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4	M	
5	Tu	
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10	B	6th Sunday in Lent.
11	M	Monday before Easter.
12	Tu	Tuesday before Easter.
13	W	Wednesday before Easter.
14	Th	Thursday before Easter.
15	F	Good Friday.
16	S	Easter Even.
17	B	Easter Day.
18	M	Monday in Easter Week.
19	Tu	Tuesday in Easter Week. <i>Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury.</i>
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GOOD FRIDAY.

On Good Friday the great propitiation was made for sins. The Son of God then suffered in that human nature which he condescended to assume. But, although He assumed *human nature*, yet He did not assume, as Nestorius's erroneously supposed, a *human person*, what there was in Him of personality, was all Divine. Hence He is not more allied to one human person than to another, but equally to all. And hence, when He died in His human nature (for of course His Godhead could not suffer death) it was as if the whole of humanity had expired, and met fully God's penalty against sin. And therefore, the death of Christ is just as wide in its scope and intention as the race of man: It embraces the heathen, who is ignorant of the truth; the heretic, who depraves it; and the avowed unbeliever, who rejects and opposes it, as much as the faithful, who believe the Gospel and walk in the light of it. And therefore, we pray for all, on the great propitiation day, that the knowledge of the propitiation may reach all, and convert all, and fetch them home into the true fold.

Now the day on which He gave Himself a ransom for all was Good Friday, and therefore on Good Friday prayers for all are specially in place, and a call is made upon all faithful Christians to join in the same at the services of the Church.—GOULBURN.

EASTER DAY.

Easter Sunday falls this year on the 17th of April. The word Easter is supposed to be derived from an old Saxon word, which means "rising," Easter day thus signifying the day of resurrection. After much controversy in the early Church as to the exact day of our Lord's resurrection, the Council of Nice (A. D. 325) decided the anniversary should be kept on the Sunday following the Jewish feast of the Passover, which is observed on the 14th day or full moon of the Jewish month Nisan. At the same time, to prevent all uncertainty in future, it was made a further rule of the Church that the full moon next to the vernal (or spring) equinox, should be taken for the full moon in the month Nisan, and the 21st of March be accounted for the vernal equinox.

Easter Sunday, therefore, is always the Sunday following the full moon, which falls on or next after the 21st of March. Easter is thus observed with reference to the feast of the Passover, on account of the typical quality of that day, the annual sacrifice commanded by the Jewish law, being regarded as a type of the greater sacrifice of Christ for our re-

demption, and deliverance of the Israelites out of Egypt, as a type of our deliverance from sin and death by his merits.

THE FEAST OF FEASTS.

The day of our Lord's resurrection was His birthday of glory and exaltation, as his nativity was his birthday to His state of humiliation. It was anciently called the "great day," and "the feast of feasts," being by eminence, "the day which the Lord hath made," (Psalm 118. 24), for the Fathers unanimously expound that passage of this day, and therefore with them, as with us, that Psalm was always part of the service of the day.

This is the highest of all feasts being, for on this day Christ opened to us the door of life, being the first fruits of those that rose from the dead, never to die any more, whose resurrection was our life, for He rose again for our justification.—L'ESTRANGE.

EASTER GREETING.

In the primitive times, the Christians of all churches on this day used this morning salutation, "Christ is risen," to which those who were saluted, answered, "Christ is risen indeed;" or else thus, "and hath appeared unto Simon," a custom still retained in the Greek Church, and our Church supposing us as eager of the joyful news as they were, is loath to withhold from us long the pleasure of expressing it; and therefore as soon as the absolution is pronounced, and we are thereby rendered fit for rejoicing, she begins her office of praise with anthems proper to the day, encouraging her members to call upon one another "to keep the feast," for that Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, and is also risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept."—WHEATLY.

DELUSIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CHURCH.

It is a delusion that the Church of England was ever Roman; or ever acknowledged as a Church any subjection to the pope, or any other relation but that of an English Church (or churches), established by the preaching of missionaries from Rome, accepted by Kings and people of what we call England.

(2). It is a delusion that the Church of England seceded or separated from Rome, as indeed she could not if she was always independent of her. She was, in fact, so insular that she had no occasion even to protest, as the German Protestants at Spires. She renounced certain prominent mediæval errors promulgated from Rome, and at a certain stage in her reform the pope desired all English who would follow him to withdraw from attending English Church services, and so the pope made a (not very large) Roman schism in England, which remains till this day in our English Roman bodies.

(3). It is a delusion that the Church of England was a different Church after the reformation from before, any more than England is a different country because she has abrogated the slave trade, or had a Reform Bill, or that a drunkard's personal identity is lost if he reforms.

(4). It is a delusion that king, queen, and Parliament either reformed the Church or ordered that the pope should no longer be her head. The Church declared, what she has repeatedly testified on occasions of encroachment, that the pope never had any more authority over her than any other foreign bishop. Civil enactments maintained that declaration at home and abroad, in secular action upon it.

(5). It is a delusion that the recognition of the royal supremacy meant or means any spiritual leadership, or anything else than what had always been asserted—that the clergy of England, as well as the laity, are subject to English law, without appeal against it to a foreigner like the pope; that the last appeal of all alike is to be the sovereign. It is strange, in the face of the very clear and strong words of Henry and Elizabeth, that any delusion on this exists.

(6) It is a delusion that Parliament settled the Church of England, or even that the Church is subject to Parliament now, except in matters affecting personal or property rights. The Church reformed her errors herself; her Prayer-Book and her Articles are her own work. The Act of Submission, which is the limitation of her action, is in theory no more for her than for Parliament itself. It requires convocation, as the Conqueror required, to be summoned by the sovereign, as Parliament itself must be and it requires that canons must have royal assent for their enactment, just as Acts of Parliament themselves must have it. That has been the relation of councils and princes since Christianity was a recognized religion. Personal and property rights cover a great deal of ground, and civil compulsion in such matters can only be derived from Acts of Parliament, but Church authority is often of as much importance as civil force for obtaining action in Church matters, and the limitation upon that is not Parliament but the Crown, as it always has been in England, at least since the Conqueror resolved in that manner the haziness then growing over the relations between Synod and Witenagemot.—*Parish Magazine*.

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LETTER FROM S. P. C. K.

LONDON, W. C., FEB. 11TH, 1892.

My Dear Lord Bishop,—I have the pleasure to enclose a Form of Bill, so that you can draw on us for the £250 instalment for the Clergy Endowment Fund in your Lordship's Diocese. There is still an instalment of £250 of our grant unclaimed. This would expire and lapse in October of this year, if it were not claimed previously. I hope, however your Lordship may be in a position to claim it from us before then.

I have the honor to be, obediently yours,

W. OSBORN B. ALLEN, Secy.

The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop of Columbia.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Thirty-nine members of this Association met at the Cathedral Schools on Tuesday, March 8th, at 8.30 p.m., the Lord Bishop in the chair. After some opening remarks by the Bishop, a capital paper was read by Mr. Wollaston, hon. sec., on "How to maintain interest in Sunday Schools and Sunday School work." This was dealt with as regards: I. Teachers II. Children.

I.—i. The success of a school, or non-success, rests with the Teachers. Not illiancy, but regularity, punctuality, diligence, are the Teachers main requisites. Irregularity of attendance discourages the children, while unpunctuality prevents any assistance being given to the Superintendent before school begins.

ii. A matter of great importance, is that in each parish there should be a weekly Teachers' meeting, presided over by the Rector. This meeting should be held for the purpose of explaining and discussing the subject of the lesson for the following Sunday.

II. As regards the children, Mr. Wollaston pleaded for :

i. Good hymns with easy words ; easy and bright tunes.

ii. Some wise and definite system of marks, with a Superintendent's report of the condition and doings of each class, every Sunday. And once a month, a monthly report of the average attendance and total offertory of the whole school.

iii. A wise scheme of prizes for merit, with the proclamation once a month of the roll of honor ; the roll of honor comprising those children who have obtained full marks for the month.

iv. Frequent children's services in their own parish churches, together with occasional united services ; and

v. The systematic Sunday offertory. The better the purpose to which the offertories are to be devoted, the better for the children. But each Sunday the children should be encouraged to give regularly, freely and whenever called upon, for a proper object.

The paper was then discussed, the various points being enforced by experiences detailed in connection with them.

Mr. Eyres, lately from England, was welcomed to the Association, as one deeply interested in Sunday School work, and together with Mr. Stone, made some valuable remarks on the importance of Teachers' not losing sight of the spiritual earnestness which should characterize all who undertake this work.

A most successful meeting was closed by the Bishop's benediction.

The practical outcome is, that a united service for the whole of the Church children of Victoria, will be held in the Cathedral, on the afternoon of Low Sunday, April 24th, at three o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On Tuesday, March 22nd, at 8.30 p.m., a conference on the above subject was held in the Cathedral Schools, the Lord Bishop in the chair. Four parishes were represented : The Cathedral, St. James, St. Paul's, Esquimalt, St. Mark's, Cloverdale. It had been hoped that the Rev. G. Tovey, of St. Alban's, Nanaimo, would have been present to speak, but he was unfortunately prevented by urgent business. The Reverend G. W. Taylor was also prevented by illness. In spite of these discouragements, there was no lack of speakers : The Bishop, the Venerable—and according to the new directory, the Right Honorable—Archdeacon Scriven, the Rev. W. H. P. Arden, Mr. Baynes Reed, and Mr. Russell, all contributing much food for thought. The Bishop dealt with some interesting features of Foreign Mission Work ; the Archdeacon with the

work of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel ; the Rev. W. H. P. Arden with work among the prisoners at the gaol, and the laymen with points in connection with Home Missions. The audience listened most attentively throughout, and was apparently deeply interested.

The last conference in Lent is a conference for Church workers, which is fixed for Tuesday, April 5th, at 8.30 p.m.

THE NEW CATHEDRAL.

The ladies have determined that the proposed open air fete in the grounds of the Bishopsclose, in August next, shall be an undoubted success, and one of the pleasantest gatherings of the year. A large meeting was held in the Cathedral Schools, on Monday, March 28th, when the ladies organized committees, etc., for the various branches of work connected with the forthcoming event. There will be amongst other features, an imposing bazaar of fancy goods and useful articles, while other attractions will be lavishly provided. It is too soon to reveal what the ladies have determined on, or to hint at the symbolism of the costumes on which they have decided. It is certain that this movement to assist the Cathedral Building Fund, will be the means of quickening interest and calling forth generous assistance from all Church people in our Diocese, towards the successful completion of the Cathedral scheme. We hope next month to report Canon Beanland's return with the plans, and the action which our committee resolves to take thereon. We are confident that the committee have only to show themselves in earnest, to ensure a hearty response from those who feel that Christians ought to give to God of their best.

UNITED FESTIVAL SERVICE FOR CHILDREN.

There will be a festival service for children in Christ Church Cathedral, on Low Sunday, April 24th, at 3 p.m. The children from the various Church Sunday Schools in Victoria, will attend, and a hearty invitation is given to all other children who do not attend our Sunday Schools. We do not mean this invitation to exclude those who are no longer children, indeed we shall welcome all parents, and all who love the little ones.—J. B. H.

ST. JAMES, VICTORIA.

The new Altar cloth has arrived, not quite in time for Ash Wednesday, but very soon after. It is of a sober red, with a handsomely worked cross in the centre panel.

The Lent services in this Church are being fairly well attended, though the week-day congregations have not been quite as large as might have been expected. No service, however, has been without its "two or three," and on Wednesday evenings there have been from 25 to 30.

The choir, under the excellent and painstaking choirmaster, Mr. G. Jay, are busy practising the Easter music. They seem to be determined that the services on that great Festival shall be bright, hearty and well rendered.

The Lord Bishop will hold a Confirmation in St. James' on Wednesday evening, April 6th, and classes are being held of candidates for this Holy Rite.

On the following evening, Thursday, April 7th, the Choral Society propose to render the cantata, "The Daughter of Jarius."

The Mission Fund envelopes, if they have not done quite all that was hoped, have been by no means a failure in St. James. Seventeen were sent in, containing annual subscriptions to the amount of \$63.75.

The following financial statement for the year ending 31st January, 1892, supplied by the indefatigable Secretary and Treasurer, shows the work of the St. James' Sewing Society, for the past twelve months:

<i>Receipts.</i>	<i>Expenditure.</i>
Balance from last year \$ 0 10	Postal Cards \$ 1 65
Members' subscriptions 37 00	Materials bought 227 85
Donation, Miss Lorgworth. . . . 2 75	Advertising 68 75
" Miss Sorby 5 00	Hire of Piano 5 00
Work sold 93 45	Hired help, etc. 12 05
"Welcome" Tea, in May 204 20	Altar cloth 30 00
Strawberry Festival 82 00	Church decorations 6 35
Sale of Work in Nov. 483 00	Church debt 451 00
	Organ fund 100 00
	Balance in hand 4 85
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BAPTISMS.

- March 12--Allen Herbert Shears.
 " 12--Gaise Stanley Davys.
 " 13--Alan Leslie Greig.
 " 26--Gertrude Helen Jay.

ST. PAUL'S. NANAIMO.

The Fancye Fayre and Entertainment held in St. Paul's Institute last night, was one of the enjoyable events of the season.

The sale of fancy and useful articles continued until 8.30 o'clock. The stalls were arranged along the end of the hall below the stage, and were tastefully decorated with Japanese ornaments, flags, etc. The stalls were presided over by several charming young ladies, prettily attired. A pond full of wonderful fishes was a source of great amusement to the little ones. During the sale the hall was crowded and a really brisk business was done. Soon after the appointed time, the stage curtain went up, disclosing a number of pretty little boys and girls, in appropriate costumes, who gave a musical performance entitled, "Little Sailors." The children sang and danced very well, going through the whole piece without a hitch, and they had to reply to a loud encore.

Songs and recitations brought the first part of the programme to a close.

Refreshments were next served, and considering the multitude present, it was hard work to feed them all, but there was plenty of everything and we think none were left unsatisfied.

Part II opened with "Mother Goose's Lancers," which were exceedingly good, and were very cleverly executed by the young people taking part, all of whom were becomingly dressed.

A number of songs and recitations followed.

Mr. H. Forrester and his banjo amused all present.

Mrs. Wolfe sang in excellent form, receiving an encore.

Mrs. Dr. Rice gave a very clever recitation, which was encored.

The other pieces on the programme were all well rendered and well received, the singing of Miss Aggie Glaholm was especially admired. Altogether both the fair and entertainment were highly successful, and that such was the case is largely due to the exertions of Mrs. L. T. Davis, who spared no trouble in training the children in their parts, and to those ladies who kindly assisted in the preparing of the articles for sale, and in the carrying out of the programme.

The hall was crowded to its fullest extent during the entertainment, so that together with the sale of work, the financial results must have been very satisfactory.

The Church Committee desire to tender their hearty thanks to Mrs. L. T. Davis, Mrs. Mark Bate, jr., and the other ladies and gentlemen who so kindly contributed towards last night's entertainment for the benefit of St. Paul's Church, and they thoroughly appreciate the patience and energy which Mrs. L. T. Davis has displayed in arranging the programme. Thanks are also due to the younger members who so kindly took part, and who, under Mrs. Davis' careful and patient training added so greatly to the evening's amusement.—*Nanaimo Free Press, Feb. 19th.*

FRENCH CREEK AND ENGLISHMAN'S RIVER.

The Rev. J. W. Flinton has given me permission to send a few notes relating to a visit paid to these places.

On Tuesday, March 22nd, we left Wellington about 11 a.m. Mr. Flinton was desirous of arranging to hold service at the school houses of Nanoose Bay and Englishman's River, the latter school commonly, though incorrectly, designated Parksville school house.

The country here, like most other places in Vancouver Island, is extensively wooded. The rise and fall in the road are fairly divided, one feature which would strike most observers is the large stretches of arbutus trees, covering some acres on either side of the road between Belyea's and Knight's ranches, some being of immense size. At this time of the year they are shedding their bark, and with the rain running down, they have the appearance of bleeding. Arriving at Mr. Knight's,

we are welcome to take what a temporary bachelor could provide. "Temporary bachelor" needs explanation, for Mrs. Knight had gone that morning to Nanaimo. After a friendly chat on secret societies, farming and church, we pushed on across Englishman's River, to the saloon and store kept by Mr. J. Hirst. Here we stayed some few minutes, finding their willingness to attend service, if provided, and their wish to have two children baptized. After a few directions given, we travelled further, intending to reach the limits of the road, namely the residences of Messrs. Lee, Pillar and Davis.

We passed the new school on our left, Mr. Lee's residence being four miles further on. Arriving here about supper time, we were received with much kindness, both Mr. and Mrs. Lee seemed unable to do enough for us. After supper, we chatted, and as is always the case, found they knew "old country people and places," which one or both of us knew. We found Mr. Lee was a college chum of the late Archbishop of York, Dr. Magee. Later in the evening, by request, the Rev. J. W. Flinton took shortened form of Evensong, and we retired with a promise of goose and eagle shooting in the early morning.

One industry of these settlers was to catch dog fish, and by a process of heating, to extract fish oil, which they sold to Dunsmuir & Sons for use in the Wellington collieries.

Morning came, and we were awake earlier than usual. A little after 7 a.m., I went with Mr. H. Lee, jr., to try my luck at goose shooting on the beach. I managed to kill one sea-gull out of a flock of geese, which was a disappointment. Then breakfast and prayers, and a shot at a couple of eagles, which escaped uninjured. There is a difference very wide between professional and amateur sportsmen. The north wind prevented any dog fishing.

We left this pleasant home after lunch, for Wellington, well stocked with rabbits, eggs and curios of the hunting field, bears feet, heads, etc.

We made one or two calls returning, stopping at Belyea's. He showed us a model decoy, made by himself. It was a cow, made of calico and painted, behind which he was able to approach quite near to geese, ducks, and even deer. The animal was quite a picture.

We finally arrived at Wellington at 6 p. m., well pleased with our outing, the country and the settlers, and convinced that much church work could be done among them by a Missionary Clergyman.

E. G. MILLER.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CEDAR DISTRICT.

At the usual monthly committee meeting, the subject of a memorial to the late Charles York, was discussed.

The committee felt that our first attention and efforts should be to pay our church building debt, which is still a considerable sum; nevertheless, it was agreed if subscriptions were forthcoming from his many

friends, to put something in the church to his memory, such as a Memorial Font. Mr. Geo. Norris, of the Free Press, consented to act as Treasurer.

During the first four Sundays in Lent, a course of sermons on the Last Four Things, has been given at Evensong in the Church. The attendance has been very satisfactory.

The Bishop has consented to visit St. Philip's Church on Friday, 8th April, at 3 p.m., when he will hold a Confirmation.

On March 16th, the Rev. Shafto Agassiz, of Northfield, visited the Cedar Districts with me, and on the Sunday following, he took a celebration of the Holy Communion. I preached at Northfield.

BAPTISMS—At the North Oyster School House: Elizabeth, Margaret, and Annie, children of John Brenton and Emott, of Oyster Bay District.

E. G. MILLER.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S INDIAN MISSION.

The concert last night (Feb. 15) in St. Alban's Hall in aid of the Indian Mission, was one of the best entertainments of this kind given in Nanaimo for some time. The Rev. E. G. Miller worked hard to make the affair a success, and that such an enjoyable evening was spent by all is greatly due to his efforts. The program of vocal and instrumental music varied slightly from the printed one, owing to several who had promised to take part being unable to be present. Prof. Steel's orchestra played several selections which were greatly appreciated. Mr. Halverson's cornet solo was very good and received an encore. The banjo playing of Mr. H. Forester and Mr. F. Charlton was a pleasant change, received with general approbation. The several ladies who took part all sang in excellent form. Mrs. W. K. Leighton's song was beautifully rendered, receiving a loud encore, F. Field's song and T. Booker's comic songs were well sung. The Rev. E. G. Miller sang in good style twice, the second song being encored.—*Free Press*.

ST. LUKE'S, NORTHFIELD.

The following account of the opening of the new Church, is taken from the *Nanaimo Free Press*:

"The opening of St. Luke's Church, Northfield of which Rev. Shafto Agassiz is pastor, took place last night. The Right Reverend Lord Bishop of Columbia, assisted by Archdeacon Scriven and the clergy of the district performed the opening ceremony. The pretty little church was well filled with members of the congregation and visitors from Nanaimo at the evening service. The Bishop took the text for his sermon from St. Mark II, 27-28, preaching an eloquent sermon on the rightful observance of the Lord's day. He wound up by declaring the church to be open for divine service, and congratulated the people of Northfield on the comple-

tion of such a beautiful church, he hoped they would experience many happy Sabbaths of prayer and praise within its walls. At the close of the sermon Rev. Mr. Agassiz, Rector, announced the services for the coming week, and then asked the congregation to remember in their prayers several who had been especially helpful to them in their endeavors to get this church built, he would, particularly ask them to remember Mr. S. M. Robins, who had acted most generously, and also the members of St. Alban's the Martyr who by their help and sympathy had done much for St. Luke's. The Rector then gave notice that during Lent, the Rev. G. Tovey would give a series of lectures on the evidences of Christianity.

The collection taken at the service amounted to \$26.05.

Mr. S. M. Robins, Superintendent of the N. V. C. Co., donated the land upon which the church was built, and further assisted by a liberal gift of money, in addition to this Mr. Robins advanced all the money required for the completion of the church.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

Meetings on behalf of the Mission Fund, have been held in the following Parishes :

<i>Parish.</i>	<i>Collection.</i>
Cathedral, Victoria	\$102 00
St. James', "	4 65
St. Barnabas, "	5 05
Cedar Hill	5 05
N. Saanich	9 00
St. Pauls, Nanaimo.	12 00
Cedar District	3 20
St. Luke's, Wellington	7 45

The meeting in the Cathedral School was fairly well attended. The Lord Bishop presided; and the other speakers were, Sir Joseph Trutch, Treasurer of the Diocese, the Clerical and Lay Secretaries, Rev. E. F. Lipscomb, etc.

Of the other meetings, one of the best attended was that of St. Paul's Nanaimo, which was held at the Evening Service on Sunday, February 28th. Addresses were delivered by the Rector, Rev. J. B. Grad, and the Archdeacon, acting as a deputation. Twelve dollars were subscribed and several collecting cards were taken. It is hoped that considerable interest has been aroused in this, the Mother Church in Nanaimo, and a goodly list of annual subscribers is confidently looked for.

The object sought to be obtained by these meetings is, not so much good collections, or a few large subscriptions; though these are always welcome; but a large list of annual subscribers. Ten subscribers of one dollar each, are worth more than one subscriber of ten dollars. The

Church needs for her work the sympathy and help of *all* her children ; and that work will only then be in a thoroughly healthy condition, when the names of all who profess to be Church members are found on the list of subscribers to the Mission Fund.

The envelope system, introduced in the city churches has been most successful.

ITEMS.

The meeting of Synod is fixed for the 14th and 15th of June.

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They are shortly going to extend and enlarge the Cathedral Schools.

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The crosses on St. Mark's are gilded, and look very beautiful shining in the sun.

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Interest and enthusiasm are rapidly growing over the project of the new Cathedral.

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The Bishop has given \$50 to the D. P. A. S. But more money is needed before it can be started properly and efficiently.

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A very handy little leaflet, containing the complete Evening Service, including hymns, is being placed in St. John's pews, for the benefit of those unfamiliar with our office.

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A member of the Sunday School Union points out that the number of children attending Church of England Schools, should have been placed at 700, or twice the figure we mentioned in our issue of last month.

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It is not perhaps generally known that there is an Association of Church of England Clergy in Victoria, called the Clerical Union. It numbers eleven members, and meets regularly every six weeks. Its voice may be heard one of these days.

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The minstrel entertainment netted \$103.75 for the Discharged Prisoners Aid Society, an equal sum, with the consent of the promoters, being handed over to Mrs. Gault, who was recently left destitute through the drowning of her husband, Captain Gault.

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