

fitted for the energy and the vigour of young men, and offers a manner of life that might be thought to have even in itself no little attraction for many of them. And I cannot understand why a man who gives himself to such pioneer work, or even to more strictly speaking missionary work, should be considered as necessarily giving himself to it for his whole life, any more than why the man who goes to one of our large poorer parishes should stay there for his life. It is unfortunate, I cannot but think, that this kind of idea should ever have got abroad as it has. Many are prevented from offering themselves for fear of afterwards seeming to draw back if they return home. Whereas the work is one at home and abroad. And many a young man would find a far more fitting and even a happier field for the exercise of his energies and activities than in a country parish at home, while when his years of hard work were done, he would be none the less fitted, surely, for the peaceful and happy life of the country parson at home, because he had gained his experience of souls in rougher fields. Why should not patrons reward such work, yes, even honorably, in their distribution of their patronage? It is work for the Church, not only for a diocese that should be thus rewarded. We often hear much said in these days about the poor prospects of those who "go into the Church," as the expression is. When our Lord called His Apostles, He told them plainly that they must forsake all if they would follow Him; when He called Saul of Tarsus, he said, "I will show him how great things he must suffer for My Name's sake;" and if we would arouse any genuine enthusiasm for the office of the priesthood, if we would see the numbers seeking that holy office recruited in a manner at all commensurate with the needs of our Church whether in her colonial or missionary dioceses, or at home, we must more boldly and faithfully, and more frequently than, I think, we are wont to do, bring before our people the dignity and privilege of being called thereto. We must urge it upon men at the Universities, we must tell of it to boys at school, we must preach it in our pulpits that parents may deem it an ambition to see some of their children in the priesthood, and dedicate them to the Lord, like Samuel, even in their infancy, and we must plainly proclaim that the "prospects" of this profession are nothing in this world, only greater opportunities of serving and perhaps even suffering for Him who died for us.

NEW CANON ON MISSIONS.

THE Canon passed by the Provincial Synod at its last session, on the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society in Canada, is as follows:

ART. I.—This Society shall be called The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada.

ART. II.—This Society shall consist of all persons who are members of this Church.

ART. III.—This Society shall be under the control of a General Board of Missions, consisting of the Bishops of this Ecclesiastical Province, and the Clerical and Lay Delegates for the time being of the Provincial Synod, together with the Board of Management as hereinafter described.

On the third day of each triennial session of the Provincial Synod the business of the Synod shall be suspended to allow the business connected with this Society to be transacted.

ART. IV.—There shall be a Board of Management which shall consist of all the Bishops of this Ecclesiastical Province and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Board, members *ex-officio*, together with two clergymen and two laymen from each Diocese, to be appointed by the General Board on the nomination of each Diocesan Synod, which nomination shall be made by such Synod at the meeting next preceding the triennial session of the Provincial Synod, and this Board shall have as far as possible the collection and administration of the General Missionary Funds of the Church (subject to the provisions hereinafter set forth), and shall remain in office until their successors are appointed, and shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. Eight members shall constitute a quorum. This Board of Management shall, when the General Board is not in session, exercise all the powers of the General Board, and shall report to the General Board of Missions on or before the third day of such triennial session of the Provincial Synod. The Board shall meet at such times and places as they shall think fit.

ART. V.—The Board of Management is authorized to appoint such Committees as it may deem desirable, and such officers as shall be needful for carrying on its work; and may frame such rules and regulations (not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of the Provincial Synod) as may be necessary for the transaction of its business.

ART. VI.—It is recommended that the funds collect-

ed in the several Dioceses for Mission work under this Canon be sent in to the Board, and the appropriations therefrom on behalf of Domestic Missions shall be made in gross, to be disbursed by the local authorities of Dioceses to which such appropriations shall have been made.

Appropriations on behalf of Foreign Missions shall be made to the Great Missionary Societies of the Mother Church in England, or in such other manner as the Board of Management may direct, provided the contributions specially appropriated shall be paid in strict accordance with the wishes of the donors. Nothing in this Canon, however, shall be held in any wise to interfere with or affect the several Diocesan Mission Funds, or with any other existing agreement made by any parish for special missionary aid.

ART. VII.—In connection with the Board of Management there shall be in each Diocese of this Province a Corresponding Committee, or Board of Missions, to be constituted as such Diocese may determine, who shall report all statistics or other information relating to the general purposes for which the Society is organized.

The Diocesan Board of Missions, as at present constituted, shall be the Corresponding Committees, or Boards, until other Committees shall have been appointed under the provisions of this Canon.

The first Board of Management shall be appointed by the Provincial Synod at this Session.

BOOK NOTICE.

Chatterbox Junior has won a popularity among our children quite equal to that attained by the English *Chatterbox* in its days of greatest success. The new volume for the coming holiday season will be issued on Nov. 5th, by R. Worthington. Each page has a picture, and each picture tells its own interesting story so plainly, that no bright boy or girl can miss it. They are just the sort of engravings that children take delight in studying, being of games and amusements, story-book heroes and fairies, of dogs and monkeys, and hundreds of things that children delight in. The reading matter embraces stories, sketches and rhymes in great variety, prepared expressly to accompany the pictures. The book is elegantly printed on fine paper, and the cover resplendent with red, and silver and gold, will be very prominent among the collections of holiday books. Price \$1.25.

Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

DOMINION.

MONTREAL.

CANONICAL IRREGULARITIES.—Several correspondents have drawn attention to there being some flagrant contraventions of all Synodical and Church traditions allowed to occur in this diocese. What think you, says one of the Bishop giving lay readers leave to preach their own unwritten sermons, to use the ante-communion service, and to act generally as one in Deacon's orders is not supposed to be capable of doing? Now this has actually been done here in —. Again, what think you of a Bishop vesting a lay reader in surplice and stole (the latter worn priest wise) while at the very same time another, a candidate for Deacon's orders, marched in the procession vested only as a Deacon is supposed to be. Without personal knowledge of these matters, but relying upon the reports which reach us, we must express regret at any looseness of this kind being permitted. The work of laymen in full harmony with clergy is too precious to be hindered developing by the raising of prejudices such as the above practices are certain to create. No layman wishes these liberties who is fitted for the sacred duties of a lay reader.—Ed. D. C.

ONTARIO.

MILFORD.—*Harvest Festival and Tea*.—A most successful Harvest Thanksgiving Service, followed by an equally successful Tea-meeting, took place at Milford on Thursday, 18th Oct. St. Philip's Church was very tastefully decorated for the occasion and a large congregation was in attendance. Rev. Messrs. Echlin, the newly appointed Incumbent of Hillier and Osborne, but lately put in charge of Milford, and Rural Dean Baker took part in the service, the latter preaching the sermon. At the tea-meeting which was held in Empey's Hall, Robert Clapp, Esq., of Picton, was called to the chair, and addresses by the above named clergymen and Dr. Bredin, music by the choir, and read-

ings by Messrs. Kinney and Vanvack furnished ample and enjoyable entertainment for the evening. A packed hall and the nice sum of over \$50 realized of the entertainment, testify to the good feeling already existing between the new Incumbent and his parishioners. We predict for Mr. Osborne a useful and prosperous career in Milford.

MABERLY.—The Rev. Elwin Radcliffe, thanks from the very bottom of his heart, the Rev. Rural Dean Nesbitt, Rector of Smith's Falls; church wardens, and members of the congregation, for responding so cheerfully, and willingly, to his appeal for help to build the proposed and much needed little St. Alban's Church at Mabery village in the county of Lanark. The Rev. A. C. Nesbitt, R.D., \$10; F. F. Frost, Esq., Mayor of Smith's Falls, \$10; Mr. James Rath, \$4; Mr. J. Willisroft, \$4; Mr. Jarvis, \$3; Mr. R. H. Fergusson, \$3; Mr. A. P. Tregent, \$2; Mrs. Stenson and Misses Frost, \$2; Mr. W. A. Wood, \$2; Mr. John Rath, \$2; Mr. S. N. Percival, \$2; Mr. Charles J. Field, \$2; Mr. George Bredes, \$2; Mr. James Johnston, \$1.50; men in Frost & Wood's Foundry, \$6.25; Mr. S. Moag, \$1; Mr. Wm. Sheppard, \$1; Mr. John Gilroy, \$1; Mr. W. M. Ritchie, \$1; Mr. J. J. Crane, \$1; A Friend, \$1; A Friend, \$1; also the members of the Pike Falls congregation: Mr. John Wills, \$5; Mr. Wm. Moore, B. A. Trinity College, Toronto, \$5; Mr. W. Moore, \$1; Mrs. Orr, \$1; Mrs. McVeety, \$1; John Robinson, \$1. Also Mr. Joseph Palmer, school trustee, and Mr. J. Foxton, undergraduate of Queen's College, Kingston, for the able canvass made by them in townships of Oso and South Sherbrooke which resulted in their collecting \$24.50. Mr. Radcliffe also acknowledges with many thanks the following subscriptions for month of October: A. J. Matherson, Esq., Mayor of Perth, \$10; The Rev. The Provost Trinity College, Toronto, \$10; Mr. John Acheson, Reeve of S. Sherbrooke, \$10; Rev. J. B. Morley West Mono Mission, \$5; F. A. Hall, Barrister, Perth, \$5; Mr. Wm. Butler, Perth, \$5; Rev. John Langtry, Toronto, \$2; Rev. Prof. Clark, Trinity College Toronto, \$1; Rev. Dr. Wilson, Kingston, \$1; Mrs. A. Hart, the Rectory Markham, \$1. *Laus Deo.*

PRESCOTT.—The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in St. John's Church, on the Festival of St. Simon and St. Jude on Oct. 28th. The church was beautifully decorated by a few of the young ladies of the congregation under the experienced direction of Mrs. B. French, who has won a deserved high reputation for skill and taste in church decoration. The congregations were large both morning and evening, the services very hearty. The sermons by the Rev. W. Lewin, clergyman of the parish were brief, appropriate and effective. The special offerings in response to an appeal in a pastoral letter were large and liberal, amounting to \$149, which have since been increased to \$156, part of which increase came from the venerable Rector of Belleville, the Rev. J. W. Burke, formerly rector of this parish, who enclosed his offering of \$5, a memento of the many old associations connected with this parish and a tangible proof of his continued interest in his welfare.

OBITUARY.—Mr. Daniel McMillan, farmer of Edwardsburg, who entered into rest on the 17th ult., after a protracted and prostrating sickness, which he bore with Christian patience, fortitude and trust, bequeathed fifty dollars to the missions of the diocese. If the example set by this worthy yeoman were followed generally by persons remembering in their wills the claims and wants of the mission field, it would give a great impulse to the extension of missionary work.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received the during week ending October 31st, 1888.

PAROCHIAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—*Mission Fund*. St. Peter's, Cobourg, \$17.05; Aurora and Oakridges, \$10.43; Haliburton, \$1.90; St. Luke's, Mulmur, \$4.70; St. Paul's, Brighton, \$6.06; St. Mark's, Otonabee, \$2.80; St. Philip's, Unionville, \$4.80; Weston, \$5.65; Port Perry, Sunday School, \$1; Etobicoke, St. George's, \$4.20; Mimico, Christ Church, \$8.80; Brooklyn and Columbus, Mission Fund, \$3.55; Wawanosh Home, \$1; St. Paul's, Lindsay, Diocesan \$1.55; Domestic \$2.35; General, \$18.50.

MISSION FUND.—*July Collection*.—Fenelon Falls, \$10. *Missionary Sermon*.—Cobourg, \$52.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collection*.—St. John's, York Mills, \$13.12; Galway, St. James', \$100.00; Kimmount, \$1.61; Furnace Falls, 51 cents; Credit, \$25; Trinity College Chapel, Toronto, \$21.90; St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, \$500; Grafton, \$6; Newcastle, \$16.85; Mulmur, St. Luke's, \$3.60; Trinity, Adjala, \$2.57; St. David's, Everett, \$1.83; Penetanguishene, All Saint's, \$4.61; St. James', \$1.24;