

mention that \$1338.80 were raised by subscription for Dorcas purposes between 1870 and 1880. Of this sum, a goodly portion went, each year, to the Hervey Institute, the children of which, for the most part, both worship in our Church and attend our Sunday School. I am the more anxious to emphasise this statement, as the Reports of that excellent Institute, while chronicling many other smaller benefactions, have seldom, if ever, given any notice or prominence to the contributions of our Dorcas Society, not to speak of the generosity of our Trustees in setting apart very desirable pews for the accommodation of its children or their enjoyment of the full share of advantages and entertainments which the Sunday School has to offer.

The next agency for the promotion of Christian work which, as regards the duration of its existence, claims the respect due to age, is the Young Men's Association. It has always been the double aim of that Association to combine with mutual improvement the prosecution of some undertaking which it was thought would conduce to the greater usefulness of the Church to the world lying around it. Many of its members have been most earnest in assisting, by visitation and S. School teaching etc., the missionary efforts in which, from time to time, we have become interested. Latterly, it has also been largely instrumental in creating and fostering a fuller social life among the adherents of the Congregation, by means of Lectures, Conversaciones and Concerts. It is one of its boasts that it has been the means of culling forth talent from within the Church itself; one memorable proof of which is, that it was under its auspices that, among others, Sir Hugh Allan of Ravenscrag spoke weightily as well as encouraging words to his fellow-parishioners and citizens of Montreal from a remarkable personal experience, the results of which have been more beneficial to Canada than even to himself. The Treasurer's books of the Young Men's Association show, as the Receipts of the past 10 years, the sum of \$971.16.

The Ladies' Aid Society calls now for recognition. It was previously known as the Young Women's Association and was formed in June 1873. It has, therefore, not been in existence during all the ten years embraced in this Review, while it was among the first, if not the first, Association of the kind established in Montreal. A Bazaar on a large scale, and yielding a result only surpassed, in the history of such Sales, by another also connected with St. Andrew's Church many years before, was the earliest of its undertakings. It was held on the 20th and 21st November 1873 and realised \$3122.98. Since then, the Ladies' Aid Society has gone on increasing in the volume of its activities, and today it is stronger than it has ever been. It is with a gratification I can neither conceal nor express that I point to the conspicuous Catholicity of its work, devoting itself as it does to assisting in the advancement of efforts outside our own Church. No Congregation will long or truly live, does not deserve to live, which governs not itself according to the injunction contained in Hebrews 13: 16: "to do good and to communicate forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." "Ready to distribute, willing to communicate," memorable words of St. Paul in his first Epistle to Timothy, might well be the motto of our Ladies' Aid Society. I believe no appeal for co-operation has ever been made to it in vain. The following summarised list will show what objects it has been enabled to help, at different times, during not much more than seven years:—

East End Mission Work	\$3730.28
Industrial Rooms	1601.62
Hervey Institute	478.54
Canadian Woman's Board of Missions	414.00
Ladies Benevolent Institution	336.98
Infants' Home	336.18
Sufferers by Fire at St. John, N. B.	270.11
Montreal Young Women's Christian Association	208.85
Sufferers by Explosion at Stellarton, N. S.	160.00
Home for Friendless Women	126.57

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The sum raised by the Ladies' Aid Society last year alone was \$1198.86. This sum includes \$153.50 collected in cash, and in addition to work of the value of \$219.30 for the Bazaar, for the funds of the Industrial Rooms, and which I specially mention, because the Ladies conducting the affairs of that most worthy Charity, in pursuance of a policy whose wisdom I cannot see, do not