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has also been commenced more recently, viz., at the Air Line Junction School House, half way between Welland and Port Colborne. There is no place of worship of any kind nearer than those two towns, each 8 miles from it. The starting of the service originated in a request made to the Rev. R. C. Caswall, of Welland, by a Roman Catholic there, who is one of the School Trustees. He had heard of the services at the other Junction, and asked him to have them occasionally there too, as a new school house has recently been erected. So we have now had fortnightly services three times, attended by an average of 40 persons; the aforesaid melodeon being admirably played by Mrs. McClelland, formerly organist of the old church in Welland, who resides in the neighborhood. Few of the people there are church people; and they have much to learn in the matter of responding. Not having prayer books, they are not likely to learn very soon, unless some good person will give us a present of 25 prayer books for their use at the service, until they shall have learned to value them sufficiently to purchase some for themselves. As the school is on the border line between the missions of Welland Port Colborne, the missionaries at those places, the Rev. R. C. Caswall, and Rev. C. R. Lee, take the services alternately. May the funds of the Mission Board so increase that this and three or four other points within a few miles of Welland and Fonthill may be served by a Travelling Missionary. To think of Welland and Fonthill being the only Mission Station between Grimsby and Bertie, 40 miles apart! And the large village of Wellandport, nine miles west of Welland, has no ministrations of the Church!

**WEST FLAMBORO.**—The Annual Harvest Festival in connection with Christ Church, West Flamboro, took place on Thursday, the 19th August. It is now some years since the congregation first assembled to join in public thanksgiving to the Great Lord of the Harvest, for all the good gifts around them. This year, however, the usual mode of selling trinkets for the Festival was departed from, and the Priest in charge desired the congregation to show their thankfulness by contributing through the offertory at the Thanksgiving Service. This is the teaching of the church that her children should bring their gifts to the altar. The day opened with an early celebration of the Eucharist at 8 a. m. The Rev. J. Langtry, of St. Luke's, Toronto, being the celebrant; the Rev. R. S. Radcliffe, of Luther Village, reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Thos. Geoghegan, the Incumbent, reading the gospel; a goodly number were partakers of the Lord's Body and Blood. The second service took place at 1.30 p. m., the special preacher being the Rev. C. H. Mockridge, of Christ Church Cathedral, Hamilton, who delivered an instructive sermon on the subject for the day, viz.: the Harvest. Besides the above named gentlemen, there were present the Rev. Messrs. Francis, of Waterdown, Cook, of Hamilton, Massie, of Lowville, and Messrs. F. Piper, and O. E. S. Radcliffe, Lay Readers. The decorations were most effective, festoons, and banners, and fruits, and flowers, helping the "Little Church Around the Corner" appear to its best advantage, and not soon to be forgotten. The font, a relic of the Cornish British Church, and placed some years ago here by Rural Dean Osler, of Dundas, was filled with moss and lilies, suggestive of the purity of life which should emanate those who are washed in the Lover of Regeneration. The altar was prettily decorated with different sorts of fruits and flowers. The thank-offerings amounted to, at this service, the large sum of over a hundred dollars, notwithstanding the threatening aspect of the weather, and, therefore, the non-attendance of many from Hamilton and Dundas. The musical portions of the service, including processional and recessional hymns, were sung heartily. After the service a general invitation was extended to all to partake of lunch in the Village Hall, this afforded an excellent opportunity for mutual intercourse and social enjoyment. A very successful concert took place at 8 p. m., when good local talent and first-class other talent from Hamilton and Dundas kindly gave their services and went through a most enjoyable programme. The happy day concluded with late Evensong in the church at 11 p. m., when the Incumbent read the prayers, and the missionary at Luther gave a five minute address on worship and thanksgiving. With one accord the large congregation knelt for the Apostolic Benediction, and then returned to their homes feeling it was good that they had been there. To one who knew the parish of old, these services and signs of growth was most gratifying. We cannot but see that no parish can expect to be what it should be with a nonresident Priest and only an afternoon service. Within two years we see in this parish an expensive addition, added on at the west end of the church for further accommodation, a new Pipe Organ, bell, large confirmation classes, well-filled altars and crowded services. This is the result of the Bishop sending the right man to the right place, would that it were possible to do the thing all ways. Like people, like priest, is a saying, it is true, the Incumbent of this parish has gone in to his

work with all his mind, soul, and strength, his great earnestness and entire devotion to the church, willing to spend and be spent for her, has made such an impression upon the denominations round Flamboro, that many have become communicants of our holy church. We cannot but thank God that such signs of the church's prosperity are not unfrequent, and we should humbly pray that her Priests may go forth with renewed strength conquering and to conquer.

**STONE CREEK AND BARTONVILLE.**—*Harvest Home Thanksgiving.*—The first Festival of this nature was held in this mission on St. Barnabas' Day. The day broke fine and warm. At 8 o'clock a fair number (for a country mission) assembled at the celebration of the Holy Communion; Rev. Thos. Geoghegan, of Flamboro, was the celebrant. At 1.30 p. m., a large congregation assembled in the Church of the Redeemer, Stony Creek. The Thanksgiving Service was heartily engaged in, and the hymns Processional 891, and Recessional 166, with Harvest Hymns 882 and 883, and Thanksgiving Hymn 865, A. and M., were sung with much spirit. The Rev. Canon Reed, of Grimsby, preached from Gal. vi. 7, "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he reap." There were present also of the clergy, Rural Dean Bull, and Revs. Geoghegan and F. Smith, (Binbrook and Saltfleet), the Missionary, Rev. A. E. Whitcombe, and Mr. Radcliffe. The offertory was in aid of the Shingwauk House.

The afternoon was spent in an adjoining grove, where amusements, refreshments and the music of band of the 77th Batt., Dundas, brought together a large and happy gathering. The Festival was suitably closed by a short and bright Thanksgiving service in the church, at which a large proportion of the gathering were present. The church has been very beautifully decorated with free will offerings of the kindly fruits of the earth.—*Laus Deo.*

#### HURON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

**DOVER.**—*Trinity Church.*—The annual picnic of this Sunday School was held on Tuesday last, on the picnic grounds at Dover. The children, teachers, and several of the parents, left by the regular train at 10.30 a. m., and returned by a special about 8 o'clock in the evening. The attendance was large. Three cars were crowded by the little ones and their friends. The Rector, the Rev. Mr. Gemley, and the Secretary of the School, Mr. W. L. Walsh, aided by the teachers, did all in their power to make the occasion one of enjoyment. In this they were very successful. Every one present was highly gratified. The refreshments were abundant and excellent, and, of course, fully enjoyed by young and old. The games were heartily entered into by the young people.

**IN MEMORIAM.**—It is well to hold in grateful remembrance the memoirs of those who have been benefactors to their fellow men. Let not the death of one whose whole life has proved him a loyal son of the Church be unnoticed in the Church organ, the DOMINION CHURCHMAN.

Departed this life on the 19th day of August, 1880, after a brief illness, Isaac Brock Burwell, of Caradoc, West Middlesex. He had inherited from his father an undying loyalty to his Sovereign and country, and to the old church, that has been the means of raising that country to the high position of honour and power that she holds.

He was born in Bertie, in 1818, and was married in 1839. He held a commission in the 1st Middlesex Militia, and in the troublous times of the rebellion, he served at Amherstburg and other places. He was at all times a faithful member of the church. The loyal churchman cannot be a disloyal subject or citizen.

When the Burwell Memorial Church in Caradoc was being built near his residence, at the request of Col. Mahin Burwell, who had given 200 acres of land for that purpose, the deceased generously supplemented his father's gift with a donation of fifteen hundred dollars.

He was much beloved by the Muncey Indians, who treasured in grateful memory his many acts of kindness to their nation, and standing around his coffin, men and women, they manifested their deep sorrow for the death of him who had been their kind friend.

**BOTHWELL.**—In this small town there are several religious denominations, in a population of 1100—another instance of the result of schism! Rev. D. Deacon, we are glad to learn, is doing good work in the mission. The congregation of the church at Bothwell, numbers from 60 to 150—weather, state of roads, &c., affect the number present at divine worship. At Thamesville, the other church of the mis-

sion, the congregation averages about 150. The church at Bothwell requires to be enlarged as the congregation is increasing. The Mormons had established, (as they thought), a meeting house five miles from Bothwell, but it is breaking up. Some of the Mormonites have joined the old church, and it seems if others were to do so also. At both churches of the mission there are good Sunday Schools. The Leaflet published at St. Catharines is used in the Bothwell mission, and in many others in the Diocese. It inculcates church principles, and, therefore, is preferred to those that eschew or ignore them.

**THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF HURON.**—Every churchman must agree with the writer of "Church Sunday Schools in Toronto," that the introduction into our Sunday Schools of systems which do not impress the distinctive character of the church on the minds of the young, would jeopardize her very existence. That she has characters distinctive from the many denominations now existing, is proved by the fact that the holders of other principles than hers, left her fold on account of those principles. But the writer referred to has been misinformed as to the proposed action of the Diocese of Huron. The movement in our Diocese is not to give to the International Series an authoritative existence, but to substitute for it in the Sunday Schools in which it is used, one in which are taught the distinctive characters of the church—her doctrine, her established form and order of worship, the orders in her ministers, and her inherited authority. The systems in our Sunday Schools have been various, different from each other, our meeting in committee and in convention is to establish one uniform system. The eschewing of distinctive church principles by the International, was, to many, if not to all, an insuperable objection to their use. Hence the energetic measures of the Synod. The literature of Sunday School Institute, if we may judge from the opinions expressed at the Synod meeting, will be established as the system of the Diocese. The Church Catechism has been always made part of the Sunday lessons, though that known as the Bristol Catechism was for a time used in some schools as the approved commentary. Some teachers used Timlan's Explanation, and others Beveridge's. The instruction in the Book of Common Prayer was not in all cases limited to the Catechism. In form classes, at least in St. Paul's Sunday School, (city), the thirty-nine articles were taught. They were committed to memory, explained, and proved from Holy Scripture, and also compared with other parts of the Prayer Book. We speak that which we do know from an experience of twenty years.

Next to a Church Scheme of Lessons, the greatest desideratum in our Sunday Schools is a suitable Hymn Book. In this a thorough reform is needed.

**EASTWOOD.**—The Annual Festival in connection with St. John's Church was held on Thursday, Aug. 19th, at Eastwood Park. The day proved unfavourable. The useful trouble of the rain prevented what would otherwise have been an immense success. Some three or four hundred people were present, all apparently bent on making the best of the circumstances. The Woodstock Brass Band; juvenile races, and the sumptuous tea provided by the ladies, were the principal features of enjoyment. Most of the decorations, flags, lanterns, &c., were not shown in consequence of the rain. Victory, however, was wrested out of defeat. Gross proceeds, \$74.00; net do., \$58.00.

In regard to church matters we are rejoicing in the Scripture which enjoins, "Owe no man anything, but to love one another."

**SARNIA INDIANS.**—The Annual Missionary Meeting of these Indians was held in their pretty little church on the banks of the River St. Clair, on Wednesday evening, Aug. 11th, and was very largely attended, the church being well filled with natives and white people. Rev. J. Jacobs presided and interpreted the addresses. Rev. W. F. Campbell, of London, gave an earnest and forcible address on the missionary work of the Church of England in general, and also among the Indians in the North-West and United States. The Right Rev. Bishop Alford, D.D., then delivered a lengthy and interesting address on mission work in China, Japan and Africa, which was very attentively listened to. Several Missionary Hymns were beautifully sung by the Indians in their own language. The collection and subscriptions amounted to nearly \$40.00.

**WALPOLE ISLAND.**—A Missionary Meeting was held here Aug. 12th. Bishop Alford being assisted on the occasion by the Rev. W. F. Campbell, and the Rev. J. Jacobs. The Bishop gave an interesting account of missionary labors in China and also in Rupert's Land.

**SOUTHAMPTON.**—*Confirmation.*—Tuesday, the 24th, the Right Rev. Bishop Alford, held a confirmation at