

heating it. This is now being thoroughly overhauled at considerable outlay, and will be divided into two compartments, one of which will be used as a church club room, open every night. Comfortably furnished and supplied with reading matter, games, etc., it is hoped to thus make it serve a very good purpose, bringing within the influence of the Church some who might otherwise be hard to approach, besides supplying a comfortable meeting-room for the Guilds, Mite Society, Bible classes and Missionary Society. The more sanguine of the congregation look forward to the renovation of the church exterior next year, but as this will involve a not inconsiderable amount to do it thoroughly, and complete the spire, it is doubtful if it can be attempted so soon. In the midst of all this work along comes the Rev. E. A. W. Hanington, a visit from whom is much to be dreaded if you have any money and don't want to part with it. It was not expected that he would raise more than a couple of hundred dollars in this parish for the Ottawa Episcopal Endowment, but he came and he has gone, and, mingled with a sigh of relief at this latter fact, there is a growing feeling of pleasure, of confidence and self-respect that his earnest pleading, his manly presentation of the claims of the Church's call on the attention of her people, has been so nobly responded to in a parish which has laboured under considerable disadvantages, frequent and prolonged vacancies, etc. Mr. Hanington preached to three congregations, made about one hundred calls, and collected six hundred and sixty odd dollars. Mr. Hanington, in his kindly and thoughtful letter of acknowledgment, read to the people the following Sunday, greatly cheered and encouraged them by stating that he believed they had, with God's blessing, a great future before them. *So mote it be.* Eganville is one of the oldest parishes in the county, the Church having begun services here as far back as 1854, though parochial organization did not come till some years later. In recent years it has been looked upon as a weak parish, and from one cause or another has been frequently, and for long intervals, without any services, while at other times it has had the services of most excellent clergymen, who all did good work, the drawback being too brief pastorates. It is very encouraging to be able now to chronicle these signs of reviving Church life, springing up from foundations laid in past years, and it is earnestly hoped that the parish may, ere long, be ranked amongst the strongest in the diocese and promoted to the higher degree of a self-supporting parish no longer dependent on the nursing care of the Mission Board.

BELLEVILLE.—The Rev. S. Daw has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, but has not resigned from the ministry. After seven years of energetic work, he has simply resigned his pastoral charge, and with diocesan leave of absence, is taking a much needed rest. Mr. Daw purposes spending the winter in the south of England. He sailed by the "Labrador" on the 19th inst.

BATH.—About noon on Aug. 28th the solemn tones of the church bell announced the death of Mrs. Joseph Dennee, a very aged and respected resident and Churchwoman—indeed the oldest not only in this village, but perhaps in the whole country—an event which, though not unexpected, has brought grief to a very large circle of surviving relatives. Eighty-eight strokes of the bell indicated her great age, eighty-eight years, she having been born on the 23rd August, 1805. It was in contemplation to ring "the passing bell" as the soul was leaving its earthly tenement, but the opportunity was lost by the rector not being made aware of her approaching end. Her funeral, which took place at 10 a.m. on Thursday, 30th ult., in St. John's Church, the same in which she was confirmed in 1822 and married in 1823, was very largely attended, representatives of three generations being present as mourners, and an appropriate sermon delivered by Rural Dean Baker, who took for his text Psalm lv. 4. Her remains were laid to rest beside those of her husband in the cemetery adjoining the church. Mrs. Dennee was baptized in her infancy by the Rev. John Langhorn, founder of the parish of Bath, and builder of St. John's Church, who came here in 1787, and was confirmed by the Right Rev. Jacob Mountain, first Bishop of Quebec, in 1822, on his second visit to this district, and was known as an English Churchwoman to the day of her death. By her demise one of the few remaining links connecting the Church of to-day and the Church when first planted in Ontario is lost. Her suffering, which was very great, and during the last few weeks of her illness almost without cessation, seemed to gradually familiarize her to the thought of death, and the more inevitable it appeared to her as she daily drew nearer to the grave, the more reconciled to the great change awaiting her did she become, until, at length, the controlling feeling of her heart found frequent expression in the prayer, "Thy will be done." She was particularly fond of having passages of Scripture and favourite hymns read to her, and among the latter repeatedly

called for hymn 191 in the American Prayer Book of which this is the opening verse:

"Vital spark of heavenly flame,
Quit, O quit this mortal frame;
Trembling, hoping, lingering, flying,
O, the pain, the bliss of dying!
Cease, fond nature, cease thy strife,
And let me languish into life."

It was naturally thought that this told of the struggle going on between the old and the new natures, and gave hope of the final triumph of the latter through the working of God's Holy Spirit. Thus died Jane Richards Dennee "in the communion of the Catholic Church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope; in favour, we trust, with God, and in charity with the world."

TORONTO.

St. Stephen's.—We have just received the annual report of the Young People's Association, and are pleased to see the great success it has met with during the past year under the able presidency of Mr. Barlow Cumberland. The objects of the association, "to welcome new-comers, retain old friends, foster a happy union by mutual entertainment, and to apply the surplus funds to the purposes of the Church," were carried out to the best ability of the officers, and it is hoped with good results, in cementing good fellowship throughout the congregation. The accounts submitted show, after paying all debts and over \$300 to the Church purposes, that a balance is left in the Savings Bank for the incoming year.

The Deaconesses' House was formally opened in the late Sir Daniel Wilson's house, St. George St., last month, the Bishop of Toronto presiding, with Miss Sybil Wilson as head deaconess. One probationer was accepted during Miss Wilson's term of office. Two courses of lectures were also delivered on medicine and nursing by Drs. Grasset and Baldwin, and the lady superintendent of Grace Hospital, and one on doctrinal subjects by Rev. Canon Sweeney, Prof. Wrong, Du Vernet, Cody, Mitchell, Revs. T. C. Des Barres, R. P. McKim and G. A. Kuhring.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Canada.—Fifth Annual Convention.—The Canadian Council have decided to hold their convention just prior to next Lent at Woodstock, Ontario, on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, February 7, 8, 9, and 10, 1895. The dates have been settled thus in advance that all may have them in mind when arranging any other Church gatherings for the early spring. A strong convention is looked for.

The Toronto Church of England S.S. Association.—We have just received the last printed report of the Toronto Church of England S.S. Association, in connection with the Church of England S.S. Institute. After the constitution and by-laws comes a brief preface to the teachers, reviewing the work of the past 11 years, and urging them on to greater faithfulness for the future. A complete list of programmes comes next, a glance at which cannot fail to impress you with the vast amount of work being done by the association towards the two main ends in view, viz.: (1) Communicating information as to the best methods of conducting Sunday-schools; and (2) Assisting teachers in the instruction, training and government of their scholars. In the list of subjects treated we find many of great practical interest—as, "S.S. Rewards, Prizes and Treats," "Separate Services for Children," "S.S. Management," "The Bible Class," "Intermediate Classes." Then there is a period of two years devoted to Church History from the earliest times to the present day. Miscellaneous subjects are dealt with, as "The Psalter," "The Lectionary," "The Rationale of the Liturgy." Then at nearly all the meetings so far held (about eighty in all) a model lesson from the Institute series has been taught by either a clergyman or superintendent, by way of showing the teachers how best to impart instruction to their classes. From the statistical portion we learn that there are over 1,000 teachers engaged in training over 10,000 scholars in the Rural Deanery of Toronto. These figures alone speak volumes.

The report also contains several appendices, as for example: A sample set of Inter-Diocesan S.S. Examination papers, with rules governing the same; a list of prizes offered by the association for the same; a list of books for teachers' reference library, with short list of books to be used by teachers in the preparation of their work; and a model constitution for parish S.S. teachers' associations. From the report for last year we find that the meetings have been attended by a fair representation from 25 city Sunday-schools.

The programme for 1894-5—the 12th successive season—is fully as attractive as any, consisting of eight meetings, one devotional, six with lectures on the "Book of Common Prayer," and papers upon

the teacher in various phases of life, with the usual model lesson, and a closing service with sermon to Sunday-school teachers. In view of such a report we must heartily congratulate the association on the success attending their labours.

RURAL DEANERY OF DURHAM & VICTORIA.—Plan of Missionary Services, Meetings and Deputations.—Cobconk, M., Oct. 23rd, 7 p.m.; Victoria Road, M., Oct. 24th, 7 p.m.; Rev. Rural Dean Cooper. Fenelon Falls, S., Feb. 3rd, 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; St. Peter's, S., Feb. 3rd, 2.30 p.m.; Rev. Carl F. Smith. Cartwright, St. John's, S., Jan. 6th, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.; Rev. H. Burges; Bowmanville, S., Jan. 6th, 11 a.m.; Rev. A. Carswell; Newcastle, S., Jan. 6th, 11 a.m.; Rev. R. A. Bilkey; Orono, S., Jan. 6th, 3 p.m.; Rev. R. A. Bilkey; Port Hope, St. John's, S., Jan. 6th, 11 a.m.; Rev. Carl F. Smith; Port Hope, St. Mark's, S., Jan. 6th, 7 p.m.; Rev. Carl F. Smith. Lindsay, St. Paul's, S., Feb. 3rd, 7 p.m.; Reaboro, M., Feb. 4th, 7 p.m.; Rev. W. Farncomb; Smiley, Christ Church, S., Jan. 6th, 7 p.m.; Smiley, St. John's, S., Jan. 6th, 3.30 p.m.; Smiley, St. James', S., 10.30 a.m.; Rev. R. Rooney. Cavan, St. John's, S., Jan. 6th, 10.30 a.m.; Cavan, Christ Church, S., Jan. 6th, 3 p.m.; Cavan, St. Thomas', S., Jan. 6th, 7 p.m.; Cavan, Trinity, M., Jan. 7th, 7 p.m.; Rev. Rural Dean Creighton. Manvers, St. Paul's, S., Jan. 6th, 10.30 a.m.; Manvers, St. Alban's, S., Jan. 6th, 6.30 p.m.; Manvers, St. Mary's, S., Jan. 6th, 8 p.m.; Rev. W. C. Allen. Bobcaygeon, Christ Church, S., Jan. 6th, 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Dunsford, S., Jan. 6th, 3 p.m.; Rev. C. H. Marsh. Perrytown, St. Paul's, S., Jan. 6th, 10.30 a.m.; Elizabethtown, S., Jan. 6th, 3 p.m.; Rev. W. McCann. Cameron, S., Feb. 3rd, 11 a.m.; Cambridge, S., Feb. 3rd, 3 p.m.; Rev. W. Farncomb. The clergy are specially requested to make the necessary arrangements for carrying out the above plan, and to preserve a copy for reference. W. C. ALLEN, Sec. R.D.D.V.

NIAGARA.

DUNNVILLE.—The congregation of St. Paul's Church presented Miss Mockridge with a silver watch and silver pendant as a small token of their appreciation of her most valuable and acceptable services at the organ for the past nine months.

HURON.

ST. MARY'S.—St. James' Church.—On Sunday last the annual services of thanksgiving for harvest were held in this church, the occasion also being the return of the rector, who preached appropriate sermons, that of the morning being upon the subject of our proclaiming what God has done for us, out of our own personal experience; that of the evening that life is a journey to a better land. Both sermons were lit up by reminiscences of the last three months of travel. In the morning the rector expressed his great pleasure in being able to tell his people that he had brought them from his friends in the mother land the sum of a little over \$300 towards the principal of the church debt. The decorations of the day were appropriate, and the music excellent. Many from other religious bodies were present, the church being filled.

Huron Anglican Lay Workers' Convention.—Since our last notice of the forthcoming convention at Brantford, two or three names have been added to the list of speakers. Messrs. Lawrence Baldwin and N. Ferrar Davidson, of Toronto, have respectively undertaken to give the laymen's address at the service on Wednesday evening, Oct. 31st. Rev. Commander Roberts, R.N., of Hamilton, will speak at the closing session on Church Life and Work in the Old Country. Visitors should apply for billets to the local secretary, Mr. A. K. Bunnell, without loss of time.

HANOVER.—The harvest thanksgiving service was held in St. James' Church on the evening of Oct. 12th at 7.30 p.m. The beautiful decorations and floral designs were greatly admired by the many visitors. Although the evening was wet, the church was filled. The service was bright and interesting, and the responses were hearty. The organist, Miss E. Coppinger, and the choir, were earnest and devoted in the work of making the service of our Holy Church suitable for the season. The Rev. J. Connor, of Durham, and Rev. E. C. Jennings, incumbent, took the service, while Rev. D. Williams, M.A., Stratford, preached an earnest and practical discourse. The Rev. E. C. Jennings has every reason to feel encouraged in his work, by the untiring zeal of the whole congregation in all things pertaining to the welfare of Christ's Church.

THORNDALE.—St. George's Church.—The annual harvest thanksgiving services were held in this church last Sunday, Oct. 14th. Large and appreciative congregations were present to "render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His