

(February 18th) admitted to Deacons' Orders, Mr. Medikayala Sadhuvu, of Dummagudem, and Mr. Christian Paramasagayam Gnanamoni, of Coonoor, and to Priests' Orders, the Rev. Marumudi Jivaratnam, of Ellore, and the Rev. Kalangi Ephraim, of Rhagavapuram.

CEYLON.—The Bishop of Columbo confirmed eleven candidates at Lujanwala, on Feb. 9th, and eleven more at Mampe, on March 22nd; and in the afternoon of the same day, at Cotta, twenty-six candidates received the rite. The last service of the series was held at Upper Welikada Church, on March 23rd, when twelve were confirmed. This was the Bishop's first visit. The Rev. G. S. Amarasekara says, (to the old fashioned little church at Welikada, built in 1848, at the opening of which Bishop Chapman preached the sermon. The place was then known as "Yak-bedda," i.e. the jungle of demons) "where once the devil reigned, now the power of Jesus is manifested in the hearts and lives of the villagers, nearly all of whom are Christians."

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

OUR BISHOP.

THE diocese is to be congratulated in that our Bishop elects to stay at his post as the overseer of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma. At the beginning of June the Synod of the diocese of Ontario met to elect a Bishop coadjutor, who would, in fact, be the practical ruler of the diocese, while he would have the right of succession when Archbishop Lewis altogether retired. The Archbishop of this province of Canada has for some years been in failing health, and it became necessary to have help in the performance of his episcopal duties. As we understand it, Dr. Lewis proposed to attend only to his duties as Metropolitan. As above stated, the Synod met at Kingston and elected the Bishop of Algoma, who declined the election. It is a pleasure to know that our Bishop is so much admired away from home, and a greater pleasure to add that he is much beloved by clergy and lay people in this diocese, who would indeed be grieved to lose their diocesan, and a still greater pleasure to know that our Bishop deems it his duty to stay at his arduous post and to continue the wise foundations he is laying in Algoma. Missionary bishops and missionary priests occupy posts of honor at the front, and should receive more liberal and willing aid from all Church folk. They are true empire builders, too. None more loyal than the Churchman.

The hope we have in Algoma diocese is that our Bishop will long be spared to rule over it—in the possession of good health, with the

increasing love of the people to whom he ministers, and, above all, with the blessing of the great Head of the Church.

While referring to the Bishop, a word may be said to correct a wrong impression abroad—and in print, too—that the Bishop receives \$4,000 (about £800) per annum as stipend. That was the sum Bishop Sullivan received—guaranteed by the Provincial Synod. When he retired, the Provincial Synod said that the Episcopal Endowment Fund possessed by the diocese should provide the Bishop's stipend, and that the several dioceses should contribute to Algoma with the understanding that the Bishop should receive whatever was needed to make up \$3,000.

As a matter of fact, the income from the endowment investments produces about \$2,000 per annum. The Mission Fund, which the Bishop found in debt, has never made up its arrears; the Church has not given us, and we believe we are absolutely correct in saying that the Bishop has not taken one cent from that fund. So that the Bishop stays with us with his \$2,000 a year, out of which he pays his travelling expenses, though invited to go to an organized diocese with better surroundings and an increased income.—*Algoma Missionary News*.

DIOCESE OF MOOSONEE.

RECENT letters received from the diocese of Moosonee bring the discouraging news that in September next the Bishop will be minus three of his missionaries. Are there any men, priests or deacons, who are ready to go and fill the vacancies? Should this meet the eye of any whose heart the Spirit may move to offer for this grand work, the Bishop would be glad to communicate or meet with him. Letters addressed to 33 Shuter street will reach the Bishop during the next six weeks.

DR. MOTODA of the Mission at Tokio, Japan, of the P.E. Church to the U.S. has been on a visit to Hokkaido, the northernmost part of the Japanese Islands, and in his account of the trip, in the church in Japan he says: "I stayed over two nights with the Rev. Mr. Batchelor whom I should not hesitate to call the father of the Ainu people. He holds a position in relation to this peculiar race somewhat similar to that held by Bishop Whipple in relation to the Indians. One morning I attended morning service in Ainu, conducted by himself at his own house. It was one of the most touching services I ever witnessed. He told me that the population there is now 19,000 of whom 1,000 have been converted to Christianity, directly or indirectly by him.