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Church at three services—morning, afternoon, and evening—and gave us most able and interesting accounts of missionary work. In the morning he reviewed it as a whole, dwelling chiefly upon the last few centuries since the reformation, encouraging us by the rapid strides of the past 80 years to greater efforts and personal interest in the work. The sermon in the evening was confined chiefly to the missionary work of the Church of England, and also proved very interesting. In the afternoon the service was for our Sunday-school children, and Mr. Campbell addressed them very simply and well, encouraging them in their small efforts at helping on the good work. It was a hopeful sign to observe the interest of the little ones manifested in his remarks. A feature of this service was the announcement of the contents of the various missionary boxes kept by the children. The total sum was \$30.67, which, being for a few months only, was very good. Two of our young people had prepared a surprise for us. They had conceived the idea of making a missionary garden in the spring, and yesterday were able to hand over \$1.87 as the proceeds. Mr. Campbell had come on no begging errand, but with a view to enlist a more hearty, sympathetic, and a deeper and more prayerful interest in missionary work on the part of church members. This morning, however, he happened to stumble upon a missionary from the northern limits of our diocese bent upon making a raid upon the city of Buffalo for a sum of money absurdly small to have to go so far for. It was not difficult to persuade this rev. gentleman to hand over his work to Mr. Campbell for a few hours, who, with the leave of our incumbent and with his assistance, was enabled to cheer the heart of our worthy missionary with over \$40.00, the cheerful contribution of the few members of our parish they were able to call upon in the limited time at their disposal. It is unnecessary to add that the missionary was easily dissuaded from taking the long and expensive journey upon what we believe would have turned out a fool's errand. This money is needed to repair his parsonage, so that it may be at least habitable in the severe winter weather of our back woods.

A vestry meeting of the wardens and members of St. Paul's church was held on Monday evening of last week. There was a large attendance and some important business in connection with the building of the proposed new church was done. The business in hand was to finally select a site and to make arrangements for the erection of a new church at once. A communication from Mr. A. Hudspeth was laid before the meeting, by which Mr. Hudspeth offered, should the vestry conclude to accept the site which he proposed to place at their disposal, to convey to the church a lot on Russel-st. west, known as the Duke property, free of all incumbrances, as his subscription towards the new church. The value of the site is a trifle short of \$1,000. This offer, if accepted, it was pointed out during a discussion of the offer made by Mr. Hudspeth, would get over the objections against building on the site occupied by the present church, and allow the old church being used until the new one can be got ready for use. A resolution was submitted by Mr. J. H. Knight and seconded by Mr. R. Bryans, that the new church be built on lot No. 8, south of Russel-st., and that the offer made by Mr. Hudspeth be accepted. The motion was carried. It was moved by Mr. G. H. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. J. H. Sootheran, that the church-wardens and the members of the vestry to be appointed be and are hereby instructed to take proceedings to erect a new church upon the lot according to present plans and specifications of Stewart & Denison, provided that the same can be fully completed at a cost not exceeding \$15,000, the committee above mentioned from time to time to consult the vestry as to details. The resolution was carried unanimously. Rev. S. Weston Jones, and Messrs. Grace, Brown and Walter were then appointed as a committee to act with the church-wardens. A meeting was held by the committee on Wednesday morning to discuss the tenders which had been handed in. The business was gone into very thoroughly and it was finally decided to accept one of two tenders submitted. Details were gone into and with a view of reducing the cost of the church, it was proposed that certain materials—Bobcaygeon stone—should be used to replace Ohio stone and that some minor modifications should be made.

DIocese OF NIAGARA.

The Bishop of Niagara held a special ordination in Christ Church Cathedral last Sunday, when Mr. C. Grahame Adams, of Hamilton, and Mr. James Munson, of Watertown, were ordained to the first order of the ministry.

FORT ERIE.—On Sunday morning, Nov. 2, the rec-

tor of St. Paul's Church, Rev. A. Arnold, A.B., preached a special sermon on the subject of Church principles. He preached from the text Matt. xviii. 20, and pointed out in eloquent and forcible language the true interpretation of the rubrics and ritual of the Church of England. Taking the Church, interpreted and viewed in the light of Holy Scripture, as the standard, he proceeded to give a lucid exposition of the doctrine of the Prayer Book. The sermon was marked throughout by a tone of deep thoughtfulness and true evangelical earnestness, and was highly appreciated by the congregation.

DIocese OF HURON.

APPOINTMENTS.—The Bishop of Huron has appointed Rev. Alfred Brown, late of St. Paul's, London, to be Incumbent of Wiarton and adjacent parts, and Rev. F. Ryan, of Brussels, to be Incumbent of Florence and Auhrim.

ORDINATION.—The Bishop of Huron will hold an Ordination in St. Paul's Church, London, on Sunday next, when it is expected the Revs. H. A. Thomas, J. M. Gunne, and J. Ashton will be advanced to the order of Presbyters, and Capt. Bayly-Jones, R.N., will be ordained Deacon.

LONDON.—Special services were held in the city churches, including St. James, London South, on Thanksgiving Day.

At the morning service in St. Paul's Church on Sunday, Bishop Baldwin preached with his wonted eloquence and earnestness. The announcement that he was to preach at the Chapter House in the evening filled the church to the doors, and many could not find seats. The usual evening service was conducted by Rev. E. N. English, principal of Hellmuth Ladies' College; Rev. T. O'Connell, the rector, and Rev. Mr. Kerr. The Bishop took for his text Malachi iii. 17: "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels, and I will spare them as a man spareth his own son that serveth him." He dwelt particularly on the two words "my jewels." He explained in vigorous and earnest language the spiritual meaning and value of the words in relation to God's plan of salvation.

The annual meeting of the Western Ontario Bible Society was held in Victoria Hall, Nov. 3rd, at which the Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin presided and delivered the opening address. The Secretary's report showed that the issues from the Depository for the year were 2,220 Bibles, 1,384 Testaments and 381 portions; total, 3,995. At the election of officers Bishop Baldwin was re-elected President.

ST. JAMES', LONDON SOUTH.—The ladies of St. James' congregation have undertaken to pay the debt on the Rectory, amounting to \$2,400, by monthly subscriptions. They are actively at work and feel encouraged by the success which attended their former efforts. They paid for the pipe organ in the church by the same means and raised a large sum for other church purposes besides. Each member of the congregation is expected to contribute a certain amount weekly or monthly, and in this way a large sum is realized in the year. It seems to be the proper and Scriptural plan for raising money for church purposes.

SARNIA.—The Rev. W. Davis, Rural Dean of Kent, preached two most practical sermons in St. George's Church, Sarnia, on Sunday, Nov. 9. The rector, Rev. T. R. Davis, read prayers.

ST. THOMAS.—Thanksgiving Day was observed in St. Thomas by the church people attending divine service morning and evening. Rev. T. O'Connell assisted in the services.

WYOMING.—The church people of this village have made great improvements in the interior of St. John's Church at considerable expense. Services are again being held in it, and the congregation seem well pleased with the result of their labours.

THORNDALE.—A branch of the Church of England Temperance Society has been formed at Thorndale by the Rev. C. W. Ball. By the unanimous vote of the meeting it was decided to have only one pledge, that of straight total abstinence. It is expected the membership will be large. A Band of Hope has also been formed in the Sunday School.

PALERMO.—On Wednesday evening, 5th inst., a church "Social" was held at the parsonage, Palermo, in aid of the funds of St. Luke's church, and though the weather was threatening and the roads heavy, over one hundred were present. A very pleasant evening was spent. The kindly social intercourse was interspersed with music and recitations, and the financial result was better than might have been expected under the circumstances.

MORPETH.—A harvest home and thanksgiving service was held in St. John's Church some time ago. The church was handsomely decorated for the occasion. Able addresses were delivered by Revs. Rural Dean Ballard, M.A., of St. Thomas, and W. M. Shore, of Ridgetown. The offertory collection was liberal. A lawn social afterwards held under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Association, in the grounds of James Smith, Esq., was well patronized.

The annual Sunday School examinations of Trinity and St. John's churches took place on Thursday and Friday last, the 30th and 31st of October. Children's services were held in the evenings of those days in said churches. The clergyman of the parish was assisted by the Revs. R. Fletcher, of Dresden, and W. J. Taylor, of Wardsville. Able addresses were delivered by both gentlemen. The handsome prizes awarded at the examinations were given at the conclusion of the services. The scholars of both Sunday Schools showed the careful training they had received from their teachers.

WOODSTOCK.—Wednesday was a day of peculiar interest and pleasure to our Anglican friends of new St. Paul's Church, Woodstock. The proposed visit of Bishop Baldwin and Mrs. Baldwin had been anticipated with pleasure for some time and the greeting extended by St. Paul's congregation and the community at large took the appropriate form of a reception in the parochial school room. The decorations of the latter were both elaborate and tasteful, being in the hands of the ladies of the church, and, notwithstanding the snowy and stormy night, a large number of the Anglican communion, the clergymen of all the churches in town, and many citizens assembled to welcome the beloved Bishop and his wife. All who desired were presented to the distinguished guests, and the impression left by both Bishop Baldwin and his wife was most favourable. The Bishop made a short but admirable address to those assembled, evincing a catholicity of sentiment as marked as were the beauty of his thoughts and elegance of his diction. He is a comparatively young-looking man and has the reputation of being alike scholarly, deeply pious and zealous. Refreshments in the form of tea, coffee, and cake were served during the evening by the young ladies of the church, and appropriate music, vocal and instrumental, was also furnished. The rector, Mr. Hill, the church-wardens and members have reason to congratulate themselves upon the pleasure which the good Bishop's visit has afforded to them and to the community at large. His Lordship conducted the thanksgiving services at New St. Paul's yesterday, preaching a beautifully simple but scholarly discourse. The musical services were unusually enjoyable.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

GALT.—An active and successful canvass has been going on in this parish for funds wherewith to build a new Church, and at a special meeting, held on the 7th inst., the Vestry decided to proceed with this important work.

On Thanksgiving Day, Divine Service was celebrated in Trinity Church with an appropriate address by the Rector, from I. Sam. xii., 24-25. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion well attended. The church had been decorated with exquisite taste and propriety. The offertory for Algoma Diocesan Fund was very liberal. The amount given in Galt towards that object this year is \$33.76, being more than double that of last year's contribution.

It may be added that the Epiphany and Ascensiontide appeals for Foreign and Domestic Missions elicited a response of eighty dollars in the parish.

OMAGH.—On Monday evening, the 3d inst., a large party representing the congregation of Christ Church, Omagh, gave their pastor, the Rev. A. Bonny a complete but welcome "Surprise," taking entire possession of the parsonage pro tem. A few minutes after their kindly intrusion they spread a luxurious repast, to which ample justice was done. After tea a most delightful evening was spent, in the course of which A. G. Heaven, Esq., the people's churchwarden, on behalf of the congregation, and as spokesman of the ladies pre-