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## CLERICAL VISITATIONS.

PROTESTANT HOSPITAL.—The Clergy visit in turn each week.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AND CONVALESCENT HOME—The Clergy in turn.

NORMAL SCHOOL.—The Religious Instruction Class every Friday during the session, Rev. H. Pollard.

GAOL.—Rev. I. J. Bogert.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS WOMEN—Ven. Archdeacon Lauder.

PROTESTANT ORPHAN'S HOME—Rev. J. M. Snowdon.

HOME FOR THE AGED—Rev. G. Bousfield.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY—Rev. H. Pollard.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—The mid-day services at this church have been very poorly attended this year. When the services were first introduced two years ago everybody seemed to think that a long felt want had been supplied, and the church was usually full of worshippers who seemed anxious in this way to snatch a few moments from the active pursuits of their business and devote them to the purpose of prayer and meditation. It is much to be regretted that the want of interest in these services may oblige the promoters thereof to advise that they be not held next Lent.

Confirmation classes are being held regularly, and a large class of candidates, from forty to fifty in number, are to be confirmed soon after easter.

The services which have been held every Thursday evening at Anglesea Square, during Lent, have been attended by an average of fifty people. The Rev. A. W. Mackay, who is in charge of this mission has aroused a great deal of interest among the people, who, for the most part, belong to the poorer class. They are taking steps to have the mission hall lighted with electric light, hitherto the hall has been lighted with oil lamps. Mr. Mackay secured special preachers for these Lenten services, and I may add, that the visitor is usually as much

impressed as his congregation by the heartiness of the singing, the devoutness during prayers, and the unflagging interest in what he may have to say to them.

GRACE CHURCH.—The Lenten services in this church have been fairly well attended. Daily service has been held at 5.30 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday at 8 p.m. There have also been daily readings at the close of the services upon some aspects of the Christian's life.

The Lord Bishop of Ottawa has been preaching a course of sermons upon "Some aspects of the Holy Communion." If it would not be considered presumptuous to criticise these sermons I should say that they were models, not only of theology, but of clear concise reasoning. The large congregations attending the evening services at which these sermons are preached more than attest the unusual interest which they have aroused. It is seldom indeed that a congregation has the privilege of listening to so clear and able an exposition of a subject as the Holy Communion, concerning which perhaps too many of our people have such hazy indefinite ideas.

Confirmation classes are being held every Tuesday and Wednesday, and is hoped that the candidates will be sufficiently advanced to be confirmed soon after Easter.

An Organ Recital was held in Grace church on the evening of the 16th March and was enjoyed by a large congregation. Among those taking part were Miss Garfoot, Messrs. Galway, Rowan-Legg, Mothersell, Blanchet, and Rev. Gorman, all of whom contributed vocal selections. Messrs. Herr Koehler, violin, and Wimperis, violoncello were accompanied upon the organ by Mr. Newman.

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH.—The Bishop of Ottawa has been preaching a course of sermons upon "Some Aspects of the Cross and Passion of Jesus Christ" at the Sunday morning services during Lent. These services have been largely attended. The Rector, Rev. J. J. Bogert,