

News from the Home Field.

Diocese of Fredericton.

ST. MARTINS.

The Woman's Aid association of Holy Trinity held a sale and high tea in the Temperance hall on Friday evening week. An efficient committee, with Mrs. J. B. Hodsmyth, the president of the society, at its head, made the affair most enjoyable, and what was perhaps more important, successful from a financial standpoint, over \$90 being realized.

Diocese of Quebec.

QUEBEC.

The Lord Bishop is expected back from England by the steamer "Parisian," leaving Liverpool on October 25th. He sailed by the "Laurentian" on September 16th.

UNIVERSITY AND SCHOOL OF BISHOP'S COLLEGE.—An important Committee of the Alma Mater Society of the above Institution held a meeting at the Church Hall, Quebec.

Principal Adams was in the chair. There were present Colonel Forsyth, Rev. A. J. Balfour, H. J. Hamilton, Potry, Esq., Headmaster; Prof. Wilkinson, A. D. Nicolls, Esq., Rev. L. W. Williams, Armitage Rhodes, Esq., John Hamilton, Esq., Edmond Joly, Esq., Harcourt Smith, Esq.

Letter of apology from Canon Fulton had been received.

Dr. Adams read a short statement embodying the condition and needs of the Institution. After pointing out that since 1882 not less than \$120,000 had in various ways reached the College by gift or bequest, showing an average of something like \$10,000 a year, the Principal said he hoped that during the next five years the same average might be kept up, and he showed how such a sum as \$50,000 could be used, viz.: \$20,000 for Professorship of Classics; \$10,000 for the Professorship of Pastoral Theology; \$10,000 for the School; \$5,000 for the Gymnasium; \$2,500 for the completion of the chapel, and the rest towards the completion of the Principalship Endowment Fund. Such a large scheme might well become a Jubilee scheme. The Principal stated that the Convocation of 1895, at which Bishop Potter, of New York, was the promised preacher, should be made exceptionally brilliant.

After the Principal's paper was read a discussion took place, in which all present joined. It was resolved that:

1. That an effort should be made to complete the chapel, and to build a new gymnasium; these objects, it was thought, would require \$10,000.

2. That a dinner should be held at Lennoxville under the auspices of the Alma Mater Society, on Wednesday, the 26th June.

3. That Local Committees be appointed to carry out the scheme.

The Quebec committee consisted of those Quebec gentlemen who were present, together with R. Campbell, Esq., and T. A. Young, Esq., and Dr. Elliott, with power to add to their number, J. Hamilton, Esq., being convener.

Local committees were also nominated for the following centres: Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Sherbrooke, New York and Lennoxville.

Committee for Montreal: George Hooper, Esq., (convener), H. Abbott, Esq., Q.C., Canon Fulton, Angus Hooper, Esq., G. H. Balfour, Esq., Rev. G. Abbott Smith, C. M. Holt, Esq., Rev. Dr. Ker, Dr. Campbell, R. T. Heneker, Esq., J. B. Paterson, A. Cunningham and T. K. Ross.

Committee for Sherbrooke: W. A. Hale, Esq., Dr. A. N. Worthington, E. B. Worthington, H. D. Laurence, W. Morris, Esq., R. D. Morkill, Esq.

Committee for Lennoxville: The Principal, Headmaster, Prof. Wilkinson, Mr. A. D. Nicolls, Prof. Scarth, C. S. White, Esq.

Other committees to be appointed.

RIVER DU LOUP.

During the summer a considerable sum was raised through the assistance of the summer visitors towards paying off the heavy debt on the new church. Part of this was obtained by a concert in Cacouna, a further sum being contributed as half the proceeds of a sale held by several young ladies and carried out by themselves, and a further portion being a gift of \$100 from a donor, who desired his identity to be concealed.

The Clergy Trust Committee of the Diocese reported in favor of an effort being made to raise the capital of the fund to at least \$100 to meet the decrease in revenue, owing to the low rate of interest, and that in the meantime subscriptions be asked in the diocese to a guarantee fund to cover the anticipated deficiencies of the next three years through the same cause. The capital of the fund now amounts to \$86,846, which at 5 per cent., the ruling rate of interest, would only yield \$4,300 annually, whilst \$5,000 is required. The Church Society adopted the suggestions of the committee, and the Ven. Archdeacon Roe, Mr. John Hamilton and Dr. Heneker were appointed to endeavour to put them into effect.

Diocese of Montreal.

MONTREAL.

INTERCESSION DAYS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—

We understand that the Lord Bishop of the Diocese has concurred in the appointment by His Grace of Canterbury of October 21st and 22nd as special days of intercession for Sunday Schools in this diocese. His Lordship has also accepted the day fixed by the Government as Thanksgiving, viz., 22nd November.

The Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal resumed this month his class for Men and Young Men, in St. George's Church on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. His lectures this year will be on "The Old Testament," and he will treat of the following subjects: i. Divine Revelation; ii. Inspiration; iii. The Pentateuch; iv. The Mosaic Authorship; v. Traces of the Law under Joshua, Judges, the Regal period after the Captivity, the Maccabean period, etc., and in the writings of the Prophets and the Psalms; vi. The Scribes; vii. Ezra and Nehemiah; viii. The History of the Canon. The Dean has offered three prizes of books to be given to those receiving the highest marks for a written examination on his course of lectures.

The Andrew's bequest to the diocese, amounting to a very large sum of money and appropriated by the donor to the furtherance of charitable institutions, will soon be available, we understand. Steps are being taken to carry out the wishes of the donor as to charitable institutions, under the governance and control of the Bishop.

Diocese of Toronto.

ASHBURNHAM.

The Harvest Festival Services here referred to last week were attended by a large number of people, including many from the denomina-

tions. The decorations reflect the greatest credit upon the Decoration Chapter of the Guild. A screen had been erected between the chancel and the nave covered with a wreath of oats relieved by bunches of grapes, crab apples, and mountain ash berries. Across the top a scroll of dark green cloth was stretched bearing the appropriate text in gold letters: "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof." The Communion table, the Font, the Reading Desk and the Pulpit were all beautifully adorned chiefly with cut flowers, contributed by the friends in abundance. The windows throughout the Church were decorated with fruit and vegetables. The musical part of the service was admirably rendered by a large choir under the direction of Mr. Davies; the hymns being those for the harvest season, the Magnificat, Garraff; and the Nunc Dimittis, Plummer. The anthem was the well-known one by Goss, "O taste and see how gracious the Lord is." The Revs. C. M. Hedley, J. C. Davidson and E. W. Pickford took part in the service, and the sermon on Thursday evening was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Mockridge of Toronto. The decorations remained in place until after the following Sunday, when the festival music also was repeated in the evening and the Rector gave the third of his course of sermons on "Religion."

The brothers and sisters of the late Miss Bradfield, a devoted member of St. Luke's church have, in accordance with her wishes, donated a handsome brass Reading Desk for the Holy table which was used for the first time at the Harvest Festival Service on Thursday evening, 27th ult.

The Rev. E. W. Pickford, assistant curate of St. John's church, PETERBORO, has been appointed to the Mission of BOLTON. His services here were much appreciated, and his many friends wish him success in his new field of labor.

Diocese of Huron.

The annual gathering of the Sunday School teachers, lay workers and clergy of the Church of England in the Diocese of Huron takes place in Brantford on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, and it is expected that not less than from 150 to 200 delegates will be present. Committees representing the local Anglican churches will provide for the entertainment of the visitors. The local secretaries will be A. K. Busnell and Mr. William Moss. The complete programme has not yet been issued, but it is understood the proceedings will be nearly as follows:

First session of convention, Wednesday, 31st, 2.30 p.m., in Grace church school room. Divine service in Grace church at 8 p.m. Short addresses by two visiting laymen. Lessons for the day by lay readers. Sermon by the Bishop of Huron.

Thursday, 9 a.m.—Holy Communion at Grace and St. Jude's churches. The Bishop will administer the Sacrament at the latter church. 10 a.m.—Annual meeting of Huron Anglican Lay Workers' Association.

At the same hour, in another place, Miss Jennette Osler, of Toronto, will give an address to ladies on 'The Lay Woman in the Parish.'

At 11 a.m. the convention will resume its sittings.

The afternoon meeting will be held at 2.30 p.m. At 7.30 p.m. the convention will assemble for its final session in Wickliffe Hall, where an address will be delivered by Rev. F. DuVernet, on 'Missionary Spirit,' and some other able speakers will be secured for the occasion. The Bishop will preside at all the meetings of the convention, and at the annual meeting of the association.