

THE MEMORIAL CHURCH, LONDON, ONT.

ued to be held by the rector or a lay assistant until 1879, when the Rev. R. Fletcher took charge.

Soon after this the parish was divided and St. Luke's congregation removed their place of worship to Dundas street east, which has since been known as St. Matthew's Church. Rev. W. M. Seaborne is at present the rector of a flourishing congregation in this church. In November 1887, Canon Richardson opened mission services in the southern part of his parish at the corner of Adelaide Street and Hamilton Road, in a building formerly occupied by the Primitive Methodists. For a year he held a service there every Sunday evening after the regular services in the Memorial: There are now Sunday morning and evening services held at the usual hours, and a flourishing Sunday School in operation. This year there has been erected a neat brick chapel for the carrying on of this good work to be known as All Saints Mission Chapel. It is situated near Inkerman street, and in a neighborhood which has hitherto been much in need of church ministrations.

Thus there are at present three churches having their regular services on the ground where, less than fifteen years ago, there was but the Memorial Church alone.

During this period the Memorial Church has still continued to grow and prosper, and maintain a steady advance in parochial, diocesan and missionary work.

PRAYER sends the soul aloft, lifts it up above the clouds in which our selfishness and egotism befog us, and gives us a chance to see which way to steer.

A school teacher, on seeing a young scholar misbehave, said to him: "I am sorry you did this for I had formed a very good opinion of you." The boy went home and confessed to his mother that, if he had known what a good opinion his teacher had held of him he would not have done wrong. Had this teacher said: "I have had my eye on youfor some time, and now I've caught you," the boy would simply have been confirmed in his sus-

picion that no one expects a boy to do anything but the wrong thing. It ought to be a simple matter to show a child or a man that our first impulse toward him is one of trust rather than distrust. And when one has gone wrong he will be better helped by our showing that we appreciate the fact that he has gone wrong in spite of the good we believed him capable of, rather than in accordance with our suspicions of him.

VOLTAIRE, who was considered the cleverest man in Europe in his day, and died in 1778, prophesied that 100 years from his time the Bible would be a forgotten book. When the 100 years were up the Bible Revision Committee was sitting in Europe and America. In 1884 the British and Foreign Bible Society distributed over 4,000,000 copies of the Scriptures. This has been the fulfilment of Voltaire's prophecy. The foreign mission enterprise has been one of wonderful success. The fact is that by the very success of the work, by the openings in every heathen land and by the crumbling of old heathen superstitions a crisis has been reached in missions. It will tax the energies of the Christian churches to occupy the fields, which to-day are open to them. There is a mighty call to us from every quarter to go forward.

It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinions; it is easy in solitude to live after our own. But the great man is he who, in the midst of the crowd, keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.

LIFE is not so short but there is always time enough for courtesy.