

which the new chancel has been completed. As a structure, it is substantial and appropriate, and will survive for many generations as a memorial of the present century. The stained glass chancel window attracts much observation, and is greatly admired. It is the work of Messrs. Spencer & McArthur, of Montreal. It is a matter of pride to reflect that this young province possesses artists of her own capable of executing such a work.—*Erie News*.

DELAWARE.—At a meeting of the Church Society of the Diocese of Huron, held on the 8th inst., the following report of the financial affairs of this branch was given, viz.:

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| Annual collection | \$34.07 |
| Annual members' subscription | 10.00 |
| Quarterly collections | 28.62 |
| Collections on Thanksgiving Day | 8.04 |

Total.....\$80.68

Making a decrease of \$4 and some cents of last year's collection. The quarterly collections had increased. The meeting was addressed by the Rector, Rev. R. Flood, the Revs. J. McLean and Caulfield.—*Echo*.

CHURCH SOCIETY, PAROCHIAL ASSOCIATIONS MEETINGS.

Meetings arranged by the Committee, and approved of by the Bishop.

FEBRUARY.

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| Tuesday, 5th, Onondaga..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday, 6th, St. George's..... | 2 p m |
| Wednesday, 6th, Paris..... | 7 p m |
| Thursday, 7th, Galt..... | 7 p m |
| Friday, 8th, Berlin..... | 7 p m |
| Friday, 1st, Thorbury & Williamsville... | |
| Monday, 4th, Sullivan..... | 11 a m |
| Monday, 4th, St. Paul's Holland | 4 p m |
| Tuesday, 5th, Artemesia..... | 3 p m |
| Wednesday, 6th, Proton..... | 10 a m |
| Wednesday, 6th, Durham..... | 7 p m |
| Monday, 11th, St. John's..... | 7 p m |
| Tuesday, 12th, Trinity..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday 13th, St. George's | 7 p m |
| Thursday, 14th, Carlisle..... | 2 p m |
| Friday, 15th, Marr's School House..... | 2 p m |
| Friday, 15th, St James' Biddulph | 7 p m |
| Monday, 18th, Exeter..... | 7 p m |
| Tuesday, 19th, Bayfield..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday, 20th, Goderich..... | 7 p m |
| Thursday, 21st, Summerhill..... | 8 p m |
| Thursday, 21st, Clinton..... | 7 p m |
| Friday, 22nd, Mitchell..... | 7 p m |
| Monday, 25th, Stratford..... | 7 p m |
| Tuesday, 26th, Fish Creek..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday, 27th, St. Mary's..... | 7 p m |

FEBRUARY.

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| Monday, 18th, Dereham..... | 7 p m |
| Tuesday, 19th, Otterville..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday, 20th, Simcoe..... | 7 p m |
| Thursday, 21st, Vittoria..... | 2 p m |
| Thursday, 21st, Port Dover..... | 7 p m |
| Friday, 22nd, Walsingham..... | 7 p m |
| Monday, 25th, Port Burwell..... | 2 p m |
| Monday, 25th, Vienna..... | 7 p m |
| Tuesday, 26th, Tilsonburg..... | 7 p m |
| Wednesday, 27th, Aylmer..... | 7 p m |
| Thursday, 28th, Port Stanley..... | 7 p m |

MARCH.

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| Friday, 1st, Westminster..... | 2 p m |
| Friday, 1st, St. Thomas..... | 7 p m |
| Saturday, 2nd, The Gore..... | 2 p m |
| Monday, 4th, Triconnell..... | 7 p m |

A deputation, appointed by the Bishop, will attend each Parochial Meeting.

The Clergy are requested to make all the necessary arrangements for holding the meetings on the days named; and also to assist at the meetings in their own neighborhood, and kindly to forward the deputations from place to place, so as to spare the funds of the Society as much as possible.

J. WALKER MARSH M.A.

Secretary Church Society, Diocese of Huron. London, December 17, 1860.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

CHURCH SOCIETY MEETING AT MONTREAL.

The Annual Meeting of this Society was held on Tuesday evening, the 16th inst., in the Mechanics' Hall. The hall was crowded; an unusual number of the fair sex being present, who listened to the speeches with intense interest throughout the evening. The Lord Bishop of Montreal was in the chair. On his right sat His Excellency, the present administrator of the Government, Sir W. F. Williams, Bart., K.C.B.; and on his left, the Rev. Dr. Coit of New York. On the platform were the Ven. Archdeacon Gilson; Rev. Canon Townsend, Rev. Canon Bancroft, Rev. Mr. Irwin, Rev. Mr. Bond, Rev. Mr. Scott, Rev. Mr. Wetherall, Rev. Mr. Lonsdale, Rev. Mr. Rogers, Chaplain to the forces in Montreal; Lt. Colonel Maitland, and Major Smith.

His Lordship opened the meeting with a few remarks on the subject which had called the meeting together, and congratulated the meeting on the progress which the Society was making. Though there were some things to cause regret, yet the good the society was doing kept still steadily on the increase.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers, who is secretary to the Society, then read the Annual Report.—The Treasurer's statement shows the finances of the society to be prosperous. The total amount of investments for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund is \$17,830.00. During the year there has been an increase in the amount raised in Montreal of \$424.28, and there has also been an increase in the parishes and missions in the country of \$695.66. The Montreal Parochial Association has paid to the Treasurer the sum of \$1620.05, which includes \$165.94 contributed by the Missionary Boxes. The income of the society has been from ordinary sources \$1013.44 more than last year. The sum of \$308.43 was raised in the name of the society and expended on local objects, independent of the Central Board. This sum is not included in the income of the Society, as it does not appear in the Treasurer's accounts. \$627 have been contributed towards endowments, \$480 have been received from the sale of books. The total amount raised within the Diocese during the year for Church purposes is \$44,331, which is \$6.96 less than last year.

In concluding the report, the Society says:—"While we thankfully acknowledge the efforts which have been made in behalf of the Society, we must again urge the necessity of securing new subscribers, and of increased liberality on the part of those who are already such, in order that the Society may carry on successfully the important work in which it is engaged. Nothing less than this will be sufficient to maintain the Society in its present state of usefulness, and to extend its operations. And surely it would be a disgrace to the members of the church in this diocese, if, through their want of zeal and earnestness, there should be any failure in carrying on so noble and

blessed a work. Let it not, then, be said that by the smallness of their offerings, the Society suffers embarrassment, or that the church is thus in any measure retarded in the execution of her holy mission of extending the Redeemer's kingdom, and saving from everlasting destruction the souls for whom he died."

The first resolution was moved by the Rev. J. Irwin, and seconded by His Excellency Sir W. F. Williams, viz.:—"That the report now read be adopted, printed, and circulated by the Secretary." In speaking on the resolution, Mr. Irwin related a number of anecdotes illustrative of private energy in support of the church; and he urged strongly the necessity of a respectable support for the ministers of religion. Why should men because they are ministers be doomed to live upon less than other men similarly brought up and similarly educated? He further dwelt upon the fact that the ministers must now be supported by their congregations; and members of the church must not be led away by the idea which the Irishman entertained when he said to him, (Mr. Irwin,) "Arrah, Sir, how has the Queen become so poor now that she cannot pay the clergy?" (Laughter.)

The second resolution was moved by Archdeacon Gilson and seconded by Geo. Baker, Esq., as follows:

"That the meeting desires to return thanks to Almighty God for the onward progress which His merc; has enabled the church to make during the past year; for the additional dioceses which have been established by our communion, not only on this continent but in all parts of the world; and it is our earnest prayer that He will be pleased to enable us still more and more to bear witness for His truth and prepare the nations for the coming of Christ."

In speaking on the resolution, the Ven. Archdeacon confined himself chiefly to the missionary labours of the church; the untiring zeal of those pioneers of the gospel, and the good they had done, and were now doing in scattering the light of truth abroad upon the earth.

The third resolution was moved by the Rev. Dr. Coit, of New York, and seconded by Major Smith:

That in order to insure a permanency and efficiency of the ministrations of the church in this diocese, especially in the poor districts, it is very necessary that some systematic efforts should be made to provide for the maintenance of the clergy by partial endowments; and it is the duty of the lay members of the church to endeavor to put into operation some scheme for raising a general Sustentation Fund for the diocese, towards which the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in England have offered to grant annually very liberal aid."

The Rev. Dr. said he was proud to be here this night. Though he belonged to the States, the Church of England and the Church in the States were one. They had for years been making the experiment in the States of supporting the ministers of religion entirely by voluntary contributions, but he did not like the principle. He liked the word "Endowments." He had been in the ministry for forty years in the States on the voluntary principle, and it often forced a man down to the most degrading shifts to support life respectably. For instance, he knew one case where a minister was offered, in lieu of what the man called his "priest-tax," a load of stones! (Laughter.) He concluded a long address by exclaiming, "What would the Protestant Church be now, had it not been for the noble endowments of the Church of England!"

This resolution should have been seconded by Col. Wilmot, B.A., but sickness prevented him