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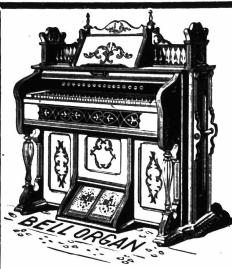
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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. Holy Communion: 312, 548, 556, 559. Processional: 179, 215, 302, 306, 393. Offertory: 307, 441, 499, 532. Children's Hymns: 446, 565, 568, 569.

The United States Negro.

In North Carolina, W. E. Abernethy, formerly president of Rutherford College, has been a leader in a campaign in that State, which has resulted in the adoption of an amendment to the State constitution disfranchising the negro. He now writes very savagely against the negro. We give a specimen: "There is one solution and but one. Cold and cruel as it may seem, the negro must go. If not voluntarily, then by force. His presence here is a perpetual menace. It keeps out immigration and capital. It engenders bad blood between North and South. It keeps alive bitter memories. An unnamed fear fills every Southern heart, and unnamable dread darkens every Southern home. Go he must. Better for black man, better for white men." But the States are large, and we

are glad to find that a Canadian Bishop, in Chicago, and a Canadian clergyman are able to take a different kind of interest in these people. Surely we are not mistaken in thinking that the Rev. T. D. Phillips, who has been running across to Paris is the same gentleman who was an old cricketer, forty years ago. At St. Thomas' (coloured), church, on March 3rd, Bishop Anderson confirmed a class of twenty-one candidates. The church is growing steadily under the rectorship of the Rev. Alfred Lealtad. Its present greatest need is a parish house, which could be erected on the rear of the church lot, but just now the congregation cannot stand the expense. Mr. Lealtad has been enabled, however, to rent a room which he uses for guild meetings. On every Monday evening, the men of the congregation meet here. On the 11th inst., the Rev. T. D. Phillips gave them an interesting talk on his Paris experiences, making special mention of the Church work there, of which he saw a great deal.

Reformed Episcopal.

We, who are getting to be old stagers, may remember the movement which made some headway against the innovations in our services. The Presbyterians had a similar though not so serious an affliction. from the States, at the end of the twentyseventh year, a representative of Reformed Episcopacy writes: "The hope of gathering in multitudes from the Church of which we were once members has well nigh vanished. Now and then some one, wearied with efforts to stem the tide of ritualism, has found refuge in the Reformed Episcopal Church, but the number is not large, and the hope has been deferred until the heart is sick of hoping."

Confirmation of the Bishop of London.

We are indebted to the editorial columns of Church Bells for the explanation of an interesting historical episode. The editor refers to the historic cause of "confirmation" of a Bishop at Bow church, and the interruptions and brawling which he fears would be renewed. He suggests that precautions should be taken for the stoppage of interruption and the arrest of the offenders. We might add that a short address stating the reason of the service, and the futility of any objection except to the identity of the person would be more effectual in gaining the sympathy and assistance of the congregation. "The confirmation of a Bishop is a quaint survival of ecclesiastical archaeology, and has a very real and a very interesting significance. The traditional origin of the custom is as follows. In the early ages of the Church of England, probably about the eleventh or twelfth century, a parish priest was appointed to a bishopric. In due course he set out for London or Canterbury, for the purpose of receiving episcopal orders at the hands of the Archbishop. On the journey, he was attacked and murdered by a highwayman, who stripped his victim,

donned the clerical garb, and presented himself on the appointed day in the cathedral for consecration. The fraud was detected in time, and the murderer was executed. consequence of this tragic incident, the ceremony at Bow church, referred to above, was instituted. At a certain place in the service, the Apparitor-General invites anyone present to raise an objection to the Bishop, who has previously been elected by the Dean and Chapter, pursuant to the conge-d'-elire issued by the Crown; but, if any objector comes forward, he is promptly silenced. The result has been that the proceedings have been stigmatized as meaningless and absurd, and demands have been made for the abolition of the custom. But these criticisms have arisen from a misapprehension of the true significance of the ceremony. The real object of the Apparitor-General is to ensure that the cleric presenting himself for 'confirmation' is the real nominee to the Bishopric, and not some one else personating him. Consequently, if anyone were to come forward and say, 'This man is not A, who has been canonically elected as the new Bishop, but is really B, who has come here under false pretences, representing himself to be A,' the objector would be heard. But no opportunity is allowed at Bow. Church for raising questions affecting the personal character, or doctrinal views, of the Bishop-elect."

What is the "Vatican?"

The term refers to a collection of buildings on one of the seven hills of Rome, which covers a space of 1,200 feet in length and 1,000 feet in breadth. It is built on the spot once occupied by the gardens of Nero. About the year 1160, Pope Eugenius built it on a magnificent scale. Innocent II., a few years afterwards, gave it up as a lodging to Peter II., King of Aragon. In 1305 Clement V., at the urging of the King of France, removed the Papal See from Rome to Avignon, when the Vatican remained in a state of obscurity and neglect for more than seventy years. But soon after the return of the Pontificial court to Rome, which finally took place in 1376, the Vatican was put into a state of repair, again enlarged, and it was thenceforward considered the regular residence and palace of the Popes, who, one after the other, added fresh buildings to it, and gradually enriched it with antiquities, statues, pictures and books, until it beame the richest depository in the world. The library of the Vatican was commenced 1,400 years ago. It contains 40,000 manuscripts, among which are some by Pliny, St. Thomas, St. Charles Borromeo, and many Hebrew, Syrian, Arabian, and Armenian Bibles. The whole of the buildings composing the Vatican are filled with statues found beneath the ruins of ancient Rome, with paintings by the masters and curious medals and antiquities of every description.

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The Abuse of Sensationalism.

We regret that some clergy in London are apeing the extravagancies of sensational preachers in the States. We recently published one from the West End, and now we get this from the city. The rector of St. Mary-at-Hill-one of the quaint city churches near London Bridge-is a man who has the courage of his convictions. For some time past, he has been drawing big congregations, to a previously empty edifice by methods that are certainly novel and peculiar. He has introduced a monsterphone, by means of which the voices of many absent clerics can be reproduced. You may hear the latest metropolitan Bishop complain that an ordinary day is not long enough for the work he has to get through, or listen to words of wisdom that eminent divines have delivered in other parts of the country. But when these disquisitions cease, it is possible—by means of lantern slides—to watch the struggle of a busy ecclesiast as he seeks to save time by eating his frugal lunch on the top of an omnibus. For these innovations—together with the distribution of coffee in the vestibulethe rector of St. Mary-at-Hill has been very severely criticized on the ground that he is "desecrating God's house." And justly so. Such rectors need to be reminded of the lines Sir Walter Scott quotes:

Things needful we have thought on; but the thing Of all most needful-that which Scripture terms As if alone it merited regard.

The One thing needful-that's yet unconsidered.

The Organ.

The series of letters on "The Organ," the first of which will be found on another page. h. been written with a view to give information on this important subject, to clergy and others interested, perhaps, in the purchase of an instrument.

Marriage Laws.

If the report that the Government intends to appoint a Royal Commission to enquine into the marriage laws of the Empire is true, the fact (says The Law Journal), will be one of interest and importance. There is no subiect in regard to which the legal unity of the Empire is still further from realization than that of marriage and divorce; and none more necessary. Certain simple essential formalities, such as those of the province of Ontario, should be Empire wide.

Her Reason for Taking a Back Seat.

A well-known rector was approached one day by a lady who said she desired to rent a seat in a row nearest the door of his church. The rector replied that the seats in that row were all free, and that she was at liberty to occupy any one of them. But she persisted, saving that she desired to have it for her Reing somewhat curious as to her reasons, the clerical gentleman said: "But madam, tell me why you wish to sit so far back?" After some hesitancy she said that she simply couldn't bear to have anyone "sit behind her." "Yet you will be sitting behind others, who perhaps feel the same way," said the rector, laughingly. "That may be."

replied the devout lady, earnestly, "but you know I have such a wretched little wisp of hair at the back of my head that if would certainly interfere with my devotions if I knew anyone was looking at it."

The Church in the Middle States.

The Bishop of Springfield, in an interesting address upon the Church's progress in those States, which constitute the present middle west, deplores the failure to understand the necessity of liberality at the time of settlement. He says: The religious bodies, which were either directly of Puritan origin, or at all events non-episcopal in their organization, were free to come, as they were able, fully equipped as regards all that their religious systems required for occupation, work, and growth. These came at once in large numbers, took up land, planted missions, built churches, endowed schools and colleges. and became in their selected localities of settlement, centres of growth and influence. All this was well, and we rejoice that our brethren of many names and beliefs were thus able to occupy the soil and provide some safeguards to protect the pioneer population from lapsing into heathenism and brutishness. From 1800, and during the first decades of the century, emigration from the East and from Europe kept pouring its pioneers into our present middle West, while the still further West was still an unknown land, "the great American Desert." Now in this vast region, capable of maintaining easily a population of a hundred million, in its infancy when it was still a wilderness, our Church was scarcely represented. was not an appreciable quantity among even the few thousands who were there as pioneers, and so far as it was there in a few scattered congregations, it was not present in its completeness. There were no Bishops. Philander Chase went to Ohio in 1819, and after an interval of thirteen years, Bosworth Smith went to Kentucky in 1832, and then followed in rapid succession, Otev, of Tennessee, in 1834. Kemper for the North-west in 1835, McCoskry for Michigan in 1836, Polk for Arkansas and the south-west in 1838. But what were these among so many, and in so vast a domain, and coming most of them so late upon the ground? Ohio was a State in 1802, and seventeen years after. the first Bishop came upon the ground. Kentucky was a State in 1701, and forty-two years after, Bishop Smith came. Tennesee was a State in 1796, and thirty-eight years after, Bishop Otev came. Michigan was settled in 1650, and in 1836 had a population of several hundred thousand, when Bishop Mc-Coskry came; and so we might go on; but it is needless, since during that epoch the story runs on in the same dismal tenor to the end, when a change came, a revolution, we may say, and the present policy of improving our opportunities, and sending the Church fully equipped for her work with Bishops and supplies was adopted. Our opportunity in the great Mississippi Valley was in the first four decades of the last century, prior to 1840, during which, if the sixteen

or seventeen States, which lie within its

bounds had been treated as we are now wise ly providing for our Rocky Mountain and Pacific States, they would have exhibited the Church to day strong in numbers and rich in endowments of every kind, churches, rectories, schools, colleges, and eleemosynare institutions. As it is, the Church, except in our great cities, is lamentably weak, and even in these she is far behind what she would have been, and ought to be, had the opportunities of forty or fifty years ago been improved.

The Diocesan Home.

We are both disappointed and pleased at the mode in which our advocacy of this institution have been received. Disappointed at the apparent apathy, we say apparent because the matter only requires someone to step forward as leader. Opinions and influences are greatly changed from the time that Dr. Langtry's advocacy of such a home in the building, east of St. James, was rejected People now realize the persistent decline in value, and necessarily the disappearance of income to the rectors from the property near the building in question. We are pleased by the Rev. Mr. Broughall's outspoken advocacy, and the anonymous endorsement of the project by a prominent and able layman in last week's issue. Two considerations, in support of utilizing Church property, need comment; one is the situation. If any or our readers are familiar with English cathedral towns, they will realize that the situation is just the same as ecclesiastical offices and buildings are there. The other is the advantage of raising the value of the rest by doing all in our power to keep up the character of a neighbourhood, in which the rector's property lies, and second the efforts of the city at the market, and the projectors of the new hotel.

St. Peter's, Hamilton.

We found ourselves, in the course of our wanderings, in the city of Hamilton, on Sunday last, the octave of Easter. Wending our way to the corner of Main street and Sanford avenue, we found ourselves at the church of St. Peter. The building stands at the end of a deep lot, on the front of which is a lath and plaster cottage, known in old times as the half-way house; now known as St. Peter's Mission House. The church is a substantial building there to stay. The foundation and crypt is of dressed stone from the mountain; the church proper is red brick. The building is seventy-five by thirty-five, fig. ished in brick in the interior, with natural wood, in oil finish. The service was a repetiton of the Easter music. The Holy Communion Office, Kyrie, Gria Tibe, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnes Dei, and Gloria in Excelsis were sung to Gregorian tones. choir was composed of men and boys; the boys predominated. There were about forty in the procession, and every one seemed to take their part as though everything depended upon them as individuals. The sermon by the rector, Rev. Thomas Geoghegan, was upon the "Power of the Keys," as given by the risen Saviour in the upper room to the

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Apostles, as representatives of the Church for all ages. At seven in the evening, we were at Choral Evensong. There was a good congregation present, the seats being free and unappropriated. The Easter hymns were sung most heartily by the choir and congregation. The sermon by the rector was on "The Lord's Consideration for the Doubts of St. Thomas." The chants and responses were rendered with great heartiness, and no one could be silent under the influence and enthusiasm of the choir and congregation. This is the infant parish of Hamilton, and is bound to occupy a position of great influence in the Ambitious City before many years. The rector and congregation are a unit in aim and work. The work of the Church is of a voluntary character, all expenses being met by Sunday offerings. There are societies and entertainments in connection with the church. No funds are, however, raised for Church purposes by these means. We enjoyed the services, and wish the rector and congregation great prosperity.

CHURCH MUSIC—THE ORGAN—A DESCRIPTION.

In the present article, it is proposed to give

a description of the rise and progress of the organ (otherwise known as "The King of Instruments"). It is not intended to trace the history of this most interesting instrument of music in any particular direction, but rather, to endeavour to explain its origin, development, and, lastly, the construction of the said noble specimen of higher mechanical art. The word "organ," in the Psalms and other parts of the Old Testament, must not, under any circumstances whatever, be confounded with the fine instrument now bearing that name. The term was taken from the Greek translation, but the ancient Greeks had no particular instrument of music called an organ. In all the Greek muscial theorists, "organic" is a general term applied to instrumental music (Vide Burney's History of Music). The extended application of the word "organum," throughout the middle ages, has given rise to much confusion and misunderstanding. It is perfectly clear, however, that the Romans understood by their "organum" not an "organ," in our sense of the term, but an instrument of any kind; nevertheless, the expression was more particularly applied to musical instruments. "Organum," then, was a general name given (in Biblical times), to any machine or contrivance by which human labour was assisted, as in agriculture, warfare, etc., etc. In the 30th chapter of the Book of Job, verse 31, we read: "And my organ into the voice of them that weep." The Syriack rendereth it, "my psaltery," quite another instrument altogether of a triangular form. The ordinary "mouth-organ" commonly used now-adays, is a fair example of the crude attempts which were made in the time of the Bible, to make some sort of music with, no matter whether concordant or otherwise. Cheng, or Chinese organ, which consists of a series of tubes having free reeds, may be taken as a good example of an ancient

mouth-organ. It is held in the hand and blown by the mouth. Many seem to look upon the "pneumatic" and also the "hydraulic" organs as compartively late inventions. but this, also, is a mistaken idea. To go back to the time of Nero, the hydraulic organ was in use even then, and a general favourite, and greatly used for many and varied purposes; it was, however, more generally used in the house than in the Temple, and Nero was supposed to have possessed a large number of them. In the fourth century, the organ was regarded chiefly as a secular instrument; yet, it has always been looked upon, more or less, as a sacred instrument, and more often than not, used for ecclesiastical purposes. In the time of the Romans, the hydraulic organ seems to have been entirely superseded by the pneumatic, about the year 350. In the year 757, many improvements were introduced into the organ by the Byzantines. Some writers credit Lewis, the Pious, with having introduced, in (or about), the year 822, the organ into Germany. There were numbers of both organ-builders and performers in 860, and towards the end of the century, the Germans are said to have imported organs into Italy. The 'bellows" of the first organs were very small, and so imperfectly constructed that they could not supply a steady wind; the organ, in consequence, did not produce a uniform tone. Thus, the improvement of the wind apparatus was now seriously thought of, and the result was the invention of the "water organ," the water being used in such a manner as to counterbalance the hitherto variable pressure, (Dr. Rimbault's "The organ"). At the latter end of the 7th and beginning of the 8th century, the organs of the Anglo-Saxons appear to have resembled, even in their external decorations, those now in use.

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(To be continued).

THE QUEEN'S INTEREST IN EXPLORATIONS.

In the commemorative address of the president of the Royal Geographical Society, are noted one or two incidents of the Queen's earlier life, not perhaps so widely known as many others. One illustrates strongly the breadth and thoroughness of the early training of the Princess Victoria, suggesting somewhat of our debt of gratitude to the mother, to whose wise care was due-in part at least-that capacity for wide outlook, which in after days was to have so large a share in welding the Empire. In 1833, two of the great explorers of the day, Captains Beechey and Back, together with the secretary of the Royal Geographical Society, were invited by the Duchess of Kent to explain to the young Princess, the geography of the region in which the the route lost, and Rosses were Captain Back in to be taken by searching for them. Mother and daughter were deeply interested, and when the Duchess subscribed £100 towards the expenses of the expedition, the Princess sent Captain Back a case of instruments and a pocket-compass as her contribution to its equipment. The little gift proved of value; when at one point the other needles disagreed, in denoting the magnetic north, the small pocket-compass alone could be depended upon; "almost," the speaker said, "an emblem or forecast of the excelling steadfastness to duty of our great Queen, 'true as the needle to the pole.'"

Polar Exploration.—Now that for the first time a "Canadian Polar Expedition" is be. 'g planned, some mention of the president's review of what has been achieved during the Queen's reign may be of interest. All exploration has its chivalrous, romantic sidea side which appeals to many far more than the purely scientific results can do. More, perhaps, than any other, the story of Sir John Franklin and his gallant men, with the equally gallant band, who sought, first, to rescue them and then to solve the mystery of their fate, touched and held the hearts of English folk. Twelve years after the Princess had sent her little gift to Captain Back, the Queen, with her husband and little children, stood in the cabin of the "Resolute," again studying an Arctic chart. The "Resolute," after being abandoned, had drifted out of the ice, and was picked up by an American vessel in 1855. The Congress of the United States purchased the old British discovery ship, and decided to repair and refit her, restoring her as an offering of good-will to the Queen. Captain Hartstein, U.S.N., brought her to England and informed Her Majesty that the vessel was restored by the president and people of the United States, as a token of love, admiration and respect for herself, personally. Thus early in her reign was struck the note of personal regard, which so strongly marked the expressions of sympathy by our kinsfolk a few weeks ago. Name after name received honourable mentionnot only of heroic commanders, each of whom has added to the sum of the century's knowledge-but of those who, by their generous gifts, rendered such expeditions possible-recalling alike the gallant deeds and magnificent generosity of Elizabeth's day. The Queen's last message to the society of which she was the beloved patron, was an expression of good wishes for the success of the coming Antartic expedition.

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TORONTO WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

A largely attended board meeting of the diocesan Woman's Auxiliary was held in the school-house of Trinity church on the 11th inst. The president was not able to be present, but all were greatly pleased to hear that she hopes to preside at the annual meeting which is to be held in St. James' school-house, on May 8th, 9th, and 10th. Arrangements for that meeting are almost completed, and a large attendance of delegates is anticipated. His Lordship, the Bishop of Niagara, will preach the

annual sermon to the members of the W.A., on the morning of May 8th. The public missionary meeting will be held that evening, and addresses will be given then and at other sessions by the Lord Bishop of Moosonee, Rev. Frank Kennedy, and Rev. Heber Hamilton, of Japan, and Mrs. Tilton, provincial president of the W.A. The delegates will be asked to vote by ballot for the designation of the life membership fees; the objects named on the ballot papers are: Cordova Church, Toronto diocese; Church Hall, at Michipocoten Harbour, Algoma: Cottage Hospital, at Moose Fort, Moosonee: the enlargement of St. Mary's Bible Training Home, Matsamuto, Japan. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year; four of the present officers have declined to accept re-election. These are Mrs. W. A. Baldwin, second vice-president; Miss Tomlinson, recording secretary; Miss Lang. secretary-treasurer of literature, and Mrs. Morgan, convenor of P.M.C. Committee. The corresponding secretary reported a new branch at Aurora, four new life members, and the arrival of the new workers at the Blackfoot Hospital. The treasurer reported receipts from March 14th to March 31st, \$2.915.20. The P.M.C. returns for the month were \$1,412.36; the Extra-Cent-a-Day, \$55.03. A pressing need at the present time is donations towards the expensive outfit required for Miss Sulston, who leaves for Hay River in May. Another worker will be required in the early summer to undertake the duties of matron at the Blackfoot Home. A devotional reading was given by Rev. Canon Sanson, and an instructive paper on "Caledonia," was read by Mrs. Kuhring. Aside from these two addresses the day was entirely devoted to business. The Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund

Home & Foreign Church Aews

was voted to the Bishop of Mackenzie River for

the purchase of supplies.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

NOVA SCOTIA

Frederick Courtney, D.D., Bishop, Halifax.

Truro.-St. John's.-At the Easter meeting of this church, held at 10 o'clock a.m., on Easter Monday, the business of the parish was found to be in a most satisfactory condition, and the wardens were heartily congratulated on the splendid financial standing of the congregation. Both wardens, J. B. Moorman and W. H. Buck, were unanimously re-elected. The vestry was appointed for 1901-02 almost the same as last year. It was decided to go on with the building of the towers on this handsome church at once, and a committee, to take the matter in hand, Dr. D. H. Muir, J. B. Moorman and T. B. Kidner, was appointed. When this tower is completed, St. John's stone church, Truro, will be peerless in this province as a beautiful church edifice.

Halifax.—The Bishop has confirmed over 1,000 candidates since the 1st January.

The late Dr. DeWolf's will has been admitted to probate. Among the bequests were the following: \$1,000 to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the C. of E. Synod; \$500 to the Bible Society, and \$500 to the Church Endowment Fund.

Springhill.—The Rev. E. P. Hurley, LL.B., who recently resigned this living, is at present engaged in literary work.

St. Eleanor's and Summerside.—The Rev. T. C. Mellor has commenced his duties in this parish.

Yarmouth.—Trinity.—Wardens, W. A. Godfrey and J. B. Gray; silesmen, R. Caie, F. H. Creighton, A. W. Eakins, Dr. Farish, C. E. Fillnel, J. Hatfield, T. W. Johns, W. F. Kempton, J. M. Lawson, A. R. Suttie, N. J. B. Tooker and E. M. Viets; auditors, R. Caie and A. W. Eakins.

Acadia Mines.—St. Paul's.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese, finding that no clergyman was available, himself took the duty in this church on Easter Day, coming up from Hahfax expressly for that purpose. He preached twice, and his sermons were very greatly appreciated by the people. The Bishop was a guest at the rectory. On Monday morning before returning to Hahfax, he went over the Pipe Foundry and other works now in operation, and appeared much interested in the various processes of the work.

Windsor, N.S.—Christ Church.—The Easter services were well attended; 150 communicated at 8 a.m., and 50 at 11 a.m. All current expenses for the year were paid out of the offertories besides \$50 towards debt on current account. Two years ago Miss Sarah A. Shaw kindly offered to raise by subscription \$3,000 to liquidate the parish debt on capital account. This object was completed by Miss Shaw during the year, and in addition slie has raised \$250 towards the parish debt on current account, which now stands \$070 only. The parish also contributed \$800 to missionary funds. Total contributions to all objects amounted to \$4.270. W. W. Shaw and J. A. McCallum were re-elected churchwardens.

FREDERICTON.

Hollingworth Tully Kingdon, D.D., Bishop, Fredericton, N.B.

Musquash.—The following are the appointments made at the Easter Monday meeting: Wardens, Joshua Knight and G. H. Thomas; vestrymen, T. H. Chittick, Joseph Smith, J. Hannigan, R. J. Scott, J. D. Anderson, J. M. Anderson, W. H. Mc-Gowan, Joseph Mawhinney, Geo. Caffery, David Mawhinney, sr., Jas. Carscadden and Fred Thompson; vestry clerk, G. F. Smith; delegates to Synod, R. J. Scott and J. M. Anderson, with G. H. Thomas and David Mawhinney, sr., as substitutes. In the parish church, after current expenses were paid, there was a balance from amount of ordinary collections of \$46.74; from which a grant of \$20 was given towards covering the church floor with linoleum. Collections for missions and other special objects amounted to \$28.18.

Dorchester.—Trinity.—Wardens, H. W. Palmer and G. Tweed; delegates to Synod, the Hon. Mr. Justice Hanington and Mr. H. W. Palmer.

Kingsclear.—St. Peter's.—Wardens, J. C. Murray and C. H. Giles; vestrymen, P. C. Powys, F. W. Clements, Ramsey Murray, A. R. Balloch, F. W. Hatheway, W. D. Allen, Charles Murray, Frank Clements, J. B. Allen, A. W. Rainsford, Harry Allison, Geo. Leek; vestry clerk, P. C. Powys, Esq.; delegates to Diocesan Synod, C. H. Giles and P. C. Powys; substitute delegates, F. W. Clements and A. R. Balloch.

Fredericton.—The Parish Church.—Wardens, C. Sterling Brennan and A. D. Thomas; delegates to Synod, C. E. A. Simonds and E. Wilkinson.

St. Mary's.—Wardens, J. M. Wetmore, S. H. Givan; delegates to Synod, S. G. Olive and S. Willis. Total revenue, \$2,360.19.

Trinity.—Wardens, J. H. McAvity, C. P. Clarke; delegates to Synod, F. G. J. Knowlton and H. L. Sturdee.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, T. Barclay Robinson and J. K. Schofield; delegates to Synod, T. B. Robinson and J. Roy Campbell.

St. John's.—Wardens, T. McAvity and H. W. deForest; delegates to Synod, A. H. Hannington and W. M. Jarvis.

St. James'.—Wardens, G. Bridges and F. S. Sharpe; delegates to Synod, S. S. deForest and F. S. Sharpe.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, D. F. Tapley and H. Hilyard; delegates to Synod, W. B. Wallace and H. Hilyard.

Carleton.—St. Jude's.—Wardens, S. L. Brittain and C. Coster; delegates to Synod, C. Coster and D. M. Wetmore.

St. George's.—Wardens, J. H. Mosher and C. Pidgeon; delegates to Synod, J. H. Mosher and S. M. Sewell.

Richibucto, N. B.—St. Mary's.—Wardens, W. Hudson and W. Dickinson; delegates to Synod, R. Cochrane and W. Dickinson.

Moncton.—St. George's.—Total revenue, \$2,-284.78. The financial statement was regarded as a most favourable one. The rector, the Rev. E. Bertram Hooper, who is very popular with his congregation, was on Saturday, April 6th, presented with a handsome set of church robes and a number of articles of household furniture.

St. John.—The Daily Sun publishes in extenso a sermon by Rev. J. DeSoyres upon the record of the Church of England during the past century. The state of the Church at the beginning of the century is said not to have been as bad as it is sometimes described. "It is the shallowest fallacy to claim that reverence and decency were dead in the Church of England until the Oxford Movement." The labours of the Evangelicals, of the Tractarians, and of the Board Church School are passed in review, and the remarkable feature of the last ten years of the century is said to be "the silent influence by the disciples and descendants of Hare and Maurice upon the principles" of both the High and Low Church parties. The signs of this Mr. DeSoyres sees in the attitude of Canon Gore and his school to Biblical Criticism, of the "Record" to Maurice's theology, and in the appointment of Professor Ryle to the See of Exeter.

Sussex.—Trinity.—Wardens, Col. E. B. Beer and Major T. E. Arnold; delegates to Synod, W. W. Hubbard, and T. E. Arnold. State of finances most satisfactory.

Rothsay.—St. Paul's.—Delegates to Synod, C. W. Nichols and A. C. Fairweather. Financial report very satisfactory.

Hampton—Wardens, E. R. Demill and B. W. Hill; delegates to Synod, G. O. D. Otty and J. F. Giggey. Financial state of parish satisfactory.

Norton.—Christ Church.—Wardens, C. E. Dixon and J. Raymond; delegates to Synod, C. E. Dixon and R. W. Warneford.

St. Martin's.—Trinity.—Wardens, C. Miller, jr., and J. B. Hodsmyth; delegates to Synod, C. Miller, sr., and M. R. Daley.

Woodstock.—St. Luke's.—Wardens, J. T. Garden and F. B. Bull. The finances of the church were reported to be in a very satisfactory condition.

MONTREAL.

William Bennett Bond, D.D., Bishop, Quebec,

Montreal.—Christ Church Cathedral.—Wardens, W. J. Turpin and W. J. Learmount; delegates to Synod, C. Sarsley and R. Wilson-Smith. A favourable financial report was presented and adopted.

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Church of the Advent.—Wardens, R. A. Dickson, and A. S. Campbell; delegates to Synod, A.P. Tippett and R. Hemsley. A very favourable financial report was read. A resolution was passed expressing deep regret and God-speed upon the resignation of the rector, the Rev. Henry Kittson, and his departure to his new field of labour in Ottawa, where he assumes the rectorship of Christ C, hurch Cathedral.

All Saints'.—Wardens, J. E. Fradd and E. A. Notting; delegates to Synod, W. Wilson and S. Hare. Total revenue, \$1,304.95. The financial report was entirely satisfactory.

St. George's.—Wardens, J. Crathern and G. E. Drummond; delegates to Synod, A. F. Gault and R. White. The revenues of the church are in an excellent condition. The following committee was ap-

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St. Matthias.—Wardens, A. B. Macfarlane and E. K. Watson; delegates to Synod, Colonel Sweeney and F. W. Evans. State of finances very satisfactory. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Harling, the retiring warden, as well as to Mr. S. W. Evans, the retiring choirmaster, who has held that position for many years.

St. Martin's.—Wardens, C. D. Hanson and G. R. Meeker; delegates to Synod, Messrs Strachan, Bethune, K.C., and C. D. Hanson. Total revenue, \$8,602,41.

St. Barnabase People's warden, A. E. Kydd; delegates to Synod, J. Horsfall and G. W. Daw-

Trinity: Wardens, J. Mitchell and E. H. Buttins; delegates to Synod, C. Garth and A. Baillie. The reports presented were very satisfactory.

St. Simon's. Delegates to Synod, J. H. Isaacson and T. Light, Sr. Meeting adjourned till April 29th.

St. Thomas.—The Bishop of the diocese held a confirmation service in this church on the evening of Easter Sunday, when thirty candidates were presented for the Holy Rite. The Reys. J. F. Renaud and J. S. Knight, rector and curate of the church, respectively, assisted in the service. At its close, each one of the newly-confirmed was presented with a Bible by Mr. A. F. Gault. The Bishop has appointed Mr. Richard Hardiman to be lay reader of this parish.

St. Jude's.—Wardens, N. Wight and J. Forgrave; delegates to Synod, T. S. Moore and H. Tucker. Adjourned meeting of the vestry to be held in May, when financial statement will be presented.

St. John the Evangelist.—The vestry meeting was adjourned for a week.

St. James the Apostle.—Vestry meeting adjourned until April 22nd.

St. Stephen's Chapel.—Wardens, G. Carson and C. E. Cook; delegates to Synod, T. Montgomery and E. W. Wilson. Meeting adjourned.

St. Thomas—People's warden, E. Pearse. Mecting adjourned for four days.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, Messrs. Stone and T. E. Lambe; delegates to Synod, T. E. Lambe and J. Elliott.

St. Mary.—Wardens, H. Bayliss and A. W. Ross; delegates to Synod, Dr. E. A. Aylen and C. E. Gault. "State of finances satisfactory.

L'Eglise du Redempteur.—Wardens, Leon Leveque and Jean Boudoux. The condition of the church was reported to be satisfactory in every respect.

Grace Church.—Wardens, W. C. Blake and T. P. Hunt; delegates to Synod, W. McWood and C. Manning. The report of the finances was in every way most satisfactory.

St. Edward.—The members of this congregation held their first vestry meeting on Easter Monday evening. Wardens, H. Welsh and F. R. Clark; delegates to Synod, the two churchwardens. About \$5,000 will have to be raised during the present year for current expenses.

Belcher Memorial Church.—Wardens, E. May and G. Hitchin. C. Caruthers and T. Norwood, the former being student-in-charge, were elected delegates to Synod. Financial report satisfactory. Amherst Park Mission.—Wardens, L. F. Manning, and J. Butler; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Seman and Ledage.

Outremont.—Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, T. Moore and F. Brookbank; delegates to Synod, W. Perry and W. A. Ellis. This church has had a very successful year in every way. The congregation has largely increased in numbers and many improvements to the building have been effected.

R C. Thorneloe; delegates to Synod, H. T. Evans

and R. C. Thorneloe. The financial report was satisfactory.

Synod Hall.—The annual meeting of the associates and members of the St. George's, St. John the Evangelist and Grace Church branches of the G.F.S. took place in this hall on the evening of Tuesday, the 9th inst. The Bishop of the diocese presided and addressed the meeting. The Rev. Arthur French also spoke in the course of the evening, and a letter of greeting was read from Mrs. Wood, of Toronto, the Dominion president of the society. The reply of H.R.H., the Princess Louise, to the society's address of condolence upon the death of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, was read. An interesting musical programme was then gone through.

Alleyne.-Holy Trinity.-The annual Easter vestry meeting of this church was held on Easter Monday at 2 p.m. The financial statement was found to be very satisfactory. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: Wardens, R. G. Howard and Samuel McLelland; delegates to Synod. Dr. L. H. Davidson, K.C., and Mr. R. G. Howard. Mr. Alex. Howard, treasurer. Once more, as a congregation, we have to chronicle the death of one of our most active members, the late Wm. Henry Howard, who held the office of treasurer up to the time of his death. It was moved by Mr. Samuel McLelland, and seconded by Mr. Wm. Harrison, that we extend to his sorrowing widow, our warmest expression of sympathy in this her hour of trial, and also to the other members of his family, which was carried unanimously. After some discussion regarding the new church, it was decided to select a new site and to commence operations at once. The site chosen is on an elevation overlooking the surrounding country. Thanks to the generous offer of Mr. Henry Heeney from whom the site was obtained.

Westmount.—Church of the Advent.—The Lord Bishop of Montreal has appointed the Rev. A. J. Doull rector of this church, in succession to the Rev. Henry Kittson. Mr. Kittson preached his farewell sermons on Sunday last at morning and evening service. For the past year or two Mr. Doull has been curate at the Church of the Advent. The new rector is an Oxford man, (Oriel College), and was formerly one of the curates of the parish church, Leeds. He was ordained deacon by the Lord Bishop of Ripon in 1896, and was advanced to the priesthood by the same prelate two years later. The appointment has given great satisfaction to the members of the congregation.

Glen Sutton.—The season of Lent was observed and emphasized at this Mission by a series of cottage services for the deepening of the spiritual life, under the management of the incumbent. They were very well attended and proved exceedingly helpful. The Rev. H. J. Hamilton, B.A., of Gifu, Japan, preached in the Church of the Good Shepherd on the morning of Good Friday, and on the evening of the same day gave a very interesting lecture, illustrated with lime-light views, of the work in Japan. The attendance—considering the state of the roads—was very good, and much interest was manifested. The meetings were fittingly brought to a close by the Good Friday services. Easter was shorn of its external beauty by the inauspicious character of the weather. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion was duly held at Glen Sutton, and notwithstanding the weeping skies and indifferent roads, the Rev. J. M. Coffin was enabled to reach, without the aid of his horse, the post of West Potton. The vestry meetings were postponed until the 22nd inst.

Sweetsburg.—Christ Church.—This church, which was recently renovated and decorated, has had another improvement made to it by the addition of a beautiful oak pulpit, which was the other day dedicated to its use. The pulpit is the gift of Judge Lynch, of Knowlton, the Judge of the District of Bedford, in memory of an early predecessor, the

late Hon. Judge McCord. It might be said of the late Judge McCord that he administered justice in this country in the pioneer days, for his judgeship embraced the days before the District of Bedford existed, and included the time when this district was first created. At the dedication service the retiring rector, the Rev. J. A. Elliott, spoke in impressive words of the late Judge McCord, and his close connection with the Church, and the interest and influence which he exercised in Church matters in the diocese of Montreal, and in fact the whole province. This church is particularly indebted to Judge McCord for substantial support, at a time when it was struggling for existence, and when support meant everything, and his name to-day is very dear to the church and its congregation. Judge Lynch, in this magnificent gift, has but shown his usual spirit of generosity and goodness, for in his district he never allows a good cause to want for a champion. He spends his time and energy untiringly in the advancement of all worthy enterprises, and in this his most recent act of generosity and kindness he has the admiration and appreciation of the whole community.

ONTARIO.

John Travers Lewis, D.D., LL.D., Archbishop of Ontario, Kingston.

William Lennox Mills, D.D., Bishop of Kingston; Coadjutor of Ontario.

Kingston.—St. George's Cathedral.—The Very Rev. the Dean presided. Wardens, Messrs. Spangenbury and Waldron; delegate to Synod (for the next three years), Dr. Smythe. Votes of thanks were passed to the choir, to R. E. Kent for his fourteen years' service as vestry clerk, to R. J. Carson for his services as chairman of the building committee, and also to the ladies of the congregation for their most successful efforts in meeting the debt on the organ, over \$1,000 having been raised during the year. Total revenue, \$6,680.02. The meeting adjourned until May 6th. Bishop Mills has presented this cathedral church with an Easter gift of \$500.

St. James.—Wardens, Mr. G. E. Hague and Mr. F. King; delegates to Synod, for three years, Mr. James Shannon; for one year, Messrs. Haig and Rogers, K.C. The wardens' report was a very satisfactory one.

All Saints'.—Wardens, T. Attwood and B. Sherring; delegate to Synod, for three years, J. Sawyer.

Belleville.—Wardens, W. B. Northrup, M.P., and C. M. Stork; delegates to Synod, M. Farrow. Meeting adjourned till 22nd inst.

Christ Church.—People's warden, W. Rodbourne. Meeting adjourned till April 15th.

St. John's.—Wardens, J. B. Harker and R. Appelbee. Meeting adjourned for a week.

Portsmouth.—St. John's.—The Rev. T. W. Dobbs, who has been rector of this church for half a century, has resigned the living, and Bishop Mills has appointed the Rev. J. O. Crisp to the vacancy. Mr. Crisp has been the curate for some time past. At the annual vestry meeting, Mr. J. B. Walkem was appointed people's warden, and the same gentleman was appointed delegate to the Synod for the ensuing three years. It was unanimously agreed that a testimonial be presented to Rev. F. W. Dobbs, within the next fortnight. The thanks of the meeting were given to the choir and ladies of the congregation for decorations made. The meeting then adjourned for two weeks.

Roslin.—Easter Day dawned upon us with the roads deep in the usual spring mud, but fortunately the weather was bright and fine, and excellent congregations assembled at the three churches. At II, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion was held at Christ Church, Thomasburgh, which had a

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few adornments for the festival upon the pulpit and altar, in the shape of flowers and flowering plants, and over the altar was the three-fold "Alleluia," in gilt letters on a white ground. The white altar cloth bearing the Holy Name "Jesus," was used. There was an excellent congregation, and the Easter hymns and canticles were heartily sung. Mrs. Morton, the organist, sang an Easter solo during the offertory, "Hark through the Dawn." The acting-incumbent conducted the service and preached from Rev. i., 18 (the second lesson), on Christ's power over death and the unseen world. The communicants numbered 25, and although the service was naturally larger than usual, all the congregation stayed until the conclusion. At St. John's, Moneymore, Evensong was sung at 3 p.m., and there was another very good congregation. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered to the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marland Thompson, who received the name of Sarah Gladys. One or two members of the congregation had brought some plants to adorn this very well appointed country church, but beyond this no decoration was attempted. The simple service was enjoyed by all, Miss R. Birley acting as organist. A second Evensong was held at St. Paul's, Roslin, at 7 p.m., and this church was more fully decorated. Easter texts and designs adorned the walls, and over the altar a very well conceived temporary reredos of three panels was placed with various ecclesiastical designs on a white background. The pulpit and prayer-desk were also decorated. On the re-table were three beautiful flowering plants and the altar was vested in white. The appearance of the church was in marked and pleasing contrast with its usual aspect. A very good congregation assembled and the usual Easter Evening Prayer commenced with the hymn "Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem," and the other hymns, 131, 134 and 135 (A. & M.). Miss Hudson presided at the organ as usual and played appropriate music as voluntaries. The sermon was on the Easter message of peace, and enforced the call of the Resurrection to newness of life. The Easter vestry meetings showed satisfactory financial statements at Roslin and Thomasburg. At the former place the church has been re-shingled during the past year, and a few dollars remain in hand. At Thomasburgh, where there has been no special expense, there is a balance of over \$50. A change was made in the wardenship. Dr. Hudson at Roslin and Mr. Porter at Thomasburgh being elected. The sum of \$3.12 was remitted from this parish as the Good Friday offerings for Bishop Blythe's Mission to the Jews. Our temporary clergyman will be leaving on his trip to England in a very few weeks, and nothing has been heard of any appointment to this vacant parish. A parish wholly free from debtof convenient working area—with a fair-sized parsonage and a reasonable stipend provided. Truly

Newboro'.—The annual vestry meetings of this parish showed that Church matters generally were in a flourishing state. The same wardens were reelected, and J. R. Dargavel appointed lay delegate for the next three years. The gifts to St. Mary's church in connection with the recent jubilee, during the past year were estimated at a value of \$450. Emmanuel church, Portland, has been painted at a cost of \$145, and presents a very creditable appearance. The parish has given during the year \$211 to Diocesan Missions, an increase of 30% over former years. The three branches of the W.A. are full of zeal for their work, while St. Mary's Guild is still energetically working for the benefit of both church and rectory.

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bined efforts of the powers that be cannot obtain a

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months!

Kingston.—St. Luke's.—The annual vestry meeting was held on the evening of Easter Tuesday last. Wardens, T. England and C. Selby; sidesmen, J. Hamer, J. Scriven, H. Ward, and J. H. England; auditors, C. Dainty, and J. Scriven. The wardens'

report showed a small balance on the right side. The debt on the church property is reduced to \$050. The vestry resolved to pay off. \$150 of the debt this year. If was decided to ask the Synod's permission to sell the lot left by the late Sarah Watkins, as a site for a parsonage. Votes of thanks were passed to Miss Cotter for her services as organist, to the Women's Guild for their great assistance in church work, and to T. England for flowers for the Easter services.

OTTAWA.

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Bishop, Ottawa, Ont.
Killaloe.—The Rev. J. H. Warren, B.A., incumbent of this parish has been offered, and has
accepted the incumbency of the church in Dawson
City. He will leave for his new sphere of work in
August.

Clayton.-Grace church vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday night last. The attendance was rather thin, the weather being too inclement. The officers appointed for the ensuing year were: Wardens, H. Savage and H. C. Bowland; T. Nolan, sexton; sidesmen, A. James and J. Rath; ushers, A. Rath, A. James, J. Paul and T. E. James; auditor, H. C. Bowland. The financial statement was found satisfactory, and bright hopes for the church's well-being prevailed. St. John's vestry was held on the next day at 3 p.m. The wardens presented a healthy report, all the funds being up to the average. The wardens for the ensuing year are J. Rathwell and W. T. Bowland; sexton, S. G. Morris; sidesmen, J. Code and R. Thompson. Wardens for Trinity church are T. R. Doyle and T. Ireton.

TORONTO.

Arthur Sweatman, D.D., Bishop, Toronto.

We give below brief notices of the Easter vestry meetings. The financial condition of the various congregations is in every way very satisfactory.

St. James'.—Wardens, A. S. Irving and James Scott; delegates to Synod, Messrs. R. N. Gooch J. K. Kerr, K.C., and Lieut.-Col. Grassett. Total revenue, \$16,565.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, R. B. Harcourt and G. R. Hargraft; delegates to Synod, Stapleton Caldecott, J. R. Roaf, and W. B. Evans. Total revenue, \$8,436.

Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, T. D. Delamere, K.C., rector's warden; election of people's warden deferred for two weeks; delegates to Synod, T. Langton, K.C.; R. C. Bickerstaff, and C. E. Ryerson. Total revenue, \$3,591.

St. Peter's.—Wardens, H. S. Scott and Albert E. Gooderham; delegates to Synod, Hon. S. H. Blake, J. H. Mason, and Thomas Hodgins, K.C. Total revenue, \$8,352.

St. Clement's.—Wardens, J. C. Jones and Albert Guest. Total revenue, \$2,412.98.

Holy Trinity.—Wardens, J. L. Turquand and T. W. Barber; delegates to Synod, William Ince, Sr.; S. G. Wood, and J. A. Worrell, K.C. Total revenue, \$7,181.69.

St. Margaret's.—Wardens, W. H. Parsons and J. W. D. Hickson, delegates to Synod, Beverley Jones, J. R. Code, and Dr. Harley Smith. Total revenue, \$4,178.41.

Grace Church.—Wardens, J. S. Barber and G. W. Weston; delegates to Synod, J. S. Barber, A. F. Wallis, and W. C. Hall.

Church of the Epiphany.—Wardens, H. H. Ardagh and J. M. Pinkerton; delegates to Synod, T. Lawless, H. Mortimer, and J. S. Lockie. Total revenue, \$3,072.05.

St. Matthew's.—Wardens, J. A. Ewan and Noel Marshall; delegates to Synod, the two churchwardens and W. F. Summerhayes. Fotal revenue, \$3,207.12.

St. Mark's.—Wardens, S. W. Black and F. G. Mingay; delegates to Synod, W. H. Holland, G. Gowanlock and W. J. Clark. Total revenue, \$2,221.

All Saints'.—Wardens, W. Logan and S. Trees; delegates to Synod, J. Haywood, W. H. Lockhart Gordon and J. L. Morrison. Total revenue, \$10,-382.16.

St John the Evangelist.—Wardens, James Wilson and R. McCausland. Total revenue, \$3,900,36.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, F.Arnoldi, K.C.; and J. G. Young; delegates to Synod, Clarkson Jones, F. Arnoldi, K.C., and C. Stanley Pettitt. Total revenue, \$5,205.

St. Anne's.—Wardens, G. J. Webster and E. Hawes; delegates to Synod, R. H. Coleman, and S. Matthews. Total revenue, \$3,283.

St. Mary's.—Wardens, A. M. M. Kirkpatrick and G. G. Mackenzie; delegates to Synod, J. B. Kirkpatrick and W. Allan. Total revenue, \$2,370.35.

Church of the Messiah.—Wardens, Grant Helliwell and W. A. Strowger; delegates to Synod, J. Patterson, W. S. Battin and W. Stone. Total revenue, \$2,672.

St. Simon's.—Wardens, Lieut.-Col. Pellatt and S. B. Sykes; delegates to Synod, F. E. Hodgins, A. MacLean-Howard and J. Catto.

Church of the Redeemer.—Wardens, D. Creighton and W. C. Cubitt; delegates to Synod, A. H. Campbell, N. W. Hoyles, K.C., and Dr. Millman. Total revenue, \$9.321.

St. Stephen's.—Wardens, Capt. Melville and H. T. Machell; delegates to Synod, W. Cook, J. A. M. Alley, and W. A. Browne. Total revenue, \$7.805. Communicants on Easter Day, 741.

St. Thomas.—Wardens, W. D. Gwynne and T. Merritt; delegates to Synod, W. D. Gwynne, D. W. Saunders and H. T. Beck. Total revenue, \$9,153.

St. Martin's-in-the-Pields.—Wardens, E. G. Ffolkes and H. F. Jecks. Total revenue, \$600.

St. Mary Magdalene.—Wardens, J. Hickman, and Charles H. Hunter; delegates to Synod, A. Jephcott and A. W. Clark. Tota' revenue, \$2,686.88.

St. Jude's.—Wardens, S. Harton and E. Howe; delegate to Synod, Mr. E. A. Du Vernet.

Trinity East.—Wardens, C. R. Cooper and G. Stagg. Total revenue, \$2,733.27.

St. Phillip's.—Wardens, A. N. Tate and H. L. Smythe; delegates to Synod, W. D. Macpherson, M. Sheppard and E. Macrae. Total revenue, \$2,844.88.

St. Barnabas.—Wardens, T. J. L. Peake, and R. Burns. Total revenue, \$1,440.13.

St. George's.—Wardens, H. F. Duck and R. B. Street. Total revenue, \$5,324.35.

St. Bartholomew.— Wardens, R. Postans and W. J. Moore; delegates to Synod, T. Allen, W. H. Caniff, and J. Blackstock. Total revenue, \$1,570.

St. Matthias.—Wardens, P. A. Wright and W. Smith.

St. Cyprian.—The vestry meeting of this parish was postponed for a week.

St. Jude's Church.—The services on Easter Day were beautifully rendered, assisted by an orchestra There were celebrations of Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 11 a.m. The number of communicants were 79, almost double that of last year. The offertory amounted to \$35. The children's Lenten self-denial offertory aggregated the large sum of \$13.13. There were four handsome gifts presented to the church on Easter Day; a stone font given by Mr. and Mrs. Harrington, a brass altar desk altar service book, and pulpit hanging, presented by the Rev. and Mrs Roberts. The vestry meet ing was held on the following evening, and was well attended. The wardens appointed were: Rec tor's warden, Mr. S. Horton; people's warden Mr. E. Howe; lay delegate, Mr. E. E. A. D. Vernet.

St. Martin's.—During Holy Week, special mission services have been held in this suburban church, morning and evening. At the latter, Canon Macnab's lantern and splendid sets of Bible pictures were used, which proved most help ful in the way of instruction and devotion, the

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crowded congregations joining heartily in the hymns and other parts of the service. Each night the rector gave short addresses on the Passion of Christ. On Good Friday, there were large congregations at 10 o'clock, at the three hours (from 12 to 3), and at the evening service. The number of communicants on Easter Day greatly exceeded the attendance of any previous year; the iloral decorations in the chancel were particularly fine, and all the festival services heartily rendered. There was also considerable increase in the offerings of the people, and in the children's Lenten boxes. At the vestry meeting, Easter Monday, the reports from the various activities in the parish pointed to a steady growth in numbers and work, and what is of greater importance, progress in spiritual smatters. It was a privilege to welcome amongst us our former rector, Rev. R. Seaborn, of Bowmanville, who came up to take part in the Needham-Drewitt wedding.

Toronto Junction.—St. John's.—Wardens, G. Webb, and F. Rowden; delegates to Synod, B. W. Murray, J. C. Constantine and H. Byers. The financial statement was deferred for a fortnight.

St. Mark's.—Wardens, P. Laughton and J. Sutherland; delegates to Synod, J. Carter, R. P. Wakefield and W. C. Thomson.

Chester.—St. Barnabas Easter Vestry Meeting, 1901.—Wardens, A. Playter and B. McEvoy; sidesmen, A. McEvoy, W. Atherstch, O. Woods and F. Carradus; delegate to Synod, Capt. H. F. Hooper; auditors, Capt. H. F. Hooper and J. Carradus. Very satisfactory reports were received from the Building Fund Committee, Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Auxiliary, and the Young Men's Guild. A most harmonious meeting was brought to a close by the rector pronouncing the Benediction.

Norway.—St. John's.—Wardens, S. H. Over and F. E. Phillpott.

York Mills.—St. John's.—Wardens, J. Smith and H. Wiltshire. Total revenue, \$485.12.

Thornhill.—Trinity.—Wardens, A. Cross and E. Langstaff; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Stewart, Willcocks, and J. Cook.

Peterborough.—St. John's.—The rector, the Rev. J. C. Davidson, presided at the annual vestry meeting on Easter Monday. The report of the churchwardens showed that the general income of the church compared favourably with that of last year, there being an increase of about \$30. The rector appointed Mr. John Bell as his warden; the people's warden was not elected, but will be so at an adjourned meeting.

All Saints'.—The annual vestry meeting was adjourned for one week.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, Messrs. A. Dawson and F. Adams; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Jameson, Peck and Wade. The churchwardens' report showed that the church's finances were in a satisfactory condition.

Bradford.—Trinity—From the report of the wardens, presented at the vestry meeting of this church, it appears that, notwithstanding the discouraging outlook at its commencement, the past year, from a financial standpoint, has been the most successful one since the present rector, the Rev. G. B. Morley, took charge of this parish, for, not only has the building fund of the new church been liberally supported, but the general finances have greatly exceeded those of the previous year. The following officers were appointed for the present year: Rector's warden, Dr. F. C. Stevenson; people's warden, Mr. Wm. Wood; representatives to Synod, Mr. Snow and Mr. Barnard; sidesmen, Messrs. Oldham, J. A. Wood, Thompson,

and Lawrence; vestry clerk, Mr. A. E. Scanlon. At the conclusion of the meeting, a resolution was unanimously adopted congratulating the rector on the very substantial progress that had been made in every branch of Church work during the past year. The vestry felt that it was largely owing to his untiring zeal and self-sacrifice that the difficulties and obstacles, which presented themselves at the beginning of the year were so successfully met and overcome, and in return for which the vestry was pleased to assure Mr. Morley of the continued support and loyalty on the part of his congregation.

Collingwood.—All Saints'.—There was a large attendance at the annual vestry meeting on Easter Monday, and the proceedings throughout were of a most harmonious character. The rector occupied the chair, and Mr. Robert Gilpin was vestry clerk. The retiring churchwardens presented their report for the past ecclesiastical year, which showed total receipts for the year to have been \$1,799.75, of which \$242.46 went to various missions. The ordinary expenditure amounted to \$1,525, leaving a balance on hand of \$32.29. The liabilities amount to \$805. The cemetery report showed a balance in the treasury of \$271.80. Wardens, F. Cavill and J. Dawson; lay delegates, M. Gaviller, J. Dawson and Dr. Stephen; parochial tribunal; C. W. Tobey, A. I.. Stephens and the churchwardens; rector's sidesmen. Messrs. Jarmine, G. Hamilton, H. Hopkins, A. L. Stephens, J. A. Mockridge and W. A. Hogg; people's sidesmen, C. Knox, G. Mussen, C. Stephens, J. R. Orr, J. H. Cuttle and John Moulton; auditors, C. H. Symon and Robert Gilpin. Mr. F. W. Churchill was added to the arbitration committee. The rector's stipend was increased by \$200 a year, and the sexton received an advance of \$25. Votes of thanks were tendered to the retiring churchwardens, and the meeting adjourned for two weeks, to receive the auditors' reports on the various financial statements.

Norwood.—Christ Church.—The services at this church on Easter Day were bright and hearty, and the sermons and music were appropriate to the day. The altar and chancel, decorated with Easter lilies were chaste and beautiful There was a large number of communicants. The annual vestries were held on Monday. Reports from the various secretaries showed the finances of each congregation to be in a healthy condition. The officers elected were as follows: Christ Church, Norwood, Wardens, James Collinson, E. P. Cuffe; sidesmen, John Sherry, Frank McCleary, George Powell, Trevor Grover, Frank McCleary was elected vestry clerk. After the vestry adjourned all repaired to the parsonage and partook of the ample refreshments provided by the ladies of the congregation. At St. Michael's.-Westwood, the same wardens were re-elected, viz., Messrs. Birdsall and Elmhirst.

The annual meeting of the W. A. was held, March 28th, at the parsonage. There was a large attendance. A very encouraging report was read by the sec.-treas., which showed the branch to be in a healthy condition. The membership is 25, an increase of six in the year. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. McLennan; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Butterfield; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. White; sec.-treas., Mrs. Baker.

Weston.—St. John's.—Wardens, J. Irvine, W. C. Burrage; delegates to Synod, H. P. Evans, J. E. Weekes and J. K. Keefer. Meeting adjourned for a fortnight when financial report will be presented.

North Toronto.—Christ Church.—Wardens, W. R. Williams, and J. Barwell; delegates to Synod, Dr. Parkin, M. Willmott and J. Barwell. The financial statement, presented by the wardens, was cf the most satisfactory character. A sum of \$70 was paid off the mortgage.

NIAGARA.

John Philip DuMoulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton.

Milton.—Grace Church.—Wardens, R. K. Anderson and S. Dice. Meeting adjourned until Monday, 29th inst., when various reports will be submitted.

Hamilton.—Christ Church Cathedral.—Wardens A. Bruce, K.C., and J. J. Mason; delegate to Synod, Dr. Mackelcan. Total revenue, \$7,569.02.

Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, A. Brown and A. Powis; delegate to Synod, F. W. Gates, Jr. Total revenue, \$7,363.46.

St. Thomas.—Wardens, T. W. Lester and E. D. Cahill; delegates to Synod, T. Barns and W. F. Montague. Total revenue, \$5,626.28.

All Saints'.—Wardens, F. E. Kilvert and W. Bruce; delegate to Synod (for three years), T. E. Leather. Total revenue, \$4,487.20.

St. George's.—Wardens, J. Coe and W. Nicholson; delegates to Synod, H. A. White, J. Wilson and W. Nicholson. Total revenue, \$1,069.27.

St. Mark's.—Wardens, K. Martin and C. J. Lancefield. Total revenue, \$1,963.91.

St. Luke's.—Rector's warden, J. Irwin. Vestry meeting adjourned for a week.

St. Peter's.—Wardens, H. Francis, and W. Jaggard; delegate to Synod, for three years, I. Christian.

St. John the Evangelist.—Wardens, C. Moore and A. W. Connor; delegate to Synod, A. W. Connor.

St. Matthew's.—Wardens, J. Steadford, and J. Burton; delegate to Synod, W. Thresher.

Barton.—Holy Trinity.—Wardens, G. Filman and F. Wilkinson.

Grimsby.—St. Andrew's.—Wardens, W. S. Barnes and A. Burland; delegate to Synod, Dr. R. A. Alexander.

HURON.

Maurice Scollard Baldwin, D.D., Bishop London.

Thorndale.—St. George's.—The Bishop visited this church on Monday, April 1st, and held a confirmation service, and also at Grace church, W. Missouri, on the same day. At Grace church there were 19 candidates, and at St. George's, 31. Of this total of 50, there 29 men and 21 women. The Bishop's earnest adresses were attentively listened to by large congregations.

Walkerville.—St. Mary's.—The services on Easter Day were particularly attractive. The special music, rendered by the choir, assisted by Mrs. J. H. Coburn, was unexceptionable, and the floral decorations of Easter lillies, hyacinths, etc., in the church, and particularly on the altar, were beautiful. The church was filled in the morning, and the offertory amounted to over \$127. There were two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, one at 8 a.m., and the other after the 11 o'clock service. The rector, the Rev. W. H. Battersby, officiated at both services.

Southampton.—St. Paul's.—This church was beautifully decorated for Easter Day, and the services held in this church on that day were bright and hearty. The congregations were large, and there were a goodly number of communicants at the two celebrations. The offertory amounted to \$50, and was devoted to paying off the financial deficiency in the year's accounts. The Rev. R. J. Seton-Adamson, the rector, preached at both services.

Seaforth.—St. Thomas. — Large congregations attended all the services at this church on Easter Day, which consisted of an early celebration at 8 a.m., Morning Prayer and a celebration at 11, children's service at 2.30, and choral Evensong at 7 p.m. The church was beautifully decorated with

flowers and white irontals appropriate to the sea son. 115 communicants partook of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. For the first time in the history of the church, the evening service was fully choral, and excellently rendered and appreciated by the large congregation. The rector, the Rev. Rural Dean Hodgins, preached on the Resurrection, in its application to "The Life That Now Is," and "The Life Which Is to Come." The collections for the day were \$110. At the vestry meeting on Monday evening, the parish affairs were shown to be in a healthy condition, and the rector commences the 12th year of his pastorate under very encouraging circumstances.

Preston.—St. John's.—The Easter services were much enjoyed. The church was full in the morning, and in the evening there was also a good attendance. The rector preached from 1. Cor. xv., 20-22, and Romans iv., 25. The organist and choir did their part well. The communicants numbered forty-three, and the offertory was a liberal one. Altogether, it was a good day in the parish. The Easter vestry meeting on Monday evening passed off well. The financial report of the wardens was very encouraging. Receipts showed that over \$900 had been raised by the congregation during the past year. Disbursements about the same, with a small balance to the good. \$50 has also been paid on the church deb., leaving the debt easy and manageable now at \$500. Mr. Dolph was re-elected people's warden, and Mr. G. A. Skipton was duly appointed clergyman's warden. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the retiring clergyman's warden, Mr. A. D. Pringle, and also to the organist, Miss Stuempfle and the choir for their valuable services. Delegate to the Synod, Mr. C. R. Hanning. The vestry adjourned to meet again in two weeks to receive the report of the auditors and for other business.

Brantford.—Grace Church.—Wardens, A. K. Bunnell, H. F. Leonard; delegates to Synod, H. Dymond, W. T. Cockshutt and H. F. Leonard. Financial condition of the church most satisfactory. A special committee was appointed to act with the wardens to devise means of purchasing a new organ motor and to look after certain improvements to church property.

St. Jude's.-Wardens, T. A. Good and G. W. Westbrook; delegates to Synod, Colonel Gilkinson and T. Good.

West Brantford.-St. John's.-Wardens, S. Suddaby and G. Leinster; delegate to Synod, S. Suddaby. This church has recently been enriched by a handsomely carved reredos of quarter oak, and new altar covering and frontal, the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Shadbolt.

St. Paul's.-Wardens, Messrs. Lake and Hutton. Meeting adjourned to meet at a later date.

St. James'.-Wardens, Messrs Warbrick and Wadman.

Ingersoll.-St. James'.-Wardens, Messrs. King and Vann; delegates to Synod, H. Irwin and W. Beckes. The meeting adjourned for a fortnight.

Aylmer .- Trinity .- The 'annual meeting of this church was held on Easter Monday evening, the Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, the incumbent, presiding. The officers for the following year are: Wardens, A. Bisset Thom and J. G. Heiter; advisory board, D. Marshall, J. M. Wrong, J. Ogilvie; vestry clerk, Ernest Thomas; sidesmen, R. G. Moore and Walter Bartlett; auditors, J. Ogilvie and W. G. Wrong; lay delegate to Synod, A. B. Thom.

Port Stanley.—Christ Church.—The services in this church on Easter Sunday were of unusual interest. The day was ushered in by clear sunshine, and the church attendance proved much better than during the previous Sundays, owing to the weather and the roads, which for weeks before were so unfavourable for travel. Both morning and evening the attendance was good; the services bright and hearty, and the offertory liberal. The chants and hymns were all much appreciated, par-

ticularly the Te Deum (Woodward), and the Easter anthem, As It Began to Dawn," etc., (Martin); both of which were rendered by the choir in a very creditable manner. The solos were especially effective. Sermons on "The Resurrec tion" were preached by the incumbent at the morning and evening services. On Easter Monday, the following officers were re appointed and re-elected at the annual vestry meeting, viz., wardens, John Clark and W. A. Hawkins; delegate to Synod, John H. Ellman. The financial report submitted by the people's warden was of a satistactory character, showing a creditable increase in Sunday collections over the previous year. A vote of thanks was passed unanimously to the organist, Mrs. H. D. Steel, and to the choir for their services during the past year.

Sarnia.-St. John's.-Wardens, J. Knowles and W. H. Hicks; lay delegate to Synod, J. Rainsberry. State of finances satisfactory. Meeting adjourned fer one week.

St. George's.-Wardens, A. Johnston, D. W. Lucas; delegates to Synod, J. P. Bucke and A. C. Clark. Meeting adjourned till April 22nd.

Kincardine.-Church of the Messiah.-The Easter services of this church were held at 8 and 11 a.m., and 7 p.m., the Holy Communion being administered at the two morning services. As is customary, the services were musical and were much appreciated by large congregations. Miss Lilyan Smith, of St. Hilda's College, Toronto, presided at the organ with marked ability. Mr. Miller sang a solo at Matins, and in the evening Mr. A. M. Smith sang "The Golden Pathway." The rector, the Rev. Chas: Miles, preached excellent sermons suitable to the festival, and the church decorations were appropriate to the occasion. At the vestry meeting on Easter Monday the report and financial statement were well received and were regarded as the most favorable for many years. The Church Workers Society did splendid service during the past year. The offertory on Easter Sunday, \$115, was the largest in the history of the church. The vestry reelected Mr. A. M. Smith as people's warden, and the rector re-appointed Mr. F. C. Powell as his warden. Messrs. J. C. Cooke and B. Wood were elected lay delegates to the Synod.

St. James'.-Wardens, J. H. K. Pope, J. H. A. Beattie; delegates to Synod, F. H. Harrison, B. Cottan; total revenue, \$5,105. The rector gave an exhaustive resume of the incidents connected with the Church work for the year. He gave the following interesting statistics: Present number of families, 202; baptisms during year, 36; confirmed, 20; marriages, 18; funerals, 17; total number partaking of Holy Communion, 1,810; number of visits during the year, 1,422.

London.—The financial statements presented at all the various Easter vestry meetings showed that prosperity had reigned throughout the year on every side; all current accounts had been met and there had been a general pulling down of mortgage

St. Paul's Cathedral.-Wardens, J. Mattinson, W. T. Strong; delegates to Synod, R. Bayly, K.C., E. Paull and D. C. A. Sippi; total revenue, \$11,609.27. Memorial Church.-Wardens, T. Orr, D. Howden; delegates to Synod, Hume Cronyn, O. H. Talbot and H. J. Hayman; total revenue, upwards of \$10,000.

St. Matthew's.-Wardens, R. Farrell, J. Tayman. Financial report very satisfactory; meeting adjourned for three weeks.

St. George's.-Wardens, R. A. Jones, R. F. Kingsmill; delegates to Synod, S. Gibson, W. Percival; meeting adjourned for a fortnight when financial statement will be presented.

All Saints'.-Wardens, F. L. Ross, A. Andrews; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Pannell and Summer; total revenue, \$680.75. It was resolved to give the wardens power to buy property for the erection of

a new Sunday school, if such property can be obtained at a reasonable price. The financial statement showed an increase of \$120 over last year, and it was the best statement ever presented at our Easter vestry meeting in this parish. Over \$200 was raised for missions during the year.

Christ Church.-Wardens, Messrs. Cullis and C. J. McCormick; delegates to Synod, A. E. Welch and R. M. McElheran. It was reported that over \$1,100 had been subscribed towards the century fund, the object of which is to reduce a mortgage on the rectory.

ALGOMA.

Right Rev. George Thorneloe, D.D., Bishop.

Port Arthur.—St. John's.—The special service held in this church daily during Lent was well attended. On the Friday evenings there were lantern services illustrating the Passion and Death of our Lord. On Easter Sunday the services were bright and hearty, and were well attended. One hundred and one made their Easter Communion on that day. At the vestry meeting the rector mentioned in his report that there were 145 communicants and 101 scholars in the Sunday school. The election of churchwardens was postponed. Mr. Keefer was elected lay delegate. A committee was appointed, consisting of one warden, the choirmaster and the organist to make provision for the erection of an organ in the church. A schoolroom committee was also formed to enquire into the question of the school extension. The W. A. annual meeting took place on Wednesday, April 10th. The officers elected were: Mrs. Gibbs, president; Mrs. Clarke, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Yuill, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Crooks, 3rd vice-president; secretary, Mrs. Wink; treasurer, Mrs. Keefer.

Correspondence.

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MANUSCRIPT CLERGY NOT WANTED.

Sir,-In your last issue of the Church paper, I observed a most extraordinary production, headed "Manuscript Clergy Not Wanted," in which the writer strove to fasten on that particular class of our clergy the numerical decrease on Church attendance and Church membership. Let me remind that gentleman that some of the very best preachers, both in our own and in other denominations, were or are men who invariably use manuscript sermons; such as the late Dr. Chalmers, of the Presbyterian Church in Scotland, and (not to mention more than one of our own living clergymen), Dr. Farrar, Dean of Canterbury, whose sermons have proved a power wherever delivered. In the latter instance, some of us in Canada were privileged to hear the Dean of Canterbury, and although he read closely, and scarcely moved 3 muscle, yet his sermons were listened to with breathless attention. I am free to admit that some, perhaps many, clergymen, deliver their sermons in a cold, monotonous, sing-song style, such as a school-boy reading his lesson; and no doubt this has tended, in many instances, to a loss of interest and attention on the part of congregations, more especially where people have been accustomed to an inflated style of preaching among an illiterate audience. But to make a wholesale charge or reflection on clergymen, who prepare carefully, and use their manuscript in preaching, is neither fair nor just. I would ask your correspondent, would he have our bishops refuse to license good men of the stamp (as preachers), of

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Chalmers and Farrar, who were a living power in the two several churches of which they were able exponents of the word of God? No! As there are "diversities of gifts and diversites of administration" in the Church of Christ, we want all the good men we can command to stand on Zion's walls and proclaim "the unsearchable riches of Christ." It is not "manuscript clergy," to use your correspondent's favorite phrase, that is depleting our Church attendance and membership. The sympathy of many of our laity with "advanced views," and "higher criticism," and "free thought," and cold indifference-which things are often mistaken for intellectual independence-these are among the main causes of the loss of interest and numbers in Church attendance. The late Henry Ward Beecher once said to a class of theological students: "Gentlemen, set your net in the best manner in which you can catch fish;" and whatever method a young clergyman may find it best to adopt, to enlist the attention and sympathy of his hearers, let him, as a "fisher of men," set his net accordingly. I fear to trespass further on your space; but for that, I could give a number of cogent reasons, jother than that of "manuscript clergy," to account for numerical depletion in Church attendance and Church membership!

DIAKONOS' DIFFICULTIES.

CLERICUS.

Sir,-The difficulties, which "Diakonos" has mentioned, are not at all peculiar to mission fields. My young friend may, in time, learn that the Church of England in Canada is governed by Synods, rather than Bishops, hence the trouble. Very rarely do our diocesans teach Church doctrine in their sermons; they leave that duty to the priests, who mostly preach Puritanism. In Canada, alas, we have a modern form of old Puritanism, with all its old-time hatred of ancient and apostolic principles and practices. Our bishops, mostly, lead in this work of degeneration. Some nobly stand for the historic truth, but, alas, how bitterly and persistently others oppose it. What can "Diakonos" do? Well, let me simply say: "Stand to your guns." Take your Bible, that always first, and your Book of Common Prayer, and go forward in your Master's name, obeying, in act and spirit, the terms of your ordination, i.e., "To serve God for the promoting of His glory, and the edifying of His people." course, one needs judgment. Do not wound people's feelings needessly. Teach, teach, teach. Be very patient. Be very kind. Take the Church year and explain things. Our Church people, the elder and educated, need this as much as the young and illiterate. "Condescend to men of low estate." One of my professors used to exhort us: "Be very simple," The advice given above, the writer conscientiously endeavours to practice, with some slight success. He has learned (1) not to depend on learned bishops, and (2) not to be guided by the teaching of a predecessor. May God guide you, "Diakonos."

AN ELDER.

MANUSCRIPT CLERGY NOT WANTED.

Sir,-"Mr. Edwin Beattie's" letter is very apropos, and had he only been to the fore half a century ago, I feel sure that there would have been a very different class of men in the pulpit to-day from what there is. Without doubt, extemporaneous preaching has many charms which the manuscript has not. This is especially so in the rural districts, where the bulk of the congregation do not believe a man is called unless he preaches extempore, and they quote these words of the 81st Psalm in vindication of their assertion: "Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it." It is, however, very questionable if these words have any reference to preaching. It might not yet be too late on the part of the Synod to appoint a committee, composed of Mr. Beattie and two other gentlemen, as judges on pulpit oratory, who, after

hearing a sample sermon from every candidate for Holy Orders, shall give a certificate of fitness to such candidates before they shall be ordained. Under such circumstances, we would soon have extemporaneous preachers of ability, and, according to Mr. Beattie's logic, the Church would keep pace in growth with the sects. Now, I would like to know whether the members of Mr. Beattie's committee would grant certificates to such men as Moses. History informs us that when called of God to go unto Pharaoh to plead on behalf of the oppressed Israelites, he said: "O, my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither, heretofore, nor since Thou hast spoken unto Thy servant; but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue." Yet, this is the man that God chose to plead the cause of His oppressed children before Pharaoh, King of Egypt. I, for my part, like to listen to a written sermon, when thoroughly prepared by the preacher. It is very painful to hear a man groping about for words to express his ideas. True, it is, many of these so-called extemporaneous preachers carefully prepare their sermons, and then commit them to memory. Such a man can do but little out of the pulpit, for the preparing of two such sermons every week must occupy much of his time. Some of the best of dissenting preachers use the manuscript. Even the rector of St. James' has manuscript before him, and who will deny that his words do not fall as rain on the parched ground? Very recently, I had a conversation with a very fluent extemporaneous preacher. In speaking on the subject, he said that on one occasion some one in the congregation took down his sermon and had it type written, and sent him a copy. He said that he felt ashamed of it, because of the voluminous words that he had used in expressing his ideas. This is not the exception, but the (general) rule. An educated congregation requires a carefully prepared sermon, free from grammatical blunders, and also free from flounderings. A CHURCHMAN.

OCCUPY THÉ FIELD.

Sir,—The letter of "T. Loftus Armstrong" would not require any comment, were it not for the fact that many Churchmen might be led to think that Huron diocese was not careful for its waste places. It must be remembered that church building in the past was not always conducted wisely any more than it is to-day. Churches were often built in the wrong places, and in other cases population has moved, and so these buildings are not required. If a mistake was made, I cannot see that it is wisdom to perpetuate it. Consequently, the sale of a church need not show retrogression. Conditions may have changed. Each case, therefore, should be judged on its own merits. I do not know the merits of the case, which has led to this discussion, but I do know something of the condition of North Perth. Mr. Armstrong refers to Monkton and Trowbridge. He knows perfectly well that the diocese of Huron has just, at considerable expense, increased the clerical force in North Perth, in order to minister to these neglected places. Trowbridge was not reopened, because the field could be better served without doing so. It is only about three miles from Listowel, and the same distance from Atwood. The rectors of these parishes visit there, and most of the Church people go to Listowel. Monkton was recently attached to Milverton, and it must remain with the incumbent there what shall be the result. As he is an energetic man, I feel sure we can trust him not to neglect the spiritual welfare of anyone under his charge. This district has been sadly neglected no doubt in the past, but the diocesan committee has done all in its power to repair the neglect. I feel sure that if a conference could be arranged between Niagara and Huron, some redistribution of these border parishes might be made which would render the cost and labour of supplying them much less than at present. Shipley, which is on the border of Niagara, could be more easily supplied from that diocese. I do

not agree with his statement that "the constitution, etc., (what that includes, I do not know), of the Synod of Huron are such as to rather discourage true missionary enterprise amongst ourselves." There are things in Huron, as in other dioceses, which "discourage," but they are more human than the "Constitution." Mr. Editor, I should not have written, but I do not wish the diocese of Huron, my own "household of faith," to be misunderstood by our brethren throughout the Church.

J. C. FARTHING.

MANUSCRIPT CLERGY NOT WANTED.

Sir,—It is hard for one to keep quiet, when he sees letters appear in your valuable paper, as the above heading; I must say that I do not agree with "Manitoba" or "Edwin Beattie," as to manuscript sermons; I know that I can look back to some of the best sermons that I ever heard, as manuscript sermons, and as poor a sermon as I ever heard as extemporary sermons; and, sir, I speak whereof I know, for I have had a big experience with different clergy, not only in Canada, but also in the United States, and for example, I will refer your readers, who may have had the privilege of hearing the two clergymen, who have passed away, namely, the Rev. Canon Pettit and the Rev. F. Prime. There are others that I could name still living, who use manuscript sermons, who are some of the best preachers in Canada to-day, as far as my judgment goes of those that I have heard, and I think that it is very disrespectful to our manuscript preachers, who are labouring with great zeal and self-denial, to say that they are not wanted; in my mind, it makes no difference, for if a man is a preacher of the right kind, he will preach good sermons, whether he uses manuscript G. H. PHILLIPS,

A Layman.

EXTEMPORARY VERSUS MS. PREACHING.

Sir,— Mr. Edwin Beattie, in your issue of 4th inst., is too sweeping in his condemnation of MS. preaching. Some of the best preachers of the Anglican Church have been M.S. preachers. Take the names of Canon Melville, Canon Liddon, Dean Stanley, Farrar, Church, Bishop Wilberforce, and a host of others. Ah, but they had thoughts that breathed and words that burned. They made people forget that they had a manuscript. The great Dr. Chalmers, of the Presbyterian Church, was a MS. preached. He never looked at the people, but up to the ceiling and down at his MS. But it was a manuscript! The students that listened to him were electrified, and could have shouted in their enthusiasm. I have as much objection as Mr. Beattie to preachers who drone over a poor manuscript. People have no objection to a MS. that glows and burns with fervour and spirit. The secret of manuscript preaching lies in two things; a good MS., and a man who knows how to use it. The Rev. F. G. Jewell has written some pungent notices of common mistakes. Here is a useful one in which he points out what is and what is not extempore preaching. "It is a mistaken characteristic of little learning and large assurance, to suppose that a rambling, off-hand talk, however fluent, is extempore preaching. The free and easy gambolling of the colt in the pasture is a long way off from a proper trot in the harness, or a finished run in the race course. Few minds are full enough, fertile enough, methodical enough, and self-controlled enough—in short, every way intellectually and linguistically masterful enough to speak wisely and well impromptu, or even extempore. He who without a fair share of these pre-requisites, attempts such impromptu speaking, supposing it to be true extempore preaching, should remember that it is nowhere recorded that the Lord ever opened the mouth of more than one ass in apt and effective speech. I hope, Mr. Editor, to return to this subject again. Preston.

"I haven't washed my face, Oh, ho! I haven't brushed my hair. I haven't changed my boots, you know, Because I didn't care.

I'm going down to have my tea, Where all the ladies are; And won't they point and stare at me And frown at dear mamma?

And all the men will nudge and chaff, But I don't care, Hurray,-For let them joke and let them laugh! I'll not be kissed to-day!"

INSIGHT.

The discipline of life is bound up with the insight of the conscience, aild each helps or hinders to your joy a celestial perfume. the other. Thus, for instance, it is certainly the case, and we can easily see why it should be the case, that to most men light is more often revealed in the time-of self-conflict than at any other time. It is in battling with himself and his own inclinations that a man most often sees for the first time truths that he never saw before. Revelations and self-sacrifice are generally bound together. There are some truths that never seem to be fully revealed except to those who are engaged in this battle. But though there is this frequent connection between the power that works upon us and the power that works within us, yet the two powers are distinct, great thoughts, clear insight, heavenly principles; these are quite distinct, and work in quite a distinct manner from slowly-formed habit, from self-control acquired by discipline, from that excellent infection, as we may call it, that penetrates the soul from the spiritual atmosphere in which we live. And it is the light that really makes the man free. It is the light, it is the possession of the truth, that makes the man free. This light is necessary to crown all other inward gifts. I do not say that light is the highest gift; love is surely higher, and that humility which is the bring summer into our hearts, we especial mark of love. But light is the gift that makes all other sant to the soul. If He send us gifts have their fullest and best pain, we will not ask Him to reuse. Even love needs light to do move it, if that might be to lose its work.—Archbishop Temple.

THE POWER OF PRAYER.

Do you ask what prayer can do or us? I answer, without hesitation, everything. Not, perhaps, everything that we wish, for, like the Israelites of old, we may wish what is very evil for us, but everything that we want. Christ gave spoonfuls of Royal baking powder, pared in the same way. no limit to His promise, "Ask and one and one half ozs. of salt butve shall receive." In the old ter, one and one-half ozs. of castor world, prayer subdued kingdoms, it stopped the mouths of lions, it little milk, sufficient to make the opened and closed the doors of heaven, in the mid-fires of the furnace it set the angel of the dew. Do you say that it works no miracles now? I am not so sure the egg and milk, turn on to a of that. If we had but faith pasteboard, form into a flat, round lay a spoonful of the mixture, enough, I believe that we should cake, put into a round sandwich double over the paste and with the still remove mountains, still dispel tin, mark into four scones with a thumb mould the edges together. the clouds, still draw rain from sharp knife, brush them over with Have ready aces, diamonds, spades heaven, still raise the sick, still a little milk and yolk of an egg and other appropriate forms cut open prisons, still loose the chains mixed together, bake in a very from thin slices of truffle; fasten

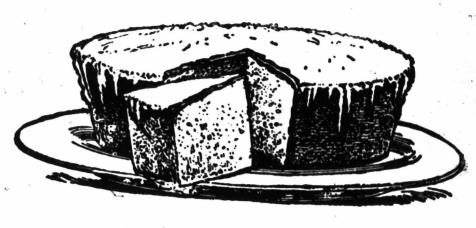
tressed. And are these the only miracles? Are spiritual miracles nothing? Is it no miracle by prayer to do what we can all dowash away our sins, repel our temptations, quench persecutions, encourage the faint-hearted, lead back the wanderers, feed the poor, raise the fallen, stay the falling, uphold them that stand? It is no miracle to make the rich humble and the poor contented? miracle to touch the hearts of the selfish, and open the purse-strings of the mean? Are you in sorrow? Prayer can make your affliction sweet and strengthening. Are you in gladness? Prayer can add Are you in extreme danger, whether from outward or inward enemies? Prayer can set at your right hand an angel whose touch "could shatter a millstone into smaller dust than the flour it grinds," and whose glance could lay an enemy low. . . What will prayer do for you? I answer: All that God can do for you. When He bids us pray, it is as though He said to us, "Ask what I shall give thee.' We toil and moil and scrape, and make ourselves anxious about the dust and dros of earth; all the while God is holding forth to us in vain the crown of immortality, and the golden keys of the treasuries of heaven!—Dean Farrar.

THE SIN OF DISTRUST.

It is such an awful sin, with Calvary in the far distance, for one moment to doubt the boundless love of God. Of that sin that sin of sins-may we never be guilty may our last year be full of fruitfulness through patience, of suffering, and brightness of temper, and steadfastness of devotion, and immovableness of faith. If He hide His face from us, still we will trust Him. If He smile on us, and will praise Him, for light is pleaan opportunity for glorifying Him, but we may and we will ask for strength to bear it.—Bishop Thor-

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

Plain Scones.—This is an excelent recipe for plain scones: Take and pepper to highly season. Veal one-half lb. of flour, two teasugar, one egg, beaten up with a scones into rather a soft dough. Rub the butter into the flour till cream sauce made with two tablepowder, then the sugar. Mix with quite fine, mix in the baking- milk. Roll puff paste out thin,



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milk, one egg, well beaten; onehalf teaspoonful soda, a pinch of salt, one tablespoonful shortening. Graham flour. Stir the salt and soda into the sour milk; a little Graham flour. Stir the salt and more Graham flour to make a stiff batter then add the melted shortening. Put in hot buttered roll irons, and bake in a hot oven. If desired to have the rolls sweet, add some brown sugar or molasses

Chicken Force Meat.—Rub fine measure one-half cupful; put in a sufficient stale bread crumbs to small saucepan with one-half cupful of milk and simmer slowly, beating and stirring until it is reduced to a paste. Add two table- Queen is related on excellent authorspoonfuls of butter, mix thorough- ity. Some months ago, when the ly, and set aside until cold. Take the breast meat from a raw fowl, scrape it free from fibre, then press through a fine sieve; there should be two-thirds of a cupful. Add this to the cooled panada, then the white of one egg whipped until stiff and dry, and lastly, salt and fish force-meat may be pre-

Chicken Turnovers.—Chop fine some cold roast chicken, season very highly with salt, pepper and a suspicion of nutmeg, and mix with one-third of its bulk of thick spoonfuls of flour to the cupful of cut in four-inch circles. On each dyne for the anguish of the dis
Graham Rolls.—One cup sour white of egg. Keep on ice until Tudors made their will felt.

near the supper hour and then bake in a hot oven. Have the potato mixture a little stiffer than usual, and form into hearts and diamonds, dip in beaten egg, roll in crumbs, and fry golden brown in a kettle of smoking-hot fat. These may be cooked earlier in day and reheated in the oven. In this case, spread a sheet of thick brown paper in the pan and on it place the croquettes on edge. Set in the open oven after the turnovers are baked.

A TOUCHING ANECDOTE

A very touching story of the late war was at its worst, the Queen was sitting with some of her great-grand children, as she loved to do. The children were playing about, when two of them began to quarrel over their toys as children will. The Queen looked sadly at them for a while. Then she said to them, softly, "Do not quarrel, my children; there is too much quarrelling in the world already," and burst into tears

A CHANGE OF DYNASTY.

A fact which seems to have escap ed general notice is the change dynasty we have undergone. Queen Victoria was the last of our Guelph monarchs, and we are now living under the rule of the House of Wettin —a very old and famous stock, which goes back almost as far as the Capets and had won renown before the name Bourbon was talked about. The line of Hanover, it is interesting to remember, reigned for over 186 years more than twice the time the Stuarts actually held the English scepte,

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"What was your old home like?" The violet smiled, seemingly well pleased, and went on

"I was born just in the dawnlight of a beautiful May morning. I cannot remember what happened just at first, but I seemed to feel a strange, sweet thrill of joy quivering through my whole being. There was a rustling sound all around me, and a passing breeze, as it shook me gently, whispered in my ear, "Wake up, little flower, wake up." The first thing I saw was the big golden sun; its beams were dancing and glittering over everything. I could not help but smile, and bending my white petals towards it. I said, 'Good morning,' and the sun smiled and kissed me."

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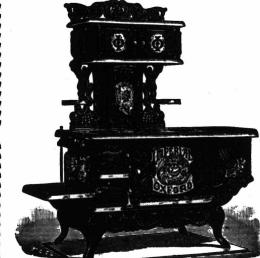
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"Oh, I love to think of it all, it seemed so very, very beautiful; but the time I liked best was early, early morning, when the breezes came shivering through the grass, waking the flowers up, and shaking a thous- complaint is nothing more or less when the birds began their joyous souring and rotting in the stomach. the spray of the waterfall all crimson the system and cures all diseases and green and gold, and filling the because all diseases are caused by little dell with a radiance which it is microbes. Many a sufferer has found

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sob as if some heart were breaking. "So the day went on; and just at sunset someone came and drew up looked! She lay on the coverlet dressed in spotless white, with flowers all around her, and one love-

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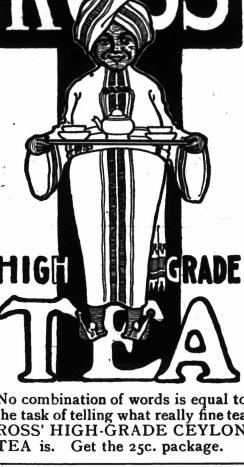
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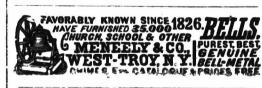
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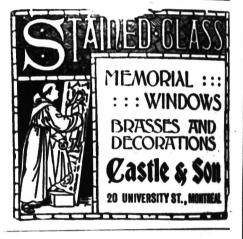
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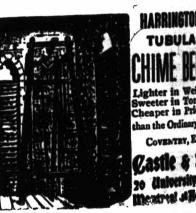


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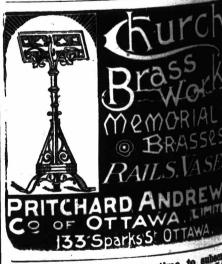


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