

ville. It would be difficult to exaggerate the interest elicited by the speakers in the topics selected, both being handled by master minds with rare power and eloquence. The Provost's subject was the devotional character of the church's Mattins and Evensong and the spiritual connection of one part of the service with another, and his words and thoughts were as well adapted for the clergy as the laity present. They seemed to throw fresh and beautiful light on the familiar forms of devotion, which too often are forms and nothing else. Mr. Burke with native eloquence insisted on the importance of the use of Prayer Book offices in public, and the benefit of becoming better acquainted with its contents. Now and then his humor provoked a smile, as when he said, "Don't be afraid of a ghost hiding in any corner of the Prayer Book," referring to the visitation of the sick, and the absolution pronounced. He showed that in all her services the church intended publicity—a common joining of as many of her children as possible in every rite, whether baptism, or marriage, or the churching of women, the visitation of the sick or the burial of the dead. All that was said by both speakers met, we need scarcely say, with the warm commendation of the large body of the clergy present, who regretted that more of their lay friends were not in church to be similarly edified. On Wednesday morning there was an early celebration of the Holy Communion, the Archdeacon and the Provost officiating. At ten o'clock the Litany was sung by the Rev. W. Roberts, Mus.B., the Archdeacon presiding at the organ. The latter, we may state, sang the service effectively on both evenings in church. On Wednesday evening, with no organ accompaniment whatever, he led the congregation in their heartily sung Canticles and hymns with great success, supported by his reverend brethren and a few choir members. On this evening Dr. Body was the only speaker, continuing his subject, and enforcing the duty of making worship rest, and start from Christ and not from self. He showed the evils of the latter, and how all gifts and devotions and efforts for God would be hallowed and enabled by the motive of offering them from the single desire to promote the Glory of God. At the conclusion of the service, the Archdeacon expressed his gratification at the present and profitable meeting of the Union in Napanee, and thanked cordially the friends who so kindly extended their hospitality to the visiting clergy. We omitted to state that the afternoon was devoted to the discussion, opened by the Archdeacon, on Hebrew viii. 16, in which all members of the Union took part, and which was continued to six p.m. A most cordial vote of thanks was unanimously given to the Provost for his kind attendance and all his valuable and instructive addresses. The next meeting of the Union has been fixed to take place at Picton, in the month of September, on invitation of the Rector, Rev. E. Loucks. Present at the meeting—Archdeacon of Kingston, Provost of Trinity College, Rev. Messrs. Burke, Loucks, Baker, Stanton, Forneri, Serson, Elliott, Prime, Cooke, D. F. Bogert, Roberts, Harris, Bennett, Smythe, Armstrong, Scantlebury, Anderson, Forster, Atkinson.

TORONTO.

OMEMEE.—Fell asleep in Jesus, in this village, on Tuesday midnight, May 31st, Wm. Curry, in his 78th year. The subject of this brief memoir was born in the city of Armagh, Ireland, and came out to Canada in 1834. After remaining five years he returned home for a short time prior to his final establishment in this country. On his arrival in 1841 he engaged in business in Peterboro, and married Susanna, the daughter of Mr. Chas. Hale, of that town, and by whom he became father of nine children, all but one living. In 1853, Mr. Curry removed to Omemee and commenced business, in which he was engaged up to the period of his decease. In politics he was a Liberal Conservative, and in religion a member of the Church of England. During his many years residence here, he not only endeared himself by his gentle and upright life, to the whole community, but received at their hands civilly and ecclesiastically every position of trust and honour that could be accorded him, and he literally died in the public harness. His end after a brief period of suffering (only three days) was peace, and he quietly passed away surrounded by his bereaved children and sorrowing widow. In the words of the preacher of his funeral discourse, "He was a loyal citizen, a faithful friend, an affectionate parent, a devout churchman, and a consistent Christian. In a word one feeling voiced by the people of the whole township of Emily whom he so diligently served, sums up the public estimate 'How shall we fill his place again.' Up to the last hour his faith never wavered in his religious belief, and his very last words bore testimony to the comfort afforded by his nursing mother, the Church. The promises of God to him were all yea and Amen in Christ Jesus, and the worship on earth in what through a long life time from the grand old Cathedral of Armagh to the sim-

ple village church of Omemee, he had been engaged, proved to him the foretaste as in his 'Te Deum Landmees,' he closed his earthly praises, the worship of heaven.

HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR IS DUE.—On the 7th June a deputation, representing we may say the whole of the people of Ontario, waited upon Mrs. Robinson to present her with a gift as a token of the warm appreciation felt by all classes for the manner in which she has presided over the Government House, Toronto, for nearly seven years. The presentation consisted of a cottage on an island in Lake St. Joseph, Muskoka, to be named "Queen's Cottage, Victoria Island." A parchment address accompanied the gift bearing a picture of Government House and richly executed wreaths of roses. We need hardly say that Mrs. Robinson made a happy reply to the address, expressing, as she said, her deep sense of the graceful generosity and of the cordial and friendly feeling which has so long existed between my husband, as Lieutenant-Governor, myself, and the people of this city and province.

SAVAGE ATTACK BY GLOBE ON CANON DUMOULIN.—The Toronto World writes very sensibly as follows:—"Canon Dumoulin having ventured to express the opinion that a limited Sunday street car service might prove a great convenience to church-goers, the Globe makes an opportunity to abuse him in a lengthy article characteristic of the source from which it emanates. Canon Dumoulin will find in the sympathy of every generous mind, in and out of his own congregation, all the vindication he requires. Those who have taken the trouble to read the Globe's lampoon have been chiefly impressed by the fact that the editor contents himself with personal abuse of the Canon, and does not argue the street car question at all. Sunday street cars may be right or may be wrong, but there can be no difference of opinion among decent people as to the vileness of the attack which the Globe has made upon Canon Dumoulin. Several staunch Liberals who are not Churchmen have expressed to the World their utter detestation and reprobation of that attack." The Telegram says:—"Canon Dumoulin has been subjected to almost a column of sneers, gibes, innuendoes, mean insinuations and spiteful flings at the hands of the Globe newspaper. The organ of his Grace at St. Michael's cannot forgive Canon Dumoulin for his manly stand in defence of the Protestant Bible when the agitation over the Ross version was at its height. Nor can it forgive his plain words spoken from the park platform at the meeting to protest against the proposed coming of O'Brien. But it is surely a disgraceful thing that a clergyman cannot express an opinion on so non-political a matter as the running of street cars without being abused in the Grit organ like a pick-pocket and told that his church is breaking-up and his congregation going to pieces." The Globe was furious at traitor O'Brien's free speech being hindered, but pray what is such an attack on the Rector of St. James but an attempt to shackle free speech? Surely a clergyman's reputation is as valuable as Mr. O'Brien's right to spout treason? But the Globe is now edited by a Fenian and nothing is sacred to him that interferes with the dominance of the Romanist Irish.

Holy Trinity.—A large and interested congregation witnessed the spectacle of the children's annual flower service held at Holy Trinity Church on the evening of Trinity Sunday. After the full choral service and a sermon preached by the Rev. John Pearson, especially adapted to the children and their parents, representative children from each class of the Sunday school marched to the foot of the chancel steps and placing their offerings of flowers, with money, on the large alms dish held by the rector. The church and font were most handsomely decorated with wild and other flowers. After the service the offerings of flowers were taken by the choir boys to the children's and other hospitals to gladden the inmates.

Young Women's Christian Guild.—On the 6th of June a large number of young ladies met in Shaftesbury Hall and formed the Young Women's Christian Guild of Toronto. Mrs. John Harvey was elected president, Miss Brown, secretary; and Miss Henry, treasurer. A resolution was passed by which the members pledged themselves to assist in bringing about the early closing of the stores. They promise not to purchase anything after six o'clock and will try and persuade their friends to do the same.

We give the above insertion, although not a church matter, for two reasons. In the first place we earnestly desire that success will attend the effort to secure an early closing of stores. The hours during which the lady assistants in stores are kept at work is a scandal to civilization. We need a "Stores Short Hours Bill" to protect young girls from the serious injury to health they incur by so long attendance in

a foul atmosphere, by standing so many hours and by wearying services at the counter. As this danger is incurred solely to please their own sex, who are cruelly thoughtless in this matter, we regard a Women's Guild as an admirable enterprise. But the second reason is a lesser one. The word "Guild," like a red rag to a bull or turkey, has peculiar powers of exciting the Paritan schools of thoughtlessness. Our contemporary has fulminated against this noble old word until his breath has seemed as flames of fire. Will he turn his wrath on Mrs. Harvie? And if not, pray why should a Presbyterian guild be innocent and a church guild iniquitous?

St. Alban's Cathedral.—The ceremony of laying the corner stone of this building is to take place on Thursday, 15th inst., St. Alban's eve, which will occur during the meeting of synod, thus giving opportunity for the clergy and lay members from the country to be present without inconvenience. We understand that, except to a very limited number of official persons, no special invitations are to be issued; the Lord Bishop will no doubt issue a public invitation to members of the church generally. In consequence of the masons' strike it will hardly be possible for the building to be covered in before the coming winter, though the building committee, we understand, are making special efforts with a view to as early completion as possible.

NIAGARA.

NIAGARA.—During the recent synod at Hamilton a motion for the appointment of a delegation to the next diocese convention of western New York, was lost, owing to a misunderstanding about expenses of the members. We are ashamed to say so. The vote would have been re-considered, but the time for adjournment had just arrived, and the few members of synod were impatient to be released from their long and wearying labors. Notwithstanding, we are assured that there will be a good attendance from this diocese at the next convention of western New York at Buffalo. Besides being very near neighbors, there is no bishop in the American church who stands higher in our estimation than Bishop Coxe, and none to whom we are more indebted for frequent and most valuable assistance on special occasions at Hamilton, and likewise at Toronto. In this respect the synod of this diocese is united.

CAYUGA.—We deeply regret to hear that the Rev. A. Boulton, rector, has been an invalid for the past few weeks. Clerical and lay assistance has been given him for Sunday duties. We trust to hear of Mr. Boulton's speedy recovery.

DRUMMONDVILLE, Ont.—Many letters and papers from England frequently are misssent to this place, (Niagara Falls South P. O.) instead of to Drummondville, Ontario, in the province of Quebec, because no province is mentioned—but Canada only in the address. Many English correspondents do not think of adding the name of the province in Canada when they write to friends in this extensive Dominion. It is quite necessary they should do so to prevent delay or loss.

BARTONVILLE.—On the 29th ult., the Bishop of Niagara administered the holy rite of confirmation to 17 candidates at St. Mary's church. The Bishop's address was deeply impressive and greatly appreciated by an overflowing congregation.

HURON.

LONDON.—Jubilee offering of the Churchwomen of Canada to the Algoma Widows and Orphans' Fund: Mrs. Boomer again thankfully acknowledges donations sent to herself as follows:—Per Mrs. Thompson, of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Gwiler, \$5; Mrs. Cory, \$1; Mrs. Thompson, \$5; Instalment of Galt collection, \$19.50; Mrs. Shortt, Rectory, Walkerton, \$2; Miss Mercer, dedicated money, \$1.15; Miss A. L. Shaw, \$2.50; Money box at Mothers' Meeting, \$2.25; second instalment from Memorial Church \$4; Mrs. Edgelow, Rectory, Dundalk, Mesdames Bullen, Barker and Jackson, \$1 each; Miss S. Garnett, \$1; Miss A. Macbeth, \$1; Mrs. Delahooke, \$2; Mrs. Gill, \$5; Mrs. W. Anderson, \$5; a Friend, 50c.

By special request of the Bishop of Algoma, the time is extended for the gathering in of all contributions to the fund. Due notice of the latest date will be given in our paper.

STRATHROY.—At a meeting of the ladies of St. John's Church the officers of the parochial branch of the Woman's Auxiliary were appointed, viz:—Mrs. Des Braisay, president; Mrs. Smythe, vice-president; Mrs. J. Lanfesty, recording-secretary, Mrs. Maxwell, corresponding-secretary; and Mrs. C. V. Scatcherd, Treasurer.