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I remain your faithful brother,
A. N. TORONTO.

Toronto, June 22, 1877.

CONFIRMATIONS.—The Bishop of Toronto will *D. V.*, hold Confirmations during the months of July, August, and September, as follows:

Oro, St. Mark's Thursday, July 5, 2½ P.M.
Shanty Bay, Thursday July 5, 7½ P.M.; Atherley, Friday July 6, 3 P.M.; Orillia, Friday July 6, 7½ P.M.; St. Luke's, Medonte, Saturday July 7, 4 P.M.; Coldwater, Sunday July 8, 10½ A.M.; St. George's, Medonte, Sunday July 8, 3 P.M.; Craighurst, Monday July 9, 10½ A.M.; Waverley Monday July 9, 3½ P.M.; Penetanguishene, Tuesday July 10, 11 A.M.; Wyebridge, Tuesday July 10, 4 P.M.

Whitby, Sunday July 15, 11 A.M.; Port Whitby, Sunday July 15, 3½ P.M.; Duffin's Creek, Monday 16, 10½ A.M.; Pinkerton, Thursday July 19, 11 A.M.; Cookstown, Thursday July 19, 7½ P.M.; North Essa, St. Jude's Friday July 20, 11 A.M.; North Essa, Ivy, Friday July 20, 7½ P.M.; Vespra, Saturday July 21, 4 P.M.; Barrie, Sunday July 22, 11 A.M.; Innisfil, Sunday July 22, 3½ P.M.; Churchill, Monday July 23, 10½ A.M.; Sutton, Tuesday July 24, 11 A.M.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during week ending June 30th, 1877:

MISSION FUND.—*July Collection.*—Trinity College Chapel Toronto, \$4.55.

PAROCHIAL COLLECTIONS.—St. Stephen's, Toronto, \$84.10.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collection.*—Holland Landing, \$6.58; Sharon, \$1.57.

DAY OF INTERCESSION.—Holland Landing, \$2.50; Sharon, 50c.

FIRE RELIEF FUND. St. John, N.B.—St. Bartholomew's, Toronto, Collection in aid of the sufferers by fire in St. John, N.B., June 20th, \$11.

TORONTO.—*Ordination.*—On Sunday, the 1st instant the following gentlemen were admitted to Deacon's orders by the Lord Bishop of Toronto, in the Church of John the Evangelist in this city. Mr. Albert Warburton Spragge, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto, appointed to Charleston, Cardwell Co. and parts adjacent. Mr. John William Forster, Divinity Student, Trinity College, Toronto, appointed to Brooklin, Ontario Co. and parts adjacent. Mr. Thomas Geoghegan, Divinity Student, Trinity College, Toronto, appointed to West Mono Mission, Cardwell Co. On the same occasion the Reverend James Samuel Stone, Curate, St. John's, Port Hope, was advanced to the Priesthood. The sermon was delivered by the Bishop. The following presbyters united with the Bishop in the imposition of hands:—The Ven. the Archdeacon of York, the Rev. G. H. Whitaker, the Rev. Dr. Scadding, and the incumbent of the church, the Rev. Alex. Williams, M.A.

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Bligh; J. C. Morgan, M.A.; Hon. C. J. Douglas; Clarke Gamble, Q.C.; J. H. Perry, J. R. Cartwright, T. A. Agar, C. J. Blomfield, Alderman Boswell, A. R. Gordon.

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COMMITTEES ON MISSIONS IN RURAL DEANERIES, 1877-8.—*Toronto.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. Canon Givens, R.D., A. J. Broughall, M.A.; Clark Gamble, Q.C.; Professor Buckland. *West York.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. H. B. Osler, R. D., F. Tremayne, M.A., A. J. Fidler, B.A.; Hon. C. J. Douglas, James Mozley. *East York.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. E. H. Cole, M.A., R.D., John Davidson, John Fletcher; Messrs. J. H. Perry, D. Ledingham. *East Simcoe.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. A. Stewart, R.D., Canon Morgan, G. A. Anderson, J. C. Morgan, C. H. Clark. *West Simcoe.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. S. Lett, D.D., R.D., W. W. Bates, E. W. Murphy; R. Tyrwhitt, Captain Wheeler. *Durham.*—Ven. Archdeacon of Peterborough; Revs. T. W. Allen, R. D. Canon Brent, C. W. Paterson; Col. Williams, Arch. Wood. *Northumberland.*—Ven. Archdeacon of Peterborough; Revs. W. Stennett, H. D. Cooper. *Peel.*—Ven. Archdeacon of York; Revs. H. C. Cooper, R.D., I. Middleton, W. S. Westney; Messrs. T. A. Agar, J. D. Evans. *Haliburton.*—Ven. Archdeacon of Peterborough; Revs. W. T. Smithett, R.D., F. Burt, W. Jupp; S. S. Peck; James Golborne.

NIAGARA.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NIAGARA.—The ladies of St. Mark's Church, Niagara, beg to acknowledge the receipt of two dollars sent anonymously, for Shingwauk House, Sault Ste. Marie.

THE ST. JOHN FIRE.—To the clergy and laymen of the Diocese of Niagara:

DEAR BRETHREN,—It has pleased the Almighty, in the inscrutable ways of His providence, to permit the city of St. John to be terribly afflicted. A week ago it was a busy and thriving city, the seat of commerce and the abode of thousands of prosperous and happy families. To-day two-thirds of it are mere heaps of smouldering ashes, and thousands of those lately happy families are objects of charity. Those thousands are your fellow creatures, your fellow countrymen, many of them your fellow churchmen. They cry to you for help. You are blessed with the means to afford them that help. Remember that "He, who being rich, for your sakes became poor that ye, through his poverty might become rich, hath said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

I am, dear brethren,
Yours very faithfully,
T. B. NIAGARA.

BURLINGTON.—*A Happy Gathering on a Large Scale.*—Wednesday, the 27th, ult., was a great day on the pleasure grounds of the Brant House. The weather was all that could be desired for an out-door festival. Lake Ontario stretching away from the margin of the grounds to the distant horizon, lay smiling in the sunshine. The fresh green sword, dotted here and there with wide-spreading trees, invited old and young to enjoy, as they might prefer it, a walk, a romp, or quiet repose. Excursion trains, for the occasion, were run on the H. & N. W. and G. W. railways; passengers landing on the grounds about noon. Sunday schools came from Oakville, Burlington, Nelson, Dundas, Flamborough, Lowville, Waterdown, Ancaster, Milton, Hornby, Georgetown, Stewarttown, Norval, and from the Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, all accompanied by their pastors and teachers, besides parents and other friends. There were also present, besides the clergy of the parishes indicated, the Rev. Messrs. Lee, of Acton; Taylor, of Omagh; Canon Givens, of Yorkville; Wilson, of the Shingwauk Home (Sault Ste. Marie); and, to crown all with evident unity and harmonious action, his Lordship, the Bishop of the Diocese. The number of all present has been estimated at from three to four thousand. The various Sunday schools and their friends having refreshed themselves, each under its own tree or tent and banner, and having spent a couple of hours boating, swinging, cricketing, fishing, walking or lounging, according to fancy, the whole scene meanwhile enlivened at intervals with the stirring strains of the Milton brass band, all were called to the *Service of Praise* under a capacious tent erected for the purpose. On the platform were his Lordship the Bishop, Rural Dean Osler, Canon Worrell (whose happy genius first suggested this festival,) Canon Givens, Rev. Mr. Wilson and two Indian boys from the Shingwauk Home, Rev. Mr. Spencer, of Burlington, (presiding at the organ,) and Mr. Stearn, the leader of the brass band. Four hymns were sung, the first and last led by the brass band, the children's and other voices harmonizing beautifully with the instruments. The other two hymns were ably led by Mr. Spencer at the organ. In the intervals of singing short addresses were delivered by the Bishop, Dean Osler, Mr. Wilson, and Canon Givens. The Bishop gave good words of advice and encouragement to teachers and scholars and to the other members of the Church present, and expressed in befitting terms what was in many hearts at the time, gratitude to God for the sight of so many happy faces, and for the cheering evidence of the Church's increasing life and energy as evidenced, for example, by the present gathering. Mr. Wilson gave us, in a clear concise manner, an account of the origin, progress, and prospects of the Shingwauk Home, and, assisted by the two Indian pupils, exhibited a large model of that institution and its immediate surroundings. He gave us also a speech in the Indian language. Mr. Wilson evidently knows the art of teaching, and he has taught us all, both young and old, who were present, to know what is meant by the Shingwauk Home and to take a deeper interest than ever in our Indian missions. Canon Givens, who had himself been formerly for twenty years a missionary among the Indians, spoke, first of the self sacrificing and successful work of Mr. Wilson, who the grandson of the celebrated Bishop Wilson, of India, and the son of the influential rector of Islington, London, Eng., and who, instead of enjoying the comforts of some wealthy rectory in his native land, chooses rather to spend his talents and his life, for the love of Christ and souls, among the rude aborigines. Canon Givens finished a brief but telling address appealing to us who profess a religion of love to be consistent with our profession as we would wish to enjoy happiness in this life and in the life to come. The vast assembly broke up after singing.

"Now the day is over,
Night is drawing nigh," &c.

Thus ended a happy gathering.

MARYBOROUGH.—The special mission services, which were held in this mission some few weeks ago in connection with the Church of St. James', Rothsay, were resumed lately in Moorfield and Drayton, one week of services in each, and have just been brought to a close with the same benefi-