

IROQUOIS.—In Memoriam.—On Tuesday, the 8th inst., the remains of the late Cephas Mills, one of the victims of the tragic railway accident at Hartford, Vt., were brought into St. John's Church and a solemn funeral service was held. A large and sympathizing congregation met to show their esteem for the deceased, and to pay the last tribute of respect to one who had been for so many years, a leading man in the village and congregation. The service was musical, as was fitting for one who always took so deep an interest in the choir, and was very solemn and impressive. Among the many floral offerings were a large cross, presented by the choir and Sunday school, and a beautiful pillow, emblematic of rest, with the word "Guild" worked in; a mark of affection and esteem from the Ladies Guild. The musical part of the service was under the direction of Mr. H. H. Ross. The lesson was read by the Rev. Mr. Metzler, of Cardinal; and the service of committal by the rector, as the body was to be taken directly from the Church to the vault in the cemetery at Brockville, where several members of the family are already buried. Never, perhaps, did the suggestive words of the Burial Service, "In the midst of life we are in death," receive a more pointed illustration. Sad indeed was it to read of so many being taken off as in a moment, with the added horrors of the calamity; but when the matter was brought so directly home to us, inasmuch as one of our friends and neighbours was involved in its catastrophe, then we could realize still more vividly the slight hold we have on life. Seldom, if ever, has the sympathy of the whole community been more unanimously shown than when its members assembled at the railway station at midnight to meet Mr. Mason Mills, who, escaping from the same fate almost by a miracle, brought home the body of his brother. As a citizen, Mr. Cephas Mills was always foremost in public matters, while he evinced a deep interest in everything that pertained to the welfare of the Church. For many years he took an active and leading part in the choir and Sunday school. He gave generously to parochial objects and Diocesan Missions, and did not forget the claims of the Church outside his own parish. His heart was wrapt up in the Church edifice and its surroundings, and the words of the Psalm might well be applied to him—"Lord I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honor dwelleth." As was well and truly said by a member of the congregation, the subject of this brief sketch was "energetic, talented, and liberal."

TORONTO.

A Happy Retort, Courteous.—After Bishop Coxe's lecture at Trinity College, the Bishop of Toronto moved a vote of thanks to the eloquent American prelate, and in doing so made a jocular allusion to the number of Trinity College graduates who were in the diocese over which Bishop Coxe presides. The Bishop of Toronto went on to say that as in return for these curates the Church of America sent us eloquent Bishops, we in Canada can cry—quits. When he rose to respond Bishop Coxe said in his quiet humorous way, "It is quiet clear that my right reverend brother of Toronto considers a Trinity College curate equal to an eloquent American Bishop, as he speaks of them being exchanged as equivalent in value." It is much to be regretted that a large hall was not secured for the audience which would have been obtained to hear Dr. Coxe; we trust however that the general public will have the pleasure and the profit of hearing the lectures on the Reformation delivered by the Bishop of W. New York at Trinity College.

A Grave Mistake.—When delivering an address on Purity, Mrs. Bradley eulogised Mr. Stead, who some time ago flooded England and the colonies with the most obscene literature ever issued from the press. Mr. Stead was imprisoned for committing a criminal assault on a girl; he admitted that he had helped to purchase her, helped to drug her, helped to ruin her, helped to hide her from her parents, all in order to get up a sensational edition of his newspaper. It is a grave mistake to name this man in connection with the social purity movement; it excites laughter among the reckless and makes the judicious grieve.

SHANTY BAY.—The members of the two congregations of this parish have been particularly liberal in their gifts to their clergyman this year. On the Wednesday preceding Christmasday, representatives of East Oro congregation, to the number of thirty or more, drove over in the evening to the parsonage at Shanty Bay, carrying with them all sorts of Christmas cheer, comprising beef, pork, mutton, numerous representatives of the feathered tribes, huge baskets of pies, cakes, butter, and a variety of nondescript articles. Even the parson's horse was not forgotten, as most of the sleighs carried a bag or so of oats for its future consumption. Their chief gift, however, was a very handsome and costly fur

overcoat for their clergyman's use. The Shanty Bay congregation was equally liberal. In addition to many individual gifts from the different members of the congregation, they presented their clergyman through the offertory on Christmas day with the sum of \$40. When we consider that the present year has been exceptionally hard upon the farmers, such liberality as this is worthy of mention, and should go far to remove the reproach of "closefistedness," which is sometimes—though in the main unjustly—brought against the farming community.

Rural Deanery of Durham and Victoria.—The next meeting of the Deanery will be held at Port Hope, (St. Mark's), on Thursday, Feb. 24th, at 12 o'clock, noon. Scripture subject, 1 Peter, iii. W. C. Allen, Sec. R.D.D.V.

In Memoriam.—In the death of Mrs. Wallis, at Merino, Peterboro, on the morning of the 28th Jan., St. John's Church has sustained a great and we might say irreparable loss; but knowing the great Captain of our salvation (Who is Head over all, and in Whose great power is life and death) has seen wise and good to take her home to Himself, we must bow to the decree which has called her hence. Our prayers must be for one or more to succeed her in the duties she had given her as president of many societies in Peterboro; she had been chosen president of the Women's Foreign and Domestic Missions, a branch of which she herself organized four years ago, directing special attention to the support of those engaged in the great work of enlightening the women secluded in Zenanas of India, and through her influence this work of women for women has been taken up in many places; we trust it may still have a larger share of the heart work of the women of Canada. Mrs. Treaves, who lately visited this country on behalf of this great mission work, suggested that Mrs. Wallis should be appointed Corresponding Secretary for the Dominion, which, we believe, was carried out at the last general meeting. Mrs. Wallis had been a resident of Peterboro since 1836, when her father, Capt. Forbes, R. N., settled here with his family. The sick and afflicted will mourn a kind and generous hand, ready at all times to relieve distress and suffering both by spiritual and material comforts. The loss to society in general is very great—all are mourning who knew her kind and loving heart. The public institutions where she so often appeared, have also reason to deplore the loss of her visits: the Nicholl's Hospital, the Protestant Home for aged and infirm men and women, and homeless children, the Bernardo Home, all will miss the kind and sympathizing friend. On Sunday, January 30th, the Rector of St. Johns, made special reference to several members of his congregation lately called away by death, choosing as his text from the cxvi. Psalm: "I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people; right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints!"

NIAGARA.

WELLANDPORT.—Appeal for aid.—It is just five years since the first missionary began work in this place. In the year 1883 there were not sufficient members in the vicinity to even have a celebration of the Holy Communion. A large Union meeting house was leased, and for the first time, the holy rite of baptism was performed. Since that time forty two have received the sacrament of baptism, and twenty one have received the "Laying on of hands." Thirty one of the baptized, and fifteen of the confirmed having come over from the other religious bodies.

There are now a number of candidates awaiting the Bishop's return in March. As the old meeting house was falling to pieces, we had to abandon it. We have built a small frame church to accommodate 150 persons. The building in the first place was to cost but \$900 00, but after commencing the work, we found that it would be impossible to carry out the designs for less than \$1,300 00. We have been using the church in its unfinished state for the past two months. The church people are nearly all poor, but have rendered all the assistance in their power, and we now have to appeal to liberal Churchmen in Ontario to "come over and help us." The Lord Bishop of Niagara says, "I have visited Wellandport, and commend Mr. Pipers effort to erect a church there to the generous aid of all in the diocese. The following donations have already been received from Hamilton.—The Lord Bishop, \$20; Mrs. J. B. Fuller, \$20; Henry McLaren Esq., \$5; John Stuart Esq., \$5; V. E. Fuller Esq., \$5; Mrs. G. B. Bull, \$5; Ed. Martin Esq., \$5; Miles O'Reilly Esq., \$4; Adam Brown Esq., \$3; Mrs. McGiverin, \$3; Miss Nellie Lynes, \$3; a Friend, \$2; Dr. Woolverton, \$2; Mrs. Hamilton, \$2; J. J. Macon Esq., \$2; Mrs. E. Fuller, \$2; J. W. Marton Esq., \$2; Rev. J. Fennell, St. Catharines, \$2. Any further donations will be thankfully received and promptly acknowledged by the missionary in charge. Fred. C. Piper, Smithville, Ont.

PALMERSTON.—On Friday evening last a missionary meeting was held in St. Paul's Church, when the Rev. Mr. Motherwell and Rev. Mr. Mignot attended as a deputation. After prayers the Rev. G. B. Cooke, incumbent, called on Rev. Mr. Mignot, who spoke on the progress of missions in India and the North West, giving interesting details of the preaching of the gospel in India from the time of the first Baptist mission to that distant country down to the present time. The Rev. Mr. Motherwell spoke of missions at home, and stated, among other things, that since the formation of the see of Niagara in 1875 there had been continual increase in the number of churches and clergy in every city and town in the diocese except Guelph, which still has but one church and has one clergyman less than it had twelve years ago. Both members of the deputation pressed on the audience the necessity of helping those who have gone from the more settled parts of the Dominion to seek a home in Algoma and the North West.

RURAL DEANERY OF NORTH WENTWORTH AND HALTON.—Deputation No. 2.—The Rev. Thomas Smith, Conventor of Tapleystown, and the Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe B. C. L. of Arthur and Alma had a most pleasant tour. They succeeded in placing before the people in a clear and forcible manner the claim of Foreign and Domestic missions to assistance from the congregations scattered throughout the Diocese of Niagara. The following places were visited with the results mentioned:—St. Jude's, Oakville, \$24 82; Georgetown and Stewarttown, \$83 28; Milton and Hornby, \$16 90; Palermo and Omagh, \$12 50; Norval, \$8.50; Acton and Rockwood, \$5.00; Total, \$100.80.

Missionary Meetings.—The missionary meetings in the Rural Deanery of Halton and North Wentworth, lately held, may be pronounced on the whole fairly successful. The Revs. Thos. Smith, and C. Elwyn Radcliffe, began by giving mission addresses at Milton and Hornby, on Sunday, Jan. 30th, and held meetings during the following week at Omagh, Palermo, and Oakville. On Monday, Jan. 31st, the Rev. R. S. Radcliffe addressed missionary meetings at Nassigaweya and Lowville. The attendance was satisfactory, but there was some disappointment at both these places owing to the non-arrival of the other member of the Deputation—Rev. W. Massey, who was formerly in charge of this mission. On Tuesday, Feb. 1st, Rev. R. Radcliffe, assisted by Commander Pocock, R. N., of Toronto, addressed a good missionary meeting in the Church of England Sunday School at Burlington. The influence of their addresses will, it is hoped, bear fruit in liberal offerings to the Mission cause through the envelopes since distributed. Notwithstanding the fierce storm on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, the above named speakers, with Rural Dean Belt, of Burlington, addressed a fair meeting in St. Matthew's Church, Alvinston, that evening. On Tuesday, Feb. 3rd, the Deputation attended a meeting in St. James' Sunday School, Dundas, and gave an impetus to the mission cause there, under the new pastor, Rev. E. A. Irving. The meetings of the week were concluded by a good gathering in Christ's Church, West Flamborough, on Friday evening, Feb. 4th. It now remains for the church members in the various parishes interested to do their part by increased contributions to the mission fund of the diocese.

HURON.

POINT EDWARD.—Lambton Deanery.—Rev. W. Hinde, for some time rector of Christ Church, Petrolia, and lately of St. Pauls, Point Edward, preached his farewell sermon in St. Pauls on last Sunday, January 31, and has now taken charge of St. Ann's Church, Adelaide. The congregation at Point Edward part from him with great regret, and pray for his continued success in his new field of labour. The late incumbent, Rev. J. P. Curren, is now on the list of the superannuated. How many are, from the incessant toil in the Home missions, incapacitated for further labour.

LAKE SIDE.—Rev. B. Pierre de Lom delivered a lecture on Monday, Feb. 1, at Christ Church, Lakeside, Deanery of Oxford, the incumbency of Rev. W. M. Sanborn, and from Lakeside he went to the County of Grey. He is incessantly engaged in parochial work and also from home.

The Selections.—Throughout the diocese of Huron the school trustees and the parents of families are manifesting their determination to have "the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible," read in the schools as the daily religious text book. In a Union school section in the townships of Turnbury and East Wawanosh, in the Deanery of Huron, the electors have by unanimous vote discarded the "Selections" in their schools and have substituted therefor the Holy Scriptures. The question was raised that, perhaps, the government would withdraw the grant from the school, in which case it was decid-

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