

Church must of necessity be a great missionary church, her marching order through all time being "go," hence that *each member* is, in a measure, a missionary, as well as those who are pre-eminently such by virtue of their commissions received from those who alone have authority to call and send men into the Lord's vineyard. Hymn 358 was next sung. Then followed an address by Rev. Prof. Wilson, M.A., of King's College. The motion introduced was: "That the number yet lying in heathen darkness demands every effort on our part to convey to them the light of that truth which we ourselves enjoy." In strong, forcible language was shown the moral and social state of those who sit in heathen darkness; the almost inconceivable change that we would need to undergo to spend one day after their fashion. The speaker showed that the actual number of Christians was but a small part of the world's population, and hence followed the absolute necessity of each exerting himself to the utmost that this little leaven may leaven the whole lump. Rev. J. P. Sargent, M.A., Rector of Rawdon, brought forward this motion: "That while recognizing the claims of those who are beyond our own border, we feel that it is not less our duty, by every just means, to sustain and increase the work which the Board of Home Missions is now doing in this diocese of Nova Scotia." The Rev. gentleman showed that the interest which we took in the heathen depended upon the interest we took in those depending upon ourselves; thus the interest we showed at our family prayers was felt in the parish, that in the parish was felt in the whole community; that was felt through the diocese; and the interest we took in the diocese would not alone be confined to the bounds of Nova Scotia, but must diffuse itself even to them who have never heard of it. J. F. Cochran, Esq., Church Warden, spoke and recommended that a subscription list be placed in the hands of various persons in different parts of the Province, by which means in former years a fair amount had been collected; and explained that the apparent lack of interest on the part of this parish in the Board of Home Missions was due to hard times, which pressed to such an extent on this small parish that a difficulty was felt in even making up the clergyman's stipend.

The amount which it is hoped will be forwarded by this parish will be somewhere about \$45.00, which is not to be taken as a measure of our interest in the work carried on by the Board of Home Missions.

ONTARIO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NEPEAU.—On Thursday, 7th instant, and two following days, a Children's Bazaar in aid of St. Paul's, Rochesterville, was held at 500 Wellington Street, Ottawa. The useful and fancy goods offered for sale consisted of gifts of the congregation and their friends, and of articles of dress, &c., made by the sewing society in connection with the Church. This society came into existence five years ago, a few months after Church services were commenced in the district, and meeting one afternoon in each week at the clergyman's house, it has persevered steadily in its work and materially assisted the slender resources of the congregation. The special purpose to which the proceeds of last week's successful sale are to be devoted is, to assist in the purchase of an east window for the chancel newly erected. The congregation, when first formed, was, for some fifteen months, accommodated, successively, in Rochesterville Public Schoolhouse, and in a rented "upper room;" and that, in July of 1874, a building erected for the purpose was opened for divine worship. The gradual increase of the congregation has resulted in successful efforts at enlargement, and it is hoped that a formal opening of the chancel (to which a commodious vestry has been attached) may take place on 22nd December.

At another station, also, at this parish (St. John's, Merivale), an effort of a different character, in aid of the Church, was made on the 14th inst., a social gathering having taken place in the Schoolhouse. The chair was taken by the Incumbent, Rev. G. Jemmett. Rev. A. C. Nesbitt, Rector of Richmond, was also present, and kindly addressed the meeting; which did not break up till a late hour.

MORRISBURG.—To one interested in the progress of the Church, it is always encouraging to find signs of increased life and zeal. Now, that fresh energy has been infused into the whole Anglican Communion, it is right not only to chronicle the new outposts established, or new work begun, but it is most cheering to find old parishes filled with new energy, and the seeds of "Church Doctrine and Bible Truth," taking roots downwards and bearing fruit upwards. Such encouragement has been afforded to your correspondent in the evidences of Church improvement in the active business of Morrisburg and its environs effected in the interval between two visits to that parish made respectively in the years 1784 and 1878.

To begin with Trinity Church, Williamsburg, which is said to be the oldest Anglican Church, but one, in the Province of Ontario, a vast improvement has taken place in the interior of a plain edifice. Once it was filled with great square pews, these have all been swept away, and their place supplied by seats, free and open. The hideous side-galleries have been taken down, but the western one still remains. Although there is no structural chancel, a quasi sanctuary has been made with good effect. The altar is of good dimensions, the sacred monogram, "I. H. S." is embroidered on the frontal, there is a proper retable, on the front of which are the words "Holy, Holy, Holy." A new pulpit, a handsome chandelier, and a stained glass window, testify to the liberality of several parishioners.

The congregation of Trinity Church are to be congratulated on the advance in reverence and decency visible in their "House of Prayer." A large font placed near the western entrance, and a credence in the chancel are yet required.

But it is at Morrisburg itself that the most striking improvement has taken place. When Saint James' Church was erected, (during the Rectorship of Dr. Boswell, I believe), the plan included a tower with spire, and a vestry. Circumstances, however, prevented the completion of the design, and for many years the Church remained without its chief external mark of beauty. The present summer has witnessed a partial fulfilment of the original plan by the erection of a handsome tower of three stages, Early English in style, surmounted by a beautifully proportioned spire of slate, which is crowned (as it ought to be) by a gilt cross.

The roof of the nave has been slated, and the roof ridge surmounted by cresting. The chancel is to be treated in the same manner. So far, the sum of \$2,140 has been expended on these improvements. In addition, so soon as the tower was ready for use, a very fine toned bell was presented by one of the parishioners at a cost of \$400.

The vestry is yet to be built, and the chancel ought to be deepened, and then the exterior will be all that can be desired.

There is another very important work to be noticed. Hitherto, the Rector has been forced either to live at Williamsburg, or to hire a horse at Morrisburg. Now, a fine stone parsonage, rather small, has been erected at the latter place, at the rear of the Church, costing (with outbuildings) \$3,000. From the above resume it will be seen that in the past four years upwards of \$6,000 has been raised in the parish in addition to the usual contributions to the parochial expenses and diocesan funds.

The new bell is from the foundry of McNeely Bros., Troy, N.Y., and weighs 1,233 lbs.

BELLEVILLE.—The Lord Bishop has appointed the Rev. Dr. W. C. Clarke, of Ottawa, to be Rector of Christ Church. Much regret is expressed in Ottawa on account of his departure.

OTTAWA.—On the 11th inst. the Rev. Canon Jones, who had been in England for several months, received a hearty welcome from the clergy of the city and the citizens, in the basement of St. Alban's. The chair was occupied by Mr. Grant Powell, who, in a few appropriate remarks, explained the object of the meeting. He afterwards proceeded to read the following address, which was received with applause:—

To the Rev. Canon Jones, Rector of St. Albans.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—On behalf of your friends and the parishioners of St. Albans, we, the

Church wardens, beg leave to offer to you our most hearty congratulations on your safe return, and to assure you of a most cordial welcome from your people. We thank Almighty God who has preserved you in safety from perils by land and sea, and we hope that you have enjoyed greatly your sojourn in the mother country, and that you return to us refreshed in mind and body from the change of scene, the pleasure of travel and relaxation from severe duties that you have experienced. Endeared as you are to the hearts of many of us by tender and faithful ministrations by the sick bed of suffering and in the dark chamber of mourning, esteemed and respected by all for the faithful discharge of the duties of your calling, preaching the pure Word of God with steadfastness, teaching the truth in season and out of season, visiting the poor, exhorting the erring, encouraging the timid, and gently leading the lambs of the flock, you have won the affections of your people in the diligent discharge of the duties of the pastorate, and their hearts are cheered by seeing your face once more among them. While some seek the more or less brilliant illusions of the day, following after the false lights of the morass, which only dazzle to deceive, we thank God that we have a pastor who leads us in the old paths of wherein our fathers trod, and who is content to follow in meekness the Lord and Master of us all; holding steadfastly to the faith once delivered to the saints, and teaching by the standard of the Church—the Word of God and the Book of Common Prayer—such truths as may be easily comprehended by the people.

With earnest wishes for your welfare and happiness, and increased usefulness in the future, we, your friends and parishioners, again most heartily welcome you.

THOS. STARMER,
JAMES IRVINE,
Churchwardens,

St. Alban's School Room,
Ottawa, Nov., 1878.

The Reverend Canon made a suitable reply, when the Venerable Archdeacon was called upon to make a few remarks. He congratulated the congregation on the return of their pastor in most fitting terms, paying a high compliment to his ability, and dwelling on the great work he had accomplished at the capital. He also made a pleasing allusion to the labors of the Rev. Dr. Clarke during his absence, and to the important work entrusted to him by his Bishop in Belleville.

Rev. Mr. Pollard followed in a similar strain, after which Rev. Dr. Clarke made a brief address.

Mrs. Grant Powell and Mrs. Reiffenstein then advanced, and, on behalf of the Woman's Guild, presented Rev. Canon Jones and Dr. Clarke with bouquets of beautiful flowers.

The graceful act was loudly applauded, after which both reverend gentlemen acknowledged the compliment in appropriate terms.

The ladies of the Church then served up cake and coffee to their friends, and the entertainment was brought to a close with the benediction, pronounced by Archdeacon Lauder.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the week ending November 16th, 1878.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—October Collection—Christ Church, York Township, \$24.28; Uxbridge, \$19.56; Greenbank, 75 cents; Goodwood, \$1.30; Craighurst, \$2.70; Midhurst, \$1.71; Christ Church, Vespra, \$1.41; St. James's, \$1.35; Thornhill, \$4.50; Richmond Hill, \$2.57; Newmarket, \$18.00; Toronto, St. George's, \$58.89; King, \$1.65; Brampton, additional 50 cents; Perrytown, \$2.25; Elizabethtown, \$1.00; Clarke, \$2.05; Omeme, \$1.90; St. James's 70 cents; St. John's 54 cents; Manvers, St. Paul's, Bethany, \$3.25; St. Mary's Lifford, \$1.75; Cookstown, \$3.82; Pinkerton's, 62 cents; Braden's 62 cents; Lindsay, \$50, embracing the following subscriptions collected by the Rev. Dr. Smithett, viz.: Adam Hudspeth, \$5.00; Rev. Dr. Smithett, \$5; John Dobson, \$3.00; H. Dunsford, \$2.00; James Ross, \$2.00; O. Bigelow, \$2.00; Hon. S. C. Wood, \$2.00; P. S. Martin, \$2.00; 25 persons \$1.00 each—\$25.00. Small sums under \$1—\$2.