

PARISH NOTES.

On S. Andrew's Day, the first Wednesday in Advent, the Bishop of Niagara preached at the Evening Service. On Wednesday, 7th inst., Canon DuMoulin will be the preacher: on the 14th, Rev. O. P. Ford; and on the 21st, the Bishop of Algoma. The Advent Collections will be for the Church Home, which is in need of funds, owing to the heavier expense of winter.

Our readers are also reminded of the Friday Afternoon Services at 5 p.m., on the 2nd, 9th, and 16th instants.

It may be remembered that an appeal was made some weeks ago on behalf of the sufferers by the disastrous fire at Gravenhurst. There was one noteworthy response to that appeal. A necklace and earrings were sent to the Rector by a lady who had no money to give, but hoped that the jewellery, if sold, might be of some use.

The Ladies' Aid Association of S. George's have taken in hand to build a kitchen. We have had for many years a lumber room in which there was a cooking stove. Now we shall emulate our neighbours of every denomination in Toronto. We shall have a neat kitchen, which will be made useful in a variety of ways. The ladies have given the contract to Messrs. Winsor and Woodley. It will be built on to the class-room on the north side of the School-house; and will probably be finished before the middle of December.

The ladies are also actively engaged in preparing for a sale of work, to be held about ten days before Christmas. Among the articles for sale will be found a large variety of very attractive Christmas gifts. As the purpose of the sale is to pay for the kitchen, it is hoped that members of the congregation will find many suitable Christmas boxes here instead of elsewhere.

Talking about Christmas gifts, it may not be generally known that there is a Church Book Depository at the Synod Office, over the Merchants' Bank, Wellington St., where Bibles, Prayer and Hymn Books in attractive bindings, Story books for the young, Pictures of Scripture scenes, Medallions of sacred subjects, (photographs in oval frames), and Manuals of devotion can be purchased at a cheaper rate than anywhere else.

There are over 100 children in the Mission Sunday School. Mr. D. Burns is the Superintendent, and much of the present success is due to him. Mr. Moore will gladly hear of teachers for the School.

The Temperance organization, which meets every Tuesday night, is doing a good work. About 60 having taken the total abstinence pledge. Some excellent addresses have of late been given, especially by our old friend Mr. White, of Shanty Bay, and by Police Inspector Armstrong.

The work of the Church Army is at present being carried on by the clergy of the Church, Capt. Eccleston having been transferred to Detroit, Michigan. Another officer is shortly expected from England, having been cabled for some weeks ago. The work is now being carried to S. James's Parish by Capt. Munns, and with good results. What is needed for the complete success of the work in this country is a few more Parishes to take it up. At present it is simply parochial, and therefore of limited influence. However, we are glad to say the work is spreading, and it will not be long before other men will be required.

Now that the Clergy are responsible for the Sunday Evening Services in the Mission Hall, a shortened form of Evening Prayer will be used. The first Service was held on Advent Sunday, and was well attended. The Prayers were heartily joined in by all present, the way in which the responses were taken up even by outsiders being quite remarkable, and shewing how popular the Church Service is when all are shown how to take their part in it. A large number remained for the After Meeting.

A Choir is being organized for this Service, under the charge of Mr. Webster, who will be glad to hear of volunteers.

The Sunday School Children are beginning to look forward with eager and joyful anticipation to the Annual Christmas Treat. Special contributions from the members of the Congregation are needed in order to give the children a good feast.

A class for boys, between the ages of twelve and fifteen, who have not yet been confirmed, will be held on Sunday afternoons in the Class Room, beginning sharp at 3 o'clock. The ulti-