

To the Congregation of St. George's:

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—I take advantage of this number of our Parish Journal to thank you again for your kindness on the day of our "Silver Wedding." I was not prepared for so hearty and so generous a demonstration, and hardly know what I said on the occasion. I am sure of this, however, that I did not thank you at all adequately or as your great kindness deserved. We have long felt, both of us, that we had your hearty good-will and could always count on your kind sympathy in our Church work—work which, while it has its joys and encouragements, has also its anxieties and many harassings to mind and body. But your kind gifts and hearty greetings on our wedding anniversary, accompanied by so large a sum of money, give token of something deeper than good wishes—even of regard and attachment—which have surprised us and given us extreme gratification. No small part of our pleasure is derived from the assurance given us that these gifts are not the gifts of a few, but that all the parishioners have united in this act of kindness. We trust, as we are spared to live and labour among you, that the years as they pass will strengthen our mutual attachment, and that we shall prove more worthy of your love and confidence.

With earnest prayers for your highest welfare,
Believe me, my dear friends,

Your attached friend and pastor,
J. D. CAYLEY.

PARISH NOTES.

OFFERTORY.—June 6th, \$57.50, and for Missions, \$2; 13th, \$46.75, and for Missions, \$68.37, and for Divinity Students' Fund, additional, \$1; 20th, \$49.14; 27th \$51.86. Total parochial, \$199.25, corresponding period last year, \$185.55.

—A lady member of the Vestry has sent, *unsolicited*, a gift of \$100 to the Rector towards the Decoration and Improvement Fund.

—We do not usually say much in our columns about the churchworkers in the Parish, as we do not wish to become a "Mutual Admiration Society." We cannot, however, refrain from referring to the admirable and businesslike way in which the lady commissioner appointed by the Churchwardens executed the duties entrusted to her by them, with regard to the testimonial presented to the Rector. We recommend her method of management as a model which other churchworkers might often imitate advantageously.

—The Early Closing Movement for July and August is a good movement, and will have the hearty support of all who are thoughtful and considerate. St. George's people will be found among these.

—We call attention to the card of W. McKeown among our advertisements. Mr. McKeown has lately started business for himself in the tinsmith's line. His store is next to his father, Mr. John McKeown, in Queen street. He will be found attentive, trustworthy and prompt. Try him.

—A very successful Meeting of the Church of England Workingmen's Association was held in the school-room on the evening of the 4th inst. There were present over one hundred *bonâ fide* workingmen. Able and enthusiastic speeches were delivered by some of the city Clergy, and several members of the Association. This Society is a step in the right direction, and its success, so far, a convincing proof that the Church is not for a class, but the Church of the people.

"QUIET DAYS."

The short three days' mission, conducted by Rev. A. S. Crapsey, of Rochester, N.Y., which closed the last month, though not primarily intended for St. George's people, has been taken advantage of by an increasing number of them day by day up to the last day, when the congregation nearly filled the body of the church. Mr. Crapsey's meditations and addresses have been characterized by much earnestness and power, and many have felt greatly benefitted, both in the way of instruction and edification. The results of the services have made it evident that if a more suitable season be chosen for the purpose, a mission will be gladly welcomed in this parish by all classes.

This Mission was held at the request of a Committee of Churchmen, at whose disposal the Church was placed by the Rector for the last three days of June.

The Services were, each day,—Holy Communion, at 7 a.m.; Morning Prayer and Instruction, 10.30 a.m.; Litany and Meditation, 12 m.; Evening Prayer and Meditation 4 p.m.; Mission Service and Sermon, 8 p.m.

We would venture to suggest on any future similar occasion a short half-hour's service at 8.45 a.m., especially for those engaged in business or professions.