Toronto Diocese

DIOCESAN MOTTO-" Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: Calgary; All Islands.

The letter of the Rev. J. W. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve, which appears on another page, will furnish one of the definite objects for which to pray—for the Djocese of Calgary. When it is remembered that only three short years ago a small log shanty was all that could be dignified by the name of the "Blackfoot Home," that it was almost impossible to obtain Indian girls to place in such a home, because their parents were not only perfectly indifferent to the idea of education, but also expected to be paid for their girls if they did allow them to attend; when we remember this, and also recollect that now a flourishing "Home," in a good building, rescues 40 little Indian souls from the darkness of their heathen homes, we may well add an earnest thanksgiving to our prayers.

The southern portion of this large Reserve for which the appeal is made, is too far off for the children to attend the school in the northern end, and the only other school there, is one taught by the Roman Catholics, in which the children are taught that the Queen, "the great mother," is a Roman Catholic! A "chart of life" is also used for their instruction, which (as actually seen by the writer) pictures a broad and narrow way. Down the latter the Romanists are going, through the fires of purgatory to Heaven, while all the other Christians in the world are in the broad way, which ends in hell fires, into which the devil is assisting them with a pitchfork ! Fellow-workers, have we no responsibility in this matter? At least each could help with her prayers!

In praying for Calgary let us also remember the needs of the Piegan, Blood and Sarcee Reserves, and the endowment of the Diocese, so that a Bishop may be appointed to minister to the great field in the northern Diocese of Saskatchewan.