

1. The Holy scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as "containing all things necessary to salvation," and as being the rule and guide of faith.

2. The Apostles' Creed as the baptismal symbol, and the Nicene Creed as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith.

4. The two Sacraments ordained by Christ Himself—Baptism and the Supper of the Lord—ministered with unfailing use of Christ's words of institution and of the elements ordained by Him.

On the important subject of corporate unity, the Rev. Dr. Caven, principal of Knox College, Toronto, laid upon the table the following statement, which appeared to represent the feeling of the large majority of the members present:—

"Whereas, in the wise and merciful providence of God, divisions in the Christian Church have often been overruled for good, yet in themselves these divisions are to be lamented as productive of many and sore evils, the ideal of the unity of believers set forth in the Scriptures, especially in our Lord's intercessory prayer, while chiefly spiritual in its nature, can be fully represented only in an undivided state of the visible Church, in which perfect fellowship shall be maintained throughout the entire body of Christ, and it is the duty of the Church, and of all its members, continually to aspire towards and labor for the completeness of this manifest union in the Lord."

It was evident from the course of the discussion on the amount of unity in doctrine, worship, and modes of action between the three bodies, a carefully prepared paper on which subject by the Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal appeared to meet the general approval of the conference that the requirements of the Lambeth Conference, in regard to the administration of the Holy Sacraments were fully satisfied as set forth in the formularies of the several bodies.

The subject of the Historic Episcopate was introduced in a learned paper prepared by the Rev. Dr. Carry.

This paper was a clear and careful statement of the historical argument, and was received with great respect by the conference generally. Owing to the shortness of the time no discussion was possible, but at the request of the members present the paper was ordered to be printed and distributed amongst the delegates, so as to come up for consideration at a conference which it was hoped would be held in the near future.

Your committee feel that encouraging progress toward the great end in view was made at this first preliminary conference, a verbatim report of which is now formally presented to the Synod, that the same may be kept of record.

They would, therefore, respectfully recommend to the Provincial Synod that a joint committee be appointed at this session to take part in such further conferences upon the preliminary basis embodied in the Lambeth resolutions as may be found practicable.

Your committee cannot conclude their report without expressing their deep sense of gratitude to Almighty God, who has enabled the members of these several delegations to advance so far in concert along the path of brotherly union and concord, and has thus given grounds for the further hope that under the guidance of the Holy Ghost, the illuminator, the day may not be far distant when our Lord's Prayer for the unity of His body may receive amongst us its fullest accomplishment.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Rev. Mr. Daniels, Rosemount, has succeeded the late Dr. O'Meara as Rector of St. John's, Port Hope. Rev. H. J. Hamilton, Dr. O'Meara's curate, has been appointed to a position in Wycliffe College. Mr. Hamilton was highly respected in Port Hope, and his departure is a source of great regret.

Last week, Rev. A. C. Watt, was formally inducted as Incumbent of Mono Mills. This has been a Mission hitherto, but is now self-supporting. Rev. A. J. Broughall, of St. Stephen's Toronto, officiated. Among the clergy present were Messrs. Webb, Swallow, Daniel, and others.

The Rev. C. E. Brooke, Vicar of St. John the Divine, Kensington, passed through Toronto last week.

Rev. J. P. Lewis has returned from a trip to Alaska.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

MOUNT FOREST.—The Church is progressing quietly and steadily here. The Ladies' Aid and the Girl's Friendly are both busily engaged in work for Christmas time. A Guild to be known hereafter by the name of "The Young Men's Guild of St. Paul's Church," was duly organized lately, Mr. C. J. Agar, President; Mr. William Smith, Vice-president; Mr. A. C. Osborn Secretary Treasurer. Executive Committee, Messrs. W. E. A. Lewis, Ernest Stevenson, John McBrine and Thomas Coleridge.

A most successful garden party was held at Mr. John Allan's, Riverstown. With the proceeds which amounted to the handsome sum of \$45 00 a new organ is to be purchased for the Church.

At Farewell a brand new organ priced at \$175.00 has been placed in the Orange Hall, and gives good satisfaction.

Mr. W. E. A. Lewis is taking a well-earned rest in Toronto, and the Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe goes to Port Hope to preach Harvest Festival sermons next week.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

AILSA CRAIG. The third quarterly meeting for this year, of the members of the Ministering Childrens League, and junior branch of the W. A. M. A., was held at Trinity Church on September 2nd. This branch has been very much interested in Missionary work since its organization eighteen months ago. The children meet fortnightly at the parsonage, under the presidency of Mrs. Shore, for nine months in the year, for the purpose of making up articles of clothing, etc., for Algoma, and take up a collection in their missionary box. There are forty nine members on the roll, thirty six of whom were present at the meeting, besides many members of the congregation. This has been a most interesting and encouraging meeting, owing to the great kindness of Mrs. Boomer, who cheered all by her presence, and who gave a most interesting address in a conversational way to the children, which was very fully appreciated by all present. Mrs. Boomer's enthusiasm on the principles of unselfish and loving work, both at home and in the Mission Field cannot but inspire all with increased zeal and determination to be willing servants in the Lord's service. An interesting feature of the evening was the children bringing their little offerings for the sale of goods, which the ladies are making up for Rev. P. Renison, of Nepigon, each repeating a verse of Scripture on the subject of Christian giving. The collection was very good, and was taken up by two of the boys.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

BRACEBRIDGE.—I am glad to acknowledge the very efficient help which I have received in this scattered and poor Mission through the ministrations of Mr. Burt, a student from Trinity College, Toronto, licensed by the Bishop as Lay reader under my charge.

Mr. Burt has been stationed at Baysville, 16 miles from Bracebridge. From this point as a centre, his work has been to gather the Church

people of the surrounding country into congregations, where the services of the Church might be most conveniently administered.

His labours I am rejoiced to say, have been eminently successful, having found a central position for the people living upon the shores of the lake and bays, as well as for those further inland, in the neighborhood of a family named Boothby, where steps have been already taken to secure a site for and collect contributions towards the erection of a Church suitable to the needs and in accordance with the means of the congregation.

Mr. Burt has already held services in a barn of Mr. Boothby's, which have been well attended and highly prized, with the result of bringing many, infants and adults, to become members of Christ through Holy Baptism: the latter seeking the Divine blessing through the laying on of hands, are instructed weekly by Mr. Burt in the elements of the Christian Faith.

Mr. Wallis, a resident churchman owning a steam yacht, has often placed the little vessel at the disposal of our Missionary, thus rendering valuable assistance to our cause, in bringing church people from the distant parts of the lake to church. At no distant day we hope to see Baysville the centre of a thriving Mission doing its utmost to support a resident Missionary. A considerable sum has already been promised in envelope contributions to be set aside for the first day of the week; to be humbly presented to God according to Apostolic and Church practice in the courts of His House. We trust this scheme will have become an accomplished fact by the time that Mr. Burt has to leave to resume his studies in Trinity College. I am quite sure Mr. Burt will carry away with him the good wishes and heartfelt regrets of all amongst whom he ministered with such painstaking and indefatigable zeal.

Our Sunday School work which has always, under the able and earnest supervision of Mr. Clemont, been bright and hopeful, has received a fresh impetus for good in the presence of Mr. Burt. Church doctrine and Bible Truth have ever been taught in it without diminution or amendment—with the uniform result of the trumpet which gives no uncertain sound. The children are prepared for the day of battle—learn from the very first the duty and blessedness of earnestly contending for the Faith once delivered to the Saints.

Trusting this brief account may be interesting to those who are striving with us for Christ and His Church.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the Church Guardian:

SIR,—Will you kindly state in the CHURCH GUARDIAN that the Journals of the 1st and 2nd Sessions of the Provincial Synod are out of print, and that, in order to obey the instructions of the Provincial Synod at its present Session, viz.: to bind and forward a Journal of every Session to the Church House, we must appeal to individual Churchmen to send us a copy of the 1st and 2nd Sessions.

Address: Very Rev. T. e. Dean of Quebec, Hon. Clerical Secretary, Quebec; or, Dr. Davidson, Q.C., Hon. Lay Secretary, Montreal.

SIR,—No words confirm more surely the existence of that Apostolic spirit which resulted in Apostolic times in a community of worldly goods, or prove more undeniably, the reality of the Communion of Saints, in its earthly aspect in our own day, than the action of those ladies who came so nobly to the rescue of the Missionary Clergy of Algoma in the education of their children.

Surely, it is a noteworthy outcome of the practical value and significance of organized Church effort, as such, especially when the generous and sympathetic heart of woman is at the root of it.

BENEFICIARY.