

hortation, we may be enabled to deepen your repentance, to strengthen your faith, to lead you to form or value more highly, and to use more profitably the means of grace which our Lord has stored up in His Church for our cleansing, illumination, and sanctification.

We shall hope to meet a large number of you at the Introductory Service on Friday evening, Oct. 21st, and meanwhile we commend ourselves to your earnest prayers, that when we come among you it may be in the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ.

THE CHURCH ARMY.—The first annual meeting of the Church Army was held last Monday evening in the school room of St. George's Church, John Street. A large audience gathered, composed chiefly of recruits of the Army. The Rt. Rev. Bishop of Toronto occupied the chair, and opened the meeting with a brief history and description of the work of the Church Army in England. Rev. J. D. Cayley gave a very flattering sketch of the good accomplished by the army since it arrived in this (St. George's) parish, after which Capt. Munns, who, with Capt. Eccleston, directs the operations of the Army here, urged the worth of their work on the audience, stating that they had held 280 indoor and 90 open air meetings since the inauguration of their crusade four months ago. Rev. Canon Dumoulin, although without personal experience in Army work, had read and heard much of its usefulness and effectiveness and highly commended Rev. Mr. Cayley for courageously bringing it to Toronto. He welcomed the Army as a legitimate sphere for lay agency where it could work safely under the control of the parochial clergy, and a wonderful illustration of the elasticity of Church ordinances in these days. Incidentally the Canon vigorously condemned "the abominable system of proprietary pews" amid enthusiastic applause. Bishop Sweatman, in closing the meeting, heartily endorsed all that had been said by the speakers, and personally welcomed the Army to Toronto, commending it earnestly to the various parish clergy. Work will be continued under the Army in St. George's Parish for the present. Meetings are held every evening in the Mission Hall on Phoebe Street. The officers in charge here have already received applications from other city parishes and several in the States, showing that the movement is gaining in sympathy and respect.

TORONTO.—The Church of England Workingmen's Society is an organisation which is very strong in England, and has done good work in the field it has entered of informing workingmen in the principles of the Church and interesting them in its work. Lately a branch of the society was organised in connection with St. Alban's Cathedral. The visiting members were Captain Pocock, Messrs. Boyle and Andrew. The meeting was characterised by a spirit of union and enthusiasm, and the organisation was completed under the most favorable circumstances. The following officers were elected:—President, Lancelot Bland; Vice-President, J. W. Ochilree; Secretary, Edward James Ford; Treasurer, Daniel Death.

Church of the Ascension.—A series of monthly services of praise were held last winter in the Church of the Assension, which proved so popular and successful that they are to be repeated this year. The first of them was held last week and the Church was filled to the doors. Those taking part were Mrs. Gregson, Miss Morrell, Miss Paten, Messrs. J. S. Parker (organist of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Peterborough), W. Faher, Sims Richards and A. Parker, Mr. Doward presided at the organ. Mrs. Gregson's sacred solo, "For Ever with the Lord" (Gounod), was one of the most attractive items on the programme.

St. Simon's.—The new Anglican Church at St. Simon, situated on the Rosedale ravine, Howard street, is making rapid progress. The

building will soon be roofed in and the contractors hope to have it completely finished before the end of the year. The choir is already organised and is practising regularly several times a week under the direction of Mr. Harrison. The rector of the new parish is the Rev. Street Macklem, B.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, England. The curacy is still vacant, but we understand Mr. Macklem intends to supply this want as soon as he can find anyone fully qualified for the position. He very rightly makes a university degree a *sine qua non*, and this has stood in the way of his filling the vacancy sooner. We heartily wish both him and his parish every success.

DOVERCOURT.—The district lately annexed to Toronto had an interesting concert programme rendered in the Mechanics Institute there last week under the auspices of the Church of England, which was a decided success.

NEWMARKET.—The Annual Harvest Festival was held in this parish last Wednesday, at 8 a.m.; there was celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. A. H. Baldwin, of All Saint's, Toronto, preached at the Special Thanksgiving service in the afternoon, when a very large congregation were present. The Church was beautifully decorated and the services hearty and bright. After the service more than two hundred of the congregation sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared by the ladies.

To say that the day was a grand success, is mildly to describe the joyousness of the season. The thank offering amounted to \$80, more than double that of last year.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

NIAGARA.—The Rev. James B. Mead has been appointed curate of St. Mark's Church here, and entered upon his duties as such on the 1st Oct. instant.

ARTHUR AND ALMA.—Harvest Thanksgiving services were held in Grace Church, Arthur, and Holy Trinity, Alma, on Sunday, Sept. 29th, where the Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe is Priest in charge, and Mr. W. E. A. Lewis is Catechist. Grace Church looked lovely in festal attire. The altar was beautifully decorated by Miss Reddick and Miss Carrie Lewis; the Font by Miss Maggie Henderson, Mrs. J. Draper and Mr. W. E. A. Lewis; the Screen by Mrs. Dr. Robinson, and pulpit, prayer-desk and lectern by Mrs. Hynd, Miss Green, Miss Quirt and the Misses Hynd. Mrs. Lewis worked two beautiful sanctuary banners. Holy Trinity was also very tastefully decorated by the Misses Smith, the Misses Bouns and Mr. Anthony Griffin, under the supervision of the Rev. P. T. Mignot. The Holy Eucharist was offered Sunday morning at 10:30 by the Missionary in charge, assisted by the Rev. J. C. Davidson, M.A., of Colborne, in the Diocese of Toronto, special preacher during the day; his sermons were earnest practical expositions bearing upon the harvest. The well trained surpliced choir of St. Alban's, Grand Valley, under their talented organist Mr. W. F. Webb, rendered the musical portion of the service very well; 50 received the blessed Sacrament. In the afternoon the choir were driven over to Alma and sang Evensong splendidly; the Church was packed to the doors again; returning to Arthur, another Evensong was sung; the Rev. J. C. Davidson preached at this service; offerings during the day, \$20.

The following Thursday, the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels, the annual Harvest Home dinner took place, which was this year supplemented by a thoroughly good concert held under the auspices of the Grace Church Choir; the dinner, for which the Arthur ladies have now become famous, was splendidly served up by them, and the weather being lovely it is estimated over 300 sat down. In the evening the concert came off and the Hall was filled.

The children of the Sunday-school looked very pretty in their costume song, "Cock Robin." The feature of the evening was, "The Fan-Drill," executed by "Lady Lansdowne Light Brigade," twelve ladies handsomely costumed. The concert is said to be the best ever given in Arthur. Mr. W. E. A. Lewis deserves special mention for the whole hearted self-sacrificing manner in which he worked up the concert; \$100 was cleared, which will be devoted to paying off the debt on Grace Church. For the success which crowned all efforts we can devoutly say "thanks be to God."

DIOCESE OF HURON.

BISHOPSTOWE.—The first meeting of the W. A. M. A. after the summer recess was held at Bishopstowe, on the 26th Sept. There was a very good attendance of members and the Secretary reported good progress among many of the Branch Associations which now number 22.

Letters were read from Rev. Trisett of Fort Macleod, Rev. Caswell of Brantford, the Bishop of Moosonee and Saskatchewan, all expressing warm thanks for offers of help. Mrs. Boomer reported the great success of the Algoma Widows' and Orphans' Jubilee Funds, \$1,837 having been collected out of which Huron contributed \$660. The most interesting feature of the meeting was an account given by his Lordship the Bishop of Huron of his recent tour in the North West. He travelled as far as Victoria, half of the population of which are Chinese, all heathens, they have erected a Jop House where they worship, and no effort has hitherto been made by the Church to convert them. The only attempt has been made by the Methodists. Of all the Indian tribes the Blackfeet are the fiercest and on account of their great superstition and belief in witchcraft are the hardest to convert.

At Gleichen the Rev. Mr. Tims who had mastered their language and had lived among them 4 years said he could not feel he had made one convert. His Lordship discovered the vastness of the Diocese of Mackenzie River where Bishop Bompas has been working 13 years without intermission, and gave some particulars of the Diocese of Athabaska and Moosonee.

Episcopal appointments October 1887, Counties of Middlesex Lambton and Perth:—

Sunday, October 9th, Alvenston, 10 a.m.; Napier, 3 p.m. Monday 10th, Adelaide 10 a.m.; Warwick, 7 p.m. Tuesday 11th, Brooke, 11 a.m.; Watford, 7 p.m. Wednesday 12th, Wanstead, 10 a.m.; Sarnia, 3 p.m. Thursday 13th, Wulpole Isle, 3 p.m. Friday 14th, Sombra, 11 a.m.; Mooretown, 7 p.m. Saturday 15th, Sarnia Indians, 11 a.m. Sunday 16th, Point Edward, 11 a.m.; Perche, 3 p.m. Monday 17th, Camlachie, 11 a.m.; Forest, 7 p.m. Tuesday 18th, Kettle Point Indians, 11 a.m. Wednesday 19th, Pachel, 11 a.m.; Ailsa Craig, 7 p.m. Thursday 20th, Kichlin, 11 a.m.; St. Mary's, 7 p.m. Friday 21st, Thorndale, 11 a.m.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE.—From all parts of the world have come in to Her Majesty the Queen tokens of good will during the current year.

The following letter received by Rev. C. A. French, through the Governor General, shows that her name is even now known among the nomads of the bush. We congratulate the Right Rev. the Bishop of Algoma that not a single Indian of his Diocese took part in the Riel rebellion. Politicians ought soon to learn that Religion, whether it be Pagan or Christian, largely comes into the ethics of politics. It may be still in the minds of some that the Most Honorable the Marquis of Lorne when Governor General of Canada condescended to visit a part of the tribes in Algoma and ever since these