

cured the timber, and on a fixed day assembled and fenced it. There are now on the ground the frame, lumber, shingles, nails, glass, &c. &c., ready to commence the erection of a Church in the Spring.

Recently the Ladies held a bazaar there, from which the sum of £21 was raised in aid of the erection of the Church. At Wood's Harbour an acre of land has been given for the site of a building to answer the purpose of a Church and School House. At Tusket we have commenced the erection of a Parsonage House. Mr. Hatfield very generously gave an acre of land for the site. The House is now rough boarded and shingled. I succeeded in collecting from abroad £120 in aid of the building. During the autumn a Seraphine was added to the Choir of the Tusket Church at a cost of over £30, which the ladies of the Church succeeded in raising, partly by contributions and partly from the proceeds of a bazaar.

I have commenced preaching a series of Missionary Sermons at the various settlements, in order to indoctrinate the people with what the Church of England is doing at home and abroad. I hope to raise the subscriptions to the D. C. S. more than the amount of last year. I have endeavoured to observe all the Fasts and Festivals of the Church, and explain them to the people.

#### CHURCHES.

The following Amounts have been paid for this object :

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| Second moiety of grant to Church at Ship Harbor      | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| Amount of grant to Church at the Forks, near Windsor | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| First moiety of grant to Church at Cox Heath, C. B.  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
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A grant of £10 has been made toward completing a new Church at Conquerall, and grants of £20 and £10 respectively to Bridgewater and Wallace, which had lapsed, were continued for six months more from Oct. 19, 1856.

The Committee have much pleasure in observing that in the new Churches which have lately been built, more attention has been paid to Architectural beauty and general adaptation to their sacred purpose.

#### BOOKS.

The Executive Committee has paid £18 15 3 for Books from the Depository of the S. P. C. K., to be returned to several of the Parishes for the one-fourth of their contributions.

The Colporteur, during the short time the Committee was able to retain his services, sold 116 Bibles, principally of large size, 174 Testaments, and 64 Prayer Books, besides other Books on the list of the S. P. C. K., amounting in all to about £116.

The Committee have now ready a good selection of Books for this purpose, and much regret that they cannot obtain a person both able and willing to undertake the important duty of Colporteur. For this duty they offer at the rate of £5 per month, and a commission of ten per cent upon the amount sold.