

should only be shown to the accredited representative of one of our churches. The obvious benefit would be that, unless by aid of a scientific *alias*, the occupation of the religious impostor would be absolutely gone. Would there not be another benefit also in the fact that there would be one more practical link between the divided bodies of professing Christians, and that the consummation to which we look forward, when all shall be one "in doctrine and fellowship," shall at least be anticipated and helped onward, as we "provoke one another to love and to good works."

Ladies' Society of Church Workers.

The annual sale which was held on the 3rd and 4th ult., has already received considerable attention by the daily journals, so that only a brief account need here be furnished.

The entertainments, furnished by the Y. M. C. A. orches-tra on the first evening, and by some of our local talent on the second, were highly appreciated by the audiences of both evenings. The total receipts amounted to \$691.81, which after deducting the necessary expenses left a balance of \$645.29. Of this amount \$625.00 has been donated to the building fund. The ladies are indebted to many friends for donations and assistance, which aided materially in making the sale so successful. The society does not purpose holding any further meetings previous to the annual meeting, which will be held in the latter part of February.

S. M. G. A.

THE SENIOR BRANCH of this association has decided to hold an entertainment shortly after the New Year, consisting chiefly of "Mrs. Jarley's Wax-works." It is intended to also have some music, etc., while the figures are being arranged.

Mrs. Coster, Mrs. Belyea, Miss Jones and Miss Puddington have kindly consented to assist. It has also been decided to have a course of readings, the first being held on the first Monday of the New Year, at 8 p. m., in our Sunday-School. The "Taming of the Shrew," will be taken up on that evening. Any of the members of the association will be welcome, as well as any of the young ladies in our congregation, who may wish to join.

JUNIOR BRANCH: On the 22nd ult., this branch completed its task of preparing a Christmas box to be sent to Welsford, when Rev. W. B. Armstrong will be asked to distribute its contents among the more needy of that parish. The box contained not only useful articles, but likewise a good assortment of books, sweets, etc.

The executive committee have not yet determined what the next work of this branch will be, but they will do so, at an early date.

A series of sketches of College Life will be published shortly in our columns, in the following order: Fredericton, Dalhousie, King's, (Windsor), McGill, Toronto, Harvard, and Cambridge, (England).

OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Not indeed for the first time in the annals of the 'Stone Church,' but after a considerable intermission, a Christmas party for our poorer brethren was given amid the bright surroundings of the schoolhouse. The management of the entertainment had been entrusted to Mrs. F. O. Allison and Mrs. J. A. Belyea, and well had they achieved their work. The guests to the number of upwards of forty assembled at half-past six, and enjoyed a good tea, waited on by a number of members of our Girls' Association, who had actively assisted previously in the preparations. Tea was succeeded by games, heartily carried on by the juniors, while their elders sat looking on. Contests at bagatelle and the hurling of "bean bags" next occupied the attention of the younger guests. After this a short concert had been arranged, Mrs. R. Jardine singing, and Miss M. Beverly and Mr. H. Turner playing on the pianoforte, to the evident enjoyment of their auditors. Then came the culmination of all. Already, since their arrival, the eyes of the children had been fixed upon two Christmas trees, fully covered with their usual fruit. Punctually at nine o'clock the door of the Rector's study opened, and Father Christmas made his appearance on the scene. He made a progress round the room, and seemingly approved of what he saw, desiring the Rector to state that he would now send Santa Claus in his place. He was as good as his word, and soon appeared another equally venerable figure, heartily cheered by the little ones. One by one the prizes on the trees were removed and bestowed upon the expectant children. And now the time of departure drew nigh. The Rector said a few words, expressing a hope that this would be a constant anniversary in the Church. The Doxology was sung, and then the little guests with well-filled hands, bade farewell to their hosts, and took their homeward path. We have not space to enumerate the names of the young ladies who furnished unwearied help, both in preparation and in the entertainment itself, but a special acknowledgment is due to Mr. H. W. DeForest for having (by means too mysterious to be revealed) invoked the presence of Father Christmas and Santa Claus.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

The next number of our PARISH NOTES will contain among other contributions: extracts from the "New Brunswicker" of 1847, including a correspondence between Bishop Medley and the parishioners of St. John's Church, relative to the separation of the parish, furnished by Mr. J. R. Ruel; "Cricket Recollections" by Mr. Geo. W. Jones; and a story for boys, entitled "The Karlshof Spectre," by the Rector. In addition there will be the usual monthly review of parish events, and a summary of news from other churches in the Diocese.

WE regret that, in our last issue, the name of Mrs. G. F. Fisher, one of the original members of the council of the Girl's Association, was accidentally omitted from the list.