

surprise of the day was the tug-of-war, as everyone expected that the Medicals would win it; but our men tugged admirably, and at the end of the allotted time it was found we had gained a foot on the Meds. The second tug with the Wesleys was easily won in 2½ minutes. One of the Medicals was heard to remark on the field, "We couldn't pull the Church." The men who have the honor of composing The Inter-Collegiate Tug-of-War Team are: L. Swalwell (anchor), W. Taylor, S. Smith, H. Belford, W. H. Cassap, J. Brisco and G. Fox.

During the illness of the Rev. M. Custance, the services at Keewatin are supplied from the college.

The Rev. H. A. Gray, of Edmonton, has been staying in college for a few days.

The Church Society has arranged for a series of lectures for the winter. The Rev. C. C. Owen is shortly to address it on "The Knowledge of God."

RAT PORTAGE.

On Wednesday, October 26th, Mr. Thomas Cathcart, of Beaver Mills, and Miss Nora Asmus, of Long Point, Minnesota, were married by Rev. J. W. B. Page, in St. Alban's Church. The bride was dressed in white-organ-die with tea roses, and the bridesmaid, Miss McRitchie wore cream muslin. Mr. J. L. Hackett supported the groom. The happy couple left by steamer on Wednesday evening for Beaver Mills where they will reside.

MANITOU MISSION.

The repairs to the rectory are still in progress. The plasterers are now at work, so it is hoped the building will be ready for occupation by November 1st.

The incumbent would remind the Sunday school scholars, the teachers and the parents, that the Advent Sunday school Examinations are drawing nigh. This is the time to thoroughly review the year's work and prepare for the examination. Will the teachers kindly see that no portion of the work assigned each class on the programme of studies is omitted by any scholar. Sometimes it happens that a scholar has learned well all the work assigned his class except a few Bible verses or a small portion of the Catechism. According to the rules under which our examinations are conducted such scholars must wait another year and complete the work before he can draw the prize for that class. A little more care on the part of parents and teachers, and harder study by the scholar, would overcome this difficulty and produce results more gratifying to all concerned.

St. Matthew's is this year the banner Sunday school of this Mission. Which of our Sunday schools is to win the banner and hold that honor for next year? Parents, teachers and scholars, you are all interested in this matter. Remember it is the quantity of work thoroughly done that counts in this competition.

Mr. George Winram has been elected people's church warden for St. John's parish, Manitou, instead of Dr. H. H. Black, who has resigned that office.

CLEARWATER MISSION.

In connection with the reduction of grants to the Missions throughout the Diocese, would it not be advisable to form in each Mission a board to control, or at least to apportion, among the various parishes the amounts to be raised for general Mission purposes: as for example, clergymen's stipend and synod offertories?

It is intended to form such a board in this Mission, and we trust, by bringing the various parishes together, a more united and successful effort will be made.

Why do not our people respond better in the services? Surely there is nothing undignified in any creature giving thanks and praise to His Creator. There is no reason why our voices should be nearly inaudible. It is for the purpose of worshipping we attend church, to pay our homage to our ever-blessed God and Father. Then let us, with clear voices and thankful hearts, join in the praise of His Most Holy name.

CARTWRIGHT MISSION.

On the invitation of the incumbent, the Rev. H. Beacham, of Killarney, exchanged Sunday duty on October 2, for the purpose of conducting the Annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services. Unfortunately the weather turned out to be most unpropitious, and in consequence of this, though Mr. Beacham had driven through the rain to make his appointment the day before, the service at West Derby had to be abandoned. He was, however, able to officiate at Holmsfield and Cartwright, at both of which places there were tasteful decorations. An unusually large congregation assembled at Cartwright, and a very enjoyable service was held.

SWAN LAKE MISSION.

On the 25th ult. the incumbent held the first service at Pembina school house at 7 p.m. The congregation was too large for the building, several having to stand outside. The service was very hearty, and as the majority present were church people the prospect for this point is very encouraging. We were glad to see several of the Swan Lake people present. The next service will be held on the 23rd inst.

Fair Day was a busy day for the Somerset Ladies' Guild. Dinner, tea, and a sale of work kept the members engaged during the whole day, and right well did they do their work. It was pleasing to have the voluntary assistance of some ladies not connected with the parish, one a Presbyterian from Swan Lake.