

has 125. A new building has been erected for the Sunday School in the "West End." A week-night Service was commenced on Wednesday, January 2nd, in the new building. A cantata for the benefit of the Sunday Schools was a great success. A handsome present was made to the Curate, Dr. Roy, at New Years.

PARISH MAGAZINES—A recent paragraph, copied from the *Canadian Missionary*, has appeared in the city papers. It speaks of Parish Magazines becoming numerous in Toronto, and alludes to their use in the Parishes of St. George's, St. Mathias', and St. Anne's. It also states that St. Stephen's are about to adopt them. The writer has forgotten, or perhaps does not know, that Holy Trinity Parish has had a Magazine for many years. It was in use there long before St. George's Church had thought of utilizing printer's ink in this way. *Church Work* was localized about three years ago in St. George's Parish. Before that time the same magazine was widely circulated as a parish organ among at least two town congregations, viz., at Whitby and Ashburnham. In the latter parish, it is still used as a Parish Magazine with ten pages added, and has a circulation of 150 monthly.

BOBCAYGEON MISSION—At St. Alban's Verulam, an out-station of this Mission district, the Sunday School children had their Christmas tree on New Year's Day. It was held at the residence of Mr. John Britton, and the capacities of the house were severely taxed in providing accommodation for the numerous visitors. Tea was served to all present, carols were sung, after which came the distribution of prizes. Several of the teachers received handsome books, as did the superintendent, Mr. Mulligan.

WAUBAUSHENE—The Church of England Temperance Society held an entertainment here in the Town Hall, on New Year's Day, which was largely attended. Among the performers were Mr. and Mrs. Pinnaist, Messrs. W. H. French, J. Scott, Polkingoom, and Wm. Lawson, all of whom were heartily received. The chair was occupied by the Rev. W. H. French, President of the Society.

St. Philips' Church—At the fortnightly meeting of the Young People's Association of this Church, a discussion took place on the following subject:—"Resolved, That the reading of fictitious works is beneficial." Messrs. Eastman and Adams supported the affirmative, while the negative, which gained the day, was ably argued by Messrs. Mortimer and Trent.

Grace Church—The Association in connection with the Church held the third of a series of Penny Readings on the 10th inst. Rev. Dr. McCarroll, Curate, occupied the chair. The attendance was not large, but the programme was well carried out, and was extremely interesting. A pleasant evening was spent by all who were present.

St. James' Church—The Temperance Society held an entertainment in the school house, on the 7th inst. Excellent addresses were delivered by Rev. D. Hague and N. W. Hoyles, Esq. The Society is in excellent condition, the membership numbering over three hundred. The Band of Hope has 400 names on the roll.

ORILLIA—Captain Tebbs has sent to the Rev. Rural Dean Stewart, a thank-offering of fifty dollars for charitable purposes, after recovery from a very severe illness. Such an unusual occurrence deserves to be chronicled. *O si sic omnes!*

ITEMS—An attempt is being made to resuscitate the Temperance Society at St. Luke's Church, Toronto. A meeting was held for this purpose on the 14th inst.

A very successful entertainment was held in St. Luke's School house, on the 9th inst. It consisted of a series of views illustrating the principal

cities of Great Britain and Ireland, and an explanatory lecture.

St. Philips' Church, Toronto, will, it is expected, be opened for Divine Service, on the 27th inst. The Rector is endeavouring to secure the services of noted clergymen as select preachers for the month of February.

The Temperance Society of Uxbridge has generously donated the sum of \$20 towards the sufferers by the High Park catastrophe, near Toronto.

Province of Rupert's Land.

INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSEHAWK, ATHABASCA, ASSINIBOIA, & SOUTHERN ATHABASCA

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WINNIPEG—Completion of the Wing of St. John's College.—The new St. John's College is so far completed that it is occupied by the University classes in Arts and those in Theology. The formal celebration of the opening will be held a few weeks later, on the completion of some details of the work connected with the ornamentation of the exterior, and the arrangement of the interior. Some of the officers of the college and a number of the students have already taken possession of rooms in the new building, and the others will also at once remove to their new quarters. In this new college Winnipeg, and not this city only, but the Province of Manitoba at large, has an edifice for educational purposes and an institution of which it may well feel proud.

The Provincial Synod Committee on forming a new Constitution and Canons for the Ecclesiastical Province have had several meetings in reference to their important work. They have had before them documents relating to the Church of Ireland and all the Ecclesiastical Provinces in the Colonies, and their conclusions, which will be presented to a special meeting of the Provincial Synod to be held this year, will be embodied in an elaborate and comprehensive Constitution and set of Canons. We will shortly be able to publish the recommendations of the Committee, which will be of much interest to the Church at large.

PERSONAL—The Rev. D. Lewis, recently appointed to Fort Qu Appelle and Indian Head, is doing a good work there, and we hear is much liked. Very favourable accounts are also received by us of the Rev. Mr. Smith, the newly appointed Deacon at Regina. It is generally understood that the Rev. R. Young, of St. Andrews, near Winnipeg, has been selected by the C. M. S. as the Missionary Bishop of Southern Athabasca, and will go to England for consecration this summer. The choice of the Archbishop of Canterbury for the Diocese of Assiniboia has not yet been made known.

Christ Church—The Guild of Christ Church have arranged a course of lectures as follows:—"Evolution," Rev. John May, M. A.; "India," the Dean of Rupert's Land; "The Earth and Man," Rev. Canon O'Meara; "The Times of the Troubadours," Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath; "The Hudson's Bay Route," E. P. Leacock, Esq., M. P. P. The "Church Extension Association" of Kilburn, London, which twice helped to fit up Mr. Pentreath's former parish in New Brunswick, are now forwarding a case of goods for Christ Church, comprising surplices and cassocks for the choir, altar linen, &c. The Association contemplates establishing a Branch House in Winnipeg for the reception of some of their industrial girls who will be in great demand here, and communication has been held with them for the supply of trained nurses, sorely needed in a city where there are so many homeless and friendless men. Sickness has been very prevalent this winter, and many are out of work and in distress.

OUR AMERICAN BUDGET.

CHRIST CHURCH, Cincinnati, has given over \$50,000 for outside objects during the last seven years, the period of the present rectorship.

The contributions of Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, the Rev. Dr. McVickar, rector, including pew rents, were, last year, \$66,000.

The amount of the invested funds of Yale College in all the departments is, \$1,924,328, an increase since the last report of \$77,698. The expenses of the various departments for the year were, \$332,827.

OVER \$600,000 a year were contributed and expended, by the Church in America during the last three years for the support of missionary operations, diocesan, in the general domestic field, and in foreign lands.

An old man who refused to give his name stood on Western Avenue, Cincinnati, for three hours one Saturday night with a pot of hot coffee, which he dealt out to the half frozen street car drivers and conductors as they passed.

It is announced that a private Episcopal School, similar to those in Concord, N. H., and Southborough, Mass., is soon to be established at Groton, Mass., a fund of \$100,000, having been raised for its maintenance.

The vestry of Trinity Church, Haverhill, Mass., have refused to accept the resignation of the rector, the Rev. Chas. A. Rand, and have voted him leave of absence for six months.

MESSRS. MENEELY & Co., of West Troy, N. Y., are making a bell of 1,500 pounds for the Quaker Church at Baileyville, Maine. This will be the first Quaker Church in this county to have a bell.

Rev. R. W. Micou, rector of Trinity Church, Waterbury, Conn., received a most generous Christmas gift from Mr. Gordon W. Burnham, of New York, in the form of \$10,000 for the church edifice now building.

The Rev. Elephat Nott Potter, D. D., LL. D., the president of Union College has been elected to the presidency of Griswold College, in Iowa, and Hobart, W. New York.

THERE is anecdote told of Rev. Mr. Wray, who at advanced age died recently in Pennsylvania. He had been a missionary in India, and such was the influence of his holy life, that a little heathen girl, when asked what holiness was, replied, "Holiness is living as Mr. Wray does."

The late Professor Sophocles, of Harvard College, one day asked a student in recitation what was done with the bodies of the Greeks who were killed at Marathon. "They were buried, sir." "Next!" "Why, they—they were burned." "Next!" "They were taken home, sir." "Next!" "They were embalmed, sir." The next student quickly said, as he met the Professor's eye: "I don't know sir. What did they do with him?" "Oh!" replied he: "I don't know. Nobody knows that ever I heard of, except Mr. A. here, Mr. B., and Mr. C. They are the authorities."

A WASHINGTON letter says:—"There has been a very great and very noticeable change here within a few years in the use of alcoholic liquors. A striking illustration of it was to be noticed during the canvass for the Speakership. Not a single glass of liquor was set out by any of the candidates. I did not see a single member of Congress under the influence of liquor during that canvass, nor have I since. The barkeepers and the hotel proprietors say that the decrease in bartipping is so great as seriously to curtail receipts. The three leading candidates for Speaker used to use stimulants sometimes to excess. Two of them are now total abstainers and have been for some years, while the third only uses wine in a moderate quantity at his dinner. I can count a dozen Senators who used to tiddle who have not drunk a drop in two years, and there is not a Senator, with perhaps an exception or two, who is not prudent and most temperate in the use of liquor."