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It was reported that \$15,000 had been raised for the new bishopric of Ottawa, and clergy of that Archdeanery evidently expect the whole amount to be raised within a year.

A resolution in favor of proportionate giving was unanimously passed by the Synod.

WILLIAMSBURG PARISH. Obituary.—We have to announce the death and funeral of the wife of Robt. Pitts, Esq., Gallingertown, at the age of 74. She entered into rest June 22ud, after a long spell of suffering, which she bore most patiently. She was the daughter of Philip Amer, of Amer's Corners, near Cornwall, and was married to Robert Pitts in the year 1836, so had more than passed her golden wedding day. Mr. and Mrs. Pitts were blessed with a large family, twelve of whom are at present living. Her funeral took place at the residence of her husband, June 24, and the services were conducted by the Rev. M. G. Poole, who attended her during her last illness, and who preached an extempore sermon, taking for his text: "Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor., chap. xv.) He spoke comforting words to the mourners, who should not grieve without hope for one who had been a good wife, a loving mother, a loyal Christian, and they should thank God who had given her the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord. He addressed the living, who must all be interested from the youngest child to the oldest person for the victory over death, which could only be attained through Christ, and that the nearer we lived to the principles of Christianity the nearer we should be to Him; that conversion meant turning to God, and we needed to turn to Him every day of our lives; that God seemed sometimes closer to us than at other times, as in sorrow, sickness and death, but He was near to us at all times, ever ready to listen to our prayers, however quietly they might be offered up. "If ye love me keep my commandments," said the Saviour, and the only way Christians could ever be in union was in acting upon these principles, looking to and trusting in the faith once delivered to the Saints. * * * There was a large concourse of people present, and as the house could not contain them all, seats were placed outside under the shade of the trees, while the clergyman conducted the service in the hallway. Deep sympathy is felt for Mr. Pitts and all the family.

The following appointments have been made by the Bishop of Ontario:—Rev. P. H. Bedford-Jones, M.A., to the curacy of St. Peter's Church, Brockville; Rev. Mr. Dumbrille, to the mission of Newington; Rev. Mr. McTear, Bishop's curate at Markland; Rev. Mr. Leech, B.A., temporary curate of St. Thomas' Church, Belleville; Rev. Mr. Clarke, to the mission of Metcalfe.

TORONTO.

DOVERCOURT.—St. Mary's.—The fourth anniversary of the opening of this church, corner Bloor street west and Delaware avenue, was celebrated with special music by the choir. On Sunday last the Rev. R. J. Moore, M.A., rector of St. Margaret's church, preached at 11 a.m., and Rev. E. Wilkinson, curate in charge of St. Philip's church, at 7 p.m. The offertory was in aid of the building fund.

The Bishop of Toronto visited Coldwater last week with the intention of holding a confirmation and to consecrate the church there. On his return the Bishop remained over at Orillia, and held confirmation at St. James' church on Sunday morning last. On the following Monday a reception was given the Bishop by members of the congregation. During his lordship's stay in Orillia, he was a guest at Southwood, the summer residence of Henry Pellatt, sr., of Toronto.

Tullamore.—Last Sunday and Monday were red letter days with the congregation of St. Mary's church, the weather on both days being delightfully fine, which, of course, added materially to the enjoyment of the Festal Day. On the Sunday four services were held. At the midday and evening services the Rev. Canon Henderson, M.A., rector of Orangeville, preached, and at the afternoon service the Rev. Wm. Walsh. The afternoon service was made particularly interesting, being the children's service. The Sunday school assembled in the hall and marched in procession to the church accompanied by the choir and clergy, singing, as they marched along, "Onward Christian Soldiers." A short service was held, after which Mr. A. J. Morrison, the superintendent, made his annual report and distributed the prizes. The singing by the children and choir reflects much credit on Mr. James Ludlow, the organist. It is estimated that between six and seven hundred people attended the services during the day. The offertones were larger than any previous year. The services of the Sunday were followed on

the Monday by feasting and merriment. The beauty and wealth of the whole surrounding country were gathered together on the beautiful grounds surrounding the residence of Peter Archdeacon, Esq., Mayfield. The grounds were illuminated by Chinese and other lanterns, while the grand old British flag floated in profusion, and the Brampton band did its best to outstrip its record of being by all odds the best band in the country. Excellent addresses were delivered by W. A. McCulla, ex. M.P.; A. F. Campbell, M. P. P.; Joseph Sheard, Esq., and J. T. Scott, Esq., while Miss Hannah Robinson, Miss Jessie Smith and Miss Hattie Robinson added to the enjoyment of the evening with songs and recitations. The host and hostess, with their amiable daughter, have the happy faculty of making everyone feel at home, and much praise is due to them for the great success which crowned the efforts of St. Mary's congregation. Total cash receipts, \$163.

Trinity Convocation .-- The hall of old Trinity was filled to overflowing when at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the chancellor, Hon. Senator Allan, and a long procession of dignitaries entered and marched in stately measure to the dais. Amongst those in the procession were noticed their lordships the Bishops of Toronto and Nova Scotia, the vice-chancellor of the university, supported by the registrar and dean of the college, Chancellor Woolworth, of Nebraska diocese, and Rev. Dr. Pearson, Prof. Clark, and other members of the Trinity staff; the matriculants in arts, law and music, their numbers being as follows: Arts, 34; law, 15; music, 17. The honorary degrees of D.C.L. were conferred on the Hon. J. M. Woolworth, chancellor of the diocese of Nebraska, and the Rev. John Pearson, rector of Holy Trinity, Toronto. Trinity University is an example of gradual and sure development. While some other Canadian Universities can show a progress more brilliant, the foundation of no seat of learning in Ontario has been more truly laid than that of the Church of England's noble educational institution. Trinity has through its long career remained true to its aims and steadfast to its ideals with a fixity of purpose which is now having its result. Her annual convocation held this year gives an indication of her progress, when she sent forththe largest class of graduates known in her history. In the course of his admirable utterance, the Chancellor, Hon. G. W. Allan, pointed out many signs of advancement. The university during the past year has extended her sphere by adding a Faculty of Dentistry and establishing a curriculum leading to the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy. The college residence, which was enlarged less than four years ago, has proved unequal to the demands upon it, and it will be necessary shortly to build a new wing. It has been Trinity's aim to surround the mere instruction of a curriculum with ennobling and higher influences that make for complete education. In this method which she has made peculiarly her own, she has been encouragingly successful, and her present position shows that she has a very strong claim for existence alongside the Provincial University, and a role of usefulness enlarging every year.—Empire.

Church of Messiah.—The Bishop of Toronto administered the sacred rite of confirmation in this church to a large number of candidates last Thursday evening.

St. Peter's.—Rev. Cecil Owen, who has been assistant in this church for over years, is leaving for Winnipeg to be the assistant in Holy Trinity Church in that city.

NIAGARA.

MILTON.—On Monday last the Rev. P. T. Mignot was duly inducted as rector of Milton and Hornby in the presence of a large congregation. His Lordship the Bishop of Niagara performed the office of induction in his usual impressive manner. The Bishop also preached an excellent sermon from I. Cor. iv. 1.2, in the course of which he showed the fact that from the apostles' days to the present time authority had been given to men to proclaim the great message of salvation. After alluding to the service of the evening, he urged upon all to receive their rector, not as a minister of man, but as a minister of Christ. The following clergymen were present and assisted during the services; Rev. Canon Belt, Burlington; Rev. Dean Fennell, Georgetown; Rev. G. B. Cooke, Acton; Rev. T. L. Aborn, Norval; Rev. J. Fletcher, Palermo; and Rev. J. Seaman, Lowville. The choir sang a beautiful anthem and also rendered the service in their usual earnest manner. After the service all returned to the rectory grounds, where a garden party was held. The grounds were beautifully lit up by electricity, and a happy and most pleasant evening was spent. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers. The wardens of Hornby assisted those of Grace Church in the service.

OAKVILLE.—Mr. W. N. Pettit, of this place, is about placing a very handsome memorial window in the church, to be placed in about the centre of the side windows. The subject is to be Mary sitting at the feet of Jesus. It is to be hoped that other good Church people will follow Mr. Pettit's example.

HURON.

London.—The Synod met to-day, Tuesday, in the new Synod Hall; the Venerable Archdeacon Marsh opened with prayer. After the roll-call of delegates the following were elected secretaries:—Rev. Canon Richardson as Hon. Clerical Secretary, and Mr. T. H. Luscombe as Hon. Lay Secretary. As Mr. Luscombe was absent at Sheriff Glass' funeral, Mr. Henry Macklin was appointed temporarily. Auditors

Messrs. Geo. F. Jewell and C. F. Complin. His Lordship, Bishop Baldwin then delivered his address, which was very eloquent and inspiring. He was fired by the theme, and by what he had seen in his travels, and he managed to transfer to his hearers some of the fire of the inspiration that filled him as he spoke. Frequently the hall rang with applause as the eloquent words found echo in the hearts of the big assembly. He said in reference to the First Confederation of the Church in British North America, there had been trials and difficulties met and victories won. Through the grace of God, the great movement was inaugurated, and if spared to meet in Toronto, the unification of the Church from end to end of the greatest stretch of territory occupied by one people in the world would be an accomplished fact. It will be a spectacle that no friend of the Church can afford to smile at or meet with indifference or regret. He quoted as their motto, "Where the vanguard stands to day the rear shall sleep to-morrow." They had still to clothe the new body with adequate powers for her high mission. The position first held that the Provincial Synod should not be required to yield up any of its powers, and that the powers of the new body should not conflict with them, was now regarded as a position neither tenable nor to be desired, as it would reduce the new Synod to inutility. He believed that all the Synods would fill a useful place. The delegates to the General Synod this time would have a great honor conferred on them, as they were creating history. The diocese was an integral part of the Canadian Church, and should not hesitate to bind itself to meet all payments and charges incurred in getting the new synod under way. His Lordship spoke many good words for Huron College, which had grown materially since last meeting both in building and professional staff, and he announced that means were being considered by which the larger sympathy of the diocese should be enlisted on behalf of the college. He also made some references to the mission fund and foreshadowed some changes in its system. He spoke of the good work of the Women's Auxiliary with profound gratitude. He held 55 confirmations last year and confirmed 1,000 candidates. Two ordinations were held—one on December 16th, '89, and one on Sunday last. At the first 7 priests and 4 deacons were confirmed, and at the last 4 priests and 4 deacons.

Evening Session.—The Executive Committee presented the Annual Report, showing that the total collections and free-will offerings for the year just closed amounted to \$21,448.83, being a slight increase over that of the preceding year. It will be seen, however, by reference to the printed accounts, that while the offerings for objects outside the diocese on the whole show a large increase, there has been a large decrease in the offerings for our diocesan purposes.

A considerable discussion was entered into on the report, which was finally adopted with the understanding that recommendations could be made to the committee when appointed.

The Synod then adjourned. Wednesday.—The resolution to make the constitution of the General Synod subject to the approva of the Diocesan Synods, was reconsidered, and the Synod finally passed the resolutions of Mr. Jenkins with the additional provision that all diocesan rights and powers not specifically delegated to the General Synod be strictly conserved.

The report of the Sunday School Committee was presented by Rev. John Downie and adopted.

The report of the committee of management of the Huron Lay Workers' Association was also

The Chancellor, Mr. V. Cronyn, introduced the canon to amend canon 9, on Lay Readers. Its new provisions were that a lay reader duly appointed and licensed by the Bishop may discharge such duties in a vacant parish as the Bishop may direct; or he may render temporary assistance to the clergyman of any parish or mission in the deanery in which he holds his license, or in any parish or mission in any deanery contiguous to such deanery on the invitation of such clergyman. No lay reader shall hold services in any parish or mission without the consent of the clergyman in charge thereof, or in any vacant parish or mission except as above provided