

instead of the one already there. The book-desk is made of oak, with a design carved in a circle in the centre and at either corner. This was pronounced a beautiful piece of work by the Rural Dean which was made and presented by Mr. A. McInnes (clergyman's warden). This piece of furniture was dedicated on February 24th, together with a marble mural tablet in memory of the late son of the incumbent, by the Rev. Rural Dean Machin.

St. John's, Ufford.—The vestry meeting was held at this church on Easter Monday morning, when Mr. W. Kay was nominated as clergyman's warden in the place of Mr. A. Knowles, resigned. Mr. H. Gill was re-elected by the vestry. Since Easter, 1896, a new brick chimney has been built on the church, and the cemetery has been permanently fenced. Lamps and chandeliers have been purchased for the church, but were not in at Easter.

St. Mary's, Beatrice.—On Easter Monday afternoon a satisfactory report was presented to this vestry, and the two churchwardens took office again for the ensuing year.

Efforts have been made to purchase an organ for this church, but there is yet a considerable sum to be raised before an instrument can be procured.

Holy Trinity, Newholm.—The members of the vestry met at this church on Tuesday, April 20th, when the churchwardens' report was presented, duly audited, and adopted by the vestry, but the roads being very bad very few were in attendance. After the minutes were read and discussed the meeting was adjourned *sine die*. On Thursday, May 6th, the vestry re-assembled, and the two churchwardens were re-elected for the ensuing year. Mr. W. Morgan and Mr. F. Ferguson were appointed sidesmen. Various matters re church improvements were discussed, and it was decided to build a new driving shed. Lumber and shingles were promised on the spot for most of the work.

The congregations have been very satisfactory at all stations during the past year, which is much to be thankful for. During last fall and the present spring the roads have been very trying, making it very difficult both for congregation and clergyman to attend the churches.

A.R.M.

Little Current Mission.

REV. W. J. ECCLESTON, INCUMBENT.

At the vestry meetings the following wardens were elected:

Holy Trinity—People's, Mr. A. Rowe, clergyman's, Mr. C. Hedge.

Sucker Creek Indian Reserve—People's, Mr. J. McMahon; clergyman's, Chief Abbotossaway.

ATHEISM can never be an institution, because it is a destitution.

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It is better to be wise, and not seem so than to seem wise and not be so.

WITHOUT steadiness of character in social life there can be no true fellowship. Accomplishments may please, beauty may charm, fluency and grace may attract; but to win confidence and respect, to be trusted and relied upon, the man or the woman must be stable in character, self-poised, true to promises, punctual, uniting firmness to geniality and steadfastness to good-nature.

THERE would seem to be no limit to the pretensions of the Romanists, but a well-deserved check has been placed on their claims regarding the precedence of cardinals to prelates of the Established Church of England. The subject was lately brought to a settlement by the indiscretion of certain persons, who, acting, it would appear, on the initiative of Cardinal Vaughan, who is understood to hold very strong views on the question, desired to give the Cardinal as a Prince of the Roman Church a place above our own Bishops. But it has now been ruled by the highest authority in England that Roman Catholic prelates, whether Cardinals or not, shall only rank after all English Bishops, Suffragans included. The decision seems to us right and proper, and Romanists are now called upon to remember that in England they are merely a dissenting community from the Established Church of the realm. We welcome the decision at this moment particularly because, since Romanists have themselves declared through their official head that all English Orders are null and utterly void, it would have been the height of folly to lend any countenance to the utterly ridiculous assertions and pretensions they have seen fit to indulge in of late.—*Church Evangelist*.

Acknowledgments.

Mr. James Hickland, catechist at Haileybury, writes to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of a box from the Woman's Auxiliary, Toronto, containing a communion service, consisting of paten, chalice, and glass cruet. Also communion linen and veil from a lady member of the "Central Room Branch," Toronto. These gifts are for the church now in course of erection at Haileybury. Acknowledgment is also made of a box of books from S.P.C.K.

Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne begs to acknowledge with hearty thanks the receipt of £1 from Mrs. R. C. Streatfeild, of England, towards the better lighting of St. Mark's Church, Emsdale.

Rev. A. W. Hazlehurst writes to acknowledge and to thank those Church people in Toronto who so kindly sent through Mrs. J. R. Smith, of Baysville, various sums for the St. Ambrose Church Parsonage Fund, Baysville, amounting in all to \$10.25.

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I give and bequeath unto the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, the sum of to be paid with all convenient speed after my decease, exclusively out of such part of my personal estate, not hereby specially disposed of, as I may by law bequeath to charitable purposes, and I hereby lawfully charge such part of my estate, with the said sum upon trust, to be applied toward the*..... and the receipt of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Algoma, or the Treasurer for the time being of the said diocese, shall be a sufficient discharge for the said legacy. (And I direct that the duty upon the said legacy be paid by my executors out of the said fund.)

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NOTE.—This testament must have been executed one year previous to the death of testator, to give it effect over Mortmain Acts.

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