

the past year amounted to £67 7s. 8d., including £21 12s. 6d. collected on Trunksgiving day, and appropriated by the Rector to the W. & O. Fund. The total sum thus contributed to the Society being £125 17s. 6d.—exceeding that of the past year by £38 2s. 7½d.

It is a subject for congratulation and a motive for increased encouragement thus to record an increase in aid given to the Church Society, inasmuch as the local expenditure in this parish for the past year exceeded £700, exclusive of £600 subscribed to the Episcopal Fund.

It may not be out of place to mention that the thanks of the Vestry were gratefully tendered to the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Ford, for the presentation of a handsome triplet window of stained glass for the chancel of St. Peter's church, as an appropriate memorial of filial affection, and a grateful offering to the church of Christ. Thanks were also unanimously voted to Mrs. Sidney Jones for the munificent Easter offering of £100 to the Parochial School Fund.

Prescott.—The subscriptions made in the united branches of Prescott and Maitland amounted to £32 8s. 2d.—one-fourth of which has been transmitted to the Parent Society.

The offertory collections for the Society amounting to £38 10s., as also the Rector's subscription, and £7 contributed for synodal purposes, have also been remitted.

Cornwall.—The Committee of the Cornwall and Moulinette Branch report that owing to the death or removal of thirteen subscribers, there is a trifling falling off in the list of subscriptions. Among those whom Providence has removed by the hand of death, we have to regret the loss of one, an estimable lady who for 12 years had been a subscriber of £3 per annum, and a member moreover of a family most conspicuous for liberal contributions to the charity of the parish. Another cause of diminution may probably be traced to the fact that great exertions were made for the Episcopal Fund, nearly £400 having been subscribed, and £52 of this sum paid into the hands of the Treasurer.

Financial Statement.

Subscriptions.....	£31	0	0
Donation of Fees by Rector	1	8	1½
Parochial School Missionary Box	0	10	9
Proceeds of four Annual Sermons	19	7	9

Total.....£55 6 7½

It may be added that the £30 was expended on the church yard fence and shingling the parsonage, objects embraced in the constitution of the Society. May God's blessing rest upon the Society and all contributing to its Funds.

Merrickville.—The Missionary at Merrickville reports £9 3s. 9d. as subscribed, the whole of which has been forwarded to the Parent Society. The offertory collections for the Society amounted to £5 0s. 9d. Total £14 4s. 6d.

Elizabethtown and North Augusta.—The Rector reports £10 2s. 6d. as subscribed in New Dublin, and £7 17s. 6d. in Augusta, one fourth of which together with the Rector's subscription has been sent to Toronto. The quarterly collections for the Society, are New Dublin £4 4s. 6d.; Augusta £4 1s. 11d. Total contributions to the Church Society £26 6s. 6d.

The Rector adds, "a few trifling repairs were made upon the church at New Dublin, but the congregation at North Augusta have very creditably drained and enclosed with a good and substantial fence their church-yard, at an expense of £21 6s. 7½d., which has been paid. Elizabethtown has also subscribed £24 15s. to the Episcopal Fund, and Augusta £46."

Hawkesbury.—This branch has raised £19 3s. 4d. for the Society's objects, including the Incumbent's subscription, and that of John Hamilton, Esq., an incorporated member. The quarterly collections made at Hawkesbury and Vankleek Hill were £7 14s. 4d.

The Incumbent reports that £110 has been contributed towards the stipend, of which sum £50 is subscribed by the Messrs. Hamilton, who also provide a residence for him. These gentlemen have also offered £30 towards the completion of a spire for the church when a similar amount shall have been raised by the congregation.

A lady at Vankleek Hill has obtained subscriptions of £25 towards procuring a bell for St. John's Church, and by the aid of Funds raised in Kingston and Brockville, together with £12 10s. from the Church Society, it is hoped that this church will be soon completed, the congregation having subscribed towards reducing the debt £12 2s. 1d. This mission has succeeded in procuring subscriptions to the amount of £150 to the Episcopal Fund.

Kemptville.—The Incumbent reports as follows: Subscriptions to the Church Society.

Kemptville.....	£15	6	10½
Burritt's Rapids.....	8	3	7½
Quarterly Collections	5	5	0

Total£28 15 6

273 15s. has been subscribed in the parish to the Episcopal Fund.

The missionary at Mountain reports £6 3s. 9d. as collected for the different purposes of the Society, and the Rector of Williamsburg £6 15s., the proceeds of the quarterly collections. The Rev. Mr. Tremayne reports offertory collections amounting to £2 2s. 1d., while £37 10s. has been raised towards finishing St. John's Church, New Boyne, and £40 at the several stations in his mission towards his stipend.

From the above Report, the Secretary draws the pleasing inference that the Church is becoming more and more alive to her duties and responsibilities, while the increasing liberality of her members forbid us to doubt but that, notwithstanding the tyranny and spoliation to which she has been subjected, she will become more and more an instrument of good, more self-sustaining and blessed in her exertions. As a summary of the above Parochial Reports, we find that this district has in subscriptions and offertory collections contributed to the Church Society for the present year£352 2 2½

To this, add sums subscribed for local purposes, and which do not include the full expenditure in all the parishes £2,419 9 10

Grand total.....£2,771 12 0½

J. Travers Lewis, LL.D.

April 19th, 1856. Secretary.

Annual Meeting of the Brockville Parochial Branch of the Church Society, D. T.

The annual parochial meeting of this branch of the Church Society was held in St. Peter's Church on the 14th, the Rev. Dr. Lewis, rector, in the chair.

The report having been read, its adoption was moved by the Rev. H. Patton, and seconded by the Rev. Mr. Harris.

The following resolutions were then put and carried unanimously:—

Moved by Dr. Reynolds, seconded by the Rev. R. Stephenson—

As the constitution of the Church Society has for its object the building up of the Church, and seeks to accomplish it, under God, through the instrumentality of an educated ministry, the

circulation of the word of God, the Book of Common Prayer, and tracts of approved reputation, it has a special claim upon the prayers and hearty coöperation of the members of the Church.—Carried.

Moved by Ormond Jones, Esq., seconded by the Rev. T. S. Kennedy—

That it becometh every pious member of the Church, while acknowledging with gratitude the past success which God has granted to our Church Society, to pray also for a still more abundant blessing upon its future efforts in promoting the benevolent objects for which it was established thirteen years ago.

Moved by George Sherwood, Esq., seconded by D. B. O. Ford, Esq.—

That in the opinion of this meeting it would greatly tend to the efficiency of the Church, if the members resident in the intended Diocese of Kingston would use increased exertions to raise the Episcopal Fund to the sum required, in order to entitle the proposed diocese to the election of a chief pastor.

J. TRAVERS LEWIS, LL.D., Chairman.

W. B. McCLEAN, Secretary.

Meeting of the Port Stanley Parochial branch of the Church Society.

This meeting took place on the evening of Feb. 6 last, and was decidedly one of the largest, most respectable, interesting, and best conducted of the kind that we ever witnessed. The night was the coldest of the season, and it was feared that the meeting would be small indeed, and that speakers from other parishes would decline attending, owing to the weather. Such, however, was not the case; the church was well filled, and the meeting opened with singing a part of the sixty-seventh psalm, followed by the prayer for such occasions. Unable to take any notes of the speeches, we of course will not attempt now to give even the substance of what was said, but this we will say, that all agreed that many of the speeches delivered were quite equal to the best efforts of the most famed speakers in the country. The Reverends Messrs Brough, Hayward, Caulfield and Blackman spoke a considerable length, and were listened to with marked attention. Amongst the lay speakers Judge Hughes, Messrs, Ermatinger, Price, and Talbot, took the most prominent part. The following are the resolutions:—

Moved by E. E. Warren, Esq., seconded by Rev. H. Hayward—That this meeting desires thankfully to acknowledge the mercy of God in the abundant success which has attended the labors of the society during the past year.

Moved by Rev. E. Ermatinger, Esq., seconded by Judge Hughes,—That the objects contemplated by the constitution of the Church Society are such as commend themselves to the members of the church in this locality.

Moved by Rev. Mr. Caulfield, seconded by F. Talbot, Esq.,—That the meeting hails with satisfaction the prospect of a speedy division of the unwieldy diocese of Toronto, at the same time, that it desires cordially to acknowledge the eminent services of our present venerable bishop.

Moved by the Rev. Mr. Brough, seconded by S. Price, Esq.,—That this meeting would impress upon every churchman the great and growing necessity which exists for increased exertion, to enable the society to carry on its important objects, and the particular manner in which this necessity is heightened by the recent act of the legislature, in the secularisation of the clergy reserves.

Moved by W. H. Higman, seconded by W. D. Hale, Esq.,—That the following gentlemen form the committee for the ensuing year: The churchwardens, Messrs. Drs. Burgess and Moore, W.