

Besides ordinary meetings, the Association, through the kindness and hospitality of some of the members of the Church, enjoyed some very pleasant social meetings at private houses.

The literary work of the Association has consisted mainly of readings, recitations, essays; debates and discussions of a less formal character.

At the annual meeting in Nov., 1876, our Pastor was unanimously re-elected President; and the Association wishes to express its gratitude for his invaluable services and untiring labours in its behalf.

The whole respectfully submitted,

R. C. LYMAN, *Secretary*.

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#### REPORT OF THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the Ladies of Emmanuel Church, held in the Lecture-hall of the Church, on Tuesday, 19th December, 1876, it was decided to form a Society to be called "The Ladies' Aid Society," its object being to undertake and carry on Church work; Mrs. Stevenson was elected President; Mrs. Spalding, Vice-President; Mrs. Sanders, Secretary-Treasurer.

Although the ladies of the Church had not before been properly organized into a society, they had not been idle. Wishing to undertake the furnishing of the new Church they decided to hold Socials, at which a collection of 25 cents from each person was made. We are greatly indebted to the kind friends who threw open their houses and entertained the Church and friends so hospitably; we have also to thank those who so kindly assisted us with music, readings, recitations, &c. Eight socials were held during the winter months of 1875-76; a concert was also given by some of our kind friends in Saybrook Hall, the use of which was cheerfully granted by Mrs. Lay. Mrs. Stevenson feeling the necessity for something more being done to raise funds, sent a postal card to each lady of the Church and Congregation, asking them to make one or more articles during the summer vacation to be given to the Church for the purpose of holding a Bazaar in the fall, which request must have been most liberally responded to, judging from the result. Meetings were held weekly during the months of September, October and November, at the house of Mrs. Stevenson, to work for the Bazaar,