

Of the 669 members of the British House of Commons, all but 117 are Churchmen.

The W. A. presented Mrs. McGachen with an address and badge prior to her leaving town.

It is said that the Duchess of Teck spends more than \$5,000 a year in religious and philanthropic works.

On May 10th, the Bishop of Toronto confirmed 36 persons at St. John's Church, Peterboro, and on the 11th, ten at St. Mark's, Otonabee, and 44 at St. Luke's Ashburnham.

The Rev. Wilson McCann, B.A., of Omemeo, preached at St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto, on Sunday, May 9th, and had the degree of B. D. conferred on him at Wycliffe College on Tuesday, 11th.

At the annual vestry meeting at Reaboro, May 25th, Messrs. Jas. Kennedy and Robt. Thorne were appointed church wardens, while Mr. P. Hawkins and Mr. Brandon were elected sidesmen. Mr. R. Thorne was elected delegate to the Synod.

On Thursday, May 6th, the Bishop of the diocese confirmed 72 candidates in St. Paul's Church, being the largest number by fourteen, we believe, that was ever confirmed in St. Paul's. For this token of his approval we should humbly thank God, and earnestly pray that our new members may be led and taught of the Holy Spirit, and grow in grace and the knowledge and love of God.

On Sunday, June 20th, we expect to have the Masons at St. Paul's Church at the 11 o'clock service, when the Rev. Wm. Farncomb, B.A., will be the preacher, and at 3.30 p. m. the Sons of England have a special Jubilee service in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of our beloved queen's accession to the throne. We are sure that many will be in God's house on that day, and we trust heartfelt thanks and real worship will go up to God for the many, many blessings he has given to us as a nation.

Of those confirmed on May 6th, five came from Reaboro congregation; 28 were males, and 44 females. The first class presented by the present rector, in 1889 numbered 28, of whom only three were men. It is interesting to note that of these three, one has become a clergyman, one has moved to a distant town and has been a Sunday school teacher and worker, while the third is still in Lindsay, a regular communicant and worshipper with the congregation. Of the 25 women then confirmed, 15 have left the parish and only 9 are still regular worshippers with us.

The congregational At Home at the house of the rector, on May 28th was a pleasant and sociable affair, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather; it partook somewhat of a missionary character, and short addresses were given by Rev. G. A. Rix, of Cannington, and the Rev. T. J. Marsh, of McKenzie River diocese. Miss Leary, Miss Sootheran and Miss Russell kindly provided the musical part of the program. Miss Deacon was presented with a very useful travelling bag from the Sunday school, by Mr. Tytler in the absence of the superintendent, and high appreciation expressed of her work in the past, with best wishes for her future. The clergy were pleased to see so many of their friends present, and trust that the band uniting us all

together, may be drawn closer; yea that we may realize that "One is your Father and all ye are brethren."

We are glad to welcome Mr. Champion and family to town, and to St. Paul's.

We regret to lose Mr. N. Cowdry and family from St. Paul's, but wish them every success in their new home.

The Rev. Percy Soanes, of Halifax, has been home for a few days, and preached for us on Wednesday, June 2nd, an interesting and instructive sermon.

The Rev. G. H. Webb, of Colborne, was elected Rural Dean of Northumberland and Peterboro, at the May meeting of the clergy of that deanery, held in Peterboro.

We hope some of our readers are trying to get the prizes offered on the first page of Parish and Home, for the largest list of new subscribers before July 1st. Perhaps five or six new subscribers will get you a prize. We will also give 10c. on each new subscription secured, so young people set to work at once, help us scatter good reading and also earn some pocket money.

We see by Synod circular that Bobcaygeon and Dunsford have given \$104.85 to Diocesan Missions; Cavan, \$220.52; Omemeo and Emily, \$32.80; while St. Paul's, Lindsay, has only given \$22.68. Of course, in foreign missions we have done more than all the others put together, but this is not a very creditable showing with regard to missions in our own diocese, and we hope we may never show such a poor record again.

The members of the choir presented Mr. MacGachen with an address and beautiful ring on the evening of June 5th Mr. T. Walters was chairman and expressed the great loss sustained by the choir in Mr. MacGachen's removal. Mr. Petty read the address, and a few words of personal appreciation of the great help rendered to the choir and church, were spoken by the rector. Mr. MacGachen has been 19 years a member of the choir, and said it seemed like home, and expressed the keen sorrow it gave him in leaving St. Paul's Church and choir, he also gave some few words of advice to the younger members, and said he would often remember the workers here. A hymn was sung, and God's blessing asked on both the departing and remaining ones.

St. Paul's Church is suffering some heavy losses this month in the removal of Mr. MacGachen and family to Winipeg, and in the marriage of Miss Deacon. Mr. MacGachen has been for about 19 years one of the most useful members of our choir, and a helper in many branches of church work, while very, very seldom, rain or shine, would he and his family be missed from the House of God. Miss Deacon has been one of our most faithful S.S. teachers, also had charge of the Sowers Mission Band and Band of Hope, and was active in almost every good word or work. We know that while God removes the workers he carries on his work, and though those going from us will be much missed, we pray they may be kept faithful, and made very useful in their far western homes. As our friends get scattered far and wide, let us remember the truth contained in the words of the hymn,

"There is a spot where spirits blend,
And friend holds fellowship with friend,
Tho' sundered far, by faith they meet
Around one common mercy-seat."