

B. Draper, a very fine duet was given by Mr. Bamford of Listowel, and Mr. J. McBain, Miss Young of Listowel, presided at the organ.

E. O. Terrent, student in charge, occupied the chair, and stated at the close that the proceeds of festival and Sunday collection netted \$98, which will be applied to the payment of the debt on the church:

Mrs. BOOMER desires to acknowledge with grateful thanks a further sum (\$40) from a personally unknown friend at New Richmond, Que., for the fund for the education of Missionaries' children, which has also been placed at her absolute disposal; also \$12 from new St. Paul's, Woodstock, for Huron Education Fund, and \$2 towards the payment of debt due Mr. Trivett, from Mrs. Browne. These sums will be handed to Treasurer.

'The King's Daughters' of Windsor, in response to appeal of Rev. J. Edmonds on behalf of Rev. S. Trivett, offer to give \$25, and hope that other circles will try to do the same. Who will help them?

DIocese OF ALGOMA.

CHURCH BUILDING.—No less than eight churches are now in course of erection in the diocese, viz. at Lewisham and Parbrook in the Mission of Uffington (Rev. H. N. Burden); at Gregory and Beaumaris in the Port Carling district (Rev. W. A. J. Bart); at Brunel, in Rev. A. H. Allman's field; at Novar, in that of Rev. L. Sinclair; at Powassan, under the charge of Rev. G. Gander; and at Danchurch (Rev. A. J. J. Young). The eight are all most urgently needed, as local habitation for the several little flocks that lie scattered around them. Unless they are rapidly completed, one of two fates awaits the members of the Church in their respective neighborhoods. Either, on the one hand, they and their children will inevitably drift away into connection with other religious communions, always on the alert to attract and win them; or, on the other, they must relapse into such indifference to all churchgoing habits as will leave them practically pagans in the midst of a Christian land. In either case, their religious life is left uncared for, and they are, moreover, lost irrecoverably to the Church which calls and claims them as her children. In view of this grave issue, the Bishop grieves to say that of the eight church edifices named above, he has funds sufficient for only one, viz. at Powassan, and this through the generous aid of a Montreal Churchwoman, supplemented by the free will offerings of the people in money, material, and voluntary labour. The other seven have reached different stages of progress, some being only begun, others nearing completion; but they are every one standing still, unfinished, and unavailable for public worship, simply because the necessary funds are not forthcoming to supplement (1) the local efforts of the people, and (2) the grants made by the S. P. C. K. On an average, these two latter combined provide about three eighths of the whole cost in each case, i.e., about \$300 out of \$800. For the difference between these two amounts just named, we have to depend on the voluntary offerings of the friends of the diocese to our Church and parsonage fund. This fund, however, has reached the vanishing point. One or two friends in England, as will be seen in our column of acknowledgments, have recently remembered our needs, but we require at least \$2,000 (£400) at this moment to supply existing necessities, and so enable seven little congregations of loyal Churchmen and women, with their children, to join in the Common prayers and praises so familiar to them in the far-away motherland, and to sing, 'I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord.'

It will perhaps give added force to this appeal

if we repeat the conditions on which our little unpretentious church edifices are erected:

1. The site must be deeded to the Bishop in trust.

2. The plans, specifications, &c., must be submitted to the Bishop for his approval before the building is begun.

3. The people must give to the full measure of their ability before any outside aid is promised.

4. Church debts are, as far as possible, carefully avoided.

5. Insurance must always be effected.

Contributions from those who sympathize with our needs, approve of these conditions, and are able to assist us, will be thankfully received by the Bishop of Algoma, Bishophurst, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.—*Algoma News*.

DIocese OF QU'APPELLE.

The *Messenger* says:—We are very thankful to be able to record the arrival of three more clergymen in the Diocese, as our number has of late been very low. The Rev. John Manning is stationed for a time as assistant at Regina, but he will probably before long be removed to an independent sphere. The Rev. John S. Thomas, M.A., of University College, Oxford, arrived on Thursday, the 13th, and started the same evening for Moosomin, to help there on the following Sunday. He is going South to work up the Souris district, where the railway is at length certain to be built this fall. And the Rev. W. M. Edwardes, who is stationed as assistant at Moosomin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The Rev. Leonard Dawson, of Regina, has been appointed Secretary to the Church of England Sunday School Institute.

It is from this Society that Eugene Stocks' well-known excellent lessons on the life of our Lord come.

In April next will be held the annual examination for Teachers. Two years ago four candidates went in at Regina and all passed very well.

MEDICINE HAT.—On Thursday, August 13 a very successful picnic was held in connection with the S. Barnabas' Church Sunday School.

QU'APPELLE STATION.—A sale of work was held on Saturday, August 15th, in aid of the Vicarage Fund, by the Women's Guild, when over \$60 was taken.

MOOSOMIN.—The annual Sunday School picnic was held on Friday, the 7th August, after being postponed for three weeks on account of bad weather and mosquitoes.

MARILTON.—Service, consisting of morning prayer, baptisms, Holy Communion, and sermon, was held for the first time in August last in Marilton, on Long Lake; the place is about forty miles distant from Regina. There were about forty-four people present, and eleven communicants, and four baptisms.

SOUTH AFRICAN CHURCH NEWS.

On the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of the new church in Vryburg the Bishop of Bloemfontein stated that during the last four and one half years no less than thirteen churches had been built in his diocese.

A project has been set on foot for providing a Teaching University for the thorough and cultured education of young men in South Africa who cannot avail themselves of a University course in England.

The late Chief Justice of the Colony, Sir Henry Connor, has bequeathed his theological books to the Bishop for the use of the diocese. They consist mainly of Patristic Theology, and will be of considerable value.

NEW ZEALAND CHURCH NOTES.

MELANESIA.—We learn from the *New Zealand Church News* that on July 12th, the Bishop of Auckland admitted Reuben Bala, a Melanesian to the Order of Deacon. The candidate is a native of Florida, Solomon Islands, and has been connected with the Mission since 1868. In 1871 he was on board the Mission ship when Bishop Patteson was killed. He was baptised on the following year, and some time subsequently was confirmed and became a communicant and teacher in his own village.

AUCKLAND.—The Diocesan Synod of this Diocese meets on the 19th Oct., when it is proposed to divide the Home Mission Fund into two parts, viz.: Home Mission Fund proper, devoted entirely to the maintenance of the Diocesan Missionary and his assistants in those districts where there are no resident clergy; and (b) the country Clergy Fund, the object of which is to aid the wholly-under paid clergymen resident and ministering in poor districts.

WELLINGTON.—The General Synod is appointed to meet at Wellington on Feb. 3 1892. From a brief account by the Primate to the Standing Committee it appears that Church work was proceeding favorably throughout the diocese, but more clergy were greatly needed. The financial condition of the Diocese was considerably better than at the same period last year. The Maoris of Rangitikei and neighborhood had contributed fifty pounds in aid of the Mission Fund, and intend to present a glebe and parsonage site at Parawhau. The committee expressed great gratitude at the liberality of the Maori Churchmen.

DUNEDIN.—Church life here is reported to have been much stimulated by the arrival of three new clergymen to take charge of St. Matthews, St. Johns, Rayn and St. Marys, Morrongton. Two of these are the Rev. W. A. Diggins, who has done good work for many years at Rockhampton, Queensland, and is a man of sound judgment and true Churchmanship; and the Rev. W. C. Cotes, who is untiring in pastoral work and has been connected with St. Marys from the beginning of the year, securing the love and respect of the people.

In St. Matthew's parish a day school has been started intended to test the feeling of the parishioners in regard to religious as against non-religious education. It is conducted on strictly Church lines and the Curate spends an hour and a half in the school each day. It has doubled its number since April. The Sunday School Union has grown in strength and is about to hold examinations and grant certificates and to adopt a Calendar of lessons for the year, arranged according to the seasons of the Church and the teachings of the Prayer book.

CHRIST CHURCH.—The Standing Committee of the Diocese met July 14th. It appeared amongst other reports to it that there were 99 cad dates for the Scholar's examination in connection with the Sunday school Union of the Diocese and forty in the Teacher's examination. An energetic movement is being made to provide suitable accommodation for the Sunday school children at Temuka by the erection of a Sunday school room, 72 feet in length and 30 in width, at a cost of 607 pounds.

The work on the Cathedral spire is making good progress and it was expected that by the end of August it would be completed. At a meeting of the clergy of the Northern Deanery it was resolved that the Bishop be requested to protest on behalf of the Church against a Divorce Bill then before the House of Representatives of the province.

Practice in life whatever you pray for and God will give it to you more abundantly.—*Pusey*