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The grants made by the S.P.G. for Mission work in Canadian dioceses for 1900 amount to 8157 pounds.

We are sorry to learn that the Rev. W. Hunter is leaving Sunderland, but we hope that he may be much used in the eastern parish to which he goes

The Archbishop of Canterbury has in his keeping the book in which the signatures of all royal brides and bridegrooms married in England are written.

During the year ending March 31st, 1899, the Church Missionary Society received 129 legacies, aggregating over \$166,000, the smallest being about \$7 and the largest \$19,440 Might not many more of us in Canada remember God's work when making our wills, and leave something for the extension of his kingdom.

A meeting of the clergy of the rural deanery of Durham and Victoria is to be held at Millbrook, (D.V.) on September 21st and 22nd, at which a rural Dean will be elected and missionary meetings and exchanges arranged for. The Rev. R. Seaborne, the new rector of Bowmanville, will preach at the service at St. Thomas church on the evening of the 21st.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Church Missionary Association of the C M.S., is (D.V.) to be held at Wycliffe College, Toronto, on Thursday, October 6th, at 8 p.m., and the annual meeting of the Gleaners Union on October 7th. These meetings are very inspiring and we would advise anyone who can, to attend. The evangelization of the world is committed to the Church. Let us learn what is being done and help to do our part.

The Orillia Packet said "The Lord's Day is one of the bulwarks of our civilization and the saving salt that arrests the materialism and secularism which threatens to enervate our people and deprave our institutions.' Let us see to it that we hold fast to the rich heritage we have in one day in seven for rest and worship.

Mr. Franklin Fyles, the dramatic editor of the New York Sun savs "there are five thousand theaters in America and that one million and a half people attend them each week-day night, spending seventy millions of dollars a year on theatre going " Well may one ask, is it money well spent? Think how many poor it would feed, how many needy clothe or give employment to, or it would support an army of seventy thousand missionaries doing battle for our King.

Mr Frederick Wahl, who visited Lindsay in August in the interests of the "Evangelieal Churchman' and "Gleaner," was drowned in Grass Lake, near Orillia, on Sept. 3rd. He was a student of Wyciffe College, and has been a contributor to Parish and Home, having written more than once for its pages. His sad death so far from relatives, his father being a member of the Archbishop of Canterbury's hestorian mission, and probably in England at the present, reminds one of the uncertainties of life, and the exhortation "Be ye always ready."

Miss Anna B Marsh, who has been with her brother at St. Peter's Mission, Hay River, McKenzie River Diocese, for the last four years has returned from the far north, being accompanied by Mrs. C. Jewett. They reached Edmonton about the 25th of August, having left Hay River early in July. Gold has been discovered near Great Slave Lake, and many will no doubt soon be seeking for the precious metal. More missionaries and teachers are needed in that diocese to publish the word of which the Psalmist says "It is more to be desired than gold, yea than much fine gold."

Harvest Thanksgiving services will (D.V.) be held in St-Pauls on Sunday, Oct. 1st. We have much to be thankful for.

On Sunday, August 27th, in the absence of the rector, the Rev. W. J. Creighton, of Bobcaygeon, officiated very accept ably in St. Paul's church.

The Rev. Mr. Farncomb preached in St. Paul's Church on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, morning and evening, and preached two interesting and helpful sermons.

Mr. W. H. Vance took the duty at Cannington on Sept. 3rd, while Mr. J. H. Knight took the services at Fenelon Falls and St. Peter's, Verulam. It is good to have laymen willing to help in God's work in this way.

The Canadian Church Missionary Association has asked all friends of the work to unite in making one Sunday in the year a C.C M A. Sunday, and the third Sunday in September has been chosen. As this society has missionaries in Japan, China, Palestine, South America and the North West, sent from our own Canadian Church, it should receive hearty and general support. We trust that Sunday, September 17th, will be widely observed with prayer and offerings.

The Rev. Canon Osler, of St. John's church, York Mills, has lately been the recipient of numerous congratulations on his 85th birthday. He is the oldest active clergyman in the diocese, having been nearly sixty years ordained and having held his present charge for more than a quarter of a century. He still conducts the services and preaches each Sunday and looks after the pastoral needs of his flock. We join with many in wishing him grace and strength to still witness for the Master.

During his absence the rector not only had the privilege of visiting his old hone at Clarksburg (where a new church is being built) and preaching a couple of times there, but he also spent a Sunday at Mulmur, a former parish in which he worked and where he received many kind welcomes. The Rev. F. J. Lynch, formerly of Sunderland and so well known in Lindsay, is in charge, and God seems to be richly blessing his work there. The following account of the reopening services is taken from the Evangelical Churchman : "Harvest Thanksgiving services were held in St. Luke's Church on Sunday, August 20th, on which day it was re-opened, after having been thoroughly and beautifully re painted. A few tamil es generously replaced the old windows in the body of the church by memorial ones of cathedral glass, which greatly heightened the effect of the painter's work. The church was filled at the morning service and the congregation rejoiced to see in the pulpit the Rev. C. H Marsh, of Lindsay, who, sixteen years ago, was incumbent of this parish and is still held in high esteem by his former parishioners. He preached a thoughtful and pointed sermon from the text. "From the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven," after which he had the joy of meeting fifty five of the worshippers at the Lord's Table. The children s service at 3 p. m. was also well attended. After an address by the Rev. J. J. Lynch, the present incumbent, Mr. Marsh spoke briefly, but aptly. In the evening hundreds were uuable to find room in the church, so the service was held in the church yard. The large and scattered congregation joined heartily in the service and listened attentively to Mr. Marsh while he preached with great power from Acts viii. 20. The thank offerings, including the new windows, which cost \$35, amounted to about \$90.