

discussed. It was resolved:—(17) That a committee, consisting of the Bishop of Toronto, the secretary-treasurer, Rev. A. J. Broughall, and R. T. Walkem, Esq., Q.C., be appointed to draw up suggestions asked for by the joint committee on the missionary work of the Church, and submit them to the next meeting of this Board.

Captain Carter introduced the question (of which he had given notice) to reconsider the whole matter of the appointment of a secretary-treasurer, but withdrew it.

Certain necessary alterations were made in the order of business for the proceedings of the Board, and the following resolutions were adopted:—(18) "That Messrs. L. H. Baldwin and Geo. B. Kirkpatrick, members of this Board, from the Diocese of Toronto, be the auditors of this Board for the ensuing year, and that they have authority to employ a professional accountant for the purpose of assisting in the auditing of the accounts of the secretary-treasurer."

(19) "That in view of the statement of the secretary-treasurer to this Board that it is impossible for him to retain his position on the salary of \$1,800 per annum, he having been obliged to give up all parochial duty and give his whole time to the service of the Board, he be allowed the sum of \$2,000 for the ensuing year."

(20) "That the secretary-treasurer be instructed to forward, annually, to each of the bishops whose diocese is receiving aid from this Board, the form adopted at the meeting in 1886, and to request that the same be returned to him before—, and to inform the bishops that the Board cannot consider the apportionment of their unappropriated funds in the case of any particular diocese until the statement asked for is before the Board."

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

MONTREAL.

CHAMBLY.—The adjourned vestry meeting of St. Stephen's church will be held on Monday, 30th April, when it is to be hoped the wardens may have some names of gentlemen to submit to the vestry as candidates for the vacant rectorship.

MONTREAL.—St. George's.—On the third Sunday after Easter a Confirmation service was held, when sixty-five persons—of whom thirty were males and thirty-five females—received the Apostolic rite of laying on of hands. After the exhortation and confession, Psalms xxiii. and ciii. were sung, then the confirmation service was proceeded with, prefaced by the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers." Dean Carmichael presented the candidates to the Bishop. Rev. Mr. James read the preface, and the Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop addressed the candidates for confirmation in his usual impressive and solemn manner; through the kindness of Mr. A. F. Gault, each confirmer received a nicely bound Bible with the confirmation card; the church was filled to overflowing. "Almighty God, grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

Diocesan S. S. Association.—Under the auspices of the Diocesan Sunday-school Association, the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael gave a most instructive and interesting lecture on Egypt on Monday evening of last week, at the Synod hall. His Lordship Bishop Bond presided, and there was a very large attendance. The rev. gentleman, in the course of his remarks, said that Egypt was one of the richest countries in the world, considering the size of it. Speaking of the Nile's overflowing its banks, the speaker said that when the flood abated all the rich earth and material were left behind, and this was what had really made Egypt. The average width of cultivated land in Egypt was seven miles, and whilst perhaps there was no space of limited land that had such a history, he was sure there was never such a limited space of land which had fed so many millions of people. The rev. gentleman then spoke of the languages of the Egyptians, the pyramids and monuments, and of the character and religions of the Egyptians. At the close of the Dean's lecture a large number of views of Egypt were shown by Mr. Abbott Smith, which helped greatly to the pleasure of the evening.

ONTARIO.

CORNWALL.—We are sorry to hear of the retirement, through ill health, of the Rev. Canon Pettit from the rectorship of Trinity Memorial Church. The Cornwall Standard says the news will be received with genuine regret by people of all denominations in this section. During his sixteen years

residence in Cornwall, the rev. gentleman has proved himself a faithful and zealous pastor, whose life has been devoted to the service of his church. He has always been the friend of the poor and needy and no call for assistance ever went unheeded by him. Being overtaken by a serious illness about three years ago, he was unable to continue the duties of his holy office with the earnestness and vigour that characterized his work up to that time, and for the past two years he has been almost entirely incapacitated. We can well understand the reluctance of the Rev. gentleman to relinquish a position in which he had hoped to remain until the Master called him hence. But finding that the interests of the church were suffering for want of a strong guiding hand at the helm, he has announced himself ready to give up the laudable ambition of his life and make way for one who may be able to take up the work so well begun and carry it on with equal success in the future. We are but echoing the sentiment of every member of the community when we say that we sincerely hope that perfect rest may speedily restore the Rev. gentleman to health, and, while it is perhaps too much to expect that he can regain his former vigour, that he may yet enjoy many happy days and still be able to devote his declining years to some extent to the active service of the Church.

LANSDOWNE.—St. John's.—The churchwardens' report read at the vestry was very satisfactory, the offertories showing an increase on the previous year, and, after paying all expenses, allowing a balance to be carried forward. The barn and stable erected on the church property has been paid for, and the debt on the parsonage reduced by \$50. Wardens elected, W. Webster and G. Horton; delegates to synod, Messrs. Dean and H. J. Young.

WARBURTON.—At the vestry, Messrs. A. N. Earl and M. Stacey were appointed churchwardens for the current year. The church accounts were satisfactory, showing that the church indebtedness had been reduced \$60 during the year, and the interest on the debt had been paid. It was agreed that an effort should be made to still further reduce the church debt during the coming summer.

NEWBORO.—Churchwardens, J. H. Butler and S. Vickery; lay delegates, R. H. Preston, M.D., M.P.P., and J. R. Dargayel. Rev. Geo. Bousfield, on leaving this parish for Billings' Bridge, was presented with a farewell address and a purse of money. Rev. W. S. Jamieson, M.A., Methodist minister, read the address. It was at an I. O. F. entertainment.

PORTLAND.—Churchwardens, W. H. Bolton and H. Graham.

OTTAWA.—Inter-provincial Sunday School Committee. This committee met in St. John's Hall, Ottawa, on Tuesday, April 3rd, at 10 a.m. There were present, Ven. Archdeacon of Kingston (chairman), Canons Cayley and Sweeny, Rural Dean Pollard (secretary), Rev. W. J. Taylor, St. Mary's, Huron, and A. P. Tippets, Esq., St. John, N.B. The plan adopted last year of having only one lesson each Sunday was approved of. The annual Sunday school examination for teachers and scholars was appointed to be held on the Saturday before the first Sunday in Advent of each year; the places and hours to be arranged by the representatives of each diocese. A sketch of a lesson will be required from each teacher. The papers will be prepared by the representatives of each diocese in turn. This year the delegates from Huron will undertake it. It was unanimously decided to adopt the "Five years' course" drawn up by the Church of England S. S. Institute, and that for the year beginning Advent, 1894, the first year's syllabus be embodied in the scheme. The subject of including within the committee's operation the S.S. work of the whole consolidated Canadian Church, was discussed and laid over till the next meeting, to be held in Quebec the coming autumn.

TORONTO.

Joyous Eastertide was marked in several of our city churches most appropriately by the use, for the first time, of different items of church furnishings. The most prominent article that we have noticed is the very handsome polished brass pulpit which has been fitted in St. Stephen's Church on College St. This pulpit is very neat in design and highly finished, and consists of a large central panel of ornamental grill work, surmounted by the book rest, while a heavy brass rail and standards, so arranged that other panels may be inserted at some future time, complete the inclosure. The appearance of this pulpit is very fine and reflects great credit on our home manufacturers, as we understand that the design and execution was left entirely with the Keith & Fitzsimons Co., Ltd., of this city.

St. Luke's.—Last Thursday evening in the school room, the Rev. J. Langtry, D.C.L., presiding, a

lecture was delivered by Rev. Prof. Clark of Trinity University on Gustavus Adolphus. There was an overflowing audience, and the eloquent lecturer was listened to with the greatest attention as he dilated on the life and achievements of his hero.

Holy Trinity.—An amusing and instructive lecture was delivered last Thursday evening before the members of the Boys' Guild by Prof. H. Muxlow. The lecturer illustrated his subject with the use of a large chart, and went on to show how the human mind could be cultivated and trained as well as the muscles and sinews of the body. An examination of heads brought an excellent talk to a close.

St. Stephen's.—A very successful fair was held last week in aid of the building debt of this church.

STREETSVILLE.—There was a large attendance at Trinity Church on Wednesday evening, April 18th, when the Lord Bishop of Toronto administered the rite of confirmation to twenty-four persons. The females were attired in white dresses and neat net caps. The candidates marched from the basement of the church and occupied the front seats in the centre aisle. Miss Jessie Davidson presided at the organ, and there was a full choir present, the singing being earnest and hearty, and the responses audibly said by the whole congregation. When all the candidates were seated, the Bishop entered the church accompanied by Revs. Otho T. B. Croft, rector of Grace Church, Markham, and J. Hughes-Jones, rector of the parish. After the opening hymn was sung—"The Church's One Foundation"—the rector proceeded with a shortened form of evensong, Rev. Otho T. B. Croft reading the lessons. After the third collect the choir sang the anthem—"I will wash my hands in Innocency" in their usual good style. Then the Bishop advancing from the sanctuary to the chancel steps, called on the rector of the parish to read the preface to the confirmation service, after which he delivered a very striking address which was attentively listened to by candidates and congregation. Immediately before the laying on of hands the hymn "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Bless" was sung, and the candidates advanced to the sanctuary rail and were presented by the rector to the Bishop. The concluding hymn was, "O Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end." After which the Bishop pronounced the blessing, and the service was over.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—At the meeting of the committee of management of Christ Church Cathedral here on Friday last, it was decided to dispense with the services of the curate, Rev. R. W. E. Wright, M.A., after June 1st, as the financial state of the church did not warrant his retention. Mr. Wright has been two years at the cathedral. Rev. E. M. Bland, the rector, will be obliged to continue the heavy work of this parish alone.

HAMILTON.—The eighth annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Niagara Diocese, opened here last Wednesday. Mrs. McLaren, the president, occupied the chair. About 80 delegates responded to the roll call, and there was a large attendance of visitors. Satisfactory reports were presented from the various parochial branches. The treasurer, Mrs. Webster, reported that the total receipts were \$1,960.75, an increase of \$450.52. In the afternoon reports were presented by the diocesan officers. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. Boomer and Rev. Dr. Mockridge.

OAKVILLE.—The Bishop of Niagara will hold his next ordination in St. Jude's Church, Oakville, on Tuesday in Whitsun week, the 15th May. He will also confirm in the evening of the same day.

HURON.

BERLIN.—The churchwardens for the current year are Dr. Bowlby and J. C. Cook (re-elected); lay delegates, John Fennel and Dr. Bowlby. The balance, after meeting all claims, is about \$200. The old church has been pulled down in order to erect a larger one. The last services were held on Low Sunday, the Rev. F. J. Steen, curate-in-charge, giving in his sermon at evensong a short sketch of the history of the church here. He showed that the congregation had about doubled in the last fifteen years, and that the old church was quite too small. He admitted that the increase was not equal to what might have been expected considering the growth of the town and the increased use therein of the English language, and added that the defect was not so much dissension as a failure to realize and make use of the advantages the Church presents. He eloquently showed that the distinguishing features of the Church's institutions, far from needing apology or being sources of weakness, are, if rightly understood and used, a tower of strength.

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