

sold and a part of the proceeds put into a new house built on the Mission Hall lot in Anglesea Square. By the liberal contributions of friends, a comfortable house has been erected. The couple will move in in June, and make it their home as long as they live.

THE Synod Committee meetings were held in Kingston, May 27th to 30th. All the reports of the various funds were favorable, except the Widows and Orphans' Fund, which is about \$700 behind. Two widows have died during the year—Mrs. Forest and Mrs. Grier—and no new annuitant placed on the fund; the deficiency is the more to be regretted because only \$200 per annum is given to each widow and \$40 to each orphan under a certain age. In Quebec \$400 is given, but there are many generous Churchmen in that diocese who have augmented the capital, so that it is able to pay all the demands without taking more than the ordinary income. The Widows and Orphans' Fund and the Superannuation Fund ought to have strong claims on the wealthy especially. We heartily wish that substantial sums were given to both, in order to place them on a good foundation. The Woman's Auxiliary gave about \$400 last year to the Widows and Orphans' Fund, yet there is still a deficiency. If some Col. G. would only leave (or give during his lifetime, which is better) some \$25,000, what blessings would be showered on his name!

The Mission Fund showed a very satisfactory return. The deficit last May was some \$2,500. Now it is only \$500, and this when every grant but one is used. Combermere mission being the only one vacant. This shows careful management by the board; but much new work was neglected, because there were no funds, unless more comes in during the year than is anticipated. There ought to be three new missions formed in the diocese: one on the Parry Sound Railway, near Combermere, another in Glengarry county, and a third having Verona, on the K. & P. Ry., as a centre. Nearly \$1,000 would be needed to start these, so the work is left undone. A fourth could be formed down the Ottawa, at Rockland; but while the contributions are so small, it is useless to begin. It was decided to print the names of all annual subscribers, as last year, though some thought it rather hard on well-to-do people to find their names with only twenty-five cents or one dollar opposite, as their estimation of the value of mission work in their own diocese.

The Diocesan Branch of the Board of Missions reported total receipts, \$4,310: for domestic, \$2,580; foreign, \$1,730; an increase over last year. This includes, of course, the amount contributed by the Woman's Auxiliary. The Divinity Students' Fund showed a good balance on hand, and the committee suggest making the annual grant to those who are taking the

theological course at college, \$100, instead of \$80 as at present.

The Sunday-school Committee approved of the more general observance of the days of intercession for Sunday-schools throughout Canada in October, and discussed the advisability of having teachers admitted to their office by a special form.

THE Rev. W. Lewin has resigned the parish of Prescott, after a faithful service of over twenty years. He intends to reside in Kingston for the future. The Rev. H. B. Patton has been appointed his successor. The son of the late Ven. Archdeacon Patton deserves well of the diocese.

THE Sons of England held their anniversary service in St. John's Church on Sunday, May 25th. The Rev. A. W. Mackay read the prayers and the rector preached. The church was decorated with flags and flowers, and the congregation was very large. Many object to these Sunday celebrations, as they interfere with the Sunday-schools. There seems no good reason why they should not be held some week-day evening, when more could attend.

THE Sunday-school library of St. Alban's Church has been replenished by about \$90 worth of books, greatly to the delight of the Sunday-school children. A further addition will be made in a few weeks. The two new churchwardens, Messrs. J. T. Shaw and Henry Macleod, have thrown themselves with energy into the work of their office. They hope to report before long that a large proportion of the members have become regular subscribers to the church funds through the weekly envelopes.

THE St. Alban's Women's Guild held their closing parochial reunion in the schoolroom on Thursday evening, May 16th. It was a very pleasant affair, thanks to the assistance rendered by Mrs. C. A. Elliott, Misses M. Burroughs and Honor Clayton, and Messrs. Broderick and Robt. Sinclair.

THE Rev. W. M. Loucks has removed from 54 Kent street to 198 Concession street.

THE joint chapter meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held in Christ Church schoolroom on May 8th. Owing to the heavy downfall of rain, the attendance was not very large. Addresses were given by the Rev. A. W. Mackay, Messrs. J. F. Orde, and W. A. Leggo, on subjects of special interest to Brotherhood men in view of the coming summer.

The following Sunday the Quarterly Corporate Communion of all the city chapters was made in Christ Church.