

The first Service was held by the Rector on Sunday evening, the 14th ult., with a fair attendance, which increased each evening. The interest seemed to grow as the week went on, until the final Service on Sunday, the 21st. As the people became familiar with the hymns, the Services became more hearty than many long established Services in our Parish Churches.

It is impossible to forecast the results of the Mission, but this at least may be said: the Gospel has gained a hearing among many who never attend church; more than ninety families have been affected by it; many have been led to make resolution to lead a new life; to pray morning and evening; and to attend Church as frequently as they can. These results may not seem large, but they are sufficient to call for thanksgivings from all true Christians, and they will become larger in proportion as earnest prayer is offered up. Indeed there is abundant need that earnest Communicants should be "instant in prayer" for the conversion of the careless, the indifferent, and the godless.

The following were the subjects of the Rector's Sermons: 1. The value of the soul; 2. Jesus of Nazareth passeth by; 3. What meanest thou, O sleeper? 4. How long halt ye between two opinions? 5. My sheep which was lost; 6. The sprinkling of the blood; 7. Repentance and conversion; 8. Forgiveness and acceptance; 9. Newness of life.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND WORKINGMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The qualifications for this Association are: that members shall be workingmen who are regular Communicants of the Church of England, and workers for Christ and his Church. Associates are workingmen who are members of the Church of England, but who have no vote in the management, and Honorary Members those who are Communicants, and subscribe not less than \$1 a year, and have no vote in the management. Members and Associates pay 25c. per annum. The Central Society meets every Monday at 8, p.m., at the Mission Room, Phœbe Street.

The Association had their first corporate Communion in the Parish Church on the first Sunday of last month. The members met at the Mission Hall, thirty in number, and marched to the Church. The Sermon preached by the Rector, was most suitable, the subject being: "Our warfare with spiritual foes."

PARISH NOTES.

OFFERTORY.—March 7th, \$50.96; 14th, \$50.23, and for Church of England Temperance Society, \$20.59; 21st, \$56.84; 28th, \$56.59. Total parochial, \$218.62; corresponding period last year, \$214.43.

On Sunday, 7th March, the Infantry School Corps, about 120 strong, were present at the Morning Service in St. George's.

Mr. Schuch has been appointed Choir Master of the Church of the Redeemer. It will, no doubt, be difficult to find a successor of adequate vocal powers to take his place in our Choir.

The Church of St. George the Martyr, Maganattawan, which received from us a considerable sum for its building fund, and the most of its equipment, in commemoration of which it was named, has lately been consecrated.

We have to record the departure from our midst of Mr. Robarts, the Superintendent of the Mission School. Much of the success of the school is due to his unwearied efforts. Zealous, firm, yet kind, he proved a most efficient head.

The loss is a sad one, but must not cast us down. It is a call to all—to be up and doing; to those who are doing nothing, no longer to stand idle; to those who are at work, to work the *more faithfully* in "the fields white already to harvest."

We are glad to learn that Mr. David Burns has undertaken to supply Mr. Robarts's place.

COSTUME CONCERT.

The gross receipts from the Concert to date are \$108. The expenses are \$12. There are still 29 members of the Congregation who have not made any returns. The value of 104 tickets is in their hands. It is confidently expected that most of these will be heard from before Christmas, and the rest early in 1887. The Concert was held on February 25.

A TENTH.

Systematic giving is enjoined upon the Christian. 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

The only rule by which this duty is to be measured, which we find in the Bible, is the tithe or tenth of income as the minimum amount for systematic giving—that which God claims as *a debt due to Him*, which must be paid before our gifts can be regarded as freewill or thank-offerings.

The common error that this proportion applies to Jews only, is disproved by Holy Scripture, and also by secular history.