

church a handsome brass alms basin. Both articles were displayed on Easter Sunday and were greatly admired by the congregation. Altar vessels, and linen, and a bell, are still wanting.

KINGSTON.—Thursday last was the 29th anniversary of the consecration of Bishop Lewis, and as such was a notable day in local Church of England history. The ceremony took place in St. George's Cathedral 29 years ago. Representatives of the clergy from all parts of the Dominion and the dioceses of New York and Michigan took part in the impressive service, at which Rev. H. Patton, D.C.L., preached a powerful sermon.

#### TORONTO.

St. Philip's Church.—The Rector, Rev. Canon Sweeney, D.D., has just concluded a Lenten course of morning sermons on "The Bible," "The Church," "The Ministry," "The Sacraments," under a common title, "Links with the Past." Also an evening course on "Life's Tests, illustrated by the life of Job." Both courses have been well attended and (seemingly) much appreciated by the congregation. The object of the former, which it is hoped has been in part attained, was to impart truer views in regard to the Church, her history, and her possessions, and to confirm her members in their love and reverence for her. During Holy Week, at the evening service, special addresses are being delivered on "Passion, Predictions and their Fulfilment."

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.—The first general gathering of all the Toronto chapters was held on Saturday evening, 20th inst., in the Holy Trinity school house. There was a fair attendance. The President, Mr. Davidson, of St. Stephen's, took the chair. The opening prayers were said by Dr. Mockridge. After the Presidents opening address each chapter was called upon through a chosen representative to give to the meeting an account of the work done. The following spoke on behalf of their chapters:—Mr. F. Du Moulin, St. James'; Mr. Harold Rudge, Holy Trinity; Mr. F. Kinnear, St. Peter's; Mr. Andrews, St. Stephen's; Mr. Code, St. Margaret's; Mr. Evans, Church of the Redeemer. The work of the several chapters has been very encouraging and it seems that the Brotherhood in Canada is to have as firm a place here as it has in the United States. The Rev. John Pearson welcomed the formation of a chapter in his parish, and offered the use of the school house for any meetings of the Brotherhood. A corporate communion of the members was advised, and in fact is already observed in one or two of the chapters. The general work seemed to have been more in mission work, and of a preparatory nature, and now that all the chapters have been able to meet together and exchange views, a great deal of work is expected to be done. Mr. Beverley Jones spoke of the great field of work there was open for the Brotherhood amongst the prisoners, and encouraged all present to persevere in face of many discouragements. Mr. Tippet, a visitor from St. Johns, N.B., was present, and in the course of a few remarks said how pleased he was to welcome such a movement in the Church of England. He rejoiced to think that the Church of England was a Church militant, a Church not only on the defence, but marching on to victory. He hoped to see the formation of chapters in his own province, and looked forward to the day when he himself should become a member of the Brotherhood. Mr. Gril Rudge advocated a system of probationship, but it was referred to a future meeting. It was proposed to hold these united gatherings every six weeks, the exact date to be fixed by the council. The Brotherhood is destined, if its work is done earnestly, to have a great future influence upon the spread of the Church of England in Canada, and all over the world, and the members look to the clergy to help them by giving them all encouragement in the formation of new chapters. It is to be hoped that every parish in Toronto will soon have its chapter with a dozen or two of earnest young men, striving week after week to bring at least one young man within the hearing of the Gospel. There are at present ten chapters in Toronto, each one being acknowledged to be doing a great and noble work in their respective parishes. This enthusiastic and successful meeting was brought to a close with the Rev. John Pearson pronouncing the benediction.

St. James' Cathedral.—The financial statements of the churchwardens have been issued. The report shows that the year was begun with a balance on hand of \$1,798, and closes with a cash balance of \$2,026. The Sunday collections have amounted to \$4,157, of which \$1,650 was contributed at morning services and \$865 at evening services, while \$1,641 was given through the envelope system. The pew rents and ground rents brought in \$2,802, and rent of park lots \$6,246. For special collections the sum

of \$1,893 was raised. Altogether the receipts with the previous balance reached \$26,082. Of the expenditure the salaries of the clergy were but \$2,050. This is exclusive of the rector's stipend, which comes from the rectory fund. In the general church improvement \$9,235 was spent. The general balance sheet shows that the cathedral and furniture are valued at \$227,131, the Sunday school and furniture at \$15,464, and the parsonage at \$8,733. The cemetery accounts show that the balance of \$563 from last year has gone up to \$2,754. The receipts were \$9,235, of which \$7,057 came from sale of cemetery lots and fees.

The Rev. W. A. Des Brisay, who underwent a surgical operation at the hospital on the 18th inst. for an inward trouble from which he had been for some time suffering, is doing well, and expects to be out again in a few days.

Good Friday and Easter Services.—The Church in the city is to be congratulated on the marked improvement of these Holy Days, and in the character of the services. The music and decorations on Easter day have been carefully attended to in most of the churches, and have exhibited much taste and judgment. Thus the deepest feelings of love and devotion to our Lord have found their suitable expression in soul-stirring hymn and anthem, and the flowers which have decked our altars—those divine emblems of the Resurrection Life which represent to us the consummation of all our Christian hopes and aspirations.

St. Barnabas.—A confirmation service was held in this church last Thursday evening, when 37 candidates received the laying on of hands. His Lordship the Bishop addressed them from the chancel steps words of instruction and advice. He spoke to them in a kind and loving manner of the serious steps they were now taking, encouraging them to lead an honorable and Christian life.

Parochial Mission to the Jews Fund.—Canon Cayley, Hon. Sec. P. M. J. Fund, begs to acknowledge the following donations on account of Bishop Blyth's Mission Fund: \$2 from Preston Hallen, \$5 from the Bishop of Algoma, who has become one of the patrons of the Fund. Donations for the above may be sent to Canon Cayley, Toronto. Offertories should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer of the diocese, and they should be specially marked for Bishop Blyth's Fund, to avoid unpleasant mistakes.

The inter-diocesan Sunday-school committee, appointed under resolution of the Provincial Synod in 1889, will hold its half-yearly meeting in the "Cronyn Hall," London, Ont., on Tuesday, April 7th, at 10 a.m. As matters are to be discussed of the greatest importance to the Church in the whole Ecclesiastical Province, it is earnestly hoped that the various diocesan delegates will make it a point to be present. Suggestions bearing upon Sunday-school matters made by any of the clergy of the various dioceses, if sent to their duly elected delegates, can by them be brought before the committee. Should the representatives of any diocese fail to attend, suggestions may be forwarded to the chairman, the Rev. Canon Sweeney, D.D., Toronto, or to the undersigned, C. R. W. Biggar, City Hall, Toronto, Hon. Sec. Inter-Diocesan S. S. Committee.

EAST TORONTO.—St. Saviour's.—The opening of the new church on Easter Eve was a matter of utmost interest in this rapidly extending suburb of Toronto. The church is felt to be much required for the spiritual needs of the members of the Church of England, and it is at present the most prominent feature in the place. The general effect of the building is a calm dignity and adaptation to its surroundings.

It may be said of the design that, while it is quite unlike any other church, small or great, in Toronto or vicinity, it does not suffer by comparison with any. It is picturesque and pleasant to look at from every point of view, and we do not think the architects could have chosen a better style for the situation, and it would be difficult to imagine a more complete and suitable building for the money. This little village church, built and furnished for \$5000, is a successful blending of common sense and artistic merit, and satisfies both the mind and the eye; and what more could be said if the cost were doubled? The style is the quaint English half timbered—a phase of gothic well suited to village or rural work. The walls are solid as high up as the window sills, and it is at this point that the half timbered work begins. The roof is open to the top, rising 36 feet from the nave floor, and is constructed entirely of wood. The shingles were dipped in stain before being laid, and to those who were not aware of the artistic possibilities of stained shingles this roof is a revelation. The trusses are somewhat

peculiar, being complete in themselves, and would remain standing if the walls were taken down. They impart no thrust to the walls. They stand really on the foundations, and as a matter of fact were erected in their present positions before the walls were built, permitting a lightness of construction which would not otherwise have been possible. The windows are traceried in a style suited to the square heads naturally resulting from the timbered construction, and have stained glass in simple squares, that of the chancel, however, being more elaborately patterned and coloured. The walls inside are tinted and the wood work, including the roof timbers, varnished; the effect is exceedingly light and bright. You must make your choice between this and the "dim religious light," for the ingenuity of man has not yet been able to provide for them both in the same building. The church stands on a corner, the west and south facing the streets. The vestibule is placed at the west end and is sheltered by two open porches constructed of timber on a granite and brick base, one facing west and one south. There is a quaint belfry, constructed at small cost, as advantage was taken of the furnace chimney which forms one side of the belfry. Rising from the ridge of the roof over the chancel is an octagonal ventilator with a spire-like roof, surmounted by a wrought iron cross 60 feet above the ground. The building is 32 feet by 72 feet, not including porches or vestry, and will seat 300, including the choir. There is an organ chamber north of the chancel in which will be placed a fine instrument when the funds will admit. To the south of the chancel is the vestry, 12 feet by 15 feet, with a porch which also gives entrance to the nave. The architects are Messrs. Edwards & Webster of Toronto.

Happily the architects have been generously assisted by the taste and energy of Mrs. Gammack, who has worked two sets of altar-hangings and otherwise decorated the chancel and sacarium. The altar frontal used at the opening of the church was a beautiful white satin with designs in which the fleur-de-lis predominated. The other frontal, which was also shown to us, is a soft crimson cloth where the decoration is equally effective, but follows a different design. The other hangings correspond with the frontal, but why was there no altar-cross, the symbol of our Christian Faith, when all the other fittings were made so complete, fitting, and beautiful?

By the time of opening the church was well filled. The choir and clergy formed a procession at the west veranda, and entered, singing the well known hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers." The Lord Bishop of the diocese took his place within the sacarium, and Dr. Gammack, priest in charge of the mission, read the service of Evening Prayer, the Lord Bishop preaching a most appropriate and effective sermon. The choir in cassock and surplice had evidently been carefully trained for their parts, and the anthem was gracefully rendered by four of the boys, who are only requiring a little more confidence in their execution. The choir-master and organist are to be heartily congratulated on the result of their labours. It may be of interest that Dr. Gammack's five sons and son-in-law were efficient members of the choir. The appointments about the altar were very beautiful and appropriate, and we anticipate a very brilliant future for the church's work and progress in East Toronto.

COBOURG.—St. Peter's.—As soon as the weather permits, we purpose erecting a new Sunday school, the old building proving too small for the large attendance of children. Our Rector's, Rev. Canon A. Spragge's, Bible class numbers upwards of forty young women. The young men's Bible class numbering nearly thirty, is most ably conducted by Mrs. Osler, who deserves much praise for the way she has worked to keep up so large a class. No one can say a new building is not wanted, when in addition to those classes a large infants' class has to be held in the church. Our east-end school numbers 250, and that of the west end 175 children, including the Bible classes. We hope at a later date to give a full account of some of the work done by the church in the past year.

#### NIAGARA.

The Rev. C. E. Belt, missionary at Harriston, has been offered an appointment in Detroit and is likely to accept. The Rev. O. Edgelow, curate to Rev. Canon Read, D.D., Grimsby, is also leaving in a short time for the United States, and Rev. Mr. Marsden, who has been doing duty as locum tenens for Rev. E. J. Fessenden, will probably remove to Buffalo shortly. The younger clergy of this diocese are one by one passing over to the American Church, where they are securing larger salaries. In our last issue we should have said that there were 18 out of the 19 members of the Committee on the Revision of Constitution present. Mr. Clark was not absent, as stated last week.