

children in the house at once, but they cannot keep so many now. It is the general rule not to keep children more than two years old. It is especially desired that those who have no mothers should be adopted. Sister Elizabeth said that baby clothes and clothing for children of one or two years was very much needed. The Nursery, which is situated at the corner of Kensington and Western avenues, deserves such contributions and more substantial ones too—most of all the personal inspection and interest of kind-hearted ladies, who must pity the innocent and unfortunate little ones.

#### ONTARIO.

**PICTON.**—An estimable parishioner, who is forward in every good work, besides contributing liberally himself, has collected the sum of \$1,000 in Picton towards the Church House which is about to be built in the centre of the town. The Rector intends to push this undertaking with his accustomed vigor.

**DESERONTO.**—The Rev. Rural Dean Stanton has recovered from his severe indisposition. His parishioners were delighted to see him in the pulpit again.

**AMHERST-STELLA.**—Major Maxwell, the great landlord of the island, has contributed the generous sum of \$500 towards the new church. This will almost clear the building of debt. A pleasing feature of the opening services of the church was the fact that a number of the tunes to which the hymns were played were composed by the talented rector, the Rev. Mr. Roberts, musical director. The tunes were bright and sweet and yet full of solemn expression. The name of the Rector was omitted from the list of the building committee. He was the chairman, and consequently the managing director of the whole undertaking. He deserves great credit for his work.

**PRESCOTT.**—There was a large meeting in St. John's Chapel, Prescott, on the evening of St. Matthias' Day, to receive Mrs. Cummings, a deputation of the Woman's Auxiliary. That lady, in company with Miss Patterson, had been sent to the North-West to visit and report upon the missions of the Church of England in that vast territory for the information and satisfaction of the Auxiliary. Mrs. Cummings visited Prescott among other places and gave an account of their journey of 7,700 miles, and the state and progress of the missions throughout what was once the great lone land. For nearly two hours this gifted lady held the audience enchained under the spell of her plain and unadorned eloquence. As she passed from point to point and from mission to mission, she offered not only suggestions for improvement, but also gentle but valuable criticisms. There is no doubt that this visit will give a great stimulus to the work and progress of the Prescott branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Rector of the parish, the Rev. W. Lewin, occupied the chair at this very interesting meeting.

**DUNGANNON MISSION.**—In this very extensive mission work has been carried on amid many difficulties, and with what result eternity shall tell. Scattered and poor indeed are its people, a few here and a few there, and yet they are precious souls—worth leaving the ninety and nine to seek and save. On the 22nd of October last the Lord Bishop of Toronto, acting for our own Diocesan, confirmed 61 candidates old and young. Long distances too some of them came that beautiful day and the next, for the Apostolic, holy and ancient rite of Laying on of Hands. Nearly all the candidates received Holy Communion. Two churches were consecrated, that of John the Evangelist at Bancroft, a pretty edifice. The rays of the morning sun shone cheerfully on its altar draped in white, and on the faces of the congregation who had come to join in solemn worship and to give their work to the Father who will not despise it, humble though it be. The other church was St. George's at L'Amable, which together with its burial-ground was consecrated in the afternoon on the 22nd. Confirmations were held at both these places, and on the following morning at Coe Hill, when 14 candidates were confirmed and Holy Communion celebrated. A Mission House has been purchased at Bancroft. It stands in a beautiful spot on the bank of the river. The Mission comprises the townships of Dungannon, Mayo, Faraday, Limerick and Wollaston, and the work is diffused over the greater part of all these except Limerick. The travel to reach all the stations is immense and necessitates much tiring labor. Churches require to be built in Faraday and Mayo as well as one in Wollaston, but we are so poor that we are unable to build. Who will help us? I ask, Who! But then help will surely come. We shall do all we are able ourselves. Pastor and people will put their shoulders to the wheel, and then who can tell but some neat little letters containing sums to help us in our humble yet holy

work, may not come to Bancroft addressed as follows: Rev'd H. Farrer, Bancroft, Ont.

#### TORONTO.

**St. James' Cathedral.**—The services which are held for business men every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during Lent, are being well attended. Punctually at 12.30 the service begins with prayer, after which a ten minute address is given by Canon DuMoulin, and the service ends at 12.45. The addresses are on the "Ten Commandments," and are short practical talks to men of business.

**Brotherhood of St. Andrew.**—At a meeting of the Canadian council of this society held on Wednesday last, Mr. N. F. Davidson of Toronto was elected President; Mr. S. Woodroffe, Woodstock, 1st Vice Pres.; Mr. T. Alder D. Bliss, of Ottawa, 2nd Vice Pres., and Mr. F. DuMoulin, General Secretary, re-elected.

**St. Matthias.—Lent Services, &c.**—There is a daily celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 a.m., with second celebration on Wednesday at 10.30. Even song is said at 8 p.m., with instruction on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; at 7.30 p.m., on the alternate days. The courses of instruction are on Mondays, "The Corporal Acts of Mercy," by the rector; on Wednesdays "The New Life and its Developments," by Rev. G. H. Webb; on Fridays on "The Hidden Life of the Soul," by Rev. T. T. Norgate. On the eve of St. Matthias' Day there was choral evensong, with a large congregation; the sermon by Rev. W. Hayes Clarke of St. Barnabas. The annual confirmation takes place on Thursday evening in Passion Week. The great distress among the working classes in the city, though not affecting the attendance at the services, has occasioned a reduction of the offerings, the parish being inhabited almost exclusively by labourers and mechanics. The Churchwardens have accordingly issued the following excellent "Lenten Appeal" to prevent a deficit at Easter. Rev. F. G. Plummer, whose health is improving slowly, is still travelling in Europe.

#### To the Congregation and Friends of St. Matthias

The Churchwardens appeal for liberal offerings during Lent and at Easter. The severe weather and scarcity of work during the winter have seriously affected the ability of our people to give to Church objects. We would, however, ask all members of the congregation to make an earnest and self-denying effort (and we are quite sure that very many will do so) in order that we may be able to pay all our debts at Easter. The last two or three years there have been about three hundred communicants on Easter Day. Now, if one hundred of them were to give \$2 apiece, one hundred \$1 apiece, and one hundred fifty cents apiece, this would make, with sums received from other worshippers, about \$400—almost enough to meet our requirements. There are many who can, and no doubt will give more than the largest sum named, and there are many to whom the giving of the smallest sum will mean considerable self-denial; but unless our giving does involve self-denial, it cannot be called giving, or be considered acceptable to God. We therefore ask all communicants, and others who attend our church either regularly or casually, to contribute liberally according to their means, be they large or small. The congregations at the different services on Easter Day will probably aggregate 1,200 or more people, who should be able to give at least \$400; and we hope and trust that we shall not be disappointed in this appeal to the liberality of our people, but will be able to hand over our books to our successors with a balance, even though a small one, on the right side.

PHILIP DYKES,  
GEO. GOUNLOCK,

Churchwardens.

Toronto, 15th Feb., 1891.

**Trinity University.**—On Thursday last the Missionary and Theological Association held an open meeting, when a lecture entitled "A Missionary Tour of the World," illustrated by many excellent lime-light views, was delivered by the Rev. P. L. Spencer, M.A., rector of Thorold. The Dean presided, and the attendance was good. After the opening service the Dean welcomed Mr. Spencer as an old graduate of Trinity, and briefly introduced him to the audience. Mr. Spencer commenced his lecture by throwing on the canvas the words of the hymn "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," which was sung by the choir, the audience hastily co-operating. The starting point for the missionary tour was Niagara Falls, and a beautiful view of the train crossing the cantilever bridge was exhibited. This was followed by one of a vessel of the White Star Line steaming down New York Harbour. The route followed landed us in England, and a charming picture of St. Augustine's

Missionary College, Canterbury, was greeted with applause. From England to the Dark Continent was but a journey of a moment, and a map of the Continent showed us at a glance the position of the missionary stations established in the various parts. The Church is evidently doing a good work here. The field has been recently sowed with the blood of the martyrs Bishop Hannington and the heroic McKay of Uganda, which invests it with a peculiar interest at the present time. The frightful outrages of the Mohammedan slave dealers were next illustrated, and suggested a profitable contrast between that religion and Christianity. That the slave trade will eventually be entirely extinguished, and that largely owing to the zeal of Christian missionaries, there can be little doubt, and we may be thankful that England's work in freeing the slave is at least some set off to certain commercial abuses which have been too long permitted to stain her records. From Africa to Ceylon, with sundry interesting views illustrative of Buddhism; from Ceylon to Japan, with whose mission field we of Trinity have lately become so closely connected through the advent of Prof. Lloyd, and his friend Mr. Kakuzen, and the exodus of Rev. I. G. Waller, B.A., to undertake missionary work there, and from Japan to British Columbia, brought us once more on to home ground, but ground as full of missionary interest as any previously traversed. Mr. Spencer made us intimately acquainted with the work of the Church—and a good work it is too—in the vast territory of the North-west. Leaving Winnipeg we returned to Ontario via Muskoka, where a good word for Mr. Wilson's homes was uttered, the lecture views terminating at one of the most interesting spots in Ontario—the old Indian Church at Brantford. The lecturer held the undivided attention of his audience throughout his address, which was frequently interrupted by marks of approbation and interest. A hearty vote of thanks moved by Prof. Symonds—seconded by Rev. G. Webb, of St. Matthias' Church, and unanimously carried—brought the evening's entertainment to a close. It is hoped that Mr. Spencer will give this lecture in Toronto at some of our large church school houses. The value of pictorial representation for impressing upon the mind the spoken words, is well-known, and by Mr. Spencer's method a more comprehensive view, and a more durable knowledge of the missionary enterprise of the nineteenth century, is conveyed in one hour, than could be gained in several hours of reading, or even from speaking, unaccompanied by illustrations.

**St. Matthias.** Last Monday being the eve of the Feast of St. Matthias, full choral evensong was sung at 8 o'clock in this church, corner of Bellwoods avenue and Robinson street, by the choirs of St. Matthias' and St. Barnabas' churches. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Clarke, M.A., rector of St. Barnabas.

**St. Stephen's.** Vice Consul Charles A. Hirschfelder, who is quite an antiquarian authority, whilst young in years, lectured last Monday evening in the school room on "Antiquities of America." Mr. John Canavan occupied the chair. There was a good-sized audience. The lecturer dealt largely with the mysterious works of the mound-builders, whose architectural remains were illustrated by a number of crayon drawings.

**All Saints.**—Rev. Dean Carmichael of Montreal lectured to a large audience in the school house last Thursday evening. Hon. G. W. Allan presided and on the platform were: Revs. A. H. Baldwin, J. Pearson, G. M. Milligan, E. C. Saunders, Dr. Scadding. "A Rough Royal Diamond" was the subject. It was a masterly review of the growth of the German nation and the important part played by Frederick the Great in promoting it.

**St. George's.**—The Working Men's Club in Phoebe street in connection with this church, which by some error has been attributed to St. Philip's, is doing a good work and attracting considerable attention. There is a course of evidential lectures on Monday nights during Lent, of which there have been already delivered the first by Canon DuMoulin on the Bible, the second on Prophecy by Rev. Edward Cayley, the third on the truth of the Four Gospels by Professor Symonds. The next lecture, on Miracles, will be given by Dr. Mockridge on the 9th inst., and the concluding lecture on the Resurrection, by Professor Clark, on the 16th inst.

The monthly meeting of the Toronto Diocesan Board of the Women's Auxiliary, which was held in the school house of the Church of the Ascension on Feb. 12th, was very numerously attended. Two incidents varied the usual routine of business. The first was the presentation to the President, Mrs. Williamson, and the Secretary, Mrs. Cummings, certificates of life membership of the Women's Auxil-