

to say nothing of what it may be in time to come, you will be pleased, however, to observe, that the amount is somewhat larger than that contributed in 1859, and it would, I can have no doubt, been still larger, had not the year (owing to the ravages of the army-worm, the low price of fish, and other cases of a like kind), proved to be of such an extremely trying nature to all classes amongst us, while it is not to be forgotten that the Congregation, besides paying off a considerable part of a debt upon the Parsonage, have been called upon to make up £20 more for my salary than was paid by it to my predecessor. Another year I hope the country people, and those upon our shores, will be able to do something for the Society; this year they have been scarcely able to maintain themselves; many on the shores being in a state of extreme want and destitution. I trust also that with the blessing of God upon all of us, both spiritually and temporarily, there will be found amongst us in coming years both greater ability, and more willing hearts; and that by increased subscription we will be able more fully to evince our gratitude to the Diocesan Church Society, to whose liberality, coupled with that of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel not only this large and comparatively helpless mission, but so many others in the Diocese, stands so much indebted.

FROM THE REV. H. STAMER, HUBBARD'S COVE.

For the last year calls for money in this parish were very frequent; as for instance in the month of May, Widows and Orphans, £1 17s. 6d.; in the month of July, as a first instalment of a debt of £120 on the parsonage house, £10; in the month of October, premium of insurance on parsonage house, £1 10s.; in the month of January, second instalment of debt on parsonage house, £10; besides a collection every Sunday at all the churches and stations, amounting to £12, to meet the current expenses of the places. And now in the month of March, to go from house to house, collecting money, and at a time too when I know four out of five were not in possession of a dollar; however, the work had to be done, and there was no one to do it but myself, and I am in a position to say that it was neither a failure, nor was it the disagreeable task I at one time thought it would be. The people one and all were expecting me, and would consider themselves slighted if I passed their place without calling; some of them had their subscription ready to hand me, and others who were not prepared promised me to have it (if possible), within the time appointed; scarcely any were found to grumble. And now I feel very great pleasure in forwarding to the funds of the Diocesan Church Society the sum of £20 1s. 10½d.; so that for the last six months there has been collected in money in this *poor mission* for Church purposes, (not including the missionary's salary,) the sum of £55 9s. 4½d. This is perhaps one of the best proofs, that the people appreciate the means of grace, and are willing to make sacrifices to have the ordinances of religion continued among them.

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