

ronto on Thursday last, en route to Hamilton and London, where he lectured last week.

The Rev. H. B. Owen, who has been in British Columbia for about a year, wishes to return to this Diocese, and is now seeking a position here.

VACANT MISSIONS.—The Missions of Cookstown and Alliston are both vacant at present. The Missionary at the former place has removed to Streetsville, and owing to ill-health the incumbent of the latter has gone to California. The Mission Board is now heavily overdrawn, the existing debt being about \$800, so that a crisis is impending unless the people give liberal offerings for Mission work this fall and winter.

MILLBROOK.—*St. Thomas*.—This new church will be opened on Wednesday, December 16th. It has been under construction for nearly a year, and has been much delayed owing to disputes between the architect and contractor. There will be Divine service at 10.30 a.m., when the Lord Bishop will preach; at 3 p.m. he will administer the rite of Confirmation, and the sermon will be preached by Dr. O'Meara, of Port Hope, and at 7 p.m. Evensong will be held, when Canon Dumoulin, of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, will be the preacher. Collections are asked at all the services for the Church Building Fund.

LANGTRY v. DUMOULIN.—The following is the full text of the judgment given by the Supreme Court in this case. It will be remembered that the Churchwardens of St. James' applied for leave to appeal from the decision of the Ontario Courts.

Mr. Justice Strong expressed himself as follows:—Leave to appeal granted on giving proper indemnity, to be settled by a Judge in Chambers to Canon Dumoulin, indemnifying him against costs, and giving the usual security for costs of appeal to respondent. The reasons for this judgment are those which I stated in disposing of the application made to me in Chambers.

Mr. Justice Fournier concurred.

Mr. Justice Henry said:—I am of opinion that the parties have not shown themselves entitled to succeed on the application they have made to this Court. The action was brought against Canon Dumoulin to test the validity of a statute passed by the Legislature of Ontario, and he defended the suit, and he did so, as it appears, at their instigation, and on indemnity from them for costs. There is no evidence that he ever so acknowledged to hold for the parties applicants, and never admitted he was a trustee for them. They have failed to show that he was. The law is very plain that a party that holds for another can be forced to defend the right of those for whom he holds on being indemnified for costs, but here, after reading all the affidavits, I have found nothing to satisfy my mind that he ever admitted that he held the property for these parties. He agreed when the suit was brought to be indemnified by them for the costs of the action brought against him, but he did not admit their alleged rights, although they claimed certain rights which they alleged might be affected by the result of the suit. It was under those circumstances that an arrangement was made by which Canon Dumoulin agreed to defend the suit at their cost. Judgment having been given in favor of the plaintiffs, and they having applied to him to appeal from that judgment, he declined to do so, stating, "I am satisfied with the judgment given by the Court, and I will go no further." They contended that he, having defended the suit at their instance and under their indemnity, must try the matter out. He substantially replies, "You have no right. I never admitted I held for you. I repudiate any connection with you by which you can require me to proceed fur-

ther." I think that before they can claim to go on with the case they must first show that he is their trustee, and that ought to be established before their application is granted. Under these circumstances it seems we are asked to put the cart before the horse. We are asked to permit the parties to appeal, and subsequently to consider and decide as to their right to do so. There is nothing to show he ever admitted himself to be their trustee, or to hold as such. Entertaining this opinion, I am in favor of dismissing the application.

Mr. Justice Taschereau said:—I would also have been against the motion but for another reason. I do not think any ground has been shown for allowing an appeal *per saltem* from the Court of original jurisdiction. It is admitted these appeals should be rarely granted, and no sufficient ground has been shown in this case. Dumoulin can hardly be said to have made out such a case as to prevent an appeal, but the appeal should be first to the Court of Appeal for Ontario.

TORONTO.—*Holy Trinity*.—At the last meeting of the Young People's Association of this church, a lecture was delivered by Prof. Babinington, of the School of Practical Science. The subject of the lecture was "Water, its chemical and physical properties," and it was splendidly explained by means of some brilliant experiments. There was a large attendance of members and friends.

Church of the Redeemer.—The monthly meeting of the Young People's Association here was also successful. An interesting programme of music and readings was rendered, after which the most interesting feature of the evening took place, viz., a debate by Messrs. Lynch, Robinson, Murphy and Acheson on—*Resolved*, That all real estate and property, except governmental or municipal, and all incomes be taxed. The decision was by vote for the affirmative.

St. Philip's.—The Young People's Association held their monthly concert recently. The following ladies and gentlemen took part therein, viz., Mrs. C. A. Stewart, Miss Vaughan, Miss Muldrow, Rev. F. W. Bayly-Jones, Prof. Bohner, Dr. Evans and Mr. A. C. Curran. At the close of the programme, the audience were invited to partake of the good things provided by the members of the Association, after which the meeting dispersed.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

ST. THOMAS.—*St. John's Church* was reopened on Sunday, Dec. 6th, for divine worship by the Bishop of Huron. The Church has lately been enlarged to twice its former size, and otherwise improved, at a cost of about \$1,000. Large congregations were in attendance at the services. The collections were very liberal. The Rev. S. L. Smith, the incumbent, assisted the Bishop in the services. His Lordship preached a Missionary sermon, in connection with the *Intercession Service*. The congregation was not only deeply interested in the sermon, but moved by the earnest, touching truths which were uttered by the Bishop, and each made to feel that it was not alone the duty of the ordained ministers of the Church to preach Christ's gospel, but everyone had a duty to perform in connection with this blessed work.

In the afternoon the Bishop drove out to Glanworth and preached to a large congregation, many of whom have known him for the past twenty-five years. Here he spent some of his earliest days in the ministry, and the congregation feel they have never had one like their old and true friend.

In the evening his Lordship returned to St. Thomas and preached again in St. John's Church. This 3rd service being ended the Bishop very kindly gave a most interesting address in his usual earnest style at the Sunday

night meeting of the Canada Southern R.R. Y.M.C.A.

LONDON.—Bishop Baldwin's Friday afternoon Bible Readings are very largely attended, and the general interest in them seems to be increasing.

Rev. Canon Innes preached in St. Anne's Chapel, Helmuth Ladies' College, on Sunday evening last. He founded his sermon on the text taken from 2nd Cor., v., 14 and 15 verses. The discourse was an instructive and interesting one.

LONDON SOUTH.—Rev. Jeffrey Hill, of Chatham, delivered a very interesting lecture Tuesday, Dec 8th, in St. James' School House, London South, to a small but highly appreciative audience, the unfavorable weather preventing many from attending who would otherwise have been present. The subject chosen was, "What I saw down South," and dealt with incidents that came under his observation during a trip in the Southern States shortly after the rebellion. It was embellished with illustrations, and was heartily enjoyed by all. At the close a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the lecturer.

The regular monthly meeting of the London Clerical Association was held at the See House last night, Bishop Baldwin presiding, and ten members being present. The greater portion of the evening was spent in the study of the Holy Scriptures. Among other subjects of local interest that of providing night lodgings for the homeless and destitute was discussed.

CHAPTER HOUSE.—The entertainment in aid of the Chapter House Sunday-school, held at the Convocation Hall, Western University, was a splendid success. The tableaux of "Lalla Rookh," "Married and Happy," "The Merchant of Venice," "Coriolanus," and "Blue Beard's Wives," and the classical group of "Art and Literature," were rendered greatly to the delight of a large and appreciative audience. The tableaux were all introduced by excellent readings, descriptive of the scenes represented by them, and many pleasant songs and instrumental pieces were also given. Refreshments were served in the green room. The entertainment will be repeated on Thursday evening.

SARNIA.—An Apron Fair was held in the Town Hall, under the auspices of the ladies of St. George's Church, on Dec. 1st, when \$190 was made, after paying all expenses.

The monthly subscriptions in envelopes towards the paying the interest on the Church debt was between \$50 and \$60. The officers of the Church feel quite encouraged, as the revenue is not only equal to the expenditure but enables them to deal with the principal as well.

BRANTFORD.—*St. Jude's*.—A Vestry meeting was held on Tuesday evening to consider the purchase of a new pipe organ. Mr. A. Hemsworth, one of the Churchwardens, and the organist, Mrs. Weir, who had been deputed to examine and negotiate for the purchase of a new organ at present in St. James' Cathedral Schoolhouse, Toronto, reported very favorably of the build and tone of the instrument. After a full discussion of the merits of the organ, and the advisability of purchasing it, on motion of Mr. A. Fair it was almost unanimously decided to secure the organ and have it erected before Christmas. The fact that only one person voted against the purchase in one of the largest Vestry meetings held for some time shows a high appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of the choir.

An entertainment was given on the evening of the 4th inst., at the residence of Capt. John Ellison, which was largely attended. It was regarded as most successful, both in point of