

ed his farewell address to the children at the choral service in St. Paul's Church, on Sunday afternoon. We understand the vacant curacy has been offered to the Rev. H. J. Winterbourne, of Halifax.

**ST. GEORGE.**—The first of a series of parlor entertainments was held at the Rectory, on Thursday evening, 31st ult. It was attended by a goodly number of people, notwithstanding the walking being rather uncomfortable. It consisted of music, readings and recitations, and the interest in each of these was well sustained throughout the entire evening. After the first part of the entertainment was completed, an intermission of five minutes or more was given for conversation, which was evidently taken advantage of by those present, and altogether, we think we may pronounce the evening a success, financially and socially. The prime object of these entertainments is in aid of blinds for the newly-repaired Church in this place, which now in its modernised condition, with its good chancel and handsome reredos, appropriate furniture, etc., compares favourably with most Churches, at all events in the country parishes in the diocese. We would recommend these entertainments as a good mode of bringing the different members of congregations together, and thus producing more social feeling than is generally considered to exist amongst members of the Anglo-Catholic Church, and for which accusation your writer fears there are some just grounds.

**DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.**

**ORMSTOWN.**—A very attractive concert in connection with St. James' Church came off last week. The weather was unfavorable, but notwithstanding the hall was crowded. A long and admirable programme was successfully carried out. The Rector may well be congratulated on the performance of his daughters' and other members of his congregation, although when all did so well it would be an unfair distinction to particularize; but we cannot forbear speaking in the highest terms of the violin solos by Miss Kaatz, of the Ladies' College, Dunham, a guest at the Rectory. The concert was divided into two parts, and during the intermission an oyster supper, prepared by the ladies, was well patronized.

**MONTREAL.**—Bishop Sullivan having been delegated to procure in England a clergyman to succeed Dean Baldwin as Rector of Christ's Church Cathedral, has recommended the Rev. J. L. Norton, of St. Giles', Durham. At a meeting of the parishioners, on Friday, Mr. Norton was duly elected to the vacant position, subject to the Bishop's consent, (which was subsequently given), and the new Rector, it is to be hoped, will, before long, be in residence, and engaged in the active, arduous, and responsible duties of his important position. Mr. Norton will come most warmly and highly recommended, and of his popularity and success there can be no doubt. Besides Mr. Norton's name, the parishioners had before them the name of the Rev. H. A. Venables, of St. Mary's Abbots, Kensington, but Mr. Norton received a large majority of the votes cast. The newly elected has been Vicar of St. Giles, Durham, for eleven years, and is a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, and has the reputation of being a good extempore preacher and speaker, and an energetic parish worker. Mr. Norton is a married man and in the prime of life.

**ST. JOHN'S.**—The parishioners have acted wisely in prohibiting any further burials in the Church ground, and have ordered that hereafter all interments are to be made in the new cemetery in the western limits of the town. This decision has been arrived at none too soon, for had burials been allowed another summer in the old ground, it would have been at the risk of the lives of the inhabitants. As far as possible our graveyards should be without the precincts of our towns. The Church is thriving here under its earnest Rector who seems thoroughly devoted to his work.

**FRELIGHSBURG.**—Tuesday the 29th January was the 75th Anniversary of the first Church in the Eastern townships. The Founder's Festival on that day in the Bishop Stewart Memorial Hall was an occasion of very great interest. Canon Carmichael of St. George's Montreal, was good enough to be present to deliver what proved to be a very eloquent lecture, which was highly appreciated by the intelligent audience present. The ladies of the congregation added to the attraction and helped to swell the receipts by providing a 5 o'clock tea, and refreshments during the evening. The occasion was one that will not soon be forgotten by those who enjoyed it, and the warmest thanks of the congregation are due the able and eloquent Canon for his kind assistance.

**WINDSOR MILLS.**—It is a pleasure to know that the Church in this place is gaining ground under the zealous care of the Rev. H. P. Mansbridge, who is doing everything in his power to strengthen the parish, with the happiest results. Hard work and earnest words must prove effective in building up a congregation.

**DIOCESE OF HURON.**

**MISSIONARY** Sermons were preached in the Churches at Brooke, Napier and Kerwood, on Sunday, Jan. 27th, by the Rev. W. J. Taylor. The offertories were good, much interest being manifested in this work. Under the Rev. J. M. Gunne this parish is prospering.

**WARDSVILLE.**—In response to the special appeal of the Board of \$50,000 for this year's work, the Churches at Glencoe, Newbury, and Wardsville, answered nobly by contributing over \$40 at the Epiphany offertory. We venture to say, that if all the congregations throughout this and other Dioceses meet the obligations resting upon them, according to their ability, in the same liberal spirit the amount needed will be easily raised. Surely it will be a lasting disgrace to the Church if she does not contribute the sum so powerfully and pleadingly solicited.

**APPOINTMENT.**—The Right Reverend Bishop of Huron has appointed Rev. J. B. Richardson, M. A., as Rector of the Memorial Church, and Rev. Canon Hill, M. A., of Strathroy, as examining chaplains for the diocese. Mr. Richardson is a graduate of the University of King's College, Windsor, N. S., and was ordained by the Bishop of Nova Scotia in 1866, and Canon Hill, a graduate of Toronto University and gold medalist in classics, was ordained in 1867 by the Bishop of Huron. The appointments are highly approved of.

**LONDON.**—The annual Missionary meetings in this city have been held, the first in Christ Church on the 29th ult., the speakers being the Right Rev. the Bishop, Revs. A. Brown, of St. Paul's Church, and W. Hinde, of Petrolia. The second in St. Paul's Church, the speakers being the Bishop, Rev. J. B. Richardson, and Mr. E. Hutchinson, lay reader, of Lion's Head. The third meeting was held in the Memorial Church. Speakers—the Bishop, Rev. Canon Hill, of Strathroy, and Mr. E. Hutchinson. The fourth meeting took place in St. James' Church, London South, where the Bishop, Rev. T. O'Connell, and His Honor Judge Davis, addressed the audience. Excellent addresses were given on each occasion, and the collections were liberal. The presence and addresses of the Bishop added much to the interest.

**SIMCOE.**—The anniversary of Trinity Church was observed on Jan. 26th. The services were in all respects successful. The Rev. E. S. Jones, Rector of Port Rowan, and the Rev. Mr. Gemley, conducted the morning service. Mr. Jones preached to a large and deeply attentive congregation from John v. 17. In the evening the Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin was the preacher. Trinity Church was filled to overflowing. The Rector of the Church was assisted by the Revds.

E. S. Jones and W. B. Evans in the services, after which the sermon was delivered. The Bishop selected as his text the words, "The Son of Man"—Matt. viii. 20, which he said presented Christ as the ideal and perfect man. He dwelt upon His sympathy to man, His suffering for him, and His constant readiness to bless him. A stirring personal appeal closed this very beautiful and able discourse. The closing entreaty to be prepared to meet the Son of Man in the day of His coming, will not soon be forgotten. The offertory at both services was exceedingly good. The public reception took place in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, the 22nd inst., and was very largely attended, not simply by Church people but by ministers and members of the other Christian bodies. The following address was presented to his Lordship:—

*To the Right Reverend Maurice S. Baldwin, D. D., Lord Bishop of Huron:—*

**YOUR LORDSHIP.**—We the Rector and Church-Wardens of Trinity Church, Simcoe, request the privilege, on the part of the congregation and parish, which we represent, of tendering to you on this occasion of your first official visit since your consecration to the holy and important duty and "work of a Bishop in the Church of God," our sincere and cordial welcome to you as the chief pastor of this extensive diocese. We are not unmindful of the time when a portion of your earlier years in the work of the Christian Ministry was spent in a neighbouring parish, when we were occasionally favored in listening to your advocacy in forcible and eloquent words, of "the Glorious Gospel of the Blessed God." We have not been indifferent to your subsequent advancement, and to the eminence to which you attained. We regard in your Lordship, a worthy and able successor to our last Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Hellmuth. Believing, as we do, in the efficacy of prayer, and in the absolute Sovereignty of God, and the Headship of Christ over his Church—that he alone had the right to appoint his apostles, and that He continues that right and authority in the selection of their successors, we feel a confidence and satisfaction, which we desire at this opportunity fully and heartily to express, viz., our assurance that prayer has been heard and answered in your election and consecration to the great trust which has been committed to you. On the Sunday prior to the day on which took place the solemn act of your consecration to the office you now hold, prayer was made to God in your behalf in Trinity Church in this town, followed by petitions at the family altars, and in the secret closets from many anxious Christian hearts. We are thoroughly convinced that the distinguished ability, extensive learning, and the devotion which have marked your noted career heretofore, will be with (if possible) deeper anxiety and more intense ardor consecrated to the service of the Master, who in His own good time has said to you, "Friend, come up higher." We again tender to you our heartiest welcome; and we pray that your labours and example may prove—as we believe they will—a great blessing to clergy and laity throughout the diocese. May God, who alone hath the power to keep and to uphold, vouchsafe to you and Mrs. Baldwin very many years of continued health and happiness, and of great usefulness in His Church. We are, your Lordship, with due respect, your faithful servants in the Church of Christ. John Gemley, Rector; James F. Wilson, Warden; H. H. Groff, Warden. Simcoe, Ont., Jan. 22nd, 1884.

His Lordship responded in an earnest and very hearty manner.

**DIOCESE OF TORONTO.**

**PERSONAL.**—The Rev. W. S. Rainsford is expected to pay a visit to Toronto very shortly. He will be heartily welcomed by hosts of friends, but one is rather curious to know how the man who has introduced surpliced choirs and choral services will be received by the Cathedral people. The Rev. J. W. McCleary has been visiting his numerous friends in the Mission of Norwood, where he was formerly stationed.