

benevolent objects, as well as the preaching of the word among ourselves, came into operation in January last, and the result has been most gratifying. The large number of contributors (375) testifies to the hearty support which it has received at your hands; and the conscientious regularity with which the several amounts promised have been paid, is specially worthy of notice. The hope is here expressed, that the names of every one in the Congregation, old and young, may appear as contributors during the present year.

The sum raised in this way, amounts in all to \$9,872.26, of which \$8,821.31 was received in envelopes, and the balance, \$1,090.95, represents the open plate Collections, making the weekly average \$189.85.

PEW RENTS.

The amount received on account of Pew Rents was \$4,579.18. It was thought that the new scheme might affect their collection, but instead of such being the case, the sum received is \$322.64 in excess of the previous year.

BUILDING FUND.

The payments on account of this Fund amounted during the year to \$4,657.00, which with balance at credit as per last Report, make a total of \$5,118.94. This amount, with the sum of \$1,597.95 from Weekly Offering account, and an amount temporarily available, enabled the Treasurer to reduce the debt by \$8,500. Our present position is as follows:—

Balance on Mortgage.....	\$19,000 00
Due Special Fund	1,713 11
Total indebtedness 31st Dec....	\$20,713 11

ALLOCATIONS TO MISSIONS.

With the adoption of the Envelope scheme, the Missionary and Benevolent Society ceased to exist: it therefore comes within the province of the Deacons' Court to allocate