

Statistics—Revs. Alfred Brown, D. Williams, T. C. Farthing, W. Stout, Messrs. Shaw-Wood and H. Macklin.

The Diaconate—Very Rev. Dean Innes, Rev. D. Williams, Messrs. R. Bayly, M. Wilson, C. Jenkins.

Religious Instruction in Schools—Revs. Canon Richardson, H. A. Thomas, C. R. Gunn, D. Deacon, A. Brown and D. Williams, Messrs. V. Cronyn, W. J. Imlach, James Woods, T. T. Harrison, T. H. Luscombe and G. W. Harrison.

Lord's Day Observance—Revs. W. J. Taylor, W. M. Seaborne, C. R. Gunn, Messrs. A. C. Clark and T. H. Luscombe.

BISHOP'S CLOSING REMARKS.

The Bishop had approached the Synod at first with feelings of anxiety, knowing that they were called upon to face a deficit, and to make reductions in salaries of men who were already receiving little enough. He thanked God that the business had been brought through with so much calmness and unanimity. He trusted they would all separate determined to do all in their power to rectify matters, and that all had been done for the promotion of God's glory and the good of His Church. The Synod closed with the doxology and benediction.

Executive Committee.—The newly-elected Executive Committee met immediately after the Synod, and after routine, the matter of reorganization of Port Stanley, Dutton, etc., was reconsidered, and the action of the committee at the March meeting was confirmed, which separates Port Stanley from St. Thomas and Dutton from Tyrconnel.

On motion, it was resolved that the pro rata reduction should take effect from the first of May, 1897. After some further business, the committee adjourned.

Mitchell.—The fraternal societies and Town Council of Mitchell united in a parade under the auspices of the Sons of England on Sunday, 20th, and all were privileged to hear a brilliant and instructive review of the Queen's reign, by the Rev. I. T. Kerrin, who took for his text Acts xxi. 20. On Thursday, June 24th, the cornerstone of the new church was laid by Dean Innes, who was assisted in the service by the rector, Rural Dean Deacon, Revs. Taylor, Ashbury, Jeanes, Mills, etc. The evening was spent in a garden party on Mr. Davis' lawn.

Stratford.—St. James' Church.—In the afternoon, Sunday, June 20th, a large number of fraternal societies attended St. James' church, and were addressed by the rector, Rev. D. Williams, M.A. The procession included the Sons of England, the Chosen Friends, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Ancient Order of Foresters, both juvenile and senior courts, Knights of Sherwood Forest, Canadian Order of Foresters, including the court from Gadshill, Woodmen of the World, Charity Encampment, and Avon and Romeo lodges, Independent Order of Oddfellows, Canton Patriarchs Militant, I.O.O.F., lodges of Loyal Orange Order, including representations from the adjacent townships, Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Foresters, Veterans of 1866-7, and Mayor O'Donoghue and the aldermen of the City Council, headed by the 28th Battalion band. The number participating was in the neighbourhood of 700, and in addition to these several thousand people thronged the line of march. The overflow at the church numbered several times as many as gained entrance. In the evening again St. James' was the scene of another society gathering. This time it was the Masonic fraternity that honoured their Queen and country by attending the service in a body and joining in singing the National Anthem.

ALGOMA.

GEORGE THORNLOE, D.D., BISHOP, SAULT STE MARIE

Rev. Rural Dean Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks £1 1s. 6d. from E.T.G., per A.C.D., England, for St. Mary's, Sand Lake. Also a

set of solid silver altar vessels from Miss Bennete, Quebec, for St. Andrew's church, Dunchurch.

His Honour Judge Johnston acknowledges the receipt of \$12.15 from the Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne, as follows:—Emsdale, \$7; Ebberston, \$2.15; Sand Lake, \$3; total, \$12.15, on Algoma Mission fund.

British and Foreign.

The Archbishop of Ontario recently addressed a large meeting at Kew on behalf of the S.P.C.K.

The Thirteenth Centenary fund for the restoration of Canterbury cathedral, now amounts to nearly £17,000.

At his ordination, held on Trinity Sunday last, in St. Paul's cathedral, the Bishop wore both his cope and mitre.

At several of the cathedrals in England and Wales on Jubilee Sunday the lessons were read by local Non-conformists.

There have been twenty-seven changes in the composition of the English Bench of Bishops during the past ten years.

The death is announced of the Ven. Archdeacon Hugh Jones, of Rhyl, who was the oldest clergyman in the Diocese of St. Asaph.

The Rev. N. Jones, B.A., minister of White Hills, Victoria, Aus., has been appointed Principal of Moore College, Sydney, N.S.W.

The total number of the C.M.S. missionaries at the present time is 723, or 43 more than at this time last year. Of these, 471 are men and 252 women.

The Leighton memorial in St. Paul's cathedral is to take the form of an altar-tomb. Lord Leighton was buried in the Metropolitan cathedral.

A silver processional cross has just been presented to the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's cathedral, and it will be used on all the great festivals of the Church.

The subscriptions towards the Victorian Liverpool Church House have now reached £11,760, which sum includes a donation of £1,000 from the Lord Bishop of the diocese.

The Bishop of Natal makes but very little perceptible progress towards recovery, and he has been forbidden by his physician to take any active part in the proceedings of the Lambeth Conference.

Two of the American Bishops at present in England took part in the dedication services at Stratford-on-Avon Parish church on a recent Sunday. They were the Bishops of Minnesota and Georgia.

A choir festival was recently held in Rochester cathedral, in which 10 choirs, comprising about 600 voices, from parishes in the Archdeaconry of Rochester, took part. The singing of the united choirs was excellent.

Mr. Austin, of Trinity, is the senior Wrangler in the mathematical tripos at Cambridge this year. He is just 22 years of age, and commenced his education in a Board school in Birmingham, where he lived with his parents.

The sum of £7,358 has been expended upon the restoration of the west front of Rochester cathedral. A further sum of £500, which was raised by the Dean's lecturing tour through the States, has been applied towards the cost of restoring the crypt, which is one of the finest in England. In it the old Norman work has been carefully preserved. It is now proposed to restore the two roofs, and to erect a new tower and spire, at a cost of some £20,000 more.

An eight days' mission was recently conducted in H. M. Prison at Wandsworth, by one of the Church Army staff evangelists with very beneficial results. It is proposed to conduct similar missions in various other prisons throughout the country.

The Drapers' Company, of the city of London, has offered to erect, at the expense of £15,000, a new building for the Radcliffe Library, thereby enabling Oxford University to provide additional accommodation for its scientific work, which was much needed.

The members of the Ruridecanal Chapter at Caerphilly, in East Glamorganshire, recently elected a lady as one of the delegates to represent them at the Llandaff Diocesan Conference. This is the first time, in Wales at any rate, that such an appointment has been made.

The Lord Bishop of Ossory and Ferns, Dr. Pakenham Walsh, has placed his resignation in the hands of his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. He was consecrated in 1868. The Bishop's resignation will take place in October next. He has spent the whole of his clerical life in Ireland.

In the course of a speech made recently by Canon Newbolt, at the annual meeting of the E.C.U., that speaker made a bold proposal. It was to the effect that there should be a sacred congregation of rites in the Anglican Communion to assist each bishop in ordering the ceremonial of his diocese.

A considerable number of Non-conformist ministers have accepted the invitation of the Council of the Home Renuion Society to meet the American and colonial Bishops visiting England for the Lambeth Conference. The conversation is to be held at the Church House on July 14th.

The Archbishop of Canterbury paid his first official visit since his elevation to the Primacy, to the King's School in that city, and in proceeding to the school-room ascended the famous Norman staircase, known as the King's Stairway, and which is only used by the Archbishop of Canterbury and members of the Royal Family.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has conferred the Lambeth degree of D.D. on the Bishop of Sierra Leone. The Bishop has also received a like dignity from the University of Durham. Bishop Taylor Smith is the only bishop who wears a decoration for services in the field, having the bronze star for the Ashantee expedition of last year.

It is proposed to erect a cathedral at Cape Town at a cost of £100,000, as a permanent memorial of the jubilee of the foundation of the Diocese of Cape Town by Bishop Gray, its first bishop. This was the first diocese founded in South Africa, and the whole South African Church has just been celebrating it. The new cathedral is to be one for the whole Province of South Africa.

Ten years ago, at the Queen's Jubilee, the Church House scheme took definite shape as the Church's general memorial of the Jubilee year. At her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee the Church House is in being, a recognized centre of the Church's organizations, and is now welcoming for some of its business the Lambeth Conference of Bishops who represent the Anglican Communion the whole world over.

The triennial Handel Festival, held recently at the Crystal Palace, was a very great success in every way. In speaking of the performance of "The Messiah," on the first day, one of the London papers speaks of it as being "but very little short of absolute perfection." Madame Albani took the leading soprano solos. The chorus numbered 4,000 voices.

The Bishop of London, Dr. Charles Lyle, rector of King's College, London, is one that is throughout the country more than a religious. His financial success is undergirded and won a logic and its testimony. The rector of St. Paul's, London, has been previously mentioned, from Stewart on W. Stewart, art, formerly, Stewart was wife is a daughter of the Archdeacon.

All Letters to the Editor should be signed. We do not print our correspondence. N.B. If a letter is not signed, it will be considered as anonymous.

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