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CHRISTMAS CAROL.

The earth has grown old with its burden of care,

But at Christmas it always is young. The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair.

And its soul full of music breaks forth on the air,

When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, Old Earth, it is coming tonight!

On the snowflakes which cover thy sod The feet of the Christ-Child fall gentle and white,

And the voice of the Christ-Child tells out with delight,

That mankind are the children of God.

On the sad and the lonely, the wretched and poor,

That voice of the Christ-Child shall fall, And to every blind wanderer opens the door Of a hope that he dared not to dream of before.

With a sunshine of welcome for all.

The feet of the humblest may walk in the field

Where the feet of the holiest have trod, This, this is the marvel to mortals revealed When the silvery trumpets of Christmas have pealed,

That mankind are the children of God.

—Bishop Philips Brooks.

CHURCH WORK IN RUPERT'S LAND.

The Diocese of Rupert's Land is situated in the centre of the continent, with a mixed population made up of all nationalities and creeds. It is estimated that there are 240,000 in Manitoba, and of this number 40,000 belong to the Church of England. According to the Synod report for this year, 27,000 only of these are being reached, leaving 13,000 outside the services of the Church, and the prospect is that

thousands more will find homes within the province in the near future. Large tracts of country are entirely without any provision for the means of grace by our Church for our own people. What are we doing to help Rupert's Land to cope with the rapidly extending work? The colonial life of Rupert's Land only began nineteen years ago, when the railway reached a farming country 1,500 miles from the sea coast. The Church was started on a purely voluntary basis. In 1879 there were but two clergymen among the new settlers outside the Red River half-breed parishes. Now there are fifty. To-day there are 120 congregations without churches, worshipping in schools and halls, and there is still possible unlimited expansion. During the nineteen years nearly 1,800 miles of railway have been built in Manitoba alone. thus scattering the settlers in all directions, and so dividing the inadequate force of clergy. This railway extension goes on with increasing rapidity. The diocese is doing all it can; last year it raised for all Church purposes \$87,386.84 -giving an average of \$17 per fam ily. The next few years must determine to what extent the Church is to be a force in the country. Manitoba is advancing by leaps and bounds. The progress is marvellous, and probably by the next gen-

trations this month are taken from the Diocese of Rupert's Land. We give two, Holy Trinity Church and St. John's College, both in Winnipeg.

THE ANALYSIS OF LOVE.

As you have seen a man of science take a beam of light and pass it



St. John's College, Winnipeg.

through a crystal prism, as you have seen it come out on the other side of the prism broken up into its component colors—red and blue, and yellow and violet and orange, and all the colors of the rathbow—so Paul passes this thing Love, through the magnificent prism of his inspired intellect, and it comes out on the other side broken up into its elements. And in these few words we have what one might call the Spectrum of Love,



Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg.

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the analysis of Love. The Spectrum of Love has nine ingredients:

Patience—"Love suffereth long." Kindness—"And is kind." Generosity—"Love envieth not."