

Mortgage on Church land, interest 1876-

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Offertory, General.....	31 95
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CAPE COVE.

The Rev. William Gore Lyster reports :—

The year now drawing to a close has been peculiarly uneventful, if I except two pleasing incidents, namely, the visit of the Lord Bishop in August, and a successful attempt to pay off part of the debt due on our new church edifice.

As to the first, our Bishop's visit was, as it always is, a source of real pleasure and advantage to all of us.

Within the Mission forty-two young persons received the rite of confirmation, and these, with I think one exception, have since been communicants.

Our Cape Cove people were much cheered and encouraged by the Bishop's commendation of their zeal in building a new church; and the admiration of the building kindly expressed by His Lordship was very grateful to all.

Induced by a liberal offer from a kind but unknown friend, I determined in September to endeavour to pay off a portion at least of our church debt. However, it was with no little hesitation that I entered upon the task, for I was well aware that the summer fishery had been almost a failure, and that various causes contributed to a condition of financial depression amongst us, such as I had never known before.

Much to the credit of the congregation, in spite of this depression, nearly all, on my applying to them, gave cheerfully and indeed liberally. Some indeed were, I may say, generous even "beyond their power."

To the agents and clerks of Messrs. Robins and other establishments our thanks are due, for in some "Rooms" every one from the agent to the cook gave according to his "several ability."

In a few weeks I collected \$270, and I was thus enabled to claim \$100 offered by the friend referred to, the condition requiring us to raise \$200 having been fulfilled;

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