

ing the fast and temptation, not the least mysterious of those things that were written for our edification. We have no longer the plea of the early colonists—the first great need to travel without ceasing, bearing the “glad tidings” to those in the bush and the clearings. We gladly hear of the endeavours made in the outlying parishes to improve the opportunity given by the Lenten season, holding week-day services and interchanging pulpits with brother clergymen. For instance, in St. John's, Strathroy, Rev. Canon Hincks, preaches March 1st, Rev. T. C. Des Barres on the 7th, Rev. Evans Davis on the 15th, and Ven. Archdeacon Marsh on the 22nd; and in Passion week there will be divine service each evening except Saturday. We have grounds to hope that in all the outlying parishes there are special Lenten services, wherever possible, as in St. Paul's, Woodstock, where there were two services on Ash Wednesday, and on every Wednesday evening there is evening service. In the city the week-day services in St. Paul's till Passion week are Wednesday and Friday. The preachers for the daily services of that week have not yet been announced.

RESULT OF THE MISSION SERVICES.—The total absence of anything approaching sensational excitement during the mission fortnight has been the subject of general remark. It has demonstrated that the service of the Church of England has a calming, solemnizing influence, even during times of more than ordinary spiritual awakening. Were it not for this our church might have witnessed more apparently great and instantaneous results, but, we doubt not, less real abiding blessings. The prayers were, in almost every instance, from the Book of Common Prayer, the hymns from the Hymnal Companion—the hymn book authorized by the Diocesan Synod. The leading part taken by the parochial clergymen, added to the influence of the church service, produced an excellent effect. Had the services been otherwise, that calm and deep-felt solemnity that should ever be present when we come into the immediate presence of the King of kings and Lord of Lords might be wanting. How much of the seed sown during that mission fortnight may have fallen on good ground and may bring forth fruit many fold, we presume not to say. This can only be known as yet to the Omniscient; but this much we see: there is apparent a more earnest spiritual life. Bible readings in connection with the church are better attended, and of the week-day services the same remark holds good. Many church members have signified their desire to assist in parish work. The number of communicants has increased. On last Sunday evening—the third Sunday of the month—there was administration of the Holy Communion in St. Paul's, and it will be administered again next Sunday morning, as is the use in some English churches. The number of communicants last Sunday evening, it is said, was greater than had ever partaken at one time in that church.

NEW WESTERN UNIVERSITY.—The arrangements for a new University in the city of London are progressing. A deputation from the alumni of Huron College waited on the bishop on the 21st ult., presented him with the resolutions to which they had come, and an address setting forth their ideas on the subject. They stated that they had formed themselves into an association to be named “The Association of the Professors and Alumni of Huron College, London,” and as such they appeal to his Lordship's well-known wish to make Huron College an evangelical training school for divinity students, and also to provide for the west “An undenominational School of Arts, Law, Medicine and Engineering.” They feel the time has now come for action, and request the bishop to use his personal and official influence to obtain from the Provincial Legislature, next session, a charter for a University, with which Huron College, enlarged and endowed, may be affiliated. They also add that they wish to acquire the institution which bears the bishop's name, to serve the interests of the proposed University College, and that it may remain for ever in connection with the church, a memorial of the bishop's self-sacrifice. They state that Dean Boomer has subscribed the sum of one thousand dollars towards this object, the Rev. W. H. Halpin the same amount, and

twenty-one of the Alumni have added the sum of \$6,250, making a total of \$8,250. So cheering they think is the prospect that they anticipate no difficulty should the bishop consent to part with the property they ask for. His Lordship in reply expresses his gratification at the address, and states that his efforts twenty years ago were employed in assisting the late bishop to supply the pressing wants of the diocese. He alluded to the success attending his two visits to England, resulting in the purchase of the Huron property, in the endowment of divinity and classical chairs, and some few scholarships; so that in 1862 Huron College was incorporated. The Theological College can point to a roll of fifty who have been admitted to the ministry of the Church. The bishop refers to the population of this portion of the province as having increased from 472,745 in 1861 to about 700,000 at present. During this period further facilities have been afforded for higher education as the result of the establishment of Huron College. The district constituting the diocese comprises thirteen counties, 148 townships, and 12,000 square miles, with numerous flourishing towns and villages, and a population larger than that of the present diocese of Toronto; and as the population of the city of London is larger now than that of the city of Toronto when the Provincial University was first established, his Lordship thinks the time has indeed come when some definite shape should be given to his and their aspirations. In reference to the property the requisitionists refer to, he states that their arguments have prevailed upon him to give up his interest therein; great difficulties may be anticipated, although he has no doubt that a charter for conferring the different degrees of a University will be granted by the Provincial Legislature. As for himself he will consider it a pleasure to contribute for this object the sum of \$10,000.

In consequence of the favourable aspect of the case the professors and alumni of Huron College have adopted a constitution, appointing as trustees of the Association the Very Rev. Dean Boomer, LL.D., the Rev. J. W. D. Smith, R. D., and Messrs. A. Cleghorn and E. B. Read. The Rev. W. Logan, R.D., was appointed Sec. Treas., and was instructed to canvass the diocese, and, if necessary, the Dominion. The constitution provides that the Association shall be designated “The Association of the President, Professors and Alumni of Huron College.” Its members shall consist of the President, Professors and those of the Alumni of Huron College, whose names are enrolled, and such others of the Alumni as shall be accepted by a vote; and also such clergymen of the diocese, and laymen not exceeding eleven, as shall be accepted. The Lord Bishop shall be patron, and the officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant-Secretary, and Secretary-Treasurer. The President shall be the Principal of Huron College. There shall be a Standing Committee of Management, whose duty it shall be to transact all business and direct and control the management of all the funds and property of the Association. The Association shall meet annually at such time and place in the city of London as the President may appoint, provided it be on some day during the week on which the Synod meets. There shall be a Board of Trustees, consisting of two clergymen and three laymen, as appointed at this first meeting of the Association from among its members; and it shall be their duty to receive, or have conveyed to them in trust for this Association all bequests that may be given towards any of the objects of the proposed University, &c. A Secretary-Treasurer who shall be a clergyman and a member of the Association shall, with the sanction of the bishop of the diocese, be employed to canvass the diocese, and, if necessary, the whole Dominion for the purpose of collecting the funds required for the enterprise. In order to defray the working expenses of the Association, each member shall be required to contribute the sum of five dollars, which sum shall be considered as part of his subscription towards the University, and be paid to the Secretary of the Association within one month from the date of his admission.

The joys of life must be spiced with harsh vicissitudes for their preservation and improvement.

ALGOMA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NEW HOME FOR INDIAN GIRLS AT SAULT STE. MARIE.—The following amounts have been received by the Rev. S. F. Wilson towards the above object, and are thankfully acknowledged: Miss Wade, \$2.00; Mrs. Haldan, (per Bishop of Algoma) \$10.00; Mrs. Storer, Glasgow, \$24.10; Miss Peache, England, \$20.50; Ingersoll Sunday School, \$10.00; Holy Trinity, Toronto, special offertory, \$25.00; Master Harry Sullivan, \$1.00; Alg. Miss. Assoc., Montreal, \$25.00; bazaar of Sault Ste. Marie, \$200.18; St. Peter's S. School, Toronto, \$49.67. The total amount at present on hand for building, including what has been promised from England, is about \$1,200. Still required, about \$2,500.

SHINGWAUK HOME.—Well, the unwelcome thaw came and the ice broke, and the channel opened and we lost our chance of welcoming American friends within the gaily decorated walls of the Agricultural Hall, but our spirits were by no means damped or our confidence in the success of our undertaking lessened, for we felt assured that all our friends on this side were prepared to help us to their utmost. And now we have the pleasure of reporting as we anticipated—*entire success*, success as to weather, success as to numbers present, success as to cash receipts, and success above all as to the very pleasant and cordial feeling exhibited on all sides. After all it is not hard cold money that can do everything, a charitable work requires a warm heart besides the cold cash, and we would rather receive \$50 from friends and neighbours who know us and are interested in our work than \$100 from strangers dragged in for the purpose of having their purses emptied. However it was not a mere \$50 that we received but \$200, and we consider \$200 a very good sum for a place of the dimensions of Sault Ste Marie in mid-winter.

We desire most heartily to thank all the kind friends who have helped us, Church of England, Presbyterian, Methodist, Roman Catholic—all contributed most kindly the various articles for sale, and then gave us a second good turn by coming to buy. We will not mention any names, as we don't believe our friends would wish to be praised up in the papers, and if names were given we should feel constrained to say a good deal about each; suffice it to say that eight good ladies worked most untiringly, good humouredly, indefatigably, for two consecutive days, and that four or five gentlemen were everywhere at once, selling, ringing, collecting, helping, and making themselves generally useful and agreeable; and that some 250 persons' more or less, paid their entrance fee at the doors and then emptied their purses into the ladies' money bags on arriving inside. The results in detail are as follows: Received by sale of tickets, \$6.50; received at the stall's, \$133.15; received by refreshments, \$27.36; received at doors, \$18.42; received by Grab-bag, \$14.00; received by Auction, \$14.20; received by War Dance &c., \$9.82; received by Cash, \$3; Still due, \$4.00; Total, \$230.45. Expended, Carpenter work, \$18.10; Bazaar expenses, \$17.17; Total, \$30.27; Net proceeds, \$200.18.

E. F. W.

MARY LAKE MISSION.—This Mission has been under the temporary charge of Rev. W. Crompton the last sixteen months. The Bishop arrived late in the evening, at Port Sydney, on Saturday, February 10th, and became the guest of Mr. A. Sydney Smith, the churchwarden.

Sunday 11th.—We were met by a large congregation at Christ Church, who were very hearty in the responses, and as a foretaste of our visitation services, the service here was cheering and encouraging. Mr. Crompton presented six adult males for Confirmation. We had a baptism, and the Bishop was celebrant at the Holy Communion. His Lordship's address, given in his usual kind and hearty manner, was listened to with marked attention.

After a very hasty luncheon, we drove some nine miles, partly on the Muskoka road, and partly in the bush, to the house of Mr. Hares, where we had a goodly company of about thirty to meet us. This is an out of the way station arranged by Mr. Crompton in the centre of a number of church families, who showed in every