

owes more of course than to any one else. He has left a name in that whole district for self-denial, kindness to the poor, and a devoted Christian life, which is itself to the Church a precious inheritance. Religiously regarded the Magog district was a soil hard to cultivate; but the result is a substantial and steadily increasing harvest. Its great growth, however, as a manufacturing centre, has scarcely begun.

3. In 1870, the Township of Brompton and Windsor were "taken in possession." It fell out on this wise.

A district school teacher, belonging to Brompton, whom the Incumbent of Melbourne had met accidentally in an outpost of his Mission for a single hour the summer before, now far gone in consumption, sent for him to prepare her for death. Naturally inquiring into the religious condition of the place, and finding the two Townships utterly destitute of pastoral care on the part of the Church, he at once annexed them to his own Mission. The necessity of providing Sunday Services for them was met by the admission, into the sacred Ministry, of the Rev. Isaac Thompson, then a zealous Lay-reader in Leeds. We worked together over the field of our four Townships, and studied together, for four happy years. The people were gathered in, and the handsome Church of Brompton built. And on my removal to Bishop's College, in 1874, Brompton and Windsor were organized into a separate Mission with a resident Clergyman.

I hope to tell the story of this mission now under my charge, at greater length at some future day.

4. In 1874 began the Bishops' College Missions, which have proved an instrument of so much value in the extension of the Church in these Townships. They had their origin in a special injunction inserted by the Bishops of Quebec and Montreal, in their Commission to the new Professor of Divinity, in September, 1873, that he should use the openings for Lay-Reader work in the neighbourhood of Lennoxville as a means "(1) of training the Candidates for Holy Orders in the composition and delivery of Sermons; (2) of cultivating in them the faculty of extempore preaching; (3) of exercising them in the intelligent, simple and devout reading of the Liturgy; and (4) of initiating them into the practice of, and exciting their zeal for pastoral work by employing them where possible as Lay-Readers."

There was work of a Missionary character done from the College before and side by side with that of these Missions. There was Mr. Emberson's work at Milby, where he opened Services, built the Church, and searched out with loving assiduity the lost and wandering sheep in that neighborhood. Milby was taken charge of by Principal Lobley on his coming to us, and Capelton a little later, and were served, I need not say, with loving devotion and conspicuous ability. Upon Capelton Mr. Tambs also had bestowed much labour. These, however, were not strictly speaking College Missions for which the Professor of Divinity was responsible, but were rather Stations in the Parish of Lennoxville under the superintendence of the Rector. The first College Mission proper was that of Ascot Corner.

5. In the Spring of 1874, when I was casting round how to begin, one of my students, now the Rev. Albert Stevens, called my attention to a desirable opening for mission work at Sandhill. We went out there together and offered to give them Services, but our overture was coldly rejected. They had Universalist preaching with which they were all satisfied.

In September of the same year Mr. Scarth and Mr. Chapman, of Dudswell, came to me and invited me to break ground at Ascot Corner. Service and Sunday School began at once and were warmly welcomed.

Some two or three weeks later, a young man

from Sandhill was accidentally present at our Ascot Corner Sunday Morning Service, and was so attracted that he applied on the spot for the same work to be extended to Sandhill, promising us a warm welcome. I need not say how glad we were to accept so unexpected an invitation. Very soon, practically all the people in the two neighbourhoods were gathered into the Services and all the children into our Sunday Schools. Churches were built in both places,—at Ascot Corner in 1876 and at Sandhill in 1880. Johnville, now one of the Church's most promising stations, was occupied in 1883.

Early in 1878, in answer to an urgent appeal from Mr. Chapman, of Dudswell, we took Westbury off his hands and carried it on from the College till the summer of 1881, when a blight fell upon our work there, and we were obliged to hand it back to Mr. Chapman.

6. Down to this point, that is for about eight or ten years, whatever work was done on the part of the Divinity Students was unpaid labour. The only money spent was for teamhire to the more distant places, but the expense of this was invariably borne by the people we ministered to. Not a cent of help was obtained from outside. For several years, my own carriage was utilized. Besides we did a good deal of walking. I remember many walks with my two helpers out to Ascot Corner, seven miles, on the Q. C. R. track, after breakfast on Sunday morning, for Sunday School and Service, and back to College to dinner. Some would have thought it a grind, but we were all young and full of enthusiasm.

We slid insensibly into the present system, first, by paying the men for vacation work, and later on adding a fee for work which required their absence from College from Saturday to Monday. *But it was the people who paid.* A prime matter, kept in view from the beginning was, educating the people in self-support.

7. At the end of 1882 my attention was called to the new settlements then being formed around Lake Megantic, some seventy miles from Lennoxville, and I was earnestly entreated to extend our work to those settlements. We did so and have been working there ever since. I found there, by searching out, some fifty families who, more or less, acknowledged us. These were visited in their homes again and again; two churches were built; the children gathered into Sunday School, and many baptized and confirmed. The course of procedure with similar results of course is true of all the College Missions. On Lake Megantic much labour was bestowed by the Archdeacon as General Missionary Agent after his connection with Bishop's College came to a close.

Of these stations, Ascot Corner and Westbury became a Mission of the Diocesan Board with a resident clergy in 1884. Sandhill and Johnville, on the erection of Randboro' and Island Brook into a separate Mission in 1887, became an integral part of the parish of Eaton. During the past year they have been adopted, together with Milby, as a Mission which may serve as a model and training-school Mission for the Divinity students under the Professor of Pastoral Theology in Bishop's College. On Scotstown being erected into a Mission under the Board, Lake Megantic was annexed to it.

8. The Mission of Scotstown owes its origin to the zeal and devotion of the Rev. Arthur Judge, who went out there from Cookshire in 1887, gathered the people for services and built the church. Immediately after this he left us for New York, and then Scotstown became in part, and soon exclusively a College Mission, a mission on which much labour was bestowed by the General Missionary Agent. Among other things, the acquisition of the Parsonage House may be fairly claimed as a part of these labours. In 1893, Scotstown, together with two of the outlying stations of Bury, was erected into a separate Mission with a resident clergyman.

(To be continued.)

## Diocese of Montreal.

LAKEFIELD.—The 20th Clerical meeting of the Deanery of St. Andrew's was held at Lakefield on Wednesday, Feb. 20th, 1895. There were present six clergy, viz: Rural Dean Sanders, Alex. B. Given, W. Harris, R. F. Hutchings, R. Emmett and A. E. Mount.

Missionary meetings were held on the previous day at Shrewsbury and Dunany—the aforesaid clergy forming the several deputations, viz: Rural Dean Sanders, R. F. Hutchings, R. Emmett and A. E. Mount going to Shrewsbury, while W. Harris and Alex. B. Given went to Dunany. On Wednesday morning, divine service with the celebration of the Holy Communion was held in Trinity Church, Lakefield, at 10.30 a.m. Rural Dean Sanders was celebrant, assisted by Rev. W. Harris. The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. B. Given. A good congregation was present thereat, and what was still more encouraging, there was a large number of communicants.

After dinner at the parsonage, the Chapter assembled at 2.30 p.m. for Biblical study and other matters. Rev. W. Harris opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Secretary received letters of non-attendance from Revs. J. W. Dennis, W. T. King, James Carmichael, jun., and B. S. T. Marriot. Rev. H. A. Meek was unavoidably absent, owing to a death in his congregation, but towards evening very kindly put in an appearance. Romans viii. 24 to end was read, as the passage of Holy Writ for mutual discussion. After an hour and a half had been spent in this way, it was found that the subject was by no means exhausted, and it was decided that we should at our next clerical gathering consider this portion of God's Word, beginning at verse 26.

"The coming of the Bridegroom," a subject introduced by the Rev. A. E. Mount, led to an interesting and helpful discussion.

The formation of a Sunday School Association in connection with the Deanery of St. Andrew's was brought forward by the Rev. R. F. Hutchings. No action was taken; it was decided to leave the matter over until the May meeting. It was also thought advisable that at our next gathering some steps should be taken in regard to the introduction of the Church of England Temperance Society in this deanery.

Regarding the May meeting, it was an open matter with the Secretary, to arrange the time and place, when and where it might be held.

It was moved by the Rev. R. Emmett and unanimously carried, "that a hearty vote of thanks, on behalf of this association, be tendered to the Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Mount for their very kind hospitality during the session." The meeting adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

A most enthusiastic missionary meeting was held at 7 p.m. in Trinity Church, Lakefield. A large number of people were present. Inspiring addresses on Missionary work were given by the clergy, thus bringing to a close a most helpful and profitable day to the laity and clergy alike. On the following morning, Rural Dean Sanders, R. F. Hutchings and R. Emmett drove over to Mille Isles, accompanied by the Rev. H. A. Meek, incumbent, for the purpose of holding a missionary meeting in that parish.

CHAMBLY CANTON.—We alluded in a former number to the efforts of the Willing Workers, a children's society connected with St. Stephen's church, to obtain and present the church with a new bell. This has now been accomplished after only four month's labour. A service receiving the bell was held last Thursday evening at the church. The Revs. Dr. Ker, H. Kittson and Rural Dean Sanders and Dr. L. H. Davidson, Q.C., were invited to take part, but Dr. Ker only was able to attend.