

general working of this university was pronounced most satisfactory. An instance of the strenuous efforts that are being made to keep up the high standard of the institution was given. Sixty per cent. of those who had gone up for matriculation at the June examination had failed to make a pass mark. It was now required that a student make 75 per cent. in each subject before being allowed a first class certificate in the University examinations. This ancient institution was reported as still financially straitened, but the authorities had several schemes on foot, by which it was hoped very soon to relieve her of this difficulty. Accommodation had been provided for female students. The Board are considering a closer affiliation of the collegiate school with the college.

Reports from several of the parishes were read on the proposed scheme of amalgamating the Diocesan Church Society and the Synod. No definite action was taken.

The following gentlemen were appointed a special committee to report at meeting next year on the proposed move to consolidate the Church in Canada:—The Right Rev. Bishop Kingdon, Revs. F. J. Brigstocke, O. S. Newnham, Canon Roberts, Canon Neales, Sir John Allan, and Messrs. Harrington, Wilkinson, Jarvis, Schofield, Frith, Sturdee and Vroom.

It was resolved that a special fund be raised for prizes for Girls' School at Windsor.

Rev. J. M. Davenport announced that a Church school for boys would be opened in St. John in September; the Metropolitan to act as patron, and Bishop Kingdon, visitor. Rev. F. F. Sherman would assume charge as principal, and would be assisted by an efficient staff of teachers.

The Diocesan Church Society held its anniversary meeting on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The attendance was not so large as usual, and the business was of the usual formal kind. In the evening, the Diocesan Church Society held its anniversary service in the cathedral. The clergy were nearly all present in their robes. The procession was from the vestry down the south aisle and up the centre aisle. Hymn, "Through the night of doubt and sorrow," was sung as a processional, and "Brightly gleams our banner" as a recessional. The Rev. J. M. Davenport intoned the service, which was full choral. The anthems were very beautifully rendered by the choir, the soloists being Mrs. John Black, Mr. Black and Mr. Hazen. The lessons were read by Canons Forsyth and Brigstocke. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. O. Raymond, rector of St. Mary's Church, St. John, from the text S. John xiv. 12.

ONTARIO.

MATTAWA MISSION.—On Sunday afternoon, June 28th, the Worshipful Master and brethren of the Mattawa Masonic Lodge, accompanied by a number of visiting brethren, attended Divine service at St. Alban's church, to celebrate the Festival of St. John Baptist. The church was brightly decorated for the occasion. The brethren walked in procession, attired in regalia, from the lodge room to the church, and were met at the doors by Brother the Rev. R. W. Samwell. The service was fully choral, beginning with a Processional Hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell," and concluding with the Te Deum. The Rev. R. W. Samwell officiated, and preached an appropriate sermon on the subject of Freemasonry. The church was crowded to the doors. The offertory, amounting to \$20, was, at the special request of the Lodge, given to the officiating clergyman.

RUTHERGLEN.—*St. Margaret's Church.*—The annual picnic in aid of this church took place in a pretty grove near the church, on Thursday, July 2nd. A large crowd gathered from all the country round. The weather was all that could be desired, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves to their heart's content. The refreshments provided were both excellent and plentiful. The priest looked after the amusement of the boys, and by means of flat races, spoon races, wheelbarrow races, sack races, jumping, &c., kept them well occupied. The proceeds will be applied to the Church Improvement Fund. This work will begin immediately. The church is at present a rough log building. The interior will be neatly finished with dressed lumber, and a vestry and porch erected. The money in hand for this purpose has all been raised by the people themselves, who take a very real, living interest in their church. A new dossal and sanctuary hangings have been promised by a lady friend in England. Mr. Samwell has recently been exploring a new district in this large mission. At the settlement of Eau Claire, within ten miles west of Mattawa, he found twelve families of Church people who had settled there within the past few years, converting what was thick bush into a very promising and fertile farming country. This condition of things warrants, nay, demands the opening of a new outstation at this settlement. But how shall it be done? Already

there are five stations, and at such long distances that only in one instance, and that involving a walk of ten miles, can two of the stations be worked together on one Sunday. There are only two workers—the priest and a lay reader. Services must be held at Mattawa every Sunday in order to keep pace with the sects; and it is not possible to reduce the number of Sunday services at the out-stations. Here is the solution of the puzzle: with a horse we could work Eau Claire and Burritt's, with Mattawa on alternate Sundays, thus supplying Eau Claire with fortnightly services, and increasing the services at Burritt's from monthly to fortnightly. If a station is to be successfully worked, it must have Sunday services. At Eau Claire both the Presbyterians and Methodists have a place of worship. We have every hope that ere this time next year the Church will have one too. In the meantime, we want a horse, and we very earnestly and prayerfully appeal for help. Donations for the "Horse Fund" will be gladly received by the Rev. R. W. Samwell, Mission House, Mattawa, Ont.

DESERONTO.—A sack containing about sixty dollars worth of clothing in Miss Dixon's care, Toronto, was sent from here by Miss Baird and Miss Solmes, which will be forwarded to the Rev. Mr. Bourne, N. W. T., when proper freight arrangements can be made. The old Church, the old Leader, the old Bible, the old Lord's Prayer alone, fight against Romanism, infidelity and dissent. The Orange society, headed by the Deseronto band, attended Christ Church on Sunday the 12th instant, and in the evening reference was made to the anniversary of the Orange society at St. Mark's Church. Owing to a very wet day, the Trenton Church Sunday school picnic was held in the basement of St. Mark's. The Church in Deseronto is prospering.

TORONTO.

Toronto Church School.—The annual Prize-giving of the Toronto Church School took place on Friday the 3rd instant, in the school-house, Alexander street. Owing to the inclement weather the attendance was not as large as usual, although there was quite a good gathering of friends of the boys.

His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto presided, and among others present were Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Langtry, Rev. Prof. Clark, Rev. Canon Cayley, Hon. Justice Osler, Capt. Manly, Mr. Lockhart Gordon, Alfred Hoskin, Q. C., and Mrs. Hoskin, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Holmsted, Mr. and Mrs. Elmes Henderson, Mrs. McDougall, Mrs. Hills, Mrs. E. B. Osler, and a large number of other friends of the pupils.

The proceedings were opened by the bishop, who gave a short address, sketching the history of the school, showing how it had progressed year by year until now it numbered among its pupils the sons of most of our professional and business men. The council were making preparation for a large influx of pupils after the summer vacation. Already two pupils had matriculated from the school at the universities, and next year it is expected that several more will enter both Trinity College and the University of Toronto. The council were satisfied that the school was now established on a firm and lasting basis, and hoped that it would not only prove a blessing to the present generation, but to the generation to come. Members of the Church and others were taking an active and practical interest in the working of the school. The bishop further said that he understood from the head master that the examination showed that the boys had made good progress in their studies during the year. He then called upon the head master to make a statement as to who had earned the prizes. Mr. Freer said that he had great pleasure in stating that the school had made satisfactory progress during the past year. The examination work had been well done by most of the boys, and the result was very gratifying to him and the other masters. Glynn Osler, son of Mr. Justice Osler, had this year attained to the head of the school through the good work that he had done both during the term and also during the examination. His Lordship then presented the prizes to the junior boys. A list of successful boys will be found below. He mentioned that he would call upon some of the gentlemen on the platform to present the special prizes. The Rev. Dr. Langtry then presented to Glynn Osler the first prize for classics and English, and mentioned how glad he was to see that both classics and English formed such an important part in the work of this school.

Mr. Lockhart Gordon asked the bishop to be allowed to say a few words to congratulate Osler on the position he had obtained, and in doing so he mentioned that he was glad to say that Osler had been educated in the school from its start, and he believed from what he had heard from Mr. Freer and the other masters that when he went out to compete with others he would take a very good position. There were several other boys in the school who in time would do just as well, and he thought that this show-

ed how much credit was due to the masters in bringing out the strong points in each of the pupils. He further stated that the council intended to do everything they could to make this school as efficient as possible. As a matter of fact they were paying out more for masters at present than they ought to do, but he hoped that after the summer vacation not only would this be put right, but they would be able to engage an additional master to teach science, which was so much required. Many of the friends of the boys had responded most liberally in helping the school on, and if they all would do the same they would soon be able to collect the \$3,000 required to enlarge the school and engage the additional masters that were required. One thing was certain—that they had in the school the boys of the best people in Toronto, and he thought that was a very important feature, as one of the first things to be considered in sending a boy to school is "Who are his friends likely to be?"

The Hon. Mr. Justice Osler was then called upon by the bishop to present the first mathematical prize, which was won by Frank Gordon. Mr. Osler, in some well chosen remarks, pointed out the importance of a school of the nature of the Church School.

The Rev. Canon Cayley here made a few well pointed remarks as to the importance of religious training in our schools. He was glad to see this was a principal feature in the education of the boys at this school. He congratulated the council on the class of boys that were attending the school, and the progress they had made during the past year, and ended by mentioning that he would like to give an annual prize for the boy who had the best marks for conduct in the school.

The Rev. Prof. Clark then presented the prize for the head boy to Glynn Osler, and in doing so congratulated him on the high position he had attained in the school. He fully recognised all that had been said by the previous speakers as to the class of boys frequenting the school, and expressed the hope that it would go on increasing and flourishing. He made some amusing remarks as to the prize which the Hon. G. W. Allan had presented to Osler as head boy, it being Kingford's History of Canada. He hoped Osler would find the reading of this book easier than he did.

The bishop then called upon Capt. Manly as connected with a sister institution. Capt. Manly expressed the pleasure it gave him to be present, and mentioned that he was better able to do this seeing the hearty letter which had been read from his chief, the Hon. the Minister of Education. The speaker mentioned that he had no doubt a school of this kind would do good to the Public Schools by spurring them on to emulate these special class of schools in many branches of education.

M. Lockhart Gordon then proposed a vote of thanks to the Hon. G. W. Allan, the provost of Trinity, Hon. Mr. Justice Osler, Mr. E. D. Armour, Mr. Alan McDougall, and Mrs. Hills, all of whom had so liberally presented prizes to the boys.

His lordship closed the proceedings with the benediction.

The prize list was as follows:—

Form V.—English composition and divinity, G. Osler, F. Gordon (equal); classics and English, G. Osler; mathematics, F. Gordon.

Form IV.—Latin, S. Holmsted; French, K. McDougall; history and geography, S. Holmsted.

Form III.—Divinity, Home Smith; mathematics, L. Wallis; Latin, P. Wilson; French, C. Walker; English, C. Walker; history and geography, C. Walker; writing, G. Hoskin.

Form II.—Mathematics, Home Smith; Latin, Home Smith; French, C. Street, A. Burnside; English, G. Lash; history and geography, R. Young; writing, A. Hills.

Form I.—Divinity, L. Lough; mathematics, G. Chapman; Latin, H. Boulier; French, L. Lough; English, G. Chapman; history and geography, L. Lough; writing, G. Skinner.

Form I.—Divinity, A. Armour; mathematics, W. Brown; Latin, Clarkson; English, A. Armour; history and geography, F. Hayne; writing, Clarkson.

EAST TORONTO.—*St. Saviour's.*—On Wednesday evening, the 8th inst., a vestry meeting was held in the vestry room for the purpose of appointing the clergyman's churchwarden, when Rev. Dr. Gammack nominated Mr. Wm. Moor. Immediately after there was a large congregational meeting held in Mr. Morton's Hall under the presidency of Dr. Gammack. The financial position of the church was thoroughly revised and put upon a satisfactory footing. The church has cost upwards of \$6,200. Mrs. Gammack, with the assistance of some friends, has given the altar hangings, curtains and carpets, costing over \$700, and similarly, Mrs. Lamond Smith has contributed the choir surplices. The congregation has now agreed to take upon themselves the further responsibility of securing, for the present, the entire debt upon the church, and to pay it off as rapidly as possible. This is a most promising field of labour.