

the retired list, in the Diocese of Quebec. He is thankful to say that such is not the case. He has been in continuous work since 1854, and hopes to continue in active employment for many a year to come. He is now acting curate at the Cathedral, Kingston.

All Saints' Church.—Mr. John G. Hooper, Divinity Student, and Mr. R. T. Burns, lay reader, officiated at All Saints' Church, at Morning Prayer, on Sunday, the 16th March, the first named gentleman preaching the sermon. There was a good congregation. The choir of All Saints' Church gave an entertainment at Rockwood Asylum for lunatics, recently. The programme contained some excellent features, and elicited unbounded applause from the audience. The principal numbers on the programme were "The Gipsy Chorus," "Mother Grummins' School," and "Pantomimic Eccentricities." The dresses of the performers were very handsome, and the patients of the Asylum were delighted with the programme of funny things provided. At the close of the concert, the members of the choir were entertained at supper by the authorities of the institution.

OTTAWA.—The Bishop of Caledonia, Dr. Ridley, favoured the capital with a visit on his return from England, *en route* for his distant diocese. His Lordship reports finding the Mother Church full of life, vigour and activity, and thinks we in Canada would do well to follow her example. On Sunday the 16th of March, he preached after Morning Prayer, at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, and at Christ Church, after Evening Prayer.

BARRIEFIELD.—On Sunday the 16th of March, the Rev. T. Bousfield, incumbent of All Saints Church, Kingston, preached a sermon at Saint Mark's Church, Barriefield, on behalf of the Mission Fund of the Diocese. Major Wilmot also gave an address in aid of the fund, and in the course of his remarks suggested the formation of a Parochial Committee to further the good work. The offertory amounted to \$13.

TOLEDO.—The Rev. S. T. Leathley, incumbent of Frankville, held Evening Prayer at the Township Hall, Toledo, on Sunday the 17th of February. This is probably the first time that a Church of England service was held in the village. The services are to be continued fortnightly on Sunday evenings at seven o'clock, and so far have been very well attended. These services have undoubtedly supplied a long felt want.

REDAN.—A case of books consisting of about sixty handsome volumes has been received from England for the use of the teachers and children of the Redan Sunday school. The cost of the books has been met jointly by the offerings of the congregation worshipping at Redan, and by a liberal grant from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

ADOLPHUSTOWN.—The Church people of the village of Adolphustown and vicinity, have subscribed liberally to the building fund of the proposed United Empire Loyalist Memorial Church, in the village, sixteen individuals contributing the sum of \$1,500, while the ladies have realized \$80 by an entertainment. The total subscription so far is \$1,655. The sum estimated for the cost of the Church is \$7,000. Workmen have for some time past been drawing the building materials to the site.

RENFREW.—An entertainment in aid of the funds of St. Paul's Church, which was held at Gravelle's Hall lately, was successful to a degree that must have been highly gratifying to the ladies committee under whose auspices it was given. Mr. James Clarke presided. The gross proceeds amounted to \$67.

LYNDHURST.—The Church wardens of St. Luke's Church, Lyndhurst, after several organ

trials, have finally purchased from Mr. J. A. Webster of Lansdowne, a beautiful Uxbridge organ with which they are very much pleased. The Church wardens selection gives general satisfaction.

BROCKVILLE.—Trinity Church.—The debt on Trinity Church has been considerably reduced. At the beginning of the year it amounted to about \$7,000. An entertainment was held recently at the Opera House, Brockville, the proceeds of which have been applied to the further reduction of the debt. The Opera House was completely filled. The orchestra was composed of members of the 42nd Battalion with the addition of Mr. Olsen at the piano. The first part of the programme consisted of a representation of the operetta, "Golden Hair," presented some time at a similar entertainment. The second part presented the stage as a "Drawing Room of the Last Century," followed by Mr. and Mrs. Greenaways and the twelve little Greenaways. Their entrance caused intense merriment. The costumes of all the company were good and in keeping with the period. The Greenaway family gave three choruses. Several songs followed, the evening's entertainment closing with the singing "Laneers" composed of nursery rhymes by Mr. Mills, formerly organist of Christ Church, Ottawa, for Lord and Lady Dufferin's dress ball at Government House. As danced by the guests they had a very pretty effect. The old "Prison Song," given by Mrs. Deacon and the Rev. E. P. Crawford was listened to with great pleasure.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

MASS MEETING.—The grand temperance rally to be held in the Pavilion of the Horticultural Gardens, Toronto, under the auspices of the C. E. T. S., is creating considerable interest. Addresses will be delivered by Bishop Baldwin, Hon. S. H. Blake, Q. C., and the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education. The music will be provided by a choir under the direction of the organist of St. James' Cathedral. Invitations have been issued to all the Toronto clergy of every denomination, and it is expected that the meeting will be one of the most influential of the kind ever held in the city. Bishop Sweatman, as President of the Diocesan Temperance Society, will occupy the chair. The meeting will commence at 8 o'clock, and the executive is convened for 5 o'clock on the same evening. The railways will grant reduced fares to members.

IN MEMORIAM.—An effort has at last been made to procure some token of the affection in which the late Rev. H. C. Avant was held by his parishioners. The reverend gentleman was incumbent of Bobcaygeon for about three years. Here he laboured most zealously and efficiently. After a very short illness, induced by over much labour he rapidly sunk to rest on Christmas Eve 1882. He was a deeply earnest devoted missionary and it is fitting that steps should be taken, even at this late date, to plan some lasting testimonial of his work in Christ Church, Bobcaygeon. A committee has been appointed to solicit subscriptions, and lists are opened in Bobcaygeon, Lindsay and Toronto. Here monies will be received for the purpose above mentioned up to the 1st of June. This project was mooted on the very day Mr. Avant's remains were committed to the dust, but although correspondence took place concerning it between the priest who proposed it and an influential layman of the parish nothing was done.

S. S. ASSOCIATION.—The Toronto Sunday School Association which has held a number of very profitable meetings during the winter, will meet on the 25th of March, at St. George's School House, when a paper will be read on "Sunday School Management," by the Rev. J. P. Lewis. All interested in Sunday School work are heartily invited.

CONFIRMATIONS.—The Bishop has issued his list of forthcoming appointments for confirmation in several country parishes. The dates are as follows: April 6, Port Hope; 23, Pulgrave; 27th, York Mills; 30th, Streetsville; May 11th, Oshawa; 12th, Port Petry; 13th, Port Whitty; 26th, Beaverton; 27th, Canning and Sunderland; 28th, Uxbridge; 29th, Stouffville and Markham; 30th, Unionville; June 1st, Innisfil and Churchill; 2nd, Collingwood; 3rd, Alliston and West Essa; 4th, Tecumseth and Berton; 24th, West Mono; 5th, Tullamore and Castlemore; July 8th, Peterborough; 9th, Ashburnham; 10th, Lakefield and Warsaw; 11th, Norwood and Westwood; 13th, Cobourg; 14th, Grafton; 15th, New Castle; 16th, Bowmanville; 22nd, Bexley; 22nd, Cambray; 24th, Bobcaygeon and Dunsford; Sept. 21st, Wanbanshene and Coldwater; 22nd, Medonte; 23rd, Perce's Corners; 24th, Orillia; 25th, Atherley; 28th, Barrie, 29th, Coyebridge, 30th, Penetaughishene; Oct. 5, Norwood and Chester.

TEMPERANCE ITEMS.—There are now over 200 members of the Church of England Temperance Society in Port Hope in connection with the two Churches, St. John's and St. Mark's. A large proportion of the membership in the latter branch consists of mechanics and working men. The branch of the Church of England Temperance Society, Ashburnham, is growing well. Including the membership at country stations and in the juvenile branch there are at least 210 in all, although the society is only a little over 5 months in existence. At the various meetings held in March, one of which was devotional, about fifty joined. The last regular meeting of the St. Luke's Toronto Branch, was addressed by the Rev. T. W. Patterson of Christ Church, Deer Park. Many signatures were obtained at the end.

RURI-DEACONAL MEETING.—In some Deanaries in the Diocese not a single meeting of these chapters have been held for years. Northumberland is a case in point. Durham holds its meetings regularly. The last was held recently in Lindsay. Nine clergy attended. Philip. iv. was read in the original and a very profitable and practical discussion followed. Service was held in the Church in the evening. The Rev. W. C. Allen preached the sermon which had reference to missionary work in foreign lands.

MISCELLANEOUS.—On the third Sunday in Lent the Rev. J. O. Crisp of Orillia, assisted the Rev. J. H. Harris of North Orillia and Medonte. Rev. T. W. Smithett, D. D., of Omamee has been elected grand chaplain of the Orange Order for East Ontario. A few days ago, Mr. S. H. Blake, Q. C., on resuming his Bible Class in Shaftesbury Hall was presented with a handsome easy chair and foot rest by the members of his class. Rev. T. W. Patterson lectured before the Young People's Association of the Church of the Redeemer, on the 20th ult., his subject being "Rambles in the Holy Land." The lecture which was extremely interesting and well delivered, was illustrated by dissolving views.

At the last meeting of the newly established Missionary Association of Trinity College, a very exhaustive paper was read by Prof. Schriener in missionary work in the North West. The lecturer referred very fully to the work of the C. M. S. there among the the Indian tribes, and showed the necessity for more workers and larger means if the work was to be successful. The Provost and Messrs. J. C. Davidson, and E. J. Garney also addressed those present.

A new church was opened recently at Aurora. Sermons were preached by the Bishop, and Revs. T. W. Paterson, and C. H. March. Attendance large, singing excellent, offertories liberal. The Church it is asserted is one of the prettiest in the Diocese. It was commenced by the late Rev. Charles Paterson.