

How to secure better teaching and teachers. 3. Sunday school singing—how to improve it. 4. Infant class teaching and management. 5. Sunday-school picnics and festivals, and how to conduct them. 6. How to secure discipline and obedience in Sunday schools. 7. What should be the object of the Sunday school teacher. 8. Sunday-school grading, and how to secure the acquiescence of teachers and scholars in a proper system of promotions. 9. Legitimate uses of Sunday-school contributions. 10. Sunday-school libraries—their contents and management. 11. Sunday school prizes—what, why, by whom to be given. 12. How long a Sunday school session should last, and how it should be apportioned. 13. Sunday school records and registers. 14. Teaching by diagrams, maps, and pictures.

It was agreed that the first meeting should be a "Difficult Meeting," for discussion of the difficulties suggested by teachers; also that the first half-hour of each regular meeting should be devoted to the lesson for next Sunday.

The Treasurer, H. G. Collins, read his report, showing a small balance on hand notwithstanding that only eleven churches had paid their contributions.

The next meeting will be held in St. George's school house, on Thursday, the 23rd, and the following meetings on the third Thursday of each month.

PRESENTATION.—A deputation of the Rev. R. W. E. Green's Sunday scholars called the other evening in his absence and left behind them a beautiful piece of statuary in parian marble, representing "Venus presenting the quiver to Cupid." This class has also remembered those who are not so rich in the things of this world as themselves, and has generously contributed over \$20.00 towards the support of an Indian boy at the Shingwauk Home, Sault St. Marie.

ORILLIA.—The health of the Rev. Rural-Dead Stewart is much improved. Although he is not yet able to resume his duties as Incumbent of St. James's, his recovery has been unexpectedly rapid, and all who know him will join the congregation in thankful congratulations upon the prospect of their venerable pastor being yet spared to them.—*Packet.*

On Sunday morning the Rev. J. H. Harris, of North Orillia and Medonte, exchanged pulpits with the Rev. W. J. Armitage, the latter conducting the services in St. Luke's Church, Price's Corners. Mr. Harris preached a temperance sermon, from the text "Is there not a cause?" It was a thoughtful, logical, and convincing plea for total abstinence and for the total abolition of the drink traffic in our Empire. Its present application to the Scott Act campaign was obvious, and doubtless had the effect of turning some cavilling Eliabs into valiant Davids, prepared to battle against that giant enemy of Christian effort, Drink.—*Packet.*

CARDIFF AND MONMOUTH MISSION.—These striking and beautiful names convey but little idea of the wild and rugged district of country where the mission is located. It is true missionary ground. The clergyman lives at Cheddar, 20 miles from Apsley, which cannot be travelled over in less than nine hours by waggon, and 25 miles from Haliburton, at least a nine hours' drive. On Thursday and Friday, the 2nd and 3rd inst., he was delighted to welcome three visiting clergymen to this remote field, Rev. Dr. Smithett, the Rural Dean, Rev. W. F. Campbell, the Missionary Secretary, and Rev. P. Harding, the Missionary at Apsley, who came to hold annual missionary meetings. The drive from Apsley to Pandash occupied eight hours, Mr. Harding enjoying (?) a seat in the waggon the whole distance, as driver, and Mr. Campbell and Dr. Smithett walking a long part of the way, passing over twelve miles without seeing a house. At Pandash a missionary meeting was held in a log school-house. There are twelve families in the settlement. Eleven families were present. The next meeting was at Cheddar, another small settlement. On Friday Mr. Campbell and the missionary were driven over to Deer Lake, where, notwithstanding a steady rain, over fifty were present at 11 a.m., in the log school-house, to hear Mr. Campbell's address. The evening meeting on Friday was held at Poverty Lake, another good attendance, and good addresses from Dr. Smithett, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Thompson, the clergyman in charge. There is no church building in the mission. The people are industrious, but the country has many drawbacks as yet, and the settlement is very sparse. The missionary, an excellent clergyman, lately curate of an English parish, is doing a valuable work, and the church in Canada should not fail to appreciate such devoted and self-sacrificing labors.]

HALIBURTON.—The Missionary Secretary preached missionary sermons here morning and evening on Sunday the 5th October. Dr. Smithett and Rev. Mr. Angell took part in the services. In the afternoon of the same day Mr. Campbell preached a third sermon at Eagle Lake, nine miles out from Haliburton. His visit was much appreciated. There must be good results from such persevering and faithful efforts.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

THE BISHOP.—Right Reverend Bishop Baldwin returned to London on the 1st of the month and left again on the 10th for a tour of visitation through a part of Huron and Bruce counties, and expects to return about the end of October. On Sunday, the 5th inst., the Bishop preached in the morning a special sermon on Sunday Schools in St. James' Church, London South, and in the afternoon held a confirmation in Emmanuel Church, London Township. The Incumbent Rev. Prof. Seaborne, presented a class of 29 persons, to be received into full communion with the church. In the evening the Bishop preached a special Thanksgiving Sermon, in Christ Church, London; on all three occasions the several churches were crowded to their utmost capacity.

CHAPTER-HOUSE, LONDON.—A meeting of the congregation of the Chapter-house was held on Thursday, October 2nd, for the purpose of re-organizing the parish guild. Rev. T. O'Connell presided, and after explaining the usefulness of such an organization in a parish, officers were elected for the ensuing year. The guild is much encouraged by the success of the past. Dean Boomer's health continues to improve.

ST. JAMES', LONDON SOUTH.—The Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin preached in this church on Sunday morning, October 5th, to a very large congregation. The subject was, "Sunday-school work and its responsibilities." The sermon was most practical and heart-searching—indeed many were affected while listening to the Bishop's eloquent appeals for more spiritual life in the soul. Would God the church had many more such men, full of zeal for the glory of God and the salvation of souls. After the service about one hundred partook of the Holy Communion.

MEMORIAL CHURCH, STRATFORD.—A Harvest Festival Service was held on Friday evening, the 10th inst. The Rector, Rev. D. Deacon, M.A., was assisted by Rev. F. Harding, of Haysville, Rev. Canon Smith, of London, and Rev. E. Patterson, of Stratford, each of whom gave an appropriate address. The church was beautifully decorated with "first fruits" of grain, fruits, flowers &c., and presented a very pleasing appearance, reflecting credit upon the zeal and good taste of those who had the matter in hand. There is evidence of active church life in the congregation, and a good prospect is before them. Special Thanksgiving services were held on Sunday morning and evening, large congregations being in attendance.

MITCHELL.—It is likely that a vestry meeting of Trinity church congregation will shortly be held to ask for the appointment of a successor to Rev. Mr. de Lom. The feeling seems to be to leave the matter in the hands of the Bishop.

RIDGETOWN.—The congregation of this rising village are putting forth efforts to provide themselves with a church. The Rev. Mr. Shore is doing a good work in this mission. His friends in Westminster have presented the congregation with a handsome Communion Service, which was used on Sunday last for the first time. It is needless to say this timely gift is much appreciated.

RAVENWOOD.—The opening and dedicatory services of the new St. John's Indian Mission Church, Kettle Point were held on the 2nd and 5th of October. The preachers on the list were Rev. Mr. Hayland, of Watford, the Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Ailsa Craig. Speeches by several clergymen and laymen, accompanied by excellent music from the Indian choir of St. Peter's Church, Sarnia Reserve, occupied the evening. The Rev. Rural Dean Jameson, of Algonac, preached forenoon and evening on the 6th. At the close of the forenoon service the communion was administered, twenty of the Indians partaking thereof. The Rev. Mr. Henderson, of Forest, preached in the afternoon.

The new church is a model of neatness and beauty. The Rev. J. Jacobs, who is in charge of the mission, and has been for the last fifteen years, is highly complimented on all hands for his zeal and perseverance

in bringing the building of the handsome little church to such a happy termination. Three hundred dollars of debt still remains on the building, which he hopes to clear off before Christmas. The total cost is \$500.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

The Rev. W. H. Naylor, Rural Dean, has lately been visiting in the Townships of Huddersfield and Pontefract, starting from Shawville on Monday, September 22nd, and visiting the various farm-houses scattered about at wide distances from each other. The first resting-place was at a farm on the Picannock River, crossing the next morning Squaw Lake, into the Township of Pontefract, where he found nine families in the settlement west of the lake, six of them Protestant. This settlement could be more easily reached by way of Fort Coulogue, on the Ottawa. More than one service would be necessary in this district, as some of these farm-houses are 12 and 14 miles distant from each other. Mr. Naylor visited altogether 74 persons, 12 families, and left a Prayer-book in every house except one which was Roman Catholic. One family on the Picannock line, 12 miles from the farm, first visited, and it takes three and one-half hours to travel that 12 miles, and there are Protestant families 12 miles even beyond that. There are a number of vacant farms in Pontefract and Mr. Naylor was informed that about 20 families had left during the last year, but the land is excellent for dairy farms and stock-raising, and will probably be more settled in time. In the meantime those who are there need religious instruction, and everywhere the people entreated the clergyman to visit them again, and if possible on a Sunday, so that they might have a service. The old man, who was very infirm, and not likely to live long, begged the clergyman to come back and see him again, and administer the Holy Communion to him. From Shawville, where Mr. Naylor is stationed, it is 40 miles to the farm first mentioned.

At West Thorne the walls of the new church are finished, and the people are going to get material together during the winter, and hope to put on the roof by the spring. Missionary meetings have been lately held there by the Revs. F. R. Smith and H. Gomery. A harvest festival was held at Thorne Centre on Oct. 1st, the collections then made to form the nucleus of a church building fund for that place.

The opening of the Bishop Stewart Memorial Church at Frelighsburg took place on the 2nd inst. There were present the Bishop, Ven. Archdeacon Lonsdell, Rev. Canon Ellegood, Rev. C. J. Machin, Mus. B., Rev. Mr. Armstrong, from the U. S., Revs. J. Ker, H. Montgomery, J. Pyke, and the rector, the Rev. Canon Davidson. The choir of the Church of St. James the Apostle, Montreal, were there, the service being choral. The Bishop preached from Psalm 63, 2, "To see thy power and glory so as I have seen Thee in the sanctuary." The Bishop spoke of the self denial and self devotion needed for carrying on the work of God, and mentioned Bishop Stewart as a striking example of these qualities, reared in culture and refinement, and yet giving up a great deal to go forth and preach the Gospel. The Bishop said he must notice some who had very liberally aided in the building and beautifying of this memorial church. Many others who had not the same means had done what they could, and he would fain believe there was not one present that day who could not say "I have a brick in this church." Miss Reid had built the church as a memorial to Canon Reid. The font was given in memory of a sister by Mr. Daniel Westover. The tower, built by the Westover family (fruits of Bishop Stewart's work and the ministry). The building committee deserved all praise. Col. Asa Westover, S. N. Hunter, Z. V. Whitman, Major Westover, and Cleland Austin, who began the work, Mr. J. Landsberg, who had ever shown himself ready and open handed. The west end window had been given by Mr. Nelson Whiteman, and by the assistance of Miss Chamberlin the west porch was erected. Other windows had also been given as memorials. This day the sanctuary is opened. It is not the consecration, but why do we build this house of prayer. In order that we may have a place for meeting with our God. I pity the people, the household, or the man who lacks a sanctuary. God's way is there. We should draw near with reverence, for there do we behold His truth, His power, and His glory, and we should bear witness to Him from the pulpit, at the fort and at the table of the Lord.

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