

rapidly gaining ground in England, we find that there are only 1,422,000 appropriated seats in the churches and chapels against the large number of 4,280,000 which are free and unappropriated. It appears that whilst an early communion is celebrated in 20,635 churches, there is an evening communion in as many as 1,842. The estimated total of the communicants is a little less than 2,000,000. This estimate is clearly below the mark, for in the Church of England every confirmed person has a right to consider himself a communicant. It is satisfactory to know that, as the Diocese of Truro will in future join in the scheme, the consent and co-operation of the Church in England in these annual returns will now be unanimous, and that in process of time we shall be in possession of statistics which will show the real strength of the English Church. Still, it must be observed that any statistics which fail to include the voluntary contributions which flow through organizations not parochial, but not closely identified with the Church, will be altogether inadequate to express the real condition of the English Church.

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QUEBEC.

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The Synod.—The Lord Bishop has directed the calling of the Diocesan Church Society for Tuesday, May 29th, and following days. The meetings will be held in the Cathedral Church Hall, Quebec.

Church Society.—The usual annual public meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Church Society is to be held in the City of Quebec, on Monday evening, April 29th. The Bishop will preside, and the speakers are expected to be their Lordships the Bishops of Nova Scotia and Fredericton, and R. W. Henneker, Esq., D.C.L., Chancellor of Bishops' College, Lennoxville. The visiting Bishops will most likely occupy the pulpits of the cathedral and St. Matthew's Church, on Sunday the 28th inst.

Confirmations.—The confirmation services in Quebec City during Holy Week were: Palm Sunday, three p.m., St. Matthew's Church; eight p.m., St. Peter's Church; Monday, the 8th, 8 p.m., at the cathedral; Tuesday, the 9th, eight p.m., a second confirmation at St. Peter's Church; Wednesday, the 10th, eight p.m., at St. Paul's Church.

The Bishop's Movements.—The Lord Bishop leaves Quebec on Easter Monday for Montreal; after remaining there a day he goes on to Hamilton, Ont., on a visit to the Lord Bishop of Niagara. Saturday, the 20th inst., returns to Toronto, preaching on Sunday, at eleven a.m., in St. James' Cathedral, and at seven p.m. in St. Thomas' Church. Wednesday, the 24th, attends meeting of the D. and F. Miss. Assoc., at Kingston, Ont. Thursday, the 25th, ten a.m., attends meeting of the House of Bishops; Thursday, 25th, three p.m., assists in the Archbishop's Appeal Court, where the appeal of the Rev. Mr. Wye, of Amherstburg, Ont., will be heard. Returning to Quebec on the 26th.

Women's Auxiliary.—At the last quarterly meeting of the diocesan branch, a resolution was passed regretting the resignation of Miss L. H. Montizambert, diocesan secretary, and presenting her with a provincial life membership in recognition of her many valuable services. Grants were made of \$25 to the Bishop of Qu'Appelle for his school, and \$15 to Archdeacon Phair for the Indian Missions of the Diocese of Rupert's Land.

LENNOXVILLE.—*Bishops' College.*—The Eastertide meeting of the corporation met in the Synod Hall, Montreal, on Tuesday, the 2nd inst. Present: The Lord Bishop of Montreal in the chair, Rev. Principal Adams, Acting Chief Justice Tait, Rev. Canon Mussen, Rev. G. A. Smith, Dr. L. H. Davidson and Messrs. Richard White, John Hamilton, R. P. Campbell and A. D. Nicolls. In addition to the ordinary routine business, the lengthening of the honour course in Classics, Mathematics and Divinity were reported; also of the acceptance by the Rev. R. A. Parrock, B.A., scholar of Pembroke College, Cambridge, and a first-class classic of that university, of

the position of Davies and Davidson Professor of Classics. This Professorship was founded several years ago through the munificent bequest of two ladies, Mrs. Davies and Miss Davidson (sisters) for many years members of St. Matthew's Church, Quebec. Satisfactory reports were presented by the Principal and the Professor of Divinity, and from Bishops' College School. The arrangements for the forthcoming jubilee of the university in June next, were discussed. A matter of more than local interest was raised in regard to the proposed affiliation of the new Conservatory of Music in Montreal to Bishops' College. A committee was appointed to consider the matter. Dr. G. M. Garrett, the organist of the university of Cambridge, is the musical examiner of Bishops' College. The twenty-fourth annual convocation of the Medical Faculty was held the same day in the afternoon, and was well attended and was very enthusiastic. Degrees were conferred on a number of graduates, among them two ladies. Several of the Professors delivered addresses before the conferring of degrees by Dr. Drummond. One of the lady graduates being a Jewess, Rabbi Veld was called upon, and on the occasion of a Jewish lady being first graduate, and also the first lady Israelite to take a medical degree in Canada, made a clever address. He thanked the Church of England University for honouring the nation he represented. Principal Adams in a stirring address made reference to the increased attendance at Lennoxville, and to the admission of dentists into the Medical Faculty, in which step Bishops' had followed Trinity University. The prospects of the university of Bishops' College and Bishops' Medical College were never brighter. The Rev. A. H. Millard, B.A., of Nottingham, England, is now, and has been for the past month, a guest of the Lord Bishop, and on Passion Sunday took part in all the services at St. Matthew's Church. He is shortly to return to his native land.

ONTARIO.

J. T. LEWIS, D.D., LL.D., ARCHBISHOP OF ONT., KINGSTON.

KINGSTON.—*The King's Daughters.*—Circles of the King's Daughters in this city have lately held a union meeting and invited the Canadian Secretary, Mrs. Tilley, of London, to address them. Dean Smith, with his accustomed kindness, granted the use of the Synod Hall of St. George's Cathedral, and also presided at the meeting. The Food and Fuel Club, established by the Charity Circle of Kingston, reported at this meeting. It was a record of the most practical work, viz., "helping the poor to save their earnings," so that when the winter came, many families had quite a little fund in the bank. In connection with this work, members of the circle were required to visit each family weekly, and thus a most friendly intercourse was promoted between them and their sisters who were not so well off. What opportunities for showing the Christ-like spirit and speaking the Christ-like word! The work of this circle was spoken of by people outside of the order, as the best practical Christian work done in Kingston this winter. It will be interesting to those connected with missionary work to hear that in March, 1894, thirteen circles belonging to the Anglican Church, also two undenominational circles, and some individual members, promised to raise \$100 annually towards the salary of Miss Kerby, lady missionary at Kanyengah. In addition to this, members of the King's Daughters having heard that Miss Kerby had lost her cow, contributed \$16 towards the purchase of another. A dear Scotch woman gave her contribution in true Scotch fashion, labelling it "For the beastie," I.H.N. Another phase of the work of the King's Daughters is presented by a pastor who said that his church was in debt and unable to employ a sexton, that the circle in his church offered to take this duty, and, regularly every week, they appeared with brooms and dust pans to put the House of God in order for public worship on Sunday, continuing to do so until the financial burden was lifted.

"Lowly or grand our tasks,
Serve we the same."

All the spiritual work done in and by this order, eternity alone will reveal; but even here on earth God allows His people who are engaged in the order's work to know of much fruit to the honour and glory of our blessed Saviour's name. The elasticity in choice of work is a great attraction, because sometimes the King calls us to serve in home work for Him, and the halo of Divine consecration is to be put upon the common things of the daily life in the home. A member of the order thus writes on this point: "I love our dear order; it lets us each one serve just in our home, if it is there our 'King' calls us to serve, and I do feel that in these days there is a danger of letting the outside work come first. I can't tell you how much I have been helped by my little badge, my silent reminder of 'whose I am.' The daily duties become sweeter and easier somehow when we know we can take up our common task, and make it holy unto our Master. I feel that

this is such a blessed order, because it gives Christian men and women a badge which speaks instantly to the heart and draws us together around 'His feet' and oh! it is indeed a tiny taste of what it will be, when at last 'At His Feet' indeed, heart will welcome heart."

TORONTO.

ARTHUR SWEATMAN, D.D., BISHOP, TORONTO.

TORONTO.—The Right Reverend Bishop Dunn, of Quebec, will preach in St. James' Cathedral on Sunday morning, April 21st, and in St. Thomas' in the evening.

NORWAY.—On Thursday evening last, a very interesting lecture on astronomy with stereoscopic views was given by Mr. Clougher, of Toronto, in the old church, on behalf of the "Church Boys' Brigade." At the close of the entertainment, a very beautiful banner was presented to the brigade by Mrs. Rutten, wife of the rector. This exquisite piece of work, which is acknowledged to be one of the handsomest of its kind among the Toronto companies, was worked by Miss L. Farquharson Smith, of Gwynne St., Toronto. Needless to say, the boys were delighted and gave a hearty vote of thanks and three cheers for the kindly donor. The banner was placed in the chancel of the new church. On Sunday, the Rev. C. H. Shortt, chief warden of the "Church Boys' Brigade," made his semi-annual inspection of St. John's Company, Norway. Forty members were present under the command of Capt. Charles Jackson. After an address on "Loyalty," by the inspector, he pronounced everything in connection with St. John's Brigade in first-class order, and it to be one of the most satisfactory companies he had yet visited.

NIAGARA.

CHARLES HAMILTON, D.D., BISHOP, HAMILTON.

ARTHUR AND DAMASCUS.—At the request of His Lordship, the Bishop of the diocese, the Rev. H. J. Leake, M.A., of Drayton, undertook the task of canvassing these congregations to try to have them realize they could support a clergyman without a mission grant. The effort was successful. As a result, the \$250 yearly grant they have been receiving can be used to open a new field. A good work has been quietly and persistently done here during the past six years by the present incumbent, Rev. S. Bennetts. One thousand dollars in debts have been paid by the Arthur congregation; a \$1,000 church has been built and paid for at Damascus, and the congregations now start as a parish with excellent prospects. They are united, and there is no debt whatever; they have two pretty churches in perfect repair. The Rev. S. Bennetts is to be congratulated on the results of his labours.

HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, LONDON.

GLENCOE AND APPIN.—*Concluded from last issue.*—In October, 1891, the first movement was made toward the erection of a new church. It was thought the time had arrived for taking action toward providing a larger and better building than the new one in use. A building committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. Lumley, Messrs. Richard Coad, Geo. M. Harrison, John Simpson, John Oldrieve, W. S. Rogers, N. F. Currie and Geo. Parratt. Dr. Lumley was subsequently appointed Chairman; Richard Coad, Esq., Secretary; Geo. M. Harrison, Esq., Treasurer. Owing to various circumstances, however, building operations were postponed until 1893. At the present writing the new church is completed in all essential particulars, and is now in use. It cost about \$8,500, and is nearly half paid for already, and is provided with an excellent pipe organ costing \$500, which has been paid. This is an excellent showing for so small a congregation, and only shows what a few earnest people can do if they only make up their minds to "put their shoulder to the wheel." The church consists of nave, chancel, vestry and tower, and a large and well arranged basement for furnace, Sunday school, and general parish rooms. Though the church is not orientated, but rather occidentated, it will be understood what is meant when it is stated that the tower rises in the middle of the technical west gable and contains the main entrance which is led up to by a wide flight of steps from the main street. The church is of white brick and will seat 300 people comfortably. The chancel is sufficiently deep to admit of its division into choir and sanctuary, which has been admirably done. The altar is well and solidly built, and the choir is furnished with seats with ends projecting upward and wrought in *fleurs-de-lys*. The ceiling is closed in at the cross-stays of the rafters and all the interior of the roof is panelled with narrow diagonal matching. All the wood-work is pine, finished with oak graining, except the seats, which are themselves