

tian Church. The resolution on that subject was read, and His Lordship said its deep significance was not to be overlooked. These great bodies known as the Non-conformists, in England are the nearest to the English Church in mind and belief, and it is to these that she is desirous of publishing her intention of inviting a brotherly conference and mutual discussion on the subject. Thirdly—The conference showed the desire of the Episcopal Protestant Church to meet in a friendly spirit all who were inclined to meet her. Fourthly—the conference has vindicated the character of the Church as a bulwark of the truth. It has grappled with the question of polygamy in its different mission fields, and has maintained the sanctity of marriage, entering a powerful protest against the facility which the civil law grants divorces on other grounds than those indicated by our blessed Lord. Purity, temperance, and the sacred observance of the Lord's day were all not only advocated but strongly urged as divine principles to be everywhere enforced. Notice is drawn to the Ecumenical letter, a careful study of which will reveal the mind of the congress on some of the great questions of the day.

OBITUARY.

Under the obituary heading the Bishop made a touching reference to the late Dean Boomer, who was loved by all who knew him, and as a faithful minister of the Lord Jesus he preached the Gospel. The Rev. Richard Dingwell Freeman, late incumbent of Lambeth, entered the ministry late in life, and was a comparative stranger here, but as one who knew and loved him, his Lordship said he possessed a simple, child-like faith, and he fell asleep in Jesus as a faithful servant whose work being done entered into his rest.

The Mission Fund debt had been reduced to the insignificant sum of \$5,000, and while the receipts were in excess of last year, they would be more still were it not for the wholesale and reprehensible neglect of the offertories appointed by the Synod. (Applause). While some neglected these from the idea of their people being overtaxed, they should remember their loyalty to the Synod and their obligation to obey, and also the other phase of the question that there were some who took a lively pleasure in contributing to such objects. If a preacher announced special collection and there was no response to it, he had done his duty and the people were to blame. He directed their careful attention to the amendments to the Canon on Superannuation. The record of Episcopal acts was given in detail, the Bishop stating that he had (with the exception of less than 100) confirmed personally over 8,000 candidates since his connection with the Diocese.

The following new churches had been erected :
St. Paul's Church, at Southampton.
St. George's, Hamburg.
Christ Church, Glanworth.
The Church of the Ascension, Comber.
The Trivett Memorial Church (to be opened at an early date).
St. John's Church, Desborough.
The Church of St. John the Evangelist, London.

A new church at Terrace Hill, near Brantford, and another at Horndale.

All Saints' Memorial Church, in connection with the Memorial.

Christ Church, Forest, and a new church at Hyde Park, to be opened the first Sunday in January.

ORDINATION.

Two ordination services had been held during the past year, the first at Woodstock when seven deacons and five priests were ordained, and in St. George's, London West, when three deacons were ordained.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

The agreement under which his Lordship authorizes the placing of his chair in St. Paul's Church was read in full.

APPOINTMENTS.

As Rector of the Mother Church of the Diocese and as one entitled by his position, his years and his character to the office, his Lordship announced that he had appointed Rev. George M. Innes, M. A., to the Deanery of Huron, vacant by the death of Very Rev. Dean Boomer, to the Archdeaconry of Grey, the Rev. W. H. R. Malholland, Rector of St. George's Church, Owen Sound. Two positions in the Chapter thus becoming vacant, he collated to these vacancies Rev. A. S. Falls and Rev. Evans Davis. He purposed making a change in the manner of appointing Rural Deans, the plan proposed being to have the Archdeacon of a vacant Rural Deanery to summon a meeting of the clergy and churchwardens and delegates to elect by ballot some duly qualified one of their own number, and after such nomination is made his Lordship will make the appointment therewith.

The Women's Auxilliary of the Diocese was doing a great and noble work, and deserved the hearty support of the clergy. Huron College is worthy of the cordial and hearty support of the ministers and people for the good work it is doing under Rev. Principal Fowell. He asked the clergymen present, in view of the want for ministers, to use their efforts to bring forward the young men who they observe are suited for the work. The question of unity in the Church of Christ was pressed upon the notice of the individual members of the Synod. The benefits of the quickening of grace were pointed out, and in conclusion his Lordship said his efforts so long as he held the position of Bishop would be to promote the spiritual growth and health of the Diocese, believing that where these things were possessed all other things would be added to them. He expressed the hope that this would be one of the shortest and most beneficial meetings of the Synod.

Rev. Dr. Armstrong then proposed the suspension of the rule of order, and a vote of thanks to the late Commissary, Dean Innes, which was unanimously carried, and suitably acknowledged. Several memorials were read and notices of motion given, and the Synod adjourned at 4.45 to meet at 7.30 p. m.

(To be continued.)

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

FORT WILLIAM EAST.—The Church in this parish suffered a great loss by the removal of Mr. W. H. Carpenter and family, to Rat Portage, in consequence of Mr. Carpenter's appointment as Sheriff of the sub-district of Rainy River. Much regret is felt at their departure, and the only consolation being the hope that in God's providence, the removal may be for their welfare. The best wishes of all who knew them will certainly accompany them.

The Harvest thanksgiving service was held here on Sunday afternoon, the 11th inst. The room was appropriately decorated, and the attendance (ninety-three persons) the largest yet known to the assistant minister. The offertory, \$5.46, was in behalf of the Diocesan Clergy Widows' and Orphans' fund.

PORT ARTHUR.—The Port Arthur and Thunder Bay Parochial Magazine for December, says : The Bishop has fixed his residence for the winter at Huntsville, in the Deanery of Muskoka. An inspection of the map will shew the sound judgment manifested in the selection. It is central for the eastern and more populous parts of the diocese for the winter's work ; convenient for reaching Toronto, Montreal, &c., for those "begging expeditions" which are such a trial to the mind and body of our Bishop, but so necessary for the very existence of the diocese, and yet possesses railway facilities which will enable him to visit the Lake Superior and Thunder Bay regions without any difficulty at any season.

DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER.

(From the Churchman's Gazette, New Westminster.)

SAPPERTON.—St. Mary's.—The Lord Bishop and Mrs. Sillitoe arrived home on the 15th of November, after six months absence in England, whither the Bishop had gone to attend the Pan Anglican Conference. We are sorry not to be able to state that they arrived home in good health, but we trust the genial climate of B. C. will soon restore them that inestimable blessing. His Lordship preached at Holy Trinity on the morning of the 18th., and at St. Mary's in the afternoon of the same day. We, in the name of their many friends, tender them a hearty welcome.

DONALD.—His lordship and Mrs. Sillitoe arrived here on Sunday morning, Nov. 11th., accompanied by the Bishop of Japan and a number of workers accompanying him from England. While the train waited, the whole party visited St. Peter's Church, where a short office of thanksgiving was said by the Bishop of New Westminster, in acknowledgment of God's providential care of them on their journey. Rev. Mr. Irwin had met the party at Fielding, and after the train had departed said Mattins and the Bishop preached. Evensong was said at 7.30. The services here are very nicely rendered, owing in a great measure to the musical ability of Mr. Evans, the lay reader ; and the hymn singing is most hearty. Donald is soon to receive a second Church worker, in the person of Mr. F. E. Wright, who has probably arrived before this report is in print. Mr. Wright has been educated at Litchfield Theological College, is a son of a Clergyman in Litchfield Diocese, and has been engaged in work amongst railway men for many years.

YALE.—The Lord Bishop and Mrs. Sillitoe arrived in this Mission on Thursday morning, Nov. 14th., accompanied by Rev. Mr. Small, and Dr. Pearce, the new Medical Missionary to the Indians, who joined the train at Spuzzum, and were received by the Sisters, at All Hallows School, including Sister Margaret, who had come out with them from England as an addition to the Staff and had come on from Donald the previous Monday. The services of an additional Sister were very much needed in consequence of the progress of the school, and the presence of a competent medical man, in the Indian district will be not only of inestimable benefit to the Indians themselves, but of unspeakable comfort to the sister superior in her responsible charge. Dr. Pearce passed his examination, before the Medical Board, most successfully and is licensed to practice anywhere in the Province. His residence will be at Yale, but he will make frequent visits to North Bend and Lytton and other places within the Indian district.—We learn that the Rev. R. Small will go to England, early in January, on a three month leave of absence.

VANCOUVER.—The Rev. H. P. Hobson, curate of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, has been selected, by the Bishop, from amongst the clergymen nominated by the committee representing the congregation of the new Church, in Vancouver. Mr. Hobson has accepted the appointment and is expected to arrive early in December.

The Lord Bishop visited Vancouver on Sunday, the 25th., November preaching in the evening in St. James' Church. He stayed, during his visit, at St. Luke's Home. On Monday he consulted with a number of Churchmen relative to the "west end" Church, and called upon a number both of "old timers" and new comers. A sale of fancy work will be held in the Wilson Hall on Tuesday, December 18th., by the ladies of the Guild of St. James' Church and the Mission at Yaletown, for the benefit of the new Mission Church in Yaletown.