

MONTHLY NOTES

rules and its happy results which led on the committee to adopt, in 1887, what has been called its "Policy of Faith," in the memorable resolution that they would keep back no candidate possessing true Missionary qualifications on financial grounds only, but would send him forth trusting in the Lord to supply the necessary funds. They have reaped the reward of faith in the addition to their roll of Missionaries, during the eleven years since past, of 975 names as compared with 700 during the fifty preceding and an increase of income for the last year of at least \$500,000.

What is to be the fruit of this commemoration of the great things which God has done for us through the instrumentality of the greatest Missionary organization in the world. First, undoubtedly that we be glad with a gladness that will manifest itself in generous gifts for the furtherance of its work; but much more, I devoutly hope, in a greatly quickened interest and faith in the all-important cause of Missions both at home and abroad.

Let it impress upon our hearts the conviction that the kingdoms of this world are to be the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, that Christ claims them as His, and that, as members of His Church, our first duty is to take our individual part and make it our constant daily concern to help in winning them for Him, by prayer, by personal service, by dedication of our means. Only then shall we know what true gladness is. The awaking out of indifference to an active participation in liberating of the world from the thralldom of ignorance and sin into the glorious light and liberty of the kingdom of Christ will be turning again of our own captivity; it will be like the awaking of them that dream, the joy of an incredible return from a state of unreality and insensibility; then will our mouth be filled with laughter and our tongue with singing; thank God that so many in these days are thus awakening amongst ourselves, especially the women of the Church and the students of our Universities and Colleges. May the spirit of Missionary zeal receive a fresh impetus from this commemoration and spread far and wide! may more be led to study the subject of Missions and become fired with its tales of true devotion heroism, emboldened in faith by its records of success; may many be led to give themselves to the work, and all of us to give our sympathies, our money and our prayers; that so we may have our glad share in working out the purposes of God and hastening the glorious return of Christ our Lord and King, which will be the final and complete "turning again of the captivity" of the world when He shall take to Himself the kingdoms and reign for ever and ever.

The Priest Vicar has accepted the office of Deputy Warden of the Church Boys' Brigade.

Ascension Sunday, May 11th. Read for the Epistle, Acts 1-1 the Gospel, St. Mark 16-14.

Whit Sunday, May 21st. For the Epistle, Acts 2-1, the Gospel, St. John 14-15.

Trinity Sunday, May 28th. Read for the Epistle Rev. iv, 1. The Gospel, St. John III 3.

The Annual closing meeting of the Toronto Church of England Sunday School Association will be held in St. Alban's Cathedral on Thursday Evening, May 18th. Evensong will be sung at eight o'clock and the sermon will be preached by the Rev. C. L. Ingles, Rector of St. Marks, Parkdale.

THE ST. ALBAN'S DAY SCHOOL FOR BOYS

The following is a list of the boys who stand highest in their classes, result of the work for April.

SENIOR THIRD	JUNIOR THIRD
1st. Dudley Roden	1st Bryan Chadwick
2nd. Llewellyn Roden	2nd. Reginald Holland
SENIOR SECOND	JUNIOR SECOND
1st. Fred. Macdonald	1st. John Macdonald
2nd. Gerald Maclean	2nd. Hume Blake

As the Cricket season is now at hand, and the grounds are in better condition than heretofore; the boys have no trouble in finding good and healthful amusement. Anyone passing along the streets surrounding the close, cannot fail to notice the activity displayed by the boys during their leisure hours on the inside of the fence.

Last year on St. Alban's day was held an Athletic Competition, which was first intended to have been a general one, open to all the boys connected with the choir, athletic club, and school; but owing to the short time for preparing a prize list, etc, it was confined to the schoolboys. Now if there are any who would care to help in organizing a regular field day of athletic sports on that day which will be the 17th of June, they will kindly make known their intention in good time.

ST. ALBAN'S CRICKETERS IN 1899

The Cricket Club connected with the St. Alban's Cathedral Athletic Club has re-organized for this season, and start play on Saturday, May 6, with a match against Trinity University at Trinity.

The prospects for the season are very bright; several new players have joined both the seniors and juniors, and they already show that they will prove great acquisitions; the first full practice on Saturday last proved too that most of the former members had quite recovered their form after the enforced rest during the winter months. A much larger number of games will be played this season than last, already 21 matches have been fixed, and with the senior and junior games it is probable that double that number will be played in the course of the season. The first few weeks of the season will see few games on the St. Alban's ground, as the field was levelled and seeded last fall and it will be well on in the Summer before there will be much grass grown; but starting with July 1st there will be games at home probably every Saturday until the end of the season.

One special feature of the season will be a game between an eleven of St. Alban's and Parkdale combined against the strong Belmont team of Philadelphia, played on Aug. 11, probably at the Rosedale grounds. This should prove a very interesting event, as the team the two Clubs combined can put in the field will be a very strong one.

On May 24th a strong team will go to Galt, which should prove a good holiday trip; this will be the first time too that the St. Alban's Club have ever gone so far afield to play.

The annual trips to St. Catherines, to meet Bishop Ridley College, of the seniors and juniors, will this year be made one event; both teams will go together by boat on Saturday, June 24, when it is expected that a large number of members and their friends will take the trip, and so make up a large party.

The games already fixed are:—

May 6 Trinity at Trinity	July 1 Parkdale St. Alban's	
" 24 Galt Galt	" 8 Toronto-Rosedale St. Alban's	
" 27 U. C. College U. C. C.	" 22 Gordon, McKay & Co. St.	
" 27 Jr. U. C. C. U. C. C.	" 29 Toronto-Rosedale St. Alban's	
	" 29 Gordon Mackay & Co. St.	
June 3 Toronto-Rosedale Rosedale	Aug. 5 Gordon Mackay & Co. St.	
" 17 Parkdale Parkdale	" 12 Parkdale St. Alban's	
" 24 Bis. Ridley Coll. St. Cather-	" 12 Parkdale Parkdale	
" 24 Jr. Bishop Ridley Coll. St.	" 19 Woodbine St. Alban's	
	" 26 Toronto-Rosedale Rosedale	
	Aug. 11 St. Alban's & Parkdale v Belmont at Rosedale	
Sept 2 Parkdale at St. Alban's	Sept. 9 Woodbine Woodbine	

The Secretary of St. Alban's Branch of the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Addebrook sailed last week for England, we wish her bon-voyage and a pleasant holiday, and hope to welcome her back after her four months' visit.

We were pleased to see Mr. Chadwick once more in his place and to know that the "voluntary quarantine" was over for the youthful invalid is now almost well again—which the many friends of the family will be glad to hear.

The Rev. Canon McNab will give a lecture, illustrated with Lantern views, entitled "a Cathedral bicycle tour" in the crypt of St. Alban's, on Monday, 15 May, beginning at eight o'clock, Proceeds in aid of the Junior Cricket Club,