

manent Organist and Choir-Master. There is still needed at least \$5,000 for the Jubilee Fund, in order to meet the conditions upon which the S. P. C. K. grant of \$5,000 has been promised.

The results of the Christmas Examination are satisfactory as a whole.

The School has also considerably increased in numbers since June, 1896: there being now 81 boys as compared with 67.

During the Term Lectures have been delivered by

(1.) Dr. Parkin, Upper Canada College, on "The Empire." The next day Dr. Parkin addressed a meeting of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood in Montreal.

(2.) Principal Adams, illustrated Lecture on Cambridge.

(3.) Dr. Wesley Mills on, "Animal Intelligence."

(4.) Prof. John Cox, (illustrated) on the Colours of a Soap Bubble; experiments very brilliant, scientific teaching of the highest interest.

(5.) Very Reverend The Dean of Quebec, on "The Play of Julius Caesar." The Dean on the day following his lecture here, gave another of his Shakespearean Lectures at the Ladies' College, Compton.

The Lectures will be continued during the winter.

Further subscriptions from those of our friends who have not yet subscribed are solicited for the increase of the Jubilee Fund, so as to render it possible at an early date to secure the S. P. C. K. grant.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CONVOCATION.

On the 10th of December a special meeting of Convocation was held at 3 p.m., when the Degree of Doctor of Divinity (*jure dignitatis*) was conferred upon the Reverend George Thorneloe, M.A., D. C. L., Bishop-elect of Algoma. In a few kind and well-chosen words the Chancellor granted the Degree. Speeches were made by the Bishop and the Principal. The latter shewed how, by diligence and nobility of character. Dr. Thorneloe had risen, step by step, from the School, through the University, to a Bishopric. Dr. Thorneloe was received with a storm of applause. His reply, as might be expected, was modest, thoughtful and heartfelt, endearing him more than ever to those who already hold in high esteem the Bishop-elect of Algoma.

Our Labrador Mission

In the fall of last year the Reverend C. E. Bishop returned to his work on the Labrador, this time unaccompanied by Mrs. Bishop, who, with her little child, is spending the winter in Ohio with her father and mother. He sent us last October a most interesting account of his work, but, owing to want of space, we have been unable to publish it before.

Mr Bishop writes as follows:

"It may not be uninteresting to the readers of our valuable *Gazette*—as so many kind friends take such an interest in the Church work in Labrador—to hear a little about the extreme Western and new part of St. Clement's Mission.

Sheldrake is the first place in the Western limit, being 363 miles from Quebec. It extends to Esquimaux Point, a distance of over 60 miles, including ten places. In these ten places, or fishing ports, we have altogether, counting the agents of the fishing firms, only about 40 souls—including men, women and children. All the rest are Roman Catholics. The people are not as poor as in the Eastern part of the Mission, where we have over 500, and some of them very badly off and destitute. In fact they have a great many advantages which it is impossible for the people of the Eastern part to have. The fishing is generally much better, and the fish brings a better price. They nearly all cultivate a little land and raise their own vegetables or a part of them. A few keep cows and make their own butter—also fatten their own pork. I have seen a few sheep in one place, and there are also a few oxen and horses. They have the mail once in two weeks during the summer months and once a month in the winter season. Now that the fishing season is over, they are just finishing also their haying and harvesting.

How much the few people of the Church here appreciate the Church Services, and a visit from the two Missionaries even twice a year, is shown by their readiness to contribute over \$50.00 towards the Assessment necessary to pay the stipend of a second Missionary and school teacher in St. Clement's Mission, and a very important item, as it would be hard work indeed for the poor people in the Eastern part to make it up, especially when the fishing is as much a failure as it has been in some parts the past two years.