

which position he has now held for ten years, and he has not only brought the choir to a high state of proficiency, but has made the beautiful Abbey famous for successful organ recitals and gatherings of choirs under his direction. Mr. Hemingway, who will enter on his duties in the Cathedral early in April, has passed the examination for a fellowship of the College of Organists, London, the highest degree granted by the College.

COTE ST ANTOINE.—Rumor had it that the choice made by the Bishop of the Diocese of a Rector for this parish was not acceptable to a majority of the congregation, and some grumbling followed thereon. We are pleased to learn that the new Rector, the Rev. Mr. Bushell, seems to have already won back the discontented, and that harmony and progress are the order of the day.

COTE ST PAUL.—This mission has been specially favoured this year in having had for several of the Thursday evening Lenten service the presence of and an address from one of the city clergy. On Thursday evening, 26th Feb., the Rev. L. N. Tucker, M.A., assistant of St. George's Church, delivered an admirable address on "Why do we go to Church," illustrating the value of the Prayer Book, and on the evening of the 5th inst. the Rev. G. Smith, B.A., Assistant at the Cathedral delivered an earnest address, on "Repentance," its character and effect. The attendance at these services, though not as large as could be desired, is nevertheless good.

LACHINE.—Great earnestness and activity in Church would work characterize this parish. The several chapters lately formed for carrying on different branches of the parish are working admirably. The Sunday school has largely increased in numbers; weekly Communion is celebrated; and daily Lenten service is held with good attendance thereat.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

The *Gananoque Journal* says: The Bishop of Ontario is suffering severely from rheumatic fever.

The *Mail of Toronto* in its telegram from Kingston says: A Coadjutor-Bishop will have to be appointed for the Diocese of Ontario. The Bishop is becoming too weak to stand the work falling upon him.

PRESCOTT.—On Sunday, the 22nd Feb., 1891, Mr. Patrick Macmillan, an esteemed and respected yeoman of the township of Edwardsburg, entered into his rest. The funeral service was held in St. John's Church, Prescott, on the 24th Feb., and was largely attended. The deceased settled in Edwardsburg about the year 1851. He was a zealous and devoted member of the Church of England, always sympathising with her work and liberally supporting that work with his means. Throughout this long period of forty years his uprightness and integrity and Christian graces were well known and highly appreciated. He bequeathed \$50 to the Diocesan Mission Fund, and a further sum of \$50 to the charitable work of the Church in Prescott. *Requiescat in pace.*

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—A Missionary Conference by the graduates and students of Wycliffe College was held in the library of the College on the 2nd inst. The students' Mission Society has been in existence for over nine years, and in carrying on its work has met with great encouragement. The chief objects of the Society are:—1. The establishing and carrying on of Missions in places not having services of the Anglican Church; and 2, the supplying of vacant Missions and churches. During the year 1890 five such Missions have been regularly supplied, and

others supplied for short periods, with services of the Church. Mr. J. W. J. Andrew is President of the Society; Mr. Fred Wilkinson, Treasurer, and Mr. H. H. Cunningham, Secretary.

The proceedings in the forenoon consisted of an intercessory service conducted by Rev. G. M. Wrong, M.A.

In the afternoon the Rev. Prof. Lloyd, M.A., Trinity College, read a paper on 'Japan,' in which he dealt with the pros and cons of mission work in Japan, its pleasures and its difficulties.

Rev. Septimus Jones, Toronto, next submitted a paper on 'China,' in which he described some phases of Mission work there and dealt at some length with the Chinese religion, especially 'Ancestor Worship.'

A paper by Mrs. C. H. Marsh, Lindsay, on 'Women's Work for Missions,' was read by Mr. J. W. J. Andrew. In this essay Mrs. Marsh referred to the many openings for women in Mission work, and also pointed out how these openings might be used.

Discussions followed the reading of each paper, several of the members asking questions on points that had been referred to by the speakers.

The evening session began at eight o'clock, and was largely attended. Maps illustrative of the progress of Mission work were hanging on the wall. Venerable Archdeacon Boddy, M.A., presided, and addresses were delivered by Ven. Archdeacon Phair and the Lord Bishop of Huron.

The Archdeacon is Superintendent of the Indian Missions in Manitoba and has been working for 25 years in Rupert's Land. He impressed upon the audience the reality of mission work and the good that had been done among the Indians. He hoped the work would still progress, and that more men and money would be supplied to carry on the work of evangelizing the heathen.

Bishop Baldwin delivered a short address on the progress of Mission work. Everywhere Christian churches were being built, and no heathen temple was under course of erection. Heathen temples were decaying, for the influence of the Gospel was increasing.

PETERBORO'.—The quarterly meeting of the Rural Deanery of Peterborough was held here on Thursday, March 5th. The following were present: Archdeacon Allen, of Millbrook; Rev. Canon Hardy, of Apsley; Rev. Canon Davidson, of Colborne; Rev. J. E. Cooper, of Hastings; Rev. W. E. Cooper, of Graton; Rev. W. C. Allen, of Millbrook; Rev. George Warran, of Lakefield; Rev. J. W. McCleary, of St. Luke's; Rev. J. C. Davidson and Rev. C. B. Kenrick, of St. John's.

Holy Communion was celebrated at St. John's at 8:30, after which the programme of the meeting was proceeded with. A resolution was passed congratulating the Archdeacon upon his elevation, and welcoming him to Peterboro'.

The morning was taken up with a study of the Greek Testament and Liturgy.

In the afternoon reports were presented, the several Rural Deans setting forth the work done during the year. A discussion followed on the apportionment of the large missionary bequest of the late Archdeacon Wilson, and it was recommended that the money be devoted to aggressive Church work in new centres.

At 5 o'clock the members attended the afternoon service at St. John's Church, at which Rev. Mr. Kenrick's full surplice choir was present.

In the evening a Public Missionary meeting was held in the new South Ward Mission building, where there was a good attendance. Addresses were delivered by Archdeacon Allen, Rev. W. C. Allen, Rev. Canon Harding, Rev. John Gibson, Rev. W. E. Cooper and Rev. Canon Davidson. The addresses were principally on the different branches of the Missionary work of the Church, and the whole tone of

the meeting was of a most hopeful character. It was stated that the St. John's Church subscription towards missionary purposes for the present year had increased \$60.

Archdeacon Allen in his address spoke of the Missionary work that had been done in the South Ward, and congratulated St. John's on the handsome building, a result of the work. He recalled days spent in Peterboro' some years ago and expressed the hope that the earnestness and zeal that had characterized them in the past would still be evinced in the future.

Rev. W. C. Allen said there was a small comprehension of the magnitude of the missionary work of the Church of England, because it had been their policy to say little about it. Even in the Canadian branch, so comparatively small large sums were apportioned to the cause of Missions, and in the Canadian Church they had now four men in the foreign field. In closing he appealed to members to work for the extension of the kingdom of Christ and the principles thereof.

Canon Harding gave an account of Missionary work in the back woods where he had spent his whole life. While it had its discouragements it also had its encouragements.

Rev. John Gibson reported that Norwood had been divided into two centres. Havelock constituted a parish with a clergyman and lay reader in charge. He said it was different in a city and in a town like Peterboro', and the people here with the great privileges they enjoyed, might well extend a helping hand to their less fortunate brethren.

Rev. W. E. Cooper gave an exhaustive address on 'The Position and Work of the Church.' This address was an exceptionally able one and very interesting.

Rev. Canon Davidson, in concluding the meeting, said it was a pleasant thing to see them working and progressing so encouragingly. There was a spirit of aggressiveness and zeal making itself felt throughout the Church in Canada such as had been experienced in England. Active and enterprising clergymen were going into the field and the laity were coming forward to aid them.

At the close of the meeting a liberal offertory was taken up.

C. E. T. S.—The Executive Committee of the Church of England Temperance Society of the Diocese of Toronto have begun the issue of quarterly leaflets. Leaflet No. 1:—The Executive Committee to ask more earnestly for the co-operation of the clergy in their endeavor to extend the membership of the Society. They think all will regret that though there were nearly seventy parochial branches in the Diocese those now actively at work are comparatively few. Whatever be the cause of this apathy the fact is to be deplored. The evils arising from intemperance do not decrease, and a steady and continuous effort is indispensable in order to extend the influence of temperance. One cause of the apparent apathy is, undoubtedly, the difficulty of making arrangements for the frequent meetings which have been thought essential to the workings of a branch. In reference to this the Committee quote the words of their predecessors in last report, "that when it is difficult to arrange for meetings an occasional special service in the Church would be a very suitable way of keeping members interested," and desire to emphasize the suggestion. The distinct teaching of the Church of England Temperance Society is that intemperance is a sin, and the committee are disposed to think that no better way can be proposed than that the members be invited at intervals to take part in a special service, while the more social aspect be made less prominent. Another cause for the apparent want of interest may be that sufficient attention is not drawn to the peculiar feature of the Church of England Temperance Society—the dual basis. It has always been comparatively easy