

Domestic Missions Department

ALGOMA.

A TORONTO churchman has generously offered to contribute \$200 a year for three years to supply a new missionary for Algoma. Who will help to make up the balance of \$500 to secure the necessary stipend?

RUPERT'S LAND.

A NEAT little frame church, capable of seating about seventy persons, was opened lately at Kola, in the Mission of Virden. The settlement is about fifteen miles south-west of the town of Virden. The incumbent in charge, Rev. F. F. Davis, is the first clergyman, and since he has been in charge—less than two years—two churches have been built in the district, and a third is in course of erection at Elkhorn, the next station on the C. P. R. west of Virden. Mr. Davis is greatly beloved by his people. He resides at Virden, which is growing so rapidly that it has doubled itself since last winter.

The Mission of Clearwater, in south-western Manitoba, which has been vacant since last Easter, is to be filled by the appointment of Mr. W. D. Barber, a student of St. John's College, who will be ordained on the Bishop's return from England. It is hoped that the Oak Lake Mission may be filled in a similar manner by the appointment of another student, Mr. Drummond, whose ordination will no doubt take place as soon as possible. Fortnightly services are held in both missions, and also at Killarney, Boriswain, etc., etc. A monthly service is taken at Posen, a district on the eastern shore of Lake Manitoba, forty miles north of Reaburn, and services are from time to time held at Russell, Shellmouth, McGregor, Alexander, and other places where at present there are not resident clergymen.

Excellent work is being done at Brandon and Portage la Prairie respectively, the Rectors of which have been less than a year in charge, also at Emerson, Rat Portage, Morden, Gladstone, and other towns.

Rev. J. J. Roy, the new Incumbent of St. George's, Winnipeg, is building up an excellent congregation, and a large Sunday School. He has about two hundred Church families in his parish. All the city congregations are gaining in strength.

The opening of a mission service in the Cathedral parish, by students of St. John's College, is in contemplation. Such service has been asked for.

It is sad to think that, notwithstanding the most earnest efforts, it is so hard to induce suitable men to offer themselves for work in our new settlements. The work is crying out for workers. As far as man can form a judgment, the work would progress by leaps and bounds if our vacancies were filled by the right sort of men. Our only hope now seems

to lie in the Bishop's efforts while in England. The harvesting is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

SASKATCHEWAN.

A WISE choice has been made in the appointment of the Venerable Archdeacon Pinkham as Bishop of Saskatchewan. Strong, vigorous, and in the prime of life, warm-hearted and genial, experienced in the very kind of work that he is now called upon to do, it may be confidently hoped that the duties so nobly done by his predecessor will be well and faithfully continued by him. In his late position as Financial Secretary of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, he came into contact with diocesan work, and this has helped to fit him for the high office that has now devolved upon him. His consecration will soon take place no doubt, and we feel sure he will lose no time in carrying on the work so well inaugurated by the late noble bishop. The new bishop has our prayers and best wishes in his arduous and honorable field of labor.

THE late John McLean, bishop of Saskatchewan, leaves a widow and nine children, one of whom was born during his last absence from home. Two of the daughters are married, and two of the sons are at college in Winnipeg. Although the noble bishop handled large sums of money, forever collecting, forever endowing, (for his constant words were "I believe in endowments,") we understand that Mrs. McLean and his family will have but slender means. The *Mission Field*, (S. P. G.) in its last number deeply deplores this, and states that a fund has been opened to enable the Society to assist the widow and family of the late bishop. Surely there are some in Canada who would be glad to contribute to so worthy a cause. He has left for his successor a larger income than he had for himself, and even should the cold world soon forget him, we know that he has gone where his works will follow him.

QU'APPELLE.

THE Diocese of Qu'Appelle, under its energetic bishop and other clergymen, is doing a good Church work. Already there is a Church at each of the following places:—Moose Mountain, Moosomin, Kinbrae, Grenfell, Qu'Appelle Fort (stone), Qu'Appelle Station, St. Cloud (South of Indian Head), and Medicine Hat, Fairmeade (S. W. of Moosomin), Wapella, Ketapawa, Touchwood Post, Abernethy and Fort Pelly. The last six of these were built last year. The bishop has a large farm near Qu'Appelle Station, with an agricultural and theological college, a chapel and a school. This looks like practical work, and work which will tell upon the future. It is a work also which should be warmly supported by Church people in older Canada. Surely they should take pride in assisting the Church that they love, that it may take a good firm hold upon the new territories of our country.