

sented at Whitsuntide with a special offering, amounting to \$165. The entire amount, expressive of the good-will of the congregation, was put upon the plates on Whitsunday.

**SHERBROOKE.**—*Opening of the Church of England Home for Waifs and Strays.*—The Church of England Home for Waifs and Strays was formally inaugurated yesterday afternoon, at the building of that institution in East Sherbrooke, in the presence of a large number of ladies and others interested in the work.

The proceedings were opened with a service consisting of suitable prayers and suffrages.

After the service, Rev. B. B. Smith introduced the Rev. J. Bridger of Liverpool, England, who spoke substantially as follows:—

It affords me much pleasure to meet you all here to-day to witness the completion of the work which was commenced about a year ago. The kind and liberal help of good friends in England, and the hearty co-operation of the Sherbrooke committee, have enabled us to day to open this delightful Home for little girls in connection with the Church of England Waifs and Strays Society. This movement in the Church of England is, I think, a most important one, as it marks what may be termed a new departure in the work of the Church among the poor. Noble men and women have for years been engaged in this most important work of taking children from wretched homes and influences in England, and sending them to a purer atmosphere in this great country. All honor to those good people who have done so much in this field of work. A great blessing has undoubtedly rested on their efforts. We heartily wish them every success. It is however surely the special work of the Church that she should have some distinct organization by which the lambs of the flock should be kept within the fold of the Church, and their early years surrounded by such influences as would make them faithful and consistent members of their Church. Hitherto, so far as I can learn, no special Church organization has existed for the supervision of children in Canada, and it was felt by many and earnest liberal church people in the old country that something should be done in this direction as a distinct Church of England effort. I was asked to find out a suitable part of Canada for the placing of a Home for children, and, in a happy moment, after making due enquiries I selected the beautiful town of Sherbrooke as the most suitable locality for such an institution. On my return to England last year, the committee met and it was decided to appeal for help to begin the work. Thanks to the munificence of one lady, ever foremost in works of mercy, and the untiring energy of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. de M. Rudolf, the money was soon obtained. The Committee in Sherbrooke was formed and set to work with a hearty good-will; the Bishop of Quebec undertook the presidency of the Canadian work; our excellent friend, Mr. H. B. Brown, has been a most able and hard-working Hon. Secretary to that committee and our good friend the Rev. B. B. Smith, who, I am sorry to hear, is just leaving this neighbourhood, has done everything in his power to make the movement a success. The ladies of Sherbrooke too have wrought nobly in this good cause. With such help it need not surprise any one that we are here to-day to witness, with thankful hearts to Almighty God, the completion of our home. We to-day formally open this building. I have brought out a most excellent matron in the person of Miss Bradburn, whom the children already love and you all will esteem very highly, I am sure. We want these children placed in respectable families as soon as practicable so that room may be made for others. You can see for yourselves how carefully these children have been selected. Their healthy faces and beaming countenances bear witness to their good physical condition. Should this movement succeed, as I have no doubt it will, other homes will be established in the Dominion.

We commend this work to the sympathy and support of the Church people in Canada. We ask them to take a kindly interest in this most import-

ant movement. We would wish them to look out for suitable people who would be willing to adopt these little ones as they are sent out from the Old Country. We need hardly say that any contributions, whether in money or in kind, will be most acceptable. Above all, we ask for their prayers, that this work, so happily begun this day, may redound to the honor and glory of God.

#### DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

Notice has been given by the Secretaries that, in accordance with section 10 of the Constitution, the Twenty-sixth Annual meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal will be held in the Synod Hall, Montreal, on Tuesday, the 16th day of June. There will be Divine Service with Holy Communion in the Cathedral at half-past ten o'clock. The Rev. W. H. Naylor, Rural Dean of Clarendon, preacher.

The Synod will meet for business on the first day at two o'clock in the afternoon, and afterward at ten o'clock each forenoon during the session, unless it be otherwise ordered by the Synod.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF LAST SESSION.**—Dr. L. H. Davidson's motion (see p. 33 last report),

"That inasmuch as the property, buildings and real estate held by the different Parishes and Missions in this Diocese partake of a parochial, as well as a diocesan, character, it be enacted by this Synod:

"That no sale, disposal or exchange of any property held in any Parish or Mission for the purpose of Church work, shall be made, nor shall any mortgage be granted thereon, without the consent of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, which consent shall only be given after the Bishop shall have submitted the proposal to the Executive Committee of the Diocese and to the legal adviser of the Synod:

"That no application shall be made to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec for authority to mortgage, sell, or in any way to interfere with or change the trust connected with the grant of any property held by any Parish or Mission within this Diocese for the purpose of the Church, otherwise than in the name of the Synod, and after due submission and consent thereby given."

Rev. H. W. Nye's motion (see p. 34 last report):

"That this Synod highly appreciates the excellent work that has been accomplished by the Montreal Theological College, and requests the Corporation of that institution to take into their serious consideration the propriety and expediency of placing it more directly under the supervision of the Synod."

The following notices of motion have been given:—

Rev. W. Ross Brown will move:

"That the appointment of grants from the Mission Fund be made, not to the Mission or Parish as is now the rule, but to the clergyman, so that his time of service and position in the ministry may be taken into account."

Rev. F. H. Clayton will move:

"That whereas the furnishing of a duplicate Register of Acts of Baptisms, Deaths and Marriages to the Civil Government is deemed unjust, burdensome and expensive, proceedings be taken by this Synod tending to the removal of the same."

Dr. L. H. Davidson will move:

"That Rule 26 of the Order of Proceedings of the Synod be amended (1) by the addition of the following words after the word "Synod" in the 10th line thereof:—The Printed Journal of each Session having been compared with the written minutes or notes of proceedings taken during the Session, and certified by the signature of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese (or of the chairman or presiding officer in his absence), to a statement attached to one or more copies of said journal, mentioning the number of pages therein and the number of words corrected, and countersigned by the Secretaries of said meeting, shall be held to be the true and authentic record of the proceedings of such session; and two or more of such certified

copies shall be kept on file by such Secretaries. And (2) by inserting before the word "copy" in the 10th line of said Rule 26, the word "certified."

**ST. GEORGE'S Y. M. C. A.**—At the weekly meeting of the St. George's Y. M. C. A., on Thursday evening, 28th inst. Very Rev. Dean Carmichael presided. Dr. Cameron, the appointed essayist being with the Garrison Artillery, his place was taken by Mr. Fred. Hamilton, who read a very interesting paper on "Wars and rumors of wars," specially dealing with the trouble in the North-west and the difficulty between England and Russia. A general discussion followed. At the next meeting Mr. Kyte will read a paper on "Spontaneous generation."

**St. Jude's Church.**—Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of St. Jude's church a "tableaux vivants" entertainment was given on the evening of the 28th May, in the lecture hall of the church. There was a large and appreciative audience. The Rev. J. H. Dixon presided. The programme, which was carefully selected and excellently carried out, was participated in by Madame Monsell, Miss Carlisle, Miss Lulu Smith, the Misses Dixon, Miss Mathews, the Misses Findlay, and Messrs. H. Tucker, J. McBoyle, E. W. Mills, J. Mathews, J. Dixon, McKeeman, Findlay, Pitt and Nottingham.

**Church of St. James the Apostle.**—The Rev. H. Kittson, M. A., is assisting the Rev. Canon Ellegood in the parish of the Church of St. James the Apostle. On Sunday the 24th, he officiated at the Church of the Redeemer, Cote St. Paul, administering baptism to one child, and preaching an impressive Whitsunday Sermon. The Holy Communion also was celebrated, 23 communicating.

#### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

**ONTARIO DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.**—In accordance with a resolution adopted at the last Session of Synod, of the Diocese of Ontario (p. 40 Journal) the Lord Bishop has signified his intention of holding a Conference of the Clergy and Laity on the evening of Wednesday, June 10th. The following subjects have been selected by the Committee for discussion, and the gentlemen named will either read a paper or give an address upon their respective subjects:—

1. The Obligation of the Tithe. Rev. E. P. Crawford, M.A.; R. Vashon Rogers, M.A.
2. Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions. Rev. H. Pollard; Judge McDonald.
3. The importance of Lay coöperation in the spiritual work of the Church. Mayor Smythe, LL.D.; Rev. Wm. Lewin, M.A.

The appointed speakers and writers will be limited to ten minutes each; volunteer speakers to six minutes. The Rev. Dr. Morrison, rector of Ogdensburg and Archdeacon of the Diocese of Albany, has kindly accepted an invitation to be present and address the Conference. The Lord Bishop of Ontario will take the chair at 8 o'clock.

W. B. CAREY,  
Chairman Conference Committee.

**MABERLY MISSION.**—The Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe acknowledges with many thanks the following subscriptions:—

**Maberly Church Building Fund.**—Per kindness of Rev Rural Dean Grout, M.A., Lyn, \$66; Miss Warren, Harper's Corners, per quilt, \$2.65; Mrs. T. Bedford-Jones, Napanee, \$2. Cash in bank to date, \$872. **Restoration Fund, St. Stephen's Church, Bathurst.**—\$76. **Grave Yard Fence Fund.**—\$15. For all these refreshing sign of life and interest taken in Church work in this mission, we can but with grateful and full hearts thank Almighty God—The energetic lay reader, Mr. P. T. Mignot, was on Whitsunday presented with a complimentary address and purse of \$16.50, by the choir of St. Paul's Church, Oso, and their friends, in appreciation of his services as choir-master  
Laus Deo!