

CHURCH HOME.

S. George's Church Home was opened on Wednesday, March 9. The Lord Bishop kindly undertook this office, celebrating the Holy Communion in the Church at 11 a.m., when a large number were present to ask for the Divine Blessing on the undertaking, and afterwards formally opening the Home in Larch street with prayers drawn up for the occasion by the Rector. The Bishop was much pleased with the arrangements made for the accommodation and comfort of the inmates, and after "declaring the Home open," he made some very pleasant remarks in commendation of S. George's Parish in providing such a Home for the Aged and undertaking its maintenance, and reminded the visitors, friends, and parishioners who filled the rooms and passages that the good work was only set on foot so far, and that it would stand in need of the continual remembrance, and kindly aid, and earnest prayers of all for its continued support and efficiency. The Rector also addressed those present, thanking all who had so kindly and liberally made provision for the establishment of the Home, and especially the Sisterhood of S. John the Divine, which had so kindly undertaken its internal management, assuring them that the Clergy and Parish would do their best to render their task as light and pleasant as possible.

The Rector regretted the unavoidable absence of Mr. Moore, who has taken much interest in the work of the Home.

So far, money has been coming in for the Church Home just as it was needed from week to week. But presently some larger sums will be required towards payment of the principal. Where these are to come from we do not know, but the work was begun in faith. In faith and patience it must be carried on, and God will supply every need. The work is for Him and for His poor.

For daily supplies of food there will be no anxiety, for in this Parish there is no lack of persons who will give gladly towards this object. Some organization will be necessary so that supplies may be regular and not intermittent. Several butchers will kindly supply all the meat required. Gifts of those various necessary things that every household requires for daily use will always be thankfully received—such as tea, sugar, rice, meal, and groceries generally.

During the past month many kind gifts were sent to the Home, too numerous to mention in detail. Messrs. Roseburgh & Son sent goods to the value of \$1.50. Joints of meat were sent by

Messrs. Norwich, Outhet, and Dever. Groceries by Mr. Mara. Four dozen eggs from the Sisterhood of S. John the Divine. Several gifts were sent by "A Friend." Besides a large variety of things, flowers, fruit, preserves, groceries, cakes, fish, bread, cheese, bran, pillows, feathers, mattress and bolster, crocks, jars, butter, eggs, biscuits, &c., divided up among the following donors: Miss Gamble, Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. J. C. Kemp, Mrs. T. Boulton, Mrs. Pocock, Mrs. Cureston, Mr. Tarleton, Mrs. J. D. Cayley, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Macnab.

The latest gifts were a comfortable sofa and armchair for the old folks' sitting-room from Mrs. J. G. D. Mackenzie.

FOR YOUNG COMMUNICANTS.

Instruction on Holy Communion will be given at the evening services during Holy Week, to which you are specially invited by the Clergy.

In this place, a few hints as to externals are given.

1. Come up to the altar by the centre passage, but after receiving go back to your seat by the side passages behind the choir seats.

2. Do not remain in prayer at the rail after the person next you has given the chalice back to the clergyman, others are waiting to take your place.

3. Kneel upright, resting your hands, if you please, on the rail, but not your elbows, and raise your hands to receive the Sacrament.

4. Those who kneel during the Gospel and Creed or refuse to take the Cup "into their hands" are requested to remember that obedience to the Church's rules in these respects is better than disobedience.

5. Remember especially, if it is necessary to consecrate more bread or wine, to kneel down at once wherever you may be, to join as priests with the priest in the solemn Prayer of Consecration.

6. Receive the bread on the open palm of your right hand and raise it reverently to your lips. In receiving the Cup hold it carefully with both hands and drink a very little, only two or three drops before returning it to the clergyman.

7. In this solemn Service you will, of course, kneel reverently on your knees whenever you ought to kneel. After you have returned to your place, spend all the time in devotion: (1) in thanksgiving (Ps. 103, 145, or Te Deum); (2) prayer for yourself, that you may ever abide in Christ, and He in you; (3) in intercession for others.

8. Always, at Holy Communion, have some offering, such as you can afford, for God's poor.