

tion by Mrs. Chas. Locke of a purse of money, collected by her and Miss Sarah Locke, as a Christmas present. The list of subscribers, twenty in number, accompanied the gift.

**LEARNED PLAIN.**—Rev. Mr. Judge was last week presented with a purse of \$13 by the people of this neighborhood. In offering his thanks Mr. Judge said he looked upon the gift as an expression of good-will towards him, and also appreciation of the services held there.

#### DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

**FRELIGHSBURGH.**—Services on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day were held in the Bishop Stewart Memorial Church, with a good number of worshippers, who thus consecrated appropriately the early hours of 1886. The first Sunday in the new year was the twenty-fourth anniversary of the present pastorate of the parish. Appropriate references were made by the rector, and to the material advancement of the parish, reaching upwards of \$15,000 during that period. The Hon. and Rev. C. J. Stewart founded the parish in 1807, and continued its minister till 1815. Canon Reid, D.D., succeeded him, with a ministry of about 50 years. Canon Davidson began his ministry as curate in 1862.

The annual festival of the Sunday-school, with a tree brilliant and laden with gifts for all, and special valuable rewards to those who had attained the highest marks of proficiency in Bible truths and Church doctrine, was held on the evening of the Epiphany. The members of the school, to the number of about seventy faithful learners from Sunday to Sunday, sat down to an ample repast with the rector and teachers, after which the hours were appropriately filled with a short devotional service, the reading of the record of each scholar in class work from the beginning of September, with the amount collected in Sunday-school for the year, viz., \$22.17, and various enjoyments. The marks obtained for punctuality, attendance at the worship of God in His temple, and acquisition of Scriptural lessons, would do credit to any school of instruction, religious or secular, and must have been most gratifying to parents and teachers, and eminently so to the pastor of the congregation. The carols—not the secondary rehearsal in any way of the joyous services of Christmas Eve—were suited to the festival of the Epiphany, and were rendered by the members of the school with a brightness and cheerfulness which comported with an appreciation of the ministry and message of the Infant of Days and King of kings. The rector, in passing on the tokens from Santa Claus to each particular owner, had reason to commend the deserving faithfulness and diligence of the recipients. The last of these, Mr. Arthur W. Landsberg, who was about to leave his home and the school of his childhood and youth, for commercial life in Boston, called forth a handsome copy of "American Poems" from the rector and teachers, with hearty good wishes for a bright future. The festival was one most pleasing in itself, and long to be remembered.

**THORNE.**—On the evening of New Year's Day the incumbent of this Mission and his family were surprised by the arrival of a large concourse of parishioners at the Parsonage, of which they took possession. The ladies had, as usual, provided themselves with a bountiful supply of creature comforts, which received full justice from the assembled guests. During the early part of the evening all enjoyed themselves with several kinds of games, but all missed the musical talent of Mrs. Greer, owing to indisposition. After tea the meeting was called to order by Mr. John Hodgins, who requested Miss Mary Jane Martin and Miss Rosanna Hodgins to read and present Mr. and Mrs. Greer with an address and purse. Miss Hodgins then read the address, which was signed

by several on behalf of the different congregations, and Miss Martin presented the purse, which contained \$75.63.

Mr. Greer, in replying, thanked his parishioners for their continued kindness to Mrs. Greer and himself since they came to the parish, and for the warm and loving manner in which they had spoken of Mrs. Greer and himself in their address. He also tendered his heartfelt thanks for their most kind and liberal gift, emanating from warm and loving hearts.

After the address, the meeting closed by singing the Doxology.

It is worthy of note, in connection with this Mission, that the New Year's gifts for the preceding three years have been \$18, \$26 and \$51.

**MONTREAL.**—*St. George's.*—The Rev. E. A. W. King and Rev. C. J. Boulden, incumbent of Berthier, assisted at the morning service on Sunday the 18th inst. Mr. Boulden preaching an excellent and instructive sermon. There was a very large congregation present.

On Tuesday evening, the 18th, the Young Men's Association of St. George's held the first of the public *conversaciones* referred to in our report of the annual meeting as one of the attractions to be offered during the present year. We hope to have a full report for our next number.

*Grace Church.*—On the evening of 13th Jan., the Church Mutual Improvement Society held an entertainment, at which the West End Temperance Society gave a number of songs, recitations and piano solos. Mr. Wurtelle also gave a most clever performance with his musical glasses.

**HULL.**—The annual Sunday-school Festival was held in the basement of St. James Church on Wednesday evening, the 13th instant. The children sat down to a very bountiful tea, which had been liberally supplied by the members of the congregation. At half-past seven o'clock there was an entertainment followed by a magic lantern exhibition. The school-room not being sufficiently elastic some had to leave who would like to have gained admittance.

During the evening a presentation was made to the Rector on behalf of the Sunday-school children of a nice carpet and rug for his study, which was received as a pleasing token of their kindness and esteem. After singing the doxology the children went home, having thoroughly enjoyed their pleasant festival. Their thanks are especially due to Mrs. Tough and Miss Kelly for providing such an excellent programme.

#### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

**PAKENHAM.**—At the invitation of the Rev. Mr. McMorine, Mr. Dingley Browne, organist, at St. Albans, Ottawa, recently spent a week here, and has given the choir several practices. He presided at the organ on Sunday, the 10th ult., and great improvement was noticeable in the singing of the choir.

**ARCHVILLE.**—*Trinity.*—A successful entertainment in aid of this Church was held on Tuesday evening, the 12th inst., in the basement of the Church. The incumbent, the Rev. Mr. Jones, occupied the chair. A trio, contributed by Prof. Workman and Messrs. Cook and Johns was very well rendered. The other performers were Miss Carter and Mr. F. Satchell.

**BILLING'S BRIDGE.**—On Wednesday evening, the 6th, was held in the Roller Rink in Ottawa, one of the most enjoyable entertainments held this year in aid of Trinity Church. The Committee of management consisted of Mrs. McDougall, Mrs. McCuaig and Mr. F. M. McDougall, under whose direction a programme was prepared and carried out, reflecting great credit on all the performers, among whom were Mrs.

T. Charles Watson, Miss Clara Cotte and Messrs. Beddoe, Andrews and McDougall and others. Refreshments were served during the evening.

**NEW EDINBURGH.**—*St. Bartholomew's.*—Through the generosity of their Excellencies the Marquis and Marchioness of Lansdowne the children of the Sunday-school were treated to a Christmas Tree and bountiful tea on Friday evening, the 8th, at Government House. There were about 300 children present, and a most delightful evening was spent.

**OTTAWA.**—An appeal for larger contributions from the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions of Canada was read in all the churches here on Sunday, the 10th ult., in place of the sermon.

*St. George's.*—The Men's Association held another very attractive entertainment in the lecture hall on Tuesday, the 12th ult. The attendance was good and the different numbers on the programme were well rendered. Miss B. Lampman, who sings with very much taste, although but a new performer, and is especially deserving of notice.

A Sunday-school Festival and Christmas Tree was given in the lecture hall last Wednesday, followed by the distribution of prizes. Mr. Topley entertained the children with magic lantern views.

*Christ Church.*—The members of the Lay Association recently presented the Rev. W. J. Muckleston with "The Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah," by Dr. Edersheim, to show their appreciation of the reverend gentleman's valuable and self-sacrificing labors in the parish.

The Annual Sunday-school Festival was held on Tuesday evening, the 12th, and was largely attended. After tea had been served Dr. R. J. Wicksteed very kindly exhibited his magnificent collection of views for magic lantern.

**KINGSTON.**—On Wednesday evening, the 6th inst., St. Paul's Sunday-school teachers gave their annual Epiphany treat to the children. The evening entertainment consisted of a well rendered programme by the children of songs, dialogues and recitations, and exhibition of some beautiful scripture and landscape scenes by Mr. George Fenwick, and the distribution of well filled bags of candy, figs, nuts and oranges by the teachers. Three hearty cheers were given for Mr. Fenwick as an appreciation of his great kindness in again giving them an exhibition of his beautiful and costly views.

**MISSIONARY MEETING.**—On the 7th instant, a missionary meeting was held in the English Church at Sunbury. There was a large attendance, and the Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick occupied the chair. A deputation, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Carey, Bonsfield and Nimmo, was present and made addresses, and the collection taken up was double that of the previous year. The deputation was hospitably entertained by Mr. Langwith.

**SOUTH LAKE.**—The new Anglican Church at South Lake was opened on the 10th inst., and services were held in the morning and afternoon. In the morning, the sermon was preached by Rev. Rural Dean Carey, from Genesis xxxviii, 17: "This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." About ninety people were present, and at the conclusion of the service Holy Communion was administered. In the afternoon the Rev. Mr. Nimmo preached from Romans xii, 1: "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." There was a still larger congregation than in the morning, and the offertory for the building fund amounted to \$25. The Church is a substantial frame structure, tongued, grooved and felted, and consists of nave, chancel, tower, porch and vestry, the