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the probability of the meeting being really interest- ing, large numbers are willing and glad to attend. The church was well filled, and no sign of weariness was manifested, although the meeting was not over until nearly 11 p.m. The speakers were the Rev. Dean Getz, of Warren, Pennsylvania (Diocese of Pitts- burgh); the Rev. Rural Dean Holland, and the Rev. Messrs. Lee and Caswall, of the Deanery of Lincoln and Welland; also Mr. A. K. Scholfield, of Port Col- borne.

The Rev. Mr. Getz had come to the neighbourhood by invitation of the Rev. R. C. Caswall, of Welland, who was for some time a missionary in his deanery. He gave an interesting account of the great progress made in the last ten years by the Episcopal Church in the United States, her membership having in- creased 64 per cent. during that period, whereas the increase of population has been only about 32 per cent. The great progress made in his own diocese (Pittsburgh) since its formation out of part of the Diocese of Pennsylvania about twelve years since, was specially dwelt upon; and also some characteristic features of missionary work in his own immediate neighbourhood, and among the Allagheny mountains.

The Rev. Rural Dean Holland contrasted the pre- sent meeting and its circumstances with some he had attended many a long year since at Port Colborne, when they formerly worshipped in the old frame Union meeting house, when a handful of people used to gather around the stove and form the annual missionary meeting. Everything seemed now to give promise of great success to the work of the Church there, under the wise and diligent supervision of the present Mis- sionary.

The Rev. Mr. Lee gave a short address, in which he stated that Port Colborne had, during the past year, made up its apportionment to the full amount, for the first time, for Diocesan Missions, Algoma, and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Mr. A. K. Scholfield having been invited to speak, made a most earnest appeal on behalf of the Missions in Manitoba and the North West, in which portions of the Dominion he had been on a visit to his son and daughter. That emigrants to those districts, a large portion of whom are Churchmen, should have to de- pend for religious ministrations almost entirely upon Presbyterians, Methodists, and other missionaries, he considered a burning disgrace to the Church, which we should wipe out by supplying missionaries of the Church, and supporting them liberally.

The Rev. R. C. Caswall limited himself to five min- utes, as the hour was very late, and gave briefly some of his missionary experiences when in Mr. Getz's Deanery in Pennsylvania.

The offerings at the close of the meeting amounted to \$10.

HAMILTON.—*Church of the Ascension*.—On Thursday evening the 20th, there was a special meeting in the large Sunday School room attached to this church, of the Total Abstinence Society, to hear Mr. Robert Gra- ham, Secretary of the Church of England Temper- ance Association, who had come to the Dominion with the consent of all the Episcopal bench, and at their request to report upon the progress of the temperance cause in this country and the United States. The proceedings were marked with much to gratify and encourage us in the great work of Temperance. There is great progress in England as well as here. Mr. Graham is the bearer of special letters from the Arch- bishop of York, the Bishops of Carlisle, and Ripon, Canons Ellison, Farrar, Wilberforce, and a host of Church of England temperance workers.

He entered into very full particulars as to the tem- perance movement in England, and described the leaders of the movement and their success in the work. Mr. Graham was the guest of the Rev. Canon Carmichael during his stay in Hamilton.

Christ Church Cathedral.—The proceedings in this Church on Sunday, Jan. 16, were of an unusually in- teresting nature, owing to the fact that the Bishop of the Diocese administered the rite of Confirmation in the morning. A large number of candidates, about forty, presented themselves, and knelt two by two before the Bishop, who was seated in the Episcop- al chair administering to them the solemn rite of laying- on-of-hands. The whole service was conducted in perfect order, and the candidates, most of whom were in middle life and even older, seemed impressed with the solemnity of the service. Appropriate hymns were sung, and the choir throughout rendered valuable as- sistance in giving the necessary responses. The Bishop addressed the candidates on the importance of the step they had just taken, and urged them to be in- stant in prayer, and to be unwearied in their exertions to carry out the vow they had that day made—a vow already registered in Heaven. His Lordship's ad- dress was very impressive, and was listened to, not only by the candidates, but by the whole congrega- tion with great attention. The Holy Communion was then administered to a large number of communi- cants, the newly confirmed all remaining to receive their first Communion.

ANCASTER.—The Church in this parish has to mourn the death of Mrs. Farmer, in her 81st year. Her life during 40 years, spent either on the Gattineau, near Ottawa, or in Ancaster, was truly a missionary life in the Church. She was a mother in England, full of love and faith, prayer and godly zeal. She was an esteemed correspondent of the late Bishop Fulford, aiding him in exercising his office in the region north of Ottawa, now traversed by several missionaries. During her residence she was always mindful of the Church's welfare in her parish, as well in many lone places of other districts. *She being dead, yet speaketh.*

Mrs. Farmer's illness was brief, but full of most peaceful faith in her Saviour's merits and mediation. She entered into rest, conscious and joyful at the thought of the blessed hope given unto her through Jesus Christ. Her interment took place at St. John's Church, Ancaster, on Friday last, the 21st inst., at- tended by numerous relatives and friends, and Revs. Canon Belt, W. A. Clarke, and C. E. Whitcombe.

STONY CREEK.—A third station in connection with this mission, has been successfully established on the Beach, by the Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, the missionary in charge. A fund to procure a cabinet organ for the Beach station has been vigorously commenced, aided by the choir and literary association of St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton.

HURON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

HAYSVILLE.—A successful vestry meeting was held in St. James' Church, Wilmot on Friday the 14th inst. The Rev. Freeman Harding occupied the chair. After deciding to build a new Parsonage in Haysville a subscription list was drawn up and \$1390 were sub- scribed by the seventeen persons present. \$160 more had been promised during the day by a few who could not attend, and it is expected that before this is in print the full amount will be subscribed and part of the material placed on the ground.

GODERICH.—Our rejoicing at Christmas tide was not confined in this Diocese to the city. From the many churches in the peninsula we have the tidings of the same sacred observance of the great Chris- tian Festival. Where the waters of the great lake lave the northern shore of Huron there arose the voice of holy rejoicing, as the members of the old Church assembled in the Church of St. George to worship Him whose birth in Bethlehem we commemor- ated that morning as ushering in glad tidings to men. There was a very large attendance of worship- pers, and the services for the Nativity were heartily enjoyed by all, especially by those in whose memory the Christmas of the Old Church in the Homeland was still a present joy. The Rector, Rev. Canon El- wood is one of the few remaining of that godly band, scions of T. C. D. who came as missionaries to this country. The collection at St. George's was the largest that had been taken up there for some time.

SARNIA.—*Indian Reserve*.—The Christmas tree en- tertainment in connection with the Sunday School of St. Peter's Church was a most successful and enjoyable affair. The Council House was filled with children and parents. The tree laden with gifts was greatly admired. Two representatives of Santa Claus appeared in comical costume, one representing a native Indian of olden times, and the other wearing an ancient English costume. Rev. J. Jacobs, Incum- bent of the Churches of the Reserve, and the war- dens, chief and Santa Claus delivered brief and inter- esting addresses.

SIMCOE.—*Trinity Church*.—This old and important parish is now reviving under the untiring devotion and attention of the Rector, the Rev. J. Gemley, and the large and earnest congregation which attend the now frequent services held, shew that the Church here is responding to that deep religious awakening which is now taking place in the Church in other places. In addition to the regular Sunday and Festi- val services, services are held on every Wednes- day evening. On Christmas day one would have been struck by the improved decorations of the Churches, and the music, and the increased number of commu- nicants. The decorations were composed principally of the evergreens and white, the proper colour for that Festival, and testified to the more than usual interest taken in it this year by the members of the congregation at the midnight services on New Year's Eve, which however is not ordered by the Church, and on the Feast of the Circumcision a much larger number than was anticipated were present, and many were the expression of pleasure. The offertory on Christmas was in accordance with a very good custom of the Diocese presented to the Rector, and amounted to over sixty dollars. There is every rea- son to hope with the bright prospects before them the

large and wealthy Congregation of Trinity will make an endeavour to meet their increasing want of room by enlarging or rebuilding the church.

ALVINTON.—The Sunday School of St. John's Church held a Christmas tree Festival in the Music Hall on Christmas Eve. Tea was served at nine o'clock after which the distribution of prizes, and music and address to the children and parents made the evening altogether one of the most pleasant that this parish has witnessed.

LONDON.—The feast of the Epiphany was duly ob- served in St. Paul's Church. The congregation was not large, though we now have generally good con- gregations on Holy days. On the Festival of the Cir- cumcision there were nearly one hundred at divine ser- vice; but St. Paul's was, we believe the only Church, that as such, observed the Holy day. Arrangements have been made for the due observance of Lent in all the Churches.

ALGOMA.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks, the gift of £5, (five pounds worth) of Bibles from the British and Foreign Bible Society for distribution in his Mission at Rosseau.

BRIGHTON.—A Soiree in connection with St. Paul's Church was held on Dec. 29th. The evening proving very stormy many people were prevented from atten- ding at a distance, the proceeds amounted to \$40.00 clear of all expenses. On New Year's night the An- nual Xmas tree was held in connection with the Sunday School. The Hall was crowded and the child- ren presented an excellent programme which was well rendered under the direction of Miss Flagler.

In my report of the opening of our new Church of St. George the Martyr in the village of Magnetawan. I mentioned the fact of a man who had come seven- teen miles as one of a deputation to endeavour to obtain my promise that I would go their way and give them the services of their Church, which request I felt with sorrow, I was compelled to deny. I had con- sented to ride back with some friends about ten miles the same night so that I might have a quiet day's rest on the Monday, January 3rd, and as I got into the cutter a friend said "then we shall see you on Tues- day, Sir?" The man who had come so far heard the question, and he inquired its meaning. He was told that I was due on Tuesday at Pearceley in the Chap- man Valley. On Monday he went home, saw many of his friends, and, when I arrived at Pearceley on Tuesday at 2 p.m. I found him there, with his friends. They had come that morning and had to return the same evening, a journey of twenty miles, *all for the purpose of trying to get the services of their Church.*

Need I say, that I could not stand against such ear- nestness as this? They showed by their very respect- ful pressure that they did not mean to be denied. One man went so far as to say, they would willingly excuse a sermon, if I would only go and give them the service and Sacraments, I felt they were in the right. As soon as our service was ended I found those as- sembled into a meeting. I wish all those who read these words could have seen the looks and heard the language of these men. Men of intelligence and some of them not unlettered ignorant men. The men of Pearceley met the others in the most proper spirit when I had fairly put before them the immense dis- trict I travelled over and the work I had to do. It was agreed that a church should be built in a central place so that no one would have to go more than nine miles to service—one and all pledging themselves to provide all that unskillful labour required—(they could do no more, poor fellows, for money they have none) and to attend service regularly. I expressed the plea- sure I felt at the spirit which evidently animated them and promised to do, that which I am now doing, write to the DOMINION CHURCHMAN and appeal for help. We have \$88 and want \$200. The expenses will be great owing to the out-of-the-way place where these people live. This work will add at least 40 miles more travel for me. But I know before I start, that will not be the end, for I have already heard of others who are waiting to see me, and I have now a pretty fair experience as to the meaning of that term. On my way I promised too to appeal for help towards the erection of another church at Burk's Falls, which will be a very important centre. A site has been offered me on condition that I begin at once to take steps towards erecting this church. The call is for \$400 at least and I have not, and will not officiate in a place what has the word "debt" connect- ed with it—for I want to call all these places "God's Houses."

Waiting the help I feel certain will come to keep me going.