

plying fresh features, to induce his parishioners to attend upon a week-night. The speakers were carefully selected, and, for obvious reasons, limited to two, the Rev. Canon Burke, of Belleville, and the Rev. Dr. Wilson, of Kingston; though personally the Archdeacon would have much liked to have invited the neighbouring clergy also. Upon the evening appointed, Monday, 20th of Feb., a goodly congregation assembled in the spacious school-room below the church. The clergy entered without surplices, and Judge Wilkinson consented to act as chairman. The proceedings began with the Litany of the Church, hymn 47, which was sung by all kneeling, a collect, and the Lord's Prayer followed. This composed the service, except the hymns between the addresses. The latter, it is superfluous to say, were admirable. What has been omitted in the shape of statistics was supplied afterwards by the Archdeacon. The congregation testified very practically their gratification with what they had heard by an unwonted liberality in the collection. Thus then, the experiment of a week-day missionary meeting in Napanee resulted successfully beyond expectation. The congregation had been excellent, the speeches more sparkling than would have been becoming in the church on Sunday. The proceedings had been compressed into considerably less than two hours, and the collection was \$8 more than the preceding year. The Archdeacon has much congratulation upon the success of his new departure.

MERRICKVILLE.—The annual missionary meetings were held in this parish towards the end of January, when the deputation, consisting of the Revs. C. P. Emery and E. W. Read, made appropriate addresses. The meetings were all well attended. The deputation held their first meeting in Burritt's Rapids Church. The were able to congratulate the congregation on the great improvements they had effected in reseating and refitting both nave and chancel of their nicely proportioned church. Their next meeting was held in an old Orange hall in the Montague pinery, notwithstanding the hour being at 2 o'clock in the afternoon there was a great turn out. This congregation is one of the revival works of the Church. Many years ago there was a small log church in the neighbourhood, it fell into decay, and for some reason or other the people were neglected and fell away to the sects; growing tired of wandering, and becoming dissatisfied with the Christ-destroying principle of sectarianism, they made their way back to the "one fold." The people were most enthusiastic, and their offertory was almost three times more than what it had been in times past. The meeting in Merrickville church was large and attentive. Everything throughout the parish went to show that the good work done by former incumbents was not suffering in the hands of the present incumbent, the Rev. A. Houston.

PRESCOTT.—A missionary meeting was held in the parish church on Monday, January 30th. The congregation was large and seemed to appreciate the pointed and practical addresses made by the deputation, the Revs. G. W. White and C. P. Emery. The Lord Bishop of Ontario, being present, delivered one of his powerful missionary appeals, based on his personal knowledge of the great wants of his diocese. His thrilling, loving language will never be forgotten by many that had the privilege of listening to him. The next day his Lordship confirmed a large number of persons, to whom he gave most affectionate and fatherly advice. On the same day the deputation accompanied his Lordship to

IROQUOIS, where a missionary meeting was held in the evening soon after their arrival. The beautiful church of Iroquois, still all glorious with its Christmas trimmings, was filled with people. Thanks to the indefatigable efforts, self-sacrifice, and liberality of the Messrs. Mills, this church can boast of a choir not to be excelled by any other in the Dominion, and if it could be only transplanted to Winnipeg, would no doubt draw out a meed of praise from that devoted Churchman, Mr. Leggo. Addresses were delivered by the deputation and by the Bishop, and the offertory was a hundred per cent. more than in past years. The next day, Wednesday, the church was again crowded with an earnest congregation, who had come to witness the confirmation. About fifty persons presented themselves to be sealed by the Holy Ghost in that sacramental rite. His Lordship delivered a faithful address, showing the newly confirmed "how to live and serve God." He then proceeded to the altar and celebrated the Holy Communion.

CARDINAL.—On Thursday evening, Feb. 2nd, a deputation addressed a good congregation in the parish church of this place. The people of this parish are earnest and intelligent Churchmen. They owe much to the indefatigable, faithful labours of their present excellent incumbent, the Rev. W. Muckles-

KEMPTVILLE. A missionary meeting was held in this parish on 3rd February. The deputation consisted of the Revs. Rural-dean Lewis, W. Macklestone, A. J. O'Loughlin, and E. W. Read. Another meeting was held at St. Paul's, Marlboro' on Friday 24th. Both meetings were well attended, and the offertories were fairly good, when it is considered that this parish has a considerable amount of monetary responsibility in connection with the new Memorial church, which will not only be a credit to the parish, but to the whole Dominion.

OXFORD MILLS.—Missionary meetings were held in this parish in the three churches on the 13th, 14th, and 15th of February. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather and the darkness of the nights, the churches were all filled with devout and earnest congregations, who showed their intelligent appreciation of the missionary work set forth before them, by increasing their offertories. The deputation consisted of the Revs. C. P. Emery, A. Houston, and W. Mercer. This parish is young and vigorous, an offshoot from Kemptville. The incumbent, the Rev. W. Read, spares no pains in carrying on his work. The three churches are stone buildings, well proportioned, and erected through the indefatigable efforts of the late excellent rector of Kemptville, the venerable and much beloved John Stannage.

# TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, etc., received during the week ending February 25th, 1882.

MISSION FUND.—January Collection:—Colborne, \$1; Uxbridge, \$8.42; North Essa, Christ's, \$2.18, St. Jude's, \$1.08; Scarborough, Christ Church, \$2.34, St. Paul's, \$2.17; Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, \$144.06; St. George's, Toronto, \$24.66. Thanksgiving Collection:—North Essa, Christ's, \$2.50, St. Jude's, 50 cents; West Mono, St. Matthew's, \$2.47, Camilla, 54 cents, Herald Angel, \$2.53, St. George's, \$1.51. Missionary Meetings:—North Essa, Christ's \$1.70, St. Jude's, 90 cents; West Mono, St. George's, \$1.88, Herald Angel, \$3.88, St. Matthew's, \$3.83, Camilla, \$1.45. Parochial Collections:—St. Alban's, Verulam, \$11; St. George's, on account of, Toronto, \$160; Weston, \$67.96. July Collection:—West Mono, St. Matthew's 83 cents, Camilla, 55 cents, Herald Angel, \$1.03, St. George's, 47 cents.

PERMANENT MISSION FUND.—Annual Subscriptions: Miss Mary Henderson, for 1882, \$100; Miss Henderson, for 1882, \$50; Mrs. M. P. Henderson, for 1882, \$10.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.—From Churchwoman's Mission Aid for Scholarship in Famine Orphanage, Madras, India, \$25. For Central Mission Board. For Algoma and North-west:—St. George's, Toronto, \$90 on account.

DIocese of ALGOMA.—Donation:—Miss Henderson, \$50.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—October Collections: North Essa, Christ's, \$1, St. Jude's, 50 cents; Lindsay, \$73.06; Manvers, St. Paul's, \$1, St. Mary's, \$1, St. Alban's, \$1; Scarborough, Christ Church, \$10, St. Paul's, \$8, St. Jude's, \$2.81; West Mono, St. Matthew's, \$1.14, Camilla, \$1.27; Herald Angel, \$1.90. St. George's, 77 cents. For the widow of a deceased clergyman:—All Saints', Toronto, \$14.00.

St. Bartolome's.—Sunday, 5th March, was a very interesting day for the members of this rising Church congregation, the occasion being the reopening of the building after certain improvements of the interior. The preachers were the Lord Bishop at Matins, Provost Body at three p.m.; and Rev. J. H. McCollum at Evensong. The choir of St. Matthias' church, under the direction of Mr. F. G. Plummer, rendered the afternoon service, and both they and the ordinary choir of the church acquitted themselves most creditably. The congregations were overflowing, testing the utmost capacity of the building; and the offertory amounted to over \$60, which, with amounts already in hand, will probably cover the expenses of the decorations. These latter produce a *tout ensemble* of very pleasing effect. They include a very tasteful reredos of carved wood, with incised cross at centre, and surmounted by cross of the same material. On the wall above the east window a crown of glory with the text, "We praise Thee, O God." At the opposite end of the church an arch text, "How amiable are Thy dwellings." Along the south windows of the nave is inscribed the running text, "The Word was made flesh, etc.," while the windows on the north side are surmounted by the prophetic names of Christ, "Wonderful, Counsellor," etc. The spaces of the altar, the fronts of the desks, as well as the panels of the reredos, were supplied with handsome hangings of violet with appropriate emblems, while an unusually complete set of book-markers of the same tint were in their proper places on altar desks. The

tinging of the walls is, if anything, too light; but the whole effect of dark red lettering with gold edge on blue ground throughout the church is very pleasing. The bands of stencilling, and other ornamentation is in pink and blue tints. Altogether the rector, Rev. G. I. Taylor, is to be congratulated on the results in every respect; and on the charge of people who are sufficiently intelligent though not rich in worldly goods—and religious to appreciate such "work for the house of their God."

# HURON.

From Our Own Correspondent

GODERICH.—The Rev. Geoffrey Hill, rector of Seaford, officiated in St. George's church, on Quinquagesima Sunday. He preached an excellent sermon from text Micah vi. 1, 2.

FLORENCE.—Miss Gunne, organist of St. Matthew's church, has been presented with a purse of \$50 by the congregation as a token of their appreciation of her invaluable services.

BELMONT.—Huron Diocese loses another of her clergymen. The Rev. Mr. Fortin has received and accepted a call (such is the form used) from Portage la Prairie. He is to leave for the great North-west in a few weeks.

KINGSVILLE.—This parish has recently been called to mourn the loss of its oldest member, Mr. Wm. Drake, who settled here some forty years ago. To this venerable Churchman the parish is indebted for the church edifice. It was by his almost unaided efforts that the building was erected. By his death, too, the community is deprived of a valued and highly-esteemed citizen. Steps are now being taken towards the erection of a new parsonage, something which is very much needed. The present united and prosperous condition of the parish, justifies the hope that, in accordance with the prospect so long before us of this desirable improvement, the work will be undertaken at once. When accomplished, Kingsville will present much greater inducements to a clergyman, than it can with what it now possesses in this way. One of the indications of growth and increase, which this parish presents, is the enlarged attendance at the services, the congregations almost, and sometimes altogether, filling the church. This, however, cannot be said of the other parish belonging to this mission.

RAPIDLY are they who amid privations and discouragements laboured for the foundation of the Church in the Canadian wilderness, passing away from our midst. Laymen not less than clergymen toiled cheerfully in faith in the noble cause. Of those who aided the missionary labours in this great colony, one has now been called from the Church Militant, to his home. Died on February the 4th at Gosfield, county Essex, Mr. Wm. Drake in his 75th year. He was a Canadian by birth, the fourth son of Capt. Wm. Drake. The family removed from the Niagara district to Dover, county of Norfolk, which was burned by the Americans in the war with England in 1812-14. On the breaking out of the rebellion in 1837, he was one of the first to volunteer under the late Col. Askin. He and his three brothers saw some active service, and at Oaklands captured a number of rebels who were in arms against their country. He assisted also in the capture of the piratical vessel, Ann, in the Detroit river in 1838, when Anderson, the leader of the rebels in South Yarmouth, was killed. He was a devoted member of the Church, and was mainly instrumental in the erection of the church of St. John the Evangelist in Kingsville, the greater part of the expenses of which he himself contributed; and for its completion he with his own hands performed the greater part of the labour. The shingles for the roofing were hauled from St. Thomas. The funeral took place on Monday, and was largely attended. The Rev. Mr. Brunell officiated, committing his body to the ground in full assurance of a happy life in eternity.

In Mr. Drake were happily united unwavering loyalty to his sovereign with fealty to the King of kings.

COLCHESTER.—This parish is situated in a wealthy district, but does not display the zeal and enterprise which might be expected. With the advantage of a