

Friday, 26th,	Mitchell,	11 a.m.
" "	Clinton,	7 p.m.
Monday, 28th,	Brooke,	7 p.m.
March.		
Tuesday, 1st,	Sarnia,	7 p.m.
Wednesday, 2nd,	Moore,	
Thursday, 3rd,	"	
Friday, 4th,	Warwick,	7 p.m.
Thursday, 10th,	Qry. Mng. in L'don.	7 p.m.

A deputation, appointed by the Bishop, will attend each parochial meeting. The clergy are requested to make all the necessary arrangements for holding the meetings on the days named; and also to assist at the meetings in their own neighbourhood, and kindly to forward the deputation from place to place, so as to spare the funds of the Society as much as possible.

J. WALKER MARSH,  
Sec. Ch. Sy. D. H.

#### CHURCH SOCIETY MEETING, PARIS, C. W.

On New Year's Eve the Parochial Association of St. James' Church, Paris, was re-organized and placed in connection with the Incorporated Church Society of the Diocese of Huron. The meeting was very respectably attended, and was preceded by the usual Daily Evening Service, prayers being read by the Rev. E. R. Stimson, of Mount Pleasant, and the lessons by the Rev. Incumbent. The music and singing were particularly worthy of note, especially the Anthems, "How beautiful upon the tops of the Mountains," and "Glorio to God in the Highest." Edward Ryall, Esq., was called to the chair. The first resolution which was moved by the Rev. Dr. Townsley, and seconded by Mr. Nesbitt, was as follows:—

"That a Church Society for the Diocese of Huron having been incorporated by an Act of the Provincial Legislature, the connection between this Parochial Branch and the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto is necessarily severed. This meeting does therefore re-organize its Parochial Branch under the title of the Paris Parochial Association of the Church Society, and hereby constitutes it as such in connection with the Incorporated Church Society of the Diocese of Huron."

The second resolution, moved by the Rev. E. R. Stimson, and seconded by Mr. Overell, read thus:—

"That this meeting sorrowing for that novel folly which in this day is so strangely and recklessly seeking to separate secular and religious instruction, is thankful to find that the Church Society is, by its constitution, pledged to the care of Christian Education."

The third resolution, which was evidently designed to be the culminating point of the meeting, was of course moved by His Lordship the Bishop of Huron, and was seconded by Mr. Penton, it was as follows:—

"That this meeting, while earnestly praying that in this diocese, the promise may be graciously fulfilled, 'yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more; but thine eyes shall see thy teachers; and thine ears shall hear a word behind thee saying, this is the way walk ye in it,' feel that it is also their binding duty themselves to make renewed exertions to supply the awful want existing in more than fifty townships, within this Diocese alone, of the sent Ambassadors of Christ, who by their life and doctrine might set forth His true and lively word, and rightly and duly administer His holy sacraments."

Dr. Townsley then moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. D. Hart:—

"The Committee of this Association shall consist, as provided in the general constitution, of the Clergyman and Churchwardens, together with the Treasurer and Secretary and the Collectors, and that the following gentlemen be requested to act as such for the year ensuing:—Messrs. Edw. Ryall, S. B. Roynett, D. R. Dickson, G. Carrol, J. W. Acres, Henry Penton, Christopher Curtis and F. C. Macartney; Treasurer and Secretary, Mr. J. W. Acres."

A collection was made during the singing of a hymn previous to closing the meeting; and subscribers names received, and though but few came forward, owing we fancy to their modesty, yet the respectable sum, as a commencement, of nearly £15 was put down, which, when the collectors have duly fulfilled their somewhat laborious labours of love, will, we doubt not, be swelled to a very respectable sum.

To one feature of this new organization, which meets our especial approval, we would call the attention of all earnest church people, men, women and children; it is this, that all the funds raised, go to the Parent Society in London, C. W. and with as little deduction as possible, will be entirely expended in Missionary objects within the bounds of this Diocese.

The meeting, the interest of which was well sustained, and made not less agreeable by the beautiful and very tasteful Christmas decorations of the Church, was closed, after thanks by the Rev. Incumbent to the Lord Bishop for his kind attendance, with the usual prayers.

#### GODERICH.

To the Editor of the "Ecclesiastical Gazette."

Sir,

I think it well to inform you, that I had the pleasure of accompanying the Lord Bishop of Huron, on his late visitation tour through the County of Bruce and part of the County of Grey. We left Goderich by the Northern Gravel Road, on Friday, the 18th of January. The day was beautiful, and the sleighing all that could be wished. Having arrived at Port Albert about 12, we were hospitably entertained by our old friend John Hawkins Esq., and the Bishop having made arrangements to place a missionary in the neighbourhood, to minister in the Townships of Ashfield, Wawanosh and Colborne, we left for Pine River, a distance of 25 miles from Goderich. The road approaching Pine Point passes along a pretty beach, and we had the full benefit of a view of the partly frozen lake as the sun dipped behind the far watery horizon. The effect was splendid, the gorgeous coloring of the clefts and angles of the ice banks as they received the sun's rays, presenting such a scene as is often read of but seldom witnessed. The evening was mild enough to enable us to enjoy the novelty and the fresh air. We were fortunate in this respect, for the road is very exposed, and often nearly impassable in severe winter storms. We were kindly entertained by Captain Gamble, the spirited proprietor of the "Livisan Mills," which, with their surrounding buildings, form nearly as conspicuous a land-mark as the substantial light-house lately built here. After service in the school-house, we left for Kincardine, distant about 9 miles. This place really has improved surprisingly of late years, and will soon boast a very complete harbour, and, we were told, aspires to be the County town of Bruce. Mr. Keyworth gave us a *lead mill fallough*, and most comfortable quarters. In the evening the Bishop preached to a large and attentive number, who were truly delighted with his discourse; we were kindly accommodated with the use of the

Methodist Chapel, the Rev. Mr. Edwards having made or rather perhaps changed his arrangements, so as to leave the building at liberty for us that evening. On Thursday, the 20th, we proceeded on our journey to Walkerton, and on our way thither held service at the village of Burvey. The congregation was good, and appeared impressed with his Lordship's sermon; we reached Walkerton in the evening and were guests of Mr. Walker, who in every way exerted himself to make our stay comfortable. We had service in the evening and also the following day at two, in the Orange Hall, with which we were kindly accommodated for the purpose. On the evening of the 21st we reached Paisley, situated at a pretty fork of the Saugeen River. On our way we met numbers of Indians, whose camp fires had a very picturesque effect as we passed them in the woods. Dr. Crawford, an Irish gentleman settled at Paisley, shewed us every attention. On the 22nd we held service in the school-house in the town, and in the evening proceeded to Southampton. As we turned westward through the very extensive townplot of Southampton, (formerly Saugeen,) we faced one of those westerly snow squalls which sometimes make lake shore travelling any thing but pleasant; but his Lordship bore this and the work of the whole journey remarkably well. On Sunday the 23rd the Bishop preached twice to overflowing congregations; his subject in the morning was the Lord's Prayer, and in the evening the Parable of the Sower. These discourses will long be remembered by the people of Southampton and the neighborhood. During our stay here, we were hospitably cared for by Mr. Thorp.

On Monday the 24th we started for Owen Sound, 32 miles distant, and on our way we passed through the village of Ford, which appears to be a thriving place. We were sorry that we had not made an appointment to hold service here, for there is ample unoccupied room for missionary effort. In the evening we reached the truly hospitable residence of the Rev. Mr. Mullholland, Rector of Owen Sound, a most indefatigable minister and always engaged in his Divine Master's cause. On Tuesday evening the Bishop consecrated the Church, St. George's, a neat edifice, capable of seating about 250 persons. On Wednesday the 26th we left for Durham, where a large congregation awaited us, and many of our friends from Walkerton, distant 17 miles, met us here again, anxious to hear the Gospel truths preached by our Good Bishop. This place terminated the Bishop's tour, as his Lordship was obliged to be present on Saturday the 29th at the meeting of the two committees of the Dioceses of Toronto and Huron.

Before concluding, I would mention, that it is the Bishop's desire to place a number of missionaries through the western portions of the Diocese, which is indeed an immense territory, for even the distance travelled on this occasion, over but a small part of the Diocese, was 337 miles. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has, with its accustomed liberality, granted a sum, to be distributed by the Bishop for missionary purposes; but this grant only lasts for 3 years. I do not think that the country will be sufficiently advanced so as to enable the missions to be self-supporting, at the end of that period, as many of the settlers are of that poor though industrious class, which finds it hard to obtain, as times are, and are likely to be for some while, even the commonest necessities of life. Indeed, West as well as East there are cases of actual distress, calling for the contributions of the charitable, who are already at work in the matter. It will be at least twelve years before these missions can really do without the aid of this grant.

I can hardly say, that had time allowed, there