

headings: building, maintenance and industrial. The meeting closed with the Benediction.

THE RURAL DEANERY OF MUSKOKA.—The clergy of this Deanery held their quarterly chapter at Huntville on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 3rd and 4th, 1890. On Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, there was early celebration of the Holy Communion in All Saint's Church at 8 a.m., at which the Rural Dean Lloyd officiated. The chapter was invited to meet at the parsonage, and at 9.30 a.m. commenced its business according to the agenda paper, the chairman, Rural Dean Lloyd, opening with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, passed and subscribed. The chairman made a few opening remarks about the Bishop's Muskoka visitation early in the New Year, [1891] especial reference being made to his Lordship's desire to visit vacant missions, and then gave some introductory and suggestive ideas upon the Greek text of 1 Cor. i. 10. 16, after which those verses were read *seriatim*. The exegesis that followed provoked earnest and keen discussion. The afternoon session commenced at 1.30, when it was decided to go on with 1 Cor. i., taking verses 18-31, inclusive. Rev. L. Sinclair had been asked to read a paper on "Church Government," but he preferred to introduce the subject orally, by which means he managed to cover a tremendous lot of ground, involving many interesting, but combustible, statements and suggestions, both as to history and theory. "Apostolical Succession" held a prominent place. He referred to spiritual and State power, shewing that State power overbalances the Ecclesiastical. He argued that the power from God was resident in the Priesthood, which had been bestowed in Old Testament times. The Priest after the order of Melchizedek appointed His own Apostles, and bestowed upon them a commission. Apostolic succession and power came through the Bishops, whom the apostles appointed, to their successors all along the line. The Church was not a gathered up society from the remnants of a broken Church. The field thus opened was traversed, with some little cross firing, by the Revs. Rural Dean W. T. Noble, J. Boydell, A. H. Allman and H. P. Lowe. The Rev. L. Sinclair, replied upon the debate he had raised in a very modest and grateful manner. The time for the next Rural deanial meeting was then discussed, and was ultimately fixed for Tuesday and Wednesday, June 2nd and 3rd, 1891; the place selected, Gravenhurst. It was suggested that a paper should be prepared upon "Parochial Organisation: its possibilities and utility;" and the Rev. W. T. Noble kindly consented to take it up. Subsequently the clergy all responded to an invitation to drink tea with the Rural Dean and Mrs. Lloyd, and after a brief rest they all filed out to take part in a missionary meeting, which had been announced for 8 p.m. Unfortunately, almost all missionary meetings have something happen to them, either on the part of the people, or both, and it was to both on that particular occasion, for the weather was stormy, and the people were few; whilst the platform exhibited a remarkable array of strength, not to say talent. On Thursday, Dec. 4th, the chapter met at 9 a.m., but it was shorn of the Bishop's chaplain (Rev. J. Boydell) who had been obliged to return home, owing to the pressure of diocesan duty. After prayer a most useful, practical, and inspiring exposition of 1 John i. occupied the time, in which all the clergy took part. The afternoon was taken up with missionary meetings, the Revs. Rural Dean Lloyd, Noble and Sinclair proceeding to Ravenscliff, and the Rev. A. H. Allman accompanying the Rev. H. P. Lowe to Allensville. In both places capital addresses were delivered and warm interest was awakened, and a gratifying measure of success attended them. The Revs. W. T. Noble and A. H. Allman re-

turned to their respective homes, but the Revs. Rural Dean Lloyd, L. Sinclair and H. P. Lowe returned to Huntville for Evensong at All Saint's Church, and then wound up at the parsonage. The two latter gentlemen left next day.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Rev. A. H. Allman, Port Sydney, begs to acknowledge a very nice box of goods sent to him by the Rev. G. O. Troop, Rector of St. Martin's, for the Christmas tree at Brunel. The distribution took place on the 28th ult. at Mr. Morgan's, when a very enjoyable and happy time was spent by the children and their friends.

SUGGESTED SCHEME for giving more liberal support to the Indian Department of the Domestic Missionary work of the Church of England in Canada:

1 That an 'Indian Auxiliary' be established in connection with the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions.

2 The object of the 'Indian Auxiliary' shall be the collection and circulation of reliable statistics, and other information connected with Evangelistic and Educational work among the Indians under the charge of the Church of England, and the adoption of such other means as may seem best calculated to bring this department of the Church's missionary work more prominently before the minds of her members, and thus secure for it a larger place in their prayers and substantial sympathies.

3 The organization of the Indian Auxiliary shall consist of a Central Committee, and Local or Diocesan Committees in the several missionary dioceses.

4 The Central Committee shall consist of a sub-committee of five members of the D. and F. M. B. (of whom three shall be a quorum) appointed by the Board at one of its semi-annual meetings. Its duties shall be to receive the annual report of the Diocesan Committees, circulate the information conveyed in them as far as possible, present an annual report to the Board, transmit appropriated monies as desired by the donors, and administer unappropriated Indian funds according to the needs of the work.

5 Each Diocesan Committee shall consist of the Bishop as President, *ex officio* and not less than two clerical and two lay members, as may be locally determined. The elective members shall be appointed at the regular annual meeting of the Synod; in the absence of Synodical organization, by the Bishop. The duties of the Diocesan Committee shall be to take the general supervision of the Indian work of the Diocese, under the Bishop, and to forward periodical reports of statistics and other information to the Central Committee. When two or more centres are established within a Diocese, it is suggested that each centre have its own committee, composed of persons resident in the neighborhood, the Bishop being, in every case, President.

6 In connection with the above scheme, it is suggested that the 'B. D. and F. M.' extend its method of operation so as to include a special 'Indian Department,' in which a separate account shall be kept of all funds, whether appropriated or unappropriated, contributed for Indian Missionary work; such funds to be dealt with by the Central Committee [as constituted above] on the same general principles as those now administered by the Board.

7 The above scheme is not to be understood as in any way interfering with the right of the authorities of a Missionary Diocese to receive contributions direct from the donors, as hitherto, and apply them to the work under their charge.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

On Tuesday, November 25th, the Bishop administered the Holy Rite of Confirmation at

Fort Qu'Appelle, when four candidates (1 male, 3 females) were Confirmed; on Sunday, 16th, at Maple Creek, when four were Confirmed (1 male, 3 females); and on Sunday, November 30, at Moosejaw, when nine were Confirmed (2 males, 7 females.) On Sunday, December 14th, one was Confirmed.

On Sunday, December 14, the Bishop Instituted, publicly, at the Morning Service, the Rev. W. G. Lyon, to the Incumbency of Moosomin.

MOOSOMIN.—A most successful sale of work and social was held by the members of the Women's Guild of St. Alban's, on Tuesday, the 16th December. Over \$280 were realized, and great credit is due to those who by their untiring energy were able to secure so good a result. It has been decided to put a furnace into the church with the proceeds of the sale.

COTHAM.—A well-attended meeting of the settlers in the district of Cotham, in the parish of Grenfell, was held on Monday, 24th Nov., 1890, to consider the building of a church. The services are held at present in the school, which is well situated in the centre of the district, but has the disadvantage of being of very small size, only twenty feet by fourteen. In addition to this the secular associations of such a room, used for dances and concerts on week evenings, are not helpful to the reverence which should be felt in divine worship. A resolution was passed, "That a fund shall be opened for building a church at Cotham." As it was felt that the task of raising the necessary funds would be a work of some time no decisions were made as to the form the church should take. A sum of \$800 was named as necessary for the purpose, and towards this several promises of subscriptions were made by the settlers present, amounting to about \$200. It was hoped that outside friends would help the settlers in this most desirable work. Subscriptions may be paid to the Rev. F. V. Baker, curate-in charge, or Mr. E. J. Bissicks, churchwarden, Cotham, near Broadview.

WHITEWOOD.—The Guild of St. Mary have brought their year's work to a successful end. The amount they have raised by their sale of work, subscriptions, &c., amounted to \$113.92. After deducting necessary expenses they have a balance in hand of \$6 77.

MAGAZINES FOR JANUARY.

The Church Eclectic opens with an article on the Marriage Question by Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D.D., 'Primordial Wedlock': It contains also the conclusions arrived at by the Archbishop of Canterbury in the Bishop of Lincoln's case, and several references to the judgment. 'Biblical Criticism' from Bishop Doane's Conventional address is worthy of attention. The number is a good one—W. T. Gibson, D. D., Utica, N. Y.; \$3 00 per an., 25c. each

The Homiletic Magazine contains two sermons by Rev. Aubrey L. Moore, M. A.: (1) The Panoply of God; (2) God Manifested as Goodness. In its expository section it gives a paper on The Miracles of Our Lord—by Rev. W. J. Deane, M. A., and another by Rev. C. Clemons, D.D., 'Outlines on the first eight chapters of Romans.' The 'Church Year' section embraces the Epistles for the Sundays, from 2nd in Advent to that after Christmas. This magazine will be found most useful to the clergy for pulpit preparation—E. B. Treat, New York.

The Homiletic Review presents monthly the ripest thought of the denominational pulpits chiefly. This number contains a review of the life and works of Cardinal Newman, by Dr. Wilson, of Tarrytown, N. Y., his conclusion