

Rural Deans.

I appointed the Rev. Canon Daw, Rural Dean of Hamilton, and the Rev. Canon Garrett for a second period of three years Rural Dean of Lincoln and Welland.

Conferences.

I attended two Deanery Conferences in Haldimand, and one in Lincoln and Welland. I also held ten Conferences with churchwardens and congregations previous to making appointments to the Parishes.

Leave of Absence.

I granted leave of absence to Rev. Guy Gordon and to the Rev. Canon Piper to accompany their battalions to the front; to the Rev. Canon Bevan and the Rev. W. de la Rosa for three months to visit relatives in England.

I attended four meetings of the House of Bishops, two meetings of the M. S. C. C. Board and a meeting of Convocation and of the Corporation of Trinity College, Toronto. I visited in June last Sault Ste. Marie and preached the opening sermon in connection with the Synod of Algoma. I also gave in the course of the year 120 sermons and addresses, celebrated the Holy Communion 25 times, buried three persons, and baptised one infant.

In the discharge of the various duties of my office I have travelled many thousand miles and have endeavored to meet all the requests that have been made to me for work.

State of the Diocese.

After the general Ordination on Sunday next, every Parish and Mission in the Diocese will be filled. The Diocese will then have 76 Clergy fulfilling regular pastoral duties, two engaged in scholastic work, 11 superannuated and two unattached. There are 70 Parishes and Missions, and 110 Church edifices in the Diocese.

Rural Deaneries.

The Diocese is divided into six Rural Deaneries. The Diocese owes a debt of gratitude to the Clergy who act as Rural Deans. All of them are hard worked men in their