

that Parish. Other contributions are yet to come in, which it is expected will raise the sum to about \$2050.

The following contributions are gratefully acknowledged: *Mission Fund*—Two sisters, \$2; C. M., \$5; Cooper St. Skating Rink, Ottawa, per Masters Tilley and Cambie, \$5; Offertory, St. Georges Church, Ottawa, \$135.

W. and O. Fund—Mrs. Macnab, (Miss. box) \$4; Miss Grace Boulton, \$2.

Shagwandah—Miss A. L. Wright, Stowbridge, England, 6s.

E. ALGOMA.

The Bishop also desires to make special acknowledgement of the sum of \$114 received from the "Women's Aid-Society," St. Pauls, Toronto; and of a cheque for \$1800, presented to him, for his Diocese, by the ladies of the several Parishes in Toronto, who conducted the recent sale in St. James School House, and carried it to so successful an issue. A large number of ladies assisted in this good work whom the Bishop does not know personally. He takes this opportunity of thanking them very gratefully for their co-operation.

Province of Rupert's Land.

INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSEHEAD, MCKENZIE RIVER, QU'APPELLE AND ATHABASCA.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

The Queen of Festivals was spent in the midst of excitement. The arrival and departure of the different battalions, the presence of the military element in our midst, and the exciting rumours—many of them without foundation—which were daily floating about, occupied the attention of our people in Winnipeg. The usual services were well attended, but the Easter Meetings were not so large as those of last year. All the churches made a fair exhibit considering the severe depression of the past year. Holy Trinity has succeeded in securing a reduction of interest to six per cent., for two years. This, with reduced expenditure, will, it is hoped, enable the parish to meet its expenses this year. The churchwardens and delegates to Synod from the parishes are nearly the same as last year. The Bishop has put forth a special prayer for the safety and success of the troops, and the restoration of peace. Over 1,100 men are now in the North-West in the three battalions raised in this city. The anxiety can be well imagined. So far, in Manitoba there has been no disturbance.

PERSONAL—The Bishop of Rupert's Land acknowledges with grateful thanks \$20 from D. E. F., which, in accordance with the liberty allowed in the letter, he has appropriated to the Endowment Fund of St. John's College.

Yesterday the Governor General's Body Guard paraded to St. John's Cathedral, the Dean of Rupert's Land preaching an appropriate sermon. The 7th Fusiliers paraded to Holy Trinity, the Rev. O. Fortin preaching the sermon. St. George's Society held its annual service in the morning at Christ Church, Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, chaplain of the Society, preaching on "The secret of a nation's greatness," from Psalm lxxxix. 22.

DIOCESE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

We fear that Church work and progress will be retarded for some time by the Rebellion, which is confined at present to the limits of this Diocese. The public have been intensely anxious over the fate of Fort Pitt. For 12 days no word has been received from the Fort, and many fear the worst. There are 25 police, commanded by Inspector Dickens—a son of the famous novelist—together with a few families, at this place. Mr. McLean, the Hudson Bay Factor, has a large family. Two

of his daughters were at the Ladies' College last year. It is harrowing to think of the suspense and suffering endured by delicate women in hourly dread of an Indian attack. We are all hoping for the best. The Rev. C. Quinney, C. M. S. missionary, with his wife and sister-in-law, are also believed to be in the Fort. The word "Fort" is very misleading, as it means simply a wooden paling, inside of which are two or three houses and a store. At Battleford, while the houses outside the barracks have been raided, the people are still safe in the barracks, and will shortly be relieved. Among the besieged are Rev. Isaac J. Taylor, C. M. S. missionary, wife and two children, and Rev. T. Clarke, Principal of the Indian Industrial School, and wife. The Industrial School was raided, and every one of the thirty Indian scholars joined the rebels. Mrs. Clarke's wedding presents were destroyed by the Indians. An eye-witness told the writer of this, that, in sheer wantonness, the Indians spread carpets, from the Hudson Bay stores and various houses, on the plain, and rode their horses up and down them. At Prince Albert, the principal difficulty has been shortness of provisions. Very little is known of the actual condition of the inhabitants. The few telegrams that have come through carriers to the nearest telegraph station have been necessarily of a military nature.

The Bishop and his family, Principal Flett, Canon Flett and family, and Rev. Messrs. Matheson and Pritchard are at this point. All work is suspended, and the people are anxiously awaiting the troops.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

Bishop Anson has given \$400 to the new parsonage at Moose Jaw.

Qu'Appelle and Fort Qu'Appelle have been full of troops, and Swift Current and Medicine Hat have been the scene of various military operations. In the midst of it all preparations are going on for the erection of several churches this summer, of neat appearance, and all will be provided with proper appointments for Divine worship.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Minutes Continued.

OTTAWA, April 16th., 1885.

The board met at ten o'clock a. m. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

A deputation of ladies of the city of Ottawa, was admitted, and the following brief address presented by them:—

"My Lord, Reverend Fathers in Christ, and members of the Domestic and Foreign Board of Missions, we come before you as a small deputation of churchwomen of Ottawa, to ask your consideration of women's work in connection with your board. There are in the Church to-day, Marys who have chosen the better part, there are the restless, serving Marthas, who only want the opportunity to do something for Jesus—the Magdalenes who tell the story of our Blessed Lord's resurrection—the Phoebe who convey messages of love and Christian greeting—Tryphenas and Tryphosas, Dorcas who are never weary in well-doing—Priscillas who are occupied in shewing the way of the Lord more perfectly; yes, in the Church of Canada, from Victoria to Sydney, women longing to labor more abundantly, to consecrate their talents to the Lord's work. And knowing this, we ask that, as the Apostles of old recognized the women of their day as laborers with them, you, our beloved fathers in Christ, may recognize the women of the Church of Canada, and give your hearty and earnest consent that there should be established in connection with your board, a "Woman's Auxiliary;" that you will consider before separating, the best and most practical method of work in every way facilitating the formation of branch auxiliaries in the different Dioceses and parishes. We are assured that the women of the Church are prepared to accept whatever plans your Board may consider the wisest for

the promotion of missionary effort and the advancement of our Master's Kingdom.

"We are very faithfully, and in the love of Christ, your co-workers.

"Fanny McG. Forrest.
"Annie M. Pollard.
"Harriet Muckleston.
"Roberta E. Tilton.
"Geraldine Stewart.
"Jessie Bell."

It was moved by the Venerable Archdeacon Jones, seconded by the Bishop of Algoma, that this Board has received with unfeigned gratitude to God, the deputation of ladies initiating the formation of a "Woman's Auxiliary Association."

Most heartily the Board wishes this important movement "God-speed," and will welcome the co-operation of all our Christian sisters in the Church of this Ecclesiastical Province, in carrying out the noble object of our Missionary Society, and that the following be a sub-committee to confer with the ladies who have addressed the board, and take such preliminary steps as may be deemed advisable for the promotion of the object in view, viz:

The Lord Bishops of Ontario and Toronto, Rev. J. D. Cayley, Thomas White, Esq., M. P., and the mover.

It was moved by Mr. E. Baynes Reed, seconded by Rev. Charles Hamilton, that the treasurer be authorized to pay out any moneys that may come into his hands for Foreign and Domestic Missions in the interval between the present time and the next session of this board, and including any unappropriated balances, in the manner already decided on, viz: Foreign Missions, equally between the S. P. G. and C. M. S. Domestic Missions, two-thirds to Algoma, the remainder equally between the other missionary dioceses of the North-West.

It was moved by Mr. E. Baynes Reed, seconded by Rev. J. D. Cayley, that a committee consisting of Mr. Walkem, Mr. Reynolds and the mover be appointed to enquire into the matter of a certain legacy for Foreign Missions, left to the Synod of Huron, by one Bulger, and report to the next session of this board.

It was moved by Mr. Thomas White, M. P., seconded by the Bishop of Huron, that the sum of two hundred dollars be placed at the disposal of the Secretary, towards the travelling and other expenses incidental to his office, to be accounted for in his report.

It was moved by Rev. Charles Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Reynolds, that this Board do request the Bishop of Ontario, as chairman, to convey to Rev. Mr. Force, and those who propose to offer themselves for Foreign Mission work, their heartfelt appreciation of the desire felt by them that the Church of England in Canada should engage as directly as possible in propagating the Gospel amongst the heathen, and likewise they regret that they are unable to grant the aid asked for, and their conviction that the present duty of the Board, is to defer any action in a direction involving so much responsibility and so many arrangements and questions of a serious nature, until the Board has gathered more experience, and secures the entire confidence and hearty active co-operation of all the dioceses of this Ecclesiastical Province.

It was moved by Rev. Charles Hamilton, seconded by Rev. Dr. Mockridge, that the Treasurer do furnish to each diocesan treasurer the following blank forms for his use in transmitting the returns, immediately after the Epiphany collection, and again, immediately after the Ascension collection: first, for Foreign Missions; second, for Domestic Missions; third, the following letter to be addressed to each clergyman who has not sent to the diocesan treasurer, the collection, within twenty-one days of Epiphany, and Sunday after Ascension:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—I have to draw your attention very respectfully to the fact that no collection in response to the appeal has not yet reached me from congregation, under your care. I beg to enclose a stamped envelope addressed to me, in which the amount may be