

Trinity College.—The sixth regular meeting of the Literary Institute, was held on the 19th November, Mr. J. S. Broughall in the chair. Mr. Waller read an essay on "The Deceased Wife's Sister Bill," showing the weakness of the arguments in its favour, and the ill effects it is sure to have on the sacredness of family relations. The debate, "Resolved that ignorance has exerted a greater influence on the world than knowledge," was then proceeded with, Messrs. Lowe, Cayley, and Carter speaking on the affirmative, and Messrs. Houston, Broughall, and Mackenzie, on the negative. The question was fully argued, and the various points brought up by both sides loudly applauded. On the debate being put to the decision of the audience, the negative won by a majority of four.

At the annual meeting of the Theological and Missionary Association of the College, the Rev. Provost Body, the president of the association, occupied the chair. There was a large attendance, including many of the city clergy. The president delivered a short address, setting before the audience the objects for which the association was founded, which are briefly:—1. To be a centre for theological and spiritual work in the college. 2. To be a centre from which mission and other work undertaken by the members may be directed and developed. 3. To supply the members with information as to the needs and methods of missionary work. 4. To be a permanent bond of union between students, graduates, and others who desire to promote the work of the Church. In the course of his address he strongly deprecated the cry which has so often been raised against the stress laid upon theological studies, and showed how the earnest pursuit of these studies strengthens the spiritual life of those engaged in them, making clearer the deep fundamental truths on which the spiritual life rests, and prevents the giving undue prominence to one side of this to the dwarfing of the rest. He ended his address with an earnest appeal to all present to devote themselves more earnestly to carrying out the objects of the association. The election of officers for the year 1886-87 was then proceeded with, and the following was the result:—President, Rev. Provost Body; Vice Presidents, Rev. Prof. Jones and Rev. John Langtry; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. H. O. Tremayne; Executive Committee, Rev. J. D. Cayley, Rev. W. H. Clarke, Rev. Prof. Roper, Messrs. E. C. Cayley, M. A. Mackenzie, J. S. Broughall, G. S. Anderson, H. J. Leake, W. J. Creighton, H. H. Johnston, G. Warren, and H. A. Bowden. Rev. J. H. Starr, B.D., read a very interesting and encouraging paper on "Some Phases of Church work in England," which appears in full in our columns. At the close of the meeting the members of the association attended a reception given by the Rev. Provost and Mrs. Body. The association will hold a regular meeting, at which Mr. E. Cayley will read a paper, on Monday evening, December 6th, at eight o'clock. Graduates and friends of the college are requested to attend the meeting, and become members of the association.

ALGOMA.

The Rev. W. Crompton acknowledges with deep gratitude a box from C. W. A. S., Toronto, per Mrs. O'Reilly, Hon. Sec., containing clothes for distribution and prizes for Xmas tree. Also a box from Mrs. Bedford-Jones, Napanee, filled with prizes for the Sunday school children of the Mission.

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The Bishop is just now travelling in the north, through the territory recently opened up by the C. P. R. between North Bay and Port Arthur. Among other points visited will be Sudbury Junction, where it is reported rich deposits of copper have been discovered. Services have been held here frequently by the Rev. G. Gillman, but as his centre is about 70 miles away, he cannot visit it regularly. We shall learn more about this 'terra incognita' on the Bishop's return.

HILTON.—The Rev. H. Beer desires to acknowledge the receipt of two barrels of clothing from the Womans' Auxiliary Society of Ottawa. This is a most timely gift to this mission, and it is received with much gratitude.

The Bishop of Algoma begs to acknowledge the receipt of an anonymous subscription of \$40 from Nova Scotia, which he has applied in aid of the Church and Parsonage Building Fund, and also acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt of \$5 from E. S. R., towards expense of repairs on Mission House at Nepigon Lake.

FOREIGN.

The events preceding the massacre of Bishop Hannington, with many native Christians, at Uganda,

Africa, by the order of King Mwanga, are vividly pictured in the diary of the lamented bishop recently received in London. It is a thrilling narrative of his experiences, up to the day of his death. Besides the torture and mutilation of a large number, thirty-two were burnt alive. The bishop was treacherously attacked, while taking a walk, stripped, robbed and dragged to a loathsome hut, where he became dangerously ill. Allowed to return to his own tent, he became delirious with fever on the seventh day, but on the eighth day was conscious, and made a last entry in his diary, which contains some touching allusions to the comfort he derived from reading the Psalms. Previous to the attack upon the bishop, the native Christians, in spite of persecutions, were not afraid to be baptized, and many of the people bought leaflets containing extracts from the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns.

The popularity of the Bishop of Manchester is still increasing. He is showing no signs of diminishing powers, having recently confirmed 3,400 persons in the Rural Deanery of Bolton in eight days.

One thousand, or more, communicants of the Church in the Llandaff Diocese, Wales, have joined the Lay-Helpers association, pledging themselves to "definite work for the Church."

One of the finest parish churches in England, is said to be St. Mary's, Taunton. Extensive alterations are to be made in it, to be completed, it is hoped, in time for the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee.

The native Christians of New Zealand are assisting missions for the white colonists in the poorest and thinly settled portions of the country.

The Wakefield Bishopric Fund approaches completion, only £11,000 being needed now to make up the required amount; of this a gentleman, who desires his name to be withheld, has offered to give one-half if the rest be subscribed before the end of the year. The Bishop of Ripon has made another most earnest appeal for this amount.

The Melbourne *Argus* asserts that the women in the choir of St. Paul's pro-cathedral in that city, wear surplices, with black capes, and university caps.

Canon Liddon has given £100 to provide some ornament for the cathedral church of St. Mary, Edinburgh, as an expression of his appreciation of the honor done him by the clergy of the diocese in offering him the bishopric.

Bishop Ellicott urges the creation of eight new bishoprics, and proposes that all episcopal incomes, except those of newly created sees, should be taxed to produce £12,000 per annum, in order to raise the £300,000 needed for the new endowments. Bishops, whose incomes would be diminished, might be allowed to surrender the occupation of their expensive palaces and their surroundings.

It has been proposed, as a memorial to the late primus, to clear off the debt on Eden Court, and to fill the great nave window in Inverness Cathedral with stained glass. The first of these objects has been already attained, and the second will be proceeded with at once. A series of designs is already prepared, the estimated cost of which is \$2,500.

At the last Lenten season the Bishop of Ripon made Mr. Jabez Moden a deacon. Mr. Moden was for many years a Unitarian minister. The *Inquirer* (Unitarian) says: Our friend will carry with him into the Church of England the catholicity of spirit and breadth of philosophical and theological thought which have characterized his career among us hitherto.

The Archbishop of York was recently presented by the clergy and laity of his diocese with portrait of himself, made by Mr. Onless, R. A. The portrait, which cost \$3,000, is said to be an excellent one. Rather more than the required amount having been subscribed, a portion of it was expended in a fine bust of his Grace, which was presented to Mrs. Thompson, together with an illuminated album and address which accompanied the portrait.

A new church, dedicated to St. Edward the Confessor, has been built at Netley, within the precincts of the old Abbey grounds. The site, and £5,500, was given by Colonel the Hon. H. Crichton. The tower contains a chime of eight bells.

On October 30th the Bishop of Ripon consecrated the new church of St. Mary, Wortley. It is in early English style and will seat 650, the cost being £4,500. All the seats are to be free and unappropriated.

Lord Grimthorpe, who has given so munificently toward the restoration of St. Alban's Abbey, has not forgotten his own native town, Doncaster, and has always taken great interest in the parish church; his latest gift is a sum of £4,000, which is to be invested for the increase of the endowment, which is only £423, with about £300 given from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and other resources.

At the September ordinations there were 181 candidates in all, of whom 104 were ordained deacons and 77 priests. Of these 115, or upwards of 68 per cent., were graduates of Oxford or Cambridge, a figure higher than it has been for some years past. But there is a very great fall in the total number of candidates, the figures for the corresponding ordinations of 1879—1885 having ranged from 263 to 222, as against 181 this year.

A meeting of the Truro Cathedral Committee was held recently, under the presidency of the bishop. The total cost of all work ordered, including cost of land, amounts to £94,016, out of which £82,384 has been paid, leaving a balance of £11,632 still due. The bank account is overdrawn to the extent of £3,226, making the total liabilities £14,858. Unpaid subscriptions amount to £6,357, leaving a deficit of £8,501.

The three bishops, with whom was left the selection of a successor to the Bishopric of Bathurst, Victoria, have offered it to the Rev. F. W. Goodwyn, vicar of the suburban church of Sharrow, Sheffield, and he has accepted the offer. Mr. Goodwyn is a comparatively young man. During the six years he has been at Sharrow he has done much good work. He was a pupil of Dean Vaughan, by whom he has been recommended to this present appointment. His first curacy was at St. Mary Major, Exeter, and afterward he was senior curate at Doncaster.

An association of clergy and laity in England has been formed to assist those clergy who are suffering serious privation through the non-payment of tithes, and to relieve them, at least at present, from the necessity of taking legal steps to enforce payment.

The Bishop of Durham in admitting to their office seven lay evangelists, described the proceeding as a new departure. "Lay-readers" have, indeed, for some time been authorised in this diocese, but they have acted for particular parishes only. Those admitted on the 22nd will work in any parish of the rural deanery as they may be invited and directed. A similar organisation has been already put into operation in the neighbouring deanery of Auckland. There are several other laymen on probation with a view to being admitted by-and-by to the office of "Evangelist" for mission work in the neighbourhoods of Auckland and Sunderland. Arrangements have been made amongst the clergy to secure for them systematic instruction and preparation for their duties. The Bishop dwelt very earnestly on the good results which had already attended the experiment.

The following letter has been received by the mayor from the late Bishop of Melbourne, Dr. Moorhouse: "Bishopscourt, Manchester. My dear Mr. Stewart—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a draft for £1,115 2s. 1d., the amount of the handsome testimonial presented to me by friends in Melbourne. I beg to thank them, and you especially, and the committee who were kind enough to undertake the trouble of collecting this sum. I may add, for I think you will like to know, that it is a material help to me in meeting the enormous expenses of my removal and re-settlement. I am, my dear Mr. Stewart, yours very faithfully, J. MANCHESTER.

A noteworthy "anti-clerical" meeting has been held in Turin, Italy, and was attended by 6,000 persons, many eminent men among them. It was proposed by Senator Fabretti, that, as reconciliation with the Vatican was impossible, it would be well for Italy to form a devout body of clergy, Christian rather than Roman Catholic, who should combine piety with patriotism. This was felt to be the acknowledgment of the necessity of a national Italian Church, especially since the restoration of the Jesuits. At Milan, also, there is a vigorous anti-Jesuit movement. A series of conferences will be held, in that city, at which members of parliament, lawyers, students and ministers of different denominations will be invited to speak against the Jesuits.