

the gratuitous circulation of a quarterly missionary paper; the setting apart of the third day of the Synod for mission work, diocesan, domestic and foreign; that every member of the Church be asked to contribute by weekly sums to the support of the church; and that the committee wished to be allowed to consider a plan to be adopted toward this end. The report was adopted.

An application for the continuation of the grant to Ormstown for another year was referred to the Committee on Grants.

A resolution was passed expressing the deepest sympathy with the Lord Bishop in his recent bereavement.

It was then resolved, "That the members of this Committee desire to express and place on record their sense of the deep loss which they have sustained by the sudden removal by death of the late Rev. G. C. Robinson, Rural Dean, whose large missionary experience ever made him a wise counsellor and valued member of this body, and whose unflinching missionary zeal through many years has made him the honored instrument of largely building up the Church of Christ in that portion of God's vineyard wherein his lot was cast."

The Secretary announced that the Bishop acting on the rule of Synod which gives him permission so to do had filled up the two vacancies in the Executive Committee by the appointment of the Rev. Canon Carmichael and the Rev. W. H. Naylor, in place of the Rev. Canon DuMoulin and the Rev. G. C. Robinson.

The meeting then closed with the benediction.

THE deepest sympathy was manifested throughout the diocese for his Lordship's bereavement of his daughter, Mrs. Robertson. On the day of the funeral, not only was the Church represented by the presence of nearly all the clergy of the city, but the denominations were fairly represented too. The funeral service was read by the Dean, assisted by the other clergy present. The choir rendered its services under the direction of the organist. The funeral cortege was the largest seen in Montreal for a long period, as following the remains of a private person.

CHRIST CHURCH Cathedral has followed the plan of raising money for the Mission Fund, by the envelope system, introduced by Canon Carmichael, and with charming results. Over \$2,600 were thus collected.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

(From our own correspondents.)

OTTAWA.—*Ordination.*—The Bishop intends (D. V.) holding an Ordination in this city, on Wednesday, the 25th day of April, (Saint Mark's Day.) Candidates should notify Dr. Jones, Archdeacon of Kingston, one of the examining Chaplains to the Bishop, of their intention to present themselves for the examination which will begin on the morning of Thursday the 19th day of April, in the school-room of Christ Church, Ottawa.

Christ Church.—Wagner.—On Sunday the 18th February, at the close of the evening service at Christ Church, the organist of the Church, Mr. J. W. F. Harrison, played as a voluntary Beethoven's Funeral March, in honor of the memory of the eminent musical composer, Wilhelm Richard Wagner, whose decease was announced in a despatch received at Ottawa, on the previous Wednesday. The great composer died on Tuesday, the 13th day of February.

ARCHVILLE.—The interior of Trinity Church has been much improved in appearance, the Churchwardens having had the walls nicely tinted. The series of literary and musical entertainments in aid of Trinity Church, given this winter, have all been of a successful nature, both as regards the attendance and financially. While some may have fallen short of the expectations of the "Committee of management," others have exceeded them, making the general result all that could reasonably be desired, and enabling the wardens to pay off a considerable amount of the floating debt on the Church. Great credit is due to the

Misses Chamberlain, Lowe, and Peirce, and to Mr. W. Carter, the honorary organist of the Church, who were indefatigable in their exertions in making these pleasant entertainments so completely successful, and as indicated, the whole of the performances were extremely creditable to artists and management.

DESORONTO.—On Sunday evening, the 11th February, the Rural Dean of Hastings and Prince Edward—the Rev. E. H. M. Baker—notified the congregation of Saint Mark's Church, that he had tendered his resignation of that section of the mission to the Bishop, owing to the impossibility of giving proper attention to it. He will in future confine his ministrations to the Mohawk Reserve. It is expected that the necessary steps will shortly be taken to provide a successor to Mr. Baker, at Saint Mark's Church.

PAKENHAM.—A handsome memorial window has been placed in Saint Mark's Church, by Dr. J. G. Baird, in memory of his recently deceased wife. The window was made in Prescott, and is greatly admired as a piece of artistic work. It contains three figures representing Our Saviour, the prophet Elijah, and Saint John the Baptist, and bears the following inscription—"To the glory of God, and in loving memory of Lila Lett Baird. Erected by J. G. Baird, M. D.; Pakenham, 27th of January, 1883."

STAFFORD.—Preliminary steps towards the erection of a parsonage for the resident missionary, the Rev. R. J. Harvey, have just been taken. Mr. J. Prescott is quarrying the stone which several members of the congregation are busily engaged in drawing to the proposed site ready for Mr. Beatty, of Pembroke, to begin building operations in the spring. In order to raise funds for its completion, four exhibitions of magic lantern views have been given in the large school-room of Saint Stephen's Church.

GANANOQUE.—Christ Church has lately been beautifully decorated by Mr. Spence, of Montreal. A very handsome carved reredos and chancel fittings have been put up at a cost of about \$400, as a memorial of the late Mr. Patrick Anderson, by his widow, as a fitting memorial to her husband.

PERTH.—*Saint James' Church Debt.*—Through the proceeds of the "Apron Sale," and a subscription taken up by Miss Fanny Hicks, the Churchwardens have been enabled to pay the interest and \$400 of the principal of the organ debt. From payments on the subscription to the rectory debt, they have also been enabled to reduce the mortgage on the rectory from \$1200 to \$950, the total debt on the rectory being now \$1150, as against \$1900 a little more than one year ago. The Churchwarden hopes still further to reduce the mortgage before many months, as a considerable portion of the second instalment of the subscription is still unpaid.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

[From our own Correspondent.]

HAMILTON.—*St. Marks.*—The Bishop has preached two of a special series of sermons on "The Revelation of God to man" at this Church. The last sermon had for its special subject, "a comparison of Christianized nations with the heathen." The Bishop explained the philosophies of Plato, Socrates and Pythagoras, and dwelt at length on the evidences from Cicero.

OBITUARY.—The Rev. Wm. Lumsden, has died recently at his residence in Hamilton. Mr. Lumsden, since his advent to this Diocese, has done mission work in Hamilton, and was up to a short time before his decease engaged in active parochial work at Cayuga. His widow has presented to St. Luke's Mission Church, a handsome silver set of altar vessels, a most appropriate and very welcome donation.

S. Thomas' Church.—On the First Sunday in Lent, Evensong in this Church was semi-choral,

Rev. Hartley Carmichael preacher. This Church is very handsomely painted in fresco.

THE Bishop has issued a pastoral, dated Feb. 6th, urging his clergy to lose no time in pressing upon the Church people the duty they owe to those who have to look to the several diocesan funds for aid. "Our people," the Bishop writes, "require *line upon line*, as to their duty to give freely of those things with which God has entrusted them."

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

THE first ordination by the second Bishop of Algoma, is a matter of history, Mr. Sweet having been advanced to the priesthood on the first Sunday in Lent. Christ Church, Ifracombe, where the ordination took place, is a log building, standing on the summit of a high hill commanding extensive and most picturesque scenery. At the foot of the hill some quarter of a mile distant is a lake about three miles long, by about half a mile in width so that the residents around it arrive in summer by canoes, and in winter on snowshoes, while some from a distance come in waggons or sleighs. Half way down the hill is seen the little shanty where four years ago the services were held by the reader, Mr. Harston. The parsonage also a log building with frame study and woodshed attached, is only forty yards or so from the Church, so that, pending the erection of a Vestry, the Bishop and Clergy robed in the house and issued forth at the second ringing of the bell whose sound, unfrequent in the woods of Muskoka, is all the more cherished by many a hearty Churchman. Here, one accustomed to address crowds in the thronged centres of civilization was come to preach the gospel and ordain in the very back woods. The Church was filled, many coming from a distance, as notably the family of Tipper from Raven's Cliffe, eleven miles, who were a valuable reinforcement to the Ifracombe choir.

The Ordination being on Sunday, the clergy in general were unable to attend, and the only priest present was the examining chaplain, Mr. Cole, of Bracebridge, who read prayers, presented the candidate, and assisted at the imposition of hands. His Lordship preached from Revelations iv., 4, explaining the four-and-twenty elders as representing a ministry in Heaven. From this the Bishop drew very practical deductions as to the dignity of our office and the relation existing between pastor and people; but perhaps the most touching part of a very eloquent address was in allusion to our late Bishop, his zeal, his piety, and his marvellous power of patient endurance. If we seek to understand God's providence in the removal of Dr. Fauquier, perhaps a partial answer is vouchsafed in the text. While our late chief pastor has in some senses ceased from his ministry, we may yet believe, that under some aspects he is permitted to continue it though in scenes far different, and translated where circumstances are altogether changed. Mr. Fauquier, the late Bishop's son, and clergyman's warden at Ifracombe, held the Prayer Book for the Bishop during the imposition of hands; and, never, we feel sure, will any one present, who had the privilege of intimate acquaintance with the late Bishop, forget the touching tribute paid to his memory as sentence after sentence fell from the lips of his successor on this solemn occasion, his first exercise of this Apostolic office.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Robert Machray, who went from Winnipeg to the University of Cambridge in 1879, after having taken the Governor-General's silver medal in the previous examination of the University of Manitoba, has just graduated as B. A., with second class Theological honours. An acute attack of neuralgia during the examination obliged him to give up the last three papers, which destroyed his chance of first-class honours, and prevented him from going in for the University Hebrew prize. Mr. Machray, who is a nephew of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, leaves England at once, and will become Professor of Ecclesiastical History at St. John's College, Winnipeg, which position has been previously held by the Bishop.