

Annual Report of Steward of Fund for the Poor.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
To Balance 1st May, 1899....	\$49 45	By Relief—Ladies' Aid Committee	\$150 00
Offerings at Communion Services	137 96	“ Salvation Army Home	17 00
Thanksgiving Day Collection	52 80	“ Through Class Leaders	15 00
Collection at Union Love-Feast (our proportion, one-fifth) Good Friday	3 00	“ Small loans to members	15 00
		“ Petty disbursements	15 00
		Supplies in Wine, etc.	13 80
		Unexpended Balance 16th May, 1899	17 41
Total	\$243 21	Total	\$243 21

There were eleven Communion Services, at each of which an opportunity was afforded the members to contribute to the fund. The number of communicants at all but three of these services (held on very stormy days) was unusually large and the offerings were liberal. These generous givings, though there were no special Christmas Offertory, (Christmas falling on Sunday) enabled the dispensers of the moneys to extend timely help in every known case of distress or need. Two young children (see last report) who had been removed from bad influences and supported by the Church in the Salvation Army Rescue Home, were during the year adopted into comfortable homes and will no longer need assistance from this fund. Several times in the very warm days a short trip over the Electric Railways in the city or country was arranged for some weary mother and her young children, and carried out to their delight. Usual demands for aid came from the poor families connected with the congregation—to these the Ladies' Aid Relief Committee granted groceries, clothing, sometimes helping to pay the rent, &c. For their kind assistance in these necessary but often painful duties, the Quarterly Official Board passed a cordial vote of thanks, thus expressing the appreciation in which the work of the Ladies is held by the Church. Transient help in the very severe weather of last winter was often asked for. In every instance small sums were donated and thankfully received.

E. D. PARLOW,
Steward.

Approved, S. P. ROSE.

Ottawa, 18th May, 1899.

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