

choir of Christ Church Cathedral, when the Rev. H. A. Naylor, B.A., a graduate of McGill University and the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, was admitted to the diaconate by the Lord Bishop of Montreal. The service, though impressive, was simple. Part of the surpliced choir of the cathedral was present and sang the responses in the Communion service, and the hymns "The Church's One Foundation," "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," and "I Am Not Worthy." That was all of the music introduced. His Lordship was assisted within the sanctuary by the Venerable Archdeacons Evans and Naylor (father of the new deacon), Rev. Canons Norton, Mills and Dixon, Rural Dean Saunders, Rev. C. J. James and Rev. W. P. R. Lewis. The Exhortation was delivered by Rev. Dr. Norton, rector of Montreal, who dwelt upon the qualifications required in the ministry and eulogized the devotion which had led Mr. Naylor, one of the most cultured and most promising clergymen the diocese of Montreal had ever produced, to offer himself for the arduous and dangerous duties of a missionary in the far away missionary diocese of Selkirk, in the most remote northwestern corner of Canada. The example was one to inspire Canadian Churchmen, and the reverend doctor pleaded that the prayers of those present might follow the young missionary to his remote field of labour.

His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal has made the following appointments for June: June 2, Cowansville, Rev. J. A. Elliott, B.A.; 3, Dunham, Rev. N. A. F. Bourne, B.A.; 4, Frelighsburg, Canon Davidson, M.A.; 5, Stanbridge East, Rev. C. G. Rollit; 7, Phillipsburg, Rev. A. C. Wilson; 8, Bedford, Rural Dean Nye, M.A.; 9, Farnham, Canon Mussen, M.A.; 10, Abbotsford, Rev. H. E. Horsey, M.A.; 11, St. Hyacinthe, churchwardens; 12, Rougemont, Rev. W. J. M. Waterson; 14, Granby, Rural Dean Longhurst; 15, Milton, Rev. F. W. Ball, B.A.; 16, North Shefford, Rev. James Thompson, B.A.; 17, Waterloo, Ven. Archdeacon Lindsey, LL.D.; 18, Stukely South, Rev. J. W. Garland; 19, Eastman, churchwardens; 21, Boscobel, Rev. C. P. Abbott; 22, Bolton, Rev. G. A. Mason; 23, Masonville, Rural Dean Brown; 24, Glen Sutton, Rev. I. H. Lackey; 25, Brome, Rev. J. A. Lackey; 26, Knowlton, Rev. W. P. Chambers, M.A.; 28, Iron Hill, churchwardens; 29, West Shefford, Rev. S. A. Mills; 30, Adamsville, Rev. J. Cattermole. Letters may be sent to the Bishop up to the 8th, Farnham; 16th, Waterloo; 24th, Knowlton

ONTARIO.

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TWEED.—Seldom is news forwarded from this mission, but the work of the Church is progressing in a quiet and unostentatious manner for all that. During the last year the Church families have decreased considerably through removals and death, yet the number of communicants has increased. Another outstation has been established and services are held regularly in a house about nine miles east of Tweed. An important feature worth recording is, that apart from a social held recently, no entertainment whatever has been held for the purpose of raising church funds, even the "established Harvest Tea" held annually in connection with the Thanksgiving Festival, as a source of income, was abandoned; but to the great surprise and joy of every one the offerings given in church amounted to the exceedingly large sum of \$94, being nearly \$40 in excess of the most remunerative harvest tea ever held. The debt on the parsonage has been somewhat reduced. At Actinolite, another outstation, nearly \$60 have been expended on the mission hall. It now presents a very church-like appearance with its sanctuary, altar, prayer desk, lectern, &c., and two small vestries. On Thursday, April 30th, expecting Bishop Hamilton to pass through the village on the C.P.R. express, en route to Ottawa, the Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Lewis, accompanied by a few parishioners, assembled at the railway depot. During the few minutes that the train remained at the station, an address was presented to his Lordship (then Bishop elect of Ottawa) by Mr. Joseph Rath, sr., the oldest member of the congregation, and always a most loyal, faithful and devoted Churchman, on behalf of the Mission of Tweed. Bishop Hamilton, in a few words, and in a very affable manner, thanked the deputation and said how very much he appreciated their kindness in presenting him with an address.

BATH.—St. John's.—The annual Easter vestry meeting which had been postponed for various reasons, took place on Monday evening, the 27th of April, the Rev. Rural Dean Baker in the chair. The attendance was encouragingly large. The churchwardens' financial statement was held over for presentation at an adjourned meeting to be called after a committee appointed to collect arrears of stipend and pew rent have reported. The current expenses and collections, it was stated, were in excess of last year,

and the demands for seats unusually numerous. Dr. H. E. Northmore was reappointed rector's warden and Mr. Jos. Morgan, head-master of the public school, warden for the people. Dr. R. Kennedy was re-elected lay-delegate to Synod for three years; D. T. Rowse, treasurer for 1896, and Messrs. Thos. Bain and A. McCaugherty, auditors. On the fourth Sunday after Easter, after Evensong, the annual missionary meeting was held (a former appointment in February having been cancelled owing to the impassable condition of the roads) and resulted most successfully. Very effective addresses were delivered to a crowded congregation by his Honour Judge Wilkison and G. F. Ruttan, Esq., of Napanee, and the offertory collection, which was liberal, exceeded those of the two preceding years. The parish appears to be entering upon a year of prosperity.

ODESSA.—The annual vestry meeting of St. Albans Church, Odessa, was held Easter Monday, and a fairly satisfactory financial statement was presented. The total receipts for the year were \$215, of which \$112 was from the weekly offertory. \$50 has been expended on renovating the church inside and outside, and \$23 for a chancel carpet, besides \$47 for objects outside the parish. In addition to the above, some \$80 odd were received from the outstations of Hawley and Thorpe, of which rather more than one-fourth was given to outside objects. There were 23 persons confirmed in the mission during the past year, of whom 20 were adults and 14 converts from Dissent. Out of 61 possible communicants 39 made their Easter Communion. An adult Bible class has been started every Friday evening at the clergyman's house at Odessa, and is being fairly well attended. The following persons were elected as delegates to the Synod: Geo. Ferguson, Odessa, for one year; B. Briscoe, Hawley, for two years, and T. C. Wilson, Kingston, for three years.

TORONTO.

ARTHUR SWEATMAN, D.D., BISHOP, TORONTO.

In our notice of Miss Mack's death last week, it read Black, but should have been Mack.

St. Mathias.—The rector, Rev. Mr. Harrison, who is now staying at Grace Hospital is, we are happy to say, improving some in health, and would be pleased to see any of his friends who would call on him.

St. Peter's.—The Rev. Lawrence Skey, for three years curate at this church, who is leaving to take charge of the church at Merritton, preached his farewell sermon Sunday week. He referred to the happy relations that had always existed between himself and Archdeacon Body, the rector, and the congregation of St. Peter's, and his regret at leaving the parish where he had, he said, spent three of the happiest years of his life. His many friends wish him every success in his new field.

St. John the Evangelist.—A large congregation gathered last Thursday evening to participate in the fourth anniversary of the opening of the new church. An excellent and appropriate musical service was presented by an orchestra and special choir, augmented by Mrs. A. Moir Dow, Miss Redway and Mr. A. M. Gorrie as soloists. A liberal offertory was donated in aid of the choir fund.

Religious Instruction.—A deputation consisting of Rev. Dr. Langtry, Rev. Dr. Sims, Rev. Prof. Clark, Rev. Canon Bland (Hamilton), Rev. Prof. Worrell (Kingston) and Hon. S. H. Blake waited upon the Hon. George W. Ross, Saturday morning, 2th. The deputation urged that steps be taken to provide for greater attention to religious instruction in the public schools. The chief proposals of the deputation were that the Bible be made a regular text-book, which should be studied, memorized and used as a subject of examination, and that at least half an hour every day should be set apart for religious instruction to be conducted by the ministers of the different denominations to which the pupils belong, attendance at such classes not to be made compulsory. The Minister of Education informed the deputation that until the matter had been considered by the Government it would be impossible to say what changes could be made in the school regulations. Personally he was of the opinion that better provision for the religious instruction of the young, if judiciously made, would be a good thing. The deputation will wait on the Minister again after the matter has been considered.

Deaconess' Home.—The first of a series of three meetings for Sunday-school teachers was held last week in the Church of England Deaconess' and Missionary Training House, 577 Church street. Those invited were the lady teachers of the Churches of Messiah, Redeemer, St. Paul and Ascension Sunday-

schools. A large number responded. Addresses were delivered by Miss Tilley, Mrs. Williamson, Mr. N. W. Hoyles, Q.C. and Rev. Gus. A. Kuhring. The object of the meeting was to give teachers a higher appreciation of their work, to point out the advantages of the course of training offered at the institution and to enrol them as attendants at the classes of instruction.

Girls' Friendly Society.—The associates and members of the four branches of this society in Toronto met for a service in the Church of the Redeemer last Wednesday evening. They assembled in the school-house and entered the church in a body. The service was bright and hearty, and a special sermon was preached by the Rev. L. G. Wood. During the offertory, which, through the kindness of the rector, the Rev. Septimus Jones, was given to the funds of the society, Mr. Walter Robinson sang a beautiful solo. After the service refreshments were served in the school-house and a few words of welcome spoken by the rector, followed by a short address from the president of the society, Mrs. S. G. Wood, who left the following day for Montreal, where she goes to represent the society at the annual meeting of the National Council of Women. The society has 24 parochial branches in ten Canadian dioceses.

WESTON.—The lay-delegates elected for the Synod by St. John's Church is Mr. J. K. Keefflen; by St. Philip's Church, Mr. E. J. Musson. We have had much pleasure in welcoming to our midst Mrs. Rich, the wife of our incumbent.

NIAGARA.

HAMILTON.—St. Mark's.—The second recital in connection with the opening of the new organ recently placed in this church took place Tuesday evening, the 5th inst., and was listened to by a large congregation. E. T. Martin's selection, "Nearer my God to Thee," arranged by H. Millard, was well rendered; he was in good voice, and pleased those who heard him.

Church of the Ascension.—In this church Sunday evening, 3rd inst., Rev. Canon Rogers, of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, presented the claims of that section of the Rupert's Land Mission Board devoted to the interests of new settlers. Rev. Mr. Rogers asked the Ascension people to guarantee a subscription to the Board's Funds for three years. As the result of his appeal members of the congregation guaranteed to furnish \$300 to the mission during the next three years.

St. John the Evangelist.—The Rev. C. Le V. Brine preached his farewell sermon from the text, "What hath God wrought?" and in the course of his remarks he referred to the growth of the parish during the six years that he had been the incumbent. He said: "I came to your city in the beginning of April, 1890, and was licensed by the bishop to minister in the parish of St. John the Evangelist, then newly set apart. I stood in your midst a poor man, alone, without even having the things necessary for conducting the services of the church. We began holding services in a little room on Herkimer street on Palm Sunday with a congregation of six families, and on our first Easter seven communicants approached the altar to receive the bread of life. And now, as we look about, we may well exclaim in thankfulness, 'What hath God wrought?' The large congregations which gather here week by week to worship; the one hundred and fifty communicants, on whom the spiritual life of the parish depends; the various well-organized societies; the Girls' Friendly Society, with its eighty workers; the strong chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, which has done such good work in the parish; the faithful and devoted members of the Acolytes' Guild, who have been a constant comfort to me in my ministrations; the large number of earnest associates of the St. John the Evangelist's ward of the O. B.S.; the large and devoted band of boys and men who have rendered their services so cheerfully and willingly; the large number of enthusiastic and painstaking women who compose the Woman's Auxiliary, and who have worked so hard to further the interests of the parish; the faithful and true women who attend the Mothers' Meeting and have done so much in many ways to advance the work which we have at heart—have we not good cause, as we view things as they are and look back upon the past, to say with hearts full of gratitude, 'What hath God wrought?' In closing his eloquent discourse the rector said that since he had been in charge of the parish he had conducted 2,760 services, delivered 742 sermons and addresses, made 3,816 visits, baptized 117 children and adults, and aid to rest 23 members of the congregation who have died. Rev. Mr. C. Le V. Brine has laboured perseveringly and with much self-sacrifice in the interests of the parish, and his efforts have been crowned