

Asbury, on motion of Revs. Softley and Richardson.

At the invitation of Rev. W. Lowe it was resolved that the May meeting of the Chapter be held at Glenora. Rev. Messrs. W. R. Seaborne and R. Hicks were appointed to read papers at the next meeting.

A very interesting and profitable discussion then took place on the subject of lay help, in which Revs. Richardson, Davis, DesBrisay, Softley, Seaborne, Asbury, Sage and Hicks took an active part.

His Lordship the Bishop then came in and gave a powerful and practical address in his own characteristic way on the subject of lay workers in the cause of missions.

The Rev. Gowan Gilmour, of North Bay, Diocese of Algoma, then addressed the meeting expressing the great pleasure he felt at the kind reception he had met with in London.

After further business of a routine character the Bishop gave the Benediction, and the meeting adjourned.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—The third annual meeting of the Sunday School Association of the Deanery of Middlesex was held in the lecture room of Bishop Cronyn Hall Tuesday night, the room being crowded to the doors. Among those present were Revs. Canons Richardson, Davis, Hill, Smith, and Revs. Softley, Lowe, Diehl, Sage, A. G. Smith, Hicks, Seaborne, Shore, Wm. Seaborne, J. R. Asbury, and many laymen and lady workers in Sunday schools. The President, Rev. Canon Smith, presided, and the proceedings were opened with a hymn, Miss Thompson acting as organist, after which Rev. S. R. Asbury led in prayer.

After routine business the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, resulting in the re-election of the President, Rev. Canon Smith; Vice President, Mr. J. G. Wright; Secretary, Rev. G. B. Sage; Treasurer, Miss McDonald, and for Executive Committee the following:—Revs. Canon Richardson, L. DesBrisay, A. G. Smith, Messrs. Imlach and Armitage and Miss Geeson.

Papers were then read as follows:—By Mr. E. Lee, of St. Paul's School, on the subject of 'Discipline'; by Mr. A. E. Welch, of Christ Church, on 'The Needs and Duties of Teachers.' Rev. W. Lowe addressed those present on the same topic.

The next paper was prepared by T. H. Lacombe, of the Memorial Church on the subject of 'Order.' In the absence of the essayist through a severe cold, the paper was read by the Secretary, Rev. G. B. Sage. The reading was followed by discussion, in which Revs. Softley and Asbury, and Messrs. Armitage and Brownlee took part.

Mr. W. J. Imlach, of St. John's Church, then read his paper on 'The Church in Relation to Her Children.'

This was followed by a paper by Miss Kingsmill, of St. George's Church, on 'How to Teach Little Children.'

On motion of Rev. E. Softley, seconded by Rev. W. Lowe, a cordial vote of thanks was tendered to Miss Kingsmill, coupled with a request that the same be printed.

Mrs. Smith, of Christ Church, in reply to a question raised by Rev. Mr. Lowe on the promotion of teachers of infant schools, considered that the infant class teacher held the highest position of honor in the school.

The speakers all concurred in pronouncing each paper read to be of the highest order of merit, and reflected the greatest credit on the essayists. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed, and the meeting was regarded as being in all respects a gratifying success.

EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS.—The Rev. Mr. Burt, of Ridgetown, has been appointed to Durham.

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SARNIA.—His Lordship the Bishop of Huron preached in St. George's Church, Sarnia, on Sunday, the 18th. The beautiful Church was packed at both services. His Lordship was in good spirits and preached two of the best sermons ever delivered in the place. The offertory was in aid of Foreign Missions, and it is evident that the Bishop is a most warm advocate of the missionary work of the Church.

On Monday, by special permission from Hamilton, the Bishop, Rector and wardens were taken through the tunnel to the American side. This great work is about completed except the approaches, and it is a most interesting sight and wonderful achievement, done by Canadian engineers and Canadian capital. All were deeply interested and delighted.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

FORT WILLIAM MISSION.—St. Thomas Church, West Fort William, was opened on Advent Sunday, Nov. 30th, 1890. The foundation block was laid by Mrs. Kirby on St. John Baptist's day, 24th of June. The building was done by free labor with one paid carpenter to superintend, and to whom great credit is due his work, which has resulted in a very pretty little church 40 x 24. The opening services were Holy Communion at 9 a.m., at which 20 received. Afternoon service at 3 p.m., being well attended. Rev. C. Kirby read the prayers and the Rev. E. Jackson, who is in charge of Port Arthur during the absence of the Rev. C. Machin, read the lessons and preached an excellent and appropriate sermon. At the usual evening service, the Rev. C. Kirby preached. The offertories during the day went towards the building fund and amounted to \$26.85, leaving a debt of \$324.

The following is an extract from the Fort William Journal: 'The English Church was opened on Sunday. The Rev. E. Jackson addressing the congregation in the afternoon, and the Rev. C. Kirby in the evening. Mr. Kirby deserves much praise for the perseverance he has exhibited during the building of St. Thomas Church, and also for the taste and neatness of its arrangement. Early and late the rev. gentleman might be seen working away as industriously as the proverbial bee, and the result we are sure must be gratifying alike to him and his congregation.'

St. Luke's Church, Fort William, which is situated two miles and a half east of West Fort William, was opened on Dec. 14th; the foundation block having been laid on the 17th of September by Miss McIntyre; the building was done by contract for the sum of \$1,550.

The services at the opening were: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock, and evening service at 7 o'clock. The Rev. C. Kirby preached in the morning, and in the evening exchanged duty with the Rev. E. Jackson, of Port Arthur, who gave an excellent sermon. The singing throughout the day was very good, the Psalms being chanted, during the evening service the anthem, 'How manifold are Thy works,' by Goss, was well rendered. The collections amounted to \$52 and goes towards wiping off the debt, leaving a debt of \$384, which it is hoped may cease to exist by Easter. Great interest was manifested by the different members of the congregation in the interior decoration of their church. The Ladies' Aid has presented an organ and a carpet; there is a handsome red altar cloth, the gift of Mrs. Plummer, a brass cross sent from England by the very Rev. Arthur Percy Curt, Dean of York, and a lectern from Mr. Kirby.

Subscriptions for clearing off the debts of the churches, which amount to \$705, will be thankfully received by the Rev. Chas. Kirby, West Fort William.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks to the ladies of the various societies who have rendered substantial aid to the poor in his new Mission of Emsdale, and who have been the means of assisting 35 families beside Sunday scholars.

The following societies being represented:—per Rev. W. Mackenzie, Rural Dean, Milton; W. MacNab, St. Barnabas, St. Catherine's; Mrs. Evans, Montreal; Miss L. Paterson, Toronto; Miss Powis, Hamilton; Mrs. M. E. McKeggie, Barrie; Mrs. Boddy, Toronto; The Lord Bishop of Algoma.

Several handsome gifts, e.g., groceries and clothing being amongst these for the clergyman's family, for which personal thanks are humbly and heartily tendered.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW'S

NOTES AND SUGGESTIONS.

In beginning the new year give the past to God and determine by His help to make good use of the future.

If you have a chance to get hold of a man of thirty and a boy of fifteen, and cannot get both, take the boy every time.

Let us emphasize the fact that the aim of the Brotherhood is not to bring young men into the order, but to bring them into the Church of Christ. We cannot afford to have raw recruits in the Brotherhood army.

"The more we do, the more opportunities we find for further work." This is worthy of being placed beside the very happy remark so well known in the Brotherhood now, "The way to get anything done is to do it."

It is very well for Brotherhood men to work among boys by becoming teachers and assistants in Sunday schools, but it must be remembered that the Brotherhood aims to reach young men, and every other method of work should be subordinate to that.

The officers of a Chapter will work to the best advantage if they will learn to understand each other and thus work out a common policy. It would be well for them to meet together at regular intervals, discuss the situation of affairs and agree on a solution of each problem that arises in the Chapter. If their brethren are wise, they will be given large powers and wide discretion. Having been chosen to lead, they will be trusted to lead wisely. Such a course will save time and simplify organization.

Chapter meetings, or at least some informal gathering of the members of a Chapter, for Bible study and discussions of new methods of work, should be held more frequently than once a month. It must be a very enthusiastic member who can maintain an active interest in his work and that of his brother members if he only meets with them twelve times a year or less.

There are certain peculiar anomalies in the Brotherhood. One is that the Chapters which do the most work keep it up all summer, and those which confine their work to ushering in Church and holding monthly meetings find themselves so utterly fagged out by this tremendous pressure that a summer vacation is absolutely essential. Constant training makes the good athlete.

A splendid report of real work comes from the Chapter in the Church of the Advent, Cincinnati, Ohio. Of twenty-three members, six have been confirmed since the Convention of 1889 as a result of the work of this Chapter, and two have become candidates for Holy Orders. How has this result been accomplished? The Secretary writes, "The most successful way to carry on the work is by the welcoming and inviting of young men to Church services and meetings of the Brotherhood, and by visiting indifferent members." Perhaps this is too literal a fulfilment of the Rule of