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Calendar for April, 1894.

April	1--First Sunday after Easter.
	8--Second " " "
	15--Third " " "
	22--Fourth " " "
	25--St. Mark.
May	19--Fifth Sunday " "
	30--Rogation Day.
	1--St. Phillip and St. James.
	—Rogation Day.
	2--" " "
	3--Ascension Day.

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Clerical Visitations.

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week.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AND CONVALESCENT HOME.—
The Clergy in turn.

NORMAL SCHOOL.—The Religious Instruction Class every
Friday during the session, Rev. H. Pollard.

GAOL.—Rev. J. J. Bogert.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS WOMEN—

PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME.—Rev. J. M. Snowdon.

HOME FOR THE AGED.—Rev. T. Bailey.

GIRLS FRIENDLY SOCIETY.—Rev. H. Pollard.

A LESSON.

During the past few weeks an event has occurred
in the history of the Church in Ottawa which
should have the effect of opening the eyes of all
our people to a fact which a great many have seen
for years, and which they have endeavoured to im-
press on others. On the first Sunday in Lent the
Venerable the Archdeacon of Ottawa appealed to
the Congregation of Christ Church for an offering

on Easter Sunday, as a result of their Lenten self-
denial, of \$3,000.00, for the reduction of the
Church debt. The request was at first somewhat
startling, and many said that such an effort on the
part of the congregation was impossible in such a
short time, and at the present season when money
is so scarce. The clergy and wardens had, how-
ever, greater faith in the people and in the possi-
bility of accomplishing their object by means of a
direct offering, and the matter was brought before
the congregation several times during Lent. The
prayers of the clergy and people were also offered
for the success of the effort. On Easter Day the
offertory for this object alone amounted to \$2550.00,
and it is expected that there will be no difficulty
in obtaining the balance of the \$3000.00 in a few
days from those of the congregation who have not
yet contributed. This sum was not made up as
some suppose, of a few large amounts, but was
almost wholly composed of the general offerings
of the congregation. No individual offering
exceeded \$200.00 and the greater portion
of the sum was made up of amounts of less than
\$50.00 each.

The immediate result of this effort will be, that
Christ Church will forever give up the various
questionable means of raising money for church
purposes, to which she has some times resorted in
the past, and will endeavour to supply the means
for carrying on the work of God, in the way in
which He intends, by a return to Him of a sub-
stantial share of those blessings which come
from Him alone. It is also to be hoped that the
example of the people of Christ Church will be
imitated by the other congregations in Ottawa.
Let us abandon the operas and concerts and
entertainments, and the various other ways in which
we have shirked our duty in this matter in the past,
and thus the Church of England will stand as
an example to all other bodies of Christians. Let
us grasp the opportunity of setting this example
while we have it.

Apart from this view of the subject there is one
which rarely strikes people. The average amateur
opera, or other entertainment, costs those who take
part in it as much as, if given direct, would realize
the same result. This fact has been ascertained
from actual experience. Let us therefore not waste
that time which might be spent in a much more
profitable way, in trying to accomplish what can be
done so much better, so much more easily, and so
much more like what God's will is, in a direct way.

G. F. S. NOTES.

Our last monthly meeting was varied by the
novelty of a short lecture, partly on the subject of
Hygiene and how to take care of our health. This
part of the lecture was so good and so much
needed that we were sorry the limitations of our
time required it to be curtailed. The speaker