

charge for interest, for which the Chapter are endeavoring to provide by special subscriptions independently of donations to the capital, with which they are meeting with gratifying success.

CLAIRVILLE.—*Christ Church.*—A most successful social was held in connection with this church, last Monday evening, at the house of Mr. J. R. Lawrence. There was a large attendance, and the programme of music, recitations &c., was thoroughly enjoyed, as was also the "tea" provided by the lady members of the congregation. The following ladies and gentlemen took part in the programme: Miss Kleiser, Miss Hackett, and Mrs. Porter, of Church of the Redeemer (Toronto) choir; Miss Walker, Kincardine; Miss Bailey, and Miss Forbes, Toronto; Mr. G. H. Birch, Toronto; Messrs. W. Creswick, and T. W. Powell, Trinity University, and Messrs. Rodgers. Mr. Masazo Kakuzen also gave a very interesting description of Japanese life, and greatly interested and amused the audience by his native dress and Japanese song. The Rev. Rural Dean Swallow presided, and the Rev. G. B. Morley, incumbent of Tullamore, was also present. The church, which was for some inexplicable reason closed last Advent, has been reopened by the Trinity University Missionary and Theological Association, and regular services, Sunday school, instructions, &c., are now being conducted by Mr. Creswick, a Divinity student of Trinity College. The services are very hearty and well attended, and there is every reason for believing that the students of Trinity will not be less successful in their work at Clairville than they are in other places where missions are being sustained and churches kept open.

LLOYDTOWN.—Missionary meetings were held in Nobleton, Lloydtown, and Kettleby, Feb. 16, 17, 18. Considering the heavy state of the roads, and the prevalence of sickness, the attendance was good, and much interest in the cause was shown. The speakers were Canon Farncomb, Rev. F. Heathcote, and Rev. E. W. Sibbald, rector. This parish, which only a few years ago was dependent on the mission fund, has made great advances under the energetic pastorate of its present rector. The handsome brick church at Nobleton, erected two years ago, and the stone one at Kettleby, opened last November, will compare favourably with any of the country churches in the diocese.

NORTH YORK INDUSTRIAL HOME.—Service is held in the Home every Monday evening, alternately by Canon Farncomb of Newmarket, and Rev. E. H. Mussen of Aurora. The inmates, a large portion of whom are members of the Church of England, seem to appreciate very highly this opportunity of joining in the worship of the Church.

NEWMARKET.—The oratorio "Our Saviour" was sung in the town hall by the children of St. Paul's Sunday-school, on Wednesday, February 24th. The hall was completely filled with an appreciative audience. Miss V. V. Miller, musical directress, was congratulated on all sides on the happy result of many months of careful preparation.

HOLLAND LANDING.—The chancel windows of Christ Church have lately been filled with stained glass at the expense of the members of the congregation. The central light is a representation of the Ascension, with the figures of St. John the Evangelist and St. Peter on either hand. The windows, which are the work of Mr. N. T. Lyon, of Toronto, have been greatly admired, and add very much to the beauty of this historic church, which in another year will have attained its jubilee. Holland Landing is under the pastoral care of Canon Farncomb, of Newmarket; and though the population has considerably decreased since the time of its former prosperity, the church shows no abatement of life and energy, and the hearty services held on Sunday afternoon and Thursday evening are always well attended.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—The new church of St. John the Evangelist was opened by Bishop Hamilton recently. Rev. Wm. Hayes Clarke, M.A., of St. Barnabas Church, Toronto, preached. The church is a brick structure of handsome design and has a seating capacity of 450. The pastor is Rev. H. LeBrine.

HURON.

ST. MARY'S.—On the evening of Thursday last a very pleasant social and parlor concert was given at St. James' rectory, in this town. The evening was an exceedingly unpropitious one, but notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the cosy parlor was fairly filled with visitors. Mr. T. D. Stanley acted as chairman, and an excellent programme was

well rendered. During its course the chairman made a short address, in which he spoke of the steady increase in numbers in the Sunday-school, and assured the rector and Mrs. Taylor that it was owing to their indefatigable labours that the school was now in a more prosperous condition than it had ever been before. While the chairman was delivering his address, two of the members of the infant class, Master Harold Jamieson and Miss Flora Stafford, came forward and presented Mr. and Mrs. Taylor with a handsome screen—valued at \$20.00—on behalf of this Sunday-school. The screen was painted by Miss Morphy, and reflects much credit upon the young lady as being an artist of superior talent. Mr. Taylor's reply was full of feeling, and he thanked the parents, teachers and scholars for this expression of their appreciation of his and Mrs. Taylor's labours amongst them, regretting his forced absence from the school for the past month through his illness. After refreshments had been served, games and other amusements were engaged in, until nearly midnight, when the company broke up.

RUPERT'S LAND.

HOLLAND is a growing town on the C. P. R., south-western, and a centre of Church work. A vestry meeting was held February 18th, Mr. Dransfield, missionary, in the chair. It was resolved to make an earnest effort to free the parsonage from debt by Easter. We urgently need one hundred dollars for this effort—who will help? The total cost of parsonage is \$836.93. An entertainment was held the same evening; proceeds to be applied to the "Debt Extinction Fund." A novel feature of the evening was the phonograph; so that we had the pleasure of hearing the famous "Gilmore Band," and others, also several noted singers. Mrs. Pelly, a devoted church-woman, and an active member of the Guild, has been "taken away from the evil to come." She will be greatly missed, because she was much loved and highly respected for her personal goodness.

British and Foreign.

Canon Rowsell has now formally vacated the Vicarage of St. Paul's, Sculcoates, Hull, and entered on his new duties as Vicar of Topcliffe, Thirsk.

The S. P. G. and the Council of the Colonial Bishops' Fund have promised 1,000*l.* each towards the endowment of the Diocese of Calgary.

The nave of Bristol Cathedral is now thronged each Sunday evening by very large congregations, and Dr. Pigou's earnest sermons are listened to with rapt attention.

Bishop Paret has been notified by the committee in charge of the proposed cathedral at Washington, that within the last three weeks an additional amount of \$30,000 has been pledged towards its construction.

A new mission ship, which has cost 2,300*l.*, has been formally dedicated by Canon McCormick, at Hull, for service in the mission for Deep-sea Fishermen. The new ship, which is called the *Alice Fisher*, is said to be the outcome of ten years' experience in the Mission.

The Rev. W. S. Rainsford, D.D., rector of St. George's church, New York, has recently visited Boston, for the purpose of addressing the Unitarian Club on "Modern Movements in Christian Work."

Canon Scott-Holland, at the Holborn Restaurant on Saturday, presided over the fifteenth annual dinner of the choir of between sixty and seventy gentlemen who, assisted by the Cathedral boys, lead the musical of the Sunday-evening services at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Dr. MacLagan announces that he will in future hold ordinations at the Four Ember Seasons in each year—at Lent and in September for Deacons only, and at Trinity and Advent for priests. The examinations will be held a few weeks previously, and a course of devotional reading will be prescribed for the interval before ordination.

A book is to appear next month, entitled *Tanganyika: Eleven Years in Central Africa*. The author is Mr. Edward Coode Hore, master mariner. The volume is the story of the London Missionary Society's Central African Mission from its commencement in 1877, including the pioneer journey with bullock wagons, the survey of Lake Tanganyika, with a description of its geography and ethnology,

adventures amongst its tribes of natives, establishment of the Mission, and the building of the s.s. *Good News*.

The Bishop of Durham makes it a rule to spend the whole of the income of his bishopric on Church and Educational work. The late Bishop of Durham did the same. And there is good reason to believe that they are not alone among their brethren in this respect. It is well when money is in the hands of men who know how to use it, and have the heart to use it to the best advantage. To disparage such rich men as these is to wrong the cause of God and of His poor.

The *Jamaica Churchman* says, concerning the Bishopric of British Honduras, that 'steps have been taken to secure the nomination to the Provincial Synod of a fit person to be elected as Bishop in succession to the late Bishop Holme. When this election is completed (which will take some time), the Bishop-elect will be in a position to endeavour to secure from England further help in men and money for the diocese of Honduras. The new Bishop will probably be consecrated in England in due course, and so the necessity for a special meeting of the Bishops of the West Indian Province for this purpose will be avoided. The terms of the instrument extending the jurisdiction of the Bishop of British Honduras over clergy and congregations of the English Church in other parts of Central America have been settled.'

Eight years ago on Septuagesima Sunday, the White Cross Movement in America was begun by founding a society in New York at the church of St. John the Evangelist; from that time on the movement has spread throughout the country, and the various societies have been doing a noble and progressive work. On Sunday evening last there was an anniversary service held at the Church of St. John the Evangelist. The president of the society, the Rev. Dr. De Costa, made an interesting report of the work being done, and of the growth of the society. He also read a stirring letter from Father Ignatius, who became interested in the work in America while here last year. The Rev. Dr. Richey, of the General Seminary, made an eloquent address, showing some of the work being done by the Sisters of St. Mary at the Home of Mercy. Dr. Richey was followed by the Rev. Fr. Huntington, who spoke of the industrial question and its relation to purity.

"Robin" Dinner to East-end Cripples.—At Christ Church School, Jamaica-street, Commercial-road, 300 crippled children and attendants have just been given a "Robin" dinner and entertainment by the Rev. Charles Bullock and the committee of the Robin Dinner Fund. The meal was a substantial one, consisting of hot roast beef, potatoes, and plum pudding, and the children did full justice to it. Though their evident enjoyment was pleasant to witness, the most interesting part of the evening's proceedings was undoubtedly the arrival of the guests. Many of them could not come without attendants, who, in many instances, were strong boys, who carried their lame brothers pick-a-back on their shoulders; others came on crutches, some in perambulators, while a few who were totally blind succeeded in finding their way along through the dismal streets of one of the most wretched districts of the East-end.

Mohammedanism in England.—Mr. Quilliam, of Liverpool, leader of the Moslem party in England, who last year had audience of the Sultan in reference to providing for the wants of Mohammedans in this country, confirms the report that Moslems in Burmah, British India, and other large centres, are aiding the Liverpool Mohammedans by subscribing to the proposed building of a religious edifice to supersede the temporary mosque in Liverpool. It is also intended to build in Liverpool a Moslem College adjoining the new mosque. It is pointed out that many Mohammedans in Turkey, India, Syria, Egypt, and the British colonies on the West Coast of Africa desire to give their children a good English education, but hesitate to send them to Europe lest they should be influenced in their religious views. It is also intended to purchase land for a Moslem cemetery in Liverpool.

The new Education Bill is exciting the bitterest controversy in Germany. On the one side it is contended that the measure, which seeks to endow religious education, or rather to make it particularly compulsory, is only a move on the part of the Government to catch Roman Catholic votes. Speaking last week, Count von Caprivi thus summed up the other side of the question: "The root of the present differences lies deeper. The question is not one of Protestants or Catholics, but of Christians or Atheists. One view of the world which is making itself more