

## Thessalon Mission.

REV. W. M. R. SEABORNE, INCUMBENT.

The following is a clipping from *The Algoma Advocate* of May 6th:

The first annual meeting of the Women's Guild of the Church of the Redeemer was held at Dr. McCort's residence on Monday evening, 2nd inst. This society was organized some six years ago for the purpose of raising money to erect a parsonage and until October last went under the name of the "Ladies' Committee of the Church of the Redeemer," and during that period has raised and paid on parsonage fund upwards of six hundred dollars, one hundred and sixty-three dollars of which has been raised by the Guild since they re-organized with Mrs. Seaborne as president. In their efforts they have been materially assisted by Mrs. Chapman, of Hamilton, who has taken a warm interest in their work. Their financial efforts will now be directed towards paying off the mortgage of \$400 which still remains unpaid on the building. The officers of the society as at present constituted are honorary president, president, two vice-presidents, two secretaries, and treasurer. The objects of the Guild are: "To promote visiting and other means of a united sociable feeling among all members of the Church, the relief of the poor and destitute in a regular and systematic manner, to assist the pastor and wardens with financial aid as opportunity offers." The proceedings were opened by an address by Mrs. Seaborne, the retiring president.

The chair was then vacated by the president and taken by the honorary president, who, after leading in prayer and reading and expounding the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, called for the election of officers for the ensuing year, Miss Cullis being selected secretary for the evening. The officers were unanimously re-elected with the exception of Mrs. Geo. Shaw, jun., who was chosen to fill the place of Mrs. Jas. Glanville, resigned. President, Mrs. Seaborne; first vice-president, Mrs. Moore; second vice-president, Mrs. Shaw, jun.; treasurer, Mrs. Pulford; secretaries, Misses Keetch and Cullis; visiting committee, Mrs. J. H. McDonald and Mrs. Nichols; relief committee, Mrs. Dymont, Mrs. McCort, Miss Nichols, and Miss Paterson. The reports of the secretary and treasurer, which were received and adopted, showed that all the floating debt was paid off. It was decided that the moneys realized during the year should be applied chiefly to liquidating the debt on parsonage. The next meeting of the Guild is to be held at the residence of Mr. J. J. Ansley on the first Friday in June. A very interesting meeting was brought to a close by prayer by the incumbent.

MONTALEMBERT said, "Without a Sabbath, no worship, without worship, no religion, and without religion, no permanent freedom."

## Port Carling Mission.

REV. I. E. CHICOFF, M.A., INCUMBENT.

Last October the Rev. W. A. J. Burt, who had been priest-in-charge of this mission for a little over six years, secured leave of absence for seven months to act as *locum tenens* for the Rev. C. J. Machin, M.B., at the town of Gravenhurst. While there the Bishop offered Mr. Burt the mission of North Bay, which, after due consideration, was accepted. When the people of this mission learned that Mr. Burt was not to return to them as their incumbent, they immediately set to work to show in some tangible form the high appreciation in which he was held by them. On April 20th Mr. and Mrs. Burt were invited to visit the village of Port Carling, the centre of the mission, where a large number of friends assembled in the village hall to present them with an address and a beautiful silver tea service, the latter being suitably engraved. The following is the address, which was largely signed:

To the Rev. W. A. J. Burt:

DEAR MR. BURT,—We, your friends and members of your late congregations of the Port Carling mission, looking back upon the past six years of pleasant and profitable intimacy, social as well as spiritual, with you and Mrs. Burt, desire to materialize our happy reminiscences of you both in a manner which will ever face you in your daily life, and serve to perpetuate us in your thoughts.

For you who have set forth the truths of the Church, emphasizing them with innumerable kindnesses of hand and heart, bestowed upon all, irrespective of caste or creed, will ever live in our memory and hold a warm place in our hearts.

From far and wide, throughout the scattered scenes of your recent labours, blessings will follow you, dear friend, and yours, from many hearts loyal and true.

Many a primitive home will keep green the memory of your visits and your kind deeds therein, and this, the parting testimony of your loving and admiring friends, breathes between every line a sincere and fervent prayer that our God may bless and speed you.

To the above address and presentation Mr. Burt made an appropriate and feeling reply. Refreshments and good-byes followed. P.M.S.

## St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

The Canadian Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be held in Hamilton this year. The date has been fixed for September 23rd to 25th.

Hamilton has five live chapters to undertake the work and are already arranging the billeting and other matters in connection with the Convention. The Association Hall, which will seat nearly one thousand people, has been secured for the business and mass meetings.

The Dominion Council met in Toronto about three weeks ago and outlined a programme and is now in correspondence with several American Bishops and laymen and also with some of the strongest men in our Canadian Church.

## Port Sydney Mission.

REV. A. R. MITCHELL, INCUMBENT.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—It is some time since you received any correspondence from my pen. It seems rather dry to write about one's own work, which perhaps accounts to a great extent for one writing so seldom. There are several points, however, in connection with the parishioners and episcopal visitation which, if touched upon, might interest some of your readers.

At Port Sydney the congregation keeps up in a very encouraging manner. The members certainly appreciate the blessed privileges of our beloved church. Few in number, indeed, as compared with what they used to be, they struggle to maintain their former position, which they succeed in doing pretty well. The lumbering is practically finished here now, and nothing but farming, and that poor, remains. Consequently there is nothing for our young men to turn to, and they have left for fields wider and busier.

The Lord Bishop of the diocese visited this mission on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of January last, and performed episcopal acts in three out of the four stations. The incumbent met the Bishop at Uter son Station on the 22nd, and drove His Lordship to Beatrice, where both were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. R. Lance. After dinner a consultation was held in the vestry of St. Mary's hall with the churchwarden of Ufford *in re* church matters. At 3 p.m. a confirmation service was held in St. Mary's hall, and seven persons were presented to the Bishop to receive the apostolic rite of confirmation. After service a consultation was held with the Beatrice congregation *in re* building their new church and for the purpose of stirring up the members to do more towards helping the Bishop to pay the incumbent's stipend. In spite of it being Saturday the church hall was full.

From Beatrice to Port Sydney was traversed, and our evening meal was partaken of at the parsonage at 7 p.m. We next repaired to the hall, where the lady members of the congregation had prepared some very substantial enjoyment for the Sunday scholars. Our valued superintendent, Mr. Sydney Smith, together with his staff of teachers, had requested that the children's Christmas treat and distribution of prizes be postponed till the bishop's visit, so that our young friends might have the pleasure of seeing their Bishop's autograph in their books, etc., and receive them at his own hands. The hall was very tastefully dressed by gentlemen members of the church, amongst whom was Mr. Duncan Forrest, who only a few years ago was amongst our scholars, but is now a loyal member of the Church at Dundas. It was to him we owed the great success of the musical part of the evening. The room was taxed to its utmost capacity by Church people from the other stations, as well as Port Sydney, together with those