

Joshua the great statesman and general. Mr. H. A. Kennedy gave an address entitled, "Before the White Man Came," sketching the most interesting features of various epochs in the history of this continent, from the time of the gigantic Megalosaurus, Ichyosaurus, Pterodactyl and other dragons, down to the semi-barbarous pet in some ways magnificent civilization of the Toltecs and Aztecs in Mexico and the Incas in Peru. The attendance of members was good.

**St. Jude's.**—The annual concert given by the choir of St. Jude's Church last week was a great success in every way. About five hundred people were present. Miss Tessier, as usual, delighted the audience. Mr. Parratt, the organist, being ill, Miss Ida Scott took her part at the piano, kindly lent by Mr. Willis, aided by Miss Findlay. Mr. Hubert Baker, the flutist, Mr. Robert Anderson, Messrs. Hatch, Fletcher, Horsfall, Aspinwall and the choir, rendered excellent service. The concert was such a success that it will be repeated on the 27th instant.

**LACHINE.**—Rev. R. Hewton, M.A., at present incumbent of Ireland, P.Q., in the Diocese of Quebec, has been appointed Rector of this parish. Mr. Hewton is a man of energy and ability, and comes well spoken of—we trust, therefore, that under his guidance good work may be accomplished in this growing field for our beloved Church.

#### DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

**MOUNT FOREST.**—The ten days' Mission at the Orange Hall, Farewell, was greatly blessed. The Rev. Rural Dean Belt, M.A., of Harriston, in a dignified, scholarly way told once more the touching story of the redemption of mankind. The Farewell choir rendered the musical portion of the services nicely, and the St. Paul's choir from Mount Forest joined in the service of praise twice during the Mission. Nearly ninety must have stood up to renew their baptismal vows of repentance, faith and obedience when requested to do so by the Missioner. The thanks of clergy and churchwardens are due to the Farewell choir, the St. Paul's choir, Mount Forest; Mr. Hugh Morrison and Mr. Robert Morrison, Farewell, for entertaining the visiting clergy and Missioner.

#### DIOCESE OF HURON.

**SARNIA.**—The Annual Missionary Meeting was held in St. George's School House last week when a large number turned out to hear the addresses. Rev. T. R. Davis opened the meeting with prayer, and after a few remarks on the Mission work of the Church and the amount contributed by the congregation, addresses were given by Revs. A. Murphy, of Waterford, and W. Stout, of Point Edward. These addresses were replete with information from various Mission Fields. The collection for Diocesan Missions was good.

**LONDON SOUTH.**—The annual Missionary meeting of St. James' Church, London South, was held Monday night, 10th February, and the attendance must have been very gratifying to the rector, Rev. Canon Davis, and all who are interested in the propagation of the Gospel of Christ in foreign and domestic fields. His Lordship Bishop Baldwin, presided, the opening devotions being conducted by Canon Davis. The Rector stated that it was most encouraging to notice the position St. James' held in the Diocese in the way of giving. It held the 3rd place in supporting all purposes and 2nd place in supporting Foreign and Domestic Missions, though self-supporting.

Rev. Arthur Murphy, of Waterford, gave a forcible and pointed address on the needs of the Domestic work in the North-west Dioceses of Algoma, Rupert's Land, Moosomin, Atha-

baska and Mackenzie River. The ever-increasing population in these fields constantly necessitated the opening up of new missions, and the Church was stretching forth its hand to fill up these gaps as rapidly as it could with the assistance rendered by the Church membership in the older dioceses. Mr. Murphy concluded his address by a reference to the foreign work in Japan, China, Africa and India.

Rev. W. J. Taylor, of Mitchell, followed, and confined his remarks more especially to the Foreign fields, although he made a passing reference to the growth of the Mission work in the North-west. The peculiar habits of the Chinese and the difficulties which met the Christian missionary on every hand in the land of the Celestial were given in graphic detail and proved very interesting. The work there was progressing very favorably. The work of Dr. Livingstone in the dark continent was briefly outlined, as well as the general work in that land.

His Lordship, in closing the meeting, made a forcible address, laying before these present the special needs of the work in the Diocese of Huron. Devoted young men and means were needed to enliven the cause of Christ in the country parishes. Many of the best young men were being tempted to leave for the United States, where large stipends awaited them, because of the very indifferent remuneration they received here, and which in many instances was not sufficient for them to maintain their families. He thought they could hardly be blamed for accepting these offers, and as a means of keeping them here he urged that the stipends be increased.

Among other clergymen present were Revs. Canon Smith, W. M. Seaborne, G. B. Sage and W. T. Hill.

#### DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

**ROSSEAU.**—His Lordship the Bishop of Algoma entered this Mission, Jan. 21st, and was met by the Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne, the incumbent, at Mr. A. S. Raymond, to whose house he was brought by the Rev. Mr. Allman, of Port Sydney, whose mission he had just visited. From Raymond he was taken to Ullswater that evening, to the house of Mr. Alex. Anderson, churchwarden, under whose hospitable roof he stayed that night. On the 22nd service was held in St. Thomas' Church at 10:30 a.m., with Holy Communion. His Lordship preached an excellent sermon, and spoke encouragingly to the people on the progress they had made. Unfortunately, the congregation was not so large as usual, some being at work in other places, and many being confined to their houses. Proceeding thence to the house of Mr. August Bressie for dinner, thence to Bentriverville for service at 3:30 p.m. The schoolhouse was nothing like as well filled as usual, so many being laid up with sickness. The same evening Rosseau was reached. On the 23rd His Lordship started for Brony-y Graig, where service was again held in the schoolhouse; here the attendance was good, the people in this settlement having got over the general attack of influenza; every seat being filled. After service returning direct to Rosseau.

Service was held in the Church of the Redeemer, at 7:30 p.m.; here again the Bishop preached a splendid sermon, and after service held a vestry. Unfortunately, many were absent on account of the epidemic. On the 24th, the Bishop left for Parry Sound.

The Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge the kindness of the C.W.M.A., of Toronto, per Miss L. Patterson, in responding so heartily to an appeal made to her on behalf of some destitute persons in his Mission. May God bless not only the Society generally, but individually also, for after the season of distribution was over they made another attempt to clothe the naked.

#### PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

*Including the Dioceses of Rupert's Land, Saskatchewan, Moosonee, Athabasca, Qu'Appelle, Mackenzie River and Calgary.*

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**WINNIPEG.**—*Christ Church.*—By a printer's error the Rector of Christ Church was said to have brought back \$4,000 worth of gifts for the Church from England. It should have been \$400.

*The Metropolitan See.*—At the last session of the Provincial Synod, a committee was appointed to confer with a committee from the Synod of Rupert's Land in reference to the appointment of future Metropolitans. By the present Canon, the Bishop of Rupert's Land is Metropolitan through the tenure of his present office. As soon as the Diocese obtained the right of electing its Bishop, by having twelve clergy supported by their congregations or by endowment the question of the appointment of Metropolitan and Metropolitan See became subject to revision by the Provincial Synod. There is a strong feeling in all quarters in favor of making Rupert's Land the permanent Metropolitan See, and the Bishop Metropolitan. It was difficult to know how the views of the House of Bishops and the Diocesan Synod could be harmonized, so that both parties should have a voice in the selection. After mature deliberation the Diocesan Committee have recommended 'that with a view to the relation of the Diocese of Rupert's Land as the permanent Metropolitan See, it is willing that the Bishop (who shall be Metropolitan) be chosen in the manner following, viz.: three names to be chosen by the Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, of whom the House of Bishops must select one to be both Bishop and Metropolitan. We have reason to believe that this will be acceptable to the Joint Committee of Bishops and delegates appointed by the Provincial Synod, and if so it will be a happy solution of a vexed problem—we should prefer to see only two names sent up to the House of Bishops instead of three. As the Provincial Synod is a small body, the recommendation of the influential Joint Committees will no doubt be carried.

**PERSONAL.**—The Rev. Canon O'Meara has returned from a visit to Montreal and part of Ontario in the interest of the Mission Fund of the Diocese. He has been most successful in his pleading, and has secured subscriptions of \$2,400 per year for three years for the opening of six new missions. One gentleman gave \$200 a year for three years, and the Alumni Association of Wyoliffe College has given \$400 a year for the same period. A special meeting of the Executive Committee will be held to consider Canon O'Meara's report, and to take steps to secure men. There is a prospect of three young men coming shortly. With the vacancies in the older Missions, at least twelve men are required by Easter. It was arranged that Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath should follow Canon O'Meara, and canvass other parts of Eastern Canada, but he has been unable on account of his parochial work to leave at present. The deputations are sent in response to the sentiment expressed at the Provincial Synod of Canada at the late session, when the Dean of Rupert's Land pressed the claims of Church extension in Manitoba.

It is with much regret that we learn that the Ven. Archdeacon Fortin, Rector of Holy Trinity, Winnipeg, is still suffering from severe throat trouble. He has been imperatively advised to spend a year in the South of France, and will leave at Easter. The parish has voted him five-sixths of his salary for the year, retaining the other sixth to assist in obtaining help for the curate, Rev. J. W. Page, who will have charge in the Archdeacon's absence.