

avoidably absent. The little church was full of persons who listened with rapt attention to all that was said.

DEANERY OF DUFFERIN.

On 15th March the Archdeacon and Mr. C. J. Brydges went out to Southern Manitoba. That evening they addressed a meeting at Morden, presided over by Rev. T. N. Wilson, the incumbent and Rural Dean. The people of Morden, the large majority of whom were residing at Nelson a little more than a year ago, have not only removed their houses from Nelson to Morden, but they have moved their church also, and no one who sees it re-erected at the latter place would imagine it had been in existence elsewhere. The deputation made a strong appeal for self support, and are of the opinion that this mission is likely to be successful: not that its people are more intelligent than others, but that there is a more intelligent spirit among them. The deputation would give Mr. Wilson the credit of his labors, not only in this mission, but in Southern Manitoba generally. At some time he was engaged to visit him to this distinction. On the 16th March there was a missionary meeting at Manitou, and one at Pembina Crossing the next evening. On each occasion the Rev. H. E. Jephson, the missionary in charge, occupied the chair. The rural dean also spoke.

The deputation addressed an excellent meeting at Clearwater, where Rev. C. N. Jeffery resides, on March 18th, and afterwards drove back to Manitou—35 miles—in order to catch the train for Winnipeg the next morning, the team having been most kindly furnished by Mr. R. Rogers.

DEANERY OF LISGAR.

A meeting was held at St. Andrew's on 30th March. The speakers at this meeting were Archdeacon Pinkham, Canon O'Meara, Revs. O. Fortin and E. S. W. Pentreath and Mr. James Taylor. There was a very good attendance. The Rev. A. L. Fortin, incumbent of the parish and rural dean of Lisgar, presided.

A meeting took place at Selkirk on April 1st. Nearly all the gentlemen who had promised to attend as speakers were from various causes unable to be present, and at some inconvenience Canon Coombes kindly arranged at the last moment to accompany Archdeacon Pinkham; Archdeacon

Cowley, who came as a hearer, was also prevailed upon to speak. The chair was ably filled by the incumbent, Rev. N. C. Martin.

This completes for the present our missionary meetings. The accompanying statement shows the amount obtained at each meeting. These sums, although important in the present financial position of the diocese, are of trifling value in comparison with the information that has been given, and the interest in our work and wants that has been created. At the close of a meeting, speakers have been told by some who had been listening to them, that they never before had heard so much about the history and condition of the work in this diocese; that they would be glad if such meetings could be held once a month, and so on. The hands of the clergy, whose parishes and missions were visited, have been strengthened and their hearts cheered, and a strong impetus has been given to the all-important duty of self support, since it has been clearly shown that the sums already withdrawn by English societies indicate further withdrawals at no distant date, and that if the Church of England is to hold her own in Manitoba and the Northwest, she must rise as rapidly as possible to the duty of supplying her own wants without depending upon external aid.

It is hoped that the existing arrangement of deaneries and their better organization will facilitate the holding of such meetings annually, and, as far as possible, throughout the Diocese."

Statement of collections at missionary meetings:—

St. Pauls	7 50
Headingley	8 50
St. James	8 00
Springfield	8 50
Sunnyside	15 10
Cook's Creek	12 00
St. George's, Winnipeg	25 75
Holy Trinity, "	37 00
Beulah	18 20
Birtle	12 38
Minnedosa	10 60
Neepawa	3 25
Brandon	13 50
Poplar Point	8 75
High Bluff	8 00
Portage la Prairie	24 15
Westbourne	5 60
Morden	16 00
Manitou	9 20
Pembina Crossing	6 40
Clearwater	23 50
St. Andrews	8 00
Selkirk	6 35

Total.....\$296 13