

of the Church in this section nine years ago, and is capable of enlargement to any extent, always provided a suitable man is at the head. It is worthy of note, however, that of fifteen men employed by Mr. Bliss in his associate mission system, twelve were from England. The paucity of native candidates for orders is a very grave reflection on the Canadian Church. The difficulty is not far to seek, and its discussion in your columns might be productive of much good. Two more churches are projected in this mission. We look forward to seeing them in the near future.

RENFREW.—The Rev. Mr. Quartermaine is doing excellent work here both in the town and parts adjacent. He is very active, and faithful in keeping appointments. At one point he is rebuilding a church, where he has gathered a deserted and scattered congregation. In a few weeks you will doubtless hear of the opening services in the new building.

CALABOGIE.—This is the name of a new mission on the line of the K. & P. Ry., about twenty miles from Renfrew. It has now for the first time a resident clergyman, although for several years the priest at Renfrew has given occasional services here and superintended the work of temporary lay readers. In May last the mission board made provision for a resident missionary, and the bishop outlined the boundaries of an entirely new mission. It contains six townships of about 450 square miles. An excellent choice has been made in the Rev. C. T. Lewis as first missionary. Mr. Lewis has been in Canada for over two years, and has become thoroughly Canadianized. He was selected by the Bishop in England for work in Canada, and was sent out to the Petawawa mission for training in Canadian mission work, and in May last he was presented to the Bishop for ordination. He proceeded immediately to his new field of labour, and after a careful inspection reports much to encourage, though the work will be very hard. Services have been opened at five points, the most distant being 60 miles from headquarters, and the roads something beyond description. At Calabogie, where services have been held for some time in a room, Mr. Lewis has without loss of time gone into the brick and mortar business, having undertaken the erection of a church. It is not to be an expensive structure, and local help to almost half the cost is already secured. The Bishop's commissary, Archdeacon Lauder, has given his hearty approbation to the appeal Mr. Lewis is making for extraneous aid, and Rural Dean Bliss, with whom Mr. Lewis has been working for the past two years, and in whose deanery Calabogie is situated, writes to say "he commends in the warmest manner possible the appeal of the Calabogie missionary, and expresses the hope that all true lovers of the mission cause will extend a helping hand to this new mission." The address of the missionary is Barry Vale P.O., Calabogie, Ont.

TORONTO.

St. James' Cathedral.—A special meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held in the school-house of this church, on the 12th August, for the purpose of admitting Mr. Edward Earl into the ranks of the Brotherhood before his departure from Toronto, the Rev. H. J. Winterbourne, A.M., presiding. Mr. Earl, who is a native of Dublin, Ireland, left Toronto last week to engage in mission work in the mining district about Sudbury, in the diocese of Algoma. From the excellent credentials which Mr. Earl holds from the Archbishop of Dublin, the Rev. Canon Dumoulin, D.C.L., the Rev. Prof. Wynne, D.D., and other eminent church dignitaries, we have no doubt his future work will be very successful.

HURON.

AYLMER.—At a representative meeting of the members of the church, held in the house of the Reverend T. E. Sanders on the eve of the 17th inst., the following address and presentation was presented to Mr. G. Card, student in charge of the parish:

DEAR SIR.—We, the undersigned members of the Anglo-Catholic Church in Aylmer, before you leave, wish to acquaint you that your stay amongst us has been most pleasant, profitable and satisfactory in every way, more particularly in the manner you have conducted yourself ministerially. It was necessary on the departure of the Incumbent on sick leave, that a clergyman or lay-reader should be appointed to officiate here. It pleased those in authority to appoint you to this charge, and we congratulate ourselves that the choice fell on you. In your ministerial duties you have surpassed many older men in the work; you have preached the "Faith as it is in Jesus;" you have visited those in sickness and distress to their comfort, and your parochial visits to the people in town and country have been highly valued; by these visits you have brought out the Church saying,

"the house-going parson makes the church-going people." The congregation of Trinity Church, we believe, have greatly benefited by your presence spiritually, which we hope will be evidenced by a new walk in life. Our trust is that your health and life may be spared, that it may please the Master to make you a chosen vessel to declare the Word of Salvation to those you are commissioned to bear it to. The congregation of Trinity Church, Aylmer, being desirous of expressing some token of gratitude to you for your services during your sojourn among us, and deeming that a purse would assist you in procuring the necessary books for your college life, we ask your acceptance of the same, receiving it in the spirit in which it is given, the spirit of love. It gives us much pleasure in offering the purse for your acceptance. Your faithful friends of the congregation of Trinity Church, Aylmer, Ont.

Dated this 17th day of August, 1891.

Mr. Card, although completely taken by surprise, feelingly replied. He thanked the congregation of Trinity Church for their kindly worded address and generous gift. He said that he had come to Aylmer not from any desire to win position or distinction, that he had entered into the work feeling most keenly his weakness and inability, but trusting in the power of God and filled with an earnest purpose to extend Christ's Kingdom and upbuild His Church. He referred to the pleasure it gave him to be present at the seventy-fourth anniversary of the Rev. Mr. Sanders' birthday. He said that young men would do well to so regulate their lives that in time they also might attain the honoured place which Mr. Sanders holds.

ALGOMA.

ILFRACOMBE.—The annual picnic of Christ Church Sunday School was held on the lake shore on Thursday, Aug. 13. Service was held in the church at 11 a.m. by the Rev. L. Sinclair, incumbent. Miss Bessie Brown, of Novar, presided at the organ, and Mr. John Tipper, choir master of St. John the Baptist's Church in Ravenscliffe, led the singing. The junior members of Ravenscliffe church choir were also present, having been brought by Mr. Tipper. Their help in the musical part of the service was very attractive. The weather was favourable and all seemed to enjoy the visit to Ilfracombe.

British and Foreign.

The Hook Memorial at Leeds, which has cost nearly £50,000, is (*Truth* says) to be formally opened in October by the new Archbishop of York.

A recent judgment of the Court of Appeal has decided that a child born in France is a Frenchman, if his mother was born in France, though the father may be an alien by birth.

The diocese of Adelaide is at present suffering from want of clergy, a very general want throughout Australia. The Bishop's chaplain, Rev. B. C. Stephenson, is in England trying to make arrangements for the emigration here of suitable men for the work of the ministry.

Summary of statistics from the journal of convention of Florida. Baptisms—infant, 642, adult, 110, total, 752; confirmed, 406; communicants, 4,086; marriages, 190; burials, 523; Sunday school teachers, 310; scholars, 2,686; value of church property, \$382,876.05; total of contribution, \$65,816.17.

NEW ZEALAND.—The Rev. J. T. Hulme Beasley writes from Wellington, New Zealand, to the *Stockport Advertiser*:—"I was ordained in the year 1883, and was for two years curate of Cheadle, Cheshire. In January, 1890, I was received into the Roman Catholic Church. I have now returned to the Communion of the Church of England."

On Saturday, at the Palace Chapel, Llandaff, the Rev. Josiah Thomas, late Calvinistic Methodist Minister, and the Rev. Samuel Griffiths, late Independent minister, were admitted by the Bishop into the communion of the Church. Mr. Thomas will work as a lay-reader in the parish of Bettwys and Mr. Griffiths in that of Llangynywd.

The Chatham Islands form part of the diocese of Christchurch, New Zealand, although they lie 500 miles from the mainland. Bishop Julius lately visited them and caused quite a sensation among the islanders, who presented an address of welcome, expressing their great pleasure at the Bishop's visit. Twelve candidates were confirmed, and a church at Te One was consecrated.

The Pope has now signified his approval of the exhibition of the Holy Coat of Treves, and has sanctioned the forgiveness of the sins of the pilgrims. The documents conveying the Pope's decision on these matters were taken last week from Rome to Treves. Three steamers, each conveying 900 pilgrims, will, it is announced, come from America. There will be numerous special trains from all parts of the Continent.

AN INTERESTING DISCOVERY.—The Vicar of Prescott has just found an ancient font which was used in Prescott parish church for a thousand years. He discovered it in Roby churchyard, and the vicar of that parish having renounced any claim to it, it has been restored to the Prescott church. It is simply a block of sandstone, roughly shaped and hollowed out, but is by far the oldest relic now existing of the first church built on the "Prescot-hill."

SOUTH AFRICA.—We are informed that the Bishop of Maritzburg, whose resignation we recently announced, will, on his arrival in England, assist one of the Bishops in his work. Dr. Macrorie has not revealed the name of the Bishop in question. Dr. Macrorie frankly told the Synod that he was aware of the feeling that a change in the personality of the chief pastor of the diocese would tend to heal the unhappy divisions among English Church people in Natal.

The committee of the Church Missionary Society have decided that the new memorial church to Bishop Hannington and Bishop Parker shall be forthwith erected, in Mombasa, not in Frere Town. For while Mombasa will yearly become more populous and important, Frere Town will naturally by degrees recede, now that there is no likelihood of any large addition of freed slaves. It is trusted that the recent changes will have almost entirely stopped the sea traffic in slaves.

"Lord Plunket, the Archbishop of Dublin, when he appeared in the House of Commons as a spectator, attracted," the correspondent of the *Dublin Evening Mail* says, "much attention. His Grace is described as a fine type of the Irish ecclesiastic, gentle and unassuming, with intellectual force, associated with much refinement. The Archbishop listened with much pleasure to the praises showered on Mr. Balfour for his successful efforts to relieve distress in Ireland."

Some time ago Bishop Huntington, of the Diocese of Central New York, asked that, in view of the fact of his advanced years, some measures of relief might be taken for him. He is now seventy-two years old, and he finds that he is unable to discharge all of his present duties. After considering the matter, the Standing Committee report against dividing the diocese or electing an assistant Bishop. They advise, however, several steps to lighten the Bishop's labour, one of which is to give him a chaplain or secretary.

The Papacy of the Laity receives strange illustrations in some of the wealthier London parishes. I have just heard of a case where a rich layman, who had secured the disuse of the eastward position in a suburban church, threatening the churchwardens with the withdrawal of his subscriptions unless the incumbent abandoned it, has proceeded to abolish the use of the Invocation before the sermon. In the latter case a handsome gift of £500 to the incumbent was accompanied by a request that in future a collect might be said before the sermon.—*Ex.*

The Bishop of Winchester (Dr. Thorold) made his first official visit to the Island of Guernsey, on Monday, July 13th, where, in the town church (St. Peter-Port), he confirmed 206 candidates, presented by the records of six parishes on that island. In his excellent and practical address to the candidates, full of good advice, he particularly dwelt upon the formation of friendships. He also strongly advised them daily to repeat, as he himself was in the habit, that beautiful Confirmation prayer: "Defend, O Lord," etc., every day on waking.

The following paragraph is taken from the *English Churchman*:—"The Church of England Council in Natal (a legally constituted body) have elected as Bishop the Rev. W. Ayerst, M. A., founder and principal of Ayerst Hall, Cambridge, to fill the see of Natal, which has been for many years vacant. Mr. Ayerst now only waits his consecration by the Archbishop of Canterbury to take his place at the head of affairs, thereby healing a wound which has been long felt by the members of the Church of England in Natal." To which we may add that if Mr. Ayerst waits as long as Sir George Cox has waited, we may hear of