

PARISH NOTES.

The Rector and Miss Maud Cayley arrived home on the 26th ult., after a pleasant voyage across the Atlantic. The Rector preached on Sunday morning.

Attention is called to the Annual Meeting of the Church Army in Canada, which will be held in S. George's School House, on Monday, October 10th, at 8 p.m. The Lord Bishop of Toronto will preside, and addresses will be given by several speakers. All are cordially invited.

The walls of our School House are bare, and have a cheerless look. Pictures are much needed to render them attractive to children. The Rector has twenty pictures, illustrative of our Lord's Life; size about 24 inches by 21, which, if framed and hung on the walls, would take away their present cheerless aspect, and be a constant means of instruction to our scholars. Who will be our Scholars' "Friend-in-deed," by making a gift of the frames?

How is the thin attendance at Church on Wednesday evenings to be accounted for? It may be assumed that worldly people find two or three hours of Church on Sunday quite enough. But this cannot be assumed of Christian people. They "love the house of prayer." They know that the joy of God's House "all earthly joy excels"—that "one day in His courts is better than a thousand" spent anywhere else. Have these words ceased to have a meaning, or is it that the number of Christians is very much reduced? Suppose Chinese, or Mahometan, or Hindoo were by chance to enter our Churches on a week-day evening, and find the clergy ready to pray and preach, but the Church nine-tenths empty, would he have any reason to believe that the Christian religion is better than his own?

Has any one been making jam? There seems to have been a large outlay lately in small crocks and pots. Perhaps some will like to know that at the Church Home there is a shelf ready to be stocked with jam. Jam will be an agreeable change, and the old folks are fond of jam, and preserves, and marmalade and such like. N. B.—The Home is in Larch Street Nos. 10 and 12. (Crock returned.)

Missions will be held at the end of the month in five Churches, viz.: S. Stephen's, S. Matthias', S. Barnabas', S. Anne's, S. Mark's. It has been found impossible to obtain a Mission Preacher for S. George's at this season, but the Rector hopes

to follow up the mission in the above Churches by special Service in the week following, of which due notice will be given.

Meanwhile Christians who believe in the power of prayer, and in the special value of intercessory prayer are reminded of the notice given by the Rector that a short service of Intercession will follow the service on Wednesday evenings. This service will be conducted by the Rector, who desires that any requests for prayer may be handed to one of the Clergy. No names need be given, but simply the case of the special need stated. Who knows how great a blessing may follow this intercession week by week?

"Pray one for another that ye may be healed."

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

CHURCH ARMY.

The Church Army has now been a year in our midst, and we have every reason to be satisfied with it. We know that good work has been done: that many have been influenced to better things. The work will be continued, and we ask the prayers of the people of this Parish for its success. Those who deal with the class of people the Army tries to reach, know the great difficulties and disappointments that have to be faced. The work is continuously up hill. Let us, therefore, bear the work in prayerful remembrance. A gracious Lord is only hindered by lack of an interceding people. Capt. Munns or the Clergy will gladly give information about the work to any who desire it.

TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

The Temperance Society in connection with the Church Army, held its first Meeting in the Mission Hall, on Phoebe street, on the evening of 4th. The room was well filled. Short addresses were given by Mr. Thorn, Capt. Munns, and Mr. Jones. Before the close of the Meeting about twenty took the total abstinence pledge. The work will be actively pushed during the ensuing months. The Meetings will be held in the Mission Hall every Tuesday evening, and all who are anxious for the spread of the movement, are earnestly invited to attend. The Clergy will gladly call on those who will help forward the work.