

Dr. Campbell, Dean of the Faculty, then read the following report, prize and honor list:—

The number of Matriculated students for the session 1886-7 was thirty-one, being an increase of eight over last year's attendance. Of these, one comes from the United States; six from Ontario; sixteen from Quebec; two from the West Indies; one from British Guiana; three from England; one from Italy, and one from India. Sixteen of our students are residents of Montreal.

After addresses from Canon Norman and Dr. Adams, Principal, convocation adjourned after singing "God Save the Queen."

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—St. Luke's Church.—A crowded congregation greeted the Bishop on his annual visit to this church on Sunday evening the 27th ult. The zealous young rector, Rev. George Rogers, presented a class of twenty five candidates, several of whom were adults. The future of this parish, once enjoying the ministrations of the present Bishop of Huron, is full of promise, and its prosperity assured by the building of the Canadian Pacific shops. Even now, every pew is assigned, and the balance in the annual account is encouraging to the members who are striving to build a rectory for their pastor.

Christ Church Cathedral.—Instead of the usual services on Palm Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral, the Bishop had the confirmation of a very large number of candidates. The renewed life in Church lines of the parish is very observable in the careful preparation of the young for confirmation by the rector and his able assistant, Canon Norman. The Bishop was unusually happy and cheerful in his remarks and addresses on this occasion.

The annual convocation of the medical faculty of Bishop's college was called to meet at the Synod in this city on Wednesday the 30th inst. The Chancellor Dr. Heneker, and the vice-Chancellor Dr. Notman, and Dr. Campbell the Dean of the medical Faculty, took part in the proceedings. The Chancellor, in his address, touched upon three points of vital interest to our provincial universities. 1st. The attempt of the French Canadian profession to control the course of studies to be followed in the Universities. 2nd. The attempt on the part of others to lower the standard of University degrees. 3rd. The need of our Universities having parliamentary representation, following the example of English and European custom. We are happy to say that the first attempt will prove abortive, the second has already proved abortive in a notable case, and the third is being favourably considered in the provincial legislature of Quebec.

The arrangement of services for Holy Week is a wonderful improvement on the past. There are three services daily at the Cathedral, five at St. John's, and daily service with address, either in the morning or evening, at nearly all the other churches.

ONTARIO.

BATH.—On Palm Sunday, the Rev. E. H. M. Baker, for the first time since his appointment to the Rectory, conducted divine service in St. John's Church. He was assisted by the Rev. Rural Dean Forneri. The congregation at both services were good. The services were hearty, the singing excellent; Mrs. Seaward presiding ably at the organ. Twenty-six communicants received the Holy Sacrament. The sermons by the new incumbent were highly appropriate, his theme in the morning being "Christ," and in the evening, "His Church." Mr. Baker produced a decidedly favourable impression. Church warden Seaward had worked hard in and about the Church to have everything in as good a shape as possible in view of Mr. Baker's coming; while Mr. M. Davy, the clergyman's warden, met him at Earnest-town Station and took him home with him. A sad incident to be related was the burial of the good old sexton, Wm. Johnson, the day of Mr. Baker's arrival.

A correspondent of the New York Churchman writes that "the Bishop of Ontario has been very successful in his appeals to the societies, for and towards the fund for the division of his large diocese. He has obtained a conditional grant of \$5,000 from the colonial bishoprics' fund, and has excellent prospects of obtaining a similar sum from the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge. He is visiting his son-in-law in Kent, finds his health much improved, but says that this winter has been exceedingly trying to Canadians. We all know what that means—cold, raw weather, and damp houses, with only fires in the grates and smoky chimneys. How Canadians long for their favorite base burners during an English winter,

and how they rail at the insensate conservatism of Englishmen who don't want to be warm."

OTTAWA.—Woman's Auxiliary.—On the 29th inst., a meeting of the above was held, followed by a Diocesan Board meeting. "The jubilee appeal was received most enthusiastically and a committee selected for the city. The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the various branches, and to ask their co-operation in the work."

OTTAWA.—The following petition has been sent in to the Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners. There is a rumor that the re-organised Toronto Society will follow suit. It were well if all cities were to adopt the same method of repression of cruelty.

The petition of the Metropolitan Society for the prevention of cruelty sheweth: That your petitioners did, on the 5th of April, 1882, organise themselves into a voluntary society for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the city of Ottawa and the county of Carleton; to enforce all laws or by-laws which are now or may hereafter be enacted for the protection of animals; and to secure by lawful means the arrest, conviction and punishment of all persons violating such laws or by-laws.

That for the more effectual carrying out of the objects of the Society, your petitioners did appoint as the Inspector of the Society one, J. Mackenzie. The said Inspector was to be paid out of the funds of the Society a certain sum for his services.

That the members of the Society in general, and more particularly the said Inspector, have done good and effective work in carrying out the objects of the Society, in the repression of that most brutal, degrading and hardening form of vice, viz., cruelty to animals, and brutality to weak and helpless human beings.

That the Society has, by its counsel to other similar institutions in Canada, and by its endeavours to promote legislation tending towards the improvement of the laws which have been enacted for the prevention of cruelty, commanded the respect and confidence of all kindred associations; and has been recognised as the leader in the promotion of legal amendment and reform; that the services of the Society, as a moral agent and instructor, have been recognised by the citizens of Ottawa, who have subscribed towards the maintenance of the Society, and have thereby assisted it in meeting its engagements; that the subscriptions obtained from the citizens of Ottawa have not been, so far, sufficient to enable it to meet the charges on your petitioners, more especially their engagement to pay the Inspector his monthly dues; wherefore your petitioners submit that they, the members of the Society for the Prevention of cruelty, have evidently, for the reasons hereinbefore set forth, a claim upon your Honorable Board for special Police assistance. And would suggest that their Inspector, the said J. Mackenzie, be enrolled as a constable for the city, subject to the government of your Honorable Board, and shall be directed to make the objects of the Society his first care. And that your Board will pay the said J. B. Mackenzie fair and reasonable wages for performing such duties as may be imposed upon him as the Inspector of your petitioners, and as a police constable acting in and for the city of Ottawa. Alex. McD. Dawson, L.L.D., &c., Chairman; Robert Mark, M.D., F.R.C.P., W. E. Brown, T. W. Thompson, Thos. P. S. Kirkpatrick, W. C. Baker, G. S. Macfarlane, R. J. Wicksteed, Counsellors.

Ottawa, 23rd March, 1887.

BEAR BROOK.—On Sunday, the 27th March, the Rev. E. H. M. Baker preached his farewell sermons here, in Navan and at Cumberland Front. At all the churches there was a full turn out of the Church people. At Bearbrook and Navan even the aisles were crowded; indeed, at the latter place, it is said St. Mary's Church was never seen so full before. The offerings, which were for the W. and O. Fund of the Diocese, amounted in all to \$11.19, an increase of 50 per cent. on last year's returns.

On Wednesday, the 23rd March, a numerously attended Vestry Meeting was held in St. Mary's Hall, Navan, for the transaction of general business. The Rev. Mr. Baker occupied the chair. During the meeting the question of the division of the Mission and the formation of a new Parish with Navan as its centre, came up for discussion, and the action of the authorities in reference thereto received the unanimous endorsement of the meeting. It is earnestly to be hoped that a mission manifesting the amount of Church life and the capacity for growth that this one exhibits, will not be long without a clergyman, and two should be appointed if they can possibly be found. To think of Navan with its 100 communicants and an average of 75 receiving at every celebration, a great while without a pastor, is, to say the least, a very painful reflection, involving as it would, disaster to the Church and injury to precious souls.

The Rev. Mr. Baker left here for Bath on Saturday, the 2nd of April, but will return in a few weeks to pack up his effects and remove his family to their new home, where in common with all sorts and conditions of men in this mission, we wish him and Mrs. Baker much happiness and prosperity.

TORONTO.

THE SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENTS.—On the 3rd April, owing to a lack of comic attractions the attendance was limited at the Prohibitionist entertainment. The gentlemen who, on the previous Sunday, said that the human stomach was constructed like the inside of an egg, was not on hand with his "science." A vigorous letter appeared in a daily paper this week from a Sunday School teacher, complaining in terms showing much feeling, that his Bible class and the classes of other workers were being broken up by these prohibitionist gatherings. That is to say, these young people were drawn from religious influences and instruction to listen to ranting oratory in favor of a movement which has not one word of approval in the Bible, but is contrary to all scriptural teaching.

NIAGARA.

ST. CATHARINES.—St. Barnabas.—On Sunday morning, March 27th, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese preached in this church, and at Evensong administered the Apostolic rite of Confirmation to a large number of candidates at St. Thomas' church, there not having been any confirmation held in that parish for several years previous. On the evening following, his lordship confirmed in St. Barnabas twenty-two persons,—about the annual number usually presented in this church. The sacred edifice was crowded, many being obliged to go away for lack of room. The choir numbered 28 choiristers, and entered by the western door followed by the clergy and Bishop's chaplain (bearing the Pastoral Staff) singing the Litany of the Holy Ghost. The service was extremely impressive, and characterized by great reverence and heartiness. The Bishop's earnest address was listened to with marked attention. A striking feature was an interval allowed for silent prayer, followed by the singing of the "Veni Creator," all kneeling, immediately before the presentation of the candidates.

HURON.

STAFFA.—The opening of a new English church took place on Sunday, the 20th day of March, '87. Services were held both morning and evening, the preacher for the occasion being the Rev. A. F. Burt, of Alvington. This mission was first opened out by the Rev. Pierre de Lom, late rector of Trinity church, Mitchell, and part of the subscriptions towards the building of the church, was collected by him from friends in England.

WARDSVILLE.—Five week-day services are held in this parish during Holy Week; three have been held regularly all through the season of Lent. The attendance has been most encouraging.

LONDON.—Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Association. The annual meeting was held at Bishopstowe on Monday afternoon, the 28th March. After a long and most interesting resume was given of work accomplished during the past year, and of an outline of much which it was hoped would be undertaken in the coming year, the subject of the "proposed Church women's Jubilee offering to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of Algoma" was heartily entered upon.

Theoretically, the Association had taken it up a month ago, but circumstances had necessitated some delay in actual working. Now, it could be carried on without let or hindrance. Words of encouragement were read from the Bishops of Fredericton and Niagara; Mrs. Williams, of Quebec; Mrs. Tilton, of Ottawa; and many others, either presidents or officially connected with the various branches of the W. Auxiliary in other dioceses. The proposal that all the collections when made should be sent to London, so that the presentation to the Bishop of Algoma should come from thence where its cradle was first rocked, was the suggestion of the President of the Toronto Diocesan Association. It was agreed that Huron must deserve that graceful and kindly intentioned tribute before it dare venture to accept it. So long as success crowns the efforts made in the good cause throughout the Dominion, it matters but little which Diocese adds up the "Total," and has the honor of handing it over to the Bishop of Algoma. After telling the tale of a mother's meeting where the members had asked to have a box put on the table for their weekly offerings into which "chink," clatter, clatter, went the coppers chasing the rarer silver bits which slipped into it, the speaker said, "After this, who