

Speeches were also made by Rev. E. P. Crawford, Rev. John Langtry, and others, in which the splendid work that Queen's and Victoria had already done for themselves was noticed. The appointment of a special collector was also suggested. The meeting then adjourned.

The Banquet.—Trinity Convocation dinner was held in the evening in Convocation hall. One hundred and thirty members of Convocation, graduates and students, sat down to the banquet.

Hon. G. W. Allan, chancellor of the university, was in the chair, while the vice chairs were filled by Rev. Provost Body, Rev. Professor Clark representing the university; Dr. Griffin, the Medical College; Messrs. J. A. Worrell and Barlow Cumberland and Mr. H. A. Bedford-Jones the students of Trinity.

The Toast List.—Chancellor Allan proposed the toast of "The Queen" in a short speech, which included a warm tribute of devotion to Canada.

The toast was loyally honoured.

Rev. Prof. Clark proposed the toast of "The Learned Professions."

His lordship Bishop Sweatman replied on behalf of the divinity profession.

Rev. Canon Dumoulin followed in a speech marked by his characteristic eloquence.

Dr. Bourinot, the representative of the Ottawa Local Association, made the speech of the evening, which was reported fully in the local press. Referring to the question of musical degrees, the learned gentleman spoke as follows: "And here I cannot refrain from making an allusion, and it has certainly a connection with a controversy in which the authorities of the university have been engaged—a controversy forced on us by a few ungenerous individuals in England, who have treated the whole question in a spirit of remarkable unfairness, and have proved quite conclusively in their case that music has few soothing charms. The legal position of Trinity seems to me to be remarkably strong, and its wants have been thoroughly explained to the public by the learned Provost, who in this, as in other matters affecting the welfare and stability of the university, has evinced those qualities of earnestness, energy and knowledge which are eminently his."

Dr. Sheard, on behalf of the medical profession, made an admirable speech which was loudly applauded, and the Bishop of Niagara in proposing the toast of the evening, "Trinity" was received with the usual signs of esteem by the audience.

Speeches were also made by Messrs. Barlow Cumberland, J. R. Cartwright, the Provost, Dr. Geikie, Mr. Bedford-Jones, Rev. W. B. Carey, S. F. Houston, Rev. J. C. Davidson, and others. Songs and college choruses were well rendered by the students, and received with much applause.

On Monday, October 27th, at 8 p.m., the annual convocation service was held. The college chapel was completely filled with a large congregation of Church people from all parts of the city. A gratifying feature of the occasion was the interest shown by the clergy, many coming from a considerable distance, about fifty in all, being present, most of whom took part in procession. The service was fully choral, sung by Prof. Lloyd, and the choir of college students. Rev. G. C. Mackenzie, Brantford, preached an admirable and inspiring sermon, which will be published in *extenso* in the November issue of the *Trinity University Review*.

S. Stephen's.—The Young People's Association of this church gave an At Home on Monday evening. An excellent programme was furnished, to which the following ladies and gentlemen contributed their quota of readings, songs and instrumental music:—Mrs. Hardy, Mrs. Patterson, the Misses Cropper, Klinger, Lewis, Canavan and Burrage, and Messrs. St. Clair and McDonald. During the evening there were elected by acclamation—Mr. J. Canavan, president (re-elected); Mr. G. F. Lewis, first vice-president, and Dr. Dawson, second vice-president.

Grace Church.—A large number of the young men of this church met Tuesday evening in the lecture room and organized a young men's association, to be known as Grace Church Young Men's Association. The following officers were elected:—Rev. J. P. Lewis, honorary president; Rev. C. C. Kemp, honorary vice-president; W. Beatty Nesbitt, M.D., president; S. Corley, vice-president; Geo. Lount, secretary; Geo. Waddell, treasurer. The society will meet fortnightly on Mondays.

S. Matthias.—The Young People's Association of this parish has become one of the institutions of the West End. Its fortnightly reunions are looked forward to from week to week, during the greater part of the year, as furnishing entertainment of a high class and of wholesome tone. The season opened this year with a lecture on "Japan," by the talented Prof. Lloyd of Trinity University. There were also songs before and after the lecture, and an address

(in costume) by Mr. Kakuzen of Japan. The lecture was delightful, and the rest of the entertainment reflected great credit on Miss Harrison (daughter of the Rector), who had become responsible for the programme on this occasion. Other members of the committee will, in the same way, take up in turn the entertainments which are to follow. The Rector, seconded by Mr. Alderman Verral, moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. Prof. Lloyd and others who contributed to the pleasure of the evening. Notwithstanding the continuous rain and muddy walking, the two rooms were filled on this occasion. A desire was expressed that the lecturer would give another lecture to the Y.P.A. on the same subject. Miss Gray, of Parkdale, accompanied the singers very efficiently, among whom besides herself were Messrs. J. Bryce Mundie, J. Carter Troop, and Dr. B. L. Bain. A large number of new members were enrolled as part of our proceedings. In our report of the harvest festival of this parish, the name of Rev. H. Pitman was inadvertently omitted from the list of preachers. Rev. F. G. Plummer has sailed for England on a two year's furlough on account of ill health. He is much missed in the parish in services, but his place is well supplied by Revs. G. H. Webb and T. T. Norgate, the former being choirmaster as well as assistant priest, and the latter as deacon in the parish work and services. Mr. J. Mockridge takes the position as organist, in which Mr. Plummer was so efficient.

—S. James' cathedral was crowded to the doors last Sunday evening when Rev. Dean Carmichael, of S. George's church, Montreal, ascended the pulpit to speak to young men. The sermon will long remain stamped upon the minds of those who were fortunate enough to be within the range of the eloquent divine's voice. Dean Carmichael read as his text from the second book of Samuel, selecting the eighteenth verse: "And they took Absalom and cast him into a great pit in the wood and laid a very great heap of stones upon him."

PORT HOPE.—The members of the Women's Auxiliary in this place and many others who are interested in missions, were pleased and encouraged in their efforts, and received much information from the address of Mrs. W. Cummings, who spoke on Monday evening, October 20th, in the hall of the Y.M.C.A. Mrs. Cummings gave an account of her recent missionary trip to the North-West, and her address was highly appreciated.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—At the last session of Synod a committee was appointed, with Archdeacon Dixon as Convener, to consider the changes required in constitution and canons, and report at the next session of diocesan synod. On the 28th ult. the first meeting was held at Hamilton, when there were present with the Convener E. Martin, Chancellor, Q. C.; A. Bruce, Q. C.; W. F. Burton, W. Bell and K. Martin, barristers; Canons Belt and Sutherland; Revs. W. R. Clark, R. Ker, C. E. Whitcombe and W. J. Armistage, and Messrs. A. Gaviller, J. J. Mason, F. E. Kilvert and E. Kenrick. These gentlemen went to work heartily, and arrangements were made to convene another meeting in November.

GUELPH.—*St. George's.*—In the afternoon of Sunday, the 12th of October, His Lordship the Bishop addressed the Sunday School and presented the English "S.S. Institute" certificates to the teachers who had competed for them. In giving them he expressed his great satisfaction in reference to the efforts that were made in St. George's Sunday School to qualify the teachers for the Institute examinations, which were of a very high character and required both time and earnest study on the part of the candidates to secure the honors that had been conferred on them. Miss Annie Hutchinson, Section A.—1st class. Miss Alice Stanley, Section B.—1st class. Miss E. Fay Chisholm, Section B.—2nd class. Miss Frances M. Ridgeway, Advanced C.—1st class. Miss Charlotte E. Ridgeway, Advanced C.—1st class. Both the latter young ladies are qualified to enter for the highest certificates which are given by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and also the Special Division D. The highest standard of marks is 100 in each subject. In the P. Book exam, Miss F. M. Ridgeway got 90 marks, and C. E. Ridgeway, 82. This is a very high average. Several candidates will present themselves at the exam. next April. On Sunday, the 12th ult., the Rev. E. P. Crawford preached in the morning on behalf of the Missions of the Church. His sermon was of a very stirring and earnest character, and a large offertory was taken up for the widows and orphans of the clergy. In the evening the Bishop preached to a large congregation, an excellent sermon, on the work of the Holy Spirit. The church improvements are much admired. The carpet in the chancel adds

greatly to its beauty, and the Bishop in his late visit commended it highly. It is now the finest chancel in the Diocese. All the funds for the improvements are not yet in hand, and it is desirable that they should be paid in before an effort is made to push on with the much-needed painting of the interior of the church. On Thursday evening, the 23rd October, a most pleasing Harvest Home Festival was held in the school room of St. George's church, by the members of the Bible Association. Notwithstanding the night was wet and stormy, there was a very large attendance. The chair was occupied by Ven. Archdeacon Dixon, who welcomed those present and alluded to the bounteous harvest of this season. The harvest was God's annual gift to mankind, and without it all other branches of trade must be paralysed, for nothing could make up for a failure of the fruits of the earth. The programme opened by the singing of the 276th hymn, "Come, ye thoughtful people, come," by the choir. This was followed by a choice selection of instrumental solos, recitations and readings. The Rev. Mr. Seaborn gave a very impressive reading. At the close a vote of thanks to the association by Dr. Lett and Mr. J. M. Bond, was moved, and unanimously carried. Dr. Lett spoke of the excellent taste displayed in the decorations, and both gentlemen expressed the pleasure they felt at being present at the entertainment. The singing of God Save the Queen, and the pronouncing of the benediction, brought a very pleasant evening's entertainment to a close. The annual meeting of St. George's Church Young People's Association for the election of officers was held in the school room on Tuesday, the 21st ult. There was a full attendance, and considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings. Reports of the treasurer and auditor were read, showing a balance of \$68.72 on hand, after transferring \$571 to the Chimes' Trustees. A strong committee of management was chosen to co-operate with the officers. The society commences the season under favorable auspices. They have now raised about \$2,000 toward the purchase of a peal of bells for S. George's church, and they hope this year to be able to raise the balance necessary for this purpose.

HURON.

MITCHELL.—The Bishop has appointed the Rev. A. Dewdney, of Durham, to be rector of this parish. On a week-day evening recently his lordship preached here, when the Rev. W. Taylor conducted the service, and the Rev. J. W. Hodgins, of Seaford, took part. At a vestry meeting, held some time since, it was resolved that the stipend of the new rector, whoever he might be, should be \$800 instead of \$1000, as in the past. Mr. E. Lawrence, Manager of the Merchant's Bank in this town, has passed away from consumption. His funeral was conducted by the Rev. Canon Patterson, of Stratford, to which town the body was taken for interment.

ALGOMA.

THE RURAL DEANERY OF MUSKOKA.—The clergy of this deanery assembled at Bracebridge, on Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 24th and 25th, to transact the business of the Chapter, which an extended programme described. By the kindness of the incumbent (Rev. J. Boydell) the Chapter met at S. Thomas' parsonage. On Wednesday there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m., and at 10.30 the actual work of the chapter was commenced with prayer by Rural Dean Liwyd, who followed on with a short congratulatory and felicitous speech. The minutes having been read by the hon. sec. (Rev. A. H. Allman), were also subscribed by the chairman. The Greek text of 1 Cor. i. (verses 1-9) was then taken up, and after a very suggestive introduction by the chairman, in which were gathered up the homiletics of the epistle, a very helpful time was spent in exegetical exercise. Not only was the Greek taken up clause by clause, but many separate words also came up for keen and earnest discussion, both as to history and to doctrine. It was resolved that on the next occasion verses 10-16 (inclusive) be taken up. Two of the clergy were unavoidably absent from the morning session. The afternoon session commenced at 1.30, when all the clergy of the chapter were present, viz., Rev. Rural Dean Liwyd (chairman), and Revs. J. Boydell, M.A. (Exam. chaplain), W. T. Noble, B.A., A. H. Allman, H. N. Burden, L. Sinclair, and H. P. Lowe, B.A. The Rev. H. N. Burden read a paper, the subject of which was—"On preparation, and preaching, of sermons." The paper was based upon advice in the writings of the late Rev. Richard Ansbury, and contained some pertinent suggestions and suitable warnings about texts, subjects, and aims. Common-sense, sound judgment, and fitness were insisted upon; whilst incongruous, obscure, and fanciful texts were to be studiously avoided, as also subjects out of harmony with the seasons, the Church's order, and local surroundings. The subject was freely discussed