

ture transmitted through her of their wretched condition fully attested the need of such a society. Major General Strang addressed the society, giving it the benefit of the East Indian experience. He approved of the plan of reformation through schools for children, owing to the difficulty of influencing the adult classes. It was resolved to make collections in all the city Churches of Kingston, and the following ladies were appointed collectors:—Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Stevenson, and the Misses Dupuy, Spangenberg, Rogers and Evans. The society will meet on the second Monday of each month.

TRENTON.—It is proposed to engage a Curate to assist the Rev. Canon Bleasdel in the discharge of the duties at Trenton and Frankford. The advancing years and somewhat impaired health of the Canon renders this object desirable. It is thought that by the united action of the two congregations that a competent support for an assistant minister will be provided.

COUNTY OF CARLETON GENERAL PROTESTANT HOSPITAL.—This useful institution has many good friends whose names seldom appear publicly in connection with it, and who as quiet workers, have done it no small amount of valuable service. Among these may be numbered, Mrs. William Cousens and Miss B. Wills, members of the congregation of Christ Church, Ottawa, through whose exertions an organ has been placed in the main hall of the hospital. The instrument is handsomely cased in black walnut, and is usually sold for \$125, but under the special circumstances, it was obtained for the hospital for \$70. A balance of about \$30 is still due on it, which will, no doubt, be speedily contributed by the charitably disposed: When the organ was first placed in position, it was tried by Miss Wills, and the effect on the patients was most satisfactory. It has nine stops, and those who have heard it, and are well qualified to judge, say it is remarkably sweet and effective in tone. It can be heard in all parts of the building. Many of the patients who are not able to leave their beds, requested permission to have their room doors left open, the better to hear its sweet strains, while the convalescent patients gladly came nearer to listen to it. Mrs. Cousens and Miss Wills, as well as those who assisted them, have every reason to be proud of the result of their truly Christian work.

A PERSON who gives his name as Poer Beresford, claiming to be a nephew of the Archbishop of Armagh, is travelling about this Diocese imposing upon Church people and others. Hotel keepers are said to be the principal sufferers. He is apparently highly educated and well informed as to localities and families of distinction in Ireland.

DIocese OF HURON.

(From our own correspondent.)

THE Bishop of the Diocese returned home on Wednesday, the 14th inst., after an absence of about six months. His efforts on behalf of the Western University have been successful, and £3000 have been added to the endowment, and £3000 more are promised by friends in England. The Bishop brought the tidings of his appointment as Suffragan Bishop of Ripon, with the title of Bishop of Hull. The fact that he was about to retire from the charge of the Diocese surprised some, but when his advancing years are considered and the arduous nature of the duties of a Colonial Bishop it will not be considered surprising that he should seek a position of less toil and difficulty. For some time he has hinted that a Coadjutor would be needed, but he has probably taken the wiser course in resigning and leaving the Diocese free to choose a successor who will be able alone to discharge the duties pertaining to the office of a Bishop. Public sentiment appears to be against Coadjutor Bishops, as it is tantamount to depriving the clergy and laity of the privilege of electing their own Bishop, and virtually allows a Bishop to appoint his own successor. Bishop Hellmuth has been for many years a prominent figure in Church life in Canada. He has done much to promote the cause of religious education and his Diocese has made great strides

during the twelve years of his Episcopate. His withdrawal from Canada will be felt, and we wish him many years of usefulness in the honorable position which he has been called on to fill in the Mother Church. It is premature to speak of his probable successor. Bishop Sullivan is spoken of and would probably be the choice of the Synod if he can bring himself to relinquish the work in Algoma to which he was so recently appointed by the Provincial Synod. The Bishop of Toronto, an old Huron man, is also favorably spoken of, and other names are mentioned; but it is too soon yet to indicate any person as the probable successor of Bishop Hellmuth. Let us pray that a wise and faithful Bishop may be given to this important and promising portion of the Lord's vineyard.

REV. P. B. DETOUR, Rector of Mitchell, who has been absent a year in England on leave, has returned to the Diocese.

LONDON.—*St. Paul's*.—On the Sunday before Easter the Lord Bishop held a Confirmation in this church. Twenty-one candidates were presented by Rev. A. Brown in the absence of the Rector, who was confined to the house by a temporary illness. The Bishop addressed the candidates in a suitable manner, and preached an excellent sermon from the words "Resist the devil and he will flee from thee."

THE Synod of the Diocese will meet in June, when the Bishop will tender his resignation. Some six weeks must elapse before his successor can be elected by a special Synod called for that purpose. At present Bishop Sullivan is spoken of by many, and it is to be hoped that he will be able to accept the position which most likely will be offered to him. Algoma has many claims upon his consideration, but not a few regard it as a waste of power that a man of such parts should pass his life in the wilds of Algoma, and that if elected to Huron it would be a call to a field of wider usefulness which he should not disregard. Should Bishop Sullivan refuse to allow his name to be used several others are mentioned which will likely secure the support of a considerable number of the members of the Synod.

DIocese OF NIAGARA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

ST. CATHARINES.—*St. Barnabas Church*.—The week before Passion Week was devoted in this Parish, of which Rev. Alex. Machal is Incumbent, to a parochial mission, conducted by Rev. C. E. Whitecombe, of Stony Creek. The attendance at the early celebrations, afternoon instructions and evening mission sermons and instructions were very large. A satisfactory feature in the mission was the presence of the same faces day by day at the various services, shewing a deep interest and earnest desire to carry away a connected lesson from the chain of instruction.

PERSONAL.—We deeply regret the continued indisposition of the Rev. Rural Dean Holland. We learn that Rev. F. E. Howitt has entered into a three months' engagement with Mr. Holland for service at St. George's Church.

HAMILTON.—*St. Luke's Mission*.—Rev. Wm. Massey, of Harriston, removes to Hamilton at Easter, and as assistant to Rev. Dr. Mockridge in Christ Church Cathedral Parish, takes charge of St. Luke's Mission. Since Rev. Mr. Howitt left the services at the Mission have been regularly kept up by Dr. Mockridge, with the assistance of an efficient lay reader, Mr. Christian Horison.

MATRIMONIAL.—Another clerical wedding is soon to be consummated, of which I shall give you a proper account.

PERSONAL.—We regret to hear of the serious indisposition of another Rector in this Diocese, Rev. W. E. Graham, of Thorold.

HOLY WEEK was well observed throughout the Diocese. We are glad to see that in the Cathedral, Hamilton, the week was commemorated by daily

prayer and meditation. At St. Mark's there will be a daily celebration—Good Friday excepted, when the liturgy will be the *pro anaphora* or so-called Ante-Communion Office.

ORDINATION.—There will be an ordination on Trinity Sunday.

HAMILTON.—*St. Thomas' Church*.—This church has been beautifully decorated in fresco painting, and the completion of the work was celebrated on Sunday last by special sermons preached by Rev. Mr. Lewis, of Grace Church, Toronto.

DIocese OF TORONTO.

(From our own correspondent.)

SCARCE.—Lenten Services and the numerous and pressing duties of the clergy at this penitential season account for the scarcity of news from the Parishes. Work is the order of the day.

APPOINTMENT.—The Rev. H. D. Cooper, B. A., formerly *locum tenens* at Bolton, has been appointed to the vacant Mission of Lloydtown.

ORILLIA.—Temperance is flourishing in this pretty and attractive town. Meetings of the Society are held on Wednesday evenings; the Band of Hope meets every Friday. The Rev. A. Stewart, Incumbent, is President of the adult Society, and Rev. J. O. Crisp, Curate, takes the Superintendence of the Band of Hope. A free circulating library has been established, numbering over 60 volumes with the prospect of increasing its catalogue. Very many temperance papers are circulated every month, among others fifty copies of the *Church of England Temperance Chronicle*, several copies of *Hand and Heart*, *The Temperance Visitor*, etc., etc. The promoters of this Society have taken an excellent plan to keep up the general interest by the dissemination in this way of good temperance literature.

GOOD FRIDAY.—It is expected that sermons will be preached in aid of the Society for Promoting Christianity Among the Jews in many of our churches on this Great Fast. Mr. Vicars, the Secretary, solicits contributions by way of collections and subscriptions, and his appeal is endorsed by the Bishop. The Society has had marvellous success, there being now over one hundred ordained ministers in England and Ireland who are of the seed of Abraham. At the Society's Chapel in Palestine Place, London, 767 adults and 764 children of the House of Israel have been baptized. Over fifteen hundred children of Jews are annually under instruction in the Christian religion.

SISTERHOOD.—Late numbers of the *Church Guardian* have given much information on the subject of the proposed Anglican Sisterhood in Toronto. The preliminary arrangements are being quietly perfected, and already numerous offers of help have been secured, chiefly in the way of annual subscriptions. The appeal for help circulated in England asks for £1500 towards putting the organization in operation. The English committee is a most influential one, having such names as the following: Canons Gregory and Liddon, Revs. T. P. Carter, Dr. King, C. W. Turse, C. E. Brooke; and among the lay members appear the names of Lord Forbes, Hon. C. L. Wood, Henry Wagner, J. Walter Lea and Dr. Meddows. We trust the efforts of the promoters will result in securing the sum asked for and thus place the institution, which is loudly called for in this city, on a sound financial basis. It is time the senseless and puerile objections raised against Sisterhoods, and based upon ignorance and bigotry, should cease. We imagine the actual working of one such institution in our midst will do more to accomplish this than all the writing or speaking that can be imagined.

SKETCHES.—*The Evening News* is now publishing short biographical notices of the city clergy. Perhaps your correspondent may have occasion to refer to them more largely in the future.

BARRIE.—The Rector, Canon Morgan, is endeavoring