

the ministers of Christ be dealt with as He appointed and have their full hire given to them, sufficient to provide for themselves without being any more dependent upon charity than are doctors, lawyers, bankers, merchants and clerks. Would any of these accept second-hand clothing, or even new material for clothing for themselves and families or an offer to educate their children, instead of direct payment for their services? It is said that missionaries have no objections to become objects of charity in this respect, but if they had the choice of an ample provision would they refuse it? To do so would be something lower and more than humility, and does the divine Master require it? And should Christian people demand it of them? The Lord Jesus said that His ministers are worthy of their hire and He has wisely ordained that it should be given to them. The W.A.M.A. should not rest satisfied with a compromise by way of an expedient when a prior, higher, and imperative duty is neglected. Greater efforts should be made and more earnest prayer should be offered that Christian people may be impressed with a deep sense of this their higher duty and moved to the discharge of it, then Christian ministers would be able to provide fully for their families according to God's ordinance, then duly qualified female members of the Church would be found (as they are found in other denominations) to go forth as missionaries to the Indians, to educate the Indian children and the children of the missionaries, for which they could make them some compensation in addition to what the Church would give them, and the missionaries wives could enjoy the invaluable privilege of companionship and communion with intellectual, refined and devoted sisters in the faith so much needed in distant and isolated missions."

Home & Foreign Church News

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

QUEBEC.

Church Society.—The annual report of this society has just been printed and distributed. The financial statement is most encouraging, and shows an increase in subscriptions of \$862.28 over the previous year, and \$1,193.36 over 1887. The subscriptions in the city parishes are: the Cathedral, \$1,285.68; St. Matthew's, \$1,530.56; St. Michael's, \$1,771.84; St. Peter's, \$77.58; St. Paul's, \$62.93; and Trinity, \$9.00. The vice-presidents were re-elected with the addition of Com. General M. B. Irvine, C.B., C.M.G., and John Hamilton, Esq., and most of the other officers were re-elected. The reports of the various parishes are very interesting, and show them nearly all to be flourishing. The report of the Rev. H. C. Stuart, M.A., missionary to the Indians at Pointe Blene, is specially worthy of notice, and is as follows: "All the Mistassine Indians are said to be members of the Church of England. A few families of this tribe, for some thirty years past, have made their headquarters at Pointe Blene on the Montagnais Reserve. Mrs. Cummings, wife of the former agent of the Hudson's Bay Co. at this post, read the church service regularly for the past eight years to the delight of the Indians, all of whom have a regard for her and her family that is refreshing and beautiful to see. A few years ago my friend the Rev. F. M. Webster, M.A., now rector of New Carlisle and Paspebiac, visited the post, and to him, I understand, belongs the honor of first celebrating the Holy Eucharist according to the Anglican rite, on the shores of Lake St. John. Apart from him the Indians have seen no clergyman since leaving the Hudson's Bay many years before. It was with much pleasure that I was enabled to present a class of seventeen Indians to the Bishop for confirmation last July. At the same time their little burial place was consecrated, I shall never forget the impression these services made on my mind. At the confirmation and celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the dark faces and stalwart forms of the men, and the equally striking appearance of the women as they knelt before the altar erected at a point overlooking the Lake, presented a scene of peculiar interest to us. It was at once picturesque and full of genuine devotion. At the consecration of the cemetery the dark forms and bright clothing of the Indians as they completely lined the inside of the railing and sung the hymn "O Paradise," made a picture almost as wild as it was strange and new to us. We hope to build a little church here in the Spring, and to have it ready for occupation on the return of the Indians from their winter's trapping. Several subscriptions have already been promised towards this

desirable object. Recently, Mrs. Winfield, assisted by several ladies and gentlemen of St. Matthew's parish, Quebec, got up a very successful concert at St. Matthew's parish room in this behalf, and the result was a very respectable sum placed at the credit of our building fund. At Easter I intend to make a special appeal for funds to erect the church of the Ki-Ji-Mainton at Pointe Blene, and I sincerely hope to meet with a ready response. Concerning my own work among these people, I desire to draw attention to the labors of those who have preceded me. So thorough had the foundations been laid by the Bishop of Moosonee, from whose diocese they came, that I had only to build with the materials made ready to my hands. During the past nine months I have visited this station every fourth week and officiated at 34 services, at nine of which the Holy Eucharist was celebrated. I have had three baptisms here and one marriage. There has also been one celebration at Bear River, about eight miles beyond Pointe Blene. I regret exceedingly that I have been unable to conduct but one service at Roberval. Of the services at Pointe Blene and Lake Edward, some 55 in all, I may say these have averaged something over 100 miles in travelling, the number of miles travelled in connection with them being 6,120. I need scarcely say that it is owing to the kindness of the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Co. that I have been enabled to visit these distant stations. I may also state in connection with the Indian mission that I have now had with me for some weeks a young Indian student from this region. Considering his opportunities he is remarkably intelligent. It is hoped that he may eventually develop into a missionary to his own people. This report which was written in January last will no doubt be most interesting to all who are interested in the mission work of the Church.

The Rev. J. G. Scott, M.A., rector of Drummondville, also records the great blessings that have attended the introduction of the "Three Hours Service" on Good Friday in his parish, which we may add is one of the best parishes in the diocese as far as sound church teaching is concerned.

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The following are Bishop Bond's appointments for May:

Wednesday, Waterloo; May 1, Thursday, Knowlton; May 2, Friday, Brome; May 4, Sunday, Sutton and Abercorn; May 5, Monday, Glen Sutton; May 6, Tuesday, Mansonville; May 7, Wednesday, West Brome and Iron Hill; May 8, Thursday, Adamsville and East Farnham; May 9, Friday, Sweetsburg and Cowansville; May 11, Sunday, Frelighsburg; May 12, Monday, Dunham; May 13, Tuesday, Stanbridge; May 14, Wednesday, Philipsburg and Pigeon Hill; May 15, Thursday, Bedford; May 16, Friday, Clarenceville and Noyan; May 18, Sunday, Farnham; May 19, Monday, Rougement; May 20, Tuesday, Abbotsford and Milton; May 21, Wednesday, South Roxton, North Shefford, and Warden; May 22, Thursday, Boscobel; May 23, Friday, North Ely; May 25, Sunday, South Stukely and Eastman; May 26, Monday, Bolton Centre, South and East.

Letters needing immediate attention may be addressed: Mansonville until 5th May; Cowansville until 8th May; Clarenceville until 15th May; South Stukely until 23rd May.

Bishop Baldwin cheered many friends the other day by his presence on St. James street during an "in transitu" visit.

Rev. E. F. Wilson has been here with two of his Indian boys, kindling much enthusiasm in his grand work in connection with his Indian Schools.

Rev. Canon Sweeney, D.D., of Toronto, has been visiting his father, Col. Sweeney, and was the preacher last Sunday morning at St. Matthias. He also gave his charming lecture, "Across the Rockies, etc.," in aid of the parish organ fund.

ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—St. James' has 180 families, 825 individuals, 240 communicants. On Easter day 118 communicants at 8 a.m., 107 at 11 a.m. The financial statement shows that the amount actually raised by this parish during the year was \$4,859. Easter communicants, 1887, 118; 1888, 141; 1889, 188; 1890, 225.

BEACHBURGH.—The Easter Sunday services here were very bright and cheerful. During Holy Week there was daily service with fair congregations, and the Easter services with their bright singing and brighter truths were appreciated. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers and appropriate texts of scripture. At the 8 o'clock, a.m., celebration

there were 25 present, and 30 at the 11 o'clock. The vestry meetings also past off satisfactorily at all the stations. Before the vestry meeting at St. Augustines, the children of the Sunday school sang the Easter service entitled "The Risen Lord," having been well trained by Mrs. Anderson. The congregation was large. The financial report of the wardens at the vestry meeting showed a balance on hand of \$30.00. During the year the parsonage was much improved and the debt decreased \$130.00. The priests' stipend for ensuing year was increased by \$100.00. The church was presented with a rich set of red felt hangings, beautifully embroidered, for the altar prayer desks, lectern and footstool by Mrs. Wigelsworth, and with a similar set of green by Mrs. Forbes. Churchwardens for ensuing year throughout the parish are: St. Augustines, Augustus Brown and Samuel Lemix; Westmeath, Thos. Mausell and Wm. Baird; Foresters Falls, W. S. Coleman and Thomas Rielley; Lay delegates to Synod, George Forbes, M.D., and W. S. Coleman.

AUGUSTA.—Special services were held during Lent in the three churches in this parish: St. James, St. Georges and Christ Church, and also in a School House about 3 miles from the village. Including the Sunday services there were fifty services during the Lenten fast, and although the roads were in a worse condition this spring than they have been in for years, the attendance at the week night services averaged thirty. About one hundred and twenty persons received Holy Communion this Easter. Easter offertory \$25.00; and on Easter night three young ladies were baptized in the body of Christ's Holy Catholic Church. The congregation at St. Georges has been steadily increasing in number since the opening in June last, and now the Sunday attendance is from 75 to 100. All that the church requires to make it complete is a set of Holy Communion vessels; at present the vessels are carried from one of the other churches of the parish, therefore a very acceptable present to this young congregation would be a communion set, which might be given by an individual churchman or by a congregation that possesses two sets. An effort is being made to introduce the envelope system into two of the churches. The seats in St. Georges and Christ churches are free, and we hope shortly to be able to say the same of the seats in St. James.

OTTAWA.—Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.—The usual Easter meeting for 1890, was held in the School Room of St. John's Church, on Wednesday, April 16th, 1890, the Lord Bishop of Ontario in the chair. The following were also present, viz., the Lord Bishop of Toronto, Algoma, Huron and Niagara, the General Secretary (Dr. Mockridge), the General Treasurer (Mr. Mason), Rev. Canon Sweeney, Hon. G. W. Allan (Speaker of the Senate), Diocese of Toronto; Rev. Rural Dean Lindsay, Diocese of Montreal; Rev. R. McCosh, Diocese of Huron; Ven. Archdeacon Bedford Jones, Rev. Rural Dean Pollard, Mr. R. V. Rogers, Diocese of Ontario; Rev. A. W. Macnab, Diocese of Niagara.

Every diocese except Quebec and Fredericton was represented.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Under the head of correspondence the Secretary read several letters that he had received, and the Treasurer read one.

It was resolved, as a matter arising from the correspondence, that the Resolution of the Provincial Synod regarding making the heads of the various theological colleges *ex officio* members of the Board, be approved of, and the Secretary was requested to take the necessary steps towards giving force to it at the next session of the Provincial Synod.

The Secretary was instructed to have the Regulations with reference to Foreign Mission work printed, and copies supplied to the members of the Board, and kept in stock for the use of applicants, also to take steps to procure all the forms necessary to put the Regulations into immediate action.

The Ascensiontide Appeal was read and referred to a committee consisting of the Bishops of Toronto, Huron and Algoma.

The Bishops of Algoma and Huron were appointed to prepare the appeals of the Board up to the next session of the Provincial Synod.

The appropriations for Domestic Missions were made on the same basis as those of the last meeting. Those for Foreign Missions were postponed to the October meeting.

The sum of \$150 was voted for current expenses.

The Rev. E. F. Wilson, of the Indian Homes, was invited to address the Board regarding his educational work among the Indians, and it was resolved that while sympathizing with his work it was to be regretted that the condition of the fund at the disposal of the Board does not admit of an appropriation in its behalf at the present meeting; recognition of Mr. Wilson's efforts for the Christian training of children under his care was given, and the import-

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