

FAREWELL.—On Tuesday, 6th November, the Temperance Guild met in larger numbers than usual, it having become known that this occasion would be the last on which the Rev. Mr. White would be present as one of the clergy of this Parish. The event of the evening consequently was Mr. White's farewell, which was followed by a gift to him from the members of the Guild of a silver-plated tea service. At the same time the Ladies of the Congregation presented Mr. White with a copy of Wordsworth's Commentary on the Old Testament, and a sum of money left in hand after its purchase; the Churchwardens also a copy of Ellicott's Commentary on the New Testament, and upon his being thus provided with such intellectual aids to the composition of sermons the Rector added a library chair of a kind which he declared would be admirably adapted as a material aid for the same purpose.

On the following day Mr. White was married at St. Stephen's Church to Miss Georgina Carter, daughter of Mr. John Carter.

ORPHAN'S HOME.—<sup>Donated by R.L.</sup> The new building of the Orphan's Home, near Brockton, was formally opened on Thanksgiving day, 8th November.

NEW LECTERN.—On Thanksgiving Day, a lady member of the Congregation, whose thoughtful and well directed liberality is already well known, added to her previous gifts to the Church a handsome brass Lectern, a gift certainly worthy of the Day, the Donor, and the Church. The Lectern previously in use, also a handsome one but of less costly material, and which our readers will recollect was an anonymous gift to the Church, on Christmas Day, 1876, has been presented to St. Stephen's Church, with the concurrence of the unknown donor, who is now known to have been Mr. R. L. Cowan, and in consideration of this gift, the Rector and Churchwardens of St. Stephen's have promised to provide the Island Church with a Lectern and Service Books.

GAS FITTINGS.—During the past month the work of renewing the gas service of the Church has been completed. The pipes have been for a long time in very bad order, and latterly had become almost beyond repair. It was therefore determined to take them out and put in an entire new service, substituting iron pipes for composition, and making other important improvements, all of which has been completed. The new brackets are undoubtedly an improvement on the old ones in appearance, and are so arranged as to distribute the light more evenly throughout the building, and at the same time to get rid of the unpleasant glare which some of the old ones produced. The two large gasaliers in the nave have not been altered, having been a gift from Mrs. Fuller.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.—Want of space in our last issue prevented our noticing in a fitting manner, as we had purposed doing, an important meeting held in our school-house on 24th October, to re-organize the Sunday School Institute. The Bishop presided, and a large number of representatives from the City Parishes were present.

"VESTRY LIST."—The Churchwardens have had prepared and printed for the use of the Parochial Association, a list of heads of families or individuals connected with St. George's, either as pew holders or as regular attendants. With regard to the former class it has been of course a simple matter, but in the latter there has been much difficulty in endeavouring to avoid claiming as ours those who are frequent attendants at St. George's, but are in fact members of other congregations, and at the same time to omit, if possible, none of the many who belong to us without being actual members of the Vestry. It is desired that if any errors or omissions be discovered, they should at once be pointed out to the Rector or Churchwardens. The list will, we are sure, be found to be of the greatest assistance to all Parish workers. Copies may be obtained by application to the Rector or Churchwardens.