

satisfactory method of teaching the Christian faith. It was impossible in some places to find teachers at all, while a test of competency would be a bar in other directions. The teachers needed to be taught. In the midst of such difficulties, however, care should be taken that none out of sympathy with the Church should have any part in teaching the children of the Church. Every speaker had a word to say in opposition to so-called union Sunday Schools as unsatisfactory, to say the least, from every point of view. Not only was it a matter for regret, but for deeper feelings of sorrow, that the missionary was so seldom able to be present at a Sunday School in his mission. It was a loss of which all were sensible.

The Bishop, in closing, said that much depended upon the teacher. It was true in no small degree that "the method was the man." He was not altogether prepared to go with those who would discard the leaflet. In fact, in a measure, the spirit of loyalty to our own institutions urged the use of "the Institute Leaflet." The St. Paul's Manuals were excellent publications. He fully agreed with those who had no sympathy with union Sunday Schools. The Church had provided for the catechizing of children in church by the "curate." It would be wise for missionaries to try to conform with the rubric. In conclusion, the Bishop paid a high tribute to Sunday School work. Though it did not do all we would like, yet it did much. Those who worked in our Sunday Schools were worthy of much commendation.

At 6 p.m. the Conference adjourned.

THE EVENING SERVICE.

At 8 o'clock the Church of St. Paul, Sundridge, was well filled, the congregation containing a large representation of local Church people and a goodly number of the members of other Christian bodies in the place, viz., Presbyterians, Methodists, and Baptists. It was not contemplated when the vestry was added to the church some years ago that it would ever be called upon to accommodate about twenty clergy at one time, so that, when the clergy robed for this service, they did so with some little difficulty. A procession was formed and the clergy entered the church by the main entrance to the singing of the familiar hymn

Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war.

Chairs were provided for the clergy at the chancel end of the church, three of the senior clergy with the Bishop sitting within the altar rails.

The people's part in Evensong was uttered with a distinctness and reverend boldness—the voices of the clergy, of course, predominating—that was a lesson to Church people in a little village where responses, though generally good, are not sounded by every voice, and at the same time gave a warmth to the worship which all felt.

But the feature that will ever stand out as the most prominent in connection with our worship that night was the address by the Bishop. Stepping to the front of the altar, without a text as a subject for a sermon, the Bishop began to speak on the subjects of the Church and the Sacraments, paying most attention to the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. If to be a teacher is distinct from being a preacher then the Bishop was a teacher on whose words the congregation waited with unabated interest for nearly an hour. No attempt is here made to summarize the address, though it may be said that cleric and laymen were the better for the careful and thoughtful unfolding of truths that evening. The clergy left the church to the singing of a recessional hymn

(Concluded next month.)

The Bishop Sullivan Memorial Sustentation Fund.

Amount Required	\$50,000 00
Amount Received	\$ 8 09 37
Yet needed	\$41,730 63

With much thankfulness we note the growth of the above-mentioned fund. It is devoutly to be hoped that the success which up to this moment has followed the appeals on this behalf may be continued and stimulated until the "sinews of war" required are in hand.

Last month we reported receipts of \$6,520 70. The list of contributions now appended gives a total of \$8,269 37.

Per Mr. Kemp—	
Allansville, Algoma...	\$ 2 10
Lennoxville, Que., W.A...	2 00
London, Ont., St. Paul's...	50 00
Mr. R. Kenny, Sarnia...	10 00
Toronto, St. Matthew's P.	
M.C...	1 65
Parkdale, St. Mark's offer-	
tory	19 15
St. Matthew's, Que...	50 15
English Algoma Assn...	1,472 53
Per Rev. J. C. Farthing,	
Woodstock—	
Miss Adams...	5 00
Mr. Wm. Grey...	5 00
Woman's Auxiliary, St. Luke's Pro-	
Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie,	
Algoma...	100 00
A Friend of Algoma in Nova Scotia...	2 00
Port Sandfield, Algoma...	3 00
Sherbrooke, Que., Dorcas Br. W.A...	20 70
Sault Ste. Marie Br. of Daughters of	
the King Algoma	5 00
	\$1,748 67
Previously reported	6,520 70
Total received	\$8,269 37

Gore Bay Mission.

(Extract from a letter from Rev. L. Sinclair.)

I returned yesterday evening (June 2nd) from my visit round Silver Water and Meldrum Bay. It is with thanks I can report a successful visit—indeed, more so than any previous one—to Silver Water (except those of the Bishop) I arrived at Silver Water on Monday even-

ing, and, notwithstanding a storm, had a large congregation and baptized four children. Next morning I celebrated Holy Communion, and ten, including the student, received. I gave a lecture in the evening, which was largely attended, in the schoolhouse. Next day I went with Mr. McKittrick to Meldrum Bay, and held service in the church, baptizing seven children. On the following day I baptized other fifteen, making a total of twenty six baptisms. A man and his wife who had six children baptized at the service came the next evening and were baptized themselves. I could have baptized other seven had I stayed another day, but the only opportunity for returning to my Sunday duty here occurred on Friday morning, and I came by water, as there seemed no possibility to come by land and be here in time for a special engagement in Gore Bay this morning. Mr. McKittrick is getting on well.

Algoma W. A.

There are now twelve branches of the W.A. in the diocese. Work for missions, outside of the parish work, has increased during the past year.

Money given and work done for missionary purposes, as sent or reported to the Diocesan Treasurer since last summer, are as follows:

For the Triennial Thankoffering, 1898.	\$ 15 55
Self-denial offering, St. Luke's, S. S.	
Marie...	2 60
For the Bishop Sullivan Memorial Sustentation Fund:	
St. Luke's Branch, Sault	
Ste. Marie	\$100 00
Gregory Branch	12 00
Port Arthur Branch	10 00
North Bay Branch	2 50
For the Domestic and Foreign Mission Board:	
Port Arthur Branch	5 00
North Bay Branch	2 50
For the Shingwauk Home, North Bay Branch	7 00
	\$157 15

DORCAS WORK.

For missions outside of the diocese. Port Arthur, Fort William, and North Bay, one bale each, for a mission in the diocese, Gregory, one bale, for general distribution in the diocese, Bracebridge, one bale. Very few boxes for the next Triennial Thankoffering have been taken by our branches, which is to be regretted. Could not each branch take one? Then in 1901 the offering would be really a "united thankoffering," instead of consisting of the contents of three boxes only, as was the case at the Triennial of 1898. The diocesan secretary will be glad to supply boxes to all who may apply.

[It is suggested that every mission be communicated with and organizations, however small and incomplete, be invited to come under the banner of the Diocesan W.A. A visit from a lady of experience,