

Lion's Head is meeting with great success, and reports that he is greatly encouraged.

C. E. Y. M. A.—A very interesting lecture was delivered under the auspices of the C. Y. Men's Association, in the Bishop Cronyn Hall, on Tuesday evening, on *The Early British Church*. The meeting was not as large as might be expected, from the importance of the subject. The history of the Church of England was traced by the lecturer, Rev. H. D. Steele, from Apostolic days through all the trials, sacrifices, and triumphs, and her claims to having maintained, notwithstanding her reverses, the fellowship and doctrine of the Apostles, proved. He demonstrated that the Church of England is the same as that which was founded by the Apostles, and that at the time of the Reformation she only purified herself from the errors that had crept in; and she now holds the true position between the errors of the Church of Rome on the one hand, and the over enthusiasm of Protestantism on the other. He closed his very interesting lecture by expressing the hope that the Church in her position would ere long be the means of uniting all who call themselves Christians in the battle for Christ and His holy religion. Rev. Canon Innes, who presided at the meeting, in closing, on behalf of the Association, thanked the lecturer, and regretted that the attendance was not worthy of the lecture. He dismissed the meeting, as is usual, with the benediction.

ALGOMA.

ROSSEAU.—The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowner begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks the kind assistance afforded by the following donations: A box for Christmas tree from C. W. A. S.; Mrs. Laidlaw, \$1; Mrs. Neville, \$1; Mrs. Macbeth, \$1; — Morris, Esq. \$1; F. A. Turner, Esq., \$1; Lieut.-Col. Geo. A. Shaw, \$1; Dean Boomer, \$1. The incumbent of the above mission earnestly hopes that many others will make a like offering to the same object.

GRAVENHURST.—The Rev. Thos. Lloyd, begs to acknowledge with many thanks, the receipt of a box of useful articles and toys for Christmas tree, and my needy poor, from C. W. M. A.,

"He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and look what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again."

RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—Honors to a Bishop—Unveiling the portrait of the Bishop of Rupert's Land.—Many of the most influential men of Manitoba and of Winnipeg, including His Honor Lieut.-Gov. Aikins, Hon. Messrs. Norquay, La Riviere, Girard and Brown of the Provincial Government, Hon. Jos. Royal, M.P.; Messrs. Justices Dubuc and Miller, Ven. Archdeacon Cowley, Ven. Archdeacon Pinkham, Rev. Canon Matheson, Rev. Mr. Pritchard, a number of influential laymen, and a good proportion of ladies, assembled in the Sunday school room of Holy Trinity Church, on the occasion of the unveiling of a magnificent portrait of the Most Rev. Robert Machray, D.D., LL.D., Bishop and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land.

Hon. J. Norquay occupied the chair, having on his right hand the distinguished recipient of the honors of the occasion on his left His Honor the new Lieutenant Governor. The chairman expressed the pleasure which he, in common with all others present, felt in being present on such an occasion to do honor to his Lordship, who had presided over the Church of England in this diocese so long. The object of the gathering was to pay a small tribute of the respect and appreciation of those who had listened to His Lordship's ministrations and had been benefitted no doubt very largely by them. He then called upon Mr. Wm. Leggo, Master in Chancery, who read the following address:

To the Most Reverend Robert Machray, D. D., LL. D., Bishop and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land.

Most Reverend Father: Accept from a number of the clergy and laity of Your Lordship's Diocese this portrait of yourself, which we hope may find a prominent place in Bishop's Court.

Upwards of seventeen years ago you were called in the providence of God from a sphere of great usefulness in the University of Cambridge, to preside over the destinies of the Church of England in Rupert's Land, whose members were thinly scattered over an area larger than Europe. This period had been a most eventful one in our history as a church. The organization of our Diocesan Synod, the sub-division of the old Diocese of Rupert's Land into four Sees united into one Ecclesiastical Province under the Primacy of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the establishment of a Cathedral System on the basis of kindred institutions in the motherland, not to speak

of other and hardly less important features of our church polity, have been accomplished during your episcopate, and are monuments of your ability, zeal and devotion; and the position you have taken on the important question of education, by rearing from their foundations such institutions as St. John's College and St. John's College Ladies' School, and that accorded you by being placed at the head of both the Provincial and University and public school systems, justify the promise of your University life, and prove how eminently wise and fitting their choice was, who called you to the office and duties of the Episcopate in this land.

We thank God for all that has been done for our church in Manitoba and the North West through your instrumentality; but most of all for that spirit of harmony amongst ourselves and loyalty to our Bishop, which characterize our church life, and which we feel you have ever done so much to promote.

We deem it a pleasure to contribute in this slight way in handing on to those who shall come after us a copy of the form and features of one to whom our church owes so much and towards whom the hearts of both clergy and laity beat as one; and it is our heartfelt prayer that the Great Shephard and Bishop of our souls may long spare you to His Church in this portion of His vineyard.

At the conclusion of the address the curtain which had concealed the portrait from view was caused to fall, and as it fell a gentle burst of applause was heard from all parts of the room, and the chairman called for three cheers for His Lordship, which were given with great heartiness.

The Bishop delivered a lengthy reply full of statistical and other information as to the history of Church resources of the diocese. We give the following extract as of general interest, being a section addressed especially to the laity.

Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity,—I hope it may not be thought out of place, on this occasion, but rather a meeting of the confidence and approbation you have expressed, if I say a few words on what has been accomplished for the institutions to which you have referred, and also on our present means and needs. I do this the rather that I find there are some misconceptions on the subject in the older provinces of Canada. When we commenced our organization, the isolation of the land still continued, but it was not hard to discover the coming future. We saw two difficulties ahead of us—the difficulty of getting effective clergyment for our work; the difficulty of paying them. There were other important reasons, but these were the two main reasons for the effort of building up in St. John's a centre for educational and mission work. This was done in the first place by founding several professorships in theology, the holders of which should also, under their deeds of endowment, be Canons of St. John's, the mother church of the diocese. Friends of the Church Missionary Society founded one and I myself founded another. The S. P. C. K. granted £50 each to three of the professorships. The professional endowment fund for five professors amounts to about \$80,000, not equally divided. The college has also, in addition to the Machray exhibition for the children of the clergy, a scholarship fund in commemoration of various friends of about \$4,600. It has several buildings and twenty five acres of valuable land, but is burdened with a debt of \$16,000. A new college is going to be built, the north wing of which, with the Warden's residence, will cost \$50,000. Of this we have still to raise \$15,000. But there is another want for the efficiency of the college, which we are endeavouring to supply. The professors of theology have hitherto given most of the instruction in arts, and part of that in the college schools. But we require a fuller staff in arts, both for residence in the new college and instruction. We are trying to raise for lecturers in arts an endowment of \$50,000. We have secured about \$11,000. We really need this before we can with safety and with success enter upon the new buildings. This is the effort that the Dean is promoting in England this winter. While St. John's College was, as you may say, resuscitated, the cathedral church was made by an Act of Parliament a collegiate church, the theological professors and the archdeacons being its dean and canons. The professors not only attended to the church and parish of St. John, but, with the aid of masters of the college school and the theological students, did a great deal of most serviceable mission work. In this way Holy Trinity and Christ Church parishes in this city were successively built up and prepared for being independent spheres. Services were begun in various new places. I may mention, as an instance of the devotion shown in this work, that two or three years Canon O'Meara took regularly without fail fortnightly, in every weather, a service at Woodlands, for which he had to drive thirty-five miles, mostly over bare prairie. Until I went to England in 1878 we had scarcely any new grants. The staff at St. John's did then in those early years incalculable service for the Church. And the cathedral mission staff contin-

ues its useful work in supplying vacancies and opening new missions. Indeed, its usefulness for the diocese has only commenced. But until this year there has been no income from the cathedral. The professors were entirely supported by their professorships, supplemented by small grants from the college for their aid in general subjects.

The Lieut. Governor, Hon. J. C. Aikens, who is a Wesleyan, addressed the meeting in a very genial, sympathetic spirit. He said: The best energies of the people here, as well as those from other portions of the Dominion would be required to make this country what all public men, as well as the dignitaries of the Church of England, desired to see it, namely one of the greatest countries on the face of the earth. He had no hesitation in stating his belief in regard to this country. It had a severe climate, but a healthy one. The area fit for cultivation was such as he believed no country on the face of the earth possessed to so great an extent. There was everything needed to raise up a healthy race, if only the minds and hearts of the people could be impressed with the thought that there was something better than to live merely for this world. His Honor concluded by expressing his pleasure in forming the acquaintance a few days ago of His Lordship the Bishop, and his hopes of meeting him on many future occasions.

A singularly interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of a most kind letter from Archbishop Tache, regretting the necessity of his absence. The exertions of Mr. Leggo on behalf of the Church in the N. W. are most zealous and commendable.

BRITISH.

THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.—We hear with the liveliest satisfaction that Dr. Benson, Bishop of Truro, has been appointed Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr. Benson is a young man for so exalted a position, but his short career in the new diocese of Truro has shown that he has large administrative capacities, a singularly well balanced mind, a temper of apostolic sweetness, and what is now so needed, is a whole hearted Churchman and able to infuse Church zeal into those who have been alienated from us.

The death of the Earl of Harrowby places a Garter at Mr. Gladstone's disposal, and gives Liverpool the task of electing a successor to Lord Sandon, who goes to the Upper House in his father's room. The venerable peer had done good work for the country in various public offices, while his efforts to serve the cause of our common Christianity in connection with the work of Christian Evidence Society are well known to our readers.

SCHISM IN CAMBRIDGE.—Sir—I always thought that when one attended services in a Church of England one might be sure to find at least a member of the Church of England conducting the services; but it appears that this is not always the case. Notices were printed to the effect that the Corn Exchange having proved insufficient to contain the numbers wishing to attend Moody and Sankey's 'Evangelistic Mission,' an overflow service would be held in Holy Trinity parish church in this town. I went to that church on Wednesday the 8th and Thursday the 9th inst., and on Wednesday I witnessed a Mr. Harrison (who on the Thursday evening came up to me and asked me if I had found Christ, and on my enquiring who he was, said he was the Wesleyan minister) make an extempore prayer, and on Thursday I witnessed Mr. Sankey make a prayer and sing a solo in the church. Certain clergy in different parts of the church made prayers, and went round asking people if they were saved, &c. One might have thought at any rate that men professedly so zealous for the law as members of the Church Association, who place their brethren in prison for asserted breach of the law, would hardly have ventured to allow such practices as the above mentioned. E. A. THEED, St. John's College, Cambridge. P.S.—One of the chief doctrines taught at this Mission seems to be that of being "saved" without possibility of forfeiting that salvation, and also independently of Christ's appointed Church and Sacraments.

The appointment of Mr. Ommanney to S. Matthew's, Sheffield, has caused great uproar in that most Puritan town, where the No-Church party have ruled so long, and where consequently dissent thrives and prospers to its little heart's content. That some change was needed is manifest from the excitement caused by so trifling a change in ritual as Mr. O. has made. Since his arrival no important alterations have been made in the ordinary Sunday morning and evening services, except turning to the east at the Creed and preaching in the surplice. The monthly late celebration of the Holy Communion is retained, and at this service, with the exception of the eastward position, the proper offering of the bread and wine, and the able-