

Prayer is the mightiest engine for personal sanctification.

The annual conference of the archdeaconry of Peterborough will meet in Lindsay in November.

Four things cannot come back—the spoken word, the sped arrow, the past life, the neglected opportunity.

The ruri-decanal chapter of Durham and Victoria will meet at the residence of Rural Dean Allen, M. A., Millbrook, on the 9th inst.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Crosswaite to Lindsay and St. Paul's. We expect shortly to have the pleasure of welcoming Mrs. Crosswaite also.

Mr. Rennie, who has been assisting in the work of the parish during the Rector's absence has already made many warm friends in Lindsay and neighborhood.

With the end of the school holidays a great many who have been away from town will return. St. Paul's has missed them during their absence and will gladly welcome them back again. The Sunday School, the attendance at which has been below the average, will also be glad to see its young friends home.

Miss Leary, our esteemed organist, has been away for about three weeks enjoying a well-earned holiday. During her absence Miss Dingle has kindly taken her duty for her. The congregations very much appreciate Miss Dingle's kindness and willingness to preside at the organ whenever called upon and when it is at all convenient to do so.

The annual excursion in behalf of the Home for the Aged took place on the last Thursday of August to Sturgeon Point. The excursion was well patronized. Lunch was provided for the old people who seemed to enjoy the outing very much. The excursion returned early in the evening. Those who assisted in arranging and carrying out this break in the monotony in the lives of the inmates of the Home will know what that means "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

During the present month from the 19th to 22nd there will be held in Toronto meetings for the deepening of spiritual life. The purpose and teaching will be the same as that which characterizes the great annual convention at Keswick, England. The speakers will be (D. V.) Rev. F. S. Webster, M. A., Episcopalian, Rev. W. Sloan, Presbyterian, Rev. C. Inwood, Methodist. These are all well-known speakers at Keswick. It would well repay any who could to go even from Lindsay to attend one or more of the meetings.

How many subscribers to Parish and Home have any other religious paper coming to their homes? Our Church Magazine comes only monthly, but every family who could possibly afford it should have in addition a distinctly religious paper coming at least weekly. It would supply the place of the Sunday newspaper, furnish reading legitimate for Sunday contemplation and keep them acquainted with and in touch with the religious life and movement of the times. It would be much better reading than many Sunday School books. There is no paper which would be more satisfactory in every way than "The Evangelical Churchman," which has been lately much improved, published by The Bryant Press, Toronto.

There is no readier way of getting relief and comfort ourselves than by endeavoring to become ministers of comfort to others.

For the last three months the service at Cameron has been held on the first Sunday, at 7 o'clock in the evening. The congregations have been much larger. The people of St. George's heartily welcome all who can come.

At the convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrews to be held in Buffalo next month, besides several speakers from England, the bishop of Huron and the bishop of Niagara will be present and give addresses.

The annual excursion of the C.E.T.S. was held Thursday afternoon, 19th ult., per Str. Crandella, to Sturgeon Point. The proceeds of the excursion has, we are glad to say, enabled the treasurer to wipe off the debt on the piano.

We are glad to notice the good showing of our Collegiate Institute at the recent examinations. We heartily congratulate the staff, also Mr. Kylie on his success in obtaining the scholarship for highest standing in classics at matriculation to Toronto University.

On the programme of the Wycliffe College Alumni Association, which will meet in Toronto in the beginning of October, we notice the names of Rev. W. J. Southam, Ottawa, and Rev. Wm. Major, Gore's Landing, both well-known to many in Lindsay.

Of the 6,690 persons connected with St. George's Church, New York, just one-half are men and boys. Of the parishioners 4,500 live in tenement houses, 800 in boarding houses, 750 in apartments, flats and hotels, and less than 500 in private houses. The number of communicants is 3,611.

The Rev. Carl Smith, M.A., of Berlin, and Mrs. Smith visited their many friends in Lindsay last month. Mr. Smith preached in St. Paul's on the evening of the 22nd ult., to a large congregation who had assembled, glad to hear him again. It is with pleasure we learn of his success in his present field of labor and the people of St. Paul's wish him a long and useful future.

To show how wide-spread the interest in our Church and Parish paper is we might say that Mrs. James Gallon from Ann Arbor, Michigan, U. S., ordered a copy of Parish and Home to be sent to Donald MacMurchy, Birmingham, Eng. We trust that though we get scattered far and wide, present and former worshippers at St. Paul's occasionally remember one another before the throne of grace. What joyful reunions there will be one day, if we only keep "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith."

The Lambeth Encyclical is the subject of much discussion in the church papers. Public opinion in general appears to regard it as lacking in force and character, perhaps the necessary result of a unanimous pronouncement on the part of nearly 200 men of different gifts, experience and ways of thinking. But one very gratifying feature is the marked prominence given to missionary work, as that which most demands attention from the church. Some had been hoping for a solemn declaration against the "society system" which would have meant a virtual condemnation of the C. M. S. and its ways. The conference, however, have given no encouragement to such hopes, indeed the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions explicitly rebukes them.—
Evangelical Churchman.