

signed by Miss M. Sinclair, President of the Society, and the Treasurer, informed those present that two orphans were being supported with the weekly donations, which, for 1872, amounted to \$91.40, leaving a balance in hand of \$31.23. After some discussion, it was agreed unanimously that this balance should remain at interest until the present negotiations about the South Sea Missions come to an end, when, in all likelihood, it, with any other surplus, will be placed at the disposal of our special agent for that Mission. The meeting was then addressed by the Rev. Mr. Cameron, pastor of the congregation, who spoke encouragingly to the children, and invited them to show, by their donations for 1873, that their spirit of liberality was unabated.

Bazaar at Chatham, N. Brunswick.

One of the most brilliant and successful Bazaars ever held on the North Shore, took place at Chatham on Monday and Tuesday, the 23rd and 24th December last. About three months previous to this time, the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church requested the ladies of the congregation to get up a Bazaar of fancy and useful articles, to raise funds to aid in building a new manse. The ladies entered upon the undertaking heartily and most zealously. Each one seemed to rival the others in the endeavour to make it successful. Harmony and united action characterized the whole movement. As the time drew near, the excitement deepened, and the energies of the ladies were intensified. Handsome donations came pouring in from all directions, Fredericton, St. John, Halifax, and elsewhere; besides large importations from London, Great Britain.

On the morning of opening, the Masonic Hall never looked so grand and imposing. The young men of the congregation had spared no pains nor expense to decorate the Hall in the most pleasing and attractive manner. The walls were richly festooned with evergreens; the flags of all nations hung in graceful folds from cords extending from one corner of the Hall to the other. At the upper part of the Hall was a triple arch, on the capital of which were the words, "A

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR;" behind the arch the Union Jack of Old England and the Stripes and Stars of America were unfolded together. The tables and walls were covered with everything to please the eye and attract the purchaser. The dinner table was served in the most *recherche* style, and worthy of the best city hotel. The refreshment table was likewise most bountifully and tastefully supplied. From an early hour the Hall was densely crowded, and, though the day turned out to be one of the wildest of the season, yet the interest in the Bazaar never flagged. The young ladies in charge of the stalls were personally attractive, and indefatigable in their exertions. At the close of the second day, it was found that the very handsome amount of \$1350 net had been realized for the object contemplated.

This speaks volumes for this congregation. It is only recently they paid a debt of over \$2400, and next painted the inside of the church very beautifully, and last summer painted the outside, and now they intend to build a new manse for the much and justly esteemed pastor, Mr. Wilson. Long may peace and prosperity reign in their midst, and the blessing of God crown all their efforts to further the cause of the Church.

Sabbath School Festival

A very pleasant Festival was that of the St. James' Church S. School, lately, in the Temperance Hall. At an early hour, the building was filled to overflowing, and eager anticipation was written on the happy countenances of the children, as they viewed, with sparkling eyes, the array of tables liberally spread with "good things." After a blessing had been asked, a simultaneous attack was commenced, and great was the commotion in the camp for a time. Indeed 'twas a pleasant sight to witness these "little soldiers" of a "mighty army" doing justice to the bountiful repast provided. It was enough to make many an older head exclaim, "Oh, would I were a boy again." After the children had been "stowed away" in the "upper regions," the visitors and teachers sat down together, and enjoyed a most agreeable