

and deserves all assistance that can be given to it. The services are bright and devotional, so that the new church is already well filled, especially at evening service. The Communion has gone on steadily increasing. One very distinctive feature in the church work is the assistance given by the ladies and the young people, who have united themselves into guilds and bands for promoting the church's interests. Dr. Gammack must have been deeply gratified by receiving, on Saturday night last, such an affectionate letter of confidence and willing co-operation, and for which he took the opportunity of thanking the people from the pulpit at both services on Sunday. We are sure that all Church people will say God-speed to the work going on at St. Saviour's.

Miss Lizzie A. Dixon acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following amounts for Rev. J. G. Brick, Peace River: St. John's S. S., Ottawa, through Children's Guild, per Mrs. Rogers, Kingston, \$10.39; St. Paul's Church, Brockville, per Mrs. R. V. Rogers, Kingston, \$15; Mr. W. H. Worden, Toronto, \$2.

BRAMPTON.—*Christ Church.*—*Woman's Auxiliary Annual Meeting.*—The officers appointed for the current year were as follows: Mrs. Morphy, president; Mrs. Jessop, 1st vice-president; Mrs. R. Wilson, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Walsh, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Bannister, treasurer; Mrs. Roberts, recording secretary; Mrs. Nelson and Miss Scott were nominated by the incumbent to be members of the board of management. Mrs. Morphy, the president, and Mrs. Roberts, the secretary, have since resigned their respective positions which they have filled during the last five years, from the commencement, during the rectorship of the Rev. C. C. Johnson, who retired in the spring of 1890.

HURON.

PORT DOVER.—On the evening of the 7th inst., the Bishop of Huron administered confirmation in St. Paul's Church, Port Dover, when the incumbent, Rev. J. R. Newell, presented 28 candidates for the laying on of hands; 12 of the candidates were from Vittoria. The Rev. A. Bonney, of Niagara diocese, and the Rev. L. E. Skey, curate of St. Paul's Church, Halifax, assisted in the services.

ST. THOMAS.—*St. John's Church.*—At the quarterly vestry meeting held here on the evening of the 6th inst., the general condition of the church, and especially the finances, passed under review. It was considered to be a matter of encouragement and thankfulness that notwithstanding fresh losses by the removal of several families to various parts of Canada and the United States, the congregation kept up in numbers, both at the morning and evening services. The first effect of the removals referred to was in causing a diminution in the list of contributors, although the weekly offertory presented a fairly good average. The Rev. Dr. Beaumont gave an encouraging and satisfactory report of the general work of the parish, but reminded the vestry that the success of the church greatly depended on the amount of support with which they backed up his pastoral labours.

QU'APPELLE.

There were 17 confirmations in the diocese during the year 1890, and 78 persons were confirmed. In 1889 there were 16 confirmations and 178 confirmed. The number of baptisms show a decided increase over the previous year, 264 as against 225.

The Bishop has received notice from the S. P. G. that they have renewed the grant for £800 for clergy for 1892, and have given a special grant of £100 towards maintenance of Principal of St. John's College in 1892 and 1893.

REGINA.—We have every reason to believe that it will be possible to build our new St. Paul's Church this summer. \$4,000 were raised in eastern Canada and England; a good deal is already in hand, and the rest is a grant from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, which is given conditional upon the parishioners doing what they promised. \$5,000 has been promised locally, and nearly everything depends on the three instalments being paid punctually.

British and Foreign.

A female churchwarden is found in the Dowager Marchioness of Londonderry, who has been admitted to the office at Machynlleth, in the diocese of Bangor.

The Rev. Josiah Thomas, Llandaff, a well-known Welsh Calvinistic Methodist minister, will shortly be ordained in Llandaff cathedral by the Bishop of Llandaff.

Earl Nelson last week, at a meeting of the Society of the Treasury of God, at the Church House, gave an address upon Almsgiving as an essential part of Christian worship.

At York, recently, before a Surrogate acting for Lord Penzance, the long-delayed suit of Hakes v. Bell Cox, for alleged Ritualistic practices at Liverpool, was further formally adjourned to the 25th inst.

The Countess of Shaftesbury has, by way of celebrating her son's coming of age, presented to Belfast the lease of a site for a hospital for ten thousand years, at a nominal rent of half a crown a year.

The Bishop of Nova Scotia, who has gone to England owing to the condition of his health, has left Hull for Sweden on a yachting trip, which will last for some weeks, and from which he anticipates much benefit.

The Rev. F. J. Chavasse, Principal of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, is announced as "the conductor" of the "Quiet Day" to be held at Old Connaught House, Bray, the residence of the Archbishop of Dublin.

Mr. Holman Hunt's picture, the "Light of the World," which was bought by Mrs. Combe for £10,000, and presented by her to Keble College, is to be placed in the chapel at Keble. The organ is to be moved, a chapel to be erected where it stands, and the great picture will be placed over the altar in the new chapel.

Mr. Gladstone, it is said, is very hard at work at the present time in the investigation of certain documents at the British Museum, which will throw much light on a certain phase of Irish history connected with Great Britain.

On Thursday last week there was a special service at St. Paul's Cathedral in connection with the Girl's Friendly Society. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of St. Asaph, who pleaded for the young women in professions and businesses, on whose behalf the society has been founded. The number of communicants was very large.

There was a most interesting meeting of the subscribers and friends of the C. M. S. at Exeter Hall recently, to welcome Bishop Tucker, of Eastern Equatorial Africa. Bishop Tucker told the large assemblage which had gathered to greet him that he had come back to England so soon to plead for millions of souls in Equatorial Africa who were unable to plead for themselves, and to ask for forty missionaries for them.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council now engaged in trying the Bishop of Lincoln's case, have made free use of the books in the famous ecclesiastical library of the late Dean Alford, which was presented to the Church House by his daughter.

The keeping of the Tercentenary anniversary of the founding of Trinity College, Dublin, which the College Board have arranged to take place next year, puts an end to the idea of holding the Church Congress that year in Dublin. Perhaps in 1893 Irish Churchmen might have a visit from the Congress.

During a heavy thunderstorm in Gloucester, the lightning struck the vane of St. Nicholas' Church, one of the oldest in the city, and set fire to the roof. Three firemen, named Citchen, Pike and Baldaro, performed a gallant feat by climbing up a rod in the interior of the spire, and, undaunted by the molten lead which was falling, they hauled up the fire extinguishers by means of a rope, and thus put out the flames.

On Tuesday the Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to Sir. L. Playfair, said he was informed that the effect produced by Schedule A of the Sales of Poisons Act in Ireland had been most beneficial in regard to the sale of ether. In Ireland the use of ether as a beverage was said to have largely decreased, and by some persons it was asserted that it had ceased entirely. It was further said that the sales by the wholesale chemists in Belfast had fallen off about 90 per cent.

Canon Legge, Bishop-designate of Lichfield, probably knows the geography of the diocese over which he is to preside pretty well, as the principal seat at his family is at Patshull. At Lewisham he is much esteemed, and his prospective departure is the cause of wide-spread regret. His nephew, Viscount Lewisham, who represents that borough in the Commons, is the son of his brother, the Earl of Dartmouth.

The Archbishop of Dublin presided at the annual meeting of the Spanish and Portuguese Church Aid Society at Exeter Hall recently, and, in the course of a long address on its objects, needs and present operations, said the great work of evangelization and reform carried on by the Native Reformed Episcopal Churches in the Peninsula was fruitfully and encouragingly successful. He earnestly appealed for the fervent prayers and liberal support of all who are sincerely interested in the progress of the pure gospel in Spain and Portugal.

NEW YACHT FOR MISSIONARY WORK.—A new screw steam yacht was launched last week at Wyvenhoe, from the building yard of Messrs. Forrest and Son. She was built for missionary work to the order of Dr. J. R. Selwyn, Bishop of Melanesia. The new yacht, which was named *The Southern Cross* by Miss Selwyn, is rigged as a three-masted brigantine. Her length between perpendiculars is 130ft., beam 26ft. 6in., and depth 14ft. 3in. It is anticipated that she will attain a speed of nearly eight knots under steam.

Dr. Charles Waldstein, in the *Nineteenth Century*, has given an account of his supposed discovery of Aristotle's tomb. Aristotle was buried in the island of Euboea, and at Eretria, in that island, Dr. Waldstein has found a grave at the foot of which was a clear-cut inscription with the name of Aristotle. In the grave next to this he found a metal pen and two styluses for writing on wax tablets, and among the terra-cotta statuettes also found was one which corresponds to the description given of Aristotle's statue. Dr. Waldstein does not pronounce a positive opinion; but he thinks the circumstantial evidence very strong.

Where is the poorest Living in the Church of England? There are many devoted clergymen throughout the country who are willing to take charge of a parish, and throw their whole heart and soul into the work without any pay whatever, though it goes without saying they have private incomes to meet their needs. The *Clergy List* puts down the poorest living as that of Wainfleet, Lincolnshire, where, at St. Thomas's Church, the parson apparently receives the magnificent stipend of one shilling and one penny three farthings and a small fraction per week for ministering to some two hundred persons. The living of Molesworth is put down at one and eleven pence per week, and another in Breconshire is worth £8 per annum.

The Rev. W. Haslam, having during his tour in India visited fourteen of the Society's stations, beginning with Bombay and ending at Aligarh, was present at last Tuesday's committee. He expresses himself as struck with the earnestness and attention of the native Christians. He had almost always after-meetings and interviews with these natives. Their questions to him about the subjects he had preached upon were pointed and evinced a thorough intelligence. He also saw the Zenana schools, and found the girls quicker in their answers, especially in Scripture words, than English girls of the same age. He is anxious for the development of the scheme of Associated Evangelists, and heard many out in India asking for this aid. The missionaries have in their reports stated how much they have appreciated Mr. Haslam's cordial sympathy, and the spiritual assistance he rendered them during his visit.

The Bishop of Manchester presided at the annual meeting on Friday of the Manchester and Salford Church Day-school Association. He spoke on the question of free education, and said that, having regard to the position and work of the voluntary schools, it was impossible to believe that Government would confiscate those schools by any violent act of legislation. It would argue, he thought, a want of public faith to do so, and would assuredly create a widespread distrust of public morality. He believed also that it would be a great, almost a criminal, waste of public funds for the Government to duplicate the schools, as some persons desired they should. It was thought that the Government, in lieu of school fees, would give a grant of 10s. 6d. per head to all voluntary schools. Whatever the Government measure might be, he urged upon Churchmen the necessity of supporting the Association by more liberal contributions, and especially of employing a larger number of organizing inspectors.