

cassia, or any thing else that can elucidate the subject, are occasionally produced. There is no collection made for the Missionary cause, but the quarterly subscriptions are received, and any trifling donations that may then be offered, are accepted.

### *Parish Library.*

“Books of different descriptions are lent to any inhabitant of the parish, and may be had by applying at the School-room, on Sunday evening after Divine service, when the books which have been borrowed must be brought back, and may be changed for others. It is desired that no book be kept longer than a month. 128 families have borrowed books during the year. The parish library contains 528 volumes.”

It is now upwards of twenty-three years since a parochial library was established, and some of the books then issued are still in existence. They require to be covered with strong brown paper, and often to have that covering renewed. The library consists of a great variety of publications. Those of the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge; the Bristol Tract Society; the Religious Tract Society; the Irish Tract, the St. Swithin Sunday School, the Kildare-street, Societies; the Friendly, and Cottager's Monthly, Visitor; and any other works that, on perusal, seem adapted for village reading. The library is often receiving additions. Friends occasionally present books. The delivery and exchange of books is made as simple as possible. A ledger with an index is kept, in which the name of every borrower is entered, and it only requires the eye to be cast over the numbers of the books already lent to the individual, to see that he has not the same volume again. Twenty or thirty persons will often change their books on a Sunday. It would be a very great addition to the comforts of the poor, if the societies would occasionally print a copy of standard works in a larger type. Peer's Companion to the Aged, Plain Sacramental Truths, Davy's Sermons, and some Scotch Tracts, are of a type adapted to the poor.