

rador missionary in summer by boat is about 1200 miles, and in winter, by dogs in comitiks, 600. He concluded his address by giving several interesting instances of the narrow escapes from death endured by the self-denying men who have labored on that bleak coast. His Lordship, besides confirming a good number of candidates, administered the Holy Communion thirteen times, and preached over thirty sermons. Before the meeting was closed with usual prayer, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed by R. R. Dobell, Esq., to the Right Rev. Lecturer for his instructive and interesting address.

The Labrador coast is unfortunately left this winter without a missionary, the Bishop not having a man to send. The poverty on some parts of the coast is very distressing; and the large boxes of clothing, kindly supplied by some English friends of Mr. Williams, are hailed with joy by many a barely clad family. The Mothers' & Daughters' Meeting of St. Matthew's and St. Peter's, Quebec, also render much aid in furnishing clothing for people in some of the settlements.

### ONTARIO.

(From our OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

**HILLIER.**—Upon Tuesday morning the 13th inst. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese held a confirmation service in Christ Church Hillier. The day was fine and a large congregation was gathered together to witness the interesting ceremony. The church was literally packed from end to end, not with mere gazers but with devout church people, who engaged heartily in the service. It was indeed a solemn and impressive sight to behold fifty-seven candidates rise up at the Bishop's summons. The majority of them were young men and women, a few were older, but none were mere children brought in to swell the number presented, the demeanour of the candidates was serious and attentive as if they realized the solemnity of their position, and their earnest response to the Bishop's challenge showed the sincerity of their intentions, that the obligations they were undertaking they purposed to fulfil. The Bishop's address was full of feeling and power, and was listened to by all the congregation with the greatest attention. He expressed himself highly pleased with the large number who had come forward to renew their baptismal vows and the large congregation present. After the address the Holy Communion was administered to a great number of persons including those first confirmed. The clergy present assisting the Lord Bishop were besides the Rev. J. Halliwell Incumbent, the Rev. C. P. Mulvaney and the Rev. E. Loucks, the choir under the direction of Miss Halliwell the organist, sang with great taste and spirit the several parts of the service assigned to them. After the service the Bishop and clergy were kindly invited to dinner by the senior churchwarden Mr. Jones, who treated them most hospitably. The occasion was a most gratifying one for all concerned and highly creditable to the Pastor.

The Lord Bishop has appointed the Rev. E. W. Beaven, M. A., to the mission of Stirling.

The venerable Archdeacon Parnell lately held very successful missionary meetings in the missions of Roslyn and Madoc.

We notice with deep regret the death of Francis McAnnassy, Esq., of Belleville, who departed this life on 21st of October last. He was one of the oldest inhabitants in Belleville, and had done much to advance its interests. He had been a resident since 1823, and had filled many municipal offices with credit to himself, and advantage to his fellow citizens. A long life of unsullied integrity won for him the confidence and respect of the community, while his unostentatious but continuous charity gained the gratitude of the many recipients of his kindness. As a churchman his loss will be long felt, and his memory warmly cherished. His constant and regular attendance on the Committees and Synods of the Diocese, and at the Provincial Synod, showed the active interest he took in the welfare of the church while his regular attendance on the services, and Holy Communion, proved his personal appreciation of the means of grace. For the last few months of his life, failing health compelled him

to comparative retirement from active duty; and he was unable to attend the last Provincial Synod, although, almost up to the last moment, he hoped to be able to be present at it. Although unable during the few days of his last illness, to express himself clearly, yet he endeavored to join in the prayers offered at his bedside, and finally departed in peace to enter as we trust, the rest of the people of God. His funeral which took place on 23rd October was numerously attended, and the closing of stores in the Main Street and other marks of respect testified to the esteem and affection in which the deceased had been held.

### TORONTO.

**SYNOD OFFICE.**—Collections &c., received during the week ending November 17th, 1877.

**WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.**—October Collection.—Trinity College Chapel, Toronto, \$20.56; Clarke, (Perry town) additional \$1.00; Norwood, \$3.42, Westwood, \$1.58; Port Hope, St. Mark's, \$28.00; Trinity College School Chapel, Port Hope, additional \$2.00; Charleston, \$1.30, Cataract, \$1.10; Campbell's Cross, \$2.60; Port Perry, additional, 50 cents. *Annual subscription.*—The Reverend Charles W. Paterson, \$5.00.

**MISSION FUND.**—Collection at Children's service in St. James's Cathedral, Sunday, November 4th 1877, \$32.80.

**BOOK AND TRACT FUND.**—St. James's Penetanguishene, for Library Books, \$10.00.

**FOREIGN MISSIONS.**—Collection at Missionary Meeting, St. James's School House, Wednesday, November 7th 1877, \$205.93.

The Rev. J. A. Hanna requests his letters and papers to be sent to him at Garden Hill.

**APSLEY.**—On Sunday 4th inst., a very interesting service took place in St. George's Church. An organ was lent for the occasion—one of T. A. Livingston's of Toronto—beautiful and powerful in tone. The songs of the church were well rendered by the choir, the Misses Baileigh, Harding, Anderston, and Messrs. Giles and Cass; Mrs. Fitzgerald was organist. Venite was sung to Boyce's chant in D; Te Deum, Brandon in E flat; Gloria Patria Grand chant. At the celebration of Holy Communion at the close of morning prayer a handsome and valuable service of plate was used for the first time, the gift of the little children of a gentlemen who wishes to be unknown. A fine new communion table was also used, the gift of Mr. Geo. Ayling, of Peterboro' and Apsley. The preacher urged his hearers to consider the Holy Eucharist an Act of Worship, and as such the highest which Christians can offer to God. That therein we adore our Redeemer in a supernatural, inconceivable, mystical, but real, true, and objective way. Not by transubstantiation nor by consubstantiation. Using the words of one of God's most favoured priests in modern days; "His presence is in a way we have no faculty capable of comprehending, nor any language capable of expressing. It is simply and purely a matter of faith, admits of no explanation direct or comparative; and therefore excludes any objection or difficulties arising from physical laws of matter and substance." At evening prayer there was a full congregation. Some beautiful selections from hymns A. and M. were well sung. The object of the sermon was to show the superiority of the Bible even as a book of interesting narrative over the trashy works of fiction which are so common. And the narrative of the Creation and Fall; Lamech's "song of sword," and of the flood, were enlarged upon as instances of instruction and interest that may be delivered from such short notices by careful study Scripture with Scripture. Strong remarks also were made about Christian places of worship rejecting the Christian Symbol, lest they should be tainted with Romanism, that symbol under which apostles, martyrs, confessors, suffered and died, before Romanism was heard of. The collections for the widows and orphans were much larger than for a long time.

On the following day, the missionary Revd. P. Harding met some of the leading men of his northern congregation to arrange for building a frame church, central between two stations, so uniting them. Mr. James Young gave half an

acre of land, Mr. James Ellerton gave all the timber necessary from the frame work; and others promised to get the work done; and all were pleased to think they should be able to go to church," and to go often.

**TORONTO.—Central Prison.**—A service of some interest to all lovers of our church took place on Sunday last the 25th after Trinity. The confirmation of 26 of the prisoners at half past 9 o'clock the hour appointed our venerable Bishop attended at the the Prison, when the prisoners to the number of about 400 were ranged in the Chapel, service commenced with the baptism of 4 of the prisoners (5 others also having been baptised on the preceding Evening) by the Rev. R. Harrison of St. Matthias Church, after which he said a shortened Matin Service and at the close thereof the candidates were presented to the Bishop, by Mr. Softley the missionary of prisons, upon whom His Lordship performed the Apostolic Rite of laying on of hands. In the course of a short but earnest address His Lordship said he trusted that those who had now come forward to renew their baptismal promises had done so with the full determination of leading better lives, that all might consider the place of their present confinement as not only one of punishment but also of moral improvement urging upon them the importance of the duties of prayer and repentance and endeavouring to follow the example of Christ who had done and suffered so much for men, that when the terms of their sentence expired they might come out better men and finally at the last day might be received with that welcome salutation "Well done good and faithful servant" and not be cast out with the dread sentence "Depart ye cursed into everlasting fire." We were pleased to notice the hearty manner in which the service was joined in especially the chanting of the "Venite and Te Deum," and think that these facts speak much for the Christian work being carried on there by a few earnest workers under the superintendence of Mr. Softley the agent of the "Prisoners Aid Association."

**HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.**—This institution has been removed to 206 Seaton street. There are now twenty patients which are provided with food, clothing, medicine and care, by voluntary contribution. There are special needs at this season of the year; the building requires repair, and table linen, sheeting, feathers for pillows, are much needed. Donations are received either at the Hospital, or by Mrs. Samuel McMaster, 26 Clover Hill.

**DAY OF INTERCESSION FOR MISSIONS.**—To the Reverend the Clergy of the Diocese of Toronto.—Reverend and Dear Brethren.—I have also to call your attention to the observance of a day of Intercession for Missions, the continuance of which is strongly urged by his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury; it being felt, he says, almost everywhere that a blessing from God has followed our prayers on this behalf in the past years. The special day named is Friday, 30th November, St. Andrew's Day; but, as his Grace the Archbishop allows us the discretion of using for this object any of the succeeding seven days, I feel that I should be consulting the general convenience and preference in naming, as this day of Intercession, Sunday, the second of December next,—the first Sunday in Advent.

I have to request your announcing that the Offerings on that day will be given to the Missionary Diocese of Algoma; which, for the sustentation of its Bishop and Clergy, is almost wholly dependent upon the contributions of the sister Dioceses in this Ecclesiastical Province. I remain, Rev. and dear Brethren, faithfully and affectionately yours, A. N. TORONTO.

Toronto Nov. 1st. 1877.

**N. B.**—Forms of Prayer for the General Thanksgiving after Harvest, and for the Day of Intercession, can be had at Messrs Rowsell & Hutchinson's 76 King St. East, Toronto.

—"My son, would you suppose the Lord's Prayer could be engraved in a space no larger than the area of a nickel cent?" "Well, yes, father, if a cent is as big in everybody's eye as it is in yours, I think there would be no difficulty in putting it on about four times."