

COBOURG.—A reception was given to the new Rector and his wife by the congregation of St. Peter's last Thursday evening in the School house. In every respect the event was a grand and most gratifying success. The School house had changed its appearance completely, so beautifully was it decorated. No pains had been spared to impress upon the Rector and his wife the heartiness of the welcome which awaited them.

Though the rain came down in torrents, the room was crowded by the members of the congregation, who braved the storm to do honor to the occasion.

May the kindly spirit and loyalty to the Church thus shewn go on, and grow as years roll by.

TORONTO.—St. Hilda's college for women, in affiliation with Trinity University, Toronto, which was opened with the design of furnishing young women with means and facilities for education equal to those which are afforded in our Colleges for young men, is now about to complete the first year of its existence, and it is pleasant to be able to state that its success, both as a College and a Home, more than realises the hopes of those who were instrumental in founding it. The work of the Students has been most satisfactory, showing that not only is the instruction given of the highest order, but also, that a spirit of zealous devotion to study reigns in the College.

At a meeting of the Council in May, the Treasurer's report showed that the College is in a very satisfactory financial position. Especial thanks are due to Mrs. Body, who has interested herself so heartily in the work, and also to some of the most prominent Medical Men of Toronto, who generously gave up a portion of their very valuable time in order to deliver a course of Ambulance Lectures, which, besides being most interesting and instructive in themselves, were the means of procuring \$376 85, which sum added to \$809 00 subscribed, makes a total of \$1185 85; besides which, there is still a small sum promised that has not yet been paid in. The total receipts from all sources amount to \$1659 85. The total expenditures is \$1402.13 leaving at present a balance of \$257.72. From this it will be seen that all liabilities will have been met at Midsummer, when the College breaks up, and that there will be a small balance in hand.

It is deemed advisable to move from the present building to a more commodious residence and, if possible, nearer to Trinity University; this will of course, entail some extra expenditure, but not to a very serious extent.

At the last meeting of the Council the following ladies and gentlemen were elected members of that body:—Mrs. Alex. Cameron, Mrs. Walker Cassels, Mrs. McLean Howard, Mrs. Edward Martin of Hamilton, and Mr. J. A. Cartwright and Mr. Elwes Henderson.

There are still a large number of members of the Church to whose notice the movement has not yet been brought, and it is confidently believed that the amount of annual support still required will be cheerfully given to an Institution which has begun with such fair prospects, and whose object is so important alike to the Church in this Province, and to the interests of Higher Education generally.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—Rev. Mr. Alexander, Sub-Dean of the Cathedral, who leaves on a trip for the old country shortly, for the benefit of his health, has been presented with a purse of \$650 by the members of the Church of England of this city.

ST. JOHN.—On Friday evening 31st ult., His Lordship the Bishop Co-adjutor confirmed 26 candidates in St. Paul's (Valley) Church.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE.—A scheme is on foot to enable Bishop's College Lennoxville, to accommodate 40 students instead of 28 and 100 boarders in place of 85. It will cost about \$10,000 towards which Mr. Robt. Hamilton, of Quebec, has offered \$5,000, on condition that the other \$5,000 is raised in a reasonable time.—*Sherbrooke Gazette.*

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

No report

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

OMASH, PALERMO AND ZIMMERMAN.—The Rev. J. H. Fletcher, begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following sums of money in aid of the Zimmerman Church:

\$5.00 Rev. J. J. Morton; \$2.00 Messrs A. McLea Howard and C. H. Greene; \$1.00 Rev. Prof. Boys, A. B. Chaffee and Mr. Wm. Carter; 50cts., S. F. Houston, and general small sums.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

ESSEX CENTER.—The Rev. F. H. Fatt has been appointed to this Mission at the request of the people.

SARNIA.—Ordination will be held in St. George's Church, here, on Sunday June 16th, and confirmation in the afternoon.

LONDON.—Synod is to meet June 18th in London. Executive Committee, on the 17th.

LAMBTON.—*Ruri-Decanal Meeting.*—The Ruri-Decanal Chapter of the Country of Lambton met in Mooretown. The Venerable Archdeacon Sandys, D. D., president. The clergy present were:—Revs. J. L. Gunne, of Wyoming; A. Murphy, of Forest; J. Jacobs, of Walpole Island; Robert McCosh, of Petrolia; T. R. Davis, M. A., and H. P. Chase, of Sarnia, and the Rev. Dr. Armstrong; and the laity present:—Messrs. C. Jenkins, of Petrolia; A. C. Clark, of Sarnia; H. H. Green and Joseph Featherstone, of Moore. A service was held in Trinity Church in the evening when, after prayers read by Rev. J. M. Gunne, addresses were delivered by C. Jenkins, Esq., on "Federal Church Union;" Rev. T. R. Davis, M. A., on "Working of a Parish;" A. C. Clark, Esq., the "Church Work in the Pews," and Rev. R. McCosh on "Self-Consecration." The congregation was unusually large for a week day, and seemed much interested. The Venerable Archdeacon closed the service at 10 o'clock. It was understood that the next meeting will be held in Petrolia in January of next year.

W. A. M. A.—A special meeting of this Association was held on June 6th, at Bishopstowe, to listen to an address from Miss Campbell, a lady Missionary from China, who is travelling through the States and Canada for the purpose of arousing an interest in the Mission to China, to which she is attached. His Lordship the Bishop presided, and there was a large attendance of members.

This Mission to Inland China was begun by a Mr. Hudson Taylor, who having completed his medical education went to China to open a Mission there. Beginning without funds he has always been successful, both as regards money and workers, having never failed, as Miss Campbell impressed upon her hearers, to obtain large sums of money in answer to prayer. The meeting was largely attended and gave a great deal of pleasure to those who were there.

CHURCH WORKERS' CONVENTION.—The Rural Deanery, met in St. James Church, Paris, on Thursday morning, nearly all the members of the Deanery being present.

After the administration of the Feast of the

Holy Communion, Rev. Rural Dean Mackenzie and Rev. Mr. Brown officiating, the business of the Deanery was transacted.

In the afternoon the Church Workers' Convention assembled in the town hall, Rev. Rural Dean Mackenzie in the chair. There were about twenty-five present from Brantford, among whom were: Rev. J. L. Strong, Principal Dymond, Messrs. Geo. Hatley, Chas. Watts, Geo. Candwell, F. T. Wilkin. From Galt there were Rev. Mr. Ridley; Mr. Woods, Secretary of the S. S. Committee of the Synod, and about fifteen others, ladies and gentlemen.

After an address of welcome from Rev. Mr. Brown, a report to the Synod was drawn up, urging the holding of annual S. S. Conventions in each Synod and Deanery.

Principal Dymond, of Brantford, urged upon all members of the Synod present to try to have less discussion in the Synod over trifling matters of detail, and to give more time to the ritual work of the church.

Mr. Chas Watts read a very interesting and valuable paper on, "Bible Class Work," he said the Sunday School is the nursery of the Church, not of the home, while the infant class is of the first importance, the Bible Class certainly comes next; a congregational Bible Class being of great benefit, thereby stopping the leakage which generally occurs after the young men and women think themselves too old for the Sunday school class, also that teachers may be taken from said class to supply the Sunday school, that the teacher of the Bible Class must be a sincere Christian able punctual self-denying, these are the essentials of a successful teacher.

An adjournment was then made for tea which was served in excellent style by the ladies of St. James.

After reassembling, Mr. George Candwell read a paper on systematic giving; illustrations were quoted from the New Testament, showing us that God expects us to give according, as he has blessed us, by so doing the financial distress of the churches would be done away with, and the world soon evangelized. God looks at the spirit of the giver considering the widow's mite; each individual soul should be devoted to God; a passage from the Old Testament, proving that God gives answering prosperity, but let us see to it, that our motives are all pure, that systematic giving is a privilege and a duty.

A chart was then shown by Rev. Mr. Caswell, it took the form of an object lesson in which the Apostles' Creed, Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer and the Sacraments were explained, thereby impressing these more firmly in the mind of the young.

Miss Weir, of St. Judas, Brantford, then gave her paper, "The duty of Church members to become Church workers," she spoke of the members of the Church being pledged by baptism to be servants of Christ, we may choose our own work, but we must be workers in His vineyard, keeping ourselves in the back ground and working solely for the glory of God. During the evening Miss O'Connors, of Galt, sang two solos which were much appreciated. Capt. Eccleson, of the Detroit branch of the English Church Army, gave a splendid address.

The discussion on all the papers were earnest and profitable, and the meeting will be long remembered.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

PORT ARTHUR.—Public service was held in St. John's Church, on the festival of The Ascension, the sermon was preached by Rev. C. M. Kirby of Fort William, who assisted the Rev. Rural Dean Machin in the administration of the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon the annual meeting of the Clergy and Lay delegates of the Rural Deanery of Thunder Bay district was held. It is the "day of small things" in these ecclesiastical matters, but those concerned look forward to a