

Church Intelligence.

ORDINATION AT BARRIE.

The autumnal ordination of the Bishop of the Diocese was held this year in Trinity Church, Barrie, on Sunday, the 20th October last, and a large concourse of church people and others gathered. The Rev. W. Stennett, the Bishop's Examining Chaplain, presented the candidates.

The Deacons advanced to the Presbyterate were the Reverends G. H. Moxon, Incumbent of St. Philip's, Toronto; H. F. Burges, B.A., Missionary at Perrytown; W. Jupp, Missionary at Haliburton; and R. Rooney, Missionary at Cameron, Cambray, &c. And the two gentlemen admitted to Deacon's orders were, Mr. G. Horlock, late Student at St. Augustine's, Canterbury, appointed to Holland Landing, and parts adjacent; and Mr. G. Ledingham, late Theological student at Trinity College, Toronto, appointed to Whitfield and parts adjacent.

The Bishop delivered a touching discourse on the charge to St. Peter, "*Feed my lambs.*"

All the services of the morning were marked by life, warmth, and devotion, the large congregation taking up the responses promptly and heartily. A numerous choir of about thirty men and boys, placed at the head of the congregation, led in the harmony with great spirit, and in excellent taste, singing also with thorough skill, the appropriate anthem, "*How beautiful upon the Mountains.*" The instrumental support of the choir and congregation, was a powerful melodeon, having the effect of a richly-toned organ. The sentences were read by the Rev. E. Morgan, the Rector of the Church. The offerings were devoted to the Clergy Widows and Orphans' Fund, in reference to the immediate pressing necessity of which the Bishop briefly addressed the congregation after the sermon.

During the afternoon the Bishop visited the Sunday School in the handsome brick school house attached to the Church. It is an unusually large and flourishing one, and is admirably conducted. In addition to the numerous classes, there is a large infant department, crowded with tiny ones. The singing was admirable, and most affecting to hear. The singing of the whole school was truly enjoyable, aided by an exceedingly good melodeon, deftly and lovingly handled by Mr. J. C. Morgan, son of the Rector, who undertakes besides, and that with enviable success, the whole supervision and management of the school, supported, of course, by a large company of assiduous teachers, and a worthy deputy, Mr. Edwards, and Mrs. Edwards, who has charge of the large infant class. The Bishop briefly addressed, first the infant department, and then the school at large, and expressed himself specially gratified with what he had seen and heard. Sunday schools would indeed be a power in the land, were it possible to have one attached to every congregation as efficient, as attractive, and as well in hand, as that which assembles weekly in Barrie. A school like this would be to each congregation what the infant department itself would be to the general school, a fertile seed-plot, whence healthy transplantations would be periodically made. The orderly dismissal of the school, after the Bishop's benediction, was very striking.

At the evening service, the Rev. W. Stennett pleaded the cause of the Widows and Orphans from the text, "*Forasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.*" The sermon was manly and refreshing in tone. Portions of the service and lessons were taken by the newly ordained Presbyters and Deacons.—*Abridged from Dominion Churchman.*

MISSIONARY MEETING, WEST SIMCOE.

We are indebted to the Rev. Mr. Bates, for a detailed account of a very satisfactory Meeting of the Clergy of West Simcoe, at the residence of Rev. Rural Dean Lett, D.D., Collingwood, (by whom they were most hospitably entertained) on the 29th September, 1875. Before the meeting there was an early celebration of the Holy Communion, (it being the festival of St. Michael and All Angels).