

merous kind friends from the outside Parishes. The meeting closed by singing the Doxology.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received from 10th January, 1881, to 29th January, 1881.

MISSION FUND.—*January Collections.*—St. Anne's, Toronto, \$6.38; All Saints', Whitby, \$9.42; Manvers, St. Paul's, \$1.00; St. Mary's, \$1.00; Haliburton, (Dysart) \$3.02; All Saints', Toronto, \$75.65; Orillia, \$9.97; Lloydtown, \$1.18; Nobleton, 55 cts.; York Mills, \$5.63; North Orillia and Medonte, St. Luke's, \$7.30; St. George's, \$1.70; Scarborough, Christ Church, \$1.96; St. Paul's, \$1.96; St. Jude's, 16 cts.; St. Mark's, Carleton, \$2.00; Omeme, Christ Church, \$2.50; Collingwood, \$10.25; Galway, \$1.58; Cavan, St. Thomas, \$4.00; St. John's, \$3.10; Christ's Church, \$1.80; Trinity Church, \$1.30; Seymour and Perry, Christ Church, \$5.90; Percy, 85 cts.; Etobicoke, St. George's, \$3.48; Christ Church, \$2.93; Christ Church, York Township, \$20.50. *Missionary Meetings.*—Peterborough, \$9.37; Orillia, \$6.41; Etobicoke, St. George's, \$4.88; Christ Church, 3.75. *Thanksgiving Collection.*—Peterborough, \$26.71; Perrytown, \$1.13; Elizabethville, \$1.55; Clarke, 80 cts.; Newmarket, \$7.95. *Special Appeal.*—W. E. O'Brien and Mrs. O'Brien, Shanty Bay, \$10. *Subscription.*—A. H. Campbell, Toronto, \$50. Church Women's Mission Aid, from St. John's, Toronto, \$17.99.

PERMANENT MISSION FUND.—J. Martland, Toronto, Quarterly payment, \$10.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collections.*—Peterborough, \$32.12; Tecumseth, additional, \$2.00; St. Luke's, Mulmur, on account, \$10; Scarborough, Christ Church, in full of assessment, \$3.39. *For the Widow of a deceased Clergyman.*—Peterborough, \$20.37; Mulmur West, Whitfield, \$1.27; Honeywood, 80 cts.; Elba, \$1.18; Lloydtown, 44 cts.

PENETANGUISHENE.—Miss Jennie Clark was recently made the recipient of a very handsome gold watch by the members of St. James' Church, as a mark of their appreciation of her services as organist.

WEST YORK.—*Rural Deanery.*—Missionary meetings were held at Thornhill, Richmond Hill, King Station, and Lloydtown; the deputation, Rev. Canon Tremayne and T. W. Paterson, of Deer Park, being assisted at various points by the Rev. Canon Osler, J. D. Cayley, J. P. Lewis, and Mr. George McKenzie, of Toronto, and Mr. Brown, of Richmond Hill. In most cases the meetings were very successful, the attendance being large. At King Station, however, owing perhaps to there being no resident clergyman to give sufficient notice, the attendance was very small. It is to be hoped their lack of interest in the meeting may be compensated for by the hearty reception they will give the collectors who may call upon them; and that those places where so cordial a reception was given to the deputation, may continue their interest in the mission work of the Church, and contribute liberally to the Mission Fund.

HASTINGS AND ALNWICK.—His Lordship the Bishop of the Diocese arrived by the Grand Junction Railroad in the village of Hastings at 4.30 p.m., on the 25th ult., and held a Confirmation Service in St. George's Church at 6 o'clock the same evening, where twenty-three candidates were received into full membership of the Church. On the next day, accompanied by the Incumbent, His Lordship arrived at St. James' Church, Alnwick, a distance of nine miles, where the rite of Confirmation was also administered. The service commenced there at 11 o'clock a.m., and there were twenty-seven candidates who presented themselves to receive the Apostolic rite. In all the large number of fifty were confirmed. In both Churches His Lordship delivered impressive and comprehensive addresses previous to administering the rite; which were devoutly listened to by the candidates themselves, as well as by attentive and appreciative audiences. At the conclusion of the very interesting services in each place, many remained to receive an introduction to their beloved Bishop, and the members of each congregation as well as the visitors were much gratified by this, His Lordship's first visit to our neighbourhood.

DURHAM AND VICTORIA.—The Quarterly Meeting of the Ruri-Decanal Chapter, was held at the residence of the Rev. J. Baker, incumbent of St. Mark's Church, on Feb. 3rd, 1881. There were present Revs. Rural Dean Allen, B. A., Chairman; Dr. Smithett, D. D., Dr. O'Meara, LL. D., H. C. Avant, A. B. Chafee, J. Baker, M. C. Allan, and J. W. Forster. The meeting having been opened with the customary religious exercises, the fourth chap. of the Epistle to the Galatians, up to the

76th verse, was considered and commented upon. After which the proposition to set aside the sum of \$100,000 from the Commutation Fund to form a Superannuation Fund, was discussed, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved that the proposition to transfer \$100,000 from the Commutation Fund to form a Superannuation Fund, is deemed unjust and inexpedient. Service was held in St. Mark's Church in the evening, a very considerable congregation being present. The service and singing were both very hearty and full of life. Prayers were said by Mr. Avant, the lessons were read by the Rural Dean, an instructive sermon on Christian manliness was preached by Dr. Smithett, from 1 Cor. xvi. part of the 13th verse. After service the session was resumed at the residence of Mr. Baker, where the remainder of the chapter was considered. It was moved and seconded that the next meeting be held in Omeme, the first Wednesday and Thursday in May.

WESTON.—The annual missionary meeting of this parish was held in the public school house on the 27th ult. The attendance was good. The speakers were the Rev. Mr. Swallow, who was the deputation; Rural Dean Osler, Canon Tremayne, and the Rev. S. W. Paterson. The addresses were good, and were listened to with attention and satisfaction, and at the close of the meeting a vote of thanks to the reverend gentlemen was moved by Mr. Conron, sr., and seconded by Mr. Wadsworth, sr. The choir sang several hymns, under the direction of Miss Lyons.

On Sunday, Jan. 30th, the Bishop held a Confirmation at St. Philip's Church, Etobicoke, close to Weston. The congregation was very good, completely filling the Church, with the exception of a small space in the aisle. An adult was baptized by the Bishop, and sixteen were confirmed, some of them being persons of mature years. The Bishop delivered a plain, practical address, which ought to be of benefit to all who heard him. The Holy Communion was afterwards celebrated. At the close of the service a small volume of Miss Havengals' writings was presented by the Rev. Mr. Thomson to each of the newly confirmed, in procuring which little gift Mr. Thomson is aided by an earnest member of the Church living in the parish.

Collections for Mission Fund were made at the Weston services.

In the afternoon the Bishop preached at St. John's Chapel, Weston, and in the evening at St. Mark's Church, Carlton, in both instances to pretty good congregations. The sermons were good, and were attentively heard. It is expected that a Confirmation will take place at Carlton in the summer.

NIAGARA.

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HAMILTON.—A special collection was taken up in Christ Church Cathedral for missionary purposes, and resulted in over \$300. How much better to raise money for missionary purposes in that way than begging from house to house.

WELLAND.—The annual Missionary Meeting held in Holy Trinity Church, Welland, on Tuesday evening the 11th of January, proved a success in every respect.

The efforts of the energetic Incumbent of the parish Rev. R. C. Caswall, to secure the first requisite for a satisfactory meeting, viz., a good attendance, resulted in every seat of the commodious new edifice being occupied on the occasion by an audience such as rarely greets a missionary deputation—crowded churches being the exception rather than the rule when appeals on behalf mission work are the order of the evening. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Dean Getz of the Diocese of Pittsburg, Pa. an experienced and enthusiastic worker in the mission cause, (who kindly came over from Warren on the invitation of his friend and *quondam* neighbour, the Rev. R. C. Caswall to assist at the meetings in Welland and vicinity) the Rev. Rural Dean Holland, and the Rev. Messrs. Graham and Fessenden, whose speeches were earnest and interesting and listened to with great attention by all of those present. A most interesting feature of the occasion was the excellent music rendered by the united choirs of Welland and Port Robinson in the "Service of Praise" which was arranged for the evening. The intention and wish of the Incumbent, it was learnt, was to have had a number of choirs from adjoining parishes unite in a hearty

"Service of Song" but the Port Robinson choir alone responded to the invitation. The idea seems a good one and might be carried out more fully on a future occasion or elsewhere in the diocese with satisfactory results. The offerings at the close, for the Diocese of Algoma, must have amounted to a considerable sum, and the interest awakened in the mission cause be productive of much good in the future.

PORT DALHOUSIE.—*Consecration.*—St. John's Church, was built during the incumbency of the former Rector, Rev. Canon Dixon. There was still however a debt of \$1,100 on it, when Rev. John Gribble, the present rector was appointed. The debt would have been removed much sooner had it not been for the general depression felt in Port Dalhousie, which depends almost entirely upon the shipping interest for its prosperity. But by paying off a little every year, the Church has been at length freed from all encumbrance, and Wednesday the 26th January, was the day appointed for its consecration. The red cross flag which symbolizes both our country and our faith was raised above the bell gable, and floated gaily in the breeze; and at noon the solemn service of consecration was performed by the Bishop of the Diocese. The church was very full. The following Clergy took part in the service: Rev. Rural Dean Holland, Canon Dixon, Canon Read, J. Fennel, E. J. Fessenden, W. E. Grahame, J. Gribble, C. L. Ingles, A. W. McNab, N. C. Martin, and J. B. Mead. Canon Dixon preached reviewing the history of the parish of which he had been so long rector, and exhorting the congregation to cling to the old paths. Forty-one laity joined with the clergy in the Holy Communion. After service there was luncheon at the rectory, at which there were present beside the Bishop and clergy, the wardens and delegates and ex-wardens and ex-delegates and some of the ladies of the parish. The joyous day was closed with a bright service in the evening, at which there was again a large congregation. The shortened form of evensong was used; the children's choir sang several appropriate hymns and anthems, and addresses were delivered by Rev. E. J. Fessenden and the rector of the parish. The former impressively enforced the lessons which this day and its service should teach the congregation, and the latter pointed out how the principle of consecration underlies all true religion.

HURON.

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GORRIE MISSION.—The missionary agent, Rev. W. F. Campbell, accompanied by Rural Dean Davis, has just made his annual visit to the various stations of this old mission. The meetings at Wroxeter, Fordwich, and Gorrie, were well attended, and collections in every place were larger than ever before. We hope these places will contribute liberally to the General Purposes Fund, which is really part of our Diocesan Mission Fund being devoted exclusively to missionary purposes.

BERVIE, KINLOSS, AND KINLOUGH.—Notwithstanding blocked-up railways and almost impossible country roads, with drifts in many places, which astonish "the oldest inhabitant," our annual missionary meetings were duly held at the above places at the time appointed, the missionary agent being determined to allow no obstacles to keep him away from his work. The roads and storms during these meetings were something extraordinary, but the people got out some way, and gave liberally.

STRATFORD.—*St. James' Church.*—The annual missionary meeting, held in this Church on Monday evening, the 25th January, was the best ever held in this parish. Fine music, large attendance, and stirring addresses by Revs. Jeffrey Hill and W. F. Campbell and E. B. Reid.

WYOMING.—On the last Thursday in January the scholars of St. John's Church Sunday School held their Annual Meeting for the distribution of prizes. After Divine service in the church, when all who had obtained a certain number of credit marks were awarded prizes, first, second, or third according to merit. The Superintendent, Mr. J. B. Dale, was presented by the Incumbent, Rev. W. Hinde, on behalf of the school with a pair of handsome silver goblets. It requires more than ordinary earnest zeal to keep up a Sunday School in country parishes during the winter. Not a few are closed entirely during the very cold months.

We have to communicate the sad intelligence of the death of two of our clergymen, in the northern Missions of the diocese. Reverend J. Brethour, Incumbent of Paisley had not been very long in Huron. He bore the reputation of being a sound Divine, an excellent scholar,

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