

And a little later she released the congregation from a loan of \$6,000 for the purchase of an organ. Other benefactions by this truly devoted lady are noted in the proper places.

In 1866 a lot adjoining the church was purchased as a rectory site. The sum paid for it was \$4,165. It is interesting to note that in 1912 the corporation refused \$150,000 for this land. The rectory was ready for occupation in 1868 but the pathetic part of this incident is that Mrs. Ellegood, for whom it was lovingly planned, never entered it. She died just before its completion. Faithful in all things, the Rector cherished her memory so closely that he remained a widower through his long life. Just before the rectory was finished, an attempt was made to rob the church, but it was frustrated.

Almost coincident with the history of St. James' is the effort to do missionary work. A room was secured on Fulford street where services were held among the poor, but as St. Jude's valiantly undertook to shepherd that section of the city the work begun by St. James' was passed over to them.

In 1873 a fire somewhat seriously damaged the church. During the necessary repairs St. George's Church kindly placed its buildings at the service of the afflicted congregation. The vestry of St. James' thanked them in a most appreciative resolution. In 1874 the debt on the organ was liquidated, Mrs. Phillips generously releasing the congregation from a heavy debt.

The musical part of the service seems to have been a subject of grave concern, and repeated vestry meetings adopted resolutions to improve it. A surpliced choir was soon introduced, St. James' holding the unique distinction of having been the