

of B. Street, or pay general calls on such-and-such people."

In the following week the study work could be varied, as thus—"I want you to make a careful analysis of Bishop Magee's sermon on 'Speaking Parables,' after which you will, without further reference to the work, write out from your analysis and preach on Sunday next a sermon on the same subject." Or again—"On each of the next six Wednesday evenings you will give an Expository Address on the Epistle to the Ephesians." Or—"On the Sundays of next month you will catechize the Sunday-school." Or—"During the coming winter I shall want you to work up and organize a Junior Branch of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood."

At the end of the year the student would be examined in certain prescribed works on Pastoral Theology (which might be made a part of the examination for Priest's Orders), and would receive a written report from the rector, upon the character of which would depend his advancement to the Priesthood.

The advantage of this system would be that the student would be far less independent and responsible than a regular curate, whilst the rector would be more critical and more responsible. The student would not feel that if he did not get on he could throw up the situation and try elsewhere, for his ordination would be dependent upon his report.

One obstacle in the way of such a scheme would be the arrangement of finances. I should propose that the student receive only board and lodging for this work, equivalent to \$250 for the year. There are, perhaps, a few rectors who could undertake on these terms the charge of two students, and several who would be glad to take one. The work accomplished would be an ample return for the responsibility of the training. In some of the larger parishes in the country, where it is impossible to raise sufficient money to support a curate, it would be possible—nay, it might be an inestimable boon to a hard-worked rector, to have a year's services of an earnest student in deacon's orders.

In conclusion, I would suggest to the Editor that he invite the rectors of Toronto churches to contribute brief letters to THE REVIEW on this subject.

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[NOTE.—We shall be glad to receive letters on this subject as suggested by Mr. Symonds.—ED. REVIEW.]

PERSONAL.

Rev. F. W. Kennedy, of Bolton, has started a mission at Ballycroy, in the northern part of his parish.

A new mission has also been started at Willowdale, in the parish of York Mills. It has been decided to employ a student regularly to assist the clergy of the parish.

Mr. H. J. Spencer now regularly assists the Rev. R. Seaborne at St Martin's, Toronto.

NOTE.

The annual meeting for the election of officers and transaction of other business, will be held on Tuesday, March 6th, at 3 p.m.

CONVENTION OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

The young laymen of our Canadian Church, who are bonded together in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, held their fourth annual convention in Ottawa from Jan 18th,

to 21st. The steady growth of the Brotherhood in Canada may be seen from the number of chapters enrolled each year. At the first convention held in Toronto in 1891 there were 28 chapters; in 1892 65 chapters; in 1893 105; in 1894 142. At the recent convention held in Ottawa there were about 200 delegates present, of whom 42 were clergy. The farthest Western delegate came from Winnipeg, while from the East there were several from Halifax. Three bishops attended the session of the convention, His Grace Archbishop Lewis of Ontario, Bishop Tuttle of Missouri, U.S.A., and Bishop Dunn of Quebec. Toronto was well represented at the convention there being delegates present from fifteen of the city chapters.

The actual convention was preceded by a quiet day conducted by the Lord Bishop of Quebec, in St. Alban's Church, Ottawa. His Lordship is a quiet yet forcible speaker. His subject was "Our Life, its Dangers, and how it may be lifted to a higher level." He showed the special dangers to which men were liable from lukewarmness and hardness of heart, and laid particular stress upon the necessity of strict self-examination and prayer. His four addresses, two in the afternoon and two in the evening, were very impressive, but above all, manly and practical. On Friday at 10 a.m. the annual charge to the Brotherhood was delivered by the Lord Bishop of Quebec, in St. John's Church. His text was, "A good soldier of Christ." His Lordship's charge will be printed in the March number of "St. Andrew's Cross." After the charge the delegates met in St. John's Hall, and the actual business of the convention began. The Archbishop of Ontario gave us a hearty welcome to the Diocese, and said that the Brotherhood recommended itself to him most of all for its "godly simplicity." After the president Mr. N. Ferrar Davidson had delivered his annual address reviewing the progress of the Brotherhood and inciting the men on to more earnest efforts in the future, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, minister of Marine and Fisheries welcomed us to the capital city of the Dominion. The remainder of the morning was taken up with organization, reading of reports, etc. Mr. R. Vashon Rogers, Q.C., St. James, Kingston, was elected chairman, and Messrs. C. Hubert Carleton, St. Stephen's, Toronto, and W. N. Moore, Grace, Montreal, secretaries.

The first conference of the convention was held on Friday afternoon on "Quality rather than Quantity, an essential requirement for Brotherhood work." "Quality in Workers" was handled by Rev. Canon DuMoulin of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, in his usual powerful way. R. O. Montgomery, St. Peter's, Toronto, spoke on "Quality in work." Other requirements such as loyalty, enthusiasm, simplicity, fraternity were dealt with, and many important suggestions were brought out by succeeding speakers in conference. St. John's Hall was crowded to the doors on Friday evening when an open mass meeting was held to discuss the Brotherhood campaign for the coming year. Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri, delivered a splendid and inspiring address fairly carrying his immense audience with him from beginning to end; stirring addresses were also delivered by the president, by Judge Macdonald, Brockville, by the Rev. W. J. Muckleston of Perth, and by Mr. John W. Wood, the General Secretary of the Brotherhood in the United States.

On Saturday morning the Brotherhood held its annual corporate communion in St. John's Church, the Lord Bishop of Quebec being celebrant. This was a grand and solemn service; there were present about two hundred earnest young Churchmen. The hearty way in which they took part in that service, with loud voices uttering the *amens* and responses, and singing the *Gloria in Excelsis* was an