

in England through which influence is exercised to promote emigration to Canada is the two great religious societies, that is, the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge and the Society for Propagating the Gospel, through whose instrumentality, with the sanction of the Archbishop of Canterbury, information respecting Canada is furnished every clergyman in the United Kingdom." It is well to see the Church thus organically turning its attention to a more secular side of her work and which is still a most effective way of spreading her borders. The Romanists have had too long the monopoly of organizing and working colonization schemes and societies. Every priest in Canada is more or less in that Church a colonization agent ever on the look out for the filling of all sorts of places vacated by any Protestant with a Roman Catholic.

**FRELIGHTSBURG.**—The work on the tower of the Stewart Memorial Church is approaching completion, and when finished will greatly add to the beauty of the edifice.

**ROUGEMONT.**—His Lordship Bishop Bond held a confirmation service on Thursday last and preached a very impressive sermon, which received the close attention of a large congregation.

**ST. JOHNS.**—The Right Reverend Bishop Bond, of Montreal, administered Holy Communion and preached in St. James' Church, St. John's, on Sunday, June 3rd., preaching both morning and evening. In the afternoon his Lordship administered the Rite of Confirmation and preached in Trinity Church, Iberville. At all these services the Revds. J. F. Renaud and B. B. Lewis assisted, and the congregations were large and attentive. The thoughtful, earnest and practical discourses of the Bishop were listened to with the greatest attention. His Lordship was much gratified with the progress of the Church in this locality.

**GRANBY.**—Tuesday, the 26th May, was a "red-letter day" in the annals of St. George's Church, being the occasion of the Bishop's visit to the parish, which had been looked forward to with much pleasurable expectation. Notwithstanding the heavy rain which prevailed during the day, a fairly large and very representative congregation were assembled in the Church at the Confirmation service in the morning. His Lordship, as his manner is upon these solemn occasions, pointed out to the candidates for the laying on of hands, the importance and responsibility of the step they were about to take. The Holy Communion was then administered, and more than half of those present availed themselves of the privilege of "drawing near of faith." The ladies of the congregation provided a sumptuous tea in the rectory, to which a goodly company, representing nearly every family in the parish, sat down. Old and young assembled, with their Bishop as the chief guest, to partake of the almost endless supply with which the tables were groaning. The day being also the rector's birthday, the members of the congregation took advantage of the occasion to present him with a substantial token of their regard and esteem, which took the form of a purse containing \$75 in gold.

The peoples' warden, Mr. W. H. Robinson, in a few happily chosen words, made the presentation, assisted by Mr. John Bradford, remarking that that occasion had been selected, the Bishop being with them, that he might see in this light act a confirmation of his wise choice in sending Mr. Longhurst to labor among them. The rector replied in feeling terms, thanking the congregation for this fresh instance of their confidence and esteem. In the evening a missionary service was held, which was also largely attended. On the following evening the ladies held a social at the rectory, where a very pleasant evening was spent. The proceeds of the evening were devoted to the funds of the Church Women's Association.—*St. Johns News.*

## DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

(From our own correspondent.)

**TORONTO.**—*St. Peters.*—We understand that Mr. W. P. Atkinson, Secretary-Treasurer of Synod is to begin his duties as organist at this Church on the 1st of July. Mr. Atkinson formerly filled the same position, but for some years has been otherwise engaged.

**RECENTLY** Christ's Church, Woodbridge, had a red-letter day. Matins were said early in the A. M., and a sermon was preached by a clergyman from Toronto. In the p. m., were pic-nics, lacrosse and other games; and in the evening an admirably dramatic and musical entertainment. The proceeds were devoted to the organ fund.

**CAVAN.**—During his recent visit, the Bishop of Toronto, confirmed a total of 49 persons in three of the Churches in the parish. As usual the number of female candidates for the Apostolic Rite predominated there being 31 females and only 18 Males.

**Quarterly Service.**—A special service in connection with the Canadian Association for Intercessory Prayer is appointed to take place at St. George's Church, Toronto, on Monday, 11th June, at 8 p. m. A celebration of Holy Communion will also be held on the following Wednesday.

**CAMBRAY.**—The Rev. Mr. Softly has been recently appointed as assistant to the Rev. J. E. Cooper in this extensive Mission.

**LINDSAY.**—The plans for the new church which have been prepared by Mr. Darling, of Toronto, are approved. The church will be a very handsome structure in Gothic style, with entrance facing the north, and with tower and spire at the north-west corner. The details give promise of an exceedingly comfortable and convenient church. It will occupy the present site on Kent St.

**Architectural.**—In the architectural division of the recent exhibition of paintings, etc., held under the auspices of the Royal Academy, Messrs. Darling & Curry show some admirable plans. Among the rest they exhibited a drawing of a proposed new church and parsonage at Newmarket, which are very picturesque, quaint and at the same time simple. The design strongly reminds one of similar buildings in an English village.

**G. F. S.**—We were sorry to learn that the service it was proposed to hold at All Saints' Church for the Girls' Friendly Society has been indefinitely postponed. It will probably take place in September. In the meantime this useful organization is flourishing.

**TORONTO.**—The Chief Justice of Ontario wrote the following letter to the wardens of one of the Toronto Churches. The suggestion which it contains was immediately acted upon.

*To the Church Wardens of the Church of ——— :*

GENTLEMEN.—Allow me to ask your attention to the rubric of the Church in relation to the offertory collections and to offer a suggestion in regard to one parish in connection therewith.

The rubric after giving directions as to the receiving of the offertory by the Church Wardens and others, directs further that they shall reverently bring it to the priest who shall humbly present and place it upon the Holy Table.

The present practice at ——— of the Church Wardens and Sidesmen approaching the clergyman in a body with the offertory in their hands and presenting it to the clergyman at the altar rail is a decided improvement upon the old practice of their straggling up separately each presenting what he has received as soon as he has collected it. The present is a more reverent mode of bringing to the clergyman the offerings of the people but there the reverence ends according to our present practice and as it seems to me ends too soon.

It should not end with placing the offertory in the hands of the clergyman for the rubric goes on to direct that he—the clergyman, "shall humbly present and place it upon the Holy Table."

Now while he is doing this what should be the attitude of those who have the moment before placed the offertory in the hands of the clergyman? Is it seemly that while this

act of humble reverence is being done by the clergyman the bearers of the offertory should be turning their backs and walking away?

What I take leave to suggest is shortly this, that until the offertory is placed upon the Communion Table, the bearers of it should remain facing it and then retire. Anything less than this does to the mind fall short of the reverence that is contemplated by the rubric.

I do not doubt that my suggestion will be received in the spirit in which it is offered. We have all a common interest in having the services of the Church conducted in a becoming and reverent manner."

## Province of Rupert's Land.

INCLUDING THE DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSEHAWK & ATHABASCA.

### DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

**WINNIPEG.**—The Synod Committee, on forming a Book Depository, met in the Education Office, on the 28th, and steps were taken for the immediate formation of the Depository. Rev. A. L. Parker was appointed Secretary, W. R. Mulock, Esq., Treasurer; and the following Committee to select and arrange for the purchase of Books—Rev. O. Fortin, Rev. A. L. Parker, W. R. Mulock, Esq., and Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, Convener. A committee was appointed with the the Archdeacon as Chairman, to arrange for a loan of \$500.

**PERSONAL.**—The Bishop of Rupert's Land desires gratefully to acknowledge the sum of Thirty Dollars from "D. E. F.," which amount has been given to the fund now being raised to meet grants from the Societies in England for an Endowment Fund for the support of Missionaries. When this is completed, several new Missionaries can be employed.

**Ordination.**—The Metropolitan admitted, on the Second Sunday after Trinity, Mr. B. McLennan, of Cumberland House, to the Diaconate, and the Rev. R. Machray, of St. John's Cathedral, to the Priesthood. The Bishop was assisted in the Service by the Very Revd. the Dean, Archdeacons Cowley and Pinkham, Canon Matheson, and the Rev. A. L. Parker. The sermon was preached by the Dean from 1 Tim. iv., 16. Mr. McLennan returns to work among the Indians.

### DIOCESE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

The Bishop of Saskatchewan arrived in Winnipeg the latter end of May, after a lengthened visit to England. His Lordship has the reputation of being very successful in raising money, and he has well sustained his reputation on this visit. From the S. P. G., the S. P. C. K., and the Colonial Bishopric's Council, he obtained grants of Five Thousand Pounds sterling, on condition of Eight Thousand Pounds additional being raised. While in England, he secured £3,000, and he will go back next winter with the object of raising the remaining £5,000. The £13,000 will be given towards the Endowment of the Bishopric, the Endowment of an addition to Emmanuel College, and the building of a Cathedral. The C. M. S. has appointed Rev. Mr. Jimmis to labour among the Blackfoot Indians. The S. P. G. will provide salaries from next January for at least two additional Missionaries. His Lordship speaks of the great interest manifested in England in everything relating to the North-West. He left for Qu' Appelle by rail on the 31st, and thence by waggon to Prince Albert, a twelve days journey. He delivered a large number of addresses, and among other things pointed out the position of the Saskatchewan River, and the facilities with which freight could be brought down to Lake Winnipeg, and thence by rail to Hudson Bay, a distance of only 350 miles. Hudson's Bay was very free from shoals, reefs and rocks. He also pointed out that the Hudson's straits were 500 miles long, and were navigable for three or four months in the year, if not longer, and that Churchill was nearer Liverpool than either Montreal or New York. By this means the North-West would be able to compete successfully with the Western States.