

The Annual Ball was held in the Music Hall, on Tuesday, 17th February, 1863. A large number of members were present, and the arrangements gave satisfaction to every one. The proceeds amounted to \$59.08.

On St. George's Day, 25rd April, 1863, the birthday of our Patron Saint, the members of the Society met at their rooms, in the Globe Hotel, and walked in procession to St. James' Cathedral. The Reverends D. Beaven, W. S. Darling and Professor Irving conducted the services. Collections were taken up morning and evening, amounting to \$62.21, after deducting expenses amounting only to \$16.96.

The Annual Picnic was held at the Mimico. The weather was pleasant, but the number of persons present was not so great as on former occasions. The net proceeds were \$49.21.

Professor Siddons, with great kindness and liberality, read for the benefit of the Society, Shakspeare's Merchant of Venice. The reading took place in the lecture room in the Mechanics' Institute. It yielded to the funds of the Society \$10.65.

Madame Anna Bishop's services, together with that of her daughter, Miss Louisa Bishop, just arrived from England, also J. D. Humphreys, Esq., having been secured, it was determined to give a concert and ball at the Crystal Palace, but unfortunately, owing to the lateness of the season and the unfavorable state of the weather, the affair was not a success, the expenses having exceeded the receipts by \$55.28.

The good old custom of distributing beef, bread and potatoes, &c., to the poor on Christmas eve, was carried out this year with the greatest success, and not a single applicant who came properly recommended failed in getting a sufficient supply for a good Christmas dinner. The amount distributed was as follows:—7,000 lbs. beef; 225 bushels potatoes; 600 loaves of bread; 18 hams; 3 barrels apples; 8 bags flour; 48 lbs. tea; 40 lbs. coffee; 56 lbs. sugar; 8 cords firewood.

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