

and that on Sunday-schools by Rev. A. J. Reid, the latter suggesting, amongst other things, that at least monthly services for children should be held in the church wherever possible, and urged upon the clergy the desirability of establishing this usage in the parishes. It was to be feared that without these special services many little ones seldom join in the Church's worship and remain content with the Sunday-school.

By Rev. Mr. Vroom on behalf of the Governors of King's College. It states that it is impossible to make the yearly reports concerning King's College a record of continuous progression. We wait for the turn of the tide, but the flood of prosperity still lingers. The future is still involved in much uncertainty, and there is abundant reason why all who have the welfare of the College at heart should exert themselves to the utmost in its behalf. In the election and consecration of Dr. Courtney to the Bishopric of Nova Scotia we have abundant cause for thankfulness. As Visitor of the College and *ex officio* President of the Board of Governors he seems likely to prove himself a tower of strength. His resolute determination to bring King's College more nearly to the position which it ought to occupy in public confidence and esteem coupled with his wide influence and appreciation of what the requirements of the College are cannot fail to accomplish much good.

Speaking of the position of the College the Governors say: We are still sadly crippled for want of funds. The income for this year has been slightly in excess of the expenditure—thanks to an extra grant of \$100, which the associated alumni were able to make. And here it may be suggested that it would accord well with the spirit of the resolution which the Synod unanimously passed in 1882, expressing a desire to extend to King's College such moral and material aid as might be possible if more members of the Synod would become members of the Alumni Association and take an active interest in its work. The results of the degree examinations which were conducted by extra collegiate examiners show that good work has been done during the year past.

The Committee on Domestic Missions reported through Rev. D. Forsyth, regretting that they were unable to record an increase of contributions towards the great work of missions in the domestic and foreign field. The contributions received by the Treasurer have been as follows: For the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, \$476.53, a decrease of \$37.56 in the amount raised the preceding year; for the Society for the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$105.79, a decrease of \$149.45; for Parochial Missions to the Jews Fund, \$74.05, an increase of \$28.90; for Special fund for Jewish work in Alexandria, \$30.13, making a total for Foreign Missions of \$685.50. The contributions for Home Missions have been as follows: Diocese of Algoma, \$296.67; Bishop of Algoma's stipend, \$159.63; Widows' and Orphans' fund (Algoma) \$18.18; Wawanosh Home \$10; Domestic Missions unappropriated \$120.21, and for Northwest Missions \$10.12, making a total of \$614.71. Besides the above sums we are duly informed that \$30 have been forwarded to Benson's East Indian Missions; \$213.35 to the Church Missionary Society; \$128.61 to the Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews; \$150 towards the support of two children in the Indian Home (Algoma), and \$81 to the Church of England Missionary Society, making a sum total for the Diocese for Missionary purposes of \$1,904.17—a decrease of \$605.47 in the amount raised last year. The report of your Board last year stated that it had been found impossible to raise by subscriptions the sum which the diocese had undertaken to contribute annually towards the Bishop of Algoma's stipend, and recommended that the Board be authorized in the event of not being able in the current year to raise the amount by individual subscriptions as

heretofore, to devote to that purpose any sums that may be necessary from monies received for Domestic Missions. That recommendation was subsequently adopted and your Board has found it necessary to act upon it. Last July the arrears due amounted to \$150 against which there was the small balance of \$12 and as since that date only \$95 have been subscribed for that purpose, your Board has been constrained to pay \$343 out of the funds sent for the Domestic Missions during the year to settle what is due up to the present date (June 30th, 1888).

The report of the Woman's Aid Association of the Diocese was read, from which it appeared that the Fredericton Branch has now 146 members; its income during the past year amounting to \$255.08, from which grants had been made, as follows:

Books for Ludlow.....	\$20 00
Miss Jacob travelling expenses to Ludlow to help in Mission work.	40 00
Building fund Church at Temperance Vale.....	100 00
Building fund Church at Birch Ridge, Victoria County.....	50 00
Total.....	\$210 00

At the June meeting it was resolved that the Fredericton Branch guarantee the sum of \$100 annually for five years towards the salary of a Missionary on the Upper Tobique. The St. Paul's (Portland) Needlework Society was affiliated with the Association in 1887. Mrs. W. H. DeVaber is vice-president, and Miss Murray, secretary. The members are sixty in number. The income during the year from contributions, donations and the Christmas sale amounts to \$249. Of this \$80 were devoted to the Mission of St. Barnabas, which has been lately established about three miles distant from St. Paul's Church. The scattered inhabitants of this district, which was destitute of any place of worship, have eagerly assisted in building a neat church in which services and Sunday-school are regularly held by the clergy of St. Paul's.

The Hampton Branch reports eleven members and an increase in the year of \$50. The Hampton Branch is endeavoring to pay off the debt on the church in the village. The St. John Girls' Branch consists of 26 ordinary and 28 associate members; 29 meetings have been held, at several of which Bishop Kingdon was present and addressed the members on Missionary work in the diocese, and \$50 was remitted to Bishop Kingdon for the maintenance of the work at Ludlow, leaving a balance of \$21 on hand.

A donation was sent to the Ladies' Association of the Church Institute for a Christmas tree at Ludlow, and 350 books and pamphlets have been sent to two country parishes. The kind donation of useful and fancy articles from Bishop Kingdon will be disposed of at the sale in December. Branches have been formed in Woodstock; in Burton with 23 members, and in Hillsboro, Albert Co.

The following gentlemen: Right Rev. Dr. Kingdon, Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rev. J. R. Campbell, Rev. L. A. Hoyt, Rev. A. Lownes, D. V. Gwilvm, and C. N. Vroom Chief Justice Allen and Hon. B. R. Stevenson were appointed a committee to fully consider the relations now existing between the various dioceses and the Provincial Synod, and also the possibility of uniting the whole Church of British North America under one Ecclesiastical jurisdiction; and further, consider how far the interests of the Church in this Diocese may be affected by the objects embraced in the resolution of the Provincial Synod, with authority to confer with any similar committees that may be appointed by other dioceses.

On Thursday on resuming business, a motion by Canon Ketchum, that a message of affectionate and respectful greeting be cabled to His Lordship the Metropolitan was adopted.

Committees on Bishop Medley's Scholarship

Fund and safe keeping of Parochial Registers were appointed, and that on the Mission Church, Portland, was continued.

After considerable discussion a resolution asking for the appointment of a committee to make inquiries as to the best wines for use at the celebration of the Holy Eucharist was carried, and the following committee appointed: the Bishop Coadjutor, Chief Justice Allen, Rev. W. O. Raymond and Rev. H. Montgomery.

The usual votes of thanks having been passed the Synod adjourned.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

The Principal of Bishops' College regrets to announce that owing to the ill-health of the Provost of Trinity College, Toronto, the Retreat of the Clergy which was to have been held at Bishop's College in September next, under the sanction and at the invitation of the Bishop of Quebec, is unavoidably postponed to a future date of which due notice will be given.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—*All Saints*.—Being in the "Old Limestone City" on Sunday, July 1st—the octave of the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist—I was privileged to attend the services in the above little Church. There was a plain celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8 a. m., and immediately after a most beautiful richly embroidered white silk "chasuble" was presented to the Church, the gift of a gentleman and his wife of Toronto, who are old friends of "All Saints" Church. At the same time a very handsome "Processional Cross" was presented by Mr. George Creegan, one of the Churchwardens, after which they were both humbly offered to God on the altar and solemnly blessed by the priest the Rev. Fred. Prime. The chasuble was made for the donors by the Sisters of St. John the Divine, Toronto, and was used for the first time at the choral celebration at 11 o'clock, when the Church was well filled by a most reverent and devout congregation. The choir of boys and men properly vested in surplices and cassocks entered by the south door singing hymn 447 A & M, and preceded by the crucifier in surplice and scarlet cassock carrying the Processional cross, and followed by the celebrant, the Rev. F. Prime, in alb stole and chasuble, and wearing his biretta, and attended by a server in surplice and scarlet cassock. The service was for St. John the Baptist day, this being the octave, and the altar was vested in white and looked very beautiful with the numerous vases of flowers, the lighted candles and handsome altar cross. The music used was the "Missa de Angelis," and was well sung the boys taking up their part remarkably well throughout and especially in the "Benedictus," and also at the "Incarnatus" in the Creed. I think I may safely say that in no other church in Canada is the doctrine of the Incarnation of our blessed Lord so fully taught as in this little church, for at the "Incarnatus" the priest, choir, and congregation, both young and old, humbly fall on their knees in recognition of that great mystery. The church bell is tolled thrice at the "Sanctus" and rung at the consecration. I was glad to see that the majority of the people communicated at the early celebration, only four or five receiving at the 11 o'clock service; it shows this congregation is taught the duty of fasting communion, as well as the privilege and duty of attending this service as an act of praise and thanksgiving, as I am happy to say not one left the church until the benediction was given. The disgracefully irreverent practice of marching out after the prayer for the "Church Militant" does not occur in All Saints', an evidence that the congregation are well taught in Catholic doctrine and practice. I may say in conclusion that evensong was sung at 7 p. m., when the