

plete file of the various reports, &c., issued since the foundation of the bishopric a century ago, are to be sent to the library.

Pastoral Tour.—The Bishop of the Diocese, who seems to be travelling about his diocese most of the time, visited Compton on Saturday, the 4th inst., when a public reception was held in the town hall. On the following morning he preached in the parish church at matins. At evensong on the same day he visited the mission of East Hatley. On Monday morning he visited the school in that village, and addressed the scholars. In the afternoon the members of the Women's Auxiliary gave him a reception at the house of Mrs. Lavender. The remainder of the week he spent in various other missions in the Eastern Townships, returning to Quebec on the 14th inst.

Missions.—The Lord Bishop of New Westminster and Mrs. Sillitoe visited Quebec on the 11th inst., and were the guests of the Lord Bishop and Mrs. Dunne during their stay. On Sunday, the 12th, he preached in the cathedral in the morning, and at St. Matthias in the evening. On Monday afternoon, the 13th, they met the members of the Women's Auxiliary, and held a consultation on Missionary work. In the evening His Lordship gave an illustrated lecture on mission work in British Columbia, to a very large audience of Church people in the Church Hall. His Lordship is always a most welcome visitor to Quebec, as he has many personal friends here, and this is the first place where he addressed a meeting and took up a collection towards the work in his Diocese, when he first landed here in 1880 on his way to his Diocese.

The Right Rev. A. Hunter Dunne, D. D., Lord Bishop of the Diocese, contemplates leaving on the 5th of April per S.S. Teutonic for a short visit to England to arrange some private matters, and also to visit Cambridge on the invitation of the authorities of the University, to have a degree conferred on him. He expects to return in May, so as to be present at the meeting of the Synod, which will be specially interesting this year as it is the Centennial of this Diocese, and it is proposed to celebrate the event on a grand scale.

Bishop Williams' Memorial.—Although a great many parishes have yet to send in their returns, Archdeacon Roe announces that about \$23,000 has already been obtained.

MONTREAL.

Bishop Sillitoe's graphic account of the condition of the Indians of New Westminster.—"I have noticed," says James Russell Lowell in his charming essay on winter, "that most of us are not without an amiable willingness to assist at any spectacle or entertainment (loosely so-called) for which no fee is charged at the door." This human weakness may no doubt in part account for the very large audience which assembled in the Synod Hall yesterday evening to hear Bishop Sillitoe lecture on the needs of the diocese of New Westminster, but it is probably at the same time safe to say that were the entertainment and spectacle, for it was both, to be repeated to-night and a very substantial fee charged for admission, the lecturer would again draw a crowded house. The Bishop's humor is good, his powers of description so graphic that he hardly requires the aid of limelight views, and his earnestness apparent to the most casual observer. The characteristics and social habits of many of the people in this immense diocese were, he said, those of the majority of Canadians, and the appearance of not a few of the cities and villages such that they might readily be mistaken for those of one of the older provinces, but there were other portions of the district over which he presided in which men were to be found differing in all respects from others of their countrymen. The Indians in British Columbia, for example, were a race distinct and separate from all other tribes, and were supposed to have come to this continent from Japan. In their education, secular as well as religious, the Church was deeply interested. His Lordship said he didn't like to reflect on the policy of the Government, as he was shortly going to them in the character of a suppliant, but their treatment of these people had been peculiar. No subsidies of the nature given other Indians had been granted them. From this there was certainly one good result. They had learned to work, and in the matter of labor were, except in the knowledge of the use of tools, on an equality with the whites. The Bishop said he was soon going to urge upon the authorities at Ottawa the necessity of rendering assistance in the matter of instructing them on this as well as on other points. Intellectually these people were capable of great things. Some years ago some Sisters had been brought from England to this diocese to establish a school for Indian girls. This institution had developed wonderfully and consisted at the present day of two branches, one of those for whom it had been originally in-

tended, the other for whites. A gentleman who had been in the Old Country connected with matters of education had submitted the same questions to both classes of scholars, and had declared that no difference could be detected in their answers. The difference in color between Indians and whites was to be accounted for simply by the fact that the former had been for a long time exposed to the weather in a way the latter had not. The girls admitted to the school soon became pale. To convince the audience of the truth of this theory the Bishop couched a lime light view of a photograph taken of the scholars to be shown, in which very little difference between them and their white sisters either in features or colors was discernible. The lecturer referred to the pressing need that existed for a hospital for these people. The medical missionary complained that he met with a number of cases that could not be satisfactorily treated anywhere else. The Indian's views on medicine were peculiar. He wanted to get well quickly, and argued that if one pill would cure him in any given time, two ought to have the same effect in half the time, and a box should restore him to health at once. The Chinese were, the bishop said, another class of people with whom he was brought into contact a good deal. British Columbians were not altogether glad to have them in their midst, but they did not find fault so long as they could get no one else. If the Chinaman was treated with respect he was a very decent fellow. The prejudice which existed against him was due mainly to the fact that the white workingman looked upon him as an interloper. Chinese evangelization, however, was a hard matter, owing in part to the difficulty a white experienced in mastering the tongue sufficiently to be able to speak fluently in it, and in part to Eastern conservatism. The Bishop said his work was progressing, there being twenty clergymen at work now where in 1879 there were only four, but there was still great need for help, three-fourths of the diocese being without the ministrations of a clergy. Dean Carmichael, who was to have followed the Bishop with a missionary address, said he would rather the audience went home and pondered over what they had heard. The limelight views included some beautiful scenery in the Rocky Mountains, the appearance of the side of a mountain after a land slide, a map of the diocese of New Westminster, the Banff Hotel and the town of Vancouver. All were good. The Bishop of Montreal brought the meeting to a close about ten o'clock by pronouncing the benediction.

TORONTO.

Rev. John E. Cooper, of Hastings, has been appointed incumbent of Shanty Bay. Mr. Cooper is a son of a Norfolk rector, and a few years ago did good work in Cambray and Stanhope, and latterly in Hastings. We are quite sure Mr. Cooper will be well received, and do as good work in this mission, as he is of a very kind and lovable disposition.

Systematic and Proportionate Giving.—Sample cards for private use have been sent to the clergy of the diocese. An additional number for distribution may be had on application at the synod depository or, to Rev. W. C. Allen, Millbrook.

Church of Ascension.—At the fifth annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of this Church, with Rev. H. Baldwin, rector, in the chair, these officers were elected: Hon. president, Lady Gzowski; president, Mrs. H. Baldwin; vice-presidents, Miss L. Harris and Mrs. Johnston; corresponding secretary, Miss Tilley; recording secretary, Mrs. Black; treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Ryerson. The reports showed that this branch of the society has 108 members and a fund of \$1,002.17, a great increase over all former years. During the past year over \$2,000 has been sent to foreign missions or distributed through the missions in Canada. One class in the Sunday school gave \$29 towards educating a Zulu boy, another gave \$50 to a school in India. A short address was given by the Rev. A. H. Baldwin, of All Saints' Church, and Hon. Mrs. Sugden spoke on the needs of the natives of India, and called for workers to go out there. She said she did not know of one Canadian woman, a member of the Church of England, doing missionary work in India. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the society and a collection was taken up in aid of the work in India.

St. Simon's.—The very able and instructive sermons preached by Rev. Prof. Clark in this church Sunday evenings during Lent, are drawing crowded congregations. The musical portion of the service in this church is exceedingly well rendered.

The Late Canon Middleton.—At a meeting of the rural-decanal chapter of Toronto, held March 18, the following resolution of sympathy with the family of the late Canon Middleton, rector of St. Martin's and canon of St. Alban's, Toronto, was passed: That the members of the chapter desire at this, their first

meeting since the death of the late Canon Middleton, to express their deep sympathy with his family in their bereavement, and while thankfully mindful that all things work together for good to those who love God, desire also to express their feeling of personal sadness at the sudden loss of their brother's companionship in the work of the Church on earth.

NIAGARA.

PORT COLBORNE.—*St. James' Church.*—Rev. Mr. Morton on Sunday evening preached his farewell sermon to a large congregation. The sermon was a most eloquent and powerful discourse, which left a lasting impression on the minds of those present. He thanked those of the congregation who had remained faithful to the church, and thought they would find that they had pursued the right course. He advised them not to abandon the church, but to continue to make their influence felt as they had in the past. At the adjourned meeting of the congregation on the following Monday evening, they presented Mr. Morton with two beautiful and elegant parlor chairs and the following address, read by Mr. S. J. Hopkins:

PORT COLBORNE, March 7, 1893.

To the Rev. J. J. Morton:

DEAR PASTOR.—We, the undersigned members of the congregation of St. James' Church, Port Colborne, do heartily regret your departure from our midst, and we desire to express our kind feeling toward you and your family in presenting you with these two chairs. We ask you and Mrs. Morton to accept them not for their intrinsic value, but as a memento of our appreciation of the many valuable qualities displayed by you fearlessly during your pastorate amongst us, and we feel that we have benefited very largely thereby, and ask God's blessing to be with you and your family wherever it is His will to call you. Mr. Morton thanked them for their kind words and handsome gift, and said that he hoped his teachings would be remembered and shine out in their lives, and that except a congregation claimed to be perfect there must occur many things at times when it would be necessary to admonish them, and he was pleased to find that his admonitions had been so kindly received.

ANCASTER.—A large representation of the congregation of St. John's Church formed themselves into a surprise party an evening lately, and waited upon their late pastor at his new home on the mountain top, and after partaking of refreshments which they had brought with them in abundance, presented the rev. gentleman with the following address, accompanied by an exquisite rosewood cabinet, or secretary's desk, and chair:

To the Rev. W. R. Clark, M.A.

REV. AND DEAR SIR.—At the last meeting of the vestry of St. John's Church, Ancaster, called in consequence of your resignation of the incumbency, a resolution was passed expressing regret at your removal, and high appreciation of your faithful services during the fourteen years of your ministry in the parish. A committee was also appointed to formulate, by way of an address, an expression of the kindly feelings of the congregation, and to procure and present to you on the occasion of your removal a slight memento of their affection and regard. It would be difficult, and we would not venture to attempt, in a few short words, to express the varied feelings of kindly sympathy which the close intercourse of your pastoral relations with us during so many years has occasioned. Looking backward at the harmony which has prevailed, and the progressive work of the church in our parish during the term of your pastorate, we feel that you have a sufficient guarantee of our mutual good will and affection such as no mere formal words could adequately express. We are satisfied that you will require no mere memento to remind you of your former parishioners, but in presenting you with this secretary's desk and chair we are pleased to think that when you seat yourself in the chair and are busied with your clerical labours, your thoughts may sometimes be permitted to stray to the past, 'to the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still.' In bidding you farewell, and wishing you and your good wife and family a happy and prosperous future in the new sphere of labour in the Lord's vineyard to which you have been called, our feelings of 'sweet sorrow' are to some extent tempered by the thought that you are not so far removed as to be unable to pay us an occasional visit in your times of leisure. Signed, on behalf of the congregation.

J. C. GARNETT,
EDWARD KENRICK,
KATE M. EGGLESTON.

The reverend gentleman, who was completely taken by surprise, made a very feeling address in reply.

That cure of Geo. W. Turner, of Galway, N.Y., of scrofula, by Hood's Sarsaparilla, was one of the most remarkable on record.