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now printed in nearly 250 languages, and young men going to the mission field ought to know the language of the people they were going to. The ungodly life of professing Christians did more to stop the progress of the work even than unbelief, but the work went on because a holy life was the greatest power on earth. The work was difficult, it was appalling, but as their need was great so would be their aid

and succor.

Bishop Courtney of Nova Scotia took for his subject: "What is to be expected from missionary operations?" The first results to be expected were isolated conversions, the second was persecution, the third martyrdom. Any one not prepared to die for his faith had better not be a missionary. Other results there were, "a firmer hold on Divine truth, a better appreciation of blessings, a better understanding of God's word, and a better appreciation of God's care for all people."

The meeting closed with the singing of "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" and the benediction, pronounced by the Bishop of Athabasca.

The Rev. Percy Browne, rector of St. James' Church, Boston, spoke of "The New Motive for Foreign Missions." "How is it," he asked, "that although the Church is more religious, more spiritual, more alive to-day than it used to be, how is it (granting that, which is, I think validly claimed) that the Church is so negligent of missions? Most people agree that the Church is more vital, in all parochial work there is increased activity, the ethics are higher, organization better, but these are only secondary indications, because this is an ethical and organizing age." The true evidence was in the absence of the hysteric element, the sober sanity of our attitude towards religious questions, it was in the light of truth, the following of the path of duty. "Make my duty plain to me and I will do it," was the trend of the time.

"But the Episcopalian Church," he spoke for the United States alone, "though religious was not missionary. It was a rich Church, it had prestige, numbers—between four and five thousand ministers -and ability; if it had missionary zeal as well, there would be hundreds of well-equipped men in the field, as it was, there were only seventeen ordained missionaries out of this wealth of material. There must be some cause for this, and what was the explanation? Was it not explained by the transition state of the Church towards those without its fold? The old belief was that outside the historic Church all were lost. The Church was leaving an old motive for a new one and had not yet arrived at a clear conception or compelling power. The old watchword was rescue. It was believed that those who had never heard the Word of God were on their way to eternal perdition; that heathen souls were lost because subscriptions were not large. He could not shrink up the idea of the Fatherhood to such a space as that. To cherish such a belief he considered a degradation; he did not think the Church at large believed it any more—it was gone. The new motive was not a mo tive of rescue but of recognition, of education, of appreciation. It was the recognition of the heathen as younger brothers of the same great family of God, seeing that they had some truth, though uneducated and dark-this was the starting point. St. Paul, the very genius of Christianity, had the cosmopolitan instinct, that was the essence of the new motive. "In Him we live and move and have our being." We were the elder brother of these heathen children of our Heavenly Father, and in the alacrity of our aid will be found the new motive. We never find in St. Paul a note of attack, but always of recognition. Beneath the sins of the heathen we always found a dim moral life, and it would be for the new religion of sympathy to develop that and make it grow."

"If you do believe in the old doctrine of rescue,' said the speaker earnestly, "that there is one soul whose eternal destiny depends on what you do, then, for God's sake do it. The difference between the religions of the world, the differences between other forms of worship and our own," he continued, "have been harped upon long enough; it is time it was pointed out how much we have in common." The motto of the missionary ought not to be that all was darkness, but that the light of God had gone out before him; he should not liken himself to a farmer going out to his fields carrying the sun with him. The nobler victory was yet only to be won by sympathy with truth.

ONTARIO.

IROQUOIS.—The little gothic wooden church in this parish was opened for divine service on Dec. 19th, 1893. Although the day was stormy large congregations filled the edifice. The Rev. R. W. Samwell was the preacher at matins and Rev. G. Metzler at evensong. A goodly number of the parishioners communicated, the rector, Rev. Rural Dean Houston, being celebrant. The actual debt on the building does not exceed \$120, although many furnishings have yet to be supplied, such as font and altar frontals and dossals. The building, al-

though of wood, is looked upon as a little gem of gothic architecture. Rev. A. Jarvis supplied plans and specifications. The Rev. E. A. W. Hanington has just completed the canvass of this parish for the Ottawa Episcopal Endowment Fund, with a fair measure of success, \$470 being the amount subscribed. With Mr. Hanington's earnestness and push the endowment fund will be obtained before the end of 1894.

OSNABRUCK AND MOULINETTE.—Success attended our annual missionary meetings this winter, notwithstanding certain drawbacks which militated against them. The meetings at Moulinette and Barnhart's Island advertised for Jan. 17th, had to be postponed at the last moment until Jan. 24th, on account of the death of the mother of the Rev. Rural Dean Houston (one of the deputation), and unfortunately it poured with rain on the evening of that day. Another drawback was the absence of the Rev. A. Elliott (the other member of the deputation), caused by the serious illness of one of his children. However, the total offering amounted to \$67.31, only \$8.70 less than last year, a fact which is the more satisfactory when we consider that last year a very special appeal was made on behalf of the mission fund debt, backed up by a pastoral from the Bishop. We may venture to say that there would undoubtedly have been an increase over last year had it been possible to hold all the meetings as originally advertised—but "man proposes and God disposes." Excellent addresses were given by the Rural Dean. The collections were as follows:—St. David's, Wales, \$43.10 (including a collection of \$17.80 from the Sunday school); Christ Church, Moulinette, \$14.78; St. Peter's, Osnabruck Centre, \$5.07; All Saints', Barnhart's Island, \$4.36. Total \$67.31. Last year this was the "Banner" parish of the deanery, and there is every prospect of our retaining the distinction. It may be interesting to mention that Barnhart's Island is in the diocese of Albany, N.Y., but nothing being done for the people there by the American Church, it has been practically "annexed" (with the concurrence of Bishop Doane) to the diocese of Ontario by the Rev. R. W. Samwell, and after being neglected for many years is being served from this parish until some permanent arrangement can be made for its services. It may also be interesting to say that the services held in the quaint old chapel (which is over 100 years old) are according to the use of the American Church—thus forming a tangible link connecting the sister churches of Canada and the United States.

BROCKVILLE.—St. Peter's.—The annual meeting in behalf of diocesan missions was held in this church on Sunday evening, Jan. 28th. The deputation consisted of the Rev. W. A. Read of Pembroke, and the Rev. A. W. Mackay of Ottawa. Addresses were delivered by these clergymen and by Judge McDonald. The Ven. T. Bedford-Jones, LL.D., D.C.L., Archdeacon of Kingston and rector of St. Peter's, presided. St. Peter's now has the advantage of a surpliced choir.

BROCKVILLE.—St. Paul's.—The annual missionary meeting was held on Sunday morning, the 28th Jan. The Rev. Dr. Dobbs, M.A., rector of this church, has recently suffered from sciatica and from a cold, but was able to be present. The Rev. W. A. Read and Rev. A. W. Mackay spoke on behalf of diocesan missions, and also assisted in the service.

South Mountain.—Since it has been suggested by some one writing to your paper that any sign of progress, however slight, would be of interest to your readers, I humbly beg permission to state that we have dug a well, but unfortunately the water is bad and we would like some suggestions, if they are not too numerous, and put in trite and interesting language, how to sweeten it; that we have, like the parish of Moulinette, rebuilt the tall chimney of the church at the village, though it is not so straight as we should wish; that we have fenced the parsonage lot on two sides; that we have put a furnace in the parsonage all within the last two years; and that we held a concert last week, at which the attendance stretched the capacity of the hall. Note.—Stretched is not the word, but I cannot wait to think of it or I shall not be in time for the mail. Proceeds \$44. Mr. McDowell of Ottawa, Miss Blow of South Mountain and the Landeau family, also of the village, furnished the musical part of the programme, while Miss Irwin of Dixon's gave a recitation.

TORONTO.

The series of lectures on History of the Church of England given by Rev. Dr. Baum in St. James' school house last week, were very instructive and most interesting. It is a great pity that more of the Church people in Toronto did not avail themselves of the opportunity presented to them of hearing Dr. Baum, who has shown himself so fully

competent of dealing with the subject which he had in hand.

Holy Trinity.—An interesting and well attended entertainment was given by the choir of the church in the school house last Thursday evening. The programme included part songs, solos and instrumental pieces by the choir and others, and a main attraction, the operetta of "Jack the Giant-Killer," sung in character by the choir boys, under the skilful direction of Mr. A. R. Blackburn. The large audience applauded the different performers. During the piece Master Allen Blachford sang "Angels' Serenade," Braga.

Grace Church.—The Guild of the Good Shepherd gave a social to the members of the congregation and friends, on Tuesday, 30th inst., in the Lecture Hall. There was a large gathering and a pleasant evening's entertainment with refreshments served at intervals. The Rev. C. H. Rich presided. The programme consisted of instrumental solo, Miss Roberts; Song, "Come in and Shut the Door," Mrs. Titus; Violin Solo, Miss Cable; song, "The Admiral's Broom," Mr. Walker; song, "Dream of Bethlehem," Mr. Newton; bass solo, Mr. Walker; piano solo, Mrs. Bailey; song, Mrs. Titus. The Guild numbers over 60 members and meets every fortnight as a working party and a mutual help society. It was formed in 1888.

Grace Church people hope to have a surpliced choir by Easter Sunday, and the ladies of the congregation are busy every afternoon making the surplices and cassocks. Subscription lists have been started, and on Saturday, 3rd inst., an organ recital by Mr. Walter A. Geddes, assisted by Master Eddie Reburn, was held in the church, and the collection given in aid of the choir fund.

AURORA.—The annual missionary meeting was held in Trinity Church on Thursday evening last, 25th ult., when the Lord Bishop of Athabasca made a powerful appeal in behalf of the work in his distant diocese. His Lordship pointed out the appropriateness of a missionary meeting being held on that day-the Festival of the conversion of St. Paul, the greatest missionary that ever lived. He then described the peculiar features of his field of labours, which is situated to the far north in our Northwest Territories, chiefly among the Hudson Bay factors and tribes of Indians with whom the Dominion Government has no treaties; hence the Government make no grants for schools or school houses. The missionaries and school teachers are chiefly supported by grants from the great missionary societies of England. But as these societies are gradually with-drawing their grants, the support of the missionaries will eventually fall upon the Church throughout the Dominion. The Bishop was listened to for three quarters of an hour.

AURORA.—The quarterly meeting of the Ruridecanal Chapter of West York was opened on Friday, 26th ult., with an early celebration at 8 a.m., in Trinity Church. The incumbent was celebrant and Canon Farncomb assistant deacon. A very able and instructive address was delivered by the rector of Thornhill upon the Holy Communion. The clergy present were: the Lord Bishop of Athabasca, Revs. Canon Farncomb, F. C. C. Heathcote, L.T., W. W. Bates, M.A., E. C. Trepholme, M.A., and E. J. Etherington, M.A. There were also a goodly number of lay communicants present. After breakfast at the parsonage the chapter proceeded to business, and after that of a merely routine character had been transacted, the consideration of Eph. iv. was taken up in the original. On invitation, the Bishop remained throughout the meeting and entered heartily into the discussion of the various points as they arose. At 1 o'clock the chapter was called off from labour to refreshment. On re-assembling after dinner an exceedingly able paper was read by Rev. Mr. Bates on "Lay Help," which drew forth a very animated discussion which consumed the rest of the afternoon. Before the chapter rose, however, it was moved by Rev. W. W. Bates and seconded by Rev. E. J. Etherington and resolved, "That the Rev. E. C. Trenholme, incumbent of Holland Landing, being about to remove from this rural deanery and the diocese, we, the members of chapter, place on record our regret at his departure, he having been one of our most zealous and useful members, and we hope and pray that be may be the means, in God's hands, of greatly extending the Master's Kingdom." Mr. Trenholme leaves for England after Easter. Thus was concluded one of the most profitable and pleasant meetings that the chapter ever held.

HAVELOCK.—On Sunday, the 21st inst., a most successful mission was concluded. The missioner was the Rev. G. H. Webb, of Colborne. Several members of the church have already expressed themselves as blessed and helped on in the spiritual life