

## Diocese of Toronto.

### ORILLIA.

On Easter Eve, the Rev. Canon Greene, Rector of St. James' church here, found in the vestry a beautiful new surplice, with black silk stole, the whole bearing the inscription, "An Easter offering from some of the ladies of the congregation."

St. Andrew's Brotherhood of St. James' parish have been conducting a Bible Class for young men on Sunday morning, and are now about to form one in the afternoon for young ladies, and all such as feel themselves too old to go to Sunday-school, and are not equal to the responsibility of taking a class of their own. The afternoon class will be under the care of Miss M. A. Evans.

## Diocese of Niagara.

### GUELPH.

*St. George's.*—The Lenten offerings of Sunday school, amounting to \$30, have been sent to the Board of Missions to forward to Archdeacon MacKay, to aid in educating Joseph Henderson, an Indian boy, at Emanuel College, Saskatchewan.

The Sewing Instruction Class has been very successful in the amount of work done during the past season, and the very large attendance, 96. On Saturday, May 5th, it closed for the season, when prizes were distributed for diligence and regularity of attendance.

The Bible Association has had a very successful season, the number of members has much increased, and the attendance at Mr. Ross' lectures was very large and regular, showing the deep interest they take in the instruction they receive.

A meeting for the organization of a class for Confirmation was held on Tuesday evening, the 1st May.

A Supplemental Choir has been formed and an organist secured, so that at the early Communion the musical portion of the Services shall not be omitted, as at times they have been. Their presence at the last celebration added much to the impressiveness of the Service. Miss Eva Taylor presides at the organ.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.**—About 700 children, with their parents and friends, assembled on Friday, 27th April, in the large school room of the church, when there was a lengthy programme of songs, recitations, dialogues, etc., all of which were well rendered. The precision and correctness which characterized these efforts of the children were highly appreciated by the audience, as manifesting the great care and attention of the teachers and the zeal of the young folk in learning their several parts. One little mite, four years old, gave a recitation in a surprising manner for one so young. There were also vocal and instrumental duets given by grown up members of the school and teachers, very effectively. A shadow pantomime, organized by Mr. Howard, caused great amusement. Miss C. Grenside, Miss Maude Oxnard, Miss Taylor and Miss P. Holliday presided at the piano and took the accompaniments, having for some weeks past taken an active part, together with Miss Nelles and the Misses Heyward, in preparing the children for the entertainment.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.**—Five candidates presented themselves for examination for the Certificates of the Institute on Monday evening, the 30th April. They have all been very earnest in preparation and it is expected they will all be successful. The four Arch-

bishops, Canterbury, York, Armagh and Dublin are the Chief Patrons. The Rev. Canon Belt, M.A., is local Secretary for this Diocese, and Mr. Biggar for Toronto. A high class Certificate is like a minor degree in Divinity. The examinations are conducted with great strictness. The questions come in sealed parcels to the Secretaries and are not to be opened save in the presence of all the candidates. When the answers are completed they are immediately sealed up and posted at once to the Chief Secretary in London. All the examinations are conducted simultaneously in Great Britain and the Colonies.

## Diocese of Algoma.

### AN APPEAL.

To members of the Anglo-Saxon race, no matter where they dwell, though distanced by primeval forests and the ever rolling seas from the home of their fathers, the Church of their fathers and of their fatherland is very dear to them. That Church, which has existed from Apostolic times, still exists as the Church of the English nation, has advanced with and spread herself with the English speaking world. No matter where we go, in the large cities of Canada, in the hamlets lining our vast railways, beside some obscure lake, or on the borders of the broad blue deep, we find her children. There they await the approach of the priest, there to confess their sins to God, Who alone can pardon and absolve them from all their offences, there to praise and magnify His glorious Name, there in the forest the untutored hunter lays aside his weapons to listen with attentive ear and earnest heart to the reading of the holy Word, the proclaiming of the glad tidings of salvation. It is in these desolate places that the clergyman is welcomed, there around the humble board he is invited to share their frugal meal. And yet there are districts where the services of our Church have to be conducted in protestant buildings, where things cannot be done decently and in order, and while worshipping in such places we pray for consecrated walls.

In the village of Wonen, situated about four miles west of M—, is a large congregation of the Church of England. They are anxious for services, and are compelled to hold them in the Orange Hall. According to the present arrangement we can only have two Sunday evening services a month, because the mornings that the clergyman is at Wonen is used by the Presbyterians, and every alternate Sunday the clergyman is conducting services at Sturgeon Falls, about twenty miles east. If we had a church at Wonen we would be able to hold morning and evening services every alternate Sunday. In some parts of the Diocese of Algoma the clergymen are obliged to travel from one part of their missions to another part, and often the trains will not permit a service at various parts of the mission on the Lord's Day.

A church we are sadly in need of. The people in this lumbering district are poor, but anxious and willing to do their best to erect a little church, one about forty feet long by twenty-five feet wide, with chancel and vestry. About \$700 is the amount required to erect a church. We are satisfied to have a plain church, but let it be warm and comfortable. Surplices and stoles are also required. Large open surplices are better suited for this part, where often it is necessary for the clergyman to robe in the presence of the congregation. Will some of the friends of this Diocese kindly present a Communion set and font to Sturgeon Falls? Cannot some of the wealthy members of the Church of England in Canada assist us in our poverty and our need? I am sure that if they were at Wo-

nen, at a service, and saw our disadvantage and our want, they would not only be willing to assist us, but even anxious to do so. The prayer of the members of this Church of England mission is that those who are using the grand old service of the Church of England—using it in their comfortable churches—will remember them in their distress, and come forward to assist to build a church. Our earnest prayer is that you will remember us and help us. Remember the missionary of Algoma, who sometimes is obliged to conduct the grand old service of the Church we love in a school-house, sometimes in a union hall, sometimes in a log shanty, while you are worshipping in your beautiful churches and cathedrals.

All contributions in money will be sent to D. Kemp, Esq., Synod Office, Merchant's Bank Chambers, Toronto, Canada. All presents of ornaments will be received by me.

Believing that our prayer will be answered, and anxiously looking forward towards receiving help,

I remain,  
Yours sincerely,  
EDWARD LAWLOR, M.A.

## THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING.

At a recent meeting of the local assembly of the order of the Daughters of the King, held in the Guild House of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia, Mrs. John B. Falkner read a paper, in which answers were given to the misconceptions to which the order is subjected. In endeavoring to extend the work in the diocese, the plan was adopted of writing to each rector, or minister in-charge, of a parish. In reply some held out the hope that at some future day, the subject would meet with consideration. The greater number declined to establish chapters and mentioned the objections. A chief objection was that there are already too many organizations.

Mrs. Falkner's paper is, in substance, as follows: We claim for our order that it can exist and be useful in any parish even though that parish be already thoroughly organized. It can take its own place and do its own work without interfering with other organizations. This because it is an order and not an organization, and because its specific work is primarily spiritual and individual. Surely there is room in every parish for an order whose object is the bringing of women under the influence of the Church, and the consecration of its members to earnest effort for the advancement of piety and good works.

Another objection offered is, the name, which is too much like that of the King's Daughters. Whenever used explanations are needed. Two clergymen assure us that but for our name they would gladly establish chapters in their parish.

We can only plead that we are not to blame in this. OURS IS THE OLDER ORGANIZATION. We could not obtain letters patent on the name, nor had we any protection against the infringement of our rights. It is our misfortune and has worked to our injury. But, begging the pardon of those who have raised the objection, it seems a small one. If the aims and work of the order are good and desirable, the name seems unimportant. May I suggest that any disadvantages arising from our name may be counterbalanced by the advantages of association, the mutual help, sympathy and counsels of others engaged in the same work? Let us hope that these parishes which have organizations similar to ours in aims and methods may feel that our name is not an insuperable objection to our order and may be induced to become one of us. In this matter of the name we do not suffer alone. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew meets