

an example was here given for every one to follow. The music, under the direction of Mr. Tuckwell, was ably rendered, and the decorations of the church were the most beautiful that have been seen for years. During the preceding day a number of hampers containing Christmas cheer were sent out to poor families in the parish by various agencies and individuals in the congregation.

HOLY TRINITY MISSION.

The lodgers of Holy Trinity mission, numbering 40, spent a very pleasant Christmas, partaking of a free dinner, consisting of roast turkey, goose, mince pies, oranges, etc. After dinner the afternoon went pleasantly under the chairmanship of Mr. E. H. Taylor, when readings, recitations, songs, etc. were the order of the day. The readings of Rev. C. C. Owen and Mr. E. H. Taylor were heartily applauded. A duet by Miss Burgess and Miss Kennedy was well received, and two solos by Miss Bull, accompanied by her sister on the violin, were heartily encored. Two recitations by Mr. Ellis were splendidly executed and brought forth deserved applause. Rev. C. C. Owen was presented with a student's lamp, and Mrs. Owen a tea service of 40 pieces—contributed by the inmates and workers of the mission, as a token of their appreciation of their worth. Mr. and Mrs. Eades were presented with a handsome Bible each, as a slight recognition of their efficient management of the mission for the past 18 months. Mr. H. H. Smith, Mr. L. Wright and Messrs. Kobold presented turkeys, and Mr. Hammond the oranges, apples, etc.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA, B.C.

Bishop—Right Rev. W. W. Perrin, D.D.
Residence—Victoria, B.C.

Christmas Day, always hailed as the most joyous of all the Christian festivals, was this year cheerier than ever in Victoria, for much of the gloom that overshadowed the continent last year is rolling away and the people, with grateful feelings, poured forth their thanksgivings. The services in the churches were of the usual bright character with special Christmas music, while many of the sacred edifices were prettily decked with holly and flowers.

At Christ Church Cathedral the services on Christmas Day were: 8 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., matins and sermon by the Bishop. At the morning service the musical programme was:

Opening voluntary....."Hallelujah Chorus"
Processional Hymn.....60 A and M
Venite and Psalms.....Chants for the day
Te Deum.....Edmund Turner
Anthem—"Thus Speaketh the Lord of Hosts" Stainer
Hymn.....59 A and M

Kyrie.....Simper in Unison
Offertory Sentences.....Barnes

There was holy communion at 8 a.m., and morning prayer and holy communion at 11 a.m., at St. John's Church, the music being:

Organ voluntary—"Pastoral Sympathy from Messiah".....Hancock
Venite and Special Psalms to Chants.

Te Deum.....Dr. Dykes
Benedictus.....Langdon
Kyrie (M.S.).....L. Bradley
Anthem—"Behold, I Bring You Glad Tidings" Smith
Hymns.....61, 66, 313

Holy communion was at 8 a.m., and morning prayer at 11 a.m., was said at St. James' Church, the rector, Rev. J. S. Sweet preaching, and the order of music being:

Hymn 60.
Festal Responses.
Venite.....W. Crotch
Proper Psalms, 19.....Monk
" " 45.....Ouseley
" " 85.....Tuile

Te Deum.... }
Jubilate } Bridgewater
Anthem—"And there were Shepherds."

Hymn 59.
Hymn 62.
Amen.....Stainer
Kyrie.....W. T. Best
Gloria.....W. T. Best
Hymn 323.
Nunc Dimittis.

Much care and labor were expended upon the decorations at St. Barnabas Church, the screen and altar especially with their bright evergreens, holly, and wealth of flowers showing much taste in design, and altogether combining to form a picture fitting the great festival of The Nativity. The services of the day were:

8 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10.30 a.m.—Choral Matins.
11.30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
Choral, with Sermon.

Venite—Chant 228.
Psalms—19, 45, 85.
Te Deum.....Stainer
Benedictus.....Langdon
Introit.....Adeste Fideles
Holy Eucharist.
Simper in F.

At St. Saviour's Church Rev. W. D. Barber officiated at the services, which were: 8 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., shortened morning prayer and holy communion; 4 p.m., evening prayer.

There was morning service with holy communion at St. Mark's Church at 11 a.m., with special Christmas music.

At St. Luke's, Cedar Hill, the services were: 8 a.m. holy communion; 11 a.m., morning prayer, Rev. Mr. Fiennes-Clinton, preaching.