

conference, viz: the bringing together of the parishioners at least once a year, that they may be able to exchange ideas, and thus be induced to take a more hearty interest in the general welfare of the parish. A number of statistics were also presented by the Rector, showing the standing of the Church and the progress that was being made in the parish.

Miss Woodward, secretary of the Ladies' Guild, then presented and read the report of that admirable Society, showing the work done during the year. This organization is perhaps the most flourishing of the many in the parish, and is always foremost in promoting the interests of the Church.

Mr. H. D. Lawrence, superintendent of the Sunday School, was then asked to read the report of the work of the school, which showed that there are on the roll 250 scholars and eighteen teachers. He also said that the Library of the school is in an efficient state, and that the singing has much improved during the past year.

Mr. John N. Hunter, the lay reader in charge, and who is shortly to be ordained, then gave a report of the various organizations of the Church of the Advent. This Church has an active Ladies' Guild, Sunday School, Temperance Society, etc., and these are all doing a good work, and are continually growing in usefulness. Since the opening this Church has made much progress, and is gathering a good congregation together every Sunday, there being an average attendance at the services of 40 in the morning and of 50 in the afternoon.

After the presentation of the several reports and discussion invited upon them, several pithy and interesting papers were read, the first gentleman called upon being Mr. Dorey. The title of his paper was "How to Increase the Heartiness of our Services," but Mr. Dorey being unavoidably absent, it was read by the Rector. It was brimful of bright suggestions, and was warmly commended to the conference by Dr. R. W. Hencker.

Mr. H. D. Lawrence, who is a member of the building committee of the new St. Peter's Church, which, it is hoped, will be commenced in the near future was then asked to present a scheme, which had been prepared to provide funds for building the new Church. The plan suggested was as follows: subscriptions of any amount may be received on the instalment plan, annually, semi-annually, quarterly, monthly or weekly. For example: a subscription of \$100 payable in ten years may be paid as follows—\$10 annually, or \$5 semi-annually, or \$2.50 quarterly, \$3 cts. monthly, or 20 cts weekly. In the event of the donor's death before the expiration of the ten years the agreement is to be null and void. The scheme was favourably looked upon by the conference, but no definite action taken thereon.

Mr. John N. Hunter then read a most elaborate and carefully prepared paper on "The Missionary work and Needs of the Parish." He gathered together a large number of statistical facts, and put the wants, requisites and failings of that part of the Parish,

with which he was more intimately connected, before the meeting in a clear and concise manner. The chairman, in thanking Mr. Hunter for his excellent paper, announced that he was extremely sorry to tell the conference that Mr. Hunter was soon to sever his connection with the parish, to take up a larger field of work elsewhere.

Mr. John P. Wells read a paper on "The Duty of Young Men to their Church." The paper brought out a number of new and suggestive thoughts on the duties of young men to their Church, and all who heard it could not fail to be edified and instructed by it.

The meeting was brought to a close by the chairman thanking all who took part in the proceedings, and by the pronouncing of the benediction.

BOURG LOUIS.

On Sunday, September 30th, after Divine Service, Mr. Thomas Sissons, Lay Delegate, and Mr. John Darbysson, went over to the Parsonage and asked for Miss B. M. Debbage, the eldest daughter of the Incumbent. They carried with them a purse of money, which they presented, as Mr. Sissons said, on behalf of members of the congregation, as a slight token of their esteem for her, and of their appreciation of her services as organist. Miss Debbage was taken quite by surprise and deeply moved at this unexpected manifestation of the kindness and good feeling of the people in Bourg Louis towards herself.

COOKSHIRE.

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held in St. Peter's Church, on Wednesday evening, 26th September. Special Anthems were sung, and the Canticles were to the beautiful setting by Mr. Dorey. The preacher was the Rev. W. G. Faulconer, a former rector of the parish, who gave a most earnest and inspiring sermon. The Church was beautifully decorated by the ladies under the direction of Mrs. Robertson.

The first of a series of Sunday School District Conferences was held in St. Peter's Church, on Wednesday afternoon and evening, the 3rd of October. The Rector presided. Rev. H. E. Wright, M.A., of Angus, read a paper on "How to keep and retain young men and boys in the Sunday School." Rev. E. A. W. King, M. A., of Waterville, gave a most interesting and instructive illustrated Lecture on "The use of the Blackboard in the Sunday School." Rev. W. T. Forsythe, of Staunstead, also took part in the proceedings, and the Rector gave an illustrated lesson on the Catechism, using Caswell's "Outward and Visible Sign Charts." The various papers and addresses were followed by discussions, and questions were asked and answered on different topics. The importance of getting the children to attend Church as