

TORONTO.

TORONTO.—*Church Sunday School Association.*—The fifth annual meeting of this Association was held in St. George's School House on Thursday evening, Oct. 13th, and was well attended, about 200 being present. The Lord Bishop occupied the chair.

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. John C. Wedd, showed a balance on hand from last year of \$38 83, subject to a liability of \$20, appropriated for the "Toronto Church Sunday School Association Prizes," offered for competition in the diocesan S. S. Examination to be held on the 10th of December next.

The report of the General Committee evidenced a steady growth in the number of affiliated schools, which must be most encouraging to those who are interested in the success of the Association.

The comparative figures are as follows:—

Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.
1883.	20.	500.	5 000.
1884.	23.	672.	7,377.
1886.	35.	835.	8 806.
1887.	41.	890.	9,521.

The Association now includes every Church Sunday School in Toronto and in the suburban parishes of Parkdale, Carlton and West Toronto, Deer Park and Berkeley and Chester.

It embraces 26 parishes, with 46 clergy. Of the 41 schools 26 have lay superintendents. 7 are mission schools.

The programme of meetings arranged by the general committee for 1887-8 was as follows.

2 November 10th, 1887.—St. Philip's Church. Annual service for S. S. workers. Sermon by the Rev. W. C. Bradshaw, chairman of the Diocesan S. S. Committee.

3 December 8th, 1887.—St. James' School House. Sunday School Lesson—George B. Kirkpatrick, Esq. Paper—"The Order for Morning and Evening Prayer" (continued)—Rev. John Pearson.

4 January 12th, 1888.—Church of the Ascension School House. Sunday School Lesson—Rev. T. W. Paterson, M.A. Paper—"The importance of Sunday Schools and some features of S. S. Work"—Rev. Canon Belt, M.A.

5 February 9th, 1888.—Grace Church School House. Sunday School Lesson—Rev. W. C. Bradshaw. Paper—"The Psalter"—Rev. Canon Dumoulin, M.A.

6 March 8th, 1888.—St. Peter's School House. Sunday School Lesson—S. G. Wood, Esq. Paper—"The Bible Class and its place in the economy of the Sunday School"—Rev. J. Fielding Sweeney, B.D.

7 April 12th, 1888.—St. Matthias' School House. Sunday School Lesson—J. C. Morgan, M.A. Paper—"The Rationale of the Liturgy"—Rev. W. E. Cooper, M.A.

8 May 3rd, 1888.—St. George's Church. Choral Service and Sermon at 8 p.m. Preacher—the Rev. Hartley Carmichael, M.A.

Upon the invitation and motion of Mr. S. G. Wood, the meeting of March 8th was ordered to be held in the school house of Holy Trinity instead of St. Peter's. The report thus amended was adopted.

A motion by Mr. Currey that the schools belonging to the Association be requested each to contribute the amount of one Sunday's collection toward the relief and assurance of the Church Sunday School at Gravenhurst, was adopted. As was also a motion by Mr. W. Cummings that the "Days of Intercession for Sunday Schools," annually appointed for many years past by the Church of England Sunday School Institute, be hereafter observed by this Association.

Several honorary members were then elected, among whom being the Rev. W. S. Rainsford, D.D., of New York, the Rev. W. C. Bradshaw, chairman of the Diocesan Sunday School Committee, the Rev. Canon Belt, M.A., of Burlington, Ont., the Rev. Hartley Carmichael, M.A., of Hamilton.

The officers for the current year were then elected as follows:—President, the Lord Bishop of Toronto; Vice Presidents, Clerical, Rev. Canon Dumoulin, M.A., and Rev. J. D. Cayley, M.A.; Lay, Mr. S. G. Wood, and Mr. G. M. Evans; Secretary, C. R. W. Biggar, M.A.; Corresponding Secretary, Mr. M. Currey; Treasurer, J. C. Wedd. Executive sub Committee—the above officers and Revs. A. J. Broughall, M.A., J. F. Sweeny, B.D., Richard Harrison, M.A., Messrs. Grant Helliwell, W. Cummings and Douglas Sutton.

Viva voce examinations lasting twenty minutes each, were then conducted by the Rev. J. D. Cayley on the catechism lessons, and by Mr. C. R. W. Biggar on the Scripture lessons of the year, after which the Bishop pronounced the benediction.

ORONO.—The Anniversary and Harvest Thanksgiving in connection with St. Saviour's Church, was held on the 9th and 10th inst. Three services were held on Sunday. The preachers on the occasion were Mr. Warren, student of Trinity College, and present assistant to the Rev. Dr. McNab, rector of

Bowmanville, the Rev. H. Broughall, of Trinity College, Port Hope, and the Rev. Rural Dean Allen. Very eloquent and appropriate sermons were delivered by each to a very attentive and appreciative audience. The attendance on all three occasions was very large. A very successful tea in connection with the anniversary was held on Monday night, when the handsome sum of \$101 was realized.

Rural Deanal Meeting of East York.—The chapter of this deanery held one of its most successful and largely attended meetings for years at Port Perry, on the 12th and 13th inst. The clergy present were the Revs. J. Fletcher, M.A., Rural Dean, J. Carry, D.D., J. Davidson, M.A., I. Middleton, B.A., J. Vicars, B.A., Jas. H. Harris, A. Hart and F. J. Lynch. The Rev. J. Creighton, B.D., was also present during part of the session. The business part of the meeting was preceded by evening service on Tuesday, and an administration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Wednesday morning at the Church of the Ascension. The service on Tuesday evening was attended by a very good congregation, who devoutly and heartily took their part in it. The prayers were said by the Rev. F. J. Lynch; the Rev. I. Middleton read the lessons, and the Rev. A. Hart preached from Deut. viii. 10. Despite the chilly weather—the first snow of the season fell and covered the ground that morning—the early communion was well attended, there being twenty-two communicants. The incumbent, Dr. Carry, administered, assisted by the Rev. I. Middleton.

The business meeting began at 10.15 a.m. and closed at 5 p.m., with an interval of an hour for dinner. Two hours were spent most pleasantly and profitably in reading and considering Hosea i. ii. and iii. At their request the Rev. Dr. Carry kindly promised to prepare an outline of a sermon on Heb. xiii. 17 for the next meeting. During the remainder of the morning session the arrangements for holding the annual missionary meetings were made, the Rural Dean to secure deputations for all parishes but Whitby and Oshawa, the incumbents of these latter to arrange for their own meetings. Various other topics of interest to the several parishes were discussed. The essay read at the afternoon session on the appointed subject by the Rev. John Davidson, of Uxbridge, "Special Forms of Missionary Effort Suitable to our Deanery," was thoughtful, suggestive and well prepared. He strongly advocated the association of two or more clergy in the work of large districts, both as being in conformity with the method of the Founder of the Church in sending out laborers two and two, and also for the sake of mutual sympathy, counsel and encouragement. The chapter agreed on the general principle and the proposed plan, but did not find how, under present circumstances, it could be put into operation. The chief obstacles being the scarcity of men in deacon's orders, the evident preference of the younger clergy for work in the cities and towns, and their apparent unwillingness to engage in missionary work. The most feasible plan, in the opinion of this chapter, of extending the ministrations of the Church in this deanery, is the more general and systematic employment of divinity students and lay readers under the supervision of the clergy. Since the last meeting the vacancy in the mission of Sunderland has been filled by the appointment of the Rev. F. J. Lynch, who was cordially received by his brethren. The hope was expressed that the vacancy at Beaverton might also soon be terminated by a suitable appointment. A resolution was passed at the last meeting concerning some difficulties in one of the above missions and forwarded to his lordship the bishop, suggesting a means of removing them, and as no reply was received nor acknowledgment of its receipt, this was the ground of much unfavorable comment. The thanks of the visiting members are due to Dr. and Mrs. Carry, and to those parishioners who kindly opened their houses to them, for their generous hospitality on this occasion. The next meeting will be held D.V. at Uxbridge, on the occasion of the opening of the new church there, due notice of which will be given.

Trinity University.—Following are the results of supplemental examinations in arts; examinations for classical and mathematical honours, and for degrees in divinity, at Trinity University:—

Classical Honours.—Class I.—J. S. Broughall. Class II.—H. J. Leake. Mathematical honours not yet awarded.

Final Examinations for B.A.—Class II.—E. G. Fitzgerald, C. J. Loewen, C. H. Shutt. Completed the examination, W. Davis. Previous examinations, completed the examination, E. L. Cox, P. S. Lampman, G. E. Powell, C. H. Shutt.

Primary Examination.—Class I.—Miss. H. E. Gregory. Completed the examination, W. Carter, H. H. Fitzhugh, F. C. Powell.

Matriculation Examination.—Class II.—S. L. Jones. Class III.—W. A. J. Burt. Completed the

examination, W. D. O. Herriman, F. W. Kennedy, R. Seaborne. Required to take mathematics—F. Woodcock.

Divinity.—First Examination for Degree of B. D.—Rev. J. Ker.

PARKDALE.—*St. Mark's Mission*—Rev. E. P. Crawford, M.A., of Brockville, is conducting a series of mission services in St. Mark's church, Parkdale, which will be continued to the end of the month. The opening service was held last week in the presence of a fair gathering. The Rev. gentleman delivered a powerful address, taking for his text, Isaiah, chaps. 1 and 55, St. John 7, and St. Matthew 11. During the course of his remarks he pointed out that it was possible to be good. If we would only cast off the shackles of sin the Lord will come to our rescue. There were a number of people who were careless and indifferent in regard to the religious matters. This should not be. We should all make an effort to be true to our God and Maker. He reminded them of the wickedness of making money purely for the purpose of pleasure. They should remember that death overtakes all, and that we should endeavour to make our lives on this earth as acceptable to God as possible. In regard to those who are endeavoring to serve God with all their strength, he urged a continuance of their efforts, which he felt sure would be rewarded. During the evening a number of hymns were sung, and the meeting was closed with prayer. This morning there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at seven o'clock. In the afternoon at four o'clock an instruction class will be held for those desiring to grow in spiritual life. At 7.30 p.m. a choir practice will be held, which the public are cordially invited to attend, and at eight o'clock an address will be delivered by Mr. Crawford.

Conservatory of Music.—A musical entertainment was given in Convocation Hall, Univ. College, on the 20th Oct. by the Conservatory of Music. The Hon. G. W. Allan, President, made a short address on the objects of the institution, and stated that 275 pupils were in attendance. The Bishop of Toronto also spoke commending warmly the conservatory to public sympathy. Dr. Wilson said a few words on the charms of music and the claims of an educational work like the Conservatory, more especially in these days when music in divine worship is so universally popular. Dr. Wilson's eloquent allusion to Cathedral choirs rather surprised the audience. Holding such enlightened views we hope to see Dr. Wilson using his influence to have the music at St. James' church raised up to that high standard he so warmly approved.

A small, well balanced orchestra gave two selections, Miss Elwell, A.R.A.M., played two piano selections with much taste. Madame d'Auria sang the very difficult aria Bel Raggio in a style that showed much culture. Signor d'Auria appears to be a refined, accomplished musician. The entertainment was very successful.

Church of the Redeemer.—*Welcome to the Rector.*—The congregation of this church held its annual social gathering a few evenings ago to welcome the rector, the Rev. Septimus Jones, who has been spending the summer in England.

PARKDALE.—*New Parish.*—The bishop has set aside a new parish in this flourishing suburb, to the north of St. Mark's. We trust that this will be put in charge of a faithful and energetic clergyman, who will work for Christ and the Church and not for party, remembering the source of his call, his commission and his authority.

NIAGARA.

BURLINGTON.—The usual harvest thanksgiving was held in St. Luke's Church, Burlington, recently. Five clergymen took part in the service, and an excellent sermon was preached by Rural Dean Mellich, of Caledonia. After extensive improvements the Sunday School of this church was re-opened with special services on Sunday, Oct. 9th; the Rev. H. Carmichael, of Hamilton, preaching in the afternoon, and the Rev. J. Francis, of Waterdown, in the evening. Both sermons were much appreciated, and the improvement of the Sunday School much admired. Through the kindness of the friends of the Sunday School, one hundred and fifty volumes have been added to the library, and maps and book shelves procured. On Sunday, Oct. 16th, the Bishop of Niagara administered the Apostolic rite of confirmation to ten young members of the flock at the morning service in the church. He also preached with great acceptance and profit to the worshippers in the evening.

PALERMO.—The deanery chapter of Halton and North Wentworth met at Palermo, Oct. 10th and 11th.