



A CANADIAN COUNTRY RESIDENCE, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

the missionary revival. The active co-operation of the Christian women of the Church must have a marked effect upon the sentiment as well as the practical contribution of support of the diocese at large. This organization has raised the sum of \$633 for the reduction of the Mission Fund debt, for which our grateful acknowledgments are due. The Churchwomen's Mission Aid have also faithfully carried on their gracious and helpful work during the year, in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary, and have sent valuable gifts to the missionary clergy of this and other dioceses to the amount of over \$3,000."

During the nine years of Bishop Sweatman's episcopate no fewer than 68 new churches have been erected in the Diocese. Of these, 24 replace old churches and 44 are entirely new. The total number of churches now reaches 207 (against 163 in 1879). Of these 15 are of stone, 102 of brick, 74 frame, 12 rough cast, and 4 of log; 107 are consecrated, 100 either unconsecrated or doubtful. The aggregate value, as returned, of these buildings (there being three blanks) is \$938,900, the debt upon them, \$240,580, but of this \$80,510 rests upon St James' Cathedral, and \$106,772 upon 15 other city churches, leaving \$53,298 upon the country churches. Four churches have failed to return their debt, and 157 are free from debt. The total church accommodation returned (with two blanks), exclusive of

halls, mission rooms, etc., is 49,903, of which, 36,480 are free seats.

The bishop has inaugurated a scheme for establishing a Cathedral for the Diocese, to be known as St. Alban's. He has acquired a large and valuable property in the region of Seaton Village, at present but a suburb but destined in time to be an important part of the city. Already a commencement has been made at the building and the contractors had engaged to have the choir and chan-

ing of a real interest in the cause. There are manifestations of this awakening. People are beginning to make enquiries about the mission work both in the diocese and abroad; missionary publications are being sought after and read with interest; spontaneous and anonymous gifts are being sent to me as the fruit of missionary appeals. All this new interest is doubtless, in a large measure, to be ascribed to the influence of the Woman's Auxiliary, which is itself an outcome and evidence of