

REPORT OF THE EMMANUEL CHURCH BUILDING FUND UNION FOR YEAR 1883.

The Committee of the Emmanuel Church Building Fund Union beg to report that they have now completed the fourth year of their operations.

They have to record no additional subscribers during the year, and that about one half of the regular subscribers to the Church are still unrepresented.

There has been paid on account of the Church debt during the year 1883 \$1,650, making a total for the four years of \$9,830.94.

The Treasurer's statement, which has been printed and distributed, gives full details of the amounts received and disbursed during the year, and is appended.

As we have now entered upon the fifth year of the existence of the Building Fund Union, the duties of your Committee will have been fulfilled with the payment of the fifth and final instalment on the subscriptions during the current year.

It might be noted here, as showing the serious strain upon the energies of a church caused by a debt, that this Church has paid for interest alone, during the past eight years the large sum of \$16,760.55.

Your Committee feel that there is still far too large a debt upon the Church property, and would urge that the present effort be followed by some comprehensive plan for reducing or entirely extinguishing the debt during the next few years.

H. W. WALKER,

Secretary.

January 16th, 1884.

HENRY LYMAN,

Chairman.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

There has been nothing of an unusual character to mark the work of the "Ladies' Aid" during the past year.

About Christmas boxes of clothing were sent to three ministers' families in the country, whose names we had obtained from Mr. Hall. These were most gratefully received, and in each case the recipient has sent warm thanks.