

layman, a student of Wycliffe, and said to have charge of a certain Mission. We are asked if such a thing is legal? We cannot say not knowing what the layman did to assist the celebrant, possibly he only acted as clerk and said Amen in the right places. It was execrably bad taste to insert a layman's name as assistant in a marriage ceremony. But as bridesmaids are said to assist on such occasions, the layman whose name was advertised may have been like them, —merely one of the ornamental adjuncts of the ceremony. We understand that he is without experience as to the usages and teachings of the Church. Should he ever acquire this knowledge he will wait until he is duly authorised before assisting in a marriage ceremony—except as one of the guests. The incident is not without significance.

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DOMINION.

NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, July 15.—A cablegram was received today from Rev. Dr. Edgell declining the bishopric of Nova Scotia, which was offered to him last week. The Church of England Synod will accordingly meet again in Halifax, on Aug. 10, to fill the office. This is much to be regretted, but it was hardly likely that Dr. Edgell would leave so important a position as he now occupies, being practically Bishop of the British Army.

QUEBEC.

QUEBEC.—Mrs. Boomer has received from Mrs. Williams the sum of \$433.26, being the amount gathered for the jubilee thank offering to the W. and O. Fund of Algoma, from the various branches of the Women's Mission Auxiliary of that diocese. This makes the total to date \$1108.24.

ONTARIO.

MERRICKVILLE AND BURRITT'S RAPIDS.—On Sunday, June 19th, jubilee services were held in the two churches of this parish, attended by large congregations. Hymns suitable to the occasion were sung, including the hymn by the Lord Bishop of Ossary, "O, God, the King of Nations," and the National Anthem. At Christ Church, Burritt's Rapids, there was a parade of the local military connected with the 56th Batt., headed by the Burritt's Rapids band, lately attached to the 56th. A heavy rain interfered to some extent with the attendance at the service, yet the church was well filled. The leading officers of the 56th, including Col. Campbell, Major Burritt and Capt. Kidd, are members of Christ Church congregation. On July 6th the congregation of Trinity Church, Merrickville, held a grand picnic on the agricultural grounds in honor of Her Majesty's Jubilee. Everything passed off pleasantly. The net proceeds—the principal part of it is to be applied towards the erection of a fence around the church and rectory—amounted to the handsome sum of \$200. The new rectory, one of the handsomest in the diocese, is nearing completion.

OTTAWA.—The picnic of the Anglican Sunday schools to Besserer's grove on the 5th July, was blessed with exceedingly fine weather, and was a success in the highest sense of the word, all the children as well as people of a more mature age declaring that they had spent a very enjoyable day. It would have been rather hard indeed if such had not been the case. The executive committee threw themselves heartily into the work of preparing and arranging the day's pleasure and presented their patrons with a programme which was perfect in every detail. At 6.30 yesterday morning the children of the Christ church and St. Paul's (Rochesterville) Sunday schools, assembled at the first named school and marched to the Queen's wharf, being met on the way by the scholars of St. John's and St. Alban's. At the wharf were waiting children from St. George's and St. Bartholemew's. The whole embarked on the steamers Empress and Dagmar, and started for Besserer's grove. Refreshments were supplied to the children on reaching the scene of the picnic. The programme during the day included athletic sports of all kinds, football and lacrosse matches and performances by Messrs. Mills

and Mercer upon the trapeze. A repetition of the jubilee airs was given, the children being lead by Prof. W. G. Workman. It was estimated that the picnic was attended by three thousand persons. The pleasure and comfort of the thousands of English Church Sunday school picknickers, was greatly enhanced by the kindly attention and hospitality of Mr. Alec Besserer. This gentleman is the fortunate possessor of the most beautiful picnic grove on the river, which is bound to become the most popular picnic grounds in the vicinity of Ottawa.

TORONTO.

PORT HOPE.—Speech Day at Trinity College School.—The annual speech day at Trinity College School took place on the 14th July, when the proceedings were as enthusiastic as usual. The weather was propitious. By eleven o'clock the chapel was well filled for divine service. Choral Matins was intoned by Rev. Prof. Roper with the school choir, after which A. G. Mortimer of Staten Island, preached a most able and eloquent sermon on the text, Phil. iii. 13. The reverend gentleman spoke strongly on the development of character during school life, naming three points as the special marks of a Christian gentleman—unselfishness, earnestness and trustworthiness; he showed how the first meant loyalty to the school and patriotism towards the country, how the second should be the characteristic of all right action, whether work or play or prayer, while the third was that which gave utility and emphasis to the other two. After chapel, luncheon was served in the dining hall.

At two o'clock all met in the speech room for the distribution of prizes and other honors. Among those present were noticed the Bishop of Toronto and Mrs. Sweatman, Hon. G. W. Allan Chancellor of the University; the Rev. the Provost of Trinity College, Rev. Professor Roper, Rev. Canon Dumoulin, with a large number of other clergy and friends of the school. At a meeting held after the distribution of prizes the visitors present agreed to found and equip a thoroughly complete gymnasium for the school, and appointed an executive committee.

In the speech room the Bishop of Toronto took the chair, and after some introductory remarks by the Rev. the Head Master, the main business of the distribution of prizes was proceeded with. Below will be found a complete list of the winners. There was the usual display of generous feeling at each reward, culminating in hearty applause when the head master, in highly complimentary words, presented the bronze medal (awarded annually by vote of the masters for "steady perseverance in industry, courtesy and integrity") to F. B. G. Allan, who, both as head prefect and captain of the cricket eleven, had won golden opinions from masters and boys.

After this was concluded the first speech was made by the Hon. the Chancellor, who, after referring to the entire satisfaction he had found in his own sons with regard to the training and tone of the school, urged on all the pupils, past and present, the duty of unpromising loyalty, both to the school and to the mother institution, the University of Trinity College, as the only Church of England places of education in western Canada.

Rev. Provost Body, referring to some remarks of the head master in regard to the lateness of the combined universities' examination, said that it bore this good fruit, viz., the bringing of the T.C.S. boys into competition with those of other schools throughout the province, the result being, on the testimony of several of the examiners, that the boys of this school were head and shoulders over their rivals in point of scholarship.

Rev. Canon DuMoulin followed in an admirable speech, in which he referred to St. Paul's division of man's nature in the words, "that your whole spirit, soul and body may be preserved, etc.," and said that there was ample testimony that none of these was neglected in the training supplied by Trinity College School, emphasizing the last point, viz., the body, by telling with what profound delight and enthusiasm he had heard of the school's triumphs in cricket, and especially the victory achieved in the match with Upper Canada College, pointing to the Challenge Cup which stood upon the table with the prizes, and expressing both his hope and his conviction that it was destined to remain in the school for the next two years, and so become finally, according to the terms of the donors, the property of the Trinity College School Cricket Club.

Rev. A. G. Mortimer followed in a short and polished speech, in which he again urged the fact of personal responsibility on every boy, and implored him to regard his life in the spirit of the great painter who said, "I paint for eternity."

The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem and three rousing cheers for the head master.

The following is the complete prize and honour list:—

Prizes for General Proficiency.—6th form, the Chancellor's prize, W. H. White; 4th form, the Rev. F. A. Bethune (scholarship), W. C. Dumble; 3rd form, E. C. Cattanaach; 2nd form (upper), M. S. McCarthy; 2nd form (lower) H. W. Hague; 1st form (upper), H. E. S. Asbury; 1st form (lower), T. H. Burnham.

Second Prizes for General Proficiency.—2nd form (upper), H. G. Kingstone; 2nd form (lower), A. M. Bethune; 1st form (upper), L. M. Lyon; 1st form (lower), G. W. Coen; 2nd form (extra prize) G. E. P. Stevenson.

Divinity.—6th form, the Lord Bishop of Toronto's prize, W. H. White; 4th form, Rev. Canon Du Moulin's prize, A. F. R. Martin; 3rd form, J. J. P. Armstrong and W. C. R. Graham aq.; 2nd form (upper), H. M. Killaly and H. G. Kingstone aq.; 2nd form (lower), J. G. Battell; 1st form (upper), L. M. Lyon; 1st form (lower), T. H. Burnham.

Mathematics.—6th form, the Governor-General's medal, A. T. Kirkpatrick; 4th form, Rev. Prof. Jones' prize, H. D. Symmes; 3rd form, R. B. Griffith; 2nd form (upper), W. R. Boulton; 2nd form (lower), Mr. J. Ham Perry's prize, F. H. Bethune; 1st form (upper), P. C. H. Papps; 1st form (lower), arithmetic, Rev. Prof. Jones' prize, G. W. Coen.

Greek Grammar.—Rev. A. J. Broughall's prize, not awarded; 2nd form, Head master's prize, H. G. Kingstone.

Latin Grammar.—Rev. Prof. Boy's prize, W. H. White; 1st form (upper), Rev. J. Simpson's prize, H. E. S. Asbury.

Latin Composition.—Mr. Worrell's prize, J. Mattock's.

French.—1st, Mr. Elmes Henderson's prize, A. T. Kirkpatrick; 2nd prize, H. G. Kingstone; 3rd prize, Mr. Sutherland Macklem's prize, C. Wood; 4th prize, R. A. Downey.

History and Geography.—1st prize, Rev. Prof. Clark's prize, W. C. Dumble; 2nd, W. C. R. Graham.

English.—1st prize, Mr. James Henderson's prize, H. E. S. Asbury; 2nd, A. B. Hayes; 3rd, T. H. Burnham.

Natural Science.—3rd form (botany), H. M. Killaly; modern form (natural philosophy), Rev. Provost Body's prize, H. D. Symmes.

Writing and Drawing.—Writing, O. W. David; 1st drawing (Mr. Sutherland Macklem's prize), E. B. Daykin; 2nd drawing (Mr. Sutherland Macklem's prize), A. B. English.

Bookkeeping.—Modern form prize, F. J. H. Bedson. Book of Common prayer.—Rev. W. E. Cooper's prize, W. H. White.

Church History.—Rev. J. D. Cayley's prize, W. C. R. Graham.

Holy Scriptures.—Rev. Prof. Roper's prize, F. G. Kirkpatrick.

Music.—Mrs. Read's prize, P. C. H. Papps; the bronze medal, F. G. B. Allan.

Cricket.—Captain, F. G. B. Allan; best batsman, F. G. B. Allen; best bowler, G. H. P. Groat; best fielder, D. F. Jones.

The following is the honour list:

Divinity.—Forms VI. and V.—Farncomb, Gourt, A. T. Kirkpatrick, White. Form IV.—Dumble, Du Moulin, G. B. Jones, A. Martin, Middleton, Pringle. Form III.—Graham, Griffith, Cattanaach, Gurd, Parfitt, Armstrong, Fletcher. Form II. A.—Killaly, David, Stevenson, Henderson, Kingstone. Form II. B.—Asbury, Battell, Becher, A. F. Bethune, A. M. Bethune, Browne, Bullen, A. Burwell, A. Fraser, Hague, H. Jones, C. E. Martin, G. Proctor, Seton, Simpson, Wise. Form I. A.—Renison.—Form I. B.—G. Coen, Fetherston, Haydon, Jewett.

Bookkeeping.—Nesbitt, Seton.

Natural Science.—Bedson, Bell, W. Boulton, English, Irwin, G. McLaren, Scott, Shears.

Botany.—Asbury, Bell, Bedson, A. F. Bethune, A. M. Bethune, Dumble, Hamilton, Scott, Spicer, Usborne.

French.—Form IV.—Dumble. Form II. A.—Hague, Killaly, M. S. McCarthy, H. McLaren, C. Sanders. Form II. B.—Asbury. Form I. A.—Daykin, J. Fraser.

History and Geography.—Form IV.—A. Martin, Pringle. Form III.—Graham, Parfitt, Mason, Armstrong, Gurd, Shears. Form II. A.—Stevenson, Kingstone, Barker, Henderson, M. S. McCarthy, Farini, A. Cleghorn, Killaly, Daykin, Wood, J. Boulton, Marcon, Miller, Lewis. Form II. B.—Asbury, A. M. Bethune, Battell, Browne, Curran, Lyon. Form I. A.—C. Allan, S. Corn. Form I. B.—Griffin, Hayden, Hayes, Jewett, Neilson.

NIAGARA.

ELORA.—A joyful celebration took place in this parish on the 28th ult. The congregation has for many years been burdened by a heavy church debt. This encumbrance having at length been removed chiefly by means of small offerings collected monthly,