

life and answer to the throb of our own native manhood. In matters of legislation we should be less slavish to English and American customs and precedents and more amenable to the dictates of plain common sense. The rising generation should graduate from day and Sunday schools as independent patriotic Canadians and as intelligent, loyal Canadian churchmen. Politicians and wire-pullers should understand that we were men, not children; that we had minds of our own, and that we could rise at times above party exigencies; that we would bow to no idol though it should be set up by the great King Nebuchadnezzar, by Sir John Macdonald, or by Cardinal Taschereau; that we would trust God and fear not; and that we would take as our device the double motto of the English Crown, sanctified by religion and adopted to holy uses, "Dieu et Mon Droit," uncompromising faithfulness to God, to truth, to right, to freedom and to conscience.

#### ONTARIO.

**BELLEVILLE.**—Canon Burke has been appointed to conduct deputation work in the missions in the Upper Ottawa, and purposes leaving for that distant part of the diocese at the end of the month. Missionary meetings are now in full swing all over the diocese, and a larger revenue than usual is expected.

**KINGSTON.**—Archdeacon Daykin, the new rector of All Saints', has been absent in Madoc for several days, his Church here being closed for a Sunday or two preparatory to a grand opening of the enlarged edifice. It is expected Mr. Daykin's formal induction will take place at the re-opening of the Church. The announcement through the secular press that Rev. M. Robinson had been appointed to Eganville is without foundation, the Bishop having as yet made no appointment. His Lordship and Mrs. Lewis were in Ottawa at opening of Parliament.

**KEMPTVILLE.**—Christmas services in St. James', Kemptville, were bright and hearty notwithstanding the prevailing power of La Grippe. The rector was agreeably surprised with the progressive efforts made by the small congregation of St. Paul's, Marlborough. They had not only decorated the Church with considerable taste, but had covered the entire chancel and sanctuary with a nice new carpet, and at the offertory presented by their Churchwardens a handsome fur coat with the following short and pointed address:

St. Paul's Church, Marlborough.

Rev. C. P. Emery,

"Now we take this opportunity of presenting to you a fur coat as a token of respect to you, and we pray that the Great Head of the Church may spare your life to enjoy the comforts of this coat for many years to come. Signed in behalf of St. Paul's congregation, Henry James, William Hinton."

On his returning to the vestry another yet greater surprise awaited the rector; two little girls followed him and presented him with a purse of over ten dollars from the Sunday School, as a token of gratitude for the benefits arising from their being catechized after the second lesson at the fortnightly service. The names of the little girls who presented the purse are Agnes Hinton and Mary McFerran. The rector expressed his great joy at the intelligent and loving appreciation of both old and young of the Church doctrine, Bible truth, he had striven to set before them. The mortgage on the Memorial Church fell in on the first day of the New Year, eighteen hundred dollars had been raised towards it during the last four years. And so the mortgage is now reduced to twelve hundred dollars. The amount was raised in several ways by casual offerings, by the Sunday School children, by the Children's League, which by the way gave forty dollars; half of which sum was raised at a most attractive entertainment got up by Miss Keating, the President, and Miss Susie Kerr, the Vice-president of the C.M.L. Too much praise cannot be accorded to these two young ladies for their indefatigable efforts in training the children for their several parts in the entertainment. The Ladies' Aid was the chief contributor. The parish of Kemptville has suffered very much by so many people leaving it for other places, whilst others have been crippled by untoward business matters.

**NEWBORO MISSION.**—The parish of Newboro, Portland, and New Bayne, has been divided; New Bayne being added to Lombardy, and Elgin to Newboro and Portland. Rev. W. Wright having been appointed to Farmersville was succeeded by Rev. G. Bousfield who takes the Newboro end of the divided parish. On Saturday, 25th January, the congregation of Emmanuel Church, Portland, presented the Rev. G. Bousfield with a fur coat, cap, etc. It was a pleasant surprise to him, for having only been in the parish a little over a month, he did not think he had so soon won a place in their esteem.

OTTAWA.—Professor Clark, of Trinity College,

Toronto, ten days ago paid a visit to Ottawa, where he was the guest of the Speaker of the Senate, the Hon. G. W. Allan. On Saturday, January 25th, he delivered in St. James' Hall, his well-known lecture on the Water Babies. The chair was occupied by the Hon. Geo. Kirkpatrick, formerly Speaker of the House of Commons. In spite of the prevailing Influenza which kept many away, there was a large attendance, including Lady Macdonald, Mrs. G. W. Allan, Hon. Mr. Dewdney and Mrs. Dewdney, Hon. Senator McInnes, Archdeacon Lawder and others. A vote of thanks was moved in eloquent terms by J. G. Bourinot, Esq., LL.D., D.C.L., C.M.G., and seconded by the Rev. J. J. Bogert, and cordially rendered by the audience. On the following day, Sunday, the 26th, Professor Clark preached in the forenoon at Christ Church, and in the evening at St. Alban's. There were very large congregations.

**OXFORD MILLS.**—To the great regret of the people of Oxford Mills, the Rev. W. A. Read has signified his intention of accepting the Bishop's appointment to Pembroke. On Wednesday evening, the 22nd ult., a farewell reception was held at the vicarage, which was attended by nearly three hundred people, including members of other denominations. In the course of the evening an address was read by Mr. James Anderson, expressing regret that Mr. Read had decided to leave the parish. On Sunday, the 26th ult., Mr. Read brought his connection with Oxford Mills to a close by a parish celebration of the Holy Eucharist at St. John's Church, which was crowded to its utmost capacity. In the afternoon and evening services were held at Oxford Station and Acton's Corners, when large congregations attended to bid farewell to their pastor. The parish is being left in a very prosperous condition and entirely free from debt. The following is the address presented to Rev. and Mrs. Read:

DEAR SIR AND PASTOR,—On behalf of your many parishioners and friends, the following few words of farewell are addressed. It is with a feeling of deep sorrow that we look forward to the full realization of the fact that you have decided to sever your connection with the parish. Nearly twelve years of earnest effort and labor all directed for our welfare; and your numerous deeds of kindness and acts of charity which it has been our extreme pleasure to either witness or experience—all this intensified—has tended to establish and bind us by that "silken chain" which cannot be dissolved without deep regret. You have witnessed many and varied changes in the different families of this parish—a great many have by you been brought into the Church, and upon you also has been devolved the solemn duty of dismissing many dear friends from the Church Militant in the hope of their reunion with the Church triumphant. Speaking from the Sunday Schools we may safely say that the congregations of a few years hence will be largely the product of your labor. And since we know that every word, every lesson, every truth, every act, goes to develop the human souls in your charge, we may go still further and say "your echoes roll from soul to soul and grow forever and forever." For our part we hope to never forget the many pleasant hours spent in social intercourse and receiving instruction. And, though our present feelings of flaming friendship, may by absence and separation coil to smouldering embers, yet we feel assured that your presence at any future time will rekindle those embers to a flame of brilliancy.

To Mrs. Read,

The members of St. John's Church desire to show their appreciation of your services, and to give expression in a material way by asking you to accept this purse, not as any compensation or remuneration, but as an index to the esteem in which you are held by them. And now we wish to address you as dear, kind friends, and to say further that during your incumbency in Oxford Mills we have in your society experienced much that will be remembered until the grave closes over us; but nothing that we desire to forget.

"Let fate do her worst there are relics of joy,  
Bright dreams of the past which she cannot destroy,  
Which come in the night time of sorrow and care,  
And bring back the features that joy used to wear,  
Long, long be our hearts with such memories filled,  
Like the vase in which roses have once been distilled,  
You may break, you may shatter, the vase if you will,  
But the scent of the roses will hang round it still."

Signed by J. N. Dawson, Wm. Richards, Wardens of St. John's Church; John Tomkins, George Sander-son, Wardens of St. Anne's Church; Samuel Percival, Chas. B. Clarke, Wardens of St. Augustin's Church.

#### TORONTO.

**TORONTO.**—Toronto College of Music.—Mr. Torrington's College has made fine headway this season, the number of pupils and the musical advances made by them being far in advance of last year. A strong

instance of this was given at a recent concert in the College Hall, when piano pupils, who are members of the ensemble class formed this season, played in some Chamber Music by Jadassolm and Gade, which had never before been given in Canada. Mr. Torrington and the Cellist of the staff, Mr. Earnest Mahr, contributing the string parts. It was a most artistic success.

**Death of Canon Harcourt Vernon.**—It is with much regret that we record the death of one who was little known publicly in Toronto, but who spent a good deal of his time here, and was much esteemed by those who had the privilege of his acquaintance. Canon Vernon was a grandson of the well-known Archbishop of York of the same name, and a cousin of Sir William Vernon Harcourt, M.P. Some years ago he gave up his benefice in Lincolnshire from ill health, and recently he has spent a good deal of his time on this side of the Atlantic, having one son settled in Ohio, and another in Toronto, the popular secretary to the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Mr. Herbert E. H. Vernon, who married a daughter of the Hon. G. W. Allan, Speaker of the Dominion Senate. Canon Vernon leaves many friends by whom his memory is revered.

**Rev. Chas. Scadding.**—This gentleman, so well-known to many in this diocese as the son of a devoted Churchman, Mr. Scadding, of Orillia, as a grand-nephew of our Toronto Nestor, Dr. Scadding, and as a former student of Trinity College, is about to enter upon a new sphere of labour. For some years he worked very successfully with Dr. Rainsford, at St. George's, New York. Subsequently he took charge of the Church of the Reformation in Stanton Street, a kind of "dependance" of St. George's, where he was doing an excellent work. Various reasons, however, have led to his accepting the rectorship of Grace Church, Middleton, Orange County, in the State of New York. Middleton is a city of 12,000 inhabitants, and Grace Church is the only Episcopal Church there. It has already 400 communicants. A local paper has the following remarks on Dr. Scadding's first appearance among his new flock: "Mr. Scadding's maiden services and sermons in Grace Church have left a most excellent impression upon the people of the parish. Mr. Scadding has a clear, resonant and pleasant voice, which enables him to render the beautiful and impressive services of the Church with unusual distinctness and effect. Mr. Scadding has youth and unusual vigor of manhood to his favor, united with which he gives every evidence of being possessed with earnestness and zeal in his work. These qualities should make him an especially valuable acquisition to Grace Church parish. It was his exhibition of them which prompted Right Reverend Bishop Potter to bestow upon him the words of high praise which he communicated to the vestry of the Church, and to which, it may be said, is solely owing the fact that they unanimously called Mr. Scadding to the rectorship."

The Missionary Meetings are being held this week in Toronto. We have been present at some of the Churches, and were painfully conscious of the small interest taken in the matter of missions, seventy-six were present at one large and flourishing Church, twelve at a Church in a poorer district. We were much interested in a statement made by one of the speakers—a layman—that the lack of interest displayed by Churchmen in missions could be accounted for in this way—that the subject of religion did not occupy anything like the same space in a Churchman's life as in the life of the average Methodist or Presbyterian. If this be a fact, and it was set before us as a fact by a layman, then there is the whole thing in a nutshell, and the riddle of our Church is solved. We have battered our brains for years, here is the answer. The Churches visited, so far as the congregations present, appeared to give earnest attention and the offertories were fair, but shall we ever conquer this way? In the history of the Church in all her ages, the work has been carried on by the princely gifts of her wealthy sons. In reading St. Augustine, the writer was forced to admit to himself that the sinews of war were supplied by the wealthy, indeed St. Augustine for a while lay under a stigma in this matter, as he was thought to be over anxious to get control of a certain lady's property for the Church. He cleared himself, but the discussion proved this, that the Church was upheld by the wealthy. Come Churchmen! We need your thousands, and we believe the lay speaker's point, that when the subject of religion occupies actual space in the life, the pocket will respond according to the means of the individual. Our Lord Jesus Christ gave Himself for us. What are we doing for Him?

**St. Matthias.**—The clergy of this parish have reason to congratulate themselves in the success of their Annual Missionary Meeting this year. Though the night was rainy, and such meetings elsewhere in Toronto just now mostly a failure, the St. Matthias school room and chapel were filled

from end to end. The rector, Rev. J. stating that a strict and was always tried to collections, in Mr. Parmelee Luke's church the individual. He was followed by graphic pictures North-West. dwelt upon the gations in the Plummer, assisted and gave collection was meeting.

**St. George's.**—The series of sermons church, so St. Hamilton and Sunday evening was the first crowded, and preacher with of an hour.

**Trinity Coll.**—The series of Saturday, in Clark. The I hope to give a

**WOODBRIDGE.**—appointed Rev. Canon O.

**CAYUGA.**—O. "localion" of Son, Toronto, church, and v service on Sunday evening, by t who expressed ful result of t contributions they had un sided over by Mason & Riscé previous Frid great power at of all who wer Bourdon pedal swell organ in Oboe, Flute, a organ, four als Tuba, all of th of tone and j mechanical re Great organ st each other, an with its beaut and rich pipe Church, and a the musical pe

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