

We have each contributed a small sum towards the album which is to be presented to Her Majesty Queen Victoria on her Diamond Jubilee.

Our girls will give a concert on the 13th of May, the proceeds to be given to St. Barnabas' Church Fund.

During Lent we made new garments for the poor of the city.

We close our meetings for the summer on the 19th of May so the Associates are giving a picnic to all the Members at Oak Bay. Tea will be provided at Mrs. Bayne's residence, our Associate, who lives at Oak Bay.

I am glad to say our Branch is increasing, we have now thirty-five Members and seven Associates.

Miss Perrin, our President, gave a farewell party at her residence, Bishopsclough, before leaving for England, we had a most enjoyable time, about forty being present.

HELEN BRADBURY,
Secretary.

ST. JAMES' BRANCH, VICTORIA, B.C.—A Parish Branch of the G. F. S. was started here in October, 1896. Fourteen Members joined.

In December the Bishop visited us with our Diocesan President, Miss Perrin, and gave a very interesting address upon the work of the Society.

In January the Bishop held a service of admission in our Church and received eight Members and two Associates. The Members who were admitted in November had their Guides and Cards presented at the same time.

A concert was prepared and carried out by our Members only, and was most successful and pleasant. As we have a large debt on the Parish Hall we devoted the proceeds towards defraying it.

The meetings seem to be enjoyed by the girls. We sew a good deal—at present nothing has been done with our work but we hope shortly to have a small Sale. One of the Associates reads while the sewing goes on. We also have had reading and essays by some of the Members. One feature of our work is the Rector's Monthly Bible Class, besides which he comes in every evening for a short time to encourage us.

One most interesting episode during the winter was an address to