

**Personal & General**

The S.P.G. has recently received an anonymous gift of £4,000.

The Right Rev. Dr. Wakefield, Bishop of Birmingham, Eng., has been staying in Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec.

Rev. J. S. Harrington has arrived safely in Hong Kong. He expects to be teaching for two years or more in St. Stephen's College there.

It is expected that the Interim Executive Committee of the War Commission will meet in the Bishop's Room at Toronto on October 25th.

Mrs. J. C. Roper, the wife of the Bishop of Ottawa, has gone out to Esquimalt, B.C., to visit her son who is stationed at the Royal Naval College at that place.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York has appointed a special meeting of the Council to convene in St. Paul's Church, Rochester, on October 15th, to elect a Bishop-Coadjutor.

Last Sunday the Bishop of Toronto at St. Alban's Cathedral reviewed the acts of the General Synod, stressing particularly the Prayer Book Revision, the M.S.C.C. taking over the Indian and Eskimo work, the Social Service Commission and the War Commission.

Mr. Harry Lloyd has made a donation of £1,000 National War Bonds to the Church House, Westminster. Mr. Lloyd is one of the proprietors of "Lloyds' Weekly News." He is a devout Churchman and he has made several generous bequests to Church work in South London.

At a meeting of the Ottawa Board of Health on October 4th, it was decided, on account of the prevalence of Spanish influenza, to close all schools and theatres, and prohibit public meetings until further notice. Churches are asked to discontinue services.

Since the declaration of war on August 4th, 1914, the ships of the British Navy, up to the end of last June, had convoyed overseas no less than 20,000,000 men, 2,000,000 animals and about 110,000,000 tons of naval and military stores, cargoes whose vastness and diversity had never been contemplated nor foreseen.

The Social Service Council of Ontario will hold a preliminary meeting on October 15th. The Bishop of Toronto is the president. Rev. Dr. Geo. Pidgeon, lately returned from the front, is to be the chief speaker. Child Welfare and the Abolishment of Patronage and Law Enforcement are the topics of immediate interest.

News has just been received of the engagement of Rev. Tom Marsden, M.A., of the Canadian Tank Battalion, to Dorothy, daughter of J. A. Slingsby, of Carla Beck, Carleton-in-Craven, Skipton, Yorkshire. Mr. Marsden was on the staff of the Edmonton Mission, and for the past two years has been lecturer in history at the University of Alberta.

For the first time an English scholar has been invited by the Archbishop and University of Upsala to lecture on the "Olans Peter" foundation. Rev. Dr. A. J. Carlyle, the lecturer, is the Chaplain and Lecturer on Political Economy in University College, and

Rector of St. Martin's (Cairfox) and All Saints' (Oxford). His subject will be: "The Historical Position of the Church of England in relation to Universal Christendom."

The news of the sudden death of Rev. J. E. Lewis, D.D., which took place last Sunday evening, comes as a great shock to his friends. On the previous Saturday evening Dr. Lewis was at St. Simon's Church, Toronto, as usual, where he has been assistant for the past two years. He came from the American Church a few years ago to take the post of Bishop's secretary in Toronto. He was ordained by Archbishop Sweatman in 1886.

Rev. Dr. Herbert Symonds, Vicar of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, will shortly leave for overseas with a party of half a dozen clergy and social workers from Canada and the United States, who will conduct a series of lectures on "Canadian Citizenship" among the soldiers in order to prepare them for their return for civil life. The visit, which will last throughout the winter, has been arranged under the auspices of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A., with the approval of the Canadian Chaplains' Corps.

The Rev. W. J. Southam arrived in Winnipeg on Thursday last, and was met at the station by W. H. D'Arcy and Joseph Merrick, wardens of Holy Trinity Church, together with a number of vestrymen, including W. J. Boyd, H. M. Belcher, Dawson Richardson, Bruce Gordon and J. C. Falls. It so happened that Archdeacon Fortin was in the city, and was able to be present to welcome the new Rector. Rev. Canon McElheran represented the city clergy as Rural Dean, and Mrs. McElheran welcomed Mrs. Southam on behalf of the Diocesan W.A.

Rev. J. H. Ridler, with his wife and family, leave for England next Saturday via Montreal. They have spent the last year and more in Canada en route from China. Mr. Ridler has been working in the C.M.S. field of Foo-chow for the last ten years. Before that he was with Bishop White and Rev. J. R. S. Boyd in Fukien Province. While in Canada he has been active in clerical work. For eight months he was assistant at the Church of the Epiphany, Parkdale; for two months collecting funds for Wycliffe College; and for three months working for the Patriotic Fund. During his stay he has made many new friends who have come to appreciate his earnestness and Christian devotion and will wish him and family Godspeed.

The death of Mrs. Wilkinson, wife of Rev. Fred. Wilkinson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Toronto, occurred last Monday after a painful illness of some weeks. The news will be the occasion of grief to many throughout Eastern Canada, for Mrs. Wilkinson has been the devoted helper of her husband in his parish work. At St. Philip's, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson made their influence felt among the young people. Later, at Christ Church, Dartmouth, she was his companion in building up a vigorous work in one of the oldest congregations in Nova Scotia. St. Peter's Church, Toronto, has had the benefit of their co-operation for the last few years. Mrs. Wilkinson's life and character were the kind that make and adorn the home, taking a mother's care as the paramount duty for even a clergyman's wife. She was an ideal hostess and her practical viewpoint fitted her to be the counsellor of the young people who always sought her company. She gave her whole life in earnest service to the cause of her Saviour.

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