

work among Chinese. It was what may be called an ideal field of missions—plenty of hard work, but the brightest prospects. The gold and silver of British Columbia was a special attraction to settlers. Rossland, only three years old, now 6,000 population, theatre, saloons, gambling dens, and for a long time no church. Unable to send clergymen for lack of funds. Might be none there to-day but that one offered to go without fixed stipend. Nelson, very small place three years ago. Now 3,000 souls; centre of mines and railways of Kootenay; likely to be 10,000 souls before many years. Within a radius of a few miles from Nelson were a dozen towns with populations varying from 150 to 500 and 900; total 9,000. Such as Sandon, Slocan, New Denver, Three Forks, Kaslo, Trail. In whole of Kootenay estimated population 20,000 to 25,000. Only provision for these, three frame churches and three clergymen, and no prospect of any more for some time to come. There was no better mission field in the world. A few hundred dollars now given was the means of making a self-supporting church. Rev. H. Irwin went to Rossland less than two years ago, and without any aid from outside had his own stipend provided for, built a church without debt, and now has a flourishing congregation. And there are probably half a dozen places in the diocese where the experience of Rossland could be repeated if a man, young and unmarried, could be got to go in without guaranteed stipend, or if the W.A. in Hamilton could guarantee to the Bishop, say, \$200 or \$300 for two or three years. The result would be a church without debt and self supporting, and able to help others. It was a most important work for Canada to lay the foundations of this new province of British Columbia in truth and righteousness. Mr. Tucker also spoke of several very striking features in Chinese work. Its 8,000 heathens in the midst of Christian cities and province. We own the power if we only try to reach them. Surrounded by subtle influences of civilization and Christianity, they plant their heathen idols in the midst of our cities. It was a clear call of God to evangelize these heathen in our midst. They are willing and anxious to learn, and of their own accord attend classes, commit verses of Scripture to memory, sing hymns, join in prayer, and are most teachable. True, they are anxious to learn English in order to command better wages. All the same, knowledge of English puts them in relation with us, and opens a door into their minds and hearts, and only the Spirit of God is needed to make them loving members of the Church. Finally, return to their native land, which is the object of their ambition, has been used as an argument against their admission into the country, but from the standpoint of the Church a great blessing. Make Christians of them, and on their return to China as missionaries, they will leaven and help to convert the Chinese Empire, and so assist in the solution of the great problem of bringing the whole world to a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. His Lordship, in closing, thanked Mrs. Maclaren for her kindness, and then pronounced the benediction.

Christ Church Cathedral.—Rev. Canon Bland sailed for England on 20th November, per steamship "Manitoba," from New York. His Lordship the Bishop of Hamilton preached at the morning service.

St. Matthew's.—Rev. Father Whitcomb is conducting a mission in Barton.

All Saints' kept its anniversary by a bright service and celebration on All Saints' Day.

St. John's.—The children's monthly Eucharistic service at nine is well attended. The service, which is choral, is beautifully sung and most impressive.

St. Thomas'.—The monthly meeting of the W.A. met on Thursday. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 o'clock, at which there was a good number, despite the pouring rain. The meeting in the school-room was most interesting. The report of work told of increased activity and zeal. The week after St. Andrew's Day being appointed for special intercession, and also self-denial, was referred to by the president as one calling for our special attention. Seven new branches were formed during the last month.

Port Maitland and South Cayuga.—His Lordship the Bishop visited this parish on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 9th and 10th, and held Confirmation services in both churches. Nineteen candidates were presented. On both days weather and roads were very disagreeable. A pleasing incident occurred in connection with the services. One candidate, a woman, was unable, on account of the weather, to cross the river to the Port Maitland church on Tuesday, but much to the incumbent's surprise and pleasure, turned up at the other church next day. The good-hearted people's warden of Christ church, who is by no means a young man, had driven two miles from his home to the river, and then eight to the South Cayuga church, in order that this candidate, with her aged mother, might be confirmed.

HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, LONDON.

Ingersoll.—St. James' Church Y.P.S.C.E. presented the retiring rector, Rev. Arthur Murphy, with a gentleman's travelling case and sterling mounted silk umbrella, and an address. The Circle of King's Daughters presented him with a very handsome surplice as a slight token of their kind regards.

Mitchell.—New Trinity church will be opened the first Sunday in December by his Lordship the Bishop of Huron.

Rev. W. Stout, for some time in charge of the Church of England at Summerhill, Helmesville, and Middleton, has been transferred to Kirkton.

Stratford.—At a recent meeting of the Vestry of St. James', the Rev. H. H. Tancock was appointed curate. The county convention of the King's Daughters and Sons, held in St. James' chapel, proved very successful, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Rev. D. Williams presided. After a few opening remarks by the chairman on the relation of the order to the church, the county secretary, Mrs. R. B. Barber, read her address of welcome and report of county work, showing that the order is represented in Perth by four circles—Watching Circle (Stratford, having 70 members), Loving Circle (Stratford, 10), Trusting Circle (Mitchell, 32), Opportunity Circle (St. Mary's, 20). Mrs. Mooney, leader of the Watching Circle, being unavoidably absent, Mrs. Brooker, vice, read a paper on the "Solidarity of the Order," by Mary Lowe Dickinson. A report of the Dominion and Provincial conventions, held at Ottawa last month, was read by Miss D. E. King. This report showed a membership of 6,365 in Canada, and included Mrs. Austin, provincial secretary's address of welcome to the Ontario convention. Miss E. Steet rendered a solo in her usual pleasing manner, after which Mrs. Brooker gave a paper on "Thought and Suggestions from the Conventions." The meeting closed with a few appropriate remarks by the rector, on the influence of woman throughout the world. He also alluded in high terms to the usefulness of the King's Daughters in his parish.

Alvinston.—Rev. Geo. McQuillan, formerly of Heathcote, and then of Kirkton, has been transferred to Alvinston, vacant by the removal of Rev. C. E. I. Anderson to Kingsville.

Hensall.—His Lordship the Bishop of Huron visited this parish Tuesday, November 16th inst., and confirmed a class of eleven candidates in St. Paul's church in the afternoon.

ALGOMA.

GEORGE THORNELOE, D.D., BISHOP, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Novar.—The Rev. J. Pardoe, missionary, begs to thank the unknown giver who so kindly sends him (per book post) for distribution in the mission, copies of The Canadian Churchman and "St. Mark's Church Work," which are looked forward

to with pleasure, and eagerly read by the recipients.

QU'APPELLE.

J. GRISDALE, D.D., BISHOP, INDIAN HEAD.

The Bishop of the Diocese recently visited St. John the Baptist parish and administered the Apostolic rite of Confirmation to a number of country settlers, who had come in from long distances for that purpose. The confirmation was held on the Saturday afternoon. The Bishop gave most interesting addresses, conveying straightforward teaching about the gift in Confirmation, and what is expected from those who have been confirmed. On the following Sunday the newly-confirmed received their first communion. The Bishop preached in the morning; in the evening he delivered an address on the Lambeth Conference. The parishioners presented the Bishop with the following address:

"To the Right Rev. John Grisdale, D.D., D.C.L., Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle:

"Right Reverend Father in God,—We, the incumbent, wardens, and parishioners of the church in the District of Moose Jaw, on this your first visit, desire to express our dutiful congratulations to you on your elevation to the Episcopate, and are glad to welcome you as chief pastor of the flock and family of God in this diocese. We have been blessed under God in the choice of yourself as a worthy successor to the two previous occupants of this see. By Bishop Anson, the foundation was well and truly laid, and our late deeply-lamented Bishop Burn built solidly upon that foundation.

"Although we regretted your absence from the diocese for so long a time after your consecration, we trust you have benefited by your visit to the Old Country, and we feel sure that the time so spent was not lost, but rather that it was a necessity for the welfare of the diocese.

"We observed with feelings of pleasure and national pride that you took prominent part in the great service of Thanksgiving at St. Paul's cathedral, London, on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of her Majesty Queen Victoria, and also as Churchmen, we are glad to know that you were one of the 200 Bishops of the Anglican Communion assembled from all parts of the world at the great Lambeth Conference to deliberate for the welfare of the Holy Catholic Church. We are sure that your coming to the diocese will be the harbinger of new life and enthusiasm to the cause of Christ and His Church, and we trust that your work among us may be blessed, and that you may long be spared to be the shepherd of the flock committed to your care."

Wm. Watson, priest; Jno. Wallis, J. T. Simpson, wardens. Oct. 10th, A.D. 1897.

An address was read from the local Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, as follows:

"To the Right Rev. John Grisdale, D.D., D.C.L., Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle:

"My Lord,—We, the members of St. John the Baptist Chapter, No. 211 of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, desire to tender your Lordship our felicitations on this the occasion of your first visit to Moose Jaw as our Bishop, and tender you our due submission. It is not necessary for us to enter into any dissertation on the past or future of the diocese, but we feel it a duty to remember the heavy responsibility you have assumed in accepting the office of chief pastor of the Church in this diocese, and to assure you of our hearty desire to co-operate with you, in our humble way, in furtherance of the work in this parish. We cannot but regret that there are so few chapters of our Brotherhood in your diocese, being of the opinion that there is ample scope for chapters in all the larger parishes, and that they would be found an incalculable blessing to the young men. We believe there is only one other chapter in your diocese, and we would humbly submit to your Lordship that your influence being used in favour of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, would be a means of strengthening our Church, especially amongst young men, by giving them a more definite interest in it. We do not claim to have