

was largely attended. Besides the immediate relatives, many lifelong friends of the deceased were mourners, and following these were the Warden and Vestry of St. Jude's Church, Carleton, the boy scholars of St. Jude's Church Sunday School, the Directors of the Protestant Orphan Asylum, representatives of the various commercial interests and private citizens. The cortege, which was a very long one, proceeded to St. John's (Stone) Church, where the very impressive funeral ceremonies of the Church were read by Rev. Geo. M. Armstrong and by Rev. Mr. Parnther, the choir effectively singing appropriate hymns. When these had been concluded the remains were conveyed to their last resting place in the Rural Cemetery, the Rev. Mr. Armstrong and Rev. Mr. Dowling taking the services at the grave.

SACKVILLE.—The Rector, through the columns of the *CHURCH GUARDIAN*, cordially begs to thank the kind friends who interested themselves in making him the unexpected recipient of a very handsome fur overcoat. He would also express his sincere thanks to the generous contributors to this object. If their esteem and regard is in any degree proportioned to the warmth and comfort of their valuable gift, it would indeed be a cause of much gratitude to their Rector.

THERE are seven vacant missions in this Diocese, viz:—Aberdeen, Albert, Baie Vert, Canterbury, Johnstone, Madawaska and Weldford. The Bishop-Coadjutor, during his present visit to England has secured a number of missionaries to fill these places, provision for their support having been made by the Board of Home Missions. The first of these clergymen, Rev. J. A. Cresswell, arranged to sail on the 17th. He is from St. Augustine's, and his mission will be Albert. We hope soon to welcome back Bishop Kingdon.

PORTLAND.—*St. Paul's.*—We are sorry that the Diocese and this parish are to lose the valuable services of the Rev. F. S. Sill, who leaves here at Easter to accept a parish in the State of New York. Mr. Sill will be greatly missed and his faithful labours will not soon be forgotten.

The annual meetings of the Ladies' Association of the Church of England Institute will be held on Tuesday evening next.

DIocese OF MONTREAL.

ST. JOHNS.—The *News* says:—"Our peaceable town was literally taken by storm on Wednesday by a wedding party from the neighboring parishes of St. George and St. Thomas. The high contracting parties were Miss Ida Salls, daughter of our esteemed friend, Mr. Daniel Salls, of Clarenceville, and Lieut. Rodney F. Derick, of Noyan. They were married in St. James' Church by the Rector of this parish, Rev. J. F. Renaud, at 5 p. m. The bride was accompanied by her parents and sister, by Mr. and Mrs. R. Goid and several other friends, and the groom by Mr. and Mrs. Naylor, Messrs. Conrad and George Derick, Mr. Kemp, Miss A. Derick and others. After the ceremony an impromptu banquet was held at the Windsor Hotel, when the health of the bride was proposed by the Rev. Mr. Renaud and responded to by the groom and the brother of the bride. Afterwards the happy couple took passage for New York, where they have gone for their honeymoon."

BOLTON.—A "surprise" party waited upon the Rector one evening last week and presented him with many tokens of their warm interest in his welfare and appreciation of his labours. Addresses were made by J. C. Hall, Esq., Rev. W. Ross Brown, of Mansonville, the Rector, and others.

CLARENCEVILLE.—A very pleasant and agreeable "sociable" came off on Wednesday, the 16th,

at the house of Mr. John Hunter. A most happy evening was spent by those present, and a goodly sum went into the coffers of the Ladies' Aid Society.

DIocese OF ALGOMA.

The Treasurer begs to acknowledge the following contributions:—

General Diocesan Fund—G. E. H. Guildford, England, £5, and F. E. H. Guildford, England, £5, in loving memory of S. M. H. Westwood Farm, Gravenhurst, per E. Birkenshaw, Esq., \$2.00. Anonymous, London, Ontario, \$7.

Steam Yacht Fund—Nottingham Collection, per C. C. and C. S., £2. 12s. Alex. Aixon, Esq., \$25.

The *Canadian Gazette* says that Bishop Sullivan was present at the consecration of Canon Barry in Westminster Abbey, as the representative of the Canadian branch of the Anglican Church. Dr. Sullivan was amongst the prelates who assembled to receive the Primate.

DIocese OF NIAGARA.

A meeting of the Mission Board of this diocese was held on the 15th inst. The Bishop presided; Archdeacons McMurray and Dixon, Rural-deans Bull and Spencer, Messrs. W. Y. Pettit, B. R. Nelles, and J. J. Mason, present. A new mission consisting of Glenallan, Hollin and Drayton, having been recommended, a temporary grant of \$75 was made to the Rev. A. G. Westmacott, to enable him to procure assistance for the present. A grant of \$100 was made to Palmerston, and the same amount to Ridgetown and Georgetown; to Lincoln and Welland travelling mission was granted \$450.

HAMILTON.—*Church of the Ascension.*—A very edifying and eloquent lecture was given on the 14th inst., in the capacious Sunday-school room, by the Rev. J. Williams Ashton, of the United States, and former of England, on "The Four Pillars of Temperance," which, says the *Spectator* was of a most interesting character, being entirely different in style from the usual run of temperance lectures. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Mr. James, curate of the parish, who opened the service with the usual devotional exercises. Mr. Ashton on coming forward, introduced his subject with a few pithy and seasonable remarks, which had the effect of putting his audience in a thoroughly good humour. He said: "The time was when temperance was tabooed and ridiculed, but now men see that it is to their interest and advantage to be temperate. When we look at the work which it has done we are compelled to admit that it is a blessing and we should honour it, and endeavour to ascertain how we are to promote the cause. In touching upon the subject, the first pillar is Reason. Reason declares that intoxicating liquors are not required for purposes of health. Health is that condition of the body and mind which enables both to perform their duties properly and without trouble or pain. It was thought years ago that the nerves needed alcohol. Now it has been proven that alcohol is a poison. It strings the nerves up above par, but a reaction follows and more alcohol is needed. Gradually the amount taken is increased till the moderate drinker becomes a drunkard. On the score of economy as well as health, reason declares that it is better to do without alcohol in any form. The second pillar is Science. Science means true knowledge, and a true knowledge of physiology and science which deals with diseases proves that alcohol is not necessary, therefore science is on the side of temperance. The third pillar is Scripture. There are two kinds of wine spoken of in the Scriptures—the wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and the wine that mocketh. If the Bible is on the side of temperance, and it certainly is,

then it becomes our duty to turn our faces to the foe and wage war till the great evil of intemperance is exterminated. The last pillar is Experience. Men used to say that it was utterly impossible to do laborious work without strong drink. Now we know that it is not so, as the hardest workers, blacksmiths, carpenters, iron puddlers—a class who, in England, work from 4 o'clock in the morning till 8 o'clock in the evening, before a furnace that would scorch you or me—can live and work without using any kind of intoxicating liquor. Drunkenness is a disease as well as a crime. It destroys the will power, and its victims sink lower and lower. Moderation does not, and never will do, for the greater part of humanity. Then it is time that we were up and doing. Experience proves that work of the brain and work of the hand can be done without the use of liquor. What we want is men who will take up the cross, if not for their own, for their children's sake. I believe in moral suasion. Prohibition and moral suasion are both good, but moral suasion is the better. The lecturer closed his remarks by inviting any who had not already done so to sign the pledge. A vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Adam Brown, seconded by Mr. John A. Barr, and carried unanimously.

DIocese OF QUEBEC.

PASPEBIAC.—The *Quebec Chronicle* says:—"Our readers will regret to learn of the fearful ravages of that dread scourge, diphtheria, at the Rectory, Paspebiac. On the 8th inst., Willie Scholick, aged seven years, eldest son of the Rev. T. Blaylock, succumbed to the malady, which, on the 13th inst., proved fatal; also in the case of the youngest son, Percy Claude, aged two years and nine months. From a letter received yesterday, we learn that the Rector and Mrs. Blaylock, as well as their two remaining children, are suffering from the disease." We sympathize very deeply with our brother and his bereaved family.

DIocese OF HURON.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS.—The annual meetings are being held generally this month. The London City are arranged to commence on the 29th inst. The Bishop and all the city clergy are expected at each meeting. The following is the order: Tuesday, 29th, Christ Church; Wednesday, St. Paul's Church; Thursday, Memorial Church; Friday, St. James' Church; Tuesday, February 5th, Chapter House; Wednesday, St. George's Church; Thursday, St. Matthew's Church, to commence each evening at eight o'clock.

LONDON.—*Christ Church.*—At Evensong on the Sunday after Epiphany his Lordship the Bishop was the preacher. The service was read by the Rector, Rev. J. W. P. Smith. The text of the evening sermon was St. Luke xiv. 16-24. The preacher described the great feast prepared through Christ for all who believe on Him, and spoke of the various excuses given by those who desired not to partake of its richness. He warned all to beware lest GOD might accept their excuses, and say "They shall not partake of my feast." This finished work of Christ was pointed to as all that was necessary to reconcile the sinner and God. There is not one burdened soul which cannot find relief in coming to Christ, as His grace is sufficient for all. The offertory, after the sermon, was in aid of foreign missions.

WARDSVILLE.—In St. James's Church the Old Year was closed and the New Year commenced with a solemn service, comprising hymns, the litany, silent prayer as the New Year broke, the doxology and the administration of the Holy Communion.

NEWBURY.—Christ Church has recently suffered from the loss of some of its well-to-do members, who have gone to places where there is more business. Nevertheless there is an earnest manifested. The young people confirmed a few months since striving to show their love for Christ,