

Ontario Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO.—"*She hath done what she could.*"

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. May—Saskatchewan, Palestine and Assyria. June—Westminster, B. C., and Japan.

To many of us the vast Diocese of New Westminster will present itself as a far more vivid reality than ever before, owing to the recent visit of its Bishop with his wife to this part of Canada. Those who had the great pleasure of hearing her will, for the sake of those who did not, pardon the reiteration of some of the interesting account given us by Mrs. Sillitoe. The diocese is bounded on the east by the Rocky mountains, west by the Pacific, south by the American boundary line, and north by the Diocese of Caledonia. The Canadian Pacific Railway so divides the diocese as to leave about three fourths of its extent to the north of the line, and Mrs. Sillitoe laid stress on the lamentable fact that in the vast district there is no missionary, and no work being done, save by laymen with visits from the Bishop. At the Cariboo Mines, where are found, not the wild, lawless miners of the western States, but a very steady, well-behaved, hard-working people, there used to be a missionary who did valuable service not only in the two centres of his work, but by making each year an immense walking tour, and so visiting each isolated settlement or farm in his unwieldy parish! This clergyman being unable to remain longer, the post is now unoccupied, and it is the Bishop's earnest desire to place there two missionaries, who would be a support and comfort to one another besides dividing the work. The people themselves have been giving \$500 a year towards the salary of a resident priest, but living is expensive in those latitudes, where nearly all the necessaries of life have to be brought from a distance, and a man can not live there on less than \$1,000. An earnest appeal was then made to the W.A. for a portion of this needed income, and we are sure none listened with a deaf ear. South of the C.P.R. much interesting work is being done. Vancouver, which in size and proportion has shot so far ahead of the capital (New Westminster) has now four churches. Good work is being done among the rough miners in the South, who pour over from the States and are of all nationalities, among the Chinese in Vancouver, and among the Indians. Perhaps the most interesting part of the lecture, and the part which the lecturer herself seemed to dwell on with particular pleasure, was the history of the work amongst our Indian fellow-subjects. Indian head-quarters are at Lytton, where is quite a nice church built so that inside there are three levels, the highest and nearest the altar for those Indians who are Communicants, the second grade for the baptized, and the lowest for the catechumens. It speaks volumes for the work done that of 2,000 Indians in Lytton and the little villages in the neighborhood,