

unpopularity, the city of our God suffer harm. Woe unto us if through weakness or undecision our people grow up in a partial or imperfect knowledge of the truth. Woe unto us if we blow not the trumpet at all, or if the trumpet in our hands give a feeble, uncertain sound. If we ourselves are not ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh a reason for the hope that is in us, how wretchedly miserable is the lot of a blind flock whom a blind teacher pretends to lead.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—We have to hold over a quantity of correspondence, and some Diocesan Intelligence.

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MONTREAL.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MONTREAL.—On Trinity Sunday, in the Cathedral, three deacons were advanced to the priesthood, the Revs. F. A. Allan, Robert Acton and, James Cunningham. The Rev. Canon Baldwin preached the sermon. The name of Mr. Bridge, late of the Reformed Episcopal, was, according to a canon of the Synod, read from the pulpits, in company with others, as a candidate for deacon's orders. It does not appear, however, that he came forward at this time.

The Rev. Robt. Lindsay has returned from the south and resumed his duties.

By the last report of the Executive committee, the state of the Mission Fund was reported as being favourable. A balance was reported.

By a resolution that some members of the Synod purpose to bring forward, the question as to the proper disposal of consecrated houses of prayer, will receive some consideration. To the feelings of most Churchmen, the laity equally with the clergy, there is something repugnant in seeing certain buildings, where for years the holy rites of our religion were administered, turned into factories and marts of merchandise. Who is it that can pass the spot where St. George's church once stood, and where its walls, with the exception of the front, still remain, retaining too its Gothic windows, and when he hears the din of the hammers and the clank of the machinery, but would have been better pleased had its walls been levelled to the ground, even though he has no superstitious regard for the stones and mortar?

ONTARIO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALMONTE.—On Wednesday, the 8th inst., a few of the ladies of St. Paul's church called at the parsonage and presented Mrs. Stephenson with the sum of forty dollars. This was something entirely unexpected, as it was only last Christmas that they had made her a similar present.

OSUABRUCK.—Last Sunday the Rev. Montague Gower Poole, who has been taking charge of this parish for the last seven months, read a communication which he had received from the Rev. Arthur Jarvis, who has resigned in favour of the Rev. S. Gower Poole, brother of the above. After expressions of regret at leaving his flock, to which he had ministered for about six years, and full acknowledgment of kindnesses received from them, he said.—From the first, I determined never to drag down the Church from its high position, to the dead level of popular religionisms, but on the contrary, to hold her up before men's eyes as the Divine standard for them to strive after. I tried to lead them to her by teaching how grand and holy are her institutions, rather than to draw men to her by making the Church just what they pleased. In reviewing our efforts, towards church improvements and church building during the past six years, we have not done much beyond the purchase of the organ in St. Peter's church, at a cost in all of \$175, and the purchase of communion plate in both churches, St. Peter's costing \$150, and St. George's, \$30. We have also raised a sum of \$100 towards a church at Aultsville, chiefly through the exertions of the Woman's Sewing Guild and the children's branch of it. We have also purchased land for a church site at Wales, at a cost of \$250. These sums all being the result of freewill offerings, or self-denying labour, will doubtless receive the blessing of the Almighty.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections &c., received during the week ending 11th June, 1881.

ALGOMA FUND.—*Day of Intercession Collection.*—St. Mark's, Parkdale, \$2.80; Mulmur West, Whitfield \$1.02; Elby 50 cents; Honeywood 84 cents; St. Stephen's, Vaughan, \$1.35; St. John's, Toronto, \$4.00; North Orillia and Medonte, St. Luke's \$12.51, St. George's 67 cents; Whitby \$9.43; Campbellford \$4.90; Grafton, additional 50 cents; St. James', Albion 50 cents; Cavan, St. Thomas' \$6.00, St. John's \$2.20, Christ's \$2.00, Trinity \$1.00; All Saints', Toronto, additional \$2.50; Church of the Ascension, Toronto, \$12.00; St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, additional \$25.00; St. Peter's, Toronto, \$25.60. *Donations.*—Rev. John Carry \$1.00. St. Mark's, Parkdale Sunday School \$1.76; from Juvenile Association of St. Luke's, Ashburnham \$6.35, from Juvenile Association of St. Mark's, Otonabee, \$4.92.

MISSION FUND.—*Parochial Collections.*—St. Mark's, Parkdale, on account \$35.00; Ashburnham and Otonabee, \$8.95; East Oro \$15.65; Sandhill, on account \$23.00; St. James', Albion, balance \$5.00. *Missionary Meeting.*—St. Mark's, Parkdale, \$9.25.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*Annual Subscription.*—Rev. R. W. E. Greene \$5.00.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—*April Collection.*—St. John's, Toronto, \$6.00.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the week ending June 18th, 1881.

ALGOMA FUND.—*Day of Intercession Collections.*—St. Bartholomew's, Toronto, \$1.80; Bowmanville \$9.00; Dysart, Guildford, 80 cents, West Dysart, 15 cents; Streetsville, \$4.42; Hastings \$1.04; Alnwick 64 cents, C. Peters, senr. 50 cents; Scarborough, Christ Church, \$2.63, St. Paul's, \$2.31, St. Jude's \$1.01; Shanty Bay \$4; Uxbridge \$9.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—*April Collections.*—Streetsville \$4.36, Churchville 72 cents.

The Rev. Wm. Crompton, travelling clergyman of Algoma, is to occupy the pulpit of St. John's church, Toronto, by special arrangement on Sunday morning next, June 26th, and that of St. Stephen's in the evening.

Owing to his numerous engagements, and the many calls upon him for the services of the Church in the backwoods, we believe it is not the intention of the Rev. Wm. Crompton to come south for at least two years. But we must be allowed to express the hope that the cause for which he has been so earnestly pleading in our churches will not be allowed to decay for want of that support which he requires, without the trouble and expense of leaving his field of labour.

The Rev. P. Tocque wishes to say that a surplus, given by the Churchwoman's Aid Society, has now been left at the Mercer Reformatory for the use of the Church Services at that institution.

HARWOOD.—The pretty little church of this place, has lately received the addition of a very handsome carpet for the chancel, together with a fine Communion table-cloth, both of which are the gift of the Misses Ley, of Cobourg.

NIAGARA.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAMILTON.—Receipts of Synod Office during the month of May, 1881.

MISSION FUND.—*Offering Collections.*—Orangeville, \$5.00; Stony Creek, 25cts.; The Beach, \$1.37; Synod special service, \$12.02. *Parochial Collections.*—Hamilton, St. Thomas', \$25.00. *On Guarantee Account.*—Luther, \$18.00; Drew, \$25.00; Rockwood, \$25.00; Framosa, \$16.50; Binbrook, \$50.00; Harriston, \$15; Welland, \$134.08; Acton, \$33.08.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*Offering Collections.*—Louth and Port Dalhousie, \$4.67; Milton, \$2.00.

ALGOMA FUND.—*Intercessory Collection.*—Hamilton, Christ Church, \$19.81; Niagara Falls, \$2.22; Ancaster, \$3.20; Port Erie, \$5.66; Stewarttown, \$7.00; Hamilton, All Saints', \$6.25. *Good Friday Collection.*—Louth, \$2.25.

SYNOD ASSESSMENT.—Hamilton, Christ Church, \$8. St. Thomas', \$12.00, St. Mark's, \$3.00, All Saints', \$2.00; St. Catharines, Christ Church, \$6.00; Jarvis and Hagersville, \$4.00; Stony Creek, \$3.00; Oakville, \$5.00; Louth and Port Dalhousie, \$6.00; Port Colborne and Marshville, \$6.00; Barton and Glanford,

\$4.00; Donaville and Port Maitland, \$6.00; Guelph, \$22.00; Burlington and Nelson, \$8.00; Norval and Stewarttown, \$3.00; Beverley and West Flamboro', \$4.00; Thorold and Port Robinson, \$10.00; Welland and Fonthill, \$4.00; Milton and Hornby, \$8.00; Minto, \$3.00; Saltfleet, Binbrook, and Barton East, \$3.00; Acton, etc., \$4.00.

DUNNVILLE.—The Bishop confirmed eighteen candidates at St. Paul's church on Whit-Sunday morning last. His lordship delivered an earnest, practical address, which was appreciated by the large congregation assembled.

SOUTH CAYUGA.—On Whit-Sunday afternoon a Confirmation was held at St. John's church. Fifteen young persons renewed their baptismal vows. It is to be hoped that the faithful and kindly words of counsel they received from their chief pastor will long be remembered.

This church has, mainly through the exertions and aid of Mrs. G. Docker and family, been restored and beautified. A chancel has been added and furnished, and the whole building presents a most creditable and ecclesiastical appearance. The floral decorations of both churches were exceedingly chaste and beautiful.

PORT COLBOURNE.—The Lord Bishop of Niagara held a confirmation in St. James's church, on Tuesday the 14th instant, when thirty candidates for that holy ordinance received the laying on of hands. Of this number eight were males and twenty-two females, one of the former and seven of the latter being married persons. Five of the whole number had recently received Adult Baptism at the hands of the incumbent, and had been brought up in religious bodies outside the Church. The impressive address of the bishop, delivered in a clear strong voice, and distinctly heard in all parts of the crowded church, was listened to with great attention by all present. His lordship was the guest of Charles James, Esq., C.E., during his stay here, with whom he visited the extensive works, now approaching completion, on the enlarged Welland canal, and expressed himself much pleased with the work and the attractions of the lake, beach, and the magnificent pier at Port Colborne.

HURON.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON.—Whit-Sunday was observed by the Church in this city as a day of intercessory prayer for missions, and the offertories of the day were devoted to Foreign missions. The offertory in St. Paul's was one hundred dollars. An unusually large number partook of the Holy Communion.

PETERVILLE.—Rev. Dr. Darnell has resigned his connection with St. George's, and Rev. E. E. Newman has been appointed to the mission. His health and strength are so much restored that he can undertake the duties of this small but important parish, and his heart is in the Church work.

The number of the effective force of clergy now on the Synod list is one hundred, with eleven supernumerary. There are twenty congregations reported vacant, notwithstanding the frequent ordinations, and the accessions from various sources.

MAXWELL.—Our northern mission parishes demand no ordinary amount of self-sacrifice on the part of those to whom their pastoral care has been committed; and it is truly no little pleasure to know that their labours are appreciated. The congregation of St. Mary's have, as a token of their esteem and love for the clergyman of the parish of St. Mary, presented the Rev. James Ward with a selection of valuable books for his library. In their accompanying address expressing their great regard for him on account of his inestimable services in the mission, and avowing their esteem for him as a faithful pastor of the fold and a champion of Christ's Holy Catholic Church, they offer the books for his acceptance, trusting that in accepting them he will prove his appreciation of the spirit in which the offering is made. Rev. Mr. Ward said that, so far from Maxwell being a thorn in his path as had been predicted, he found it a very congenial location for the pure catholic doctrines of our Holy Church. He dwelt much upon the catholicity of the Church of England, having been founded in the Apostolic era.

The presentation took place at the residence of Mrs. Madill, Osprey. The address was read by Mr. Hamblin, and the presentation made by Miss Madill.