

number of Members averages about the same. We meet every week at the pleasant rooms of the Church Institute, where the Members have the advantage of seeing the illustrated papers and magazines as well as the use of the piano. On the alternate evenings a Bible Class is held, and lessons are given in different kinds of plain and fancy work, knitting and writing. In the Autumn we made a donation of articles made by the girls to the Orphan Asylum sale, and at Christmas some presents were given by them to the children.

On December 21st, 1884, an Anniversary Celebration was held at the rooms, to which the Clergy of St. John and Portland, with their wives, and several other visitors, were invited. Addresses were given followed with music. Tea and cake were provided by the Associates, and a very pleasant evening concluded with the benediction by the Rev. Canon DeVeber.

This year we have provided ribbon badges for the Members to wear at the Quarterly Meetings: red for Members, and blue for Associates, with the G. F. S. monogram printed in gold.

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We have only received one Report from this Diocese, namely, St. Stephen's (Bishop's Chapel) Branch, Halifax. We trust the new Bishop may take as much interest in the Society as his predecessor did, and that next year we may report the formation of additional Branches.

The Secretary writes: "This Branch is, on the whole, in a satisfactory condition, although there are fewer members than last year to report. Some have gone away, some married, and others left for various reasons. Meetings are held once a fortnight. A book is read while the girls sew; their work generally goes to the poor, but at present they are preparing for a sale in aid of Home Missions.

"At the Quarterly Meetings new Members are admitted, and music and other amusements engaged in. The Honorary Associates are invited to these Meetings. A pic-nic was given at Mrs. Binney's Country Cottage, in October, and the Anniversary Services were held on February 2nd and 3rd. The late Secretary, Miss Mary Almon, left in August for England, and has been greatly missed, the Members being much attached to her.

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