

St. John's, Tecumseth	2.42
Trinity, " "	8.12
Per Rev. Dr. Strong	5.54
St. Andrew's, Grimsby, per Rev. Dr. Lundy	2.90
160 Collections amounting to	\$1103.65
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.	
Previously announced	\$764.09
Fort Erie, per Churchwardens	8.00
St. Stephen's, Toronto, per R. B. Denison, Esq.	4.00
St. Andrew's, Grimsby, per Rev. Dr. Lundy	2.86
161 Collections amounting to	774.84
PAROCHIAL BRANCHES, XVIII. YEAR.	
Peterboro', for Mission Fund	\$ 60.00
Goulborne and Huntly, "	8.91
Osgoode, "	12.88
Holy Trinity Church, Toronto, " including six Incorporate Member's subs.	68.00
Ottawa, including two clergymen's subs.	69.70
Simcoe District, including 11 Incorporate Member's annual subscriptions	195.80
St. John the Evangelist, Toronto, " including six Incorporate Member's annual subscriptions	50.00
Perrytown, additional	0.76
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.	
Rev. J. W. Beck, annual subscription	\$ 5.00
" V. Clementi, "	5.00
" J. Godfrey, "	5.00
" C. Forrest, "	5.00
H. Mortimer, Esq., "	5.00
" " sub. to Par. Branch	5.00
Mrs. Marsh, per H. Mortimer, Esq.	4.00
T. J. Preston, Esq., annual sub.	5.00
J. Williams, Esq., an. sub. 17 and 18th years	10.00
Lord Bishop of Toronto, annual sub.	60.00
Rev. Dr. Lundy, "	5.00
Rev. C. B. Pettit, "	5.00

REPORT OF THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

In presenting their usual annual report, your Committee have but little to say beyond what may be gathered from the statements of the proceedings of the several Parochial Committees which are about to be submitted for the information of the meeting. The eighteenth anniversary of the Association has now been reached; and although on a review of its past and present condition it will be found that at no period of its existence as it received more general or substantial support than now, yet it must not be supposed that this District has done all that it ought to have done, or that it has done at all in proportion to the numbers and wealth of the churchmen within its bounds. Were the scriptural intimation faithfully acted on, and a tenth part of the income of each member of the Church appropriated to religious purposes, effects would be produced that would astonish all who do not contemplate what is needed, and what might be accomplished, for the glory of God and the good of man, even by this one District Branch alone, one-half, or a quarter of this amount would far exceed what is generally considered a very liberal contribution; and judiciously expended, would more than supply our own necessities, leaving a large fund upon which to draw for aiding the various missionary enterprises of our Church at home and abroad.

To say nothing of other parts of the Diocese, there are many places in our united counties

destitute of the ministrations of the Church where the services of two or more travelling missionaries might be profitably employed; and as our own people have the first claim on our exertions, prompt measures should be taken to supply this lack of spiritual instruction. Nor do we want facilities towards the accomplishment of any benevolent intentions we may have in this behalf, since the Church Society is ready to act as our almoner. A judicious expenditure of its income will enable it to effect much more good than if the same sum were expended under different auspices. Thus, the greater amount of good to which the members of the Church will be instrumental beyond what the same means would produce dispensed by individual charity, makes it a matter of interest as well as duty, cordially to uphold and unite with an association which can increase the utility of the smallest offerings, and give practical efficiency to the good intentions of those who make them. With the willing mind there should be a sincere desire profitably to apply what we are enabled to give, and this may be best evinced by the ready adoption of such measures as will render our alms productive.

This Parochial Branch have to congratulate themselves upon reaching this year, the amount of collections usually obtained in times of ordinary prosperity; and for this they are much indebted to the exertions of several ladies of the congregation, the result of whose efforts are given below:

Collected by Mrs. Clark and Miss Leonard	£23 11 8
Collected by Miss Heath and Miss Macdonald	16 8 9
Collected by Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. A. J. Vaningen	11 1 6
Collected by Mrs. Clench	7 13 0
" " Mrs. A. Burnham and Miss Bennett	20 11 0
Collected by Mrs. Tooke and Miss Rowe	5 0 9
" " Miss Stiles and Miss C. Mackay	5 13 1
Collected by Mr. J. H. Wilcocks	4 3 9
Paid to Treasurer	1 5 0
Paid direct to Parent Society	5 0 0

In addition to this amount, it is proper to state that there has been transmitted to the Parent Society from this parish during the past year, the following special collections in its behalf:

Students' Fund	£ 8 0 0
Widows and Orphans'	11 18 6
Sustentation Fund	15 0 0
Mission Fund	9 5 0
General Purpose Fund	10 0 0

At the same time parochial church purposes have demanded a corresponding local expenditure. Constant repairs and improvements are called for; and during the past year a handsome stained window has been placed in the chancel at the cost of £106 5s.; and a contract has been entered into for the erection of tables, containing the Lord's Prayer, Creed and Ten Commandments, to the extent of about £20 more, all of which has been raised by subscription.

This is only stated as furnishing some account of the manner in which the parish have endeavoured to discharge their stewardship. It is asserted in no spirit of self-commendation or vain glorying; but it is believed to be the feeling of all, that we much fall short of the return of substantial thank-offerings which is claimed by the many mercies of a beneficent Providence, and that the general prayer is for pardon for past deficiencies and grace to meet our christian obligations more conscientiously in future.

FORT HOPE.

The Committee have little to say since none of the funds collected have been expended in the parish, but have all been transmitted direct to the Parent Society.

The benevolence of the ladies of this congregation has induced them to organise a society for home purposes; which by sales of needle work, by the subscriptions of its members, and by contributions of the well-disposed, is enabled to accomplish many of those objects carried out in other parishes by part of the funds of the local Church Society.

The collection at the last annual meeting was £6 10s. The proceeds of the regular quarterly collections were as follows:

General Purpose Fund	£1 0 0
Students' Fund	3 10 0
Mission Fund	2 10 0
Widows and Orphans' Fund	4 12 6
To which were added donations	1 2 6
	£12 15 0

In addition to these, a collection was made by order of the Bishop, for the Sustentation Fund, which amounted to £8. The whole of which collections, to the amount of £20 15s., have been duly transmitted to the Parent Society in Toronto.

PETERBOROUGH.

A meeting of the Society was held in this place upon the thirtieth day of January last, which was well attended, a large number of the clergy was present, and the parishioners manifested an increased interest in the Society's advancement. A committee of ladies has undertaken the work of collection, and there will be sent to the Parent Society the sum of £20, which the local committee has every reason to trust will be increased next year.

DARLINGTON.

The Committee of this Branch have nothing special to report. The annual meeting was much larger than at any former period, and evinced a very lively interest on behalf of the good cause, of which substantial evidence has since been given in the contributions of the congregation generally. Every effort is being made in the parish at the present time to reduce the debt of St. John's Church, Bowmanville, and with satisfactory success; but until this burden is removed the contributions to the Church Society cannot be reasonably expected to be as liberal as under other and more favourable circumstances. The amount subscribed for the present year is £15.

NEWCASTLE.

The ladies who kindly undertook the work of collecting lost no time in following up the warm advocacy of the cause of the Society by the several speakers at the annual meeting; but very shortly afterwards made direct and personal appeals to every member of the Church in the neighbourhood. The result of their ready zeal was an increase of nearly £7 10s. over the subscription list of last year. The whole amount subscribed is £21 6s.

GRAFTON PAROCHIAL COMMITTEES.

A very interesting meeting of this association was held on the seventh of February. The attendance of the laity was larger than usual, and several spirited addresses were made by the clergy and other gentlemen who took part in the proceedings. A general desire appeared to be evinced, that hereafter all moneys raised in the name and behalf of the Church Society should be directly applied to the promotion of its various excellent objects, especially to the procuring of an increase of missionaries.

And your Committee have no doubt, that should