

MONO MILLS.—The Rev. A. C. Watt requests all communications to be addressed to him to Lucille P.O., Ont. This is a new post office recently opened in St. John's Rectory, Mono.

NIAGARA.

ST. CATHARINES.—We are deeply sorry to hear that on Saturday afternoon, July 31st, shortly after 4 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Shutt, rector of St. Barabas' Church, had a narrow escape from sudden death. He was walking around the new building which is in course of erection, when an iron casting weighing some 15 or 16 pounds, which was being placed in position, slipped and fell. Mr. Shutt was standing directly underneath, and hearing a warning shout he glanced up, and as he did so the casting fell on his face, knocking him to the ground and splitting his nose. Had he not glanced up when shouted to the iron would have struck him on top of the head and probably killed him. Medical aid was at once summoned and his wound dressed. He will be disfigured for life. Rev. S. Stevenson, who is visiting friends in the city, took charge of the services on Sunday.

HURON.

LONDON.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Sunday School Association of Middlesex Deanery was held in St. George's Church, London West, on Tuesday evening, July 25th. The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. D. B. Sage, rector of the church, Rev. Canon Richardson leading in prayer. The President, Rev. Canon Smith, then took the chair, and introduced Rev. W. J. Taylor of St. Mary's, who gave an admirable address on successful teaching, urging—1st, Aptness to teach; 2nd, Bible knowledge; and 3rd, Consecration, as necessary qualifications of a successful teacher. The address was lit up by illustration, simile and anecdote. After a discussion by several of the audience, the subject of the opening and closing exercises of Sunday Schools was discussed at some length, Rev. Messrs. Richardson, Sage, Rhodes, and Messrs. Armitage and Garside taking part. A cordial vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. Mr. Taylor for his practical and helpful address. The next meeting will be held in Christ Church in October. The meeting closed with singing and prayer, after which the audience adjourned to the school house, where refreshments were provided, and a pleasant time was spent.

ST. MARY'S.—On Friday evening, July 28th, at the invitation of the Rev. W. J. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, the young men of St. James' Church spent the evening at the rectory. The rain prevented out-of-door enjoyment in the extensive and beautiful grounds, which have been made so handsome by the present clergyman. The evening was passed by those assembled joining in games and listening to music, until refreshments were served, after which charades, etc., were enacted. During the evening the rector expressed his thankfulness for the prosperity and unity of the congregation, as well as that of the various agencies for good connected with it.

ALGOMA.

Manitowaning Mission.—On Wednesday, the 12th ult., the congregation of St. Paul's Church spent a very successful and interesting time. A sale of useful and fancy articles, which took the form of a miniature bazaar, was a profitable factor in the proceedings of the day. Dinner and tea were served to a number of people, and a concert was given in the evening which reflects great credit on the young people who took part in it, especially the *Farce*, in which each character was admirably represented. The proceeds, which are to be appropriated to the renovation of the interior of the church, amounted over all expenses to about one hundred and twenty dollars. We wish to thank all our friends who contributed privately so liberally to the bazaar. Among those who deserve special mention are Miss E. Langtry and the Misses Harper of Toronto, the children of St. Cyprian's Church Sunday school of Toronto and the Bolton Branch of the W. A., for their kindness in sending us so many and beautiful gifts. We would ask that Miss Patterson, Dorcas Sec. of the W. A., would kindly extend our thanks to the Woman's Auxiliary in general for their great kindness and liberality.

RUPERT'S LAND.

BRANDON.—*St. Matthew's.*—On Sunday, July 9th, the Most Reverend Dr. Mackray, Metropolitan Bishop of Rupert's Land, formally re-opened St. Matthew's church. On Saturday his Lordship was met at the station by the vestrymen and a reception was held at St. Matthew's rooms. The church, which is now one of the finest outside of Winnipeg, was beautifully decorated with flowers. The rector,

the Rev. M. Harding, acted as chaplain to the Bishop. His Lordship wore his order, St. Michael and St. George. The Rev. E. Archibald assisted in the service. The Bishop was a guest of A. Jukes, Esq. This parish has lost one of its best workers in the person of Mrs. Barton, who has gone to England. The congregation showed their esteem for her services in presenting a Bible, Prayer Book and purse. A very successful strawberry festival was held on July 18th, at the residence of Mrs. (Judge) Walker. The Wednesday evening service is well attended; nearly fifty candidates for confirmation, among the rest, are greatly interested in the addresses given by the Rev. M. Harding. The Sunday school picnic will take place shortly at the Experimental Farm. A Sunday school building is badly needed in this parish.

HOLLAND.—The Rev. T. H. Cooper has been appointed to this parish.

SWAN LAKE.—The Reverend General Secretary Rodgers visited this mission lately and preached a mission sermon. The church was full and the singing good. This is a hard field with many needs. The incumbent is the Rev. Albert Tansey, Swan Lake P.O., Man.

Sisterhood of St. Andrew.—The Sisterhood of St. Andrew is a society for women of the Church similar to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew; the central council is in Winnipeg. Full information regarding the Sisterhood will be found in the "Manual," price 5 cents, from Miss E. F. Goodman, Secretary of the council, Winnipeg.

ROUNTHWAITE.—The church has been painted with two coats of paint outside. It should be stained and varnished inside; towards the cost of this we need \$10, the rest is in hand. A vestryman will give \$100 towards the parish debt if the balance, \$1,100, is raised by Dec. 25th, 1898. No doubt the people will give after harvest about \$500, leaving \$600 to come from 'outsiders.' We have been in debt for about ten years, and now everything promises well; we have a church, parsonage and cemetery, and good congregations, but the debt is a great hindrance. The incumbent, the Rev. Herbert Dransfield, is holding three confirmation classes weekly.

BRIEF MENTION.

The Rev. Charles Miles, late of Wallaceburg, is now stationed at Lucknow.

No one can breathe at a greater height than seven miles from the earth.

Over one-tenth of the people of the United States are Negroes or Chinese.

The Rev. F. Ryan, of Florence, in the Diocese of Huron, has been appointed to Tilsonburg parish.

A church in old London still possesses an income originally given to it for the purpose of buying faggots for burning heretics.

The herring family contributes more largely to the food of human beings than any other of the fish families.

The Rev. W. E. White, B.A., has been appointed incumbent of Beeton and Tottenham, to succeed the Rev. J. T. Bryan.

One pound of cork is amply sufficient to support a man of ordinary size in the water.

"Trust in God and defend thyself bravely" is the motto on a sword presented by the German Emperor to his 10 year-old son.

Looking glasses of polished bronze or silver were a necessary adjunct to the toilet in ancient as well as modern times.

The Rev. Canon Chance, of Tyrconnel, who received a paralytic stroke a short time ago, is gradually recovering.

Men of marked ability in any line have usually one deep, perpendicular wrinkle in the middle of the forehead, with one or two parallel to it on each side.

The combined length of the world's telegraph line is 881,000 miles, necessitating the use of 2,260,000 miles of wire.

The old theatre of Æmilium Scourus at Rome comfortably seated 80,000 persons. It was built 1,950 years ago.

Bishop Lewis has granted three months' leave of absence to the Rev. J. W. Plant, of Clarendon, who will visit the old country.

Tiberius made an edict forbidding men over 60 and women over 50 to marry, but so many petitions were presented against it by widows that it was soon repealed.

Edward III. ordered innkeepers to search all their guests in order that foreign money might not be brought into the country.

Rev. John Caster, chaplain to the Pusey House, England, is on a visit to his parents in Toronto.

The Rev. Arthur K. Griffin, late of Burford, in the Diocese of Huron, has removed to Crawford, N.J.

The diamond is not among the earliest gems known to man. It has not been found in the ruins of Nineveh, in the Etruscan sepulchres, nor in tombs of the Phœnicians.

According to the last census reports there are over 3,000,000 bachelors in the United States—by which is meant there are 3,000,000 men over 30 years old who have never been married.

The ill-health of Mrs. Cooper has forced the Rev. J. Cooper to resign the incumbency of St. Paul's, Sydenham, and they will sail shortly for England. The Bishop has appointed the Rev. W. J. Bate to the charge.

Lightning is zigzag because, as it condenses the air in the immediate advance of its path, it flies from side to side in order to pass where there is the least resistance to progress.

The first mention of money in the Scriptures was Abraham's purchase of a sepulchre, for 400 shekels of silver, B.C. 1860.

The Rev. Prof. Clark, of Trinity College, Toronto, has returned from New York, where he preached to crowded congregations at St. George's Church during the absence of the rector, Rev. Dr. Rainsford, on holidays.

Female fish of all species are considerably more numerous than males, with two single exceptions, the angler and the catfish.

The Bishop of Huron and Mrs. Baldwin, who have been on a visit to Mrs. Baldwin's father, Mr. J. J. Day, of Montreal, since their return from England, left last week for St. Leon Springs, Quebec.

Sir John Herschel says that if a solid cylinder of ice, forty-five miles in diameter and 200,000 miles long, were plunged end first into the sun, it would melt in a second of time.

Rev. Professor Clark will preach at St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, on Sunday mornings during the month of August, and on the first and third Sunday evenings during the same month.

Comfort for too fat or too thin persons can be derived from some recent medical statistics, which show that at the age of thirty-six thin people generally become fatter and the fat ones thinner.

The Rev. R. L. M. Houston, M.A., of St. John's Church, Iroquois, has been appointed by the Bishop of Ontario rural dean of Stormont, to succeed the Rev. Canon Pettit, of Cornwall, who has resigned the position.

Baron Liebig, the German chemist, makes the astounding statement that as much flour as will lie on the point of a table-knife is as rich in nutritive constituents as 8 pints of best beer made.

An observant statistician makes the amazing assertion that girls with retroused noses marry sooner, and are more fortunate in catching good husbands, than young ladies whose features are of the Greek or Roman type.

In Dublin recently twenty-six adult converts from the Church of Rome were received into the Protestant Episcopal Church. Most of these converts are parents of children who have been attending the schools of the Irish Church missions in Dublin.

The human heart is 6 in. in length, 4 in. in diameter, and beats an average of seventy times per minute, 4,200 times an hour, 100,800 times per day, and 3,681,720 times per year. So, in a life of eighty years, the heart beats 300,000,000 times.

The great turtle found in the Artillery Barracks at Port Louis in 1810, when Mauritius was ceded to Great Britain, is still alive. Though it is believed to be 200 years old at least, it has enormous strength, and can with apparent ease carry two men on its back.

British and Foreign.

Sir Tatton Sykes has resolved to complete his great scheme of church building and restoration in East Yorkshire by the erection of a magnificent new church on his own demesne at Sledmere.

A "Retreat" for the Presbyterian ministers of both the London, Eng., Presbyteries has been arranged to be held at Reading.

The Rev. Prebendary Webb-Peploe has urged the Church of England Burial Society to direct its efforts to put a stop to the wild and reckless expenditure on flowers at funerals.

There is a movement to bring about the amalgamation of the three principal Church of England Societies for young men. As these societies have identical aims, and are greatly in need of funds, such a fusion as is contemplated appears desirable.