

17th, a day which will long be remembered in Danville. St. Augustine's Church was consecrated. The choir, upwards of twenty-six voices, came from the University of Lennoxville to render a full choral service. Dr. Lobley preached a splendid sermon. The church was profusely decorated with choice flowers, the font was filled with beautiful geraniums. A magnificent floral cross adorned the altar. The chancel had been newly carpeted, the nave completely matted and suitable linen window blinds attached to all the windows, producing a soft chaste light throughout the building. Professor Read intoned the first part of Evensong, the Rev. G. H. Parker, of Compton, from the third collect to the conclusion. The antiphonal chanting of the Psalms was very fine. The Incumbent's son, (who is just about graduating at Bishop's College), presided at the organ. Mr. A. E. Lee, the local agent for organs, kindly lent a very fine instrument for the occasion, and it is needless to say, it received full justice. In the evening, the choir gave a grand concert in the town hall to a large and appreciative audience, Mr. Harry Petry, at the piano playing the accompaniments. The following clergy were present at the consecration of St. Augustine's Church, Revs. Rural Dean Reid, Dr. Lobley, Professor Read, C. Hamilton, M. M. Fothergill, J. S. Sykes and the Incumbent. Revs. A. J. Balfour, and J. Harper arrived, but too late for the service.

SHERBROOKE.—The reception given the Rev. Buxton B. Smith the new rector of St. Peter's Church, and his estimable wife, in the church hall on Friday evening last, must have been a pleasing evidence to them of the hearty good will and friendly feelings of their parishioners towards them. The entertainment, both as regards the quality and quantity of the refreshments, as well as the musical programme, was excellent. Not the least pleasing feature of the reception was the heartiness with which our revered and beloved pastor the Rev. Mr. Reid, (now superannuated) entered into the evening's enjoyment. May both the old and new spiritual advisors of St. Peter's Church long be spared to us in the full enjoyment of their health, and may the incumbent so ingraft himself into the hearts of his parishioners as to become as universally loved and respected as his predecessor.

DANVILLE.—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of May, are days long to be remembered by the Churchmen of Danville, as a bright season in the Church's history here. On the two former days the Lord Bishop consecrated the new churches at Lorne and Lingwick, and on Thursday the Church of St. Augustine, in Danville village. That the service of consecration at the latter place might be more hearty and joyful, the choir of the College Chapel, Lennoxville, (numbering some thirty men and boys) came down for the service in the afternoon. The church was crowded with an interested and devout congregation, and the singing during the service most hearty and good. Tasteful floral decorations added to the beauty of the really handsome church, and brought out well the rich dark wood work of the panelling. The day's festival was brought to a close by the giving of a concert in the evening by the students of Bishop's College, and boys of the Grammar School. That the efforts of these kind friends were appreciated, the fact that over \$50 was made at the concert, abundantly shows. St. Augustine's Church though now used for many years, was not before consecrated, because it lacked completion.

MONTREAL

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH.—A meeting of the ladies of St. George's was held recently to listen to the reports of the various societies formed to carry out woman's work in the parish. The meeting was largely attended. Seven societies reported a year's work, namely, "The Dorcas," "The Young Ladies' Missionary Society," "The District Visiting Society," "The Mother's Meeting," "The Ladies' Church Debt Committee," "The Band of Hope," "The Industrial School." The Rev. Canon Carmichael and Rev. J. G. Baylis read the reports, speaking on each as read. The following is a statement of the incomes of the societies and balances in hand or bank at close of year:

	Income.	Balance.
Dorcas	\$266.12	\$12.71
District Visitors	1,012.79	89.56
Mothers Meeting and Provident Fund	371.53	99.28
Band of Hope	22.40	18.10
Church Debt	467.45	
Young Ladies' Missionary Society	217.59	61.88
	\$2,357.88	\$226.47

The Rev. Canon Carmichael, in closing the meeting,

stated that he always felt in a difficulty in meetings of this description, as his heart prompted him to thank workers, but his conscience told him that after all said or effected such workers had but done their duty towards God and His Church, and duty done, he felt assured, brought its own reward. All he could say was that he thanked God for leading so many women of the congregation to see their duty and rise up and face it and do it. Their work, no doubt, brought its own share of comfort to themselves, but it had done far more. It had brought comfort and happiness into many a sad or suffering home; it had set example, and aided in cultivating habits of thrift and carefulness amongst many. It had helped the poor to help themselves, and taught the young the worth of individual effort. He especially noticed the brave, persevering way in which the ladies of the Debt Committee, under Mrs. Reford, worked on, spite of the fact that the works commenced by them had been swallowed up by the greater effort made by the men of the congregation, and he trusted that they would keep up heart and work on and do their best in the smaller field left to them. A committee was then appointed to publish the reports for distribution, and the meeting closed with the benediction.

ONTARIO.

DESERONTO.—The churchwardens of St. Mark's desire to publicly thank through your valuable columns the following reverend gentlemen, who so kindly came to the rescue of their church and continued the services in the rubrical and proper church ritual: Rev. Messrs. Spencer, Sibbald, Halliwell, Foster, Stanton. Twenty-two dollars was cleared from Rev. Mr. Halliwell's lecture, and deposited to credit of building fund. The church was founded in Deseronto by the Rev. G. A. Anderson, over forty-five years ago. We have a good Sunday-school—average attendance, 75 each Sunday—and a fine library bought from Messrs. Rowse and Hutchison. Mr. Rixen, an English gentleman, is our organist and librarian.

OTTAWA.—The Twenty-minutes-a-day Working Society for missions, commenced in June, 1882, has grown to twenty-seven members and contributors. Two boxes have been sent to the Bishop of Algoma—one in November, containing 46 articles, 16 books and \$6 in money. The May box contained 104 articles, value \$67.98, 23 books and \$6 in money. The next box will be made up in November. Any one desiring further particulars will address Mrs. Ross, 188 Stewart Street, Ottawa.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the fortnight ending May 30th, 1888.

ALGOMA.—*Day of Intercession Collection.*—St. Philip's, Unionville, \$1.02; Holy Trinity, Toronto, \$13.35; St. John's, Port Hope, \$9.18; Christ Church, York Township, \$117.65; Orillia, \$15.20; Tullamore, \$1.60; Castlemore, \$2.07; Newcastle, \$22.56; Grafton, \$4; York Mills, \$3.08; St. Philip's, Weston, \$2.50; St. Mark's, Parkdale, \$2; St. Anne's, Toronto, \$4; Mariners—St. Mary's, \$1.66; St. Alban's, \$1.15; St. Paul's, \$1.00; Mulmur—St. Luke's, \$2.00; Trinity, \$1.00; St. David's, \$1.00; Hastings, \$1.00; Alnwick, \$1.50; Gore's Landing, \$1.56; Harwood, 44 cents; St. Paul's, Uxbridge, \$13.50; Alliston, \$3; West Essa, \$1.52; Bowmanville, \$12.55; St. Stephen's, Toronto, \$18.76; Cobourg, \$25; Stayner, \$3.06; Creemore, \$1.60; Banda, \$1.24; St. George's, Haliburton, \$2.30; Whitby, \$2.50; Thornhill and Richmond Hill, \$4.08; St. George's, Toronto, \$20; St. Peter's, Verulam, \$1.00; Perrytown, 78 cents; Credit, St. Peter's, \$7.05; Dixie, \$2.26; Port Credit, \$1.74.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—*April Collection.*—St. John's, Norway, \$1.90; Holy Trinity, Toronto, \$18.05; Lindsay, \$7.75; St. Luke's, Toronto, \$34.65; Lakefield, \$5.26; St. Mark's, Otonabee, \$1; Douro, 87 cts.; St. Thomas, Shanty Bay, \$3; Stayner, \$3; Creemore, \$2.10; Mono Mills—St. John's, 54 cts.; St. Paul's, \$1.81; St. John's, \$1.03.

PAROCHIAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—*Mission Fund.*—St. Luke's, Toronto, \$24.30; St. John's, York Mills, \$9.25; Aurora and Oakridge, \$15.25; St. John's, Port Hope, \$17.75; Wyebridge and Waverley, \$9.08; St. Thomas, Cavan, \$6.80; Thornhill, \$4.95; Albion and Caledon, \$4; Church of the Ascension, Toronto, \$23.30; do. for Algoma, 15 cts.

MISSION FUND.—*Parochial Collections.*—Brampton, additional, \$1; Mono Mills—St. John's, 17.35; St. John, \$15.80; St. Paul's, \$30.95; St. Matthias, Toronto, \$9.60. *January Collection.*—Mono Mills, St. John's, \$1.40; St. John's, Mono, 38 cts.; St. Paul's, Mono, \$1. *Missionary Meetings.*—Mono Mills, \$3.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collection.*—St. Matthias, Toronto, \$8.50; St. Luke's, Toronto, \$73.55. *3rd Annual Payment.*—Rev. Canon Osler, \$8.50.

BOOK AND TRACT FUND.—Whitfield towards Library Books, \$10.

Collections paid on April 17th, 1888, and omitted from Scarborough—

MISSION FUND.—*Parochial Collections.*—Scarborough—Christ Church, \$102.20; St. Paul's, \$35.50; St. Jude's, \$42.60. *Missionary Meetings.*—Scarborough—Christ Church, \$4.80; St. Paul's, \$4.43; St. Jude's, \$6.75. *January Collection.*—Scarborough—Christ Church, \$4.80; St. Paul's, \$1.75; St. Jude's, \$1.55.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collection.*—Scarborough—Christ Church, \$9.64; St. Paul's, \$8; St. Jude's, \$2.

The adjourned meeting of St. Philip's branch of the Church of England Temperance Society for Toronto was held on the 25th ult. in the school-house Spadina Avenue, the rector, Rev. J. F. Sweeny, presiding. On opening the meeting the president called the attention of those present to the nature of the pledges formulated upon the pledge and that together with the constitution had been placed in their hands. The Rector then called upon the meeting to signify by standing up who were desirous of signing the first, or total abstinence pledge, when the majority arose, and also responded to the formula prescribed for the enrolment of members. The provisional committee having made their report, the election of a standing committee was proceeded with, four ladies and one gentleman being elected in a separate order. While the members present were signing the society roll, the secretary of central committee, Mr. Mercer was introduced by the president and made a speech explanatory of the business of the central committee in relation to the branches. Mr. Mercer also took the opportunity of demonstrating the need of temperance societies under our present social conditions, and wound up by impressing upon the gentlemen the evils of treating and upon the ladies the faults of a mistaken hospitality. The president next rapidly reviewed the chief points of the constitution of the C. E. T. S. citing scripture proofs in support of the various means to be used both to special and general ends. With regard to the "duties" of members the rev gentleman begged them to underline that which related to the restoration of those who may fall away, and in all their work to follow the Master's plan and go "two by two" as He sent the disciples. On the motion of Mr. J. T. Jones the meeting was again adjourned until the 1st of June.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S.—*Presentation.*—On the 29th ult. at St. Bartholomew's school house, Mr. R. W. Plant, the retiring superintendent of the Sunday-school was presented on the behalf of the scholars with a number of valuable books prior to his departure from the city on mission work in Algoma. Rev. G. I. Taylor, rector, read the address, which was couched in flattering terms, expressing at the same time the hope that the parting would not be for long. Mr. Plant who was completely taken by surprise at the unexpected event, replied briefly thanking the scholars and teachers for their kindly regard, and stating that under any circumstances he would always look back to the time spent at St. Bartholomew's as one of the brightest periods in his life. Mr. Plant leaves on Friday 1st June and carries with him the best wishes of his friends for success in the more comprehensive sphere of labour assigned him.

ST. STEPHEN'S C. E. T. S. BRANCH.—An interesting and well attended meeting of this branch was recently held in the school room.

CHANGE OF ORGANISTS.—Mr. Arthur Fisher, organist of the Church of the Redeemer is about entering upon an engagement at St. Luke's Church.

COMING EVENTS.—Rumor is already flying regarding the successor to Bishop Sullivan whose election to Huron is by many considered almost a foregone conclusion. The name of the universally respected and energetic Rector of St. George's, Toronto, the Rev. J. D. Cayley, M.A., is freely spoken of in this connection. There can be no doubt that if he would accept the position, Mr. Cayley would be elected by the unanimous vote of the Provincial Synod. Mr. Cayley is a Canadian by birth, and although the place of a man's birth is little to his honour or discredit, still we should like to see a Canadian clergyman put over a Canadian diocese, especially as in this case, when on the truer grounds of fitness and merit his claims are beyond question.

MEETING OF SYNOD.—The Bishop of Toronto desires us to formally announce that the Synod is summoned to meet on the 12th June.

EPISCOPAL RECEPTION.—We have much pleasure in announcing that the Bishop will hold a reception at St. James' school house on the evening of the 12th June.