

ing by note, in class. This promises to be a successful venture, and may ultimately benefit the Church, to which most of the pupils belong.

Since Lent began, special Services, with a course of lectures and solemn supplication in the interests of temperance, have been held on Friday nights in the Church. These were well attended, and the people are co-operating heartily in the matter, so I have some hopes of good results.

INVERNESS.

The Rev. P. Roe writes :—

On the first Sunday in Lent, the Rev. R. A. Parrock, B.A., Bishop's Chaplain, paid his monthly visit to this Mission, to preach and administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. There was a good attendance at the Churches. At St. Stephen's, Mr. Parrock preached a very striking sermon on the Beatitudes, and administered the Holy Communion to 17 members. In the afternoon, he drove up to Campbell's Corner, and found a large congregation there to greet him. Mr. Parrock preached a seasonable sermon from Romans xii. 15. on Christian love and sympathy. Mr. Parrock drove over to Leeds, and preached there in the evening, returning to Quebec by Lyster Station on Monday. Mr. Parrock's visits, and his beautiful earnest addresses, are much appreciated by all the Church people.

MELBOURNE.

On Tuesday, the 12th of March, the Lord Bishop paid a visit to the Mission of St. John's. He arrived at Richmond by the G. T. R. at 2 p.m. He then drove out to make some visits among the people. The first visit was to McKee who is the oldest lady in the Mission, and the oldest in the township. She has been in the Mission for the past sixty-three years, and has been a good member of the Church. The Bishop administered to her the Holy Communion, after this his Lordship visited Miss Weed, who has been ill for the past year.

In the evening his Lordship met a great number of the parishioners at Mrs. Gallup's and had tea with them. At 7.30, the Confirmation service was held in the Church, when seven Candidates were presented by the Incumbent, to receive the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Ghost, the Rev. James Hepburn of St.

Ann's, Richmond, acting as Chaplain. The Church was very full; a large number from other denominations were present at the Service. Before the laying on of hands his Lordship spoke on Confirmation, proving it from Scripture and showing that the laying on of the hand was a custom in all ages for the conferring of blessings.

He then addressed the Candidates in a very earnest manner, exhorting them to be true to their profession, and as they were about to confess Christ openly before that congregation, he hoped that they would be true to their Heavenly Father.

After Silent Prayer his Lordship laid his hands upon them and confirmed them.

A second address was given by the Bishop to the congregation concerning their duty: 1st, in relation to God and 2nd, in relation to their fellowmen. He exhorted all to be like their Master in humility and self-sacrifice. That, as Christ humbled Himself, so ought we to humble ourselves to do His will, and as Christ offered Himself as a Self-Sacrifice, so ought we to offer ourselves to God.

The Service was then brought to a close by his Lordship pronouncing the Benediction.

Postscript.

The following subscriptions for 1895 have been received since our last issue :—

Rev. L. W. Williams (2), Rev. H. C. Stuart (3), Rev. G. H. Murray (6), Archdeacon Roe, Brompton (8), Prof. Wilkinson (4), Rev. E. King (2), Rev. G. R. Walters (32), Mr. Anderson, Levis (2), Dr. Heneker (4), Mr. Eckhardt (12), Mr. J. Miles (1), Mr. J. Hope (1), Mr. W. J. Smyth (2), Mr. T. W. Ward (1).

The January and February numbers of the present year are entirely out of print, and the Editor will be glad to allow full value for any of these numbers returned to him. The February number is especially required.

There are some spare copies on hand of last year's *Gazette*, with the exception of the January and September numbers, and the Editor will mail these gratis to any of the Clergy who may desire to distribute them as specimen copies.

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