

After a hymn, and an able sermon by the Rev. A. Osborne, from 2 Cor. v, 18-20, the presentation of the candidates for deacons' and priests' orders, respectively, then took place, after which, with a few moments pause for silent prayer, the bishop read the litany, passing, after a hymn, to the communion office, and so to the examination and act of ordination. A large number of communicants partook of the Lord's Supper.

The offertory, in obedience to the circular issued by the house of bishops for Ascension Tide, on behalf of the Board of Missions, was devoted to "Domestic Missions." The Revs. A. W. H. Chowne, of Rosseau, and S. E. Knight, of Port Carling, were present and took part in the services. The Rev. Thos. Llwyd was detained at home by sickness. A number of churchmen and churchwomen were also present from the neighboring mission stations, Gravenhurst, Barkway, Northwood, etc. One very happy feature, among many, in the history of the day, was the fact that, thanks to the interest displayed by the churchwardens, all the candidates were most hospitably entertained by members of the congregation of St. Thomas, a kindness and courtesy which was gratefully appreciated. The day was altogether a very happy one, not only for the pleasant social intercourse for which it gave the opportunity, but still more for the fact that five more laborers had been sent forth equipped (three of them fully) for genuine missionary labor among the sheep scattered over the far reaching, but poorly pastured field of Algoma.

HUNTSVILLE.—EASTER VESTRY.

The Vestry of All Saints' met on Easter Monday and was well attended. The Rev. T. Llwyd in the chair.

The retiring wardens presented their financial statement, which, owing to the mission having no clergyman the previous Easter, covered two years.

The total income from all sources was \$837.22, the total expenditure was \$837.61. The deficit of 39 cents was made up on the spot.

The report of the wardens showed that the settlement of the Rev. Mr. Llwyd had rallied the members and given tone to the church's life. The building committee presented their report showing a liability of \$90.00, the only item of debt on the congregation.

The Sunday School reported most satisfactory progress. The C. W. committee showed that aid had been given to church work by the committee amounting to \$291.00.

The clergyman named H. S. May his warden. J. W. Eccleston was unanimously selected warden for the people. Mr. G. Hunt was reappointed superintendent of the Sunday school, and Mr. Mackie Kinton vestry clerk.

It was unanimously resolved that the envelope system be adopted in place of the annual subscription list. The bishop's circular upon duties of wardens and qualifications of members was read, and members signed the book subscribing thereto. A few well chosen words of counsel and encouragement from the chairman, with the benediction, brought to a close the most satisfactory vestry yet held here.

MACKIE KINTON, Vestry Clerk.

To The Clergy of the Diocese'

My Dear Brethren.—May I once more urge upon your notice the claims of our little Diocesan bi-monthly, the "Algoma Missionary News"? True it is but "a little one," but it can never be anything else, whilst the clergy are indifferent to its improvement. Our welfare depends on it to a much greater degree than is commonly supposed. It can not be that a publication of which 3000 copies are distributed every two months is altogether fruitless, and the gain would be multiplied manifold, were its columns kept supplied with local Diocesan information, showing what the Missionary's life is, and what its difficulties and encouragements. We occupy a peculiar portion in Algoma: we are largely dependent on outside aid, this aid will be in exact proportion to the interest taken, and the sympathy felt, and of this again knowledge furnishes the foundation. Of course, even when the clergy do forward this information, we cannot always guarantee to insert every letter or article received. One may be too late, another too long, a third unsuitable, and so on, and hence a certain measure of discretion must be allowed to the editor, (which he surely ought to be able to exercise without incurring a correspondents displeasure,) but we do guarantee to try and find room for every communication forwarded, and only ask our correspondents and readers to remember, with a little consideration, the peculiar difficulties attending such an enterprise, unassuming though it be, when conducted as this is, at a very remote point, and in the midst of a host of duties, all claiming simultaneous attention. Again asking your co-operation in the conduct of this little paper.

I remain, my dear brethren,

Yours faithfully

E. ALGOMA.

JOTTINGS.

The Homes are going on satisfactorily. The number of boys and girls in residence is larger than at any time during the three years past, and recent arrangements have been made for the house management which promise increased efficiency in that important department.

The Rev. John Manning, formerly Incumbent of Blandford, N. S., is about to remove to the Diocese of Algoma, to take charge of the Mission of Ilfracombe which has been vacant since last October, in consequence of the departure of the Rev. A.S.O. Sweet to England, through ill health.

The Rev. E.F. Wilson, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and two of his children, left for Collingwood on the 8th. He intends visiting Cape Crocker, Parry Island, the Christian Islands, Spanish and Serpent Rivers, and other points in search of Indian children for the "Homes." He intends to be absent about three weeks.

The Bishop's missionary boat, the "Evangeline" was expected from her winter quarters at Owen Sound about the middle of June, in charge of the