

were not great in those days; everyone who had any musical talent was ready to give his or her assistance to the cause, and all refreshments were donated, so that on this occasion, when all was over, it was found that the sum of \$303 had been realized.

This furnished ample means for the nucleus of a bazaar, and at the March meeting arrangements were made for carrying it out. The sum of one hundred and eighty dollars (\$180) was divided into six equal parts and entrusted to the six ladies who were to take charge of the fancy-work tables, for the purpose of purchasing materials, it being expressly provided that each lady guarantee to return to the funds of the institution, after the bazaar, *at least* the full sum entrusted to her. The six ladies appointed at this meeting, March 6th, were Mrs. H. F. Bronson, Mrs. R. Lees, Mrs. W. F. Coffin, Mrs. R. Skead, Mrs. J. Hill and Mrs. W. A. Ross. The following ladies agreed to assume the management of the refreshment table: Mrs. R. Eaton, Miss Bucke, Mrs. W. Howe, Mrs. McIntyre, Miss Jamieson. These ladies invited the co-operation of their friends; great interest was aroused. The forthcoming bazaar became the topic of conversation, and the furnishing of the tables the occupation of many busy fingers for the next three months. There were no other charitable institutions in those days carried on exclusively by women to interfere with interest in this, consequently efforts were more concentrated on one object than they could possibly be now. It was decided to hold the bazaar in June. The following advertisement, copied from the *Daily Union* of June 8th, 1865, furnishes some interesting particulars: