

\$50. The following officers were elected for the current year:—Superintendent of Boys' School, Mr. N. R. Mudge; superintendent of Girls' School, Mrs. Carmichael; superintendents of Infants' School, Miss Evans and Miss Mudge; treasurer, Dr. Lovejoy; secretary, Mr. A. N. Webster; librarian, Mr. D. Browne; auditors, Messrs. Mudge and Henderson; delegates to Diocesan Sunday School Association, Mrs. Carmichael, Miss Laura Mudge, Messrs. Mudge and Webster; Library Committee, Mrs. Carmichael, Miss Laura Mudge, and Miss Bickley, Messrs. Henderson and Browne. It was decided to have the annual festival on Friday evening, Feb. 26.

WATERLOO.

The Sunday School Institute of the Archdeaconry of Bedford held its annual convention in this village on the 14th of January 1892, under the presidency of the 1st Vice-President, the Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay.

The morning was very unpropitious, but yet a considerable number gathered in St. Luke's Church and joined in the Holy Eucharist, in preparation for the day's undertakings. The Archdeacon was himself celebrant with the Rector of Knowlton as deacon. Service concluded, all repaired to the school room where quite a number of others joined them.

The first business engaged in was a paper read by Rev. W. C. Bernard, M. A., on "Catechizing" in which was traced the Authority, History and Utility of this mode of instructing both in Sunday School, and as auxiliary to them.

Considerable important discussion followed joined in by clergy and lay workers present. All acknowledging the high value of the paper read.

Dinner was now the order of the day and all found themselves comfortably provided for by the kindness of the church people of the town.

The afternoon session began by election of officers and selection of place of next meeting. The officers of last year were re-elected, the committee alone being changed owing to contiguity to next place of meeting being necessary.

The list of officers for the ensuing year is the following:—

The Bishop, President, (ex-officio.)
1st Vice-President, Ven. Archdeacon of Bedford, (ex-officio.)

2nd Vice-President, Rev. Canon Davidson, M. A.

3rd Vice-President, Jas. MacKinnon, Esq.
Secretary, Rev. R. D. Mills, M. A.

Treasurer, Jas. MacKinnon, Esq.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.—Revs. Chas. Bancroft, M. A., Jas. Carmichael, F. Chartier, G. W. Garland and Messrs. Belknap, M. Lane, Albert E. Dyer and Wm. K. Knowlton.

Granby and Knowlton both cordially invited the Institute to hold its next annual convention in them, but the latter was selected as in the county which the Institute has not yet visited.

The first paper of the afternoon was that by Rev. Rural Dean Longhurst on Bible Teaching in the Sunday School. The Rev. gentleman had bestowed much pains on his thesis, and a vast amount of useful knowledge and hints was crowded into his 20 minutes paper. A very earnest expression of views and exchange of opinions followed, shared in by the large number present—(the afternoon found 15 clergy in the schoolroom with the laity much increased beyond the morning contingent.)

The third paper was one prepared by Rev. E. Bushell, M. A., and was well worthy of the good

companionship in which it found itself. His subject was "How to keep order in Sunday Schools." His opinion clearly expressed that certain qualifications in the teacher and certain methods in the school are most likely to secure that great desideratum. Of course discussion followed and the deep interest of the members was quite apparent from the warmth with which views were expressed.

The evening meeting was held in the Town Hall and was well attended considering the prevalence of La Grippe, etc. Here again the Archdeacon presided, having on the platform with him the other clerical Vice-President, Canon Davidson, M. A., the speaker of the evening and the Secretary. The speakers—the Chairman, Rev. Canon Mills, B. D.; Rev. E. Bushell, M. A., Ven. Archdeacon Plant—were well and warmly received and imparted much useful information to these auditors and the "little archdeacon" quite carried the meeting with him in his vivid descriptions of the heroic, manly efforts of missionaries in the far West.

Votes of thanks were warmly accorded "the speakers," "the writers," "the chairman," and the good people of Waterloo for their generous hospitality.

Diocese of Ontario.

L'ORIGINAL.

The Festival of the Epiphany was a red letter day for the village-like county town of Prescott. For nearly forty years services had been held at the court house there with little prospect of a more suitable building ever being found. Educational controversies and other untoward circumstances having abruptly terminated this arrangement, it became necessary to build a church or discontinue the services. But, with very few Church people and in the face of other difficulties, the erection of a Holy Fane seemed a hopeless task. The Rector of Hawkesbury, however, determined to make an earnest endeavour, believing that failure after hard struggle is better than succumbing without an effort; and, by the blessing of God, hindrances which seemed insuperable, melted away and opposition gave place to hearty co-operation with the result that a few communicants assembled in what the *L'Original Advertiser* well called "a beautiful little church," for early celebration on Christmas morning. From the fact of its having been thus used on Christmas Day, it was appropriately named the "Church of the Nativity," and it was a subject of the greatest rejoicing that the whole cost of the erection had been defrayed by Christmas Eve. A formal opening of the little edifice took place on the Festival of the Epiphany. Holy Communion was celebrated by the Venerable Archdeacon Lauder, Bishop's Commissary, who also preached an excellent sermon, and, in the evening, stirring addresses were delivered by himself, the Rev. C. O. Carson, and the Rector, the Rev. A. Phillips. There was a large congregation at the morning service, and, notwithstanding the most unfavourable weather, at Evensong the new building was filled to overflowing. At both services the offertory, in aid of the furnishing, was unexpectedly large. The structure is lined and finished throughout with ash, the effect being very striking and beautiful; and it has a seating capacity of about one hundred. So far, where all seemed hopeless, nearly \$1300 has been contributed in materials and money, and, should this meet the eye of any kind and gentle reader disposed to aid in the furnishing, either articles or pecuniary help will be most gratefully received and acknowledged. It should be mentioned that the choir under the leadership of Mrs. E. A. John-

son, added greatly to the heartiness and success of the opening services; and the deep impression which has undoubtedly been made in the neighbourhood by our beautiful liturgic worship.

On Sunday last, the first Missionary Meeting was held in the Church of the Nativity by the Rev. W. Read, Rector of Pembroke; it was most enthusiastic and both Deputation and people went away well pleased with the results. "Laus Deo!"

Diocese of Toronto.

ORILLIA.

The Rev. G. Osborne Troop, M. A., Rector of St. Martin's Church, Montreal, has been holding a Mission in St. James' Church, here, on invitation of the Rector. Mr. Troop is well known as an able, earnest and truly devotional speaker.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW CONVENTION.

The Council have issued the final programme in very neat form. It is substantially as printed in our last issue, and promises several magnificent public services and meetings.

The Hospitality Committee report that the success of the Convention as regards delegates from outside of Toronto is assured. They had reports of over one hundred up to Friday last, and this number will probably be increased to one hundred and fifty before the Convention opens, whilst the Toronto clergy and Chapters will add at least as many more, ensuring Church meetings of no ordinary character.

New badges have been procured for both the visiting and the city delegates, and luncheon will be provided through the kindness of the Woman's Auxiliary of Toronto in St. James' School-house on both the Friday and Saturday of the Convention, thus saving the delegates no little expense and giving the best possible opportunity for further fraternal intercourse.

BOWMANVILLE.

ST. JOHN.—Rev. R. A. Bilker, late of the Church of the Ascension, Toronto, has accepted the rectorship of Bowmanville at a stipend of \$1,400 a year.

Diocese of Algoma.

The Bishop held an Ordination last month in St. Peter's, Toronto, by permission of the Bishop of Toronto, at which Mr. A. J. Cobb was ordained Deacon. He had been employed as a catechist for two years in the District of Broad Bent, which covers some 300 square miles.

The Bishop is again on his tour through Muskoka and Parry Sound Districts, settling in order the things pertaining to the Church.

It appears from the report of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Board that Algoma received from it last year, grants amounting in all to \$13,723.33.

The Rev. W. H. French, Rector of Emily and Omamee in the Diocese of Toronto, has been appointed to and has accepted the Incumbency of Gravenhurst, and has entered upon his work.

ASPDIN.

The annual visitation of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese took place on Sunday and Monday, Jan. 17th and 18th. The incumbent, the Rev.