vinci.

I discover this principle, then; that when I want to do right, only the wrong is within my reach Miserable creature that I am, who is there to rescue me out of this body doomed to death? God alone, through Jesus Christ our Lord! Thanks be to God!

The Apostle Paul.

ARE YOU A CHURCH MEMBER?

The General Assembly of last year made this comment on Church Membership and sent it down for discussion by Presbyteries and Kirk Sessions. Whether you are a member or not you will be interested in what it has to say. Do you think it is fair comment?

"..... The standard of membership in the Church of Scotland is generally low. That is one reason why the faith we preach, and the mission on which we have been sent, are only dimly understood in our contemporary society. Young people growing up amongst us have only a poor illustration of the Gospel we ask them to believe. Our evangelism lacks credibility.

The surface symptoms of this low standard of membership are easy to see. It is a fact that the majority of those whose names are on our lists of communicants are seen to worship God only rarely. Thus they make nearly every Sunday a massive gesture of unbelief. More than half our members give only trifling support, in money or in service, to the great enterprises of Christian mission. These are the outward signs of an inward sickness. They suggest that the Church's faith in God, awareness of his activity in the world around us, and the conviction about the mission on which he has sent us, are not being renewed at their source.

That is not all. Perhaps the element in the situation of which we

TRIBUTE TO MR ROBERT INGLIS.

Mr Robert Inglis of Greenkip died suddenly at Dalachy on Friday, 10th December. This was as he wished. Some months earlier he had undergone a serious operation and was happy to have recovered something of his usual vigour. He had been a tremendous worker all his days and could never bear to be inactive.

He came to Dalachy from Kingsbarns in 1928 and throughout the years of his stay there he played a prominent part in the life of the farming community in Fife, and also in the life of the village of Aberdour, where he had a great influence for good, especially through the work he did in connection with the Institute. He was one of the Trustees and Chairman of the Committee, which, carried through many alterations and improvements.

He was an elder of St. Fillan's Church for almost forty years. He and his close friend, Mr Hugh Braes, who died earlier this year were the only remaining elders of the pre-union Aberdour Parish Church. He

have to repent most urgently is that this state of affairs is accepted as normal."

It goes on to point out how false this idea of membership is, in the light of the Church's task in the world, for the bringing in the Kingdom of God, the realm of peace, justice and brotherhood open to all men without distinction, and it goes on to say:

The member of the church is committed to live every day as a follower of Christ, and to take his full part in the church's mission in society. This means in practice:

Regular worship, in company with other Christians, as highest priority;

Daily Prayer, for God's peace and justice for all men;

Involvement in a local congregation, as a sign of solidarity with the Church worldwide;

Giving service and money, denying oneself, in generous identification with human need;

Learning from the Bible and through dialogue with others, how to be a follower of Christ, and witness to him in a secular age.

Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting.
Elizabeth Bibesco.

I can more easily see our Lord sweeping the streets of London, than issuing edicts from its cathedral.

Dick Shephard.

was most diligent in his attendance at public worship right to the very end, and had a real interest and care for the members of his widespread district to the North and East. In his more active days he gave great assistance to the congregation in the work of the Kirk Session and the Congregational Board. In the last vacancy he was appointed Convener of the Vacancy Committee, and for a number of years he undertook the onerous work of Property Convener, when, after the war money and materials were scarcer than they are now, and there was a great deal of work requiring attention.

He had many interests and had a wide circle of friends. He was most generous, noted for his hard work, his honesty, his forthrightness of character and his simple piety. Those qualities endeared him to all who knew him.

As we pay tribute to him to-day, we remember Mrs Inglis and her family in these days of loss and sadness.

NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

Miss Helen Thom, writes from Sheikh Othman, Aden.

"Greetings to you from the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen — not Southern Yemen as before, the country was re-named last December (1970) ... It is increasingly difficult for me to write about all that is happening here, hence the long silence, so I have to ask you to read between the lines ...

We have been greatly encouraged recently by the interest of the Church in the Middle East and their willingness to be involved in work and witness here, and we pray that it may continue and increase. Is there any other hope for the evangelisation of the Muslims. I think it is too late now for the West. Throughout the summer we have had visits from various Arab Christians from the Middle East, some for a few days, and some for a week or two, but all making their contribution to the Christian witness here. The Lebanese Fellowship of Evangelism sent an Arab evangelist, Mr Sammuell Audeh, to Aden in July and we have been rejoicing in his vigorous preaching and personal testimony to Jesus and His power to save to the uttermost. He has had his visitor's pass renewed as often as it can be now, and may be moving up to Sana'a in the Yemen for a time, but we hope he can return here later on.

A PARABLE.

Tipping and Tithing

Now it came to pass that a certain rich man invited a churchman to lunch; and they went to a popular restaurant. And the waiter was very efficient. And the food was good.

As they arose to depart, the churchman observed that his host laid some coins under the edge of his plate. And the waiter who stood by smiled happily, which, being interpreted, meant that the tip was satisfactory.

WELL DONE.

On Sunday, 30th January at the morning service the Kirk Session presented the following twenty-seven children with an award for their regular attendance at Church throughout 1971:-

Lesley Allan	Gabrielle Hodge
Eleanor Amos	Ann Hynd
Kenneth Chalmers	Elaine Hynd
Susan Chalmers	Karen Hynd
Alison Brown	Barbara Lowe
Katie Brown	Florence Lyon

Dr. and Mrs Moen, the Danish doctors, left in July, and the transfer of Dr. Laidlay from West Pakistan to this field in August was an answer to a prayer ... When Dr. Drever returns from West Pakistan, where he has been gaining experience in cataract operations, it is hoped that the medical work here will be developed, specialising in that field for which there is a great need here. The Out-patient's clinics continue four days a week, and the Welfare clinic for undernourished babies once a week. Two nursing sisters are also up country in Beihan at present."

Dr. Jack Wilkinson, just before his return to Kenya wrote.

"Thank you and the Sunday School for their kind gift of £10. I have just ordered a number of books for Kikuyu and will put this donation towards the cost.

We have had a very profitable leave, but are anxious to return now. We gather that there is no doctor at Kikuyu at present so we shall have our hands full when we get back.

We go back for a three years tour this time under the new regulations. It could be a very significant period in the history of the country, especially if we lose the President, as we may, since he is 83. Also there is increasing pressure for Africanisation and 1972 sees the first medical graduates coming out of Nairobi University."

Now with such customs all are familiar. And this parable entereth not into the merits or demerits of tipping.

But the churchman began to meditate on those coins. Well, he knew that the proverbial tip must be at least a tithe lest the waiter turn against you. And it came to him that few people honor their God as they honor their waiter. For they give unto their waiter a tithe but they give unto God whatsoever they think they can spare.

Verily, doth man fear his waiter more than he feareth his God? And doth he love God less than he loveth the waiter? Truly, truly, a man and his money are past understanding.



Helen Meiklejohn	Jean Rankine
Calum Murray	David Shepherd
Martin Murray	Robert Shepherd
David Nelson	David Sinclair
Amanda Palmer	Kenneth Sinclair
Candida Palmer	Linda Sinclair
Philippa Palmer	Donald Nicolson
Stephanie Palmer	

Deaths.

1971	
7th Aug.	Mr George T. McIntyre, 13 Hawkcraig Road.
9th Aug.	Mr. Hugh Braes, Boupre Banks.
27th Aug.	Mrs A. H. Kerr, Lynwood, The Glebe.
21st Sept.	Miss E. Wilson, Sunnyside, The Glebe.
13th Oct.	Mr Charles Guild, Greenaway, Kinghorn.
14th Oct.	Mrs E. Fraser, The Hospital, High Street.
20th Oct.	Mr John Waterson, 26 Humble Terrace.
29th Oct.	Mrs B. Harris, Belmount, 41 Main Street.
13th Nov.	Mr J. Bostrom, 2 Sands Place.
2nd Dec.	Mr A. Baxter, Templeland, 9 Main Street.
10th Dec.	Mr Robert Inglis, Greenkip, Dalachy.
26th Dec.	Miss K. Mustarde, 93 Main Street.
1972	
6th Jan.	Mrs R. Prior, 41 High Street.

Baptisms.

29th Aug.	Sharon Miller, 1 Bellhouse Road.
5th Sept.	Tara Kirsty Short, Willowdale, Canada.
24th Oct.	Leonard Andrew Hodge, Hillcrest, Inverkeithing Road.

Marriages.

10th Sept.	John R. Worrall to Margaret Ann Lamb.
18th Sept.	Donald A. F. Ross to Molly B. Dewar.
9th Oct.	Harry C. S. Howlett to Elizabeth K. Gunn.
27th Oct.	David T. Fulton to Anne G. Liston.

THE BENEVOLENT FUND.

Having met the needs of the parish, it was possible this year to send away £100 to help the needy in other parts. It was equally divided between Shelter and Christian Aid.

**Accessions.
(by Profession)**

Miss Maureen Drummond, Mount Etna,
Seaside Place.
Mrs K. Nicolson, 80 Main Street.

(by Certificate)

Mrs D. C. Yellowley, The Mill Farm.
Mr and Mrs David Watt, 23 Hawkcraig Road.
Mrs J. Wilson, The Pleasants Farm Cottages.
Mrs E. McKay, 7 Bellhouse Road.
Mr and Mrs J. Bicket, 31 Hawkcraig Road.
Mr and Mrs A. M. Wright, 8 Home Park.
Miss Isobel Wright, 8 Home Park.
Mr and Mrs Clifford Hughes, Hawkcraig Road.
Mr and Mrs A. G. Shaw, Elmwood, High St.
Mr and Mrs J. Bald, 35 New Glebe.
Mr and Mrs C. K. H. Rae, Rose Cottage,
Manse Street.
Mr and Mrs C. M. Grubb, Inchcolm Abbey.
Miss M. L. N. Hill, 3 Murray Place.
Mrs E. Bryson, 6 Murrell Terrace.

CHRISTIAN AID.

Through all our efforts in the congregation we were able to send well over £450 to Christian Aid during 1971. The secretary, Mr James Hodge, wrote a special letter of thanks to you for your generous contributions.

Naturally, we do not want to fall below that figure in 1972, and so we hope that our efforts in connection with Christian Aid Week will be as successful as last year. Christian Aid Week falls from Monday, 15th to Saturday, 20th May, and we plan again to hold a Coffee Morning in the Church Hall. Mrs G. M. McIntyre, 13 Hawkcraig Road is the convener. She will be glad of your help and support.

CONGREGATIONAL STEWARDSHIP.

Last December members were asked to look afresh at their Weekly Freewill Offering contribution and particularly to consider giving a proportion of their earnings regularly and generously for the work of Christ and the needs of others.

A Congregation needs to do likewise and Office-bearers, as faithful stewards, have to see that a due share of all that is given is sent away in the name of Christ for Mission and Service outwith the activities of the local congregation. All we have inherited is in trust and has to be used for

Disjunctions.

Mr and Mrs J. MacDonald, Manse Place
to Edinburgh.
Mrs M. A. Scott, Hawkcraig Road
to Dunfermline.
Mrs D. Ross, Murrell Terrace
to Edinburgh.
Mr and Mrs J. Liston, Park Lane
to Dalgety Bay.
Mr and Mrs J. S. Carr, Main Street
to England.
Mr J. Douglas Macfarlane, Main Street
to Woking.
Mr and Mrs J. Pont, Couston Drive
to Dalgety Bay.
Mr Bruce Clark, Home Park
to Limekilns.
Miss Elizabeth McLean, Couston House
to Geneva.
Mr and Mrs G. Frank Ross, Bankhead
to Assynt.
Miss Margaret Ross, Bankhead to Assynt.
Mrs H. Howlett, Morayvale to Leicester.

Our membership dropped by one to 580. The young people under instruction in the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes increased by twenty-two to 195.

WHERE WILL IT ALL END?

The Sale of Work in November raised in all the sum of £809. It was a very happy occasion, and all who took part in it enjoyed the day and the fellowship. Mrs F. A. Manders, who opened the sale, set it off to a good start with her words of encouragement. The Ladies of the Woman's Guild, the Men's Committee, and the Teachers of the Sunday School are all to be congratulated on the work of preparation and the enthusiasm displayed. This effort made it possible for the Finance Committee of the Congregational Board to increase our givings to others quite substantially, while at the same time adding a little to our reserves for the 'rainy day.'

our neighbours as well as for ourselves.

It is part of the job of the Stewardship Committee to inform members of the destination of their offerings. This year we have been able to increase your contribution to most of the 30 agencies to which you contributed last year. These are mostly well-known to you. Let me just mention one facet of the work of our own church through the Committee on Social Service. This committee administers ten homes for children; four mother and baby homes; seven hostels for young men and five for young women; four rehabilitation hostels; forty-three homes for the elderly and two holiday homes.

MADE TO MEASURE.

The Church of Scotland adoption work is widely known — in fact, it is so well-regarded that it may come as a surprise to discover that the work is not self-supporting. This is because no charge may be made for adoption, and so for the delicate task of helping the unmarried mother and those involved with her, and finding a home for her baby — with all that this implies of expense — the Social Service Committee must look to the generosity of the Church.

Today, as the Committee points out, there are many more adoptive homes available than there are babies for adoption. But there is a real need for couples who want to open their hearts and doors to children with special needs.

What would have been the future of little Jenny if such a couple hadn't come along. Jenny's first two years were spent in one of the Committee's children's homes because of a family history of mental illness. Her new parents appreciate that there is a risk, and they discussed this fully with the doctors before taking her. But they also know that if Jenny is brought up with their own happy and stable family she is much less likely to develop the illness.

This is the question the Committee would ask: What exactly do you mean by adoption? Do you want a made-to-measure child — the right age, sex and colouring, with faultless medical and social background? If so, you are likely to wait a

very long time or not be considered at all. To be acceptable to an Adoption Society you may find that you yourselves must be very much more accepting.

Jenny's new parents have a love made-to-measure for Jenny's needs, and this is the way it should be in the Church.

For 1971 the congregation will have contributed to the Mission and Service Fund some £350 in excess of the target (£570) allocated to St. Fillan's.

For 1972 the Stewardship and Budget Committee of the Church of Scotland have estimated that they will require an additional £300,000.

For most the great motive of "giving" is sympathy. At one gathering many were expressing verbal sympathy with an old lady in distress until some one — a Quaker — rose and said, "I sympathise £5."

How much do YOU sympathise?

R. S. Arthur

Stewardship Promoter.

MINISTERS AT THE BURROO

The 'burroo' is not anyone's idea of home from home. No-one gets any good from haunting it daily. In fact unemployment is like the waves of the sea, wearing away a man's self-respect and sucking him down.

Chaplains in industry see its results more than most. The redundancies. Younger, more able men beginning again. As usual, the weakest going to the wall and hiding themselves away.

Donald Ross is full-time Chaplain to Industry in the Glasgow area. He operates with a committee of ministers and priests which tries to do two things; first—make these men feel they still have a place in the world; second—give them a chance to talk and encourage them to hope.

For four days the Chaplains took it in turns to stand at the door of a big Employment Exchange. Every man going in was invited to an 'unemployed get-together' in a local hall. He wasn't only handed a leaflet; he was invited personally, with a chance to talk there and then about his situation. It was surprising what stories emerged. There were these men on their home ground, talking freely and willing to take some guidance. Not all responded of course. But a hundred turned up at the meeting, had a thorough discussion and saw a ray of light. Fourteen of them formed a continuing committee to plan how to help themselves straightaway, and consider further action.

The Church of Scotland's Home Board, which is one of the Mission and Service Committees, maintains four full-time Chaplains to Industry; a hundred part-time; and through meetings, conferences and a regular publication gives us a chance to know what the work is all about.

LEARNING TO LIVE TOGETHER

During the last three years the Scottish Churches have supported community work among the women and children of "new settler" communities in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Dundee under the auspices of the YWCA. In each city the programme has developed in response to local needs but the main purpose is to make contact with women and children for whom the local language and ways of living are strange, to help them to establish good relations with their immediate neighbours and to create in the host community welcoming and understanding attitudes.

EDINBURGH

At the Women's International Centre and in those parts of the city where overseas families live, activities include English classes, dressmaking, cooking, excursions, home visiting, pre-school playgroups, children's clubs and summer vacation day camps. In religious discussion groups Moslems, Jews and Christians meet in genuine dialogue.

The Community Worker is assisted by three part-time workers, two of whom are Asian, by voluntary workers knowing Asian languages, and others, including students and school-children.

A one time grant from the Community Relations Commission and a two year grant from Christian Aid are gratefully acknowledged.

GLASGOW

The Community Worker has co-operated with the well-established Indian, Pakistani and Sikh organisations, the churches and others in forming the Central Social Group which plans concerted action and publishes a newsheet.

The Community Worker was involved in the setting up of the Park Ward Residents' Council and, together with volunteer helpers, is making contact with the Chinese community. She helps women both to make use of the services available for them and their families, and also to find ways of helping others in need. She works with those who are seeking to equip the 1500 young people of overseas parentage who will increasingly share the employment and residential expectations of their Scottish born friends.

This project is receiving support from Christian Aid for the first three years.

DUNDEE

At the request of the Dundee International Women's Group a part-time Community Worker was appointed in August, 1970, to help develop the work started by Scottish and Indian volunteers.

A small centre was opened and programme includes social activities, English and baby care classes, demonstrations, excursions and a children's club and play evenings. Over 84 Indian and Pakistani homes have been visited and contact is being made with the Chinese community. Local support is being built up, and a grant is promised from Christian Aid.

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ABSTRACT of INCOME and EXPENDITURE for Year to 31st December, 1971

1.—GENERAL FUND

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
1970	Collections—	1970	Allocation of Funds—
£966	Cash Collections £1057.27		Assembly Funds—
1956	Weekly Freewill Offerings 2133.71	£217	Maintenance of Ministry Fund £230.00
	Bonds of Annuity and	80	Aged & Infirm Ministers' Fund 78.00
860	Income Tax Recovered 781.56		Mission & Service Fund £958.30
242	Special Collections 263.94		<i>Less</i> Contributed by
	Donations—	690	Congregational Organisations <u>240.00</u>
	Woman's Guild £780.00 <i>less</i>		718.30
	specially destined for Mission	55	East Pakistan Disaster Relief Fund 0.00
0	& Service Fund £180.00 <u>£600.00</u>	£1042	1026.30
87	Others <u>52.13</u>	368	Outside Organisations <u>537.95</u>
	652.13	£1410	1564.25
31	District Collections 3.00		Minister's Stipend (part of) and Expenses—
54	Assembly Funds <u>8.30</u>	1025	Stipend £1225.00
£4196	4899.91	180	Travelling Expenses <u>179.17</u>
	Coffee Morning & Sale of Work		1404.17
0	for Christian Aid 116.66	33	Pulpit Supply Fees 24.45
	Income from Trust Investments—	515	Salaries 632.42
136	For Stipend £161.40		Upkeep of Church, Etc—
7	„ Benevolent Fund 7.18	130	Rates, Insurance and Feuduty £139.21
40	„ Assembly Funds 40.02	175	Heating, Lighting and Cleaning <u>219.15</u>
10	„ Sunday School 12.66		358.36
19	„ Other Church Purposes <u>12.92</u>	21	Repairs and Upkeep (other than to Fabric) 39.19
	234.18	195	Printing, Stationery and Publications 197.07
£4408	£5250.75		Miscellaneous—
285	Balance brought forward 324.00	15	Communion Expenses £13.74
		51	Assembly, Synod and Presbytery Dues 61.00
		33	Telephone 33.24
		66	Sundry Expenses <u>89.77</u>
			197.75
		86	Benevolent Fund 99.82
		9	Payments to Sunday School 12.66
		200	Donation to Dalgety Parish Church 200.00
		225	Transferred to Fabric Fund <u>575.00</u>
		£4360	£5305.14
		324	Balance on Hand 269.61
<u>£4693</u>	<u>£5574.75</u>	£4693	<u>£5574.75</u>

2.—FABRIC FUND

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
1970	Donations—	1970	Repairs to Fabric £793.40
£600	Woman's Guild £0.00	£285	Balance on Hand 2682.56
0	Other <u>14.60</u>	2685	
	14.60		
56	Collections 63.92		
7	Income from Trust Investment—For Repairs 6.96		
86	Interest 130.11		
225	Transferred from General Fund <u>575.00</u>		
£974	£790.59		
1996	Balance brought forward 2685.37		
£2970	<u>£3475.96</u>	£2970	<u>£3475.96</u>

Note.—The foregoing financial statements are abstracts of the transactions and funds of the Congregational Board of St. Fillan's Church, Aberdour for the year to 31st December, 1971.

J. DAWSON MACFARLANE, C.A., *Treasurer.*
20th February, 1972.—Audited and found correct.

IAN M. STUART, F.C.I.I.
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