

The amount contributed by the Sunday school for the Indian mission schools in the North-West was \$30.

The collection last evening in St. Paul's Church for missions was \$8 ahead of what it was last year.

**St. James'.**—The Bishop of Niagara has appointed Sunday, April 7th, as the day upon which he will administer confirmation in the enlarged St. James'. It is confidently hoped that the church will be ready for re-occupation some time before the date just specified. The opening day will probably be Wednesday, March 27th. The carpentering may be said to be complete. The plasterers will leave the building in a few days, and the windows and pews are well under way. A specimen window has already been set in its place, and its soft colors predict that the lighting of the new building will be quite satisfactory. Already two appropriate gifts have been made. One of these is a very handsome brass lectern, by Mrs. Pense, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn, the first couple married in St. James' and among its most zealous workers for many years. The other is an almsplate, elegantly wrought by Mr. W. J. Keely, and presented by him to the incumbent for the congregation. A fourth almsplate will be required. Who will supply it?

**St. George's.**—The Rev. S. Daw, of Christ Church, Belleville, preached on Sunday evening, Feb. 24th, on mission work. In the course of his sermon, he said, that in 1800 in the Diocese of Ontario, there were thirty-eight self-supporting parishes and forty-four missions. Now there are sixty parishes and forty-six missions. In the eight years, twenty-two missions became parishes, some of them viz. Almonte, Camden East, Carleton Place and Newburg, contributing to the general fund. In 1880, the sum of \$8,000 was collected in the Diocese. Last year, nearly \$5,000 were given to Domestic missions. Speaking of those persons who, when asked to contribute to foreign missions, reply that they have enough to do at home, "there," Mr. Daw said, "you will find parochial stagnation, spiritual death." "Look ahead; cast your bread on the waters, and after many days you will find it." There can be no such person living as a selfish man and a consistent churchman. The Dominion of Canada in the last eight years has made rapid progress, and the Church should progress in the same ratio. Referring to the religious training of children, he called upon parents to see that they are given religious instructions at home, for they are taught anything but that in the public schools of Canada.

#### DIocese OF TORONTO.

No Report.

#### DIocese OF NIAGARA.

The Rev. W. R. Blachford desires to acknowledge the receipt of \$10 from H. E. Blachford; \$10 from R. F. Blachford, Toronto; also \$5 from Rev. H. S. Moore; and \$2 from T. Huston, Tapleystown, towards the building fund of St. Stephen's Church, Strabane.

#### DIocese OF HURON.

**LONDON.**—His Lordship the Bishop of Huron held an ordination in the Memorial Church, on Feb. 24th, when the Rev. W. Lowe, L. Armstrong, and W. Connor, were advanced to the order of priesthood. Archdeacon Marsh, presented the candidates, and the Bishop preached.

**INGERS LL.**—His Lordship the Bishop has appointed Rev. R. Ker to be pastor of this parish.

**BAYSFIELD.**—The Rev. Mr. Hodgins has been presented with eighty bushels of oats by his two outside congregations.

**MISSIONARY MEETINGS.**—Meetings were held at Haysville, Hamburg, and St. James', Wilmot, on February 25th, 26th and 27th, and proved a great success. The deputation consisted of the Rev. Rural Dean Mellish, of Caledonia (Diocese of Niagara), formerly quartered here; and the Rev. Charles O'Meara, of St. Mary's. The latter gentleman attended two meetings and did good service. His addresses were instructive with life and power. The interest, however, centered largely in the visit of the Rev. Mr. Mellish, and he received a warm welcome from his old parishioners. He recalled many memories of the days that are past, 1860 to 1863, when he was clergyman here. His addresses were characterized by much thoughtfulness and wisdom. His intense convictions; his loyalty to the Church; his persuasiveness, and withal his evident desire to bring his hearers into real union and fellowship with Christ, impressed not a few. It is seldom that addresses are heard at Missionary meetings that are so spiritual, and at the same time so interesting.

The offertories were: Hamburg \$5.27; Haysville \$11.64; St. James', Wilmot, \$10.51. The total last year for Diocesan purposes was \$191.82. A considerable increase is expected this year.

#### DIocese OF ALGOMA.

**BAR RIVER.**—The missionary resident on St. Joseph's Island, Rev. C. Piercey, paid a visit to the above district lately to find that a service of the Church had not been held in the vicinity before. The people, and there are several families among them who are loyal to the Church under many difficulties, informed him that they would only be too glad to have regular services if a missionary could be sent to them.

One woman, with tears of joy in her eyes, expressed the happiness she felt in again having the privilege of hearing our beautiful liturgy. "It is ten years, sir," she said, "since I last heard it," and she voiced the general sentiment, as the missionary found out in conversation with many of those who attended the service held in the house of Mr. E. Granger, on Sunday, Feb. 10th. This district is being settled and roads being made in all districts. This district is ripe for the successful work of a missionary if only the Church people of Canada would provide one. And they would provide not only a missionary here, but as many as the work in the diocese demanded if they only realized the work to be done and its urgency if the Church is to retain in her fold those who have been brought up by her. We must retain them and their children after them, or fail in our duty. "Come over and help us."

**BURK'S FALLS.**—In our notice about the Confirmation held in All Saint's Church, Burks Falls, the number of persons confirmed was given as four, whereas it should have been fourteen.

#### PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

Including the Dioceses of Rupert's Land, Saskatchewan, Moosonee, Athabasca, Qu'Appelle, Mackenzie River and Calgary.

#### DIocese OF RUPERT'S LAND.

**WINNIPEG.**—The Diocese and the whole Church in the Northwest has lost its most prominent layman, in the death of Mr. Brydges Treasurer of the Synod. Mr. Brydges died while visiting the Hospital, in discharge of his duties as Secretary-Treasurer of that Institution, on Saturday, Feb. 16th, at 3:20 p.m.; while in the act of conversing with the clerk of the Hospital he became unconscious from the bursting of a blood vessel on the brain, and was dead

in three minutes. The death of "Winnipeg's most distinguished citizen," as he has since been called, came like a shock to every one, as the news spread. Mr. Brydges was not much up in politics, but he was foremost in every philanthropic movement in the city. To him we are virtually indebted for the inauguration and completion of one of the best equipped hospitals in the Dominion, with separate buildings for the Nurse's Home and Maternity Hospital. These will be his enduring monument. As a Churchman, it will be impossible at present to replace him. For five years he has been Treasurer of the Synod, Chairman of the Property and Finance Committee, and has had to deal with the numerous trusts and endowments connected with the Diocese. He was a member of all the important committees, a delegate to the Diocesan and Provincial Synods, a frequent speaker at Missionary meetings, and his wise counsel and generous hand were ever ready to assist any deserving object or mission. As one of the founders of All Saints' Church, and a very large contributor to its funds, his loss to that parish will be very serious. The thought that we shall no longer see his familiar form at Church and Committee gatherings, or listen to his weighty words will sadden those who knew him best for many a day. His name will live in the hearts of sorrowing friends and in the history of the Diocese to which so much of his time and thought were devoted. It is considered a remarkable thing that his death occurred in the Hospital to which Mrs. Brydges and himself were so thoroughly devoted. The funeral services took place at All Saints' Church on Tuesday afternoon. In the morning a private service, conducted by the Rev. St. John Field, acting Rector was held in the house, only the relations and near friends being present. The body was met at the door of All Saints' Church at 2 p.m. by the Rev. Canon Matheson, Rev. St. John Field, and Rev. Elwyn S. W. Pentreath, and the surpliced choir of the Church. Many were unable to gain admittance. The sentences were said by Rev. Mr. Field; the lesson was read by Rev. Mr. Pentreath and Canon Matheson intoned the prayers, except the Prayer of Committal. The 90th Psalm was chanted from Helmore's Psalm, and "Rock of Ages," and "Now the Laborer's work is o'er," was sung by the choir. The body was then taken to St. John's Cathedral burying ground, where the Committal was said by Canon Matheson. The stores for three miles along Main street were closed, the flags at half mast and the bells tolled as the procession of over 100 sleighs passed. Among those in sleighs and on foot were the boys of All Saints' Guild, the Lieut.-Governor, Directors of the Hospital, St. George's Society, the Premier and members of the Cabinet, Mayor and City Council, and others. The Pall bearers were Judge Bain, H. M. Howell, Q.C., Capt. Lewis, Hugh J. Macdonald, M. Aldous and G. H. Wainwright.

**BRANDON.**—The young men of St. Matthew's Church have formed a Society, known as St. Matthew's Parish Association. A room has been secured in the city; open from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. On Monday evenings there will be devotional exercises with reading of papers; on Tuesday and Saturday it will be used as a reading room. The officers are: Rev. E. P. Flewelling, chairman; J. Dowler, 1st Vice do; H. Randall; 2nd Vice do; P. E. Hart, Sec.-Treas.

A Missionary service was held last night in St. Matthew's Church on behalf of the mission work among the Indians. Rev. C. Quinney, of Oak Lake, gave a short address, and Rural Dean Barman gave an interesting account of the work which has been done in teaching the Indians of Canada, and the methods employed. The field of labor stretches across the continent, and the Church has missionaries scattered in every quarter of it. It is stated that there are 125,000 Indians in Canada. \$60,000 has been