

ation and Communion. Eight candidates for the Apostolic rite of 'laying on of hands' were presented by Mr. Rollitt, who is at present in charge of the mission. The Bishop, as usual, preached an excellent sermon, which was highly appreciated by a large congregation.

The Church at South Bolton has been somewhat improved, a new altar and railing having been put in since the first of the year.

The Church at East Bolton was reopened for services on Sunday, 17th May.

COWANVILLE.—On the evening of the 12th May, Holy Trinity Church was full to the doors with people who had assembled to hear the Bishop of Montreal, who held a Confirmation service at that time. His Lordship was assisted by the Rector, Rev. R. D. Mills, Revs. Bernard of Adamsville, Charters of Iron Hill, and Robinson of West Shefford. The latter addressed the candidates of whom there were twenty, several adults being among the number. After the Bishop had impressively administered the Laying on of Hands, he preached an earnest discourse from Romans 1st 16th.

MONTREAL.—We learn with very much regret that the Lord Bishop of the Diocese was obliged to suspend his visitation the week before last on account of illness, and that since that time he has been confined to his residence and has been seriously indisposed. This will cause considerable anxiety to his many friends and to the Church in the Diocese. There is no doubt that as years pass over him the annual visitation of such a diocese as that of Montreal must be extremely trying, but it is to be hoped that his Lordship may be able for many years longer, to carry on the work to which he has been called, and which he has so faithfully discharged for a number of years past. Doubtless, however, his illness will revive the rumors which existed some time ago in regard to a Co-adjutor. Though a good deal may doubtless be said in favor of such assistance, it is to be hoped that such an appointment will not be made until absolutely indispensable.

ORDINATION.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held the Trinity Ordination in Trinity Church, Montreal, on Sunday last, when five Deacons: Revs. H. E. Horsey, W. A. Fyles, E. P. Judge, J. W. Dennis and E. T. Capel were advanced to the Priesthood; and Messrs. W. H. Garth and T. B. Jeakens were ordained Deacons. The sermon was preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, and the candidates were presented by Rev. Canon Mills, examining chaplain. There were also present Revs. Dr. Borthwick, T. W. Fyles, E. McManus and C. Bevan. It was feared that his Lordship would not be able to carry out this appointment, but though confined to his house for two weeks previously and far from well he insisted on fulfilling the duty.

St. Jude's.—The *tableaux* of last week passed off successfully, owing to the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Parratt, to whom a cordial vote of thanks was passed.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

His Lordship the Bishop of Huron has been away for a little change with the hope of being more completely restored to health. His voice remains weak, but it is now hoped, that with the Divine blessing he will be able for all his duties.

SIMCOE.—The Rev. R. Hicks, the newly appointed Rector, has been absent on his wedding tour for the past two weeks. The Rev. Canon Richardson supplied his place on Sunday, the 10th inst., and the Rev. Canon Davis on the 17th. There is a large field for work here and Mr. Hicks has been well received by the whole congregation. Canon Davis bespoke for him a warm welcome, and hearty co-operation. He could speak of his sterling honor, Christian

life, amiable character and faithful discharge of his duties, in the service of the Divine master. He had known him for 30 years, and congratulated the congregation on securing him.

DEANERY OF MIDDLESEX.—A well attended meeting of Sunday school workers was held on Tuesday night week in Bishop Cronyn Hall. The President, Rev. Canon Smith, occupied the chair, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Very Rev. Dean Innes. Mr. H. G. Wright, Vice-President, and Rev. Canons Newman and Davis, W. M. Seaborne and G. B. Sage were also present. Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from several clergymen of the city and Deanery.

The President briefly explained the object of the meeting, and gave statistics of the number of teachers and scholars in the Deanery as being about 350 teachers and 4,000 scholars; and in the whole Diocese about 2,200 teachers and 17,800 scholars, or a total of about 20,000.

Miss Jennie Moore, of St. James' Church Sunday school, South London, then read an excellent paper on Sunday school teaching, entitled "Feed My Lambs," pointing out that the words were addressed by our Lord to Peter, who had himself received forgiveness of sins and had left all and followed Christ. To such as he the Master now gives the command, Feed my lambs. The work of teaching had often been spoken of as a work of self-denial, but this was a mistaken idea. It is rather a *blessed privilege* to be so engaged. The first aim of the teacher should be to win the souls of the scholars to Christ, individually. To this end the lesson should be carefully prepared, by use of helps, but more especially by diligent study of the Bible. Seek to draw scholars by love of Christ. Study their different characters, and to this end visit their homes and learn their home life. It is a work which requires much patience and should engage the whole attention. The teacher should be regular in attendance as to him there is entrusted a work of much importance to be accomplished in a short time, and if the work be neglected the teacher would have to render account. There were many discouragements, but it is the duty of the teacher to persevere and then leave results with God.

Dean Innes in the discussion which followed, said it was to be regretted that comparatively few of our Sunday school workers were men; the burden of this work being left principally to ladies. He felt that no work so abundantly repays itself or is more delightful in itself or full of instruction to the teacher's own soul. Nothing cheers the heart of the clergy more than to have members offering themselves as workers in Sunday schools, and he felt that if the spirit urged in the paper read was more generally felt there would be more willing workers.

Rev. Canon Davis felt there was but one view which could be taken of this subject. If the object be to win a soul for Christ the teacher will not forget that soul in prayer. If the teacher is to be successful, he or she must know Christ, and must not fail to carry the case of each one to the Master. The Master must feed those who feed others. If the teacher would know the wants of each scholar, this could only be done by personally visiting them. Show the parent as well as the child that the teacher is interested in its welfare.

Miss Geeson only wished to emphasize what was contained in the paper as being the true spirit, and was glad to testify to the statement that the work of teaching was not a work of self-denial, but a work of self-improvement and pleasure. Some of the most precious promises of God were revealed to those who were engaged in preparing the lesson.

Miss Laing, of St. Paul's Cathedral Sunday school, then read an admirable paper, taking as her subject "The teacher's need of power from on high," pointing out that no department of Church work was of more importance than this

if we consider how short is the time given within which to perform it. The Saviour Himself gives us the true motive which should actuate the teacher, which is to love Christ. If the teacher has not known Christ by coming to Him how can such an one expect to teach others? The next need of the teacher is power from on high. The essayist quoted the words of a gifted writer, who said what may not one man do if he be a conduit pipe to convey the oceanfulness of God. Mankind have great needs, but all that is wanted is a channel to convey the fulness of God. The teacher should be a living conduit pipe, and this pipe should be kept open by prayer and reading of the Word of God. In this way the teacher will be kept truly humble in spirit as he or she knows they are only instruments in His hands.

Rev. Mr. Sage expressed the pleasure he had derived from both papers read, which contained the true spirit of the true teacher and then Mr. H. G. Wright, Superintendent of the Memorial Church Sunday school, followed with an excellent paper on Sunday school requirements. He pointed out that the school was not intended wholly as a substitute for parental teaching, nor for the day school. He referred to the manner of instruction being given by teachers who know the truth, and have come prepared to impart it to others. The best men too were wanted for this work, and especially for the post of Superintendent. He dwelt upon the importance of *systematic* teaching, and referred to the different schemes of lessons in use in the different schools.

Dean Innes spoke on the subject of lesson schemes, and strongly urged the duty of teaching the *distinctive principles* of The Church.

A cordial vote of thanks was tendered to those who had prepared and read papers: collection was made to pay expenses, and after singing a hymn the meeting adjourned, the Dean giving the benediction.

TILSONBURG.—Daily matins at 8:30 a.m. have been commenced at St. John's Church in this town, by the priest in charge. Evensong is also said on Wednesday's and the Litany is sung every Friday evening. The surpliced choir now numbers thirty with the organist, and is steadily improving. The Bishop has licensed Mr. G. N. Hodgson as Lay Reader, to assist the Pastor. Mr. Hodgson is a most deserving and promising young man.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

YORK MILLS.—The Rarideocanal Chapter of West York met at York Mills on the 12th and 13th May. Service was held in St. John's Church, on Tuesday evening, when addresses were given on 'Brotherhood' by Revs. C. H. Shortt, E. W. Sibbald, and Canon Farncomb. The Holy Communion was celebrated at 8 o'clock Wednesday. There were present at the business meeting Rural Dean Shortt, Canons Ogler and Farncomb, Revs. E. W. Sibbald, R. H. Harris, W. Jupp, C. R. Bell, and T. Norgate. It was decided to hold a W. A. Convention at Lloydstown on June 17, and a S.S. Teachers' Convention on the 15th Oct. at Newmarket. An election was held for filling the office of Rural Dean, vacant through the removal of Mr. Shortt to Toronto; and it was unanimously resolved to request the Lord Bishop to appoint Canon Farncomb. Rev. E. W. Sibbald was elected Secretary. A portion of Rev. I. was read in Greek, and an excellent and highly original paper by Prof. Lloyd, of Trinity College, was read, the subject being the "Letters to the Seven Churches of Asia."

TORONTO.—The Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions opened in Toronto on the 20th inst., and continued in session on Thursday and Friday last. Reports from the various branches in the Diocese were received and read and showed an increase in