

## ALGOMA.

MISSION OF KORAH AND GOULAIS BAY.—January 31st, 1897, was the first Sunday Bishop Thornloe, our new bishop, spent in the diocese. On that day he confirmed 30 in the pro-cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie. On the following Sunday, Feb. 7th, he was at Goulais Bay and Korah. Goulais Bay is 25 miles from Sault Ste. Marie, and Korah 6 miles. On Saturday, Feb. 6th, one of our Korah parishioners, Mr. Penhorwood, drove to the "Sault" for the bishop, and brought him to his house to lunch. As Korah is on the way to Goulais Bay, this short stop broke the journey for the bishop. After lunch the start was made for the 21 mile drive to Goulais Bay. The road is hilly and rocky, and very hard on horses. The Rev. J. P. Smitheman lost a valuable horse last summer, and was obliged to replace it at his own cost, and all owing to these same rough roads to Goulais Bay. This journey was accomplished in a much easier and more satisfactory way with Mr. Penhorwood's fast team of big horses, and the bishop found no hardship in being favoured with the finest of mild weather, good roads, and a good driver in Mr. Herbert Penhorwood. The bishop was entertained by the minister's warden, Mr. John Whalen, Mr. Smitheman by Mr. Downey, a Presbyterian, and Mr. Penhorwood and his brother by Mr. MacSorley, a Methodist, the three horses being in close proximity to the church. Probably on Sunday, Feb. 7th, there was the grandest religious service ever held in that neighbourhood. Mr. Penhorwood being a good musician, and Mr. McAuley, the people's warden, having kindly lent his organ, the service was musically rendered for the first time, and was a revelation to the people of Goulais Bay. Goulais Bay church was completed and used for service last Easter Day, and so Bishop Thornloe was the first bishop to enter the new church. Bishop Sullivan much desired to see it, but was prevented by illness. Six young persons were confirmed, and the effect of the bishop's vigorous and sympathetic exposition of the benefits of confirmation will surely be an increase in the number of candidates. The bishop congratulated Mr. Smitheman on Goulais Bay church, and said for the amount of money expended on it—less than \$400—he had never seen such a cheap and pretty building, built in such a churchly manner. But to that \$400 must be added \$100, the value of the labour given by the people. The \$400 was raised in the following way: Grant from Bishop Sullivan, \$50; collected by Mr. McAuley, \$130; do. Rev. J. P. Smitheman, \$70; do. Rural Dean Renison, \$20; S.P.C.K., \$75; Bishop Thornloe, \$5; collection, \$2; balance, \$48. Who will help pay off this debt of \$48? The bishop has worked hard, the missionary exerted himself, the people have struggled to do their best, and now who will come to the rescue, so that the church may be consecrated at Bishop Thornloe's next visit three months hence? After the evening service at Goulais Bay, the bishop returned to Korah for evening service. In both places the churches were filled to overflowing, and the entire settlement turned out to welcome the new bishop. The bishop encouraged the people, and praised them highly for their loving labours. We prophesy a bright future for the churches in Algoma under the fostering care of their loving Father in God. Korah parsonage much impressed Bishop Thornloe, and again he expressed surprise at the wonderfully small sum, \$500, which had erected such a commodious building. There is still a debt of \$160 on it. The Ladies' Guild are working vigorously and successfully towards the liquidation of this debt; any help would be warmly appreciated. Goulais Bay church has no Communion vessels, altar linen or font.

## BRIEF MENTION.

Very Rev. Dean Smith has been conducting missionary services in Tamworth parish.

As a feature of the diamond jubilee, the Prince of Wales has appealed for subscriptions for the hospitals.

"If I might control the literature of the household," said Francis Bacon, "I would guarantee the well-being of Church and state."

Archdeacon Daykin had a bad fall on the ice in Ottawa, and hurt himself severely.

Rev. Dr. O'Meara has been appointed Dean of Rupert's Land, succeeding the Bishop of Qu'Appelle.

The librarian of the House of Lords enjoys a salary of £800 a year, and a residence in the Royal Palace of Westminster.

The New York courts spend more than \$100,000 a year for expert evidence, and give it to \$2-a-day jury men to pass upon.

Mrs. Bardsley, the mother of the Bishop of Carlisle, England, who died recently at the age of ninety-four, had seven sons, all of whom took holy orders. Her husband, too, was a clergyman.

Iron and steel works are to be started in Japan at a cost of \$1,000,000. Native capitalists are behind the project.

Rev. James Empringham, of Manotick, has been appointed to the rectorate of the Church at Winchester.

Five years' penal servitude was the sentence imposed recently on a bicycle thief in England.

Women are employed by a New York goldsmith as gold beaters. They surpass men in delicacy and carefulness of workmanship.

The late scholarly Canon Kingsley said: "The truth may be anywhere, but one thing is plain, Rome is the lie."

Miss Turner, of Millbrook, left last Friday to again take up work at the C.M.S. Indian Mission at Geichen.

One-twelfth of the population suffer from gout. A Berlin physician, Dr. Flahner, says that this malady is often due to the excessive use of meat.

The incumbency of Birtle, Manitoba, has been offered to, and accepted, by Rev. W. Robertson, of Alexander.

In the British House of Commons Samuel Smith's motion for the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church of England was rejected by a vote of 204 to 86.

Recently there have been discovered in Egypt fragments on papyrus of the prophet Ezekiel, which are believed to be the oldest piece of any part of the Scriptures that has yet been discovered.

Rev. John Osborne, rector of St. Clement's, Toronto, is shortly to leave for Honolulu, to take charge of an important charge.

The specie room on ocean steamships is usually 16 feet long, 10 feet wide and eight feet high. It is formed on steel plates a quarter of an inch thick, with a steel door, which has a burglar-proof combination lock.

In thanksgiving for the long life of their parents the children of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Gladstone are about to erect a memorial window in Hawarden Church, and have accepted the design of Burne Jones.

Canon Fleming is also among the preachers by telephone. On his pulpit at St. Michael's, Chester Square, on a recent Sunday, what seemed to be two Bibles instead of one arrested the attention of his congregation. Just before the canon began his discourse the mystery was made plain. The preacher announced that there was no second book on his desk, but that the Telephone Company had placed there a huge transmitter, by which the discourse could be laid on to the hospitals and to subscribers who were unable to come to church.

## British and Foreign.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has accepted the presidency of the Palestine Exploration Fund, in succession to the late Archbishop Benson.

The German Emperor has conferred upon the Bishop of Oxford the dignity of a foreign Knight of the Prussian Order *pour le Merite* for Science and Art.

At the early celebration in Ashburton parish church on a recent Sunday morning, £200 was put anonymously into the aims bags for the Church Restoration Fund.

The vicar of All Souls', Brighton, was declaring the banns of marriage on a recent Sunday when the curate forbade one, openly declaring that the man had been divorced.

The Rev. G. Hartwell Jones, rector of Nutfield, has been appointed to preach the Welsh sermon at the annual Welsh festival to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral on St. David's Eve.

Archdeacon Diggle expects to take up residence at Carlisle about the middle of next month, and previous to his removal a testimonial will be presented to him from the Mossley Hill congregation and parishioners.

The Rev. Samuel Smith, who was for 53 years vicar of St. George's, Camberwell, recently attained his 93rd year, and is in excellent health. He has been lecturer at St. Laurence Jewry, and chaplain to five Lord Mayors.

From the quarterly paper of the North China Mission for January (the Land of Shiam), we learn that the Chinese Prayer Book has been successfully printed by the Rev. H. V. Norman and his Chinese assistants at Peking.

The Rev. C. E. Curtis, senior curate of St. Paul's, Haggerston, has volunteered to work in the Diocese of Rockhampton, Central Queensland, and will shortly be leaving England to take charge of a mission district in that diocese.

Among the receipts by the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland during the past month, are £850 from the London Sustentation Fund, collected mainly through the kindness of the Misses Nugent for the poor parishes of the south and west.

Alarming structural defects have been discovered in the historic church of Conington, Huntingdonshire, and the opinion of an eminent builder is that unless immediate steps are taken to save the edifice a gale of wind might at any time blow it down.

The vacant See of St. David's is worth £4,500 a year, with one of the most delightful episcopal residences in Great Britain. The bishop is patron of 132 livings, of four archdeaconries, of the deanery of St. David's Cathedral and of four residentiary canons.

A special Synod of the Diocese of Antigua, West Indies, was convened in December last to take steps for the election of a bishop. Eighteen clergymen were present, and the same number of lay representatives. A committee was appointed, it being the unanimous desire to obtain a man of some influence at home.

Efforts are being made to raise £3,800 for the building of a nave for St. Luke's Church, Rochdale. The total amount raised at present is £1,601 16s., including £500 from the family of the late Mr. J. P. Brierley, J.P., £300 from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, £300 from Mr. J. H. Lancashire, J.P., and £100 from Mr. G. J. Booth.

The Council of the Church Reform League have passed a resolution expressing their regret at "the unhappy circumstances connected with the recent confirmation of His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury," and their hope that the Upper House of Convocation will take such steps as may secure for serious objection a fair hearing.

By a decision of the Court of Appeal, Ireland, given recently, it has been settled that money left to a priest for masses to be said for the repose of any one's soul, is a charitable bequest and cannot be charged legacy duty. As the sum in question was £350 left for this purpose, the Church will reap a substantial benefit from the decision.

The Princess of Wales has consented to become Patroness of the National Free Home for the Dying at Clapham, of which the Duchess of Sutherland is President and the Bishop of Rochester Patron. The home is absolutely free, and admits patients without distinction of country or creed, and is under the care of the East Grinstead Sisterhood.

During the operations of taking down the condemned north-west gable of Peterborough Cathedral a curious discovery has been made. When removing the rubbish of centuries that had accumulated over the vaulting of the west front, traces were found of the existence of a chamber immediately over the library, the existence of which was a surprise.

About three-fourths of the sum mentioned by Dean Farrar in his recent appeal has now been subscribed towards the restoration of Canterbury Cathedral, and excellent progress is being made with the work, which, it is hoped, will be almost complete in those portions of the cathedral at present under treatment by the time (next July) of the great gathering of bishops in Canterbury.

At Exeter, recently, the Archbishop of Canterbury was presented with the honorary freedom of the city, and other tokens of esteem and congratulations. His Grace was the guest of the Bishop of Exeter. In the evening the Archbishop and his attendants walked in procession to the cathedral, where at the close of the service, Archdeacon Sandford, on behalf of the clergy of the diocese, presented an address to His Grace.

One of the most ancient churches in Derbyshire, dedicated to Sts. Mary and Laurence at Bolsover, was completely destroyed by fire recently. Bolsover is a mining village near Chesterfield, and is mainly the property of the Duke of Portland, who is lay rector and patron of the living. A Druid temple once stood on the spot, and the first Christian church was built in the year 665. The structure destroyed recently was built in 1300.

Recently at Kensington town hall, Lord Glenesk, in the presence of the Princess Louise, the Marquis of Lorne, the Attorney-General, and a host of par-