

president's address and the reading of a careful record of the events of the year in the missionary field occupied by the American Church, five-minute reports were called for from each college represented. When it came to Trinity's turn, your representative briefly mentioned the nature and amount of our missionary work here in the way of Sunday duty, etc., and the aids to it, viz., the meetings of the Missionary and Theological Society and the devotional exercises of the Divinity Class. As man after man rose and spoke simply and modestly of the work being done, the prospect before the Church seemed bright.

The evening was occupied by a public missionary service in the parish church. Professor Binney, chaplain of the Berkeley School, gave us a kindly address of welcome, in the course of which he reminded us that Middletown was the birthplace of the apostolical succession in the land, the scene of the first ordination held by Bishop Seabury more than a century ago. Dr. J. Lewis Parks, of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, had as the subject of his address "The Theological Convictions of the Missionary" and entered an eloquent and incisive appeal on behalf of theology, "the queen of sciences." Dr. Clark, of Berkeley, dwelt on "Reasons for Encouragement" and brought before us the fruits of the labours undergone by the apostles and their successors, in contrasting the 120 Christians of the anti-Penecostal Church with the 100,000,000 of this century. The last speaker of the evening was Dr. Rainsford, the well-known Rector of St. George's, New York. With the "Imperative Need of New Departure in Church Organization" as his theme, he spoke boldly and vigorously and said many things which were much to the point. Evolution in religious ways and means, accommodation to nineteenth century life, city work, preaching, attractive services, woman's work, were all touched upon.

Friday began with an early celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the chapel. The forenoon was passed in listening to and discussing papers. Mr. Fred H. Graham, of the Montreal Diocesan College, in his paper on "The Missions of North Western America," passed in review the many dioceses which had sprung up from the first seed sown by the Rev. John West in that region not such a very long time ago. Bishops Anderson, Bompas, and McLean were cited as heroes of the great lone land. Interesting papers on the "Missionary's Theology" and "Missions as Factors in Civilization" were followed by an exhaustive and able paper on "Missions of Japan" by Mr. Joseph Motoda, a native of that country, who is at present preparing for Holy Orders in the Philadelphia Divinity School. His plea was for the training of a native ministry.

In the afternoon the business meeting of the convention took place, and in the evening a missionary service, similar to that of Thursday. The addresses of the evening were by the Rev. Dr. Kirkby and the Bishop of Connecticut. Dr. Kirkby gave a vivid description of the life of a missionary in the region around Hudson's Bay.

Some of us heard Archdeacon (now Bishop) Reeve describe that life when he visited us here at Trinity last fall. The closing address of the convention was by Bishop Williams of Connecticut, on "Apostolic Methods in Missionary Work." The venerable bishop showed us how our Lord had commissioned and sent forth His apostles with definite instructions. From Jerusalem they scattered unto the uttermost parts of the earth, establishing themselves at the great centres of wealth and commerce as bases of action. They taught a personal God, not mere abstractions. They founded indigenous churches, with native teachers and preachers. All these facts are lessons for us in the present day.

This service ended one of the most successful conventions

ever held by the Association. The amount received at the the public offertories, to be devoted to missionary purposes, was \$61.99. I came away on Saturday morning feeling strengthened and, to borrow a phrase from our friends across the line with whom I have been sojourning, considerably "enthused."

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College Chronicle.

AN UNWELCOME VISITOR.—It seems that our friend of two years' standing, Madame La Grippe, has determined to pay us an annual visit, and by following in the train of Xmas, to cast a shadow over the "mirth and youthful jollity" of that merry season. We regret to say that several within our walls have fallen victims to the ravager; and everyone seems to be expecting his turn to be next. We can only hope that by careful precautions her majesty may be compelled to 'move on,' for we do not desire to have "grippe rampant" for our heraldic device.

THE NEW "SCRIBE."—One of the numerous important offices formerly held by Mr. H. H. Bedford-Jones, who has bid good-bye to his student days at Trinity, is that of Father Episcopon's scribe. We commend his good judgment in appointing as his successor Mr. C. S. McInnes, '92, who is admirably adapted to fill a position requiring such varied talents as does this one; and will look forward with great expectation and, perhaps, with more or less anxious dread to hearing, at the end of this term, the result of the annual visit of our severe but esteemed critic of manners and morals.

THE TRINITY UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC CLUB.—This club, which was so successfully started last term, is to commence its operations very shortly. Two plays have been selected and the casts are now being made up; and if circumstances are favourable, the first appearance of the club on the boards will be on Feb. 2nd. This club ought to be a great boon to us all in helping to enliven the somewhat weary weeks of this long term. We hear that 'Varsity has once more followed Trinity's energetic lead, and has also formed a dramatic club, with numbers limited to forty. We wish them all success in this similar enterprise.

THE CONVERSAZIONE.—The Literary Institute have decided on Thursday, February 11th, for the date of the Conversazione of 1892. A list of the gentlemen chosen for the various committees has been already posted in the hall, and it is to be hoped that these committees, who give every promise of being highly efficient, will succeed in making the Conversazione for this year an exceptional success. It has been decided to reduce the number of invitations issued to the men from six to five, and every effort will be made to reduce the number of invitations in every possible way; for if the Conversazione is to be a success a crush must be avoided above everything.

WHAT HAVE THEY BEEN DOING WITH THEIR TIME?—We have not yet heard of the engagement—matrimonial, it may be necessary to remark, not professional—of a single member of the Divinity Class as a result of the Christmas vacation. This is inexplicable! Is the Divinity Class deteriorating in this respect, or what is the solution of this unusual fact? The average number of engagements announced after the summer vacation is three; of course the Christmas vacation is very short in comparison—only about three weeks—but taking into consideration the season's diversions, mistletoe, etc., we should expect at least two as a result. It is very disappointing to find that the Divinity men, on whom we