

increase; but with it, we increase our offering: For, by this mail the Local Secretary and Treasurer will send you a Subscription List of upwards of \$300.

I have little to say in addition to this; unless it be that the people are learning the art of giving equally well in the other various departments of the Churches work, which all show a steady annual increase.

And, as a matter of still greater importance, and intimately connected with it, the people are taking a more direct interest in everything pertaining to the Church and her services, in the sense of giving not only their means, but themselves—their time. At our last annual meeting this note was sounded clearly by an influential Layman; and I cannot help thinking that sometimes one little kind word from Layman to Layman, is worth more than many long continued scoldings from the Clergy.

We, in this Parish, are very hopeful that in their next annual report, the Executive Committee will have been enabled to drop out the paragraph on the want of support from prominent Parishes. For it is still true that "whether one member suffer all the members suffer with it; or one member be "honoured, all the members "rejoice with it."

J. R. CAMPBELL.

THE RECTORY, Bridgetown, March 30, 1876.

I enclose herein a P. O. order for \$51.70, being the amount of our subscriptions for 1876, to D. C. S.

Tho' the times are poor and money particularly scarce, I am rejoiced to find that our contributions exceed those for last year.

I also forward the list of subscribers with this I trust that they will be in time for the report.

LEWIS M. WILKINS.

BAYFIELD, April 4th, 1876.

I have much pleasure in forwarding the D. C. S. list for 1875, and I am happy to be able to say, that notwithstanding, our people have made a beginning of the work of the new Church, and have also constantly kept up, for some months past, the practice of contributing to the mite Society, a monthly offering for Church purposes, the amount is but a trifle short of what it was last year. The Easter offering, for some of the purposes of the Church will, I am confident, be found to make up the deficiency in this year's amount.

One of our subscribers in Antigonish, has gone to his rest, having departed this life at the close of the year, 1875. It is gratifying to know that in his (Mr. William Hierlihy,) last will, as an evidence of his faith in the Holy Catholic Church, he made a provision that the reversion of a third of the interest of certain invested funds, should be divided, the one half to be given to the Church Endowment Fund, the other half, to the Clergy Superannuation Fund. I cannot, at the present, even give an approximation of the amount, but believe it will not be large, yet it is cheering to find his acknowledgement of the claims of the Church, in disposing of his worldly goods.

You will be glad to know, that our people here are adopting the practice of publicly returning thanks to God for mercies received, and of bringing an offering to be laid upon His altar as a tangible evidence of their faith. In thus bringing our gifts to him, we most truly acknowledge our appreciation of "His Unspeakable gift."

A. C. MACDONALD.