

to the sacred edifice. Although Very Rev. Dean Carmichael was present, his poor state of health prevented him from performing the active duties of chairman, which he consequently relegated to Rev. L. N. Tucker. The children, as they filed into the large hall, were each presented with an orange and a parcel of candies, to which they did ample justice. Stereopticon views illustrating "Ben Hur" were displayed by Mr. L. O. Armstrong to the great delight of the little ones and their parents, who thronged the large hall. Miss Evans's class sang several choruses, Mr. Pickard recited and Miss Schneider gave several vocal solos.

The Bishop held a Confirmation at this Church on Sunday evening the 28th ult., when 41 candidates were presented for the "Laying on of hands," making 104 confirmed since January 1891.

LACHUTE.

The church here has on the whole been in a prosperous condition. During the last year the sum of two hundred dollars has been taken off the parsonage debt, leaving only \$800 to pay. Death and removals have greatly reduced the number of families, but we hope still to carry on the church work and at an early date so provide that the diocesan mission fund will not be drawn upon to pay our clergyman's salary.

We regret very much that the present incumbent, Rev. Wm. Sanders, has been obliged to give in his resignation to the Bishop, but hope that the rest he will obtain will be of benefit to him.

As in all cases where there is a contemplated change of clergy the people are anxious as to who will be appointed successor to Mr. Sanders.

CLARENCEVILLE.

The Rev. W. Robinson, of West Shefford, has been named by the Bishop Rector of this Parish, on nomination of the people and has accepted the appointment.

EASTMAN.

An oyster supper and entertainment in connection with St. John's Church, was held on the evening of the 17th ult.

ST. JOHNS.

The Rev. F. Charters, of Iron Hill, officiated in St. James Church here on Sunday, 21st ult., with great acceptance. The Ladies Aid gave another of their socials in the Baldwyn Hall on the evening of 23rd ult., realizing a nice sum.

Diocese of Ontario.

ODESSA.

On Friday evening, 12th inst, the church here was re-opened after being closed for eleven months. It is the most discouraging spot in the mission work of the diocese, but a resolute effort is being made to give it strength. The Rev. F. Dibb took charge of it last Tuesday. The church was very nearly filled, though a week night and very cold, at the opening service. Mr. Dibb said evening prayer, and Rev. Mr. Woodcock, of Camden, read the lessons. The choir of St. James', Kingston, with great kindness, attended in a body and discharged the musical part with hearty spirit. The rural dean, Rev. E. H. M. Baker, preached very effectively upon the use of the talent each one had entrusted to him. He spoke highly of the new missionary, of the generosity of the diocese to Odessa station, of the willing outside help, and of the call to the

people of the mission to do their part as fair minded christian people. Services have been appointed for morning and evening every Sunday. A committee under Ven. Archdeacon Jones and Mr. Pense, are giving every encouragement to the work there. Over \$200 has been collected in the city and vicinity.

SELBY.

The Rev. F. S. Greenhalgh has been appointed incumbent of this parish vice the Rev. C. O. D. Baylee removed to the diocese of New Brunswick. He enters upon his duties immediately.

The Bishop of the diocese writes that his health having improved very much of late he will return to Canada in April ready to resume active work in the diocese.

Diocese of Toronto.

TORONTO.

ST. ALBAN'S CATHEDRAL.—A list of subscriptions to the funds of the Cathedral has recently been published shewing a total amount of about \$35,000. The building, which is valued at \$75,000, has cost a total amount of \$74,000, inclusive of the estimated value of specific donations not included in the above \$35,000, and the land has cost \$11,480. The latter has increased largely in value, being now worth \$51,000, which with the building as above, and with the See House property valued at \$20,000, makes a total value of church property in the Cathedral block \$145,000. There is a bond debt, covering all the block except the See House, not payable for some years, but in the meantime subject to an annual charge for interest for which the Chapter are endeavoring to provide by special subscriptions independently of donations to the capital, with which they are meeting with gratifying success.

Under the auspices of the Guild of St. Luke, an illustrated lecture on "Japan and its People" was delivered on Monday evening 22nd Feb., in the school house of St. Luke's church by Mr. James Chappell, of Trinity College. Mr. Chappell was a resident of the flowery kingdom four years, and so was complete master of his subject. He attributed to the Japanese great genius in imitating the mechanical arts in which Europeans excel. He reviewed the progress the nation had made in the last three decades, particularly in the adoption of Christianity. He deplored the introduction of liquor, and said that it bids fair to become as much a curse to them as opium is to the Chinese.

GRACE CHURCH.—Rev. N. L. Pearson, of Orangeville, has been appointed assistant curate of Grace church.

GUILD OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.—Those who were present at the concert given under the auspices of the Guild of the Good Shepherd in Holy Trinity school-house on Tuesday evening 23rd Feb., enjoyed an exceptionally good entertainment. Among those who took part in the event were Misses Abbott, May, Baker, and Smith, Mrs. Belle Rose Emslie, Mrs. J. Shields, and Messrs. Mull, Quayle, Birnie, Sutherland, Verrall, and Tinning. Sig. Glionna's orchestra was present and performed an excellent selection. The proceeds of the concert go in reduction of the debt on Grace Church.

ALL SAINTS.—All Saints' branch of the Women's Auxiliary to Missions met, and elected Mrs. R. G. Cox and Miss Osler life members

Rev. Prof. Clark lectured at Trinity College on Saturday afternoon, 20th Feb., on "The Principles of the Anglican Reformation," the lecture being the first of a series as to the historical position of the Church of England.

THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY.—At the last meeting of this society in Holy Trinity school-house a very pleasing programme of recitations and readings was rendered, after which Mrs. Woods, president of the Central Council, addressed the members upon the different phases of the work in England, and described the large gatherings in which she had participated while there.

To the Editor of THE CHURCH GUARDIAN,

DEAR SIR:—Will you kindly give space in your paper for the following resolution which speaks for itself.

W. E. COOPER, B.D.,

Secretary R. D. of Northumberland.

Moved by Rev. Canon Spragge, and seconded by Rev. J. E. Cooper, and resolved—

That the clergy of the Rural Deanery of Northumberland place in record the great loss they have sustained in the death of the late Rev. John Davidson, M.A., Canon of St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto, Rural Dean of Northumberland, and Rector of Colborne. He was a man of earnest piety, unflagging energy, and kindly heart, who identified himself with the interests of his deanery and the Church at large.

We also desire to convey to Mrs. Davidson, and her family our heartfelt sympathy in their great trial and bereavement.

Diocese of Niagara.

HAMILTON.

The new Church of St. John the Evangelist was dedicated and opened for public worship on Sunday, the 21st of February ult. Four services were held. At 8 a. m. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese was present and celebrated the first Eucharist. At 10:30 a. m. Matins were said followed by celebration by the Rector, Rev. C. LeV. Brine, assisted by the Rev. C. E. Whitcombe. At 4 p. m. Children's Evensong was held, and at 7 p. m. regular evening service. Services were continued during last week every day. The building is a neat, unpretentious one on the corner of Locke and Hannah Sts., ecclesiastical in design, being of Gothic style of architecture, with walls of red brick. There is colored glass in all the windows and that in the Eastern end a beautiful design of The Good Shepherd. A fine baptismal font stands in the West end of the building. The Sunday school is amply provided for in the basement, where the vestries also are at present. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese preached a most impressive sermon in the morning from the text St. Matt. xviii, 20, enforcing the duty and the benefits derived from attendance in the House of God, especially at the Holy Table, where in an especial manner the presence of the Saviour was vouchsafed to the penitent and believing soul: though how present we know not. The Rev. W. H. Clarke, of St. Barnabas Church, Toronto, also preached in the evening. The building was crowded at both services. The music, which was choral in character, was well rendered by the surpliced choir of St. Matthew's Church. The most striking feature of the interior is the altar, with its pure-white altar cloth elaborately embroidered, its ornate decorations, and its lighted candles set in highly ornamental candlesticks. The estimated cost of the church is about \$7,000. The completion so auspiciously be-