



ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, WINNIPEG.

Theology; Canon O'Meara, Professor of Systematic Theology; Canon Matheson, Professor of Exegetical Theology; and Canon Coombes, Precentor, and Professor of Music. In addition to their regular duties as canons in residence, and in teaching theology, these gentlemen lecture on subjects of the Arts course for the examinations of the University of Manitoba.

Since the passage of the act of incorporation in 1874, St. John's Cathedral has continued to be, as before, the centre of diocesan effort and extension.

The parishes in Winnipeg and many of the missions in the diocese have been served by the staff of St. John's Cathedral and College, till they could wholly or partially support a clergyman.

As will appear from the history of the other churches of Winnipeg, four parishes have already been set off from the original St. John's, but it still covers a very large area in a part of the city which is rapidly building up.

To meet the needs of Churchmen living in the southwestern part of the parish, a mission service was begun in November last in a small cottage. So rapidly has the work grown that on July 8th of this year a church was opened, dedicated to St. Peter, having seating capacity for 200. This latest child of the cathedral promises to be a great success. The congregation is steadily growing, without at all affecting St. John's, and a Sunday-school has been organized with 118 scholars. The district is at present under the charge of the Rev. W. A. Burman, formerly principal of the Rupert's Land Indian School.

## MRS. RUSSELL'S MISSIONARY BOX.

**W**OULD'N'T you like to have a missionary box of your own, Mrs. Russell?"

"Well, Miss," replied Mrs. Russell, doubtfully, "you see, I don't get many visitors. I don't know who there'd be to put anything in it."

"Why, yourself and your husband, of course," said Miss Langton. "I know you love the Lord Jesus, and are thankful to Him for His goodness to you. Now, if you had a box, whenever you felt thankful for one of His mercies to you, there it would be for you to put a little thank-offering in it."

"Yes, Miss, that's right enough. But my husband, he says when so much money is wanted at home for doing good, and there's so many poor people as can scarcely find enough to live on at all, it's wicked to send money away to the black people. 'Charity begins at home,' he says."

"There is a great deal in what your husband says," answered Miss Langton; "but I think I can show you that it need not prevent your having a box. Have you ever thought why it is that people who have the means help the poor and support good institutions?"

"I suppose it's because they're Christians mostly, Miss."

"You are quite right, Mrs. Russell. If we took away all that Christian people give, and all that is given because of their example, there wouldn't be much left. But do you know how it is there first came to be any Christians in England?"