

our imperative duty to urge this matter as much as possible, as it is generally admitted that the greatest injury has resulted to the Church and the Church's cause on well-nigh every previous occasion by unaccountable and unnecessary delays.

As the usual quarterly meeting of the Mission Board will take place in a few days, we trust they will, if it be at all possible, devise some means of paying the missionaries the grants due up to the first of January. It must be quite evident to every member of the Church that the destitution of the missionaries calls for immediate relief, and that the work of the Church can never be heartily and satisfactorily done, under the circumstances in which they are placed. They must be more than human, if their energies do not seriously flag, in consequence of the suspense in which, quarter after quarter, they have been kept.

#### BOOK NOTICES.

**THE BIBLE, An Instrument of Culture.** A sermon preached in the Cathedral, Quebec, Nov. 10th, 1878. By James William Williams, D.D., Bishop of Quebec. Quebec: *Monetary Chronicle Office*, 1878.

This brief discourse, published by some who heard it, with the consent of the Bishop, is an interesting and clear exposition of the principles involved in the subject as announced. Within the narrow limits of a single sermon, it is of course impossible fully to dilate on the important matters referred to; but his Lordship has in a perspicuous and masterly manner, sketched the principal features of the "great argument," he has proposed to himself. The sermon deserves to be read by every churchman, and should have an extensive circulation.

**CHRISTMAS in Picture, Song and Story.** Edited by Andrew James Symington, F.R.S.N.A., Folio. 40c. Toronto: Clougher Bros., 1879.

This is a really beautiful work, and the engravings, of which there are five full page and one double page, are *chef-d'œuvres* of artistic skill and workmanship. We can scarcely credit the fact that the work can be offered at such a price. The sheets are so arranged, that the pictures can all be easily framed, and we doubt not that space will be found for them on the walls of many a home where the heads of the family appreciate the power of teaching through beautiful objects.

"Sweet Robin" will be a favorite with the little ones, whilst the sportsman will prize the "Spaniel and Pheasant," and "Retriever and Woodcock," from celebrated pictures by Sir Edwin Landseer. The *haut ensemble* of "Never too late to learn" is capital, from the old flutist evidently practising the scales of the unappreciative howl of the little terrier.

The letter press, which in no wise interferes with the engravings, comprises some pretty short tales of poetry.

#### Diocesan Intelligence.

##### NOVA SCOTIA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

**BRIDGEWATER.**—The Rev. Hastings Wainwright officiated here both morning and evening on the 19th ult. His powers as a preacher are highly thought of.

**STELLARTON.**—The snow drifts prevented any of the places of worship here from being opened on Sunday, the 26th ult.

**PICTOU.**—The Rev. J. Edgecombe is recovering

from his severe attack of chest disease, but was not allowed to go into the church on Sunday last. The storm here was furious.

**WINDSOR.**—On the 8th ult. the members of the Avon Rural Deanery assembled at Christ's Church, where prayers were said by Revs. H. How, B.A., and C. J. Brenton, M.A. The lessons were read by Rev. James Ritchie; the ante-Communion by Rev. Dr. Maynard, Rector and Rural Dean; the Epistle by Rev. R. U. Shreve, M.A., the Gospel by Rev. J. O. Ruggles. An appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. C. J. Brenton, M.A., and Holy Communion celebrated. After the business meeting at the Rectory, where several subjects tending to the prosperity of the Deanery and the advancement of Church work were discussed, a service was held in the Chapel of Ease, when a thoughtful and ably delivered sermon was preached by Rev. J. Ritchie. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Prof. Wilson, M.A., on "Prayer and Meditation," by Rev. J. O. Ruggles on "Holy Baptism," and by Rev. H. How on "The Relation of the Catholic Church to the Bible." The addresses were interspersed with appropriate hymns from the choir, and, notwithstanding a heavy fall of snow, a large and attentive congregation assembled in the chapel, which looked very beautiful with its festoons of evergreens and mottoes of crimson, white and gold. The two large banners in the chancel and rood-screen of careful workmanship elicited much admiration. The next meeting of the Chapter is to be held in the Hensley Memorial Chapel at King's College.

**HALIFAX.**—At a debate held at the Church of England Institute the meeting, by a small majority, decided that "The sword is a better road to fame than the pen." The debate was opened by Mr. John Menger, responded to by Rev. O. Troop, and taken part in by Messrs. T. Brown, Rev. C. S. Sills, D. Whiston, W. H. Wiswell, S. H. Shreve, J. Osman, C. Stubbings and others.

#### FREDERICTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

**DORCHESTER.**—Minutes of the Deanery Meeting held on Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, 1879: Present—Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Dean Rural; Rev. R. Simonds, B.A., Rector of Dorchester; Rev. George Love, B.A., Missionary at Hillsboro', Albert Co.; Rev. O. Newnham, Incumbent at Point du Chere; Rev. R. Uniacke, B.A., Rector of Sackville, and Rev. Dr. Uniacke, Rector of Sydney, Dean Rural, N.S., who kindly attended and gave the benefit of his services and counsel. On the previous evening, Tuesday, a service was held at Trinity Church, and a sermon preached by the Rev. O. Newnham, from Rom. xii. 1-2. On Wednesday, at 11 a.m., the Litany was said by the Rev. Dr. Uniacke. The Holy Communion Office was said by Dr. Jarvis, the Dean Rural of Shediac. As Celebrant he was assisted by the Rev. George Love as Epistoler, and the Rector of Dorchester as Gospeller. The sermon was by the Rev. R. Uniacke, upon the Epiphany. At the subsequent meeting at the Rectory, after Prayers, the subject of Confirmation, its antiquity, &c., was discussed with general unanimity. The Rector of Dorchester was requested by the Dean to act as Secretary *pro tem.*, in the absence of the Rev. E. Pentreath, who was unavoidably absent on a D. C. G. delegation to Richmond. Several other clergymen were prevented by the storm from attending also. St. Luke, 6th chap., from v. 27 to end of chap., in the Greek, was read and commented upon.

It was proposed by the Dean, and agreed upon, that "Apostolic Succession, with particular reference to the Cummins Schism," should be discussed at the next Quarterly Meeting, which in rotation, should be held in the parish of Westmoreland.

It should have been stated at the proper place, that prayers were said by the Rector of Dorchester on Tuesday evening, and that the clergy were hospitably entertained by the Rector and leading Church families of the parish.

#### ONTARIO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

**BARRIEFIELD.**—The annual missionary meeting of St. Mark's Church, was held on the 29th. The

Rev. Mr. Garrett said evening prayer, and made a brief address introducing the members of the deputation: the Rev. Dr. Clarke, of Belleville, the Rev. J. J. Bogert, Napanee, and Mr. Walkem, of Kingston. The attendance was good, and a collection was taken up on behalf of the Mission Fund. The choir of St. Paul's Church was present and sang some of their choicest music during the evening. Professor Oldham kindly presided at the organ.

#### TORONTO.

**SYNOD OFFICE.**—Collections, &c., received during the week ending February 1st, 1879.

**MISSION FUND.**—*January Collection.*—Barrie, \$7.00; Orillia, \$6.10; Whitby, \$9.30; Christ Church, Woodbridge, \$3.25; Grafton, \$6.00; Tecumseth, Trinity Church, \$1.22; St. John's, 61 cents; Christ Church, 59 cents; Clarksville, 86 cents; Brampton, \$8.65; North Essa, Christ Church \$1.71, St. Jude's 52 cents, School-house 28 cents; Cobourg \$37.37; King \$1.25; Carleton \$1.00; Darlington \$9.30; Enniskillen \$1.35; Bobcaygeon \$14.30; Fenelon Falls \$4.81. From Church Association, per B. H. Dixon, Hon. Sec. for Rev. W. H. French, \$75.00; Rev. J. E. Cooper \$75.00.

**Missionary Meetings.**—Georgina \$5.47; Port Whitby, Pickering, \$2.80; Tecumseth, Trinity Church \$1.65, St. John's \$1.40, Christ Church \$3.08, Clarksville \$1.66. **Parochial Collections.**—Seymour and Percy, additional, \$20.10.

**Special Appeal.**—Tullamore, James A. Ellis, Subscription, \$5.00; R. H. Bethune, balance of subscription, \$100.00. Amount returned by Bishop of Toronto on outfit account, \$200.00.

**WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.**—*For the Widow and Orphan of a deceased Clergyman.*—St. Mark's, Parkdale, \$2.18; North Essa, Christ's Church, \$5.49, St. Jude's 51 cents, School-house 77 cents; Haliburton \$5.68; Norwood 81 cents; Westwood \$1.29; Carleton \$2.00; Toronto, St. James' Cathedral, additional, \$20.00.

**ALGOMA FUND.**—From the Society for promoting Canadian and Foreign Missions, \$50.00.

**PERMANENT MISSION FUND.**—The following annual subscriptions have been made to the Permanent Mission Fund, viz.

Ven. Archdeacon Whitaker, Hon. G. W. Allan, James Henderson, Elmes Henderson, R. H. Bethune, Peter Paterson—\$100.

Mrs. McCaul, Beverley Jones—\$60.

Chief Justice Hagarty, John Cartwright—\$50.

Rev. John Langtry, C. J. Blomfield, Alderman Boswell, John Catto—\$40.

Dr. Spragge, Mrs. Spragge, Rev. A. J. Broughall, E. M. Chadwick—\$20.

C. J. Campbell, Mrs. Wm. H. Merritt, Miss Morris, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. William Hope, George Holmstead, Alfred Hoskin, R. P. Stevens—\$10.

The following cash payments have been made on the above account, viz.:—Dr. Spragge, Mrs. Spragge—\$20.

Rev. John Langtry, C. J. Campbell, C. J. Blomfield, Mrs. Wm. H. Merritt, Miss Morris, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Wm. Hope, Alderman Boswell—\$10.

The regular Quarterly Meetings of the Standing Committees of the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, will be held at the Synod Office, Toronto, on Thursday and Friday, the 13th and 14th February, 1879.

**Thursday, 13th February.**—Clergy Trust, 11 a.m.; Land and Investment, 1 p.m.; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, &c., 2 p.m.; Executive, 3 p.m.; Sunday School, &c., 4 p.m.; Church Music, 7 p.m.

**Friday, 14th February.**—Mission Board, 12 m.; Audit, 1 p.m.; General Purposes Fund, 2 p.m.; Printing, 2.30 p.m.

WM. P. ATKINSON, Secretary.

Synod Office, Toronto, 1879.

To THE CLERGY.—Whoever may have in his possession a manuscript copy of a letter from the Bishop of Rupert's Land to the late most Rev. Dr. Fulford, Metropolitan of Canada, containing a report of that diocese for the year 1865, will greatly oblige by returning it to the undersigned.

WM. P. ATKINSON, Secretary.

Toronto, Feb. 3, 1879.

Mr. G. B. Morley, L.R., of West Mono Mission,