

Church, Peterboro', has accepted the position of organist at St. George's Church, St. Catharines, and will leave about June to fulfil his new duties.

TRINITY COLLEGE.—The corporation met as usual in April, the attendance being very good. A letter was read from the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education, intimating the intention of the Department of Education to extend to the University of Trinity College the same privileges as have been conceded to the Provincial University in regard to the holding of matriculation examinations in the high schools of the Province. In connection with these examinations, the following Board of Examiners, arranged for with Queen's and Victoria Universities, was appointed:—Classics, Prof. Fletcher, Queen's, and Prof. Bell, Victoria; mathematics, Prof. Dupuis, Queen's, and Prof. Bain, Victoria; English, Rev. K. L. Jones, B.D., Trinity; history and geography, Prof. Reynor, Victoria; modern languages, J. C. Dunlop, lecturer, Trinity. Regulations were adopted regarding the examinations for degrees in Divinity to be held in Melbourne, Australia. The sanction of the corporation was given to the arrangement made by the Provost for ensuring to Divinity students during their Divinity course the most satisfactory training and experience in parochial work. The corporation then adjourned, to meet as usual in May.

OBITUARY.—The Rev. George Love, incumbent of Beaverton, died suddenly of heart disease two weeks ago. He leaves a wife and four children, who are terribly prostrated by the suddenness of his death. He was only 41 years of age, and had been in this Diocese only about three years. He was making ready to leave Beaverton when the summons came to "go up higher." This makes the third death among the clergy since January.

TORONTO.—*St. Stephen's.*—The parish now issues a monthly magazine. The Rector, Rev. A. J. Broughall, has just completed his twenty-fifth year of service. His son was recently ordained, and has accepted work at Tullamore, in this Diocese. The Rev. H. Symonds, who labored in the parish for about two months, was presented with \$25 as a small acknowledgment of his services by the people of St. Stephen's, on his departure for England. Mr. Broughall is agitating the erection of a room for Bible class meetings, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.—At St. James' Cathedral four classes are now being prepared for Confirmation.

The heirs of Rev. Johnstone Vicars intend bringing an action against the city of Toronto, as they urge that Mr. Vicars' death was caused by a defective sewer.

St. George's Church, Newcastle, was robbed by some miscreants, who carried off a portion of the Communion plate. The thieves have not been discovered.

TORONTO.—*St. George's.*—A very interesting lecture, entitled "Egypt and the Soudan," was given in the school-room of this church on the 13th inst. The lecturer was Lieut.-Col. F. C. Denison, who was in that country as chief of the Canadian expedition. He pictured the difficulties and dangers incident to the march, and paid a high tribute to the bravery and endurance of the British troops and the Canadian contingent. The proceeds of the lecture were in aid of the Orphan's Home.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—A diocesan branch of this useful society has at last been formed. The following are the officers:—President, Mrs. Sweatman; Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Strachan; Secretaries, Mrs. Thorne and Miss Wilson. The formation of parochial branches has been strongly recommended.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON.—The Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin held a Confirmation service in St. Paul's Church on Sunday, 11th April, when forty-five persons received the rite of laying on of hands. The Rev. Canon Irvine and Rev. R. Hicks took the service. His Lordship preached a most powerful sermon, and addressed the candidates in his usual solemn and earnest manner. The congregation was very large, and deeply interested in the impressive services.

CHATHAM.—At the conclusion of the "Mission" held in Trinity Church, by the Rev. W. Haslam, over 200 persons remained and took the Holy Communion. It is a pleasing feature in the work to see so many persons approach the Lord's table. A good work has been done and many people profess to have been brought to a knowledge of the truth. The congregation has been largely increased, and much spiritual life is seen throughout the Church population.

LONDON.—Rev. W. Haslam commences a "Mission" at the Memorial Church, April the 17th.

The See House is now almost completed, and His Lordship it is expected will move into it in a couple of week's time.

ST. MARY'S.—Special services are to be held in the Church here during Passion week, several Clergymen have been secured to preach.

LONDON.—The first annual meeting of the Women's Diocesan Missionary Association was held at the See House on Monday, March 29th. The President, the Bishop, took the chair. There was a good representation of members present. After a hymn and prayer, reports were read by the Secretary and Treasurer. The latter showed that the fees and donations for the past year amounted to \$189.79. A very interesting report was read by the President of the Memorial Church Branch, stating that during the past nine years over \$1,181 had been raised by their Association for foreign missions. This branch was organized by the late Rev. W. H. Tilly, and has ever since been doing a good work. Having affiliated with the Central Association they contributed \$125 towards their funds—\$100 for the Bishop of Saskatchewan towards the support of Emmanuel College, and \$25 for the Germana work in India. During the past eight months another Branch Association has been formed in Rev. Mr. Falls' parish, Amherstburg, and they contributed \$17 for Germana work. The contributions from the above named branches passed through the hands of the Treasurer of the Central Association, to be forwarded to their respective destinations. As an Association, we have every reason to thank God for the encouragement given during the past year, and hope for a great increase of interest throughout the Diocese in missions, domestic and foreign.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

PORT ARTHUR.—The mission of Port Arthur and Thunder Bay has lately received a valuable grant of Sunday-school books from the Society for promoting knowledge; also a grant of Prayer-books in the Danish language.

In St. James' Church, Oliver, a reading-desk and pulpit-lectern have been placed; both very plain, but neat and churchly. The clergyman has established a mission station at the Rabbitt Mountain and Beaver Silver Mines, near thirty miles distant, and also periodically visits Savanne, seventy-six miles west of Port Arthur, on the Canadian Pacific Railway. He will be thankful for good reading matter for the settlers in the bush, and for the people at the mines.

PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND,

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CORBURY.—This district has never had a settled clergyman, but the people are gathering funds to build a church. A Missionary is badly worked, but at present there is no grant.

SELKIRK.—A move has also been made at this point to build a church which is much needed.

ST. ANDREWS.—This is one of the old native Parishes, possessing a massive stone church, and a peal of three bells. Rev. A. L. Fortin is Rector. A deputation from Winnipeg visited the Parish this week in aid of the Home Mission Fund. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Jas. Taylor, Archdeacon Pinkham, Canon O'Mara, Revs. E. A. W. Pentreath and O. Fortin. Mr. Taylor gave the following interesting historical sketch.

In this country, missionary labor does not date back to a very early period. It is true, that as early as the year 1626, the officers of Cardinal Richelieu's Association,—La Compagny de la Nouvelle France men, who had been brought up under the influences of Christianity in France—for a period of 42 years inhabited this country. Later on from the year 1668, to the year 1817, the officers connected with Prince Rupert of England, and afterwards known as the "Company of adventurers trading into Hudson's Bay," also inhabited this land. But, sir, their mission to British North America was not to preach the gospel. It was not until the year 1817, when that band of Scottish pioneers under Lord Selkirk, planted a colony on our Red river of the north—that the sunlight of Christianity broke in upon this country.

In the year 1820 the Rev. Mr. West, the first Church of England missionary of Rupert's Land, arrived in this place. He was sent to this country by the Church Missionary Society, the John the Baptist of the 19th century, for his was the voice of one crying in a great wilderness. In January 1821 Mr. West went as far as Fort Ellice, now the western part of the Province of Manitoba, to enquire into the condition of the Indians there, and to find out what prospect there was for missionary operations among them.

In the summer of 1821—a memorable date in the annals of this country, being the year that the Northwest Company of Montreal entered into partnership with the Hudson's Bay Co.—Mr. West visited York Factory on Hudson's Bay. While there, he met Mr. Garry, one of the H. B. Co.'s directors and after whom the two forts on the Red River were named, and these two men formed a bible society—the first society of the kind formed in Rupert's Land.

While at York Factory Mr. West also met the long lamented Sir John Franklin and Sir John Richardson who were returning from a perilous journey to the Polar Seas.

I hope, Mr. Chairman, I will be pardoned if I wander from my subject to say that this was the same Sir John Franklin, who, in 1848, left England to explore our northern seas with two vessels, the Erebus and Terror—never again to return—and also that we have in the Parish of St. Andrews, and in this church to-night, Capt. Wm. Kennedy, the man chosen by Lady Franklin from among the thousands in the British nation, to go in search of her beloved husband.

In the year 1820 the church missionary society determined to make Red River a missionary station and appointed the Rev. David Jones to take charge of it. Ever since his arrival this country has not been neglected by the church missionary society. That society