

general fund. That consummation, however, seems far distant as yet, since the mother-church of Trinity, although possessing all the endowments intended for the whole city, yet finds pew-rents needful for her existence.

ECCLESIA.

To the Editor of the Church Record :

SIR : Permit me to suggest, in reply to the remarks of "TIMON" as regards free seats, that the galleries be carpeted and seats cushioned, and then thrown open to the public, as is done in Trinity Church, Boston, and many others in the United States. Why take from pew-holders and owners their accustomed seats, in the only service when they are not free, whilst the galleries are nearly empty? One cannot depend upon courtesy in all cases; and late attendance is not always caused by laziness.

PEW-HOLDER.

LOOKING BACK FIFTY YEARS.

To the Editor of the Church Record :

SIR : I, like your contributor, G. W. Jones, was, and am still, an admirer of that noble and manly game of cricket, not only on account of its science, but for its health-giving exercise. My first recollection of the game extends back to the time when I was about six years of age; a bat was placed in my hands suitable for my size and years. From that time, before I was sent to a boarding-school, and at school, the time allowed for recreation was chiefly given to this exercise in preference to all others. My parents encouraged their children in all manly sports, especially cricket; and so I became a lover of the game and have retained ever since a fondness for it. When opportunity offers and time can be spared, I endeavor to be present to witness the manly contention of this thoroughly English sport, which I hope will find a home in this and the other provinces of the Dominion which it has found in the Australian colonies.

My first recollection of a scoring card was a straight willow stick, on which notches were cut as runs were made, we being satisfied in getting the total result of each side, leaving it to some special crony of the batsman to keep his individual score if he so desired. At school I was proud when I entered the junior eleven, and eagerly looked forward when by my years and ability I should be placed in the first, which in due time I reached. At school the willow stick was abandoned, and the score kept on sheets of paper or in a book, but not in the same scientific manner as scores are now taken.

I hope to see the time when every school will have its club and meet in friendly rivalry. The exercise is good, the game manly, and assists very much in making the boy a little gentleman.

ARTHUR EVERITT.

The Editor has received one Fable in the Prize competition, entitled "The Chicken and the Fox." The writer is requested to send his or her name. It will be inserted in our next number.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Offerings for all purposes, from March 15th 1891, to March 15th, 1892.

Offertories for Church expenses.....	\$1520 58
Donations to the Sustentation Fund.....	1730 95
" " Diocesan Church Society.....	643 10
*Offertories for the Poor Fund.....	503 95
Easter Offertory for the S. S. Building Fund.....	100 10
Contributions for S. S. Organ Fund (collected by the Mite Society).....	216 53
Offertory for the Hospital Nurses' Fund.....	78 18
" " London Soc. for Pr. Chr'y among the Jews.....	32 00
S. S. Collection for Algoma Diocese.....	26 55
Collections and Contributions Shingwauk Indian Home.....	75 00
S. S. Collections for Christmas Tree.....	16 47
Contributed by Junior Girls' Association.....	33 00
Received for Aux. Bible Society.....	81 00
Additional Subscriptions to the S. S. Bld'ng Fund.....	178 63

TOTAL, \$5236 34

This amount does not include private contributions from our congregation for Wycliffe College, the Sabrevoie Mission, and other objects, nor the sum of \$625 obtained by the sale held by the Ladies' Association.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Owing to various causes it has been found impossible to arrange for a uniform Sunday this year for an offertory on behalf of the District Nurses. Accordingly it is proposed to take a collection for this object in our Church on Good Friday, at the special evening service, when the reading of the Story of the Passion, according to St. Matthew, will be interspersed with anthems and hymns specially arranged for this occasion by Mr. Ford.

Although unpropitious Fates in the form of bad weather and other calamities have hindered the carrying out of the programme arranged by our Young Men's Association, we understand that hopes are still entertained of holding a *Conversazione*, and if possible a concert as well, in order to fulfil the pledge given to the ticket-holders. These would take place soon after Easter.

The Quarterly Children's Service will be held on the afternoon of Easter Sunday. The children will assemble in the School-house at 3, when the new Desk and Chairs, furnished by the Junior Girls, will be formally presented. The pupils will then march to the Church, where special Easter Carols will be sung under the direction of Miss Wilson.

The Rector has taken a house in Rothesay for the summer for his family, having been unable to find a suitable residence as yet in the city. He will himself reside part of each week in town, and will be at his study in the School-house every morning.

* Of which one-third (\$167.98) was paid to Rev. W. O. Raymond.