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Lenten Season in the Forest City.—The special services of Lent are Wednesday evening and Friday afternoons in our city churches. The congregations are large for week day services. In St. Paul's the rector preaches on Fridays, the assistant minister on Wednesday. In the St. Matthew's Church a series of special services were held on the second week of Lent. The preachers were Revs. R. Hicks, Canon Richardson, G. B. Sage, C. W. Ball. and E. W. Hughes. On the third Sunday of Lent the anniversary services were held: Rev. Principal Towell preached at Matins, the Right Rev. the Bishop in the afternoon, and Rev. George Grey Ballard at Even-

Lucan.—Rev. B. P. Delom having returned from Detroit after assisting for ten days in the Mission Lent services, went on the eve of the third Sunday in Lent to Lucan to hold Mussion services of fifteen days in the Church of the Holy Trinity. There will be services thrice daily. The Rector, Rev. T. Magahy, had held preliminary preparatory services. There have been very large congregations, and there is every promise of good result from the Mission.

St. Thomas - The many friends of Mrs. Smith, wife of Rev. S. L. Smith, of St. John's Church, will regret to hear of her death, which occured the last Tuesday of March. She had for a long time been ill of a cancer in the mouth, and her intense sufferings were throughout borne with Christian fortitude. Her decease was not unexpected, it having been certain for some time that she could not recover. Her age was forty-three years, and she leaves seven children, three girls and four boys, to mourn their loss; the eldest of them being about fifteen years and the youngest about three. To them the loss is irreparable. Mrs. Smith was very popular among her acquaintances, and as a Christian and a friend she leaves a blank not to be easily filled.

The Very Rev. Dean Boomer has not been released from his pilgrimage. He is able to sit in his invalid's chair every day, and is quite conscious, but cannot speak, his entire right side being paralyzed. He suffers very little. The quiet, happy disposition that characterized him througu life now makes happy his latter days. Of him, too, it may be said: "See how happy is a Christian's death."

Delaware -The St. John's Church Sunday school has presented the Church with a baptismal font. The school is in a very flourishing condition. The superintendent, Mr. D. Lamont, is "the right man in the

AIL CRAIG -The Rev. H. A. Thomas, of Trinity Church, is almost entirely restored to health. He was two months' confined to his room. In his mission parish there are the churches of St. John's, Ailsa Craig; Christ Church and St. Mary's in McGillivray, and their three Sunday schools all doing good work. This mission, as well as many others in the diocese, is too much for one clergyman; but men and money -the sinews of war, are not forthcoming.

Woodstock .- At the opening of the Sanitary Convention, Tuesday, 29th instant, at 8 a.m., and again at evening {session, the Rev. J. J. Hill, of St. Paul's, opened the proceedings with an example worthy of being followed by other assemblages in this Christian

TILSONBURG.—The annual Church missionary meeting was held in St. John's Church, Friday evening, April 2nd, Rev. Rural Dean Hill, of Woodstock, and Rev. M. Sanders, of Ingersoll, were the deputation; there was a collection in aid of the Mission Fund.

LONDON.—The congregation of the Chapter House are making arrangements to build a new Parish Church in the North Ward of this city. They have purchased for \$1250 a lot on the corner of Wellington and Sydenham Sts., on which to build a church and school house. The Rector and Churchwardens, with the Guild and other Church organizations of the Chapter House, are most energetic in their parish

## RUPERT'S LAND.

The most Reverend the Metropolitan of Rupert's Land has revoked all arrangements hitherto made in respect to the deaneries, and declared the following, as now defined, to the deaneries of his diocese:

1. The Deanery of St. John's Cathedral, as defined by 🗪e Canon on rural deaconal chapters.

3. The Deanery of Lisgar, consisting of the county of Lisgar, with the exception of the municipality of

4. The Deanery of Marquette, consisting of the counties of Westbourne, Portage la Prairie and Marquette, except what is included in the Selkirk Deanery and the municipalities of North and South Norfolk.

5. The Deanery of Dofferin, consisting of the counties of Dufferin, Rock Lake, Turtle Mountain and Souris River.

6. The Deanery of Brandon, consisting of the counties of Brandon and Dennis, and the municipalities of North and South Cypress.

7. The Deanery of Minnedosa, consisting of the counties of the Beautiful Plains, Minnedosa, Shoal Lake, Russell and Riding Mountain.

8. The Deanery of Islington, consisting of all C. M S., missions not in the other deaneries.

The following are the Rural Deans: Selkirk-Rev. O. Fortin, B.A. Lisgar-Rev. A. L. Fortin. Marquette-Ven. Archdeacon Pinkham, B.D., (tempor arily.) Dufferin-Rev. T. N. Wilson. Brandon-Rev. W. A. Burman, B.D. Minedosa—Rev. M. Jukes. Islington—Ven. Archdescon Cowley, D.D.

Norquay.—The Rev. Mr. Pinkham, brother of the Archdeacon, is leaving Norquay, having received an appointment from Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota. He has worked hard as a missionary for several years in this country, and well deserves his promotion. Mr. Pinkham will carry with him the respect and affection of all who know him; and his absence from the clerical staff of this diocese will be much felt.

Winnipeg.—Archdeacon Pinkham and Mr. C. J Brydges, have been making a tour of the diocese in the interests of home missions, holding meetings at the principal centres. One of these took place on 31st March in Trinity Hall, Winnipeg, and was well attended. The Archdeacon gave a brief resume of church work done in this country from the days of its first missionary, the Rev. John West, and of Bishop Anderson, whose "diocese extended from Labrador to the Rocky mountains." He reminded his audience that the Church M. S. had last year reduced their 343. grant by £60, the reduction to be repeated this year and next; after which the grant would be entirely withdrawn. Also, that the S. P. G., had withdrawn their grant of £200. Continuing, he said: "They had received very little from Eastern Canada; as the people there had got the idea that they had seceded from them. This diocese was never associated with Eastern Canada until the North-West came into the possession of the Dominion. All they asked for was \$7,500, so that they might once more be placed on their feet. Therefore the best inducement they could give them for assistance was to show that they were doing everything in their power to help themselves.' He said that the grant of the diocese to the clergy was \$500 a year; and the district in which he labour ed was obliged to contribute \$400, which brought the salary up to \$900. This he considered little enough for any clergyman to live on. There were several districts prepared to pay their share for the services of a clergyman, but where was the other \$500 to come from? Messrs. Wrigley, Gilroy and Muloch also addressed the meeting. Result not announced.

## QU'APPELLE.

The controversy lately going forward between Bishop Anson on the one side, and Rev. Mr. Urquhart Presbyterian Minister, and "Gamma" on the other, plead for support for the Diocese of St. John's, in the columns of the Regina Leader, has been brought to a close. The foundations of the Church are being laid in this diocese in a solid and substantial manner. Compromise, so marked a feature elsewhere, is here thrown into background. From all quarters come praises of his lordship's self denying labours, saintly character, and simple fervid preaching of the Gospel Of noble lineage, he voluntarily surrendered a higher position and good prospects in the Church in England, to devote himself to the work of a missionary bishop in this wild country. It is a pleasing reflection that there is no suggestion of the ecclesiastical adventurer in all this. His lordship does not intend to set popularity before the truth, or to rate the Church Virginia writes: "I think we will be compelled to

as a sect among sects. To a real churchman anywhere, but especially in this North-West, the fact is not a little refreshing.

## FOREIGN.

Rev. James Lowry, M.A., lately of Ship Harbour, 2. The Deanery of Selkirk, consisting of the Nova Scotia, has taken the curacy of St. Barnabas, counties of Selkirk, Lorette, D'Iberville, Morris, in Barbadoes, West Indies. He went out owing to ill-Carillon, Manchester, Varennes, the municipality of health, and for the same reason has now separated Rockwood and the missions of Shal Lake and Rat from the former diocese and transferred his services to the latter.

> St. Paul's Church, Evansville, Ind., recently consecrated, is the finest church in the diocese, and was built at a cost of \$50,000. The Rev. Charles Morris is

> The Rev. Mr. Aitken has begun a mission at Cambridge, England for members, of its famed university.

> The Joint Diocesan Councils of Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare, have adopted resolutions in opposition to Home Rule.

> In case, as is reported, the Bishop of Winchester resigns his see, it is thought that the Bishop of Peterborough will succeed him. It will be a promotion generally approved.

> Three thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine liv. ngs in the Church are in the gift of peers.

Offerings were made in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston, for Bishop Churton, of Nassau, who was a passenger on the Oregon. It was a graceful act of sympathy.

Bishop Wordsworth, of St. Andrews, Scotland, who has long been an advocate of the union of the Episcopalians and Presbyterians in that country, is about to publish in twelve parts a work in which he discusses

The charge delivered by the Bishop of Lahore on the occasion of the formal opening of the chapterhouse in his cathedral, strongly expressed the hope that the future may see "one Church for India not two—a native and an English.'

The number of confirmees last year in the various dioceses of the Northern Province was as follows:-Manchester, 14,530; York, 9519; Ripon, 8,801; Liverpool, 6,766; Chester, 6 596; Durham, 5,561; Carlisle (about), 3,500; Newcastle, 2,871; Sodor,

The Peabody Donation Fund, London, originally \$2,500,000, now amounts to \$4,405,055 in round numbers. It is used for the erection of improved dwellings in that city. Those already built are occupied by 20,005 persons.

Miss Tucker, of the Zenana Missionary Society, so well known as A. L. O. E., is now restored to health. In thanking Dr. Henry Martyn Clark, a Church Missionary Society native doctor, for his skilful treatment, she forwards 350 rupees for his missionary

At Hampton Institute there is an attendance of 590, of whom 135 are Indians, representing thirteen States and Territories. Nearly one-half are girls. There is a farm of 700 acres, on which there are thirty-two buildings, of which thirteen are workshops. Last year the students earned \$44,058.

The Convener of the Board of Foreign Missions, (the Bishop of Brechin), makes the announcement that he has instructed the Rev. Dr. Mackness, Broughty Ferry, to organise a month's work in Scotland for the Rev. Alan Gibson, of Kaffraria, who is now on his way to this country as a deputation to Kaff caria.

The Ceylon Diocesan Gazette says: "We are now reaching the £3,000 which will entitle us to the first instalment of £1,500 from the Church societies for the endowment of the Bishopric of Colombo. The Archeacon of Calcutta has remitted £150. We have also to acknowledge 2,300 rupees from the Bishop of Madras, of which his lordship has himself subscribed