

Miss St. Croix, whose readings were deservedly appreciated.

The proceeds of the last entertainment are to be spent in cleaning up the interior of the School-house, which is badly needed.

AN ORGAN RECITAL is spoken of, to take place shortly.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CHURCH.—Mr. Windeyer is proceeding with his design for the chancel, a perspective drawing of which has been made, and is now posted up for inspection by members of the congregation. This has been done in accordance with a suggestion to that effect made at the meeting of 29th October, at which the drawing shewn was not quite intelligible to all present. We hope now to hear shortly of some progress being made towards raising the necessary funds for these improvements, so that they may be executed next summer.

THE BISHOP OF ALGOMA has taken up his residence for the winter on Willcocks street, and his family have become members of St. George's.

#### TEMPERANCE GUILD.

Two Meetings of the Temperance Guild were held during November. The attendance was good, and several new members were added. At the latter meeting, on the 18th, Prof. Clark delivered an interesting address.

The Annual Meeting of the General Committee of the C. E. T. S. was held at the Synod Office on the 13th ult., and a rule adopted that the blue badge shall be worn henceforth only by total abstainers, and that a red ribbon be worn by those who belong to the general section. This is an excellent rule. There can be no doubt that the cause of Temperance is injured in the eyes of outsiders when they see the badge worn by those whose notions of what constitutes "moderate drinking" are somewhat elastic.

Two "Mission Services" also were held during the month, at which addresses were kindly given by Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, and Mr. Geo. A. Mackenzie. At the next Mission Service on the 9th inst., the address will be given by the Rev. R. A. Bilkey, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Ascension. These services are open to all, and seem to be valued by those who attend them.

The Temperance Guild intend to give a Concert on Tuesday, the 30th inst., in aid of the

expenses of the Guild. As the charge for admission will be ten cents only, it is hoped that the school-house will be filled. As usual with us, the programme will be attractive.

#### INDIAN HOMES.

The Bishop of Algoma speaks very strongly of the Indian Homes—The Shinkwauk and the Wawanosh—at Sault Ste Marie. He considers them of prime importance in training Indian boys and girls to be good Christians and useful citizens. Our own Sunday School has for many years supported a boy and girl at one of these Homes. At present the scholars support a girl, Esther Shingwauk, daughter of an old Chief of that name, but they find it hard by themselves alone to subscribe the necessary \$50 per annum. Is any one disposed to send a contribution in aid? The Bishop of Algoma, who so kindly preached in S. George's last Sunday morning will address the young folks at a Children's Service to be held on the 28th inst., the last Wednesday in the year, at 3.30 p.m. The offerings will be for Esther's support at the Wawanosh Home.

#### OUR COMING YEAR.

In accordance with a wish which has been expressed, we have decided not to continue the arrangements under which the *Canadian Missionary* has been circulated in connection with the *Parish Journal*, but to substitute for that the "*Banner of Faith*," an English illustrated Magazine, which we are satisfied will meet the full approval of our readers, and which will be issued monthly with our issue, the latter of which will form the outside portion in the usual "Parish Magazine" form. As the *Banner of Faith* will not reach us until late in the month, we intend changing our date of issue from the first to the end of the month. Our subscribers may therefore look for an extra issue for December, just before the New Year, and the January number will not appear until a month later. The subscription for the year will be 50 cents, which we request pewholders kindly to pay with their half-yearly pew rent. The *Parish Magazine* is a very useful Parochial Agency, but not a commercial enterprise. To be relieved therefore of the trouble connected with collecting subscriptions will materially lighten the labour of management.