

formist M. P., recently spoke as follows:—"The Church of England has done more to postpone the day of disestablishment by its temperance work than by any other to which it ever put its hand. It has made the Church the church of the people in a sense in which it has never been before, and by means of its Temperance Society, is doing a magnificent work."

4. The Church Congress, with its free speech, and annual interchange of thought, and splendid gatherings of workmen, leaves an indelible impression for good upon the visitor to its halls. The workmen's meeting of 3,000 men, and an overflow meeting of 1,000 more, in a church hard by the Congress Hall at Carlisle, the writer will not soon forget.

5. The "Church of England Workingmen's Society," and the "Church Army,"—two distinct organizations, but animated by the same desire, and working among similar classes. A service conducted by the former, in West London, during the "mission," and by the latter, in a slum of Liverpool, impressed me most deeply. Both are instances in point of two facts, now seemingly admitted in the Mother Church:

1. That the masses must be largely reached by Christian laymen, and laymen of a similar walk in life with themselves.

2. That to reach them extraordinary methods must be resorted to, and a mode of worship adopted such as will meet their needs. Organizations like these, without the Church at their back, might easily become dangerous engines in Society; but with the sanction and support, and fostering care of the living and sympathetic church, they will undoubtedly become the means of turning many a poor soul "from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God."

In all this "elasticity" of method and organization, one saw much that would rudely disturb the slumbers of a fossil parson in his stratified repose; but quickened to a richer and fuller throb the heart of the warm and aggressive churchman, of a more genial, though none the less pronounced type.

Within the sheltering arms of the revived and motherly Church of England, there is room to-day for every man, from the prince to the peasant, and from the returned Wesleyan to the converted Romanist. In her tremendous aggressiveness, her wonderful elasticity, and her happyburial of party spirit, the old church has wiped away the last lingering trace of woodenness from her face and form. Like some Alpine river, that, fed by the melting snows of summer, finds its narrow channel too small, and overflows its banks, the English Church, fed by the now melted snows of past neglect, and traditional inertness, which the Sun of Righteousness has kissed and thawed, has overflowed her banks and flooded all the plain of human hearts, and human homes, and human loves, with the life giving, healing stream of the Word and Sacraments—yes! of the Incarnate Life of her risen, and ascended Lord. We rejoice with her in her new found joy. We live with her in her new found life, and pray for a share in the Pentecostal baptism which undoubtedly has given it birth.

Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

DOMINION.

ONTARIO.

WEST WINCHESTER.—This thriving village, situated in one of the most fertile townships of Eastern Ontario, has a prosperous future before it and promises to become a very important town. In the past, owing to want of railway communication, it has been at a disadvantage, but now its inhabitants rejoice to see the ballast trains of the C. P. R. Short Line at work, completing the highway which is to connect them with two oceans. The projected line of railway from Ottawa to New York will pass through West Winchester, and there is a rumor of a Union Depot being built between that company and the C. P. R. To the latter company the township of Winchester granted a bonus of \$15,000; a good evidence of enterprise. Farmers and business men of the Lower Provinces intending to settle in Ontario could not find a better location than this township, the fertility of which is proverbial. With all this outward prosperity, however, there is something wanting, and to Churchmen it is a serious want. There is no Church—no Anglican Church. The Church services are conducted in a hall; this is depressing and detrimental to the Church's growth. In the past many families, originally Churchmen, have passed over to the denominations through want of the regular ministrations of the Church. The Church services are now held weekly here, and a suitable place of worship has become an absolute necessity if the church would hold her own. Lately a strong appeal was made to the people by the incumbent urging them to take steps at once to open

subscription lists and secure a site for a Church. Considering the numerical weakness of the congregation the appeal was not altogether in vain. About \$300 were at once subscribed, with good prospects of the amount being doubled. This is encouraging, and gives the incumbent confidence in appealing to Churchmen at large to help him in the work. It is a necessary work in a promising field. Our little band of faithful Churchmen have done what they could, and will do more. Will other friends of the Church help us? All amounts contributed will be acknowledged in the Church papers. Address, Rev. R. Wyndham Brown, M.A., South Mountain; or Herbert H. Bradfield, Esq., Treasurer Building Committee, West Winchester, Ontario.

I heartily endorse Mr. Brown's appeal, which is deserving of the consideration of all good Churchmen who desire to see the Church keeping pace with new openings.—J. S. LAUDER, Commissary of the Bishop of Ontario.

NORTH AUGUSTA.—Another Successful Parish.—Tuesday, November 2nd, will long be remembered as the greatest of the many great days the Church has had in this parish, during the past few years. On that day the new St. Peter's Church was formally consecrated to God by the Bishop of Niagara, assisted by the Ven. Archdeacon Lauder, and Revs. Rural Dean Nesbitt and Grout, and Revs. Messrs. Crawford, Houston, Cooke, Jones, Read, Quartermaine, and the incumbent, A. H. Coleman. It is barely three years since the subscription list was started, and the success which has attended this undertaking may be judged of, when it is stated that the church, furnishings, bell, and memorial window to the late Rev. John Stannage, cost in all the sum of \$4,228. Very little was raised from outside sources except the grant of £50 sterling from the S. P. C. K., so that the parish, which, after all, is only a mission, raised nearly all this large sum, in which is not included free labour, valued at \$200 or \$300. A few days before the consecration, every dollar of debt had been removed, and a balance left of over \$20. No wonder, then, that on that morning, the people flocked to the services in large numbers, many having to go away for want of room; and for three hours and a half the consecration and confirmation services, together with the holy communion, proceeded, the people seeming not to weary in the least. As many said afterwards, they "could have stayed all day," and others, "We never can forget it." Forty-six persons were confirmed, and about ninety received the holy communion. The Bishop, in the most impressive, kindly, and intelligible language, addressed the candidates first, before confirming them, on the subject of confirmation; and, again, after the confirmation, explaining to them the nature of that holy ordinance, in which, for the first time, they were that day to participate, viz., the Lord's Supper.

May the good seed thus sown on that day bring forth, as we believe it will, abundant and blessed fruit. It may also be stated that the incumbent, on two previous Sundays, addressed the people, and especially the confirmation candidates, respecting the report of the committee on the division of the diocese, and invited them to assist in that work, the result was that the sum of \$32.40 was placed on the altar at the morning service; about half that sum having been contributed in envelopes by those confirmed, and the other half by the rest of the congregation. At the evening service, Rev. Mr. Read read the prayers, and Rev. Mr. Cooke, a former incumbent, preached on "Reverence."

KINGSTON.—The name of the Rev. J. K. McMorine was one of the two selected by the vestry, and submitted to the Bishop, for rectorship of St. Martin's Church, Montreal. Though the position was given to the other nominee, the Rev. A. O. Troop, of St. John, N. B., the incumbent of St. James', Kingston, is to be congratulated upon the compliment paid him by so influential a congregation.

MABERLY MISSION.—The Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe, of Arthur, acknowledges the receipt of £25, from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in Foreign Parts, which has been kindly forwarded to him by the Venerable Archdeacon Lauder, of Ottawa, Bishop's Commissary, to whom it had been transmitted by the Bishop in England, also \$8.50, per Rev. A. Jarvis, M. A., of Carleton Place. Total, about \$128 50. The cost of church and of site, &c., about \$1,900, will all be met, and the only thing to be regretted is that St. Alban's cannot be consecrated in consequence of the Bishop's absence. The Rev. Thomas Stiles, the present incumbent, will soon be a great favourite in the mission.

TORONTO.

BOWMANVILLE.—Thanksgiving Services were held at St. John's Church on Thursday last at 11 a.m. and

7.30 p.m. The Church was very tastefully decorated with grapes, and miniature sheaves of corn—the handsome font looking particularly well, being surrounded with a bank of ferns and flowers. Fruits of harvest were artistically arranged about the chancel, and the altar vases filled with choice exotics. The services were very hearty, and the sermons, by the Rev. A. W. Macnab, of St. Catherine's, were listened to with the greatest attention. The attendance at both services was good, and the number of communicants at the Celebration was about forty.

ST. LUKE'S.—Rev. Jeffrey Hill, of Chatham, delivered a very amusing Picture Lecture to a crowded audience of Sunday School children and others on Tuesday evening, Nov. 16th. He has since made arrangements to repeat the lecture for ten other city Sunday schools some time during next January.

Presentation to Mr. H. G. Collins.—On the evening of the 22nd Nov., the teachers and scholars of All Saints' Sunday school waited upon Mr. H. Guest Collins at his residence, 21 Carlton st., and presented him with an address and a carved ebony music cabinet from the scholars and a handsome marble clock from the teachers. Great regret was expressed in the address at the resignation of Mr. Collins of the office of Superintendent, and warm and grateful allusions were made to his long and devoted services in connection with the Sunday school, which had won for him the respect and affection of both teachers and scholars.

Mr. Collins replied feelingly, and thanked the teachers and scholars for the kind expressions conveyed in the address, and for the handsome mementoes they had presented to him, and assured them that the feeling so warmly expressed was heartily reciprocated by himself.

The presentation was made on behalf of the teachers by the Rev. J. C. Street Macklem, curate of All Saints.

It is a matter of great regret that a zealous and able lay worker like Mr. Collins should retire from a position he has long filled with eminent advantage to the Church. Such changes are not only much to be deplored because of the abstraction from the working resources of the Church, and the painful severance of ties between a faithful lay Superintendent and the teachers and children, but because the withdrawal of a generally esteemed worker is injurious to the best interests and good name of the Church, which appears to be unable to retain its laymen in active spheres of duty.

TULLAMORE.—On Sunday, 21st November, this church was re-opened after thorough repairs. Rev. G. Herbert Broughall is missionary in charge. The roof has been sheeted, pannelled diamond shape, and stained in oils, and the walls beautifully painted throughout. At morning service, the Rev. A. J. Broughall, father of the missionary, preached, and celebrated the holy communion. In the afternoon, Rev. E. A. Oliver, of Bolton, preached a stirring sermon to a crowded church, and in the evening the church was packed to hear Professor Roper, of Trinity College. The collections were good, better, best. The offertory in the morning was upwards of \$18; in the afternoon, a little more than \$19; and in the evening, \$22.50. The service was most hearty and enjoyable, and every one seemed very happy. We wish the missionary God speed in his good work.

LANGTRY V. DUMOULIN.—"Mr. Justice Gwynne, of the Supreme Court, in rendering judgment in the case of Langtry v. Dumoulin, said:—"In view of the very great increase in the value of the property held as an endowment of the rectory of St. James beyond what was at all necessary for the support of its rector, and which endowment was, in fact, sufficient for the support of many clergymen of the Church having the cure of souls, and but ill provided for in other parishes, nothing was more natural than that the Synod of the Dioceses, constituted as they are of the clergy and laity of the Church, should after the decease of any living incumbent having vested interests during his life, have the disposition of the property constituting the endowment of the rectories, with the view of providing means for extending the influence and services of the Church throughout the poorer parts of the dioceses. Accordingly it was upon the application of the Provincial Synod that the Act 29th and 30th Vic., ch. 16, was passed. The Act was passed in the undoubted interest of the Church, and the rights of all living persons having vested interests in land situated as those in question here are, were scrupulously preserved. Hitherto the application of the Act to the lands in question here has never been doubted, and I am of the opinion that there is no room whatever for a doubt as to its application to them. The appeal must be dismissed with costs." The Court was unanimous in its decision.