

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. JOHN.—The service of intercession on behalf of Sunday school work, held in Trinity Church Monday evening, Oct. 21st, was fairly attended. The meeting opened with religious exercises by Canon Brigstocke. Rev. W. O. Raymond delivered an excellent address on the necessity of thorough preparation by teachers and others engaged in the religious education of children. But J. O. Crisp followed with a short but well delivered address on encouragements to Sabbath-school workers. The meeting closed with the singing of the hymn, "Lord of the Living Harvest," and religious exercises by Canon Brigstocke.

The regular fall and winter season of the Y. Men's Association of St. John's (Stone) Church was opened on the evening of the 23rd Oct., with a special service held in the church by the Rector, Rev. John deSoyres. After religious exercises an excellent address on "Perfection" was delivered by the Rector.

PERSONAL.—Mr. James S. Ford, associate of Trinity College, London, has been appointed organist of St. John's (Stone) Church. Mr. Ford has received the highest testimonials from Dr. Turpin, Secretary of the College of Organists in London, from Professors Pinney and Bambridge, of Trinity College, and from Dr. Pearce, the examiner for musical degrees in the University of Cambridge.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.—The sale of articles at the Church hall, Montreal street, on Saturday 19th Oct., in connection with the Children's Guild of St. Peter's Church was highly successful. Forty seven dollars were realized, and will be devoted to the Zenana Mission.

FITCH BAY. The Harvest Festival services were held in St. Matthias' Church on Friday, the 18th., and continued over Sunday. The church was tastefully and beautifully decorated with fruit, grain, vegetables, &c. The vegetables were of the largest kind grown in this vicinity for years. These services had a special attraction, as nothing of the kind has ever been held in the village before. The preacher, both morning and evening was the Rev. R. C. Tambo, of Magog. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion after the morning service. The singing at these services was of a good character, and the congregation joined heartily. After the evening service the greater part of the congregation adjourned to the Fitch Bay hall, where the Ladies Guild had provided the Harvest supper; all honor is due to the little band of workers that have done so much, and took upon itself the painting of the church, has now bought a splendid chandelier, carpet and matting, &c. Thanks are due to Mr. I. N. Boucher, who kindly collected among his friends and bought a stove for the new church, and to Mrs. Melrose, of Georgeville, who so kindly presented the church with a chandelier. The service on Sunday was conducted by the Rev. W. A. Adcock, who preached from the text, "Gather up the fragments that remain," John vi, 12.

QUEBEC.—The quarterly meeting of the Diocesan Branch of the Women's Auxiliary was held on Friday, the 11th October, 1889.

The meeting was well attended, there being present, besides the officers and members of the several city branches, representatives of Sherbrooke, Lennoxville, Compton, Cookshire and New Liverpool.

Mrs. Williams, the President, took the chair and delivered an address expressing much pleasure in meeting the members of the W. A. once more in Quebec, but regretting that though stronger she was not well enough to take up the position of President for the Auxiliary, but

would always take a warm interest in the work. She said further: "It has been a great pleasure to me, while absent from you, to feel that we are all united in one sisterhood, offering the same prayer daily, and trying to do our best to extend Christ's Kingdom upon earth. The missionary work presented to me in the South of France was for the Church of England Zenana work. We met there every week for that object, and had missionary papers read to us. A Miss Watson, from India, came to interest us there. Miss Ling told me she knew her well, and that she had done a good work there, and was travelling in the South of France, for her health." She then referred to the Triennial meeting in Montreal, and specially to the suggestion made for increasing the membership, and the necessity of each member trying to bring others; not only those of one of our own class, but those in a number of classes of life; for this purpose they have circulated, in many of the dioceses, a 'Leaflet,' which they said had done a great work in interesting people."

The following officers were then elected:—Honorary President, Mrs. Williams; President, Mrs. Von Iffland; Secretary, Miss L. Montizambert.

The minutes of the last meeting were then read and confirmed, after which interesting reports from nearly all the branches, showing that unabated zeal and energetic work in missionary affairs rewarded the praiseworthy efforts of its diligent members.

Votes of thanks were then passed to Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Macpherson for their energetic and successful work done for the Diocesan Branch, and expressing the sincere hope that the former might long be spared to act as Honorary President of the same. An address was then read by Mrs. M. B. Irvine, from which the following extracts are taken.

"At the request of our President, I have to submit the following notes of the proceedings of the Triennial meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, held in Montreal, in September last. As there were no regularly elected delegates from Quebec, Mrs. Rye, of Lennoxville, Miss Whitcher, of Sherbrooke, and I, were accepted as representing our diocese.

The reports show a wonderful growth of the organization. Many parochial branches have been established in the different dioceses, while money and clothing, to the value of over \$50,000, have been distributed—the result of three years work.

It was carried unanimously, that an Educational Fund should be at once established, in connection with each Auxiliary.

It was unanimously agreed to recommend the several Dioceses to join the Toronto Branch in giving more extended circulation to the 'Monthly Letter Leaflet,' now published in that diocese, the annual subscription being 20 cents. Each branch would be invited to send, to the local editor, any information they might have to impart, or any questions which they would like to ask, a certain space in the 'Leaflet' being allotted, each month, to one branch.

The subject of a General Secretary, for Diocesan work, was also discussed. Hitherto boxes have been sent by one branch without reference to any other branch; the practical working of this want of system being that the most persevering in asking get everything, while others, perhaps more in want, get nothing.

It was also resolved that each Diocese be assessed \$10,000 per annum, for expenses, to be paid to the General Treasurer.

Our Diocese was the only one which did not send a report in pamphlet form.

LOUISE IRVINE."

The following resolution was then adopted:

"That the kind offer of the Toronto Branch, regarding the 'Monthly Letter Leaflet,' be accepted, and that each Parochial Branch should be asked to consider the question, and give their answer before the next quarterly meeting of the Diocesan Branch; at the same time saying

how many copies of the same they would take, at 20 cents per annum."

Those present then had the pleasure of listening to an excellent account of the Triennial meeting by Miss Whitcher, of Sherbrooke, giving in full, a vivid description of the details of each day's proceedings; for which sincere thanks and hearty admiration were expressed by all.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—An ordination was held by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese at St. George's Church here on St. Luke's Day. A number of the clergy were present, and amongst them the Archdeacons of Ottawa and Kingston, and Rural Dean Cayley, Chaplain of the Bishop. The candidates for Deacon's Orders were Spencer D. Hague, B. A., Trinity College, Toronto; Albert R. Clay, St. Augustine's, Canterbury; and T. B. Horne, of New Edinburgh. The Ven. Archdeacon Jones LL.D., presented the candidates. The Rev. B. Baxton Smith, M.A., was preacher, and taking as his text 1st Tim. iii, 13, he explained the position, duties, &c., of a deacon in the Church, and gave a brief sketch of the history of the office.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

The following important Pastoral has been issued by the Bishop of the Diocese:—

Cathedral of St. Alban the Martyr.

To the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church of England in the Diocese of Toronto:

REVEREND BRETHREN AND BROTHERS OF THE LAITY.—We celebrate this year the fiftieth Anniversary of the creation by Letters Patent from the Crown of the Diocese of Toronto, and the consecration of its first Bishop.

Among the many ways which will be suggested by which this important epoch in our Diocesan History may be fittingly commemorated, none will commend itself as more suitable to mark the commencement of a new era in its progress than the organization of that Cathedral system which is the crown and completion of a Diocese in the Anglican Communion.

I have therefore determined to take advantage of this auspicious and happy occasion of our Jubilee to inaugurate the scheme which I have had so long in contemplation, and from which I hope for so much benefit to the efficient administration of the Diocese—the establishment of a working Cathedral Chapter on the lines of the ancient foundations.

The Acts of Incorporation of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral of St. Alban the Martyr, Toronto, passed by the Legislature of Ontario in 1883 and 1885, have to a certain extent prescribed the offices to be held, and the duties and powers to be exercised by the members of the corporation; ancient precedent and modern practice, modified by the local requirements of our Colonial circumstances must supply the rest.

The complete staff of the Cathedral and the functions assigned to them, will be as follows:

I. The Dean:—The Bishop of the Diocese. 25. Four Canons Residentiary, viz., the Sub Dean, the Chancellor, the Precentor, the Missioner in Chief. 6, 7. The Archdeacons of York and Peterborough. 8, 17. The ten Lay members of the Chapter, viz., the Chancellor of the Diocese, the Registrar of the Diocese, the Treasurer—Robt. H. Bethune, Esq., the Hon. Geo. W. Allan, His Honor, Judge Benson, Edward Marion Chadwick, Esq., elected by the laity. James Henderson, Esq., John Carter, Esq., John R. Cartwright, Esq., Major Edward H. Foster, elected by the Clergy. 18, 43. Twenty six Prebends or Minor Canons. 44-49. Six Honorary Canons.

The Sub-dean will be the deputy of the Dean in his absence.