

THE CHURCH OBSERVER

Other Salaries	322	\$272.00	
Sundry exp's		51.21	
			\$283.21
Church property improve- ments and repairs, etc., to wh. Mite Soc., \$159 brought forward was applied		200.57	
Rectory floor, & wall paper by C. W. A. A.		37.11	25.71
Missionary & Diocesan obj.		638.86	
C. W. W. A. to H'x C. W. M. A.		50	
S. S. Monthly collectn's to D. & F. M. Soc		15.21	
S. S. Lenten boxes to Indian Homes		20.70	
Edgehill girls to N. W. West- minster Bldg		15.00	
S. S. collections on hand			769.80
Guild, C. W. A. A. contrib- utions on hand			65.08
Guild, Mite Soc. con's on hand			39.00
Guild con's & rec'd p'ts to final payment on piano			104.25
Poor Fund, disbursement 2			61.45
On hand			32.13
Detail Statement of Missionary and Diocesan Contributions.			\$288.13
DIOCESAN			
B. H. M.		151.50	
Synod & S. e. Ass't		61.50	
Superannuation Fund		21.27	
Widows' and Orphans		28.57	
King's Coll. Annul. & Eucenia		78.31	
C. W. W. A. to Halifax, C. W. M. A. collection.		50.00	
			\$292.21
DOMESTIC.			
Ascension		120.67	
Sabrevois		31.00	
Edgehill, to Bishop Dart		15.00	
S. S. to Indian Homes		20.70	
			\$187.37
FOREIGN			
Epiphany		122.93	
Bishop Blyth's Jewish		39.20	
S. P. C. K. Bicentenary		18.75	
D. & F. S. S. collection		15.21	
			\$196.19
			\$729.81

S. JAMES', MAHONE.

The Easter meeting passed off very pleasantly, members of the congregation had given largely to the fund for the Parish House. in order to take up Dr. Pickles' generous offer of last year, viz, that he would give \$500.00, toward the wiping out of the debt on the building, if the rest of the congregation raised the other \$500.00 by direct giving. There was still \$60. lacking and Dr. Pickles generously extended his offer for six

months with an extra subscription from himself. We feel sure the six months will see the Parish House completely paid for, therefore \$1000 of it thus having been raised in a year. This has been besides the regular collections and expenditure of the parish, and besides the money raised by garden parties, concerts, etc. to pay other bills. The church is entirely free from debt. The new barn costing \$270.00 has been built and paid for, since the Parish House was built, and now but a little more is needed to see it all paid for.

In spite of the hard times, the collections in church for the last year were higher than the previous years, but the collections for salary are still in arrear.

TRURO.

The ladies of St. John's Guild held their annual sale and tea in the Crypt on April 19th, when the net sum of \$121 was realized. During the evening readings were given by Miss Hooper and Miss MacKay, which were greatly enjoyed by those present, as was also a piano duet by the Misses Fraser.

The Bishop of Newfoundland, who, with his family, has been visiting friends here, preached at both services in St. John's Church on Sunday, May 15th. His masterly discourses were listened to by crowded congregations.

At Matins he preached from Ec. vii., 14: "In the day of adversity consider"; and at Evensong from Rom. xiv. 7: "None of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself."

The Rev E. Underwood, curate of the Parish, left on May 19th for England, where he intends spending the next six months.

On the evening of his departure

he was presented with a purse containing over 12 guineas, and accompanied by the following address:—

"On this, the eve of your departure for a well-earned vacation, the congregation of St. John's Church wishes to present you with this purse, containing a few English coins, which we ask you to accept as a small token of our esteem, as well as appreciation of your faithful labors amongst us during the last four years. You also have our earnest wishes for your safety and the enjoyment of your holiday, and you may feel certain of a warm welcome on your return.

"Sincerely and faithfully yours,

"Fifty two of the Members }
"of St. John's Church " }

Mr. Underwood thanked the Parishoners heartily for their gift, which was as unexpected as it was gratifying. His many friends hope he will thoroughly enjoy his well-earned holiday.

The self-denial offerings of the Sunday School children, during Lent, amounted to \$38.00, which goes for the support of an Indian child in one of our Homes in the North West.

SHELBURNE.

The annual meeting was characterised by perfect harmony, arising no doubt in part out of the satisfactory condition of the parochial finances.

C. S. McGill and Dr. C. S. Muir were re-elected wardens. R. A. Bruce was made Vestry Clerk and Manager of "Memorial Hall." C. S. Bruce and N. Williams were appointed Auditors. Representatives to Synod are Hon. N. W. White, and J. A. McGowan, with Dr. C. S.