

to St. Catherines, P.Q., by the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway.

The children of St. Matthew's Church Sunday School will be treated to their annual picnic at St. Joseph de Levis, on the 18th, the party going by the Island boat.

LENOXVILLE.—The annual meeting of the convocation of Bishop's College, for the conferring of degrees in the faculties of Divinity, Arts, and Law, will be held in the College on Thursday, June 27th, at 2.30 p.m. The meeting for the transaction of business will take place on the previous day at 8 p.m.

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—It is much to be desired, that the missionary appeals, made at Ascensiontide and Epiphany, by the Church, be faithfully brought before the laity. At the Centenary Missionary Conference held in London, England, last summer, at which your correspondent was a delegate, this very point was one of the matters insisted on. The very force of objections against the stereotyped missionary meeting is only to be overcome, by educating the people on the importance of world-wide work in the missionary field. The first fruits from the mission of St. Henry, although of only one dollar and thirty two cents—if multiplied, by like small sums from a dozen, or a score, or a hundred, other mission services would support one or two native teachers among the heathen! An occasional Sunday evening or week-day evening service might be well devoted to the subject of missionary work. The report of the sub-committee of the city clergy of the Church of England in Montreal to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and to the city clergy, on the subject of the recent Provincial Legislation in reference to the Jesuit body shows that "it is scarcely possible, in their judgment, to over-estimate the far-reaching importance of its results, present and prospective, to the Church of England in Canada, and also to the whole Protestant community of every name and denomination throughout the land, of recent provincial legislation in reference to the Jesuit body, and of the refusal of the Dominion Government to disallow that legislation." The report disclaims any intention of trenching upon the rights of "their Roman Catholic brethren in Canada," but adds, "your committee do most solemnly and earnestly protest as an invasion of these rights, against the action, both of the Quebec Parliament, in its whole recent Jesuit legislation, and also of the Dominion Government, in allowing that legislation." Then follow the reasons, among which are: First, because it "violates the oath of supremacy of the 1st of Elizabeth, which has been accepted by the Church of England, and is emphasized in the 87th of her 39 articles, and which articles, solemnly sworn to by all Her Ministers, are to the following effect:—The Queen's Majesty hath the chief power in this realm of England and other of her dominions, unto whom the chief government of all the estates of this realm, whether they be ecclesiastical or civil, in all causes doth appertain, and is not, nor ought to be, subject to any foreign jurisdiction; and further that "the Bishop of Rome hath no jurisdiction in this realm of England." The rest of the pronouncement of the committee is in the same spirit of dignified protest.

ONTARIO.

BROCKVILLE.—In response to the general invitation extended by the Mayor to the citizens of Brockville, to attend a public meeting in Victoria Hall, last week, to publicly give expression to the esteem in which the Rev. E. P. Crawford is held in the community, the hall was well filled by townspeople. Shortly after 8 o'clock the meeting was called to order by His Worship the Mayor. Seated upon the platform with him were Canon Mulock, Rev. F. L. Stephenson, Dyson Hague, Harding, John F. Wood, M.P., Judge McDonald, W. C. Austin, E. A. McGannon, M.D., and Rev. E. P. Crawford. After a blessing had been asked by Canon Mulock, the Mayor in a brief speech announced his reasons

for calling the meeting. He felt that the occasion demanded that such a meeting should be held, as Mr. Crawford for a number of years had been one of Brockville's best citizens, and the loss the town was about to suffer was so severe that some public expression of regret at his departure should be given. He then called upon His Honor Judge McDonald to read the address which had been prepared.

The Judge prefaced the reading of the address by a few well timed and appropriate remarks. It was a happy moment for him to bear his tribute of respect to a man whom he thoroughly knew. He realized that he, with the town at large, would feel much more keenly the great loss sustained after he had gone to his new sphere of usefulness. After the address was read he believed that those who knew him best would heartily endorse every sentiment which it contained. He had no doubt that during the past fourteen years Mr. Crawford had passed through many moments of despondency. While sad that he is leaving he will no doubt rejoice that throughout the years that are gone he has so labored in his beloved calling as to merit the esteem and appreciation of all classes as is evidenced by the assemblage here to-night.

To the Rev. E. P. Crawford, Clerk in Holy Orders:

We your fellow citizens of the town of Brockville, now in public meeting assembled, desire to express our great esteem for you and our deep sense of the loss which our community in general will sustain by your departure from amongst us.

Apart from your association with Brockville in your youthful days you have now for a continuous period of about fourteen years gone in and out amongst us, and have during that time by your pure life—by your works of love—and by your willing help in matters of general public concern won a place in our hearts which you will retain long after you have ceased to be one of us. It is our earnest wish that your life in your new home shall continue to be a truly useful one, and we pray Him whose servant you are to richly bestow upon you and your wife all manner of blessings and happiness.

Signed at Brockville this 10th day of June, A.D.; 1889, in behalf of the citizens by D. Derbyshire, Mayor; E. A. McGannon, M.D., W. C. Austin, John F. Wood, M.P., John M. Gill, R. H. Smart, G. T. Fulford, Geo. H. Weatherhead, H. S. McDonald, Judge C. C.

The address was engrossed by Mr. O. H. Breese, penman of the Brockville Business College, and as usually is the case with his work, was very handsomely executed. It was also suitably framed.

W. C. Austin then in a neat but brief speech, on behalf of the citizens of the town, and as a memento of their good will and esteem, presented Mr. Crawford with a purse of \$200 in gold.

Mr. Crawford on rising to reply was greeted with prolonged applause. He felt it would be a very difficult matter under the circumstances to give expression to his feelings in adequate terms, and he requested the audience to pardon him if what he said was not couched in the most suitable language. It was not often given to a man during his life time to hear such expressions of esteem as he had just listened to. He would not have been so much surprised had his own congregation given him some expression of their esteem and good will, but that the citizens of Brockville as a whole, men and women of every denomination, should do him the honor of publicly demonstrating their kind sentiments towards him he never even anticipated. In going from Brockville, he felt that he was leaving the home of his birth, the home of his boyhood, the home of his past, present and future. Although he did not expect to live here in the future, yet he would ever retain kind recollections of the town and its citizens, and would ever regard it as a place endeared to him by many sacred memories.

In doing what he had in the past he had tried to live always among them as a Christian should live always among his fellow beings, and on all occasions he had endeavored to exercise to all that degree of charity which would be worthy of an humble disciple of so noble a Master. The remembrance of this night's proceedings would be one of the brightest spots in his memory. The knowledge that this demonstration comes not only from those among whom he had labored and from those to whom he had ministered, but also from strangers, was evidence that the expressions were genuine.

In conclusion he wished the citizens of the town all manner of prosperity in the future, and thanked them again and again for their presentation.

Mr. John F. Wood, M.P., in a brief but nicely worded address contributed his token of respect towards the rev. gentleman. He commenced his own career in Brockville about the same period that Mr. Crawford assumed the rectorship of Trinity. Fortunately for himself he had been favored with Mr. Crawford's friendship, and he had profited very much therefrom. Not alone among his own congregation has he practiced the religion of Christ, but by his unostentatious charity, which he has so liberally given

to all the needy; he has practiced the religion of humanity outside his own congregation. In his intercourse with Mr. Crawford he had always found him void of prejudice on any question which concerned the public weal. He was ever found ready to extend a helping hand to those in want. If a man's work is to be measured by what he has accomplished then his reputation will continue to be known amongst us long after he has taken his departure. He concluded his address by assuring Mr. Crawford that as he felt proud because of his citizenship in such a town as Brockville, Brockville felt prouder by far to be able to call him a citizen.

Short addresses were afterwards delivered by E. A. McGannon, M.D., Revs. Hague, Stephenson, and Harding, after which Mr. Crawford pronounced the benediction.

BROCKVILLE.—St. Paul's.—On Tuesday evening, the 11th June, the Apostolic rite of Confirmation was administered in this Church by the Right Rev. Dr. Lewis, Lord Bishop of the Diocese. There were present, besides the Bishop, the Rev. Rural Dean Grant, of Lyn, Rev. Canon Mulock, now of Montreal, Rev. F. L. Stephenson, rector of St. Peter's, Brockville, the Rev. Sterne Tighe, rector of Lansdowne, and the Rev. Dyson Hague, rector of the Church. Mr. Hague presented forty seven persons for the laying on of hands. The address of the Bishop to those about to be confirmed was solemn and practical. There was a large congregation present. His Lordship, who has recently returned from England, appears to be in the enjoyment of good health.

TAMWORTH.—The Rev. J. R. Serson's efforts to erect a Church in Marlbank, one of his outstations, have been attended with success, and the opening services were held in it on Thursday, June 6th. The clergy present on the occasion were the Ven. T. B. Jones, the Rev. Rural Dean Loucks, the Rev. J. W. Forster, the Rev. T. Austin Smith, the Rev. A. L. Geen, and the Incumbent, Messrs. Loucks, Forster, and Geen, conducted divine service, which consisted of Morning prayer. The Ven. Archdeacon then preached a most appropriate and impressive sermon from the text "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." The Holy Communion followed, at which the Archdeacon was celebrant. Upwards of seventy communicants received the sacraments. The Incumbent expressed his gratification at the completion of the work. He thanked those who had assisted him in it. It is hardly necessary to say that the Church was filled to overflowing with the congregation, and many were unable to gain admittance. The new Church is of frame painted white, it is of gothic design—tastefully finished outside and inside. The principal parts are the nave, chancel, vestry, and South porch. The windows are pointed, glazed with figured and coloured glass. The chancel window is a triplet and is filled with stained glass of beautiful design. After divine service the concourse adjourned to the grove close by where tables had been prepared by the members of the congregation and friends for dinner. There was a beautiful supply of all good things—enough and to spare. Speeches followed the dinner, when all the clergy present had their say. Between each speech the organ played, and hymns were sung. The weather was lovely, and the occasion was a most enjoyable one throughout. It will long be remembered by those who participated in it. The proceedings were brought to a close by singing the National Anthem, and three lusty cheers for their excellent pastor. We congratulate those chiefly concerned in the success of the celebration. We hope both pastor and congregation will long be spared to enjoy the result of their labours and liberality. We hear the Church is all but out of debt.

TORONTO.

TORONTO.—Diocesan Synod.—The annual meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto opened on the 11th inst. Holy Communion was celebrated in St. James' Cathedral after which the delegates assembled in the school rooms. There was a very large attendance.

The Bishop's address will be read with interest. At 11.30 the Lord Bishop of Toronto took the chair. There were with him on the platform Archdeacon Body, provost of Trinity College; Dr. Snelling, registrar of the diocese; Dr. Hodgins and Rev. John Pearson, honorable secretaries of synod. The meeting was opened with prayers.

The following were granted the privilege of the floor: Rev. Messrs. J. F. Kitt, London; E. K. Douglas, London; O. K. Lee, Niagara; R. Ashton, Huron; H. J. Bonne, Calgary; E. C. Saunders, Huron; J. J. Hill, Huron; Chas. O'Meara, Huron; and H. B. Tremayne.

Rev. John Pearson was elected clerical secretary, and Rev. Dr. Hodgins, lay secretary for the current year.