

Huntsville Mission.

VEN. ARCHDEACON LLYWD, INCUMBENT.

Trinity Sunday, June 5th, was the third anniversary of the opening of All Saints' Church. On June 4th, the Triennial Council being closed, the Bishop and several clergy came on from North Bay. The services began with Matins and Confirmation at 9 o'clock a.m. There were three candidates for confirmation. At 10.30 the ordination service was held. The Bishop preached the sermon. Mr. T. J. Hay was admitted to the diaconate and Rev. J. Hickland advanced to the priesthood. The Archdeacon, the Examining Chaplain and the Rural Dean of Parry Sound joined in the laying on of hands. At the celebration of Holy Communion, the Bishop being the celebrant, Rev. A. W. H. Chowne read the epistle, and Rev. T. J. Hay was gospeler. The congregation was large and the singing hearty. Mr. Charles Llywd, the blind son of the Archdeacon, was the organist.

The Sunday-school annual service was held in the church at 3 p.m.—18 classes with 21 teachers and officers form the Church's nursery in this parish. The school service was said by the incumbent and addresses were given by the Bishop and visiting clergy. An offering of \$3.98 was added to the school funds.

At the evening service the anniversary sermon was preached by the Bishop a most effective discourse on Christian privilege and duty. Revs. Messrs. Boydell, Chowne, Hickland and Hay took part in the service.

On Monday, June 6th, a social gathering was held in the church hall. Tea was served from 6 to 8 o'clock, followed by short addresses by the Bishop and the six other clergy present. The speeches were interspersed with suitable music and songs. Taken as a whole the services and social gathering were marked with the evidences of success and happiness.

Port Arthur.

REV. J. W. THURSBY, R. D., INCUMBENT.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—In the evolution of this world Ascension Day, 1898, will be remembered for many years to come, as being the date of the death of one of England's greatest men, the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone. Of his talents, his political and literary genius, and in fact the whole of his splendid earthly career, we have all, no doubt, seen reviewed in the memoirs of his life which have appeared in the newspapers and magazines, and the nation acknowledged its loss by according him the solemn ceremonial of a public funeral, and laid the worn-out frame of the "Grand Old Man" to rest in the environment of others of its "mighty dead" in Westminster Abbey.

The third annual choral festival of the united choirs of Port Arthur and Fort William was held on Ascension Day, at St. Luke's Church, Fort William, at 8 p.m. The responses were chanted to a

setting of Talis, the service being intoned throughout by Rev. J. W. Thursby, the special Psalms, Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis to chants from the Cathedral Psalter, the anthem being "Lift up your heads" (Hopkins), and the offertory sentence, "He that soweth little" (Martin). The sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Thursby.

Whitsunday and Trinity were duly marked in this parish, a fair number of communicants being present at the celebration on each occasion. On the afternoon of Trinity Sunday the Sunday school attended in the church, when Mr. Thursby conducted the regular monthly catechising. The following Monday saw the recommencement of daily Matins, which will be said in the church throughout the summer and autumn until the cold weather prevents us using the edifice every day on account of the expense necessary to heat so large a building.

The extension of our school building will have to be taken in hand very shortly, the present accommodation being insufficient; and with this end in view a concert was held on May 17th in the Silver Cross Hall, the proceeds of which will make a good start in the way of securing funds for this object.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew met on Monday evening, the 6th inst., and among other matters the advisability of sending a delegate to the annual convention was discussed, and it is most probable a representative will go from the chapter here.

The Boys' Brigade is getting along very well under the tuition of Mr. T. J. C. Rodden, who is a most capable instructor. A parade has already been held, and the boys are looking forward to the time when they are to go into camp.

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REV. J. PARDOE, INCUMBENT.

RAVENSCLIFFE.—The third annual sale and business meeting of the Women's Church Aid Society were held at Ravenscliffe on Wednesday, May 18th. The day's proceedings began, as is usual, with a service in the church. The incumbent, Rev. J. Pardoe, enunciated lessons from the seasons of Rogation and Ascension-tide. At the conclusion of the service those present adjourned to the hall, where lunch was served by the members of the society. After the work (rancy and useful articles, adults' and children's garments) had been examined and numerous articles sold, the incumbent took the chair and the meeting of the W. C. A. S. commenced. The auditor's report was read and approved. It showed the total receipts of the year to have been \$82.06, expenditure \$57.08, leaving a balance in hand of \$24.98. A few encouraging remarks from the incumbent followed, in which he expressed his pleasure at the successful and amicable way in which the society had been carried on during the

past year, after which the business proceedings were brought to a close with the benediction. The following are the officers: President, Mrs. Edmund Tipper; vice president, Mrs. Sharpe; secretary, Mrs. George Tipper; treasurer, Miss L. Tipper.

St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

The Hamilton Local Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew held its quarterly meeting last Thursday evening in St. Luke's Church, Burlington. R. H. Young, Secretary of the Dominion Council, was present, and at the close of his address announced that Bishop Dudley, of Kentucky, Mr. Jas. L. Houghtaling, of Chicago, and Mr. G. Harry Davis, of Philadelphia, had already been secured for the Dominion Convention, to be held in Hamilton in September.

A letter was read from Bishop DuMoulin, reminding the members of the responsibility resting on them to make the convention the most successful in the history of the Brotherhood.

Reports from the chairmen of the different committees show that the billing and other details are being rapidly pushed forward.

Association Hall, which will accommodate about one thousand people, has been secured for the business and mass meetings.

A resolution was passed expressing regret at the removal of Walter DuMoulin, a most active member of St. Mark's Chapter, and wishing him success in his new field of labour at Bruce Mines.

The following was left over from our English Letter, last month's issue:

Last August (1897), for the first time for I suppose 2,000 years, the Jews held a national assembly. It met in the town of Basle, in Switzerland, and sat in conference for three days. Two hundred delegates from all parts of the world, representing Jews of every nation, attended this wonderful gathering, and 550 telegrams poured in, sent by Jews of every country under heaven. It was summoned as the "Zionist Congress" to take counsel as to the means whereby Palestine was to be restored to its rightful owners and Israel become a nation dwelling in its own land. The members who deliberated represented every class and position of life, but they consisted largely of literary, professional and wealthy men. The enthusiasm was marvellous, and when one speaker bid every man raise his right hand and repeat after him, in Hebrew, the words, "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning" (Psa cxxxvii. 5), the excitement was intense. Yet even this was nothing to the shouts and cheers which greeted the last words of the president as the conference broke up: "NEXT YEAR AT JERUSALEM." The congress closed on August 31st. Did any of its members know that it was on the 31st of August,