

The Rev. Canon Henderson, M.A., is doing duty for the rector of St. John's, P. Q., he being away for the benefit of his health.

The rector of Knoulton, the Rev. Ch. Bancroft, has, we are sorry to say, by medical advice, been compelled to desist from duty for three months; the Rev. J. Davidson takes his duty for him. East Farnham, West Shefford, and one or two other parishes, are still vacant. The mission of Mansonville, Pottou, has been given to the Rev. W. R. Brown, who entered upon regular duty there on 31st ult.

DUNHAM.—This important parish, now under the charge of the Rev. John Kerr, gives indications of renewed activity in Church matters. The advent of a new rector, and of a new head to the Ladies' College helps to this. The Ladies' College, there are great hopes, will turn out a more successful thing than hitherto, in its financial, ecclesiastical, and scholastic departments. Mrs. Holder, the new lady principal, is highly spoken of both as a Churchwoman and teacher.

The Theological College of the diocese will enter into a handsome building of its own to the great advantage of the students and professors. The students by being thrown together more will be mutually improved in various ways. Sabrook Hall, the building in which they enter next September, is the munificent gift of T. Gault, Esq. Truly it was a princely gift. The College authorities ought to change the name of the Hall, say to, bearing the name of the donor, or the name of the Bishop. "The Bishop Bond Hall" would read well and the initials combine well in seals and shields.

ONTARIO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The Bishop is prolonging his stay in England, and is not expected in Ottawa till October, in consequence of which, the annual meeting of the Synod will probably be held in November.

ARNPRIOR.—A most successful sale was held on the 1st of July by the Girls' Guild of Emmanuel Church, at which the handsome sum of \$200 was realized in aid of the parsonage debt. The debt of \$1,000, contracted three years ago, is now reduced to \$425. In addition to this, \$100 has lately been spent in repairing and kalsomining the walls of the church.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections &c., received from July 11th to July 30th, 1881:

MISSION FUND.—July Collections: Sunderland \$1.76, St. Philip's, Unionville, \$1.00; Alliston \$1.47, West Brock \$1.16, West Essa 80 cents, Fisher's School-house 50 cents, Credit \$4.20, Dixie \$2.00, Port Credit 80 cents, Hastings \$1.10, Alnwick 55 cents, Batteau \$2.16, Duntroon \$1, Grace Church, Markham, \$4.23; West Mulmur, Whitfield, 89 cents, Honeywood \$1.30, Elba 50 cents, North Essa, Christ Church, \$1.30, St. Jude's 70 cents; Cobourg \$40, Gore's Landing \$2.56, Harwood \$1.79, North Orillia and Medonte, Saint George's \$1.05, St. Luke's \$12.10; Christ Church, York Township, \$12; Whitby \$7, Norwood 50 cents, Westwood \$1, Lindsay \$5, York Mills \$5.34, Ashburnham \$3, Grafton \$5.50, Orillia \$13, Barrie \$8.50, All Saints', Toronto, \$34.30; Manvers, St. Paul's, \$1, St. Mary's \$2; St. Anne's, Toronto, \$4; Etobicoke, St. George's, \$3.36, Christ Church \$2.10; Haliburton \$3.03, West Dysart 25 cents, Guildford \$1.00. Parochial Collections: Bolton, balance, \$36.70; Sandhill, balance \$12.00.

PERMANENT MISSION FUND.—Mrs. Perram, on account of subscription, \$4.20

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—Annual Subscription: Rev. John McCleary \$5. October Collection: Minden, on account of assessment, \$1.97; Etobicoke, balance of assessment, \$34.57; Galway, balance of assessment, \$4.50; Dysart, balance of assessment, \$9.39.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—April Collection: Bolton and Sandhill \$1.30; Barrie \$10.00.

ALGOMA FUND.—Barrie Sunday School \$11.48. Day of Intercession Collections: North Essa, Christ Church, 75 cents, St. Jude's 50 cents; St. Luke's, Toronto, \$4.10; Christ Church, York Township, \$6.45; Oshawa \$7.00; York Mills \$1.50; Barrie \$5.00.

The Bishop of Toronto has postponed the opening of Synod until Tuesday, the 4th of October.

Grace Church.—About forty young persons were confirmed in this church on Sunday last, by the Bishop of Toronto.

AMONG the Candidates for Matriculation in the University of Toronto, who were classed in Honours at the recent examinations, we are pleased to notice the name of Miss F. E. Carroll, a daughter of the late Rev. J. Carroll, of Gananoque. Miss Carroll obtained the first place in the Second Class Honours in Mathematics, a First Class in History and Geography, and passed in the other subjects for matriculation. Miss Carroll having had experience in teaching has been appointed on the staff of the Bishop Strachan School, which is very efficient in every department.

Holy Trinity.—A meeting of the vestry was called for Thursday evening, the 4th inst., at the request of the members of the congregation in view of statements to the effect that several changes in the ritual would shortly be carried into effect. Some 150 members of the congregation were present, and a letter from the Rev. John Pearson was read, enumerating the principal changes that were proposed. After some discussion the following resolution was carried, eight only voting in the minority:

"Whereas, it has been authoritatively stated that certain changes and alterations in the services of the Church of the Holy Trinity as at present conducted are contemplated, and it being well understood that the majority of the congregation do not seek for or desire any changes or alterations,

"Be it therefore resolved. That this vestry meeting hereby expresses its unqualified disapproval of the course proposed to be taken, and begs to record its firm protest against the changes contemplated."

St. John's the Evangelist.—Notwithstanding the great heat on Wednesday evening, a large congregation assembled at St. John's to witness the Confirmation of those who for some months had been under preparation. After the Litany had been said by the Rev. A. W. Spragge, of Bradford, the candidates (thirty-two in number) were called forward by the rector, and the special service began. It was formerly the custom to confirm the candidates and then to address the confirmed. The Bishop has in this respect introduced a change, giving his address on the nature of the ordinance and the obligations of confirmation before requiring the candidates to renew their vows. This appears to be an improvement upon the older method. A short, pointed address before the questions are asked leads the young people to think more seriously of the privileges and obligations of those who are admitted to full communion in the Church. The Bishop urged an early and frequent reception of the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, and most of the candidates acted upon his advice by attending the early celebration on Sunday. We may well hope that as they attended to his instruction on this point, they will further heed his exhortations and become regular communicants and active helpers in the work of the Church. Each of the candidates received a short note from the rector, accompanied by a certificate of confirmation and a copy of "Rules to help one who has been Confirmed;" which we hope to give in our next.

St. Luke's: The Guild of St. John the Evangelist in connection with this parish, held their annual games and picnic on the Civic Holiday, August 1st, at the residence of the warden in Rosedale. The games were participated in by the members of the Guild, and were well contested throughout. Mr. Langley carrying off the silver medal; the other prize-winners were J. A. Catto, Henry Mumford, W. Kitchener, A. Dermody, J. Ashlee, H. Ellison, and C. H. Shutt. After the games tea was served in the grounds to the members and to a large number of friends who had come to witness the sport.

At eight o'clock the Guild service was sung by the Rev. Ed. Ransford, LL.B., an honorary member of the Guild. The following was the order of service:—Processional Hymn, "Brightly Gleams our Banner," sung to Roe tune; Psalm viii., tone vi., first ending; Hymn 214, A. and M., "Lord of our Life;" Magnificat, to a setting by C. E. Willing; the last hymn being "Faith of our Fathers, living still." The whole service was particularly well rendered and with much spirit.

Speeches were then made by the Revs. Langtry and Ransford and the warden, Mr. W. A. Shutt, on the nature and work of the Guild, in the course of which the hope was expressed that before very long the Guild would be in their new room, now being built at St. Luke's, and that then the Guild having a library and reading room, &c., would receive a fresh impetus and a large increase in the membership.

The prizes, including two silver medals, the one presented by the warden for the highest aggregate of marks to be won two years by the same member before it becomes his, the other for the first in the quarter hour "go as you please," presented by the Games Fund, and a pair of very elegant picture frames, given by Mr. Ellison, for the first in the "hundred yards," and second in the "go as you please," were presented to the successful competitors

with appropriate remarks by Mrs. Shutt. The party broke up at an early hour by singing the National Anthem, having spent a very pleasant day.

St. Mark's, Parkdale.—The Sunday-school picnic was held at Riverside Park (Humber) on Wednesday, August 3rd. The children and teachers met at the church at one o'clock when a shortened form of Evensong was said. After the service the children were conveyed in waggons to the park. The afternoon was spent in running races, jumping, and other games. At 5.30 tea was served to the children (about 120), after which the ladies and gentlemen, of whom there were about fifty present, sat down to discuss the good things the children had left. After tea the prizes were distributed by Mrs. U. A. Walker (wife of the people's churchwarden) to the successful competitors, in the games. The Rev. Canon Tremayne, M.A., who was present, at the request of the Incumbent addressed a few appropriate remarks to the children. A pleasing feature was the presentation of a very handsome card case to Miss Rawlinson (who is about to leave the parish), by the girls of her class. On the case was engraved "To Miss Rawlinson from her class, 1881" and inside was the card of each member of her class. At the request of the girls the presentation was made by the Incumbent, who in making it expressed his great regret at losing so valuable a teacher and faithful worker. He also expressed great regret at losing Mr. and Mrs. Rawlinson who had always taken such great interest in the work of the Church in the parish. At 7.30 the party returned home by waggons, a few taking the suburban (G.W.R.) train, the one verdict being pronounced by all that this was the most enjoyable picnic ever held by St. Mark's Sunday School.

CHOIR EXCURSION.—The choir of St. Luke's, Buffalo, having tendered an invitation to that of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, to pay them a visit, about thirty-two men and boys embarked on the steamer Chicora on Saturday last, and on arriving in Buffalo were hospitably welcomed, being made the guests of the congregation. On Sunday morning at 7.30, the Rev. C. Darling celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Walter North, rector. The service was fully choral, and was rendered by the visiting choir, under the direction of Mr. F. G. Plummer, their organist. The music used was by various composers, the Kyrie being Mendelssohn's, Merbeck's Credo, and Philip Armes' Gloria and Sanctus. The Benedictus and Agnus Dei were composed by Mr. Plummer. There was a large number of communicants at this service, who expressed themselves as much pleased with the manner in which it had been rendered. At the morning service, the choir of St. Luke's took the main portion of the music, that of Holy Trinity singing Plummer's Te Deum and anthem "Christ our Passover." Choral evensong was held at 7.30 p.m., both choirs uniting in its rendering. The Buffalonians were most hospitable to their guests, sparing no pains to show them all the sights of the city and make them feel at home. At noon on Monday, a lunch was provided in the school-room by the ladies, when the thanks of the visitors were tendered for the kindness of their hosts; and an invitation tendered to them to visit Toronto during the Exhibition. The party left Buffalo at 3.30, having enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

Aros.—Mr. Thomas Winter, churchwarden, begs to acknowledge with grateful thanks the undermentioned subscriptions, towards erecting a church for the mission of St. Thomas, Bexley:—Per Mrs. Thomas Winter, from friends in England, Mrs. Simonds £25, Miss Simonds £25, J. Simonds, Esq., £5, W. Simonds, Esq., £3, Mrs. Hughes D'Acth £1, Mrs. Proctor £1, Mrs. C. Simonds £5, Mrs. Barrow Simonds £1, Mrs. Cooper £1, Mr. Sutton £5, Sir John Hayes £1, Rev. D. Paul 5s. Rev. D. Evelyn 5s. Collected by Miss Newstead 15s. Previous list published \$104.50.

BRIGHTON.—On Thursday, July 28th, the annual Sunday school picnic of St. Paul's was held on Presqu'isle point. At eight o'clock the children were called together by the ringing of the church bell, and a joyous, happy crowd assembled on the church grounds. Messrs. William Flindell and T. Matthewson had kindly volunteered to convey the children to the point, a distance of seven miles. They were on hand and their carriages were soon filled with a merry crew who appeared to enjoy the drive as much as any part of the day's proceeding. Arriving at the Presqu'isle lighthouse about ten o'clock, Messrs. D. Bullock and A. Mayhew produced several swings, croquet sets, quoits, cricket, football, and other games which they had provided for the amusement of the children, who were soon entering heartily into the enjoyment of them. A large number of members of the congregation from both town and country soon arrived, and a