

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—The Rector and Churchwardens of St. Mary Magdalene have taken advantage of the fact that the addition to the building has been commenced, and have laid the corner stone of the future church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. Harrison of St. Matthias Church, at 3 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Evensong followed, and an entertainment in the evening closed the day's proceedings.

An addition has been made to St. Thomas' Church which gives about 80 more sittings in the church, and which can be used as a week-day chapel.

The October Convocation at Trinity College was very successful. On Monday, the Festival of S.S. Simon and Jude, there was the usual service at 8 p.m. The college choir shows a marked improvement on last year, and the service was very bright. An able sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Langtry. Among the clergy present were Dr. Carry, Revs. C. L. Ingles, W. B. Carey, C. E. Thomson Archdeacon Trew. The service was followed by a reunion of undergraduates and graduates in the reading room.

On Tuesday night the annual dinner took place in the Convocation Hall, and was a brilliant success. Speeches were made, shewing the progress of Trinity during the past year, that of the Provost being received with special enthusiasm. The establishment of such an institution as this cannot fail to be of the greatest benefit to Trinity. Hitherto the students have always moved in a narrow circle, representing about 50 or 60 men, and had no real idea of the extent of the work done by Trinity. The late gathering made every undergraduate feel that he was part of a society the numbers of which is extending into the thousands. The Calendar of 1889 gives the names of 394 undergraduates in the different faculties.

A beautiful font was dedicated at St. Luke's Church on All Saints' Day. It is a memorial to the late Rev. O. P. Ford, who was for some time curate at St. Luke's.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

APPOINTMENTS.—The Bishop of Huron has been pleased to collate the Rev. J. B. Richardson, M. A., Rector of the Memorial Church, to the Honorary Canonry in the Cathedral of Holy Trinity, London, Ont., vacant by the death of the late Rev. Canon Falls.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Huron, has appointed Rev. Mr. Steel, of Point Edward, to Kirkton Mission, and Rev. Mr. Stout to Point Edward; Rev. S. L. Smith, of Berlin to Morpeth.

BERLIN.—The Rev. John Downie B. D., of Lucan, has been appointed Rector of St. John's Church, and will shortly enter upon his duties.

EXETER. A vestry meeting of the Trivitt Memorial Church was held on Monday afternoon, to consider the erection of two mass tablets on the western wall of the church, by the donor, Mr. Trivitt. The meeting was very harmonious, two resolutions being passed, the first thanking Mr. Trivitt for his gifts and the other expressing sympathy with him in the trouble and expense he has been put to by a contractor named Hobbs, who entered a lawsuit at the London Assizes which was dismissed with costs, but Hobbs having no goods, Mr. Trivitt's expenses in the suit are heavy. The resolution expresses the hope that Mr. Trivitt may be long spared to finish his work in the parish.

WINGHAM.—Rev. Canon Davis conducted the harvest thanksgiving services last Sunday week,

at the English Church. On the Monday evening following he delivered a very able and interesting lecture in the town hall, on "What I saw in England, Ireland and Wales." The hall was very tastefully decorated for the occasion by the ladies of the church.

LONDON.—Thanksgiving day was generally observed by special services in this city. In the morning a united service was held in St. Paul's Cathedral, and the several Rectors of the city churches took part. The Bishop preached an eloquent sermon from Psalm 107. 8 9. In the afternoon, service was held in the Memorial Church, when, Rev. R. Hicks preached, and in the evening, services were held in St. James and Christ Church, and the pulpit occupied by the Rector and Rev. L. DesBrisay, of Strathroy, respectively.

There was a crowded meeting in Victoria Hall, Thursday, the daughters of the King and their friends turning out in force to hear addresses from Miss Ling, of the Zenana branch of the C. M. S., and Mrs. Isabella Charles Davis, of the Central Council, New York. The Bishop of Huron presided, and on the platform were Dean Innes; Canon Smith, Richardson, Davis, Revs. Messrs. Hill, English, Hicks, Seaborn, Sage, and a number of ladies.

Miss Ling's address was listened to with profound interest. She drew a graphic picture of the missionary work amongst the women of India, where the iron systems of caste and the marriage laws bound them in a slavery of the severest kind, ruinous alike to the physical and mental nature. The experience and history of a high caste woman converted to Christianity and laboring with the speaker amongst her countrywomen formed a feature encouraging to those interested in the work.

His Lordship referred to the address in very high terms.

Mrs. Davis told of the first Circle formed in New York, and went on to show what different Circles had done. Some had built hospitals, others churches, some supported missionaries, and their motto—"Lend a Hand"—ruled their actions. It was a part of their obligation to examine their own hearts and to bring them into more perfect accord with the will of their King. The principles of the Society made it applicable to the school girls as well as to the mature woman, and there were Circles formed whose obligation was to speak no evil. There had been many a burden brightened by their aid, and they were steadily working to lighten the burdens of the world, advance the cause of Christ, and through His name the brotherhood of man. The Son of the King was a society of men conducted on the same lines. She closed with an earnest appeal to her hearers to help on the missionary work with their loving sympathy, their prayers and their material aid.

LONDON W.A.M.A.—On 31st inst. at Bishopstowe, there was an important meeting of the Board to consider the action taken in regard to the various subjects which had been discussed at the Triennial meeting in Montreal, and to decide in which of the works there proposed to be undertaken by the Auxiliary, Huron could take her part. Unanimous resolutions were adopted to carry each and all into effect as far as possible, consistent with these objects the Branches were already pledged to promote. The Bishop in commending to the consideration of the members, the list of such work as had been accepted not only at the W.A.M.A. Board at its Triennial but also thankfully endorsed by the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions itself, spoke words of encouragement and cheer, and pointed his hearers to the one source of all strength, without which all human efforts are vain, but with which no task need be too heavy or undertaking too difficult.

In regard to the education of the children (especially daughters) of missionaries the Board pledged itself to do its utmost to promote

the admirable object, and appointed a committee to consider the most practicable method of giving effect to the recommendation of the Board of Missions, with especial reference to the immediate arrangements for the adoption of the first candidate for the Diocese of Huron. This committee is to meet shortly and will find its work easy of adjustment for "J. R.," the first daughter of the Women's Auxiliary has been already for some weeks the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Shore of Ailsa Craig, where she has won golden opinions by her docility and aptness to learn, so that there will be no difficulty in securing for her a permanent home in every way suitable for her. The Rev. E. N. English repeated his generous offer to give her an education at Hellmuth College, or if the ordinary public school should have the preference of the committee, he would give her free access to the college for instruction in music, singing or every useful accomplishment, especially emphasizing the organ, a knowledge which would be of great benefit to her in returning to help her parents in the Mission Field. Mrs. English who gave this liberal invitation on behalf of her husband, spoke in most feeling terms of herself as a missionary daughter and therefore perhaps better able to realize the self-sacrifice entailed upon parents in the Mission Field, than could those who had every privilege for the education of their children at their very doors. Others heartily endorsed her words, speaking especially of the sympathy this especial Branch of Women's work for women, must raise in the breast of every clergyman's wife throughout the land. A committee to carry out the proposed index circulation of the "Leaflet" was appointed, with representatives in different parts of the Diocese, to take a share in filling its allotted columns of space, and the question of every parochial Branch appointing its own representative in London, to act for it whenever such representative was necessary, and to be in full communication with that representative at all times, was carefully considered and action taken to carry it into effect. The spirit of work, of hope and patient perseverance, seemed to pervade the counsels of our Diocesan Board, and with God's good hand to guide and control its efforts we trust that it may be behind no one of its sister dioceses in all they may undertake for the glory of God, and for the spread of His Kingdom.

MITCHELL.—The Rev Canon Davis, of London, preached in Trinity Church, Mitchell, on Monday evening. The Rector had arranged that, instead of the "Church of England Temperance Society" having such meetings as are usually held, there should be an occasional service in the church with an address or sermon. The first sermon was given a short time since by Rev. Dr. Mockridge, and this was the second of a like character. The text was:—"Woe to the drunkard." The sermon, which was an earnest and able one, showed that drunkenness is a sin; that it brings man down to the level of the brute, and was a fervent appeal for abstinence for the sake of others. Miss Mabel Dent sang a solo, "The Ninety and Nine," very sweetly during the evening. There was a good congregation.

Two large bales of clothing have been sent to the Northwest by the ladies of Trinity Church; toys have also been sent for children. Another bale of clothing is shortly to follow.

The parlor concert given at the residence of Mr. Abraham Dent, a few evenings since, was very successful, and a pleasant and profitable time was spent. Miss Ling, Missionary from South India, was present, and gave an address which occupied over an hour in its delivery. So interesting was it, however, that the time seemed absolutely to fly away. It was replete with information, and was given in such a modest, womanly and winning manner as to charm all who had the privilege of listening to