

PEACE IN UGANDA. By official telegrams we learn that the Government forces have overtaken and practically destroyed the Soudanese mutineers who had escaped from the fort at Luba's, which they had seized. As far as we can judge, therefore, the war, thank God, is at an end.

Letters have come to hand giving particulars of the death of Mr. G. L. Pilkington. From a banana plantation round the fort the Soudanese mutineers obtained their food, and also under cover of the bananas they were able to shelter when attacking. Mr. Pilkington was engaged in leading a party to cut down some of the bananas when he was shot by some rebels, in hiding close at hand. His "boy," Aloni, knelt at his side and said: "He that believeth in Christ, although he die, yet shall he live." Mr. Pilkington replied: "Yes, my child, it is as you say,—shall never die." He died very shortly and was buried the same evening, with Lieutenant Macdonald, under a tree outside the fort. It was, however, intended, in accordance with the strong wishes of the Waganda, to remove the body to Mengo, "that we may always remember him," the Rev. Henry Wright Duta (a native clergyman) writes; and adds, "If we had known how to carve his likeness on stone we would have done it; but the sight of his tomb will suffice us."—*C. M. S. Awake*.

THE excess of expenditure by the C.M.S. over receipts for the past year is now put down as amounting to £20,000. The total receipts under all heads including *special* funds not applicable to the Society's general purposes, were £331,590. The total amount contributed in the past year for the general purposes of the Society was £305,625 being £7,000 more than in the previous year.

THE "deficit" on the year's transactions of the C.M.S. above mentioned does not appear to distress the Society and is not regarded by it as any reason for departing from the "rule of faith" adopted in regard to accepting and sending out missionaries. The editor of the *C.M.S. Intelligencer* referring to this matter says "It is no new thing for there to be a deficit upon any particular twelve months. Between the years 1850 and 1870 these occurred again and again and the Committee again and again appealed to their friends for special contributions to wipe out the deficit and they were never once disappointed." He adds that owing to the heavy deficit of 1870 "the committee ordered severe retrenchments, including the keeping back of several missionaries. The result was deplorable. The report for 1871-72 is perhaps the most melancholy ever issued, speaking of 'a failing treasury and a scanty

supply of men.' But the Day of Intercession revived the supply of men, and with them came also the revival supply of means. So long as the Committee went forward praying for men, and sending forth all suitable men that appeared, which they did from the time of the Jubilee onwards for many years, there were many 'deficits,' but these were always made up. The moment the Committee ordered large, definite retrenchments the supply of *men* came down to a minimum, and it is a notable fact that in 1872 the Society had literally a smaller number on the roll than in 1862. We forbear to point the application, which will be clear to every reader. The Committee have solemnly faced the present position, and have resolved to go forward without hesitation, not doubting that if they have patience and wait upon the Lord, He will not fail to give the means for the maintenance of such men and women as He raises up, and of such work as He leads the Society to undertake."

NOTES FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

The Bishop gratefully acknowledges in the May number of *The Algoma Missionary News*, the special gift of \$25 from the W.A., Sherbrooke, P.Q., towards the debt on North Bay Church, and also an Express Order for another sum of \$20, received on the 4th of April, with the following six words of instruction only: "towards the support of a missionary." This latter amount has been applied to the Indian work at Sheguiandah.

The Bishop is seeking a fitting man to be the teacher of the Indians on Birch Island. As to qualifications the *News* says, "He should be a man of resources, for it is a trying position and lonely. He should be willing to take a small salary, for he would only have about \$300 a year at the outside and a cottage to live in. He should have the love of God in his heart, for he will have the souls of young and old to look after; and he should know and love the Church, for he will require to teach Her ways and principles. Who will go?"

The fifth Triennial Council of the Diocese opened its session at North Bay on the 31st May ult.

The Bishop's well known desire to have his Diocese more thoroughly self-supporting than in the past appears to be bearing fruit. At the Easter meeting in the Mission of Bracebridge the Incumbent stated his conscientious conviction to be that the time had arrived when the