

TORONTO.

Wycliffe College.—A farewell meeting was held last Monday evening in honor of Messrs. L. O. Stringer and I. Marsh, two young missionaries who are now on their way to the Mackenzie River district, there to labor among the Indians and Esquimaux. N. W. Hoyle, Q.C., occupied the chair, and on the platform were: The Bishop of Mackenzie River, Archdeacon Boddy, Rural Dean Jones, Dr. Mockridge, and Dr. Sheraton. After addresses by the chairman and Dr. Mockridge, Mr. Stringer was called on. He made a short speech, and then gave way to the Bishop of Mackenzie River, who gave an interesting statement regarding his diocese. Mr. Marsh, he said, would be stationed at Fort Simpson, at the extreme southern limit of the diocese, where it was just possible in good years to grow potatoes and a few of the hardier vegetables. Mr. Stringer would be located at Fort Macpherson, 800 miles farther north at the mouth of the great river, and on the shores of the Arctic ocean. Esquimaux live there, and the only thing his lordship had ever heard of as having been grown there was the mustard plant in a frying pan. Out of the 35,000 Esquimaux in North America and Siberia, only 2,500 were Christians. The bishop and the two missionaries left the city on the 11.15 train over the Northern, being accompanied to the Union station by a large number of friends.

St. Mary Magdalen.—The junior branch of the Women's Auxiliary of this church, held a successful fancy goods sale and concert last Monday evening. The proceeds will be applied in aid of the North West missions.

St. Philip's.—The conference on Systematic and Proportionate Giving under the auspices of the committee of the diocese, came off as announced, on Friday evening, in St. Philip's lecture hall. In the absence of the Bishop of the diocese (engaged in confirmation the same evening), the chair was taken by Rev. W. C. Allan, chairman of the committee, who opened the meeting with prayer. Letters of apology for absence were read by Canon Sweeney, organizing secretary, from their Lordships, the Bishops of Toronto, Algoma and Niagara, all of whom warmly praised the object for which the meeting was held. Admirable papers evidencing much thought and careful study were read by Revs. Rural Deans Forneret, of Hamilton, and Wade, of Woodstock. The former on the subject, "Systematic and Proportionate Giving in relation to the needs of the Church," and the latter on "The Church and modern methods of finance." Both papers elicited hearty applause and were followed by able speeches by Rev. Dr. Mockridge and Mr. Allan Dymond. In the general discussion that ensued the Revs. C. L. Ingles, M.A., I. C. Street-Macklem, Rural Dean Jones (Medonte), took part. At the close of the meeting Canon Sweeney, at the request of the chair, briefly described the objects of the society, urged the formation of branches, and invited those present to enroll their names as members, an invitation which some few availed themselves of. Great regret was felt that the Lord Bishop of Huron, who had signified his intention to be present, was prevented. His Lordship being enthusiastic upon the questions of interest to the society, much profit and encouragement would have resulted from his presence.

St. Margaret's.—Confirmation service was held last Tuesday evening in this church, at which 62 candidates were confirmed by the lord bishop of the diocese. The service was conducted by the rector and suitable music was rendered by the choir.

All Saints' Church Sunday School.—The annual May concert was held last Thursday evening, the 12th inst., and proved a grand success, the room being more than full. The programme was as follows:—Piano solo, Miss E. Burchell; reading, Mr. Godfrey Shaw; dialogue, "Completely Sold," Messrs. Geo. E. Sholey and G. E. Streeter; song, Mr. Persall; reading, Mr. Ronne, concluding with a Nursery Rhyme Pantomime. The woodland scenery used on this occasion was painted by our faithful and energetic secretary, who, for many years, has been laboring with us—Mr. H. E. Shaw. Our Sunday school is one of the largest known, there being on an average a thousand children in attendance every Sunday. "The vineyard is large but laborers few." Let us say that there is room yet for those who desire to engage in so noble an undertaking as training the young for the service of their Master.

The Bishop of Toronto will (D.V.) hold his next general ordination on Sunday, July 10th. Candidates for the diaconate and priesthood can have copies of the *Si quis*, and letters testimonial, by applying to the examining chaplain, Rev. A. J. Broughall, 93 Bellevue Avenue, and will assemble in the synod rooms on Wednesday, July 6th, at 9.30 a.m.

The first annual festival of the Toronto Church Choir Association was held last Friday evening in St. James' Cathedral, and was in every way a complete success. The evening service was rendered by a choir of 613 voices, drawn from the combined choirs of 23 Anglican churches, the effect of the large and carefully trained body of ladies, boys and men being very grand and impressive. Mr. J. W. F. Harrison wielded the baton with efficiency, and Mr. E. W. Phelps, of St. George's church, presided acceptably at the organ. The special psalms were xxxiv, xvi, and cxi, the hymns "Light's Abode Celestial Stream," "Praise my Soul the King of Heaven," "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" and "Saviour, Blessed Saviour," and the "Magnificat" and "Nunc Dimittis." Goss in A. Sir John Stainer's anthem, "Leave us Not, O Father Forsake Us," was also rendered with great power and expression. Rev. John Pearson, rector of Holy Trinity Church, intoned the service, and Rev. Rural Dean Septimus Jones, Church of the Redeemer, read the lessons. Canon DuMoulin, rector of the cathedral and president of the association, addressed the congregation, stating briefly the objects and work of the association, which were to prepare and practice church music and the rendering of the same. A collection was taken up to assist the funds of the society. The festival was listened to by an immense congregation, every available seat being occupied and large numbers standing throughout the evening.

ASHBURNHAM.—The congregation of St. Luke's Church, on Tuesday night, gave a cordial reception to their new rector, Rev. Prof. Symonds, late of Trinity University, Toronto. Rev. Mr. Symonds conducted his first service on Sunday, but will not occupy the rectory till September.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—Rev. R. W. Wright, until recently curate of the Church of Ascension, has been appointed curate of Christ Church Cathedral. He will return from Montreal in a few days to assume his new duties.

HAMILTON—St. Thomas.—A few evenings ago, the choir of this church were entertained at supper by the churchwardens. Canon Curran and other gentlemen and ladies were present.

Christ Church Cathedral.—On Tuesday evening the little folks of the Sunday school entertained a large audience in the school room, barely space being left for the young performers to move in. The willing workers had the concert in hand. Rev. L. M. Bland, the rector, was chairman. Songs, choruses, duets, instrumental duets, dialogues, a May pole dance and club swinging by a class under the direction of Sergt. Major Athawes, were highly successful. The National Anthem, heartily sung, closed the entertainment. The training of the children was mostly done by Miss Durdan. Mrs. Foote and Miss Annie Paget were accompanists. It is to be hoped the little ones may be induced to give their entertainment some evening in the near future, as the pleasure derived from their efforts already will not soon be forgotten.

HURON.

LONDON.—Mrs. Boomer desires gratefully to acknowledge the following contributions entrusted to her for the case of condensed foods, &c., which has been sent this year, and which it is hoped will be sent jointly every year from the several diocesan branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, to the missionaries of the Mackenzie River District. The Bishop of Huron and Mrs. Baldwin, \$9; Mrs. and Miss F. Labatt, \$4; Mrs. Warner, \$1; Mrs. V. Cronyn, \$2; Mrs. Cleghorn, \$2; Mrs. Mills, \$1; H., \$1; Mrs. T. R. Parker, \$1; Miss Kingstone, \$1; Miss Elliot, 50c; Mrs. R. Browne, 50c; Memorial Church Fellowship Meeting, \$3.05; Mrs. Graydon, \$1; Mrs. Lings, \$2; a friend, \$2; Mrs. Miller, \$2; Jas. Hamilton, Esq., \$1.50; Miss J. E. Hamilton, 25c; Mrs. Burwell, \$5; C. M., \$1; St. Jude's W.A., Brantford, \$3.50; Walkerton junior W.A., \$1; Wyoming S.S., \$4; Old St. Paul's, Woodstock, \$10; Mrs. King, \$1; Mrs. Crittle, 50c. In all a total of \$61.80 from the diocese of Huron, which sum will doubtless be largely increased another year, when all the branches can be duly notified instead of, as now, only the readers of the *London Free Press*, to the friendly office of which paper the W.A. of Huron has been already frequently indebted.

ST. THOMAS.—Rev. J. W. Beaumont, D.D., rector of St. John's church of this city, and Rev. N. G. Freeman, rector of Parkhill, will exchange churches by approval of Bishop Baldwin and the vestries of the two churches, the transfer to take place about the 1st prox.

GALT.—The second convention of the Western Local Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, was

held in Trinity church on Tuesday last. A number of delegates were present at 11 o'clock, and took part in Holy Communion, after which a meeting of the Rural Deanery of Waterloo was held.

The business portion of the programme took up the best part of the afternoon, and was of a very practical nature.

Topic No. 1, "The Rule of Prayer," was opened by R. B. Southwell, of Hamilton, and was dealt with by that gentleman in a very eloquent manner. The discussion on this topic was a very lengthy one.

Topic No. 2, "The Rule of Service," was opened by G. Caudwell, of Brantford. The discussion on this topic was also of great length, and proved very profitable to those taking part.

These were followed by an address on "Loyalty as a characteristic of a Brotherhood man," by Spencer Waugh, of St. Peter's Chapter, Toronto, after which the election of officers and plans for the future were considered.

The evening service, which was fairly well attended, was opened with the well known hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers." The address on "The Bible the Foundation of Brotherhood work," by Rev. Canon DuMoulin, was a very eloquent one, and words cannot express the deep impression the reverend gentleman made upon his hearers.

The meetings were opened to the public and were very much appreciated.

The following is a list of those who attended the convention:—Toronto, Rev. Canon DuMoulin, M.A., and Spencer Waugh; Hamilton, R. B. Southwell; Brantford (Grace church), G. Caudwell and Joseph Stanley; (St. Jude's), Joseph Green; Woodstock, Rev. E. Chillicott; Ingersoll, Rev. J. H. Moorehouse, Daniel Allies and David White; Stratford, Rev. G. R. Beamish; Berlin, Rev. John Downie, B.D., John Fennel, D. O. Young, W. McCutcheon, H. Stephenson, Arthur Schmidt and Henry Snell; Guelph, Rev. A. J. Belt, M.A., A. E. Smith, W. E. Catten, F. Harvey and A. C. Thompson; Haysville, Rev. J. Wand, R. C. Tye and C. D. Brown; Preston, Rev. J. Edmunds, J. Chevers; Galt, Rev. J. Ridley, James Woods, R. S. Strong, sr., A. Bisset Thom, S. Wells, T. R. Dando, T. Johns, F. J. Baker, W. Lockston, J. Gardiner, E. West, J. Waring.

Luncheon was provided by the ladies of the congregation in the school-room for the delegates.

British and Foreign.

The Bishop of Barbados has been visiting St. Vincent and other islands of his diocese.

The E. C. U. announces a net increase of 881 enrolled associates during the past year.

A screen is shortly to be erected in Hawarden Church by Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, in memory of their eldest son, the late Mr. W. H. Gladstone.

The New Zealand Church has delegated the selection of a successor to Bishop Selwyn to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishop Selwyn himself, and Dr. Codrington.

The Bishop in Corea has forwarded a contribution of £10 to the St. Andrew's Waterside Church Mission as an expression of his great appreciation of the Mission and of Canon Scarth's life-long work on behalf of our sailors.

The Prince Consort left a number of Church and other musical compositions, many of which have already been printed and published in London. In the library of the Duke of Saxe Cobourg have, however, now been found several other of the Prince Consort's works which are still in manuscript, and one of them, a *Te Deum*, will, the Berlin correspondent of the *Daily News* learns, be publicly performed by the Sangerkranz of Cobourg.

It is proposed to raise an endowment fund for the maintenance of a Bishop for the Windward Isles, which are at present under the care of the Bishop of Barbados, who finds that both dioceses are too much for one Bishop. The Grenada Church Council has signified its approval of a plan suggested by the Bishop for getting a Bishop for the diocese. Grenada is expected to pay £100 per annum of the salary. The Church Council passed a resolution expressing its regret that the Bishop of Barbados has found it necessary to intimate his intention of resigning the supervision of the Windward Island diocese.

Good Friday is becoming quite a popular day with local Methodists, says the *Methodist Times*, which goes on to record "a noteworthy incident" which occurred at the village of Adwick-le-Street, where a letter from the rector of the parish was read at