

he admitted his vast inferiority to them in zeal, in devotion to the Christian cause and in love of souls, but he gloried in being a member of the same army in the service of the Master. Thirty-one years ago—a longer period, he said, than the majority of those present had been in existence—he had gone forth to labour in a land where, at the present time, he was 700 miles from the nearest railway station, 500 miles from the nearest shipping port and 650 miles from telegraphic communication. He enlarged pathetically on the hardships he had undergone. He had performed many long and weary journeys in the northern land, often occupying as many as 20 days, during the whole of which he had not seen as many human faces. He had passed nights with no roof over his head, and so intense was the cold that in the morning he was often surprised to find himself alive. Had any of the wealthy of the land experienced along with him the sufferings of those nights when the temperature was 40 or 50 degrees below zero, that is, 70 or 80 degrees below the freezing point, he was sure that pecuniary assistance and reward would now be showered upon him without stint, and that any request for funds he might make would be granted to the fullest extent. He referred specially to a tedious and dangerous voyage he had made through Hudson Bay to England. So numerous and treacherous were the icebergs, and so boisterous and foul was the weather, that progress was impossible and the voyage was protracted till the people of England had given up all hope of the ship's safety. The missionary society had felt constrained to make a small recognition of his toils and troubles, and had given him \$40,000. He next referred in touching and pointed language to the social ostracism he endured in his wide and lonesome diocese. He did not hate human society, nor the genial discourse of those who had been educated similarly to himself, yet he had consented to banishment from all these sources of happiness. Was he not, therefore, entitled to their consideration and assistance? Even he had undergone the agony of separation from his wife and young children, whom he had sent to loved England that all his children might enjoy the advantages of an English education. In conclusion he dwelt upon the arduous nature, extent and successes of his labours. The duties of Bishop, he said, in by far the largest diocese of America, involved something like real labour. It was no child's play. He had himself translated the whole Prayer Book, the whole New Testament, Psalter and a good hymn book into certain native languages, which he said he knew as well as English. Other translations had been made by one or other of the five clergymen under him. Since he went amongst those rude people they had been educated to such an extent that they could now read their books as well as any of the congregation he was addressing. They were regular church-goers, devout worshippers, large numbers of them had been confirmed, and they communicated with perfect regularity. The ceremony of marriage was also observed amongst them and respected in an exemplary fashion. He had only five clergymen under him at present, but he ought to have ten. Pulpit restrictions prevented him from saying many things he had to say, but he would address them on Monday night without such restraint.

BRIGHTON.—On Monday evening, 10th inst., the Lord Bishop of Toronto held a confirmation service at St. Paul's Church, which was thronged with a deeply interested and attentive congregation. Prayers were said by the incumbent, Rev. R. H. Harris, after which the Bishop delivered an earnest and eloquent address to the candidates (fourteen in number), clearly explaining the nature of confirmation, and affectionately urging them to work for Jesus, and fight strenuously under the banner of that Saviour to whom they were about to pledge themselves. During the afternoon of the same day a strawberry festival was held on the grounds of Mr. Platt, an old and liberal supporter of the Church in Brighton. A large number were present, and all hearts were won by his lordship's kindness and urbanity of manner. No doubt the progress of the Church in this parish has received an impetus by the presence (even for so short a time) of our good Bishop. On Sunday morning more than half of the recently confirmed partook of the Holy Communion. The Rev. R. H. Harris has taken a trip down the St. Lawrence for change and rest, Rev. R. Jones, recently ordained, taking the services here for one Sunday.

THORNHILL.—The annual Sunday-school picnic was held on Thursday last, 13th inst. A very enjoyable day was spent by the young people and by the relations and friends who had contributed so liberally to their wants. Several ladies gave choice selections of vocal music, and a variety of games afforded great amusement to the children as well as to the spectators. An event of more than usual interest marked the proceedings of the day. Mr. Henry Richards, who has held the office of clerk and sexton for the

lengthened period of fifty years, had expressed at the last vestry meeting his intention of retiring from the position he had so long occupied to the entire satisfaction of the whole parish. The congregation felt that something was due to mark their appreciation of such an old and faithful servant, and accordingly purchased a beautiful clock of chaste design and superior workmanship, which was presented to Mr. Richards after a few words from the rector. All present, both old and young, were deeply interested, and Mr. Richards returned his sincere thanks to those who had so kindly manifested their good will towards him.

CREEMORE.—In accordance with notice previously given by his lordship the Bishop, confirmation was held in St. Luke's Church here, on Friday, July 14th, at the hour of 11 o'clock, a.m., and although it was a very busy time, the majority of the farmers being engaged at their hay, the congregation was exceedingly large. The attendance on Sunday could not be otherwise than large, if any response at all were given by the people to the earnest appeals of their beloved pastor, the Rev. Rural Dean Forster, who is a thoroughly conservative evangelical clergyman. On the two Sundays preceding confirmation, the incumbent preached from the text taken from 1 Cor. xi. 28, "Let a man so examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup." After explaining the different parts of the Communion Service, he went on to show that those and only those who attained to the knowledge of their own unworthiness were fit subjects to approach that Holy Table. There were twenty-one young persons presented themselves for confirmation—nine males and twelve females. Previous to the laying on of hands, the Bishop delivered a most excellent and instructive address, warning the people in general, but the young in particular, that as we are living in an age when many inducements are held out to draw off our people, especially the young, from the old and tried paths (those people telling them that one church is as good as another); and reminded them that the Church of England was the true branch of the Apostolic Church, planted in Apostolic times, and that it was not only a privilege to belong to it, but a duty devolving upon them, the candidates, to thoroughly make up their minds to cling to it until their lives end.

On the Sunday following confirmation another pleasing circumstance was witnessed, in response to the earnest appeal made by the excellent incumbent, that those young persons who had lately been confirmed should partake of the Sacrament. A number of these young persons nobly responded to the invitation. There were fifty-five communicants in all. On Sunday, 16th inst., the Bishop held confirmation in Stayner, at which there were seventeen candidates, making in all in this parish thirty-eight candidates. Mr. Forster is doing a noble work in this parish; God grant that he may be long spared to finish it.

NIAGARA.

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HAMILTON.—Receipts at Synod Office during the month of June, 1892:

MISSION FUND.—Offering Collections—Drummondville, \$18.75; Stamford, \$5.55; Caledonia (additional), 25c; Diocesan Missionary Meetings, \$41.59. **Donation**—Anonymous, \$50.00. **Parochial Collections**—Palermo (additional) \$1.75. **On Guarantee Account**—Rothsay, \$50.00; Marshville, \$50.00.

ALGOMA AND N. W. FUND.—Hamilton, Ascension, \$36.57; Cayuga, \$10.00. **Intercessory Collections**—Queenston, \$2.41; Aldershot, \$8.00; Drummondville, \$11.25; Stamford, \$8.00; Palmerston, \$6.12; Hamilton, St. Marks, \$5.00; Erin and Garafraxa, \$4.75; Welland, \$5.67; Merriton, \$1.85; Homer, \$1.65; Grantham, \$2.70; Fort Erie, \$7.33; Norval, \$8.50; Hamilton, All Saints, \$10.00; Orangeville, \$8.00; Arthur, \$4.15; Parker, \$1.95; West Luther, \$6c; Stewarton, \$4.18; Nanticoke, \$2.06.

HURON.

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GLENCOE MISSION.—His Lordship the Bishop has licensed Mr. Charles Miles to act as lay reader in the mission parish of Wardsville, Glencoe and Newbury, under Rev. W. J. Taylor.

WATFORD.—The annual garden party and strawberry festival of Trinity Church was held by the ladies of the Guild, at the residence of Mr. T. Fawcett, on Wednesday evening the 5th inst. The grounds were beautifully illuminated with Chinese lanterns. The Watford brass band was in attendance, and a large company of friends assembled on the beautiful grounds. A very liberal sum was raised for the church exchequer. The congregation of Trinity are under obligations to Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett for their kindness in this renewed manifestation of love for the "old Church."

WARWICK.—The Rev. T. A. Hyland, of New York city, has undertaken the clerical duties of St. Mary's Church, Warwick, at 11 o'clock a.m.; of Grace Church, on Fourth Line, at 8 o'clock p.m.; and of Trinity Church, Watford, at 7 o'clock p.m., on Sunday, 17th inst.

GODERICH.—Rev. R. Hicks wishes, on behalf of St. George's Church, to acknowledge with many thanks the handsome donation of \$23.25 from Mrs. Fletcher's school, the proceeds of their closing entertainment—a substantial addition to the building fund of St. George's Sunday-school.

LONDON.—St. Paul's.—One of the most delightful boating excursions and picnics of the season was the annual holiday of the choir of St. Paul's. The organist and choir, accompanied by Rev. Canon Innes and A. Brown, with their good ladies, rowed down the Thames to Springbank, where they spent a very pleasant day "a-gipsying"—a recreation well merited.

LONDON SOUTH.—The sacred concert held in St. James' Church was greatly enjoyed by a large congregation. The programme was as follows: quartette by Misses Finnmore and Howell and Messrs. Cole and Cordingley; trio by Misses Howell, Finnmore and Hodgins; solos by Miss Hughes, Messrs. Cole and Hall; Dr. Verrinder performed two selections on the organ. The choruses of the choir, assisted by a few members of the city choirs, were sung with good effect. The concert was under the direction of Mr. Cordingley, organist of St. James. The Rector of this suburban parish is to be congratulated on the satisfactory results of his labours in the parish and its valuable nursery, the Sunday School.

LONDON WEST.—The ladies of St. George's Church and the Sunday School had a strawberry festival and garden party on Tuesday, 11th inst., on the handsome grounds of Dufferin College, kindly given to them for the purpose by the Rev. Dr. Darnell. Lawn tennis and croquet formed part of the amusements of the party. The Italian band was engaged for the afternoon, and the band of the Fusiliers gave some excellent selections in the evening. It is unnecessary to say that the feast provided by the ladies was more than usually enjoyable. Rev. Mr. Newman, the incumbent, with Mrs. N. and family, were active participants in the work and pleasures of the party.

WATFORD.—A condensed report of the Ruridecanal Chapter, held in this place on the 11th and 12th insts., will appear next week.

MOORETOWN.—The Rev. Dr. Armstrong has announced his intention of organizing a branch of "The Church of England Temperance Society" in the parish, making this place the head-quarters for the present. No doubt a large number will immediately identify themselves with us. Cannot yet give you his plan of working it.

MARTHAVILLE.—There is a hope that in a short time this place, with Oil City and Oil Springs, will be formed into a mission, and many will hail such with delight, as at present the people have to go to Petrolia to attend service.

THORNDALE, (W. Nissouri).—Rev. W. N. Wray, Incumbent of St. George's church, is lying very ill, and but little hopes are entertained of his recovery. Meantime the clerical duties of the Mission are performed by the clergymen from other parishes. The Rev. A. Brown, of St. Paul's, London, officiated in St. George's last Sunday at morning and evening services. At a special vestry meeting of St. George's and Grace churches, the church-wardens have been authorized to wait upon the Bishop in reference to the appointment of a successor to Mr. Wray.

KITLEY.—The Bishop paid his visit to this mission on the 17th and 18th inst. His lordship was met at the Irish Creek Station by several of the clergy on Monday noon, and the party drove thence to Frankville, the head quarters of the mission, where a Confirmation was announced to take place at four o'clock. The church was filled by a reverent and attentive congregation, representing all parts of the parish. Great pains had been taken to give the church a festive aspect. In addition to the beautiful altar-cloth &c., which Mr. Leathley, the incumbent, has received from friends in England, the altar was profusely decorated with flowers, whilst plants brightened other parts of the chancel. The choir sang "Soldiers of Christ, arise," as the Bishop and clergy entered the church. The service commenced with a short evensong, taken by Rev. Rural Dean Grout, and Rev. W. Wright; the Rev. J. Osborne and Rev. J. W. Weatherdon reading lessons; Rev. Rural Dean Nesbitt acted as the Bishop's Chaplain. Thirty-five candidates, of