

The Rector begs to acknowledge the receipt of two subscriptions of \$25 each for the Episcopal Endowment Fund; \$25 for the poor at Xmas-tide, \$1 for the School treat and two of 50 cents each for the Parish Magazine.

The following amounts were collected for the new Service Books, viz, Mrs. Spragge \$3.50, Mrs. B. Baines \$5.00, Mrs. Gosling \$5.00, Mrs. Reid \$11.50, Mrs. Hagarty \$5.00, Mrs. Bruce Harman \$9.00, Mrs. Allen Baines \$7.00, Mrs. C. Robinson \$5.00.

GUILD MEETINGS.

It is expected that an interesting debate will take place at the next casual meeting of the Literary Society. The question to be settled is:—"Whose is the responsibility for needless trouble and waste of fuel when the Guild room is prepared and made comfortable for a meeting of any Guild or Society and there isn't any meeting?" It is expected that the Church officials will be represented by two of the Clergy, and the Societies and Guilds by their respective secretaries. It is further expected that the secretaries will argue that a sexton ought to know by intuition and instinct when a Guild's meetings will cease before the holidays, and when they will resume afterwards. It is not known what line the Clergy will take, but it may be surmised (intuitively) that they will "go for" the secretaries.

Dr. Hare lately appealed from the pulpit for books for the S.S. Library. A prompt reply came from Mrs. Welch, who kindly sent in two of Henty's books, which may be described as "Boys' Delight."

Whilst reference is being made to the much needed and handsome gift of the Service Books, it may prove interesting to many of the Congregation to take a glance into the past and note some of the gifts which from time to time have been made to the Church:

The Communion Plate, one of the most valuable in the country, consists firstly of flagon chalice and paten of plate, gilt, designed by John Butterfield, Architect (London, Eng.), procured in 1849 at a cost of £75. The Latin inscription on each piece is to the effect that this flagon (paten chalice) was offered in honour of the Holy Trinity for the use of the Church of St. George the Martyr, on the Feast of Pentecost, in the year of Grace 1849, John Strachan being Bishop, Stephen Lett Incumbent, John H. Lefroy, John Arnold, Churchwardens. In 1852 the second chalice was procured at the cost of £26. The second paten was a thank-offering, as appears by the inscriptions at the base to the effect that it was offered "in grateful memory of richly bestowed blessings by Samuel Bickerton Harman and his wife Georgiana on Trinity Sunday, A.D. 1853."

There are also two silver salvers; one "an offering from Emma, wife of William Cayley," the other "an offering in the name of Sophy Emma Cayley, 9th July, 1850."

Besides these, there is a silver salver, which was a gift to the Rev. Algernon Boys from English Parishioners and was presented to the Church by Mr. Boys in 1881.

On the Retable stands a very beautiful cross of brass and copper on brass with blue enamel; on the crown are these words, "Gloria Tibi Jesu. Amen." This was the gift of Mrs. Christopher Robinson.

The altar rail of brass, the centre gasoliers and Litany desk, were given to the Church by the Ladies' Aid, a society which worked for the Church between 1890 and 1894.

Before Mr. and Mrs. Elmes Henderson removed from the Parish they gave the handsome Chancel Carpet and large Bible on the lectern when the organ was enlarged Miss Mary Plumb (afterwards Mrs. Rose) gave the water motor.