

this lunch was served in the St. George's school rooms, the hospitality of the Lennoxville branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. At 3 p.m. a conference, at which papers and reports were read from each centre represented, viz., Lennoxville, Sherbrooke, Richmond, Compton, Cookshire, Hatley, Brompton. At 7.30 p.m. a missionary meeting, when speeches were given by the Ven. Archdeacon of Quebec, D.D., and Canon Thorneloe, M.A. About 50 ladies attended the various offices of the day, and it was agreed to have an annual reunion. The idea originated with the secretary of the Lennoxville Branch, Miss Roe. The secretary and Mrs. Scarth, with the ladies of the Lennoxville Branch, are to be congratulated on the great success of this reunion of the St. Francis District of the branches of the Woman's Auxiliary.

#### MONTREAL.

**MONTREAL.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Synod Office, 3rd inst. Bishop Bond presided, and among those present were Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin, and the Rev. Mr. Wilson, of Sault Ste. Marie, founder of the Indian Mission homes in the North-West. Mrs. Baldwin delivered an earnest address, after which the Rev. Mr. Wilson gave a detailed description of the work the homes are accomplishing, and their need of larger financial assistance. The question of Christmas work was thoroughly discussed, Mrs. C. J. Chisholm being given charge of the work of preparing shipments of toys and pretty articles to out-of-town branches, so that little ones all over the province may be remembered who would go toyless if not assisted by the kind-hearted.

**St. James the Apostle.**—The parish loses a strong and old friend through the death of the late Mrs. Chas. Phillips, who has been connected with the parish since its formation; gave the land upon which the church is built; erected the tower; and lately gave the chime of bells which fills it. She has evidenced her interest in the parish further by bequeathing a sum of \$10,000 to the Rector and Churchwardens toward the endowment fund of the parish. Mrs. Phillips also made the following legacies to the Church: To the Synod, \$10,000; Diocesan Theological College, \$10,000 (endowment); to Trinity Church, \$5,000. She also left the Montreal General Hospital valuable properties in the heart of the city and a sum of \$10,000; and to the Sailors' Institute \$2,000.

**The Mackay Institute.**—The twenty-first annual meeting of the directors and friends of the Mackay Deaf and Dumb Institute was held at the Molsons Chambers recently. The report shows that the attendance of inmates is above the average of former years, being 45 with 51 enrolled. Being the twenty-first anniversary of the opening, the report gives a short resume of the history of the school. First opened September 15, 1870, at a house in Cote St. Antoine, with some eleven pupils attending the first month. From this humble beginning the Institute has gradually improved its position. It is explained that in the Province of Quebec institutions of this nature must be supported by the public, while in Ontario the Government assists. The financial statement shows assets amounting to \$100,000. A tribute having been paid to the memory of the late Mr. Imrie Ashcroft, and a resolution of condolence to his widow passed, the meeting adjourned. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, F. Wolfertan Thomas; vice-presidents, R. W. Shepherd, Chas. Alexander; directresses, Mrs. Wolfertan Thomas, Mrs. P. Steveson, Mrs. Robt. Mackay; secretary treasurer, George Durnford; honorary physicians, Dr. Douglas Corsan; Dr. E. P. Williams, Dr. J. H. Birkett. The only change in the Board of Managers was the election of Mr. Walter Drake as a member.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Parkin, wife of the Rev. E. C. Parkin, took place on the 7th inst., from the family's residence, to St. Jude's Church, and thence to Mount Royal Cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Dixon, the rector, officiated, assisted by the Rev. G. Nicolls and the Rev. T. Everett. Among those present were Mr. Parkin, Dr. Spendlove, Mr. Harrower and Mr. Forgrave, and the Rev. F. A. Smith of the Diocese of Quebec. The Rev. E. C. Parkin was unable to be present, owing to serious illness.

#### TORONTO.

**TORONTO.**—We had the opportunity last week of inspecting some very fine specimens of ecclesiastical embroidery—three stoles, one black, one white, one terra-cotta. The designs were most appropriate, and very rich in detail, and were carried out in the most minute parts with absolute perfection. The materials used in their production were, we understand, procured from Manchester, England. They were worked and designed by Mrs. Dr. Gammack,

East Toronto, and are certainly among the finest productions of this kind of ecclesiastical work we have seen.

**St. Stephen's.** In the schoolhouse last Monday evening, Mr. Barlow Cumberland gave an excellent address on "Christmas," and the members of the Young People's Association sweetly sang several Christmas carols. Amongst those who materially contributed to the success of the evening were the Misses Graham, Rogers and Cumberland, and Mr. Easton.

**Trinity University.**—The corporation met Wednesday afternoon. The Bishop of Toronto presided. There were present: The Provost, Prof. Jones, Clark, Symonds, Huntingford and Rigby; Archdeacon Dixon, of Guelph; Rev. Dr. Langtry, Canon DuMoulin, Rev. A. J. Broughali, the Chancellor, Chief Justice Hagarty, Edward Martin, Q.C., Hamilton; Dr. Bourinot, Ottawa; George A. Mackenzie, C. J. Campbell, R. H. Bethune. Messrs. John C. Kemp and W. R. Brock were admitted and took their seats as members of the corporation. On the recommendation of the special committee appointed to consider the question of Prof. Jones' resignation of the deanship, Prof. Rigby was appointed dean. The recommendation was adopted that Prof. Jones, as senior professor in arts, should retain his present stall in the chapel. On the recommendation of the Board of Medical Students, it was decided that in the medical examinations, separate papers should be set on surgical anatomy, practical pathology, gynecology and diseases of children. This decision will take effect as soon as the necessary change in the statutes can be carried out. It was further decided, on the recommendation of the committee, that the form of declaration to be made by candidates for matriculation in the faculty of arts should be similar to the declaration prescribed for other faculties. The Provost, Prof. Clark and Prof. Jones were nominated representatives of Trinity University at the council of the Canadian Association for the Extension of University Teaching. A resolution was passed expressive of the appreciation of the corporation of the services of Prof. Symonds as manager of the chapel choir, a position that he recently resigned. He has been succeeded by Prof. Huntingford. Mr. H. H. Bedford-Jones, M.A., was elected fellow in classics, the appointment to take effect on October 1, 1892.

On Thursday evening last, the handsome new school house of Holy Trinity Church contained a large and appreciative gathering of Sunday school workers, including twelve of our city clergy—the occasion being the regular monthly meeting of the Association. The Rector of Holy Trinity occupied the chair, and the meeting was opened by a hymn and prayers. Rev. Canon Cayley then gave the normal lesson for Sunday, the 13th Dec., which was listened to with great attention and was highly instructive and practical. The "Roll Call" showed a fairly representative assembly, though by no means what it should have been, and the clergy and superintendents are requested to bring the matter of attending these meetings before their teachers and so insure a more encouraging state of things. The Rev. Dr. Langtry next gave his lecture on "Laud and the Puritans," which was well worthy of that great exponent of our Church's history, and was listened to with rapt attention. Among other things the learned Dr. said that Laud had twice been offered a Cardinal's hat by the Pope and had refused, remaining true to the Church of England. Most cordial votes of thanks were passed to both gentlemen for their instructive and learned papers.

**ALLANDALE.**—**St. George's Church.**—On Thursday, the 26th Nov., the good people of this place determined to give their pastor's new home a thorough warming. In the afternoon, hay and oats began to arrive for his horse; an abundance of vegetables for his cellar, and plenty of good things to fill his pantry and make a place like that inviting. In the evening a large number of the congregation, headed by their churchwarden, arrived at the house, and made known that they had come to spend the evening. Having brought amusing games with them, they set to work entertaining Mr. Godden, wife, and friends, trying to make all enjoy themselves and feel "at home"; and at the close of the evening, prepared the feast, which was so much enjoyed by all. After all had partaken of this sumptuous repast, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, they departed to their respective homes, but not before they had carefully straightened up all after them, and left a mysterious looking packet with Mr. Godden, which was afterwards found to be a valuable purse of money. Such kindness and good feeling will not soon be forgotten by either pastor or his wife, and are the means of affording them great encouragement in the work to which God, in His love, has called them.

#### NIAGARA.

**STAMFORD.**—**Obituary.** The funeral of the late John W. H. Stewart, an old resident, took place at St. John's church, on Monday, 30th Nov. last. Since youth he lived in Stamford, and for many years held the position of clergyman's churchwarden. At the last Easter vestry meeting he declined, with very tender feelings, to be re-nominated for another year. He had reached four score years, and felt that signs of the end of life were evident. Mr. Stewart was much beloved by old and young friends; he was generous, cheerful and amiable, and it is naturally felt by all that such a man must be greatly missed, now that he is called away to be no more seen on this side of the grave. The *Welland Tribune* of the 4th inst. says: The remains of Mr. Stewart were laid among the household graves adjoining among the graves of father, mother and children. Deceased lived in the township since youth, and was in his 82nd year at his death. The large attendance from far and near testified to the people's high estimation of a good man. Two sons and two daughters survive: Wm. Stewart of New Haven, Mich.; Geo. Stewart of Homer, Mrs. McLeod (with whom he lived), and Mrs. Prest. The impressive funeral services were conducted by Canons Bull and Houston. The deceased will be greatly missed in the community that has known him so long.

**NIAGARA FALLS.** *Heroism Rewarded.* Rev. Canon Houston's son, Arthur Stuart Houston, only twelve years old, who saved from drowning the wife and son of Ald. Geo. Hanan in the river above the falls last summer, was presented with the Royal Humane Society's bronze medal and certificate by Mr. Adam Brown, ex-M.P., postmaster of Hamilton, and president of the humane society, in the town hall on Tuesday, Dec. 1, Mayor Binkley presiding. On the platform were Councillors Hanan and his little son, John Worthington and P. J. Lannan. Also Mr. Adam Brown, Major McLaren, Hamilton, Mr. Black, street car manager (president, vice president and treasurer of the humane society), Rev. Canon Houston and his son, Rev. John Crawford, Canon Bull, Dr. Reade, John A. Orchard and H. D. Robinson. After remarks by the Mayor and by Mr. Hanan, whose wife and child were rescued, followed by several gentlemen on the platform, Mr. Brown made the presentation amidst applause. Canon Houston replied on behalf of his son, and proved an able deputy. Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. Brown for his trouble in the matter, also to Sir Charles Tupper for the interest he had exhibited in obtaining the medal, and to Mayor Binkley for his able presidency. "God save the Queen" closed the very interesting proceedings. The hall was well filled with an audience which seemed most anxious to do honor to the brave boy who risked his young life to save a mother and child from a terrible death. All honor to him—may he have many imitators. At the close of the proceedings Mr. Brown made an earnest appeal on behalf of the humane society, a branch of which was established in our midst, and trusted that all would help it in its endeavors to save dumb animals from cruelty.

**NIAGARA ON THE LAKE.**—Considerable attention has been directed of late to the neglected condition of the burial grounds of Colonel Butler of Butler's rangers. It is pretty generally believed that the bones of the old soldier rest in a vault in the old Butler homestead about a mile west of Niagara. Vandals despoiled a portion of this burial plot last summer, and now the report is current that the colonel's "dust" is not to be found in the vault. Deeply interested friends will not let the matter rest here. The records show that Col. Butler was buried in May, 1796.

**ST. CATHARINES.**—**St. Barnabas.**—Rev. Alex. Macnab, the former rector of this parish, now of St. Matthias' church, Omaha, Neb., paid a flying visit to St. Catharines this week and was warmly welcomed by his old parishioners. They had no idea Mr. Macnab was coming, but as soon as his arrival was known an impromptu reception was organized and the parlors of Miss Birchall, Epworth terrace, were thronged with the rector's friends and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The members of the Iron Cross Guild, which Mr. Macnab founded here, looked after the refreshments. Mr. Macnab is enthusiastic over the work in his new field, and his many friends here will be delighted to know that both himself and his estimable wife have greatly benefited in health by the change. Omaha is one of the healthiest places on the continent. This is borne out by the fact that Mr. Macnab has been in Omaha seven months and has not had a funeral in his congregation. It is also related of the bishop that he was a year in Omaha in active work before he even saw a hearse. The removal of the church to its more central locality has been followed by increased attendance at all the services, which are held daily morning and evening.