

the estimated value of \$10. To the donors of all these things I have tendered our grateful thanks. In passing I would note the heavy expense all this means in the matter of postage, duty, and in some cases of carriage, all of which I have been compelled to meet out of my own pocket. Of the new church so much has been said already, that I will but briefly refer to it, and that more that we may be reminded, to whom the privilege of having this house in our midst is due, and of the danger of ever neglecting that house, when the first blush of success is over. The total cost of the building and its contents amounts to \$819.55, of this sum \$750.34 has been contributed, thus leaving a debt of \$19.21, of which amount fifty is covered by promises. How is it possible for us ever to show our gratitude to those who have so nobly helped the mission in this matter? The question of money matters is one that deserves our deep attention. You have a circular from the Bishop with regard to the finances of the Diocese, and I would most earnestly beg you to consider the same, and if possible to comply with his request. It is not to the clergyman, or to the Bishop, or to the Church that we give, but to God; and "He still takes note of our offerings as certainly as when His Son sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury." On this subject I shall have more to say later, but I would now impress upon all that what they have (be it much or little), is only so much committed to their care, and in giving to God you are only giving to Him, what has belonged to Him from the first. He whose commission I hold, and who has given to me the grave responsibility of ministering unto you, taught Himself, both by example and precept, and by His grace. I would copy Him, my risen Master, who in his dying on the cross for us, gained the repentant thief; so brethren would He teach all His disciples to teach. I have, after well considering the whole matter, determined to add myself 20 per cent. to the extra amount if you will double the contributions you are now giving to the stipend fund. I regret that your offerings to this fund are so much (more than half the amount pledged,) in arrears. I could understand it better, if I found that those in arrear, had given largely or otherwise to the Church building fund, but such is not the case. There is room also for improvement in the ordinary Sunday offertory, its total amount for the year is but \$33.78; the Church expenses for the year amount to \$17.46. The following expenses have also been incurred: Sunday school \$11, choir \$13.45, library \$8.35, to meet which I have been compelled to draw upon my own slender purse. With reference to the services in St. Paul's, it is admitted by all, that for warmth, beauty, and heartiness, it would be hard to find their equal in the backwoods. We cannot praise too highly the efforts of our young organist, indeed when I look back from such festival services as those of Easter day (made all the more impressive after the solemn services of Lent), to the service held in this room, on the same day last year, I feel we can never thank God enough for all his goodness to us during the past twelve months. The register of attendances of church families, at the Sunday services, shews that only 20 per cent. of those families, were represented at all the Sunday services, held since the Church was consecrated, and that a like number have not been represented at all, and many were only represented by some younger members at a number of the services. I hope brethren that God will send us the blessing of a larger number of worshippers during the coming year. Why should not each member of the vestry determine that nothing shall keep him from the services, and moreover, to bring some one else with him. This has been tried elsewhere with success. There are living within three miles of this room 71 families, of these 29 be-

long to the Church of England, and these 29 consist of 139 souls. The average Sunday attendance at the services is 85, ordinary week day service 10; in Holy week the average at the daily services was 19 5-6. At the out stations the number of families belonging to our Church is larger in proportion to the total population, but of course that is not so large. The young men's club, which should have been doing good work now, has not (owing to the prevalence of "la grippe" at its advent), yet made any progress, but I hope to see it soon an established fact. As also a branch of the "Ministering Children's League," which has so much to recommend it. My wife was President of a branch in which God last permitted us to work, and we know the good a branch of this society is capable of doing, in fact it has only been want of funds which has kept us from establishing a branch before.

Abundant opportunities and ever increasing calls for further development of our Church life in Uffington, and in those out stations connected with it, like waiting our attention and requiring our aid. "Be not weary in well-doing," but rather let us see if we cannot so reorganize our time and so readjust our existing responsibilities, that without neglecting them, we may find more time for God. Brethren pray for yourselves, and for me, that I may minister to you in holy things according to God's will, and for our dear Church, that God's presence might be increasingly realized in all our services; and for ourselves, that God may draw us all closer to one another and to Him. This is my unceasing prayer, let it be yours.

None of the members present offering any remarks upon the address the vestry proceeded to consider their position with reference to the stipend fund, after some considerable conversation it was suggested that the vestry clerk should request those who had not paid the amounts pledged, through the "envelope system" to do so immediately, and that the vestry should adjourn to await the result of his request and that all other business should be continued at the adjournment. It was therefore proposed by Mr. McBride, and seconded by Mr. L. B. Smith, and carried unanimously, that the vestry clerk be instructed to write to those members of the congregation who were in arrear, requesting payment before the end of the month. An adjournment to the first Thursday in May was then proposed by Mr. L. B. Smith and seconded by Mr. Thos. Kirkpatrick, whereon Mr. Lancaster said he had some complaints to make, first of what he called the "nonsensical" manner in which the offertory was received; this having been satisfactory disposed of, Mr. Lancaster proceeded to complain that the ante communion service and the litany are not both used at every Sunday morning service in addition to matins and sermon. The chairman remarked that some now complained of the service being too long and wished the catechising of the Sunday school children to be omitted. After some conversation the matter dropped and Mr. Smith's resolution was put and carried unanimously, and the vestry adjourned at 8.30 p.m.

The Rev. H. N. Burden begs to thank Miss G. M. Wilgress and J. W. R., for the parcels of books for the Sunday school libraries in the Mission of Uffington.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

FORT QU'APPELLE.—Rev. R. C. Croker, incumbent, has been suddenly cabled back to England. Another clergyman will arrive after Easter, who is noted as a missionary, having been for some time Diocesan Missioner in the Diocese of Truro.

FORT Pelly, Key's Reserve.—Rev. J. W. Gregory, formerly of the Diocese has given \$150 towards the building of the church.

REGINA.—Lectures on St. Luke's Gospel and on the Prayer Book were given during Lent.

QU'APPELLE STATION.—The cantata 'Christ and his Soldiers,' will shortly be given by the choir.

GRANFELL.—St. Andrew's Church, Weed Hill's, was opened in March. It will be consecrated in May. It will accommodate 50 person's and cost -1,000.

The altar, reredos, font and furniture are of oak. The Diocesan Synod meets January 3rd.

NEW BOOKS.

"JESUIT MORALS."—Rev. John Scrimger, M.A., W. Drysdale & Co., Montreal.

In consequence of the attention which has been drawn to the Jesuits and to their teaching from late events in the Province of Quebec it would appear that Prof. Scrimger prepared a paper to be read before the Protestant Ministerial Association of Montreal, on "Errors in the Moral Teaching of the Jesuits."

A report or synopsis of this paper as read before the Association appeared in the Montreal Star, and called forth a reply from Father Jones, one of the Jesuits, in connection with St. Mary's College, Montreal, and for some little time there was quite a keen controversy carried on between him and Mr. Scrimger. These letters have now been issued in pamphlet form by Messrs. Drysdale & Co., of Montreal, and will be valuable, not merely as specimens of keenly conducted controversy but also as affording some information in regard to the teaching conveyed by Jesuit writers.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEACHING.—By the Very Rev. James Carmichael, M.A., D.C.L., Dean of Montreal. W. Drysdale & Co., paper 10c., or \$1 per doz.

This would appear to be the first of a series of tracts, which these well known publishers intend to issue. It was written, says the Dean with the intention of meeting what he has long regarded as a great need, viz.: a clear realization on the part of those continually drifting into the Church from outside bodies of the great landmarks of Her distinctive teaching. We fear that a like need exists on the part of some of those who have been born and brought up in The Church; for there has undoubtedly been a lamentable absence of any direct and positive teaching in regard to Church doctrine on the part of most of our clergy. In many parishes the clergy seem to be afraid to touch on anything distinctive in this respect, and though the Dean has carefully avoided many subjects upon which information is necessary, we are nevertheless glad to see this little tract issued, and we are sure it will be found of great use for parochial distribution. He takes as heads for the treatment of his subject the following:

(a) The Church, its nature; position of the laity and of the clergy, and the continuity of the Ministry.

(b) Baptism; infant, lay, adult; and the position of childhood in The Church.

(c) The Catechism.

(d) Confirmation, its object, preparation for and administration.

(e) The Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion, its character, benefits and effect; and he closes his explanation with the following: "Thus the Church of England follows her children from Baptism until they face the battle of life; and then it leaves them within The Church depending upon the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for righteousness; and aided to live a life of good works, 'springing out of a true and lively faith,' 'pleasing and acceptable to God in Christ' by the three great channels of grace: The Word of God, Prayer, and the 'Holy Communion,' the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ."

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