

Common Prayer," Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, M.A. The following gentlemen were then elected office bearers: President, The Bishop of Toronto; Vice-Presidents, Rev. Canon Dumoulin, Rev. John Pearson, Messrs. S. G. Wood and G. B. Kirkpatrick; Secretary, Mr. C. R. W. Biggar; Treasurer, Mr. T. G. Collins; Executive Sub-Committee: Rev. J. D. Cayley, Rev. A. Williams, Rev. J. F. Sweeney, Messrs. George Evans and M. Sheppard. The meeting then adjourned.

MADONTE.—A new Church is to be erected in this township next summer. It will take the place of the one built by the late Rev. George Hattan, when Missionary at Penetanguishene, about half a century ago. The contributions from persons in the district amount to six hundred dollars.

TORONTO.—*St. James.*—The Band of Hope in connection with this Church held a splendid meeting last Friday evening in St. James' School-room. There are now about four hundred members, and of these one hundred belong to the mission station in the northern part of the city known as St. James the Less—an offshoot from the Cathedral. The programme at the meetings consisted of songs, recitations and dialogues, and evinced the careful training the little ones had received. Canon Dumoulin declared the meeting to be the best temperance meeting he had ever attended. Many parents and friends of the children were present.

TORONTO.—*Church of the Ascension.*—The anniversary services in connection with this Church were held on Sunday last, the Bishop of Algoma being the preacher at both services. In the evening his Lordship took for his text, St. Luke xvi., 25, from which he showed that memory would be perpetuated in a future state. Without memory it would necessarily follow that we should have no consciousness of personal identity. We had to believe that a future state would be one of retribution, or in other words each soul must receive rewards and punishment for what had been done in the flesh. The judgment pronounced must come home to each soul as being just. It naturally followed that if that judgment was to vindicate itself in the soul's consciousness in connection with the acts done in life that memory must be perpetuated. The fact that we should retain memory was a warning on the one hand and a comfort on the other. None of us cared to dwell on the dark pictures of our past lives, and the punishment of being compelled to remember all the acts of this life would be in itself a dreadful one for the unsaved sinner. The reflection should be a powerful restraint from wrong-doing, even with those who had no belief in a material place of torment. With the true Christian the bitterness of memories of the past would be taken away, just as in the case of the Apostle Paul the remembrance of his persecution of the followers of Jesus was rendered light by the cross.

RURAL DEANERY OF EAST YORK.—Plan of Missionary Meetings in this Deanery, as arranged at a meeting of the Ruridocanal Chapter held at Uxbridge, on Wednesday, Oct. 7th, 1885, and approved by the Bishop:—

Eastern Division: Deputation, Rev. W. C. Bradshaw:—

1886.—January 10th, Sunday, St. George's Church, Oshawa, Morning Service; All Saints' Church, Whitby, Evening Service.

11th, Monday, St. George's Church, Pickering, 7:30 p. m.

12th, Tuesday, St. John's Church, Port Whitby, 7:30 p. m.

13th, Wednesday, St. Thomas' Church, Brooklin, 7:30 p. m.

14th, Thursday, St. Paul's Church, Columbus, 7:30 p. m.

15th, Friday, Church of the Ascension, Port Perry, 7:30 p. m.

Western Division: Deputation, Rev. W. F. Swallow:—

Jan. 11th, Monday, Christ Church, Scarboro', 7:30 p. m.

12th, Tuesday, St. Jude's Church, Scarboro', 7:30 p. m.

13th, Wednesday, St. Paul's Church, Scarboro'.

14th, Thursday, St. Philip's Church, Unionville, 7:30 p. m.

15th, Friday, Grace Church, Markham, 7:30 p. m.

17th, Sunday, St. Paul's Church, Uxbridge, Sermon at Missionary Service; St. James' Church, West Brook, Mission Service in the evening.

18th, Monday, St. Paul's Church, Uxbridge, Missionary meeting at 7:30 p. m.

19th, Tuesday, St. Mary's Church, Sanderland, 7:30 p. m.

20th, Wednesday, All Saints' Church, Cannington, 7:30 p. m.

21st, Thursday, St. Paul's Church, Beaverton, 7:30 p. m.

JOHN FLETCHER, Rural Dean.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON.—The Executive Committee of the Diocese of Huron met at the Chapter House on the 10th. The Bishop presided, and the following gentlemen answered to their names:—Archdeacons Sandys and Marsh, Rural Deans A. S. Falls, G. C. McKenzie, Canon Smith, R. S. Cooper, C. Patterson, J. Downie, Canon Hill, J. Gemley, Revs. W. Davis, F. Harding, D. Deacon, R. Fletcher, Canon Innes, W. Daunt, G. G. Ballard, J. T. Wright, Messrs. W. Grey, Dr. Pousette, R. Moyle, N. Currie, W. H. Bakins, R. Martin, T. Wood, C. Jenkins, A. C. Clark, B. Stanley, V. Cronyn, A. H. Symond, R. Bayly, R. S. Strong, W. J. Imlach, E. O. Ermatinger, E. B. Reed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

The report of the Finance Committee on Synod expenses was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Synod Printing, recommending that the tender of the *Advertiser* Printing Company be accepted, was read and adopted.

The report of the Missions Committee was read, recommending the readjustment of several missions and the reassessment of many others. The parish of Delaware becomes self-supporting after this year. The parish of Watford to be rearranged, and to consist of Watford, Brooke and the 4th line churches. Warwick to consist of Wisbeach, Arkona and Warwick. Kerwood to be joined to Adelaide, and Napier to be added to Alvington and Johnstone's settlement. In the Burford Mission it was recommended that Princeton be added thereto instead of Mount Pleasant.

The Committee on Patronage reported progress.

The Indian Mission Committee report was read and adopted.

The case of the London Rectors' surplus, and the claims of the churches in the townships thereto, was laid before the Committee by the Chancellor, and it was agreed to have it printed and placed in the hands of the Committee at the next meeting.

EVENING SESSION.

The action of Rev. T. O'Connell against the Bishop of the Diocese was referred to, and the Chancellor instructed to defend the suit.

The case of Rev. E. R. Stinson was brought forward, and evoked a long discussion. The judgment of the Court in favor of the Synod was read, as also a letter written by the late Hon. J. H. Cameron, refuting the statement that the commuted clergy could have appropriated the capital to their own use.

On motion it was resolved that the judgment read be filed as final.

The case of the late Rev. M. Dillon occupied the attention of the Committee up to midnight, when it was resolved that the Committee regrets that it cannot see its way to place the name of Mrs. Dillon on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock on Friday, when the case of Wright vs. Huron was taken up.

The Chancellor reported that the Supreme Court had decided the case in favor of the Synod, and asked for further instructions as to costs.

A long and animated discussion followed, in which the case was reviewed from the beginning, when it was pointed out that the Synod had never as yet been plaintiffs in any law suit, but always as defendants of trusts reposed in them.

A resolution was finally passed that the Committee did not think it necessary to interfere with the duty of the Solicitor in the collection of costs.

Re Lands.—The Vestry of Trinity Church, St. Thomas, asked leave to sell a lot in rear of the Parsonage. Referred to the Chancellor to consider and advise.

Listowell.—The Vestry asked leave to raise the sum of \$600 upon security of the Church property. Granted, subject to approval of the Solicitor.

Woodstock.—An offer for the purchase of a small lot was accepted.

Dawn.—An offer to purchase 100 acres of land was referred to a special committee, with power.

See House.—The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to issue a circular in reference to the assessments in this behalf.

The Committee adjourned at 1 o'clock, the Bishop giving the Benediction.

CHRIST CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—The quarterly meeting of this Society, for the election of officers, was held recently, and resulted as follows:—1st Vice-President, W. B. Minhinnick; Secretary, W. P. Smith; Treasurer, Miss F. Geeson; Executive Committee, Messrs. J. Lynch, W. W. Wright, H. Eggleton, Misses M. Westlake, A. Mason, S. Briggs; Editor, Mr. Wright; Editress, Miss H. Thompson; Librarians, G. Brown and E. Hayden; Auditors, Misses M. Brown and J. Dunne; Organist, Miss L. Goldsmith.

LONDON.—Some very pretty and useful articles were on sale at the Bishop Cronyn Hall on Saturday afternoon, the 12th inst. Mesdames Hyman, Parry, Becher and Innes presided at the various tables, and the sale was a fairly successful one. Tea and refreshments were served at one table. The articles offered were mostly gifts from England, and the sale was for the benefit of the Dean Boomer Divinity Scholarship Fund.

MEMORIAL CHURCH.—The anniversary services were held in the Memorial Church on Sunday, Dec. 13th. The very Rev. the Dean of Montreal preached both morning and evening. Many of Dean Carmichael's old friends in the city embraced the opportunity of hearing him again, and as a consequence the congregations were large. The sermons were eloquent and earnest, and most interesting expositions of Divine truth. The collections, which were for the improvement fund, were large.

On Monday evening the Dean gave a most interesting lecture on the "Life of St. Augustine," in the Memorial School-house.

The Right Rev. Bishop Baldwin acted as Chairman, and introduced the lecturer in happy terms. He said he was known to the whole Canadian Church, and his name had gone abroad as one of the most eloquent and attractive speakers in the country.