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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

The following spiritual counsel is an heritage from the Psalmist, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in Him, and He shall bring it to pass" (Ps. 37:5). St. Paul reiterates it when he writes to the Colossian converts, "And whatsoever ye do, in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (3:17). Such teaching as this given by St. Paul follows logically upon the teaching that we are members of Christ. Jesus is the vine, we are the branches. Therefore

whatever we do, must be done in the name of the Lord. To do this is to ensure the acceptability of all our service. "Apart from Me, ye can do nothing." He who works in the name of the Lord is a doer of the Word, and not a hearer only. His religion is pure, genuine, and manifests itself in deeds of love, and in purity of life. The Gospel opens with one of those emphasised sayings of Jesus. To the truth contained in the sayings Jesus draws our particular attention: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, He will give it you." And according to the Revised Version the Father's answer will also be "in My Name." Prayer is answered of God if it be in accordance with the conditions laid down in the Lord's Prayer: "Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom Come, Thy will be done, in earth, as it is Heaven." Unless our petitions be governed by these three conditions prayer is not being offered in the Name of the Lord, and it cannot be answered in the Name of the Lord. Therefore in the Collect we pray for the guidance of God's Spirit, "That we may think those things that be good," that we may pray in the Lord's Name, and that by the merciful guiding of God we may serve in the Name of the Lord. To-day is Rogation Sunday. The following three days are Rogation Days, a short season of preparation for the Ascension Festival. Will not a genuine fast on our part during this short season prepare us in heart and mind thither to ascend where our Lord hath gone before? Then remember another feature of this Rogation tide. It is seed time in our land. Pray God for a blessing on all sowing. We could turn this world into a Canaan did every man, woman, and child commit his or her work and life to God each day. Truth, purity and love would be the ruling motives of this world did we obey the rule of the Kingdom of Heaven. "Do all in the Name of the Lord." Forth in the Name of God we go to worship and to serve, and in His gracious keeping, to journey towards our Home above. Begin each day, each new enterprise with the words, "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," and, if it be found helpful also with the Holy Sign.

The Ascension Day.

In the High Priestly Prayer Jesus pleaded, "And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me, with Thine own self, with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was" (St. John 17:5). Before that prayer was answered Jesus had to tread the path of suffering and sorrow. But after the Passion and the Atoning Death Jesus is glorified. What does the glorification of Jesus mean? He is divine. Therefore from all eternity He was accorded that pre-eminence and glory which we predicate of the Father. At His Incarnation He laid aside that glory. The Ascension means that He has resumed that glory which He had with the Father before the world was. Jesus is Man. Therefore His glorification may be regarded from the point of view of His Humanity. Man was made in the image of God. Sin defaced that image. But in the sinless man, Christ Jesus, perfect manhood once more exists. His perfection is prophetic of the future perfection of the redeemed. The perfect Man is glorified. He abides close to the Father to whose will He had submitted Himself. And some days after the Ascension, St. Stephen shedding a martyr's blood sees Jesus standing on the right hand of God, standing to meet, to assist and, therefore, to glorify, His faithful servant. How the Angels must have glorified the Son of God returning, the Son of Man, ascending up into Heaven! "There is joy in the pres-

ence of the Angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." How great the joy at the Advent of Him, who called, and is calling, many sinners to repentance! What does the Ascension mean for us? It means that we have a perfect representative before the throne of God. One who has perfect sympathy with us. And whose life and work are devoted to the sanctification of men. The Ascension of Jesus means the sanctification of men and the ultimate ascension of the redeemed. Hear the words of the Lord, "I go to prepare a place for you." He has left us behind, but He has not forgotten us. He is making ready for us an eternal home. Note the greatness of that home. "In my Father's House are many mansions." There must be a place for all where the mansions are many. Are we all making use of the providence of God in Holy Church? The Church's work is to prepare us for that Home on high. What is our attitude to the Church, to the means of grace? Are we by our appreciative use of her, of them, joining the Angelic chorus of glory? Wm. Law tells us that "all things are to be used, and all persons are to act in their several states and employments, for the glory of God." Therefore let us sing:

"Rise, my soul, to Heaven ascend,
Follow Christ, thy Lord and Friend,
Though He seem from Thee to part
Follow Him with faithful heart." Amen.

The Primate's English Visit.

On the morning of the 14th instant Archbishop Sweatman left Toronto to attend the Pan-Anglican Congress in London and to enjoy another visit to his native land. We are confident that the Branch of the Church over which the Archbishop so faithfully and laboriously presides wish him every blessing and prosperity in the discharge of his important duties at the coming Congress. The Churchman joins most heartily in this wish.

Sudden Death.

There are different ways of looking at even the most untoward and seemingly undesirable events of life. When, for instance, sudden death comes to one who by a life of open or secret sin has won for himself an unenviable reputation. It is indeed a sad and distressing event. Those who long and strive for the reclamation of the sinner deeply regret that such an one should have died in sin. The sudden death in the path of duty of the tried and faithful Christian is an altogether different matter. As the staunch and faithful soldier longs for no better death than that which comes to him on the field of battle, beneath the colours, so to the devoted soldier of the cross, ripe in faithful years, rich in fruitful deeds, the call to depart, when and wheresoe'er it comes, never comes amiss. For him there is no sting, or stain, in sudden death. It is but the quick and longed-for call to the rest that remaineth, and later on to the reward that enricheth, not for time, but for eternity.

English Teachers on Children's Books.

At a recent teachers' conference in England Mr. J. E. Barton, of Gloucester Grammar School, held that exceptional children in their early teens might read through Dickens, Scott and Thackeray without tedium. But great numbers of ordinary children had no opportunity to read at all. Teachers must cater to the generality. At a certain age the taste for pirates was a thoroughly sound one, and the teacher's duty was to take advantage of its existence. The headmaster of the Manchester Grammar School in closing the debate upon this subject held that the child's natural desire for

tales was the outcome of its interest in actual things and people. That children brought up on sentimental or third rate books would grow up to suppose (as most people already supposed) that literature was the anti-thesis rather than the expression of life: to fancy that rhetoric was style, that cant or claptrap were lofty passions, cheap facetiousness was humour. The word art in their mouths would denote silly pictures of the kind supposed to tell a story.

Tendency of Children's Literature.

These teachers may be right and a good deal may have been said at this conference upon sound taste in books which did not find a place in the report which came to our hands. Doubtless books about Red Indians are eagerly read, but from first to last the element which, to our minds, should saturate all such literature was ignored. To quote Professor Gwatkin in the Times of March 21st: "To banish religion from the schools is a counsel of despair, dishonouring both to Church and State, and deeply harmful not only to religion, but to common morals." All literature, especially children's literature, is sure to be full, unconsciously often to the writer or compiler, of the worship of some body or something. It may be of the nation, of past heroes, of future glories, of the world, the flesh, or the devil in his most glittering or attractive form, but some aspiration must be there. And it is absurd to talk of secular as distinguished from Sunday School books for the young, such a thing is impossible. The Churchman (English) of this month says: "We happen to know of a very large council school in one of our great cities where an inquiry was made as to how many of the children attended Sunday School. Only about three or four out of some hundreds went to any Sunday School whatever. We do not believe that this is at all an exceptional case, and the obvious conclusion is that if these children were not given Bible teaching in the day school they would obtain it nowhere else, and would grow up almost entirely without any real instruction in Bible knowledge and morality." We do not, of course, propose that children's books should consist of portions of the Bible, but there is a great difference between what children get and what they ought to have, between old sleuth novels and Henty's books.

Queen Elizabeth's Advertisements.

As supplementary to what is stated elsewhere we quote part of the oft debated "other order" of Queen Elizabeth. At present there is a hot debate in England as to their publication. But our readers would like to be informed as to the facts and we publish so much as is now needed. The title page reads: "Advertisements partly needed for the due order in the public administration of the Holy Sacraments, and partly for the apparel of all persons ecclesiastical," etc., etc. And the preface begins, "The Queen's Majesty of her godly zeal calling to remembrance how necessary it is to the advancement of God's glory and to the establishment of Christ's pure religion for all her loving subjects, especially the State ecclesiastical, to knit together in one perfect unity of doctrine, and to be conjoined in one uniformity of rites and manners in the ministration of God's word, in open prayer and ministration of Sacraments, as also to be of one decent behaviour in their outward apparel to be known partly by their distinct habits to be of that vocation. . . . Not yet prescribing these rules as laws equivalent with the eternal word of God, and as of necessity to bind the consciences of her subjects in the nature of them considered in themselves; or as they should add any efficiency of more holiness to the virtue of public prayer, and to the Sacraments, but as temporal orders, mere ecclesiastical, without any vain superstition, and as rules in some part of discipline concerning decency, distinction and order for the time."

Synod Members.

Now that the Synod meetings are coming on may we repeat our appeal to the lay members from the outside parishes to qualify themselves as to the business to be brought forward and to attend in strong force. The Bishops and clergy welcome the co-operation of practical-minded lay members in bringing to bear their special knowledge and experience. We recently instanced in one of these paragraphs the burden unconsciously laid on the shoulders of the city lay delegate. In this connection we think that our friends from outside these cities might do much real service. There is a growing tendency to gravitate to the centres for school and other purposes and there are many former country members of Synods or old churchwardens with spare time on their hands, time which might be usefully placed at the service of the Church. Comparatively unknown in the cities they would not be elected to represent the city parish, but why should they not be elected as delegates from their old neighbourhood? Then their time and knowledge would be gratefully utilized on the committees and other work.

The New Wardens.

Easter season is gliding away and the new churchwardens have taken office. Let us take time by the forelock and ask our brother Churchmen throughout the Dominion what practical steps the wardens for the present year have taken towards putting new life and energy into their official work. We by no means wish to be captious or unreasonable. But the Church must go forward. We ask earnest, faithful Church members to remember that a by no means small measure of responsibility rests on them to see to it that their churchwardens do their duty. There is a growing determination on the part of shareholders in financial, commercial and other concerns that their officials shall do their duty. Surely the interests of the Church demand similar vigilance and determination on the part of its members. A good churchwarden does not take long to prove his worth by close and efficient attention to his official work. If a warden be indolent or incompetent, a man of many excuses, of doubtful character and small performance, the sooner he is unmasked the better for all concerned.

Reciprocity in Beneficiary Funds.

Bishop Williams is circulating a pastoral letter among the Huron clergy from which we clip the following: "The question of the Beneficiary Funds (Superannuation, and Widows' and Orphans' Funds) has been before the General Synod for some years. It is most important that they should be put on a sound basis, so that the beneficiaries may not suffer loss. The question is a difficult one, and the committee has never been able to ascertain what would be a safe and proper basis for these funds, as the cost of the actuarial work in connection with it would be so great. This difficulty has been overcome by the timely and generous offer of Professor M. A. Mackenzie, M.A., of Toronto University, and a Fellow of the British Institute of Actuaries, to do all the work involved for nothing, as a thankoffering to the Church. The Primate has gratefully accepted his offer, and he has already begun an investigation into, and a valuation of, and a report upon the Beneficiary Funds of the whole Canadian Church." In recent years Dean Farthing gave a great deal of attention to this matter at the Huron Synod and at the General Synod, and before leaving Huron Diocese he was able to announce a reciprocal arrangement made between three dioceses, Toronto, Niagara and Huron. Now we trust that Professor Mackenzie's inquiries and the laborious actuarial work which they entail will lead to the extension of reciprocity to the whole Canadian Church. Nothing impedes the growth of the Church more than the impoverishment of its

vital energies, and there would have been a far greater circulation of the clergy if they could have faced the loss of their standing on their own diocesan funds. We hope Professor Mackenzie and all others familiar with this question will not drop it till a satisfactory scheme of reciprocity is established for the whole Canadian Church.

Mixed Metaphors.

Wit and humour will continue to brighten and gladden the world so long as the Irishman survives. An oversea contemporary informs us that: "There were some mixed metaphors at the session of the General Synod of the Irish Church, one Bishop spoke of the Mother Church of England and its Sister Church of Ireland; another of the danger which besets a layman 'who in attempting to read between the lines of a legal document succeeds in burning his fingers.' It recalls a famous university pronouncement on the inconsistency of politicians 'who in swallowing their own nostrums have kicked away the ladder by which they climbed to eminence.'" Irish Bulls are however by no means confined to the Old Sod. Indeed, their perpetrators take themselves quite as seriously in the New World as do the Pontiffs in Italy when fulminating Bulls from the Vatican. Could anything be more paradoxical than a genial, sympathetic, yet surely quixotic lay pope, issuing drab bulls for the conversion of "apostate Catholics?" Shall we never cease to be reminded of the valorous Knight of la Mancha rushing, lance in rest, as fast as Rosinante could gallop to puncture the sail of the harmless windmill that had provoked his chivalrous wrath?

THE BATTLES OF YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY.

Few things in this world, it has been said, are worth fighting about. Questions are never really "settled" by fighting about them, because, whatever may be the apparent or immediate outcome of the conflict, the passions aroused do not readily "down." They remain to fester and gather intensity. This, no doubt, is true to a certain extent, and in certain connections. There are hundreds of questions, social, political, economic and religious, that are still matters of controversy, which if left severely alone would long ago have settled themselves. However, the statement is too sweeping. There are questions that must be fought out, and that can only be settled or finally disposed of by means of controversy more or less strenuous. These are the vital questions. But what are the vital questions? The vital question, so far as the average man is concerned, is just exactly that question in which he is personally most profoundly interested; and herein lies the great and ever-present danger of confounding the non-essential with the essential. Thus it has come about that the vast majority of questions which have divided mankind in bygone ages have been about non-essentials. They have been the questions which settled themselves, and settled themselves by the vast majority of mankind tacitly consenting to their remaining open questions. Such, for instance, are all matters of speculative theology, which used even a generation ago to be so fiercely debated. Take the question of Predestination and Election in its relation to human free will. It divided the Christian world into hostile camps, and upon its varying interpretation Churches were founded. Within the memory of thousands of living men and women it was a vital test of orthodoxy, the unerring mark of a "standing or a falling Church." But where is this great burning question to-day. It has settled itself by remaining, as such a question was bound to remain, an open question, which the Christian world has silently agreed to ignore as a practical issue. Again, take such a question as the precise nature

of Christ's presence in the Eucharist. Echoes of the old controversies on this again purely speculative question are still rumbling, but it is rapidly being relegated by common consent into the same category. The exact character of Scriptural inspiration is another case in point. Other instances of the same thing might be cited. Now no one has ceased to believe in God's overruling power and love, in the supreme importance and sacred character of the Eucharist or in the inspiration of Holy Scripture, but people have ceased or are ceasing to quarrel over each other's definitions of them. They accept the facts but leave each other free to make their own deductions. The facts were and are essential, the interpretation and applications of the facts a matter of individual temperament or viewpoint. Such again, and in a very especial sense, is the case in the matter of ceremonial. If ever a non-essential question has been dragged into undue prominence and importance, it is this one of ceremonial. All are agreed as to the necessity of decency and solemnity in public worship, but there is necessarily great divergence in matters of detail. And so we have had, and still to a certain extent yet have, our pitiable "ritual controversies," with the consequent lamentable and criminal waste of energy. Of all trumpety questions, this, when you come to give it a moment's serious thought, is the most trumpety and unprofitable. And yet what battles have raged around it. It is as if men were to fall to blows and deadly warfare about the fashion of their clothing, the cut of their hair or certain points of formal etiquette. If ever a question can be allowed to settle itself it is surely this. And it is settling itself, despite some frantic endeavours to keep it alive. Slowly and surely, but unmistakably, thank God, it is being forced aside by incomparably wider and deeper thoughts and issues. The battles of to-day, or rather of the dawning morrow, are on essentials. And this brings us back to our still unanswered question, what are essentials? Essentials are essentials, i.e., those matters upon which all really Christian people have always and everywhere agreed. These then are the questions which are coming to the front. For seventeen or eighteen or nineteen centuries the best part of our fighting has been done among ourselves, soon the balance will be redressed, and organized Christianity will brace itself to the combatting of the common enemies of the Kingdom. To these battles the call is becoming day by day louder, clearer and more imperious. The message of the dawning age is, "Cease your fratricidal strife, let the dead and dying issues of the past bury their dead, close up your ranks, and go forward and fight the common foe." This spirit is everywhere manifest. It has infected every Church and Christian body. Nowhere is it more apparent than in the Roman Catholic Church, though it has taken a form peculiarly its own. The internecine strifes of the ages, happily gone, are everywhere dying down. They cannot be kept going much longer, for the fuel is about exhausted, and there is no more forthcoming. To change the illustration, the trumpeters of sectarianism may crack their lungs, but fewer and fewer come to the charge. Men will not enthuse over the old battle cries. The newer and nobler battle cries are drowning them out. They are turning away with loathing and shame from the barren fruitless controversies of the past, and bending their energies to other and higher enterprises. And they will never go back.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments and Notes of Public Interest.

We notice that at the last meeting of the Board of Management of Missions a committee was appointed to "recommend the most suitable object

or objects to which the royalty on the new Hymnal might be devoted to the general advantage of the whole Canadian Church." We would have imagined that that was hardly the business developing upon a Board of Missions. However we have always held that a committee need not consider itself absolutely bound by the limitations of its original instructions provided it feels that other work not otherwise provided for ought to be done. We like to see committees courageous enough to step a little outside the ordinary scope of their constitution to do work that is urgent and yet would be neglected unless they committed this little irregularity. We have therefore no fault to find with the Board in thus assuming to guide the General Synod in regard to business that is really not covered by its mandate. But, of course, everything depends upon the spirit and purpose of the Board in thus endeavouring to influence the General Synod in regard to what is hoped to be an income of fair dimensions. There is not infrequently, however, the danger of excessive cleverness in a scheme of this kind—the cleverness that seeks to be first in the field with a plan that will capture the delegates before an alternative one is formulated—the cleverness that has a large element of the Synod Committee in advance—the cleverness that assumes that the part is wiser than the whole. Had this committee reported its recommendation at the last Board meeting and given the same to the public we would have much more heartily commended its course. But that was not done, the committee was re-appointed and will report to the next Board meeting, to be held the day before the opening of the General Synod. There will, therefore, be no time for the public consideration of the scheme which, if adopted, by the Board is very likely to be carried through. It is just as well that the Church should bear this in mind and at the same time that the delegates to Synod should do a little thinking on their own account concerning the disposal of this prospective income.

It would not be surprising that a Board of Missions should think that the work in which it is engaged is the most important of all, to "the general advantage of the whole Canadian Church." We are of the opinion, however, that an income from a royalty should not under the circumstances be devoted to general missionary purposes. We have a definite organization for the express purpose of raising a missionary revenue. We have offices and salaried officers to conduct the campaign. We have committees in every diocese to co-operate with these officers. We have a General Board of Management and an Executive Committee and Sunday School collections and so on. Now all this ought to be sufficient to raise all the money we need, without laying hands upon a royalty. If our revenues are less than we desire then let us turn on a little more steam—that is the simplest and most direct method. There are many objects affecting the general welfare of the Church that are not thus provided with officials and organizations to promote their interests. Take, for example, the case of the clergy who have grown old in the service of the Church or who have been worn out in ministering therein, should not a retiring annuity be provided for these? Or take the widows and orphans of him who has been called hence, ought they not to be protected by the Church in their extremity? Many objects may occur to us to which such an income might be devoted with great advantage, objects for which we have not and cannot have such organizations as are already in action on behalf of general missionary work. We would add this, however, that no hard and fast disposition of this royalty should be made that would preclude the Church from using it for other purposes later on should changing circumstances demand it. We cannot see now into the far off future and it would be foolish to tie our hands for all time.

We wonder if the Board of Management will be ready to present its triennial report to the public two months in advance of the September meeting of General Synod. The new law of Synod requires all committees to do so and we trust that what is probably the most important committee of all will not claim exemption from this excellent rule. We may, of course, be wrong, but we are inclined to think that it is not the intention of that body to have its report ready in July next as no reference apparently is made to the matter in the minutes of the recent meeting. It will very likely be urged that no report could be made complete until after the autumn meeting, which will be held the day preceding the opening of Synod. On that occasion matters of great importance will be considered and action taken that would make an earlier report very defective. Our answer to this is that by far the most important work of three years must surely be completed in two years and a half. If, therefore, the Church at large has a fair opportunity to consider what has been accomplished in five-sixths of the period covered then there is some chance for the delegates to Synod discussing the work of the Board with a moderate degree of intelligence at least. Everything of importance is surely not crowded into the last meeting. As a matter of fact the greatest diligence ought to be exercised so that as little as possible of importance should be held over to the last moment. How, for example, can the Church intelligently consider the new policy of the Board on Indian Schools if that policy be only put in the hands of the delegates as the Synod is in actual session? How can any subject of an outstanding character be adequately considered under such circumstances? What the Board can do and what the Church has a right to expect it to do, is to report five sixths of its work at the appointed time and later on to add to this a supplementary report covering the one-sixth. We are anxious that all committees of General Synod should, loyally and honorably fulfil the new rule of Synod by having their reports printed and ready for distribution sixty days in advance of the assembly of that body. We don't want excuses, we want reports, downright, thorough-going reports.

We learned from Dr. Symonds, vicar of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, a few days ago that if suitable arrangements can be made it is his intention to have a solemn dismissal service in the cathedral on the eve of the departure of a large number of Montreal and other Canadian delegates to the Pan-Anglican Congress. As Montreal is the point of embarkation for most of those who will go from this country and for not a few from Australia, New Zealand, Japan and China, it is quite possible that such a service may be unique in impressiveness and inspiration. The steamship "Southwark" on which upwards of forty delegates have taken passage, sails, we understand, on the morning of the 30th inst., so possibly the service will be held on the evening of the 29th, after the Western trains arrive in Montreal. We are not aware of any of the details of the proposed service, but we would imagine that one or more addresses by distinguished prelates or presbyters would not only arouse enthusiasm among the delegates, but would quicken interest and open the understanding of those left behind to the significance and purport of this great assembly.

Spectator.

THE LATE REV. W. C. COOPER, S.T.B.

On Monday evening, 11th inst., the Rev. W. E. Cooper, rector of St. Martin's Church, Toronto, met with his churchwardens at the house of one of them, Mr. Needham, for the purpose of making up the annual returns to the Rural Dean. The work completed, Mr. Hollinger, the other warden, returned to his house. There being something further to ascertain which had been omitted, Mr. Cooper followed Mr. Hollinger and went in to obtain what he wanted. As Mr. Hollinger was

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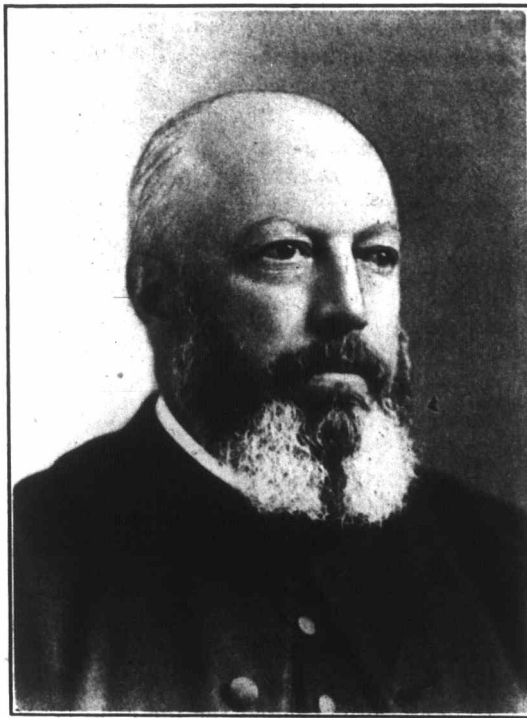
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leaving the room, Mr. Cooper said, "I feel as though I were going to faint," rising from his seat at the moment, Mr. and Mrs. Hollinger caught him by the arm and gently let him down on the floor. A doctor was immediately summoned, but nothing could be done, in a few brief moments the spirit of the faithful priest had "entered into rest," carried by the angels into "Abraham's bosom." Upon Mr. Needham fell the difficult and painful task of making known to Mrs. Cooper and her daughter, the only two at home, the sad news of their bereavement. Nothing could exceed the kindness of the churchwardens, lay delegates, and other members of the parish as the sad news became known that Mr. Cooper had passed away. The services of an undertaker were soon obtained and the body of the deceased priest conveyed to his former home where preparations were immediately begun for the last sad rites. Among many floral tributes which were sent from personal friends and relations it is particularly gratifying to notice a beautiful cross from the congregation, one from the Sanctuary Guild and Girls' Auxiliary, a wreath from the A.Y.P.A., and another from the choir. Some of the flowers were let down into the grave and some left in the church for the following Sunday. Though hearts were sad, we were glad to notice no sign of mourning in the adornment of the church at the funeral, every effort being made to emphasize the joy of "rest in the Lord," which comes to them who "sleep in Jesus." On Thursday, 14th inst., the little church of St. Martin's was packed with parishioners and other friends who had come to testify their affection and respect for one who had laboured in the ministry for close upon 50 years. The day was begun with a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which only the members of the family were present, and at 2.30 p.m., the funeral service was held in the church, conducted by the Rev. Chas. J. S. Bethune, D.C.L., formerly Head Master of Trinity College School, and a very old friend of the deceased. The Ven. Archdeacon of York and Simcoe, and the Rev. Canon Macnab, a former rector of St. Martin's, assisted in the service. There were also present about fifty of the clergy, the greatest number in surplices and cassocks. The body was brought to the church a short time before the service began, that those who desired to do so might take a last look upon the features of their priest. The pall-bearers were six of the parishioners, while the Revs. Alex. Williams, Canon Cayley, R. Seaborne, T. W. Paterson, A. J. Fidler, and A. Hart, were honorary pall-bearers. The choir of the church turned out in full and gave great help in rendering what was acknowledged by all to be a beautiful and reverent service; the hymns sung being, "On the Resurrection Morning," and "Forever With the Lord." A very kindly act was performed by the Methodist minister, the Rev. Mr. McAteer, who lived close by. Having heard of Mr. Cooper's death he came immediately to the house to express his deep sympathy with the family; while the Epworth League of his congregation which happened to be in session on that evening, sent a most kindly worded letter of sympathy. Mr. Cooper was born August 12th, 1835, in Toronto, and thus at the time of his death, May 14th, 1908, was in his seventy-third year. He was educated at Upper Canada College, and afterwards at Trinity College, Toronto, being the first student enrolled at that University. On October 9th, 1858, he was made deacon by the late Bishop Strachan, and ordained priest in the following year. His first charge was a curacy at Holy Trinity, Toronto, where he removed in 1861, shortly after his marriage to Maria, the eldest daughter of the late George Oates, Esq., to Holland Landing. In the following year, 1862, he received appointment as one of the Masters of the Grammar School at St. Catharines, assisting the late Rev. A. F. Atkinson at St. George's, on Sundays, and also conducting an afternoon service at Grantham. In 1864 Mr. Cooper was placed in charge of the parish of Port Colborne, whence he removed to Springfield in 1870, to succeed the Rev. C. I. S. Bethune, who then became Head Master of Trinity College School, Port Hope. In the fall of 1872 he followed Dr. Bethune to Port Hope and became Assistant Master at Trinity College School, where he won the respect and esteem of the boys. He remained eighteen years at Trinity College School, during which time he bore his share in moulding the character of boys now filling important positions as Bishops, priests, doctors, judges, lawyers, etc., in all parts of the world. In 1890 Mr. Cooper again took up parochial work, removing from Trinity College School to the parish of Grafton. He did not remain long here, but being offered the parish of Campbellford, he removed there in 1892. While at Campbellford he won the affection and respect of the clergy of the Rural Deanery, filling at different times the offices of Secretary of the Chapter and Rural Dean. On the parish of St.

Martin's, Toronto, falling vacant in 1901 he was appointed as rector, a position which he held to the day of his death. Mr. Cooper was a man of strong personal character and deep conviction. He was a staunch Churchman, loyal to his convictions, ready always to give an answer for the Faith which was in him. He never spared himself in his devotion to duty. Dying suddenly as he did a striking feature of his life was made manifest, namely, the careful and exact manner in which he lived. Even his diary was written up to 12 (noon) of the day on which he died. He had just presented a class for confirmation, and gave them their first communion on the last Sunday of his life. On the day of his death he had been to town and procured devotional manuals to present to the class. He was a consistent and loyal friend of the "Canadian Churchman," and a frequent and welcome visitor at our office. Many of the reviews of new books written for our columns were from his pen. He never came into the office but we were able to obtain information from him on any subject we might desire. He was a scholar and a Christian gentleman, dying as he had lived faithful to duty. Well might we say, "Oh let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." The body of this faithful priest now lies in St. James' Cemetery, alongside those of his father, mother, son, and grand-son, awaiting that glorious Resurrection at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Who shall fashion anew the body of our humiliation, that it may be conformed to the body of His glory, according to the working whereby He is able even to subject all things unto Himself."



The Late Rev. W. E. Cooper.

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE TO REST.

Another pioneer of the Mission field of Ontario has answered the call of his Master. The Rev. Richard Homan Harris, B.A., whose death occurred at his home here on May 8th, 1908, was born in Cork, Ireland, on October 15th, 1820, and at an unusually early age showed a decided aptitude for study. He received his education mainly at an academy in Rosscarberry, County Cork, where at the age of 14 years he qualified for the Senior Matriculation at Dublin University. He engaged in tuition in the above academy until 1851, when he came to Canada, whither his parents and their family had preceded him. After a brief sojourn in Montreal and Sorel, he came to Upper Canada and engaged in High School teaching, co-working with the late Bishop Strachan in the development of his system of Grammar Schools, as then designated. He entered Trinity College, Toronto, in 1857; and, as both the Bishop and the University authorities recognized his fitness for Arts graduation at that time, he was allowed to take a double course in Arts and Theology, graduating in each in 1860, and taking a "Double First" in the course of his Arts career, winning both the "Wellington" and the "Foundation" scholarships at one examination, and electing to take the former. The late Bishop Baldwin, was his classmate, and they were lifelong friends. After ordination, though offered a position on the teaching staff of Trinity University, and afterwards a parish by Bishop Strachan, he chose the Mission field, where he laboured indefatigably in North Ontario County, from Cannington as a centre, in East Simcoe from Craighurst, and sub-

sequently from Orillia; also in Omemece, Brighton and Weston, from which he was superannuated on account of ill-health, residing thereafter in Toronto and the suburb of Swansea. Mr. Harris first married Colinette, daughter of the late Captain de Grassi, of Toronto, who, when she died, left with him two daughters, the younger, Colinette, being now a missionary in Egypt. He afterwards married Olivia Coulter, daughter of Mr. Wm. Cottingham, of Omemece, with whom he leaves two sons and one daughter. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Richard Notter, of Owen Sound; and a brother, the Rev. J. H. Harris, of Toronto. His remains were interred in St. James' Cemetery, Orillia, on the 11th instant.—R. I. P.

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MONTREAL.

Montreal.—The May meeting of the executive of the Montreal Diocesan W.A. was held in the Library of the Synod Hall, on Thursday, the 7th inst. The president being absent on account of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Norton, one of the vice-presidents, was elected to preside at the meeting. Mrs. Norton opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were then read and confirmed. The following resolution of sympathy were proposed and carried by a standing vote:—(1) To the sons and daughters of the late Mrs. Henderson, on the death of their mother, the founder of the M.D.W.A., its president for many years, and one who has always taken the deepest interest in the Society and in the work of Missions. (2) To the family of the late Mrs. M. H. Gault, for many years a life member of the Cathedral Branch and one whose loss will be widely felt. (3) To Mrs. Myers (life member) in the sad loss she has sustained in the death of her son. The hymn "On the Resurrection Morning" was then sung. A new Girls' Branch was reported in connection with the Church of the Redeemer, Cote St. Paul. This branch was organized in March, and has a membership of eight. A letter was read from the Lord Bishop of Montreal, thanking the W.A. for the set of Communion vessels given in memory of the late Mrs. Carmichael, with which he expressed himself much pleased, and stating that he had presented the set to the new Mission Church of St. Columbia, Kensington. It was announced that Mrs. Norton has kindly consented to be the new convener of the Literature Committee, with Miss Kerry as her secretary. Mrs. Stroud, the retiring convener, said a few words, expressing her regret at being obliged to give up the convener'ship and the pleasure she had always found in the work. A letter was read from Archdeacon Scott (Diocese of Moosonee), describing a long trip which he took with Bishop Holmes, just after Christmas, up through the new Peace River district. In spite of hardships (snow had to be melted to provide water for the horses to drink), the trip was thoroughly enjoyable and they travelled 550 miles, visiting every house and starting missions and schools through the whole district. The country was described as very beautiful, with good farming land, the people were hospitable and received the party well. Attention was drawn to the condition of the Triennial Thankoffering Fund, which needs great effort if it is to be brought up to the sum hoped for by September. The Dorcas Secretary reported a number of bales having been sent off by different branches, and also the sending of several co-operative bales; two sets of fair linen have also been given, and the organ presented by the St. James' the Apostle Branch to a Mission in Saskatchewan has been forwarded. An appeal was made for knitted articles for the Chinese lepers, directions for the making of which can be supplied by the Dorcas Secretary on application. These must be sent in to the Synod Hall the last week in August. An appeal was also made for all sorts of bandages for the Rev. J. C. Antle's hospital in British Columbia. A donation of five sacks of rice for the co-operative bales, and another of 300 mite boxes, were reported and resolutions of thanks to the donors were passed and ordered to be forwarded. The quarterly meeting was announced to be held in the Parish Room of St. Thomas' Church, on Thursday, May 28th, at 8 p.m. At this meeting the Rev. J. B. R. Westgate, of East Africa, will be the principal speaker. A letter was read by the Secretary of the Babies' Branch from Miss Amy Wilson Carmichael, giving an account of little Vineetha, the prayer-child of the branch, who has begun to attend a kindergarten and is doing well. Reports from various committees were read, and it was decided, on account of pressure of work, that a meeting of the Society

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TORONTO.

Toronto.—In spite of the very unfavourable weather which prevailed almost continuously throughout the days fixed for the annual meeting of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary all the sessions were well attended, the capacity of the Guild Hall being taxed to the uttermost. The meetings opened with the usual service of Holy Communion in St. James' Church on Wednesday morning, May 6th, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, of New York. There were 665 communicants at this service. The reports presented by the officers in all departments were most encouraging, showing an increase in membership, in interest, in gifts, and in that spirit of love which is the fulfillment of the motto of the W.A. The senior membership is now 6,077, being 186 more than last year, and the junior 1,651, an increase of 121, while the Babies' Branch numbers 310 as against 253 last year. The progress made by the Girls' branches was particularly mentioned by the president in her opening address, and this fact was also evidenced by the very large and enthusiastic meeting held by them on Thursday night, when an address with limelight views was given by the Rev. T. B. Westgate, of Africa. Miss Connell also spoke of "The Training of Missionaries," and Mrs. Gibbons of "The Call to Service," and this meeting was described as one of the best of the series. Some of the other missionaries who were welcomed during the meeting and who spoke words of encouragement and told of their experiences in their different fields of labour were: Rev. Mr. Weaver, of Wabasco; Miss Sultson, of Hay River; Mrs. Streeter, of Lesser Slave Lake; Rev. Egerton and Mrs. Ryerson, of Japan; and Miss Strickland of Tarn Taran, N. India. By all the need for more workers was particularly emphasized and more than one spoke of the great and true happiness to be found by those who give their lives to such work. Dr. Lloyd, in addition to his sermon in the Parish Church, spoke at the Missionary meeting on Wednesday evening and also gave a short address on Thursday afternoon. As he has but recently returned from a tour in Africa, India, China and Japan, and is an eloquent speaker, his words were full of interest and inspiration. Addresses were also given on Wednesday evening by Bishop Stringer, of the Yukon and by Bishop Tyson, of North Japan. The life membership fees amounting to \$1,050 were divided, \$854 going to the Rev. John Antle towards the building of a hospital at Alert Bay, and \$195.70 to the Rev. W. H. White in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle. The interest on the G. M. Williamson Memorial Fund was voted towards repairs and a new engine for the missionary boat, the G. M. Williamson, and the interest on the Century Fund, \$192, towards a fund for the education of catechists' children in Japan. One hundred dollars from the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund for April went to Dr. Archer, of India, for the purchase of a microscope to be used in his medical work, and \$38 to Miss Trent, of Japan. The undesignated balance at the end of the year was \$238, which was divided as follows: \$100 to the Japan Church Literature Fund, the needs of which were so clearly stated by the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, \$50 for the endowment of a cot in the Leper Hospital at Kumamoto, Japan, and \$88 towards a Church building at Washago. In all \$13,091.40 has passed through the treasurer's hands, being an increase of \$2,700 over last year. One of the features of Friday's afternoon meeting was a half-hour with the Literature Committee, which consisted of three ten-minute talks, by the Convener of Literature on "Books," by Miss Osler on "Magazines," and by Miss Wilkes on "Booklets." Each of the officers, all of whom were elected by acclamation, spoke a few words of greeting, and Miss Tilley gave a short address of encouragement and advice for the coming year, which brought to a close what was acknowl-

edged by all to have been a most successful annual meeting.

OTTAWA.

The annual meeting of the W.A. of Ottawa Diocese is in progress this week, a fuller report of the proceedings will be given in our next week's issue. The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Ottawa Diocese was held last week. A large number of the members was present. The devotional services were led by the Rev. Lennox I. Smith, after which the monthly business was transacted, with the president, Mrs. Tilton, in the chair. Encouraging reports were read by the different officers, showing the splendid work accomplished during the month. Miss Bogert read several letters of thanks from distant dioceses for greetings received at their annual meetings. Mrs. George Perley read the treasurer's statement, giving receipts for the month to be \$129.75. Mrs. George Greene, the Dorcas secretary, reported that a bale of clothing valued at \$14.80 had been sent to Union Lake parish, Saskatchewan. Mrs. Greene was authorized to ship to Fort a la Horne in the same district, an organ from the Ottawa W.A. The literature committee, under Mrs. M. Anderson, gave receipts for the month to be \$20.55. There were also ten new subscriptions to the various publications. Programmes of the W.A. Conference were distributed, after which Mrs. Tilton spoke a few words on the various sessions of conference. A tea was given last week at the home of Mrs. J. R. Armstrong in honour of Miss Florence Greene, the delegate of the Ottawa Woman's Auxiliary to the Pan-Anglican Convention to be held in London, Eng., next month. The ladies took this occasion to present Miss Greene with a beautiful amethyst cross as a slight token of the high esteem in which she is held by her fellow workers. Bishop Hamilton made the presentation. The recipient of a few well-chosen words, expressed her great surprise and thanked the ladies for their good wishes and kindly assistance in the preparation for the mission she is about to undertake. A large number of the clergy and their wives joined with the members present to bid farewell to their delegate.

HURON.

North Ridge.—The second annual convention of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Deanery of Essex was held in the Town Hall at Cottam on Monday, May 11th, at half past two o'clock. The meeting was presided over by our diocesan president, Mrs. Sage. After the singing of the hymn "The Church's One Foundation" and the missionary litany the meeting was declared open for business. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved, after which much to the regret of every one she announced her intention of resigning her office. Mrs. W. E. Storey of Walkerville, was appointed in her place. After a short business session the Rev. Mr. Westgate delivered an excellent address, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Then followed a paper on the Work of the Auxiliary by Mrs. Sage. Both addresses were listened to with the greatest attention and keenest interest. Votes of thanks were tendered to the retiring secretary, Mrs. Heny, the ladies of North Ridge for their hospitality, and to Mr. Westgate and Mrs. Sage for their excellent addresses. The meeting then closed with the Benediction, and all felt that the W. A. Convention at North Ridge had been a great success.

RUPERT'S LAND.

Wawanesa.—At the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Hardy; Hon. President, Mrs. Hopkins; Vice-President, Mrs. Kempton; Secretary, Miss Alice Scott; Treasurer, Miss L. Loyd.

Home & Foreign Church News
From our own Correspondents.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

L. L. Jones, D.D., Bishop, St. Johns, Newfoundland.

St. John.—St. John the Baptist.—Appended is an address which was presented to the Rev. Canon Saunders at Mr. W. B. Grieve's residence, just prior to his leaving Newfoundland. It was signed by the Churchwardens and all the members of the Cathedral Vestry, and showed the

appreciation felt for his services to the Cathedral Parish during his incumbency of the rectorship. Canon Saunders replied in suitable terms. "To the Rev Canon Saunders: Reverend and Dear Sir,—On the eve of your departure from Newfoundland the Churchwardens and Vestry of the Cathedral Parish wish to express their sincere appreciation of the devoted service which you have rendered to the Church while rector of this parish. We recognize with great satisfaction the results of your ministry amongst us, not only in increased interest in and support of the Church, but in the maintenance of a high ideal of public worship, and, we trust, the deepening of the spiritual life of the parish. We regret the severance of a relationship so cordial and sympathetic as that which has subsisted between us during your term of office, and we ask you to believe that you will carry with you to your future labour, our heartiest wishes and prayers for your welfare and success."

The Rev. Canon Saunders came out from England in November 1906, from the parish of Grey-stoke, in the Diocese of Carlisle, of which parish he had up to that time, and for some time previously, been the rector.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Clarendon Lamb Worrell, D.D., Bishop, Halifax, N.S.

Halifax.—A meeting of the Committee of Management of the Diocesan Mission Board took place in the Church of England Institute, Tuesday evening, May 5th. There were present, the Bishop, Dean Crawford, Archdeacon Armitage, Revs. W. J. Ancient, V. A. Harris, C. W. Vernon, and Messrs. A. MacKinlay, A. B. Wiswell, and G. W. G. Bonner. The committee, in view of the increased and increasing contributions to the funds of the board, decided to recommend an increase in stipend to a large number of the more poorly paid clergy of the diocese.

St. Paul's.—An informal meeting of the parishioners of this church was held in the Men's Parlor of the Parochial Hall, Monday, May 4th, and was attended by many of the prominent business men of the parish. After an interesting discussion, it was unanimously decided to assume the amount apportioned to St. Paul's by the committee, as their share of the \$12,000 to be raised by the several Anglican Churches in Halifax and Dartmouth, which with the amount already contributed to the funds of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, by this Church, will make the total amount to be collected for Missions, \$3,400 per annum.

Church of England Institute.—The S.S. teachers of the city held a meeting in this building on Monday evening, May 4th, the president, the Rev. R. A. Hiltz, in the chair. Excellent papers on Teaching Problems were read by Mr. C. E. Boutilier, of St. George, and Miss Ruth Richardson, of St. Matthias', and a round table talk was conducted by Archdeacon Armitage. Attention was called to the Teachers' Examinations, to be held on May 28th, and on the motion of the Rev. C. W. Vernon, seconded by the Rev. H. W. Cunningham, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. A. H. Beverley for kindly conducting a Teachers' Training Class at the Institute during the winter.

Bishop Worrell, Mrs. Worrell and the Misses Worrell left on Monday afternoon, May 11th, by the Maritime express for Montreal, whence on May 15 the Bishop and Mrs. Worrell will sail for England, and they anticipate an absence of about three months. The young ladies will during their absence visit relatives in Montreal, Kingston, and Brockville. On Saturday evening, the 9th, Mrs. Worrell was waited upon at Bishop's Lodge by Mrs. H. St. Claire Silver and Mrs. Crawford and by them presented, on behalf of the various branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, with some beautiful tokens of the affection of the latter. These were a pearl sunburst, a writing portfolio filled with writing materials and bearing Mrs. Worrell's initials on the cover, and a Waterman fountain pen. The gifts were accompanied by a letter wishing the recipient "bon voyage" and giving expression to sentiments of regard on the part of the whole Auxiliary. At the station a very large party were present to bid them God-speed. Mrs. Worrell being presented by Mrs. Crawford with a large bouquet of roses and carnation pinks.

QUEBEC.

Andrew H. Dunn, D.D., Bishop, Quebec, P.Q.

Coatlooke.—The corner-stone of the new church was laid on Wednesday, the 13th inst., under the auspices of the officers of the Masonic Grand

Lodge, who were assisted by members of Ashlar Lodge, A.F. and A.M. Nearly one hundred Masons were present at the ceremony in their regalia.

Windsor Mills.—St. George's.—Wardens, H. M. Thorne and A. Roland; Delegate to Synod, J. Stevens. The financial report was a very favourable one, showing as it did, an increase of \$150 in the receipts over last year. Under new business, the necessity of making certain repairs to the church was brought forward, and the wardens were instructed to have the necessary work done as soon as possible. Then a discussion on the necessity of the erection of a new church was entered into and a committee consisting of the wardens and Mr. Sleeper was appointed to make enquiries as to a suitable site and to get figures showing the probable cost of the proposed church and to report at a special meeting of the vestry to be called later.

MONTREAL.

James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop, Montreal.

Montreal.—There was a public meeting of Churchmen held in the Synod Hall on Thursday evening, May 5th, in the interest of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, the Lord Bishop of the diocese presided. Mr. Silas McBee, of New York, gave a very interesting address upon the movement, which was listened to with rapt attention by the large audience present. Mr. George E. Drummond, in moving a resolution that a central committee be appointed with a view to seeing that mission work was thoroughly done, said he believed in unity of spirit in good work. "There is more than human energy in the movement; there is divine power," declared Mr. Drummond. Mr. R. H. Buchanan seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously. The following gentlemen were then declared elected to the central committee with power to add to their number: Sir Melbourne Tait, Messrs. George E. Drummond, H. J. Mudge, D. W. Ross, G. H. Harrower, D. M. Stewart, Lansing Lewis, R. H. Buchanan, J. S. Hetherington, A. P. Tippet, Col. Hibbard, Edgar Judge, Alex. Hendry, J. P. Mecker, J. H. Farrar, J. S. N. Dougall, A. B. Macfarlane, J. T. Gilmour, George Maybury, Henry Dixon, R. Wilson Smith, R. W. Mac-Dougall, William Malone, Mr. Goucher, F. Walker, Henry Tucker, S. Carsley, A. E. Patterson, Henry Huckle, H. B. Lyon, J. Jenkins, Mr. Spence, George C. Wells, R. Milne, Charles Manning, Mr. Haycock, H. J. Webber, Charles Pullen, C. M. Cameron, James Elliott, T. E. Lamb, J. S. Stone, C. Kingsley, A. Valliere, Norman Wight and W. J. Morton. Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. McBee for his address and to the Lord Bishop for presiding. The meeting was brought to a close in the usual manner.

St. Matthias.—The adjourned Vestry meeting was held on May 4 in the schoolhouse. Wardens, T. Brophy, H. E. Suckling; Delegates to Synod, Col. Sweeney and J. J. Fiske. All the reports presented were of a very satisfactory nature. A pleasant feature of the meeting was the tendering to the esteemed rector, the Rev. Edward Bushell, B.A., of a holiday trip to the Motherland and back again.

St. George's.—The Rev. H. P. Plumtre preached his farewell sermon in this church on Sunday evening, May 10th, before a very large congregation, prior to his leaving for England to assume his new duties as vicar of Redlynch, near Salisbury. Mr. Plumtre has filled the curacy here for the past four and a half years.

At the adjourned Vestry meeting which was held on the 11th inst., the financial statement was presented and adopted. Delegates to Synod, G. F. C. Smith; R. White.

Christ Church Cathedral.—The adjourned Vestry meeting was held on the 11th. Wardens, Messrs. E. G. Renny and L. Tarkins; Delegates to Synod, P. Gault, E. Lafleur. The financial report was received and adopted.

Synod Hall.—Bishop Carmichael presided on May 12 at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocese of Montreal, which was held in this hall. The Bishop announced the appointment of the Dean as his commissary during his absence at the Lambeth Conference, which begins shortly, and stated that the report of the committee collecting for the Archbishop Bond Memorial Pan-Anglican offering must be closed by May 25th. Archdeacon Ker presented the report of a special committee to whom was remitted the position of the Crown Letters Patent Rectories in respect of assistance towards the stipends of rectors receiving less than the canonical stipend. The report which was adopted recommended that applications originating in such

rectories should receive the consideration of the executive committee, provided they surrender their right of appointment. The treasurer's statement was satisfactory. The mission fund plan committee recommended that steps be taken to induce missions in arrears of payments or guarantees to meet their requirements. The application of Rev. B. P. Lewis, M.A., for superannuation, was agreed to, the committee expressing by a standing vote, admiration for his long services. It was recommended that parishes receiving aid from the mission fund, which have no parsonage houses, be compelled to furnish residences, by rental or otherwise, to their clergymen, independent of their guarantee. In order to consider the legal aspects of the question it was referred to a special committee.

St. John's.—St. James'.—Wardens, J. B. Stewart, H. Black; Delegates to Synod, Mr. E. R. Smith and Major Nelles. Receipts, \$2,309.91, with disbursements about the same amount. Just before the close of the meeting a resolution was moved by Major Nelles, seconded by Mr. Black, and supported by Mr. J. B. Stewart, expressing sympathy of the vestry for the rector in his threatened illness and extending to him their most cordial good wishes for a pleasant journey, and for a complete restoration to health while abroad. The motion was carried by a standing vote, and the rector acknowledged the sentiment that prompted it in the warmest terms, paying tribute to what he termed the extreme kindness of his parishioners, after which he pronounced the Benediction.

Hochelaga.—St. Mary's.—An adjourned Vestry meeting of this church, with the Rev. Dr. Jekill in the chair, was held on May 11th. Mr. Robert Milne was appointed rector's warden to replace Mr. H. Bayliss who had resigned after occupying that position for the past nine years. The people's warden, Mr. J. C. Wright, was elected at the Vestry meeting held three weeks ago. The auditor's report was received and accepted and showed a satisfactory balance. It was decided to lay a permanent sidewalk on the Riverview Street side of the church and to install a new system of heating in the church. The house at 14 Darling Street was purchased as a much-needed parsonage. The meeting closed with votes of thanks tendered to the retiring officers.

Farnham.—St. James'.—The annual Easter Vestry meeting was held on Saturday evening, May 2nd, when the Ven. Archdeacon Naylor occupied the chair. Wardens, F. F. T. Brown, G. E. Standish as his assistant and A. E. Gough. Delegates to Synod, Dr. Planche and Mr. A. E. Gough. Receipts, \$1,314.41; disbursements, \$1,305.25. The question of building a new sidewalk in front of the church property was then discussed and a committee of the following gentlemen was appointed to look after the work with power to build if they decided it was best, Messrs. W. Grant, William Sturgeon and D. Seale. The question of procuring a suitable memorial to the memory of the late beloved rector, Rev. Rural Dean Harris, was then discussed. The majority favoured the erection of a brass lectern in the church such as the Ladies' Guild proposed. A committee of Messrs. Grant, Seale, and Shepard was appointed to act with the rector in conjunction with the Ladies' and Girls' Guild in the matter.

Iberville.—Trinity.—Wardens, C. J. Brown, C. B. Hibbard; Delegates to Synod, E. Judge, G. Harrower. A satisfactory financial report was presented.

Fulford.—St. Stephen's.—Wardens, H. Hayes, M. Davis; Delegates to Synod, M. Hayes, H. Booth.

West Theford.—St. John's.—Wardens, J. A. Hayes, S. Stone; Delegates to Synod, J. A. Hayes, A. Stone. Favourable reports were presented.

Sweetsburg.—Christ Church.—Wardens, W. O. Shufelt, C. A. Boright; Delegates to Synod, Dr. H. LeRoy Fuller, G. H. Baker. The financial report was a satisfactory one.

Cowansville.—Trinity.—Wardens, E. and F. Buzzell; Delegates to Synod, E. Buzzell, H. F. Williams. All reports presented were of a satisfactory character. There is not one cent of debt and there is a good surplus remaining in hand.

Clarenceville and Noyen.—St. Thomas.—St. George's.—At a united Vestry meeting of these two parishes the following officers were appoint-

ed: St. Thomas, Wardens, G. R. Struthers, G. Bryan; Delegates to Synod, N. E. Dinck, M. C. Dinck. St. George's, Wardens, H. A. Dinck, H. A. Rowe; Delegates to Synod, T. Hunter, T. Pigott. Both vestries unanimously granted the rector two months' leave of absence, in order to enable him to attend the Pan-Anglican Congress, he having been appointed by the Bishop one of the clerical representatives of the diocese thereat.

Sorel.—Christ Church.—Wardens, J. Wright, C. J. C. Wurtele, B.C.L.; Delegates to Synod, W. Findlay, E. J. Foster. The financial report was a most satisfactory one, showing a handsome balance on the right side. It is the intention of the Circle of King's Daughters and Sons to place a new pipe organ in the church. The vestry decided that after the organ was placed to make improvements to the exterior and interior of the church.

Waterloo.—St. Luke's.—Wardens, W. Moynan, G. E. Robinson; Delegates to Synod, A. Wilson, W. J. Briggs. The financial report presented was a most encouraging one. The amount expended during the past year was \$2,552.35. Improvements on the rectory have recently been made costing upwards of \$500, and despite this the balance sheet showed a deficit of only \$5.

Frost Village.—Christ Church.—Wardens, N. K. Potter, H. N. Rockwell; Delegates to Synod, G. Durrell, H. N. Rockwell. The financial report showed an increased revenue, with no arrears and no debt.

Stanbridge East.—St. James'.—Wardens, Major Russell, W. O'Dell; Delegates to Synod, P. C. Moore, M. S. Cornell.

Kirkdale.—Wardens, J. Lyster, T. Duffy; Delegate to Synod, Mr. Pye.

Dunham.—All Saints'.—Wardens, J. J. Watson, J. L. Gilbert; Delegates to Synod, J. S. Baker, J. Selby. The report of the wardens was a most encouraging one, and a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks was accorded to them for their faithful work.

ONTARIO.

William Lennox Mills, D.D., Bishop, Kingston.

Kingston.—Recent appointments by the Bishop: The Rev. Alfred Cook, of Maynooth Mission, has been appointed to Westport, and these divinity students have been assigned to work for the summer, as lay readers: Mr. Harris to Maynooth, Mr. Hall to Bancroft, Mr. Brunet to California, where J. R. Dargravel, M.P.P., has organized a congregation and Sunday School. Mr. Morton, student, takes duty for six months at Wolfe Island, while the Rev. C. E. Lancaster takes vacation for his health. Selby parish will not receive a regular appointment till Mr. Morton is sent there in the autumn; meanwhile the Rev. F. T. Dibb, of Napanee, takes charge of the churches at Selby and Strathcona, and the Rev. T. O'Connor Fenton cares for the third station, Kingsford. The Rev. A. L. McTear, of Bath, will undertake Morven Church as well as Odessa's.

St. Paul's.—A congregational social was held in the schoolhouse on Thursday evening, May 7th, which, despite the inclemency of the weather, was well attended and most enjoyable. A very pleasing musical programme was rendered during the evening.

Trinity.—The annual entertainment which was given under the auspices of the A.Y.P.A. of this church on Wednesday evening, the 6th inst., was most successful, the room being well filled. A short miscellaneous concert and a play entitled "Jayville Junction," in which thirty-one players took part, took up the whole of the evening.

St. James'.—The Young Men's Club of the parish held their last entertainment for the season on Thursday evening, May 7. It took the form of a promenade concert, at which there was a good attendance.

Lansdowne.—On Wednesday, May 6th, the choir of Christ Church, Gananoque, visited this place on the invitation of the rector, the Rev. T. Leech, and gave an excellent rendition of Stainer's "Crucifixion," which was greatly enjoyed.

Smith's Falls.—St. John's.—The joyous festival of Easter was well recognized by the congregation of this church. At all services throughout the day the congregations were very large taxing the capacity of the large church. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers for the occasion,

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which, with its beautiful white altar frontal and vested choir presented a scene worthy to impress all of the importance of this great Christian festival. The number who turned out to the early celebration of the Holy Eucharist, with those who waited for the Choral Celebration at eleven o'clock, was largest in the history of the parish, and shows the Churchly character of the congregation as well as the earnest energetic work that is being carried on by the rector, the Rev. W. H. Stiles. In the choral parts of the services as in the special anthem the careful training of the organist and choirmaster, Mr. Powell. The day was one of great spiritual thanksgiving and long to be remembered by all who took part in it.

Brockville.—St. Peter's.—The quarterly meeting of the joint rural deanery of Leeds and Grenville took place on May 5 and 6. A number of outside clergy besides those belonging to Brockville attended. The first meeting, which was held on Tuesday afternoon, May 5, was partly devoted to general business and discussion on Diocesan matters. A most able and interesting paper was read by the Rev. Dr. Paterson Smyth, rector of St. George's, Montreal, on "The Ideals of Social Service." In the evening a service was held in the church which was fully choral and at which the Rev. Dr. Smyth gave a masterly exposition of the Parable of the Talents (St. Matthew xxv. 14). The lessons were read by the Rev. Rural Deans Dobbs and Patton and the Benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Archdeacon Carey. A large congregation was present.

On the following morning there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the church at

Belleville.—St. Thomas'.—The spring meeting of the Rural Deanery of Hastings took place here on May 4 and 5. On the evening of the first day a service was held in the church, at which the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, an M.S.C.C. missionary from Japan, preached an inspiring sermon. On the following morning there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 o'clock and Matins were said at 10. At 10.30 a.m. the Chapter assembled for business, with Rev. Rural Dean Beamish in the chair and Rev. A. L. Geen as secretary. Matters in connection with the Mission collections were discussed and amounts to be raised by each parish arranged. The Rev. E. Ryerson then gave a talk on life and conduct in Japan, which was much appreciated by the Chapter and a vote of thanks was tendered the Missionary.

In the evening the visiting clergy were entertained in the Parish Hall by the A.Y.P.A., who gave an excellent programme of music, which was followed by a short farce entitled "The Chafing Dish Party."

Canterbury.—Christ Church.—The annual Vestry meeting was held on Tuesday evening, April 28th, when there was a good attendance. Wardens, F. Bennett, W. Mayhew. A satisfactory financial report was presented.

The following appointments have been made in this diocese: The Rev. Alfred Cook, of Maynooth mission, has been appointed to Westport, and these Divinity students have been designed to work for the summer, as lay readers: Mr. Harris to Maynooth, Mr. Hall to Bancroft, Mr. Brunet to California, where J. R. Dargavel, M.P.P., has organized a congregation and Sunday School. Mr. Morton, student, takes duty for six months

sided. Among the clergymen present was Rev. A. J. Balfour, of Huntsville, in the Diocese of Algoma.

The semi annual meetings of the standing committees of Synod are being held this week, and everything is being got into shape for the annual meeting of Synod next month.

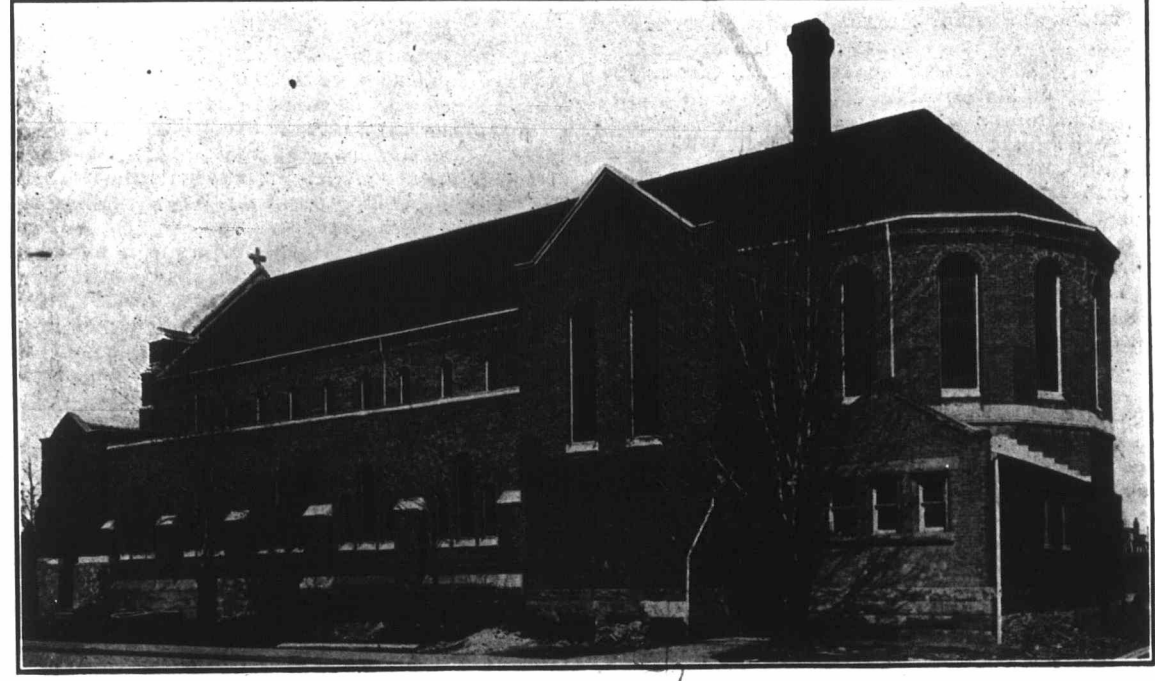
St. Bartholomew.—The last of the adjourned Vestry meetings was that of this church, which was held last week, when the financial statement presented showed that the past year had been a most successful one. There are no debts on the church and a cash balance remains on hand. Votes of thanks were passed to the Governor-General and Lady Grey for church decorations, the choir, the organist, the Woman's Guild, and the Children's Guild. Mr. H. Lowe and Mr. Henry Ackland were elected church wardens, and Mr. J. Berton as delegate to the Synod.

Almonte.—St. Paul's.—A dramatic entertainment was presented by members of this church early this week, called "Union Depot." A large number of townspeople assisted in the entertainment, and it proved to be most successful. Miss Ruth Henderson, of Boston, who has had considerable experience in this line superintended the presentation.

TORONTO

Arthur Sweatman, D.D., Archbishop and Primate, William Day Reeve, D.D., Assistant Bishop, Toronto.

Toronto.—St. Alban's Cathedral.—On Wednesday, the 13th inst., His Grace the Archbishop of



The New Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

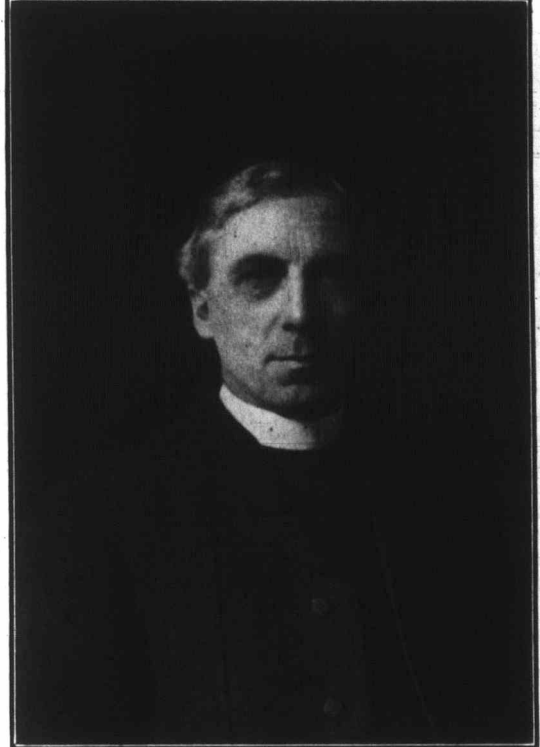
7-30, and at ten the business sessions were resumed, all of which throughout the meeting were held in the Parish House. Resolutions were passed dealing with the collections and subscriptions for missionary purposes and also with returns to be made of church fittings and property. Reports were made by the clergy covering the condition of their respective parishes. The reports were most encouraging showing growth and progress both in financial matters and in spiritual things. New churches were completed or being built in several parishes and improvements to the fabrics and fittings were general in spite of the hard times. An excellent paper on the relation of the Church of England to public life in Upper Canada in early days was read by Rev. W. P. Reeve, rector of Kemptville, who has made a study of the subject for some time. He was warmly congratulated on his treatment of the subject, and it is expected the paper will presently appear in permanent form. A resolution was passed expressing the sense of loss occasioned by the death of the Rev. C. P. Emery, for many years rector of Kemptville, and Rural Dean of Grenville. A very hearty vote of thanks to the Church people of Brockville for their hospitality to the visiting clergy was passed, also to Dr. Paterson Smyth for his kindness in coming to the meeting and for his sermon and addresses. In the evening a "Quiet Hour" was held at which Dr. Paterson Smyth gave a most helpful and stimulating address, and this brought the meeting to a conclusion. The next meeting of the Leeds Rural Deanery will take place in the autumn at Lyndhurst.

at Wolfe Island, while Rev. C. E. Lancaster takes vacation for his health. Selby parish will not receive a regular appointment till Mr. Morton is sent there in the autumn; meanwhile Rev. F. T. Dibb, of Napanee, takes charge of the churches at Selby and Strathcona, and Rev. T. O'Connor Fenton cares for the third station, Kingsford. Rev. A. L. McTear, of Bath, will undertake Morven Church as well as the one at Odessa.

OTTAWA.

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Bishop, Ottawa, Ont.

Ottawa.—A meeting of the Clerical Guild of the City of Ottawa was held last week, when a large amount of business was dispatched. The Rev. C. B. Clarke was appointed secretary of the Guild in place of the Rev. W. P. Garrett, who has left the city. It was decided to hold the 19th annual union Sunday School picnic some time next month. Rev. W. M. Loucks, Rev. W. A. Read, and Rev. T. Garrett were appointed a committee to make all arrangements. It was further decided that a union service be held in Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday, June 24, in connection with the great thanksgiving service to be held that day in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, England, at the close of the Pan-Anglican Congress. Statistics from the various parishes were considered and will be sent to the Rev. Rural Dean Bliss of Almonte, who will make a report to the Synod on the state of the Church during the past year. The Ven. Archdeacon Bogert pre-



Rev. C. B. Darling, M.A., Rector

Toronto, administered the rite of Confirmation in his Metropolitan Cathedral to a large class of candidates, (22 males and 23 females), who have been under Canon Macnab's instructions for the last three months. There was a large congregation present, and at the close of this most impressive service the sidesmen gathered in the library and presented the Primate with a handsome silver-mounted umbrella, suitably inscribed, as a small token of their loyal and affectionate regard. The presentation was made by Mr. F. A. Hall, who in a felicitous speech expressed the hope that the Archbishop would return from England with renewed health and spirits to find his cathedral not only free of debt but with a hopeful prospect of enlargement. Mr. E. M. Chadwick also on behalf of the sidesmen handed to Mrs. Sweatman a spray bouquet of choice roses to take on the journey. In the afternoon of the same day Mr. Matthews, head-master of the Cathedral School, on behalf of the boys of the school, presented the Primate with a silver-mounted cane to show their appreciation of the loving interest he has always taken in the affairs of St. Alban's School. On Thursday morning, the 14th, a number of the clergy and lay friends went to the Union Station to see the Archbishop and his party off to England to attend the Pan-Anglican Congress, and the Lambeth Conference.

St. Mary Magdalene.—The opening of this beautiful new church which took place on Low Sunday, marks the completion of twenty years of

strenuous and patient work, which from start to finish has been under the direction and care of its present rector, the Rev. Charles Darling, B.A., Oxon, son of the late well-known rector of Holy Trinity. Beginning with the ground plan of the present chancel, with walls carried up to the sills of the existing east windows, it was opened in 1898 as a Mission chapel of St. Matthias, and the following year was formed into a separate parish having an exceedingly scanty population, with Mr. Darling as its rector, and Messrs. A. Clubb and James Perks as its first churchwardens. In 1890 two bays of the nave were added and covered with a flat temporary roof. In 1893 the chancel roof was lifted by jackscrews, and the walls and the seven east windows were carried up some ten feet higher in order to provide additional light and ventilation, and in this unshapely and incomplete building, the work has been carried on ever since in spite of many difficulties and very feeble resources. The sanctuary, however, has always been beautiful, and the high order of its music, notably under Mr. Ernest Callaghan, for a long period, helped to tide over these years of leanness. In 1897 a great effort was made to pay off its debt of \$9,500, and with such success that in 1906 steps were taken to complete the church, and in April of last year building operations were recommenced, which resulted in the completion of the fine and stately church which has just been opened. It measures 130 feet in length, and 55 feet in height, with lofty aisles and very spacious chancel,—44 feet in length by 30 feet in width, and 40 feet in height. The interior is plain but dignified, with perfect acoustic properties. Four of the south line of stone piers are Memorials of deceased clergy, namely, the Rev. W. S. Darling, the Rev. W. A. Johnson, the Rev. O. P. Ford, and the Rev. H. P. Lowe, and four of the north line of piers are Memorials of lay people, namely, Mrs. E. M. Williamson, Mrs. W. P. Thompson, Mrs. Baker, and Miss H. Boulton. A handsome low stone screen and steps between nave and choir are associated with an anonymous gift of \$3,000 made last year to Building Fund, while the splendid organ, valued at some \$5,000—the partial gift of Mr. Andrew Carnegie—has just been completed by the well-known firm of Breckells & Matthews, from specifications furnished by Mr. James Galloway, A.R.C.O., organist of St. Mary Magdalene. Various Memorials and gifts already adorn the sanctuary, e.g., a handsome oak altar, nine feet long, in memory of Mr. Walter Darling; Oak Retables, Priest Seat and Desk, the gifts of Mr. G. F. Davis; an Oak Credence Table in memory of Walter Griffith,—a faithful sacristan, while the three beautiful Sanctuary Lamps—the work of Keith & Fitzsimmons, of Toronto,—are the gifts of Mr. W. H. Worden, Mr. David Orr, and Dr. and Mrs. Young. The very fine Altar Cross is a Memorial of Mrs. Baker, and the Processional Cross of Mr. Alexander Lightbourn, while the beautiful Altar books, the Banner and the Cruets are the gifts of an old friend of the rector. The handsome Ciborium is the gift of another friend in England, while three of the large east windows have already been promised. The tiling of porches and lobbies was the generous gift of Mr. John Brooks. Altogether some \$38,000 has been spent upon this stage of the work, which, added to the value of previous work done and the land, gives total value of some \$52,000. Upon this a mortgage of some \$20,000 will remain, which it is hoped that the sympathy of those who have watched this work patiently and perseveringly brought to a practical conclusion, will speedily reduce. The opening services aroused great interest, and have been attended by large congregations, though the churchwardens' report that they have failed to secure the \$2,000 which they hoped for. The present wardens are Mr. T. G. L. Barnes, and Mr. Philip Dykes, while Mr. John Brooks is chairman of the Building Committee. Darling and Pearson are the architects, though Mr. C. C. King, of that firm, has had charge of the work. The church is well worth a visit, and is an excellent sample of what a parish church should be.

The special preachers on Sunday last, morning and evening, were the Rev. G. F. Davidson, rector of St. George's, Guelph, and the Rev. T. W. Powell, rector of Eglinton, respectively. There were large congregations present on both occasions.

St. James'.—The May Fete, which was held in the schoolhouse on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week, both afternoon and evening, was a great success in every way and was extensively patronized. The large room was most tastefully decorated with flags and various flowering plants and the booths, which extended all round two sides of the room, were adorned with ropes and branches of spring flowers which gave them a most pleasing effect. The various tables were waited upon by a bevy of fair

young ladies, who were kept very busy during the lunch and tea hours looking after the wants of the visitors. During the evenings Mrs. Herbert Porter and Miss Downing, harpist, rendered some delightful musical selections. The proceeds of the Fete goes towards the up-keep of a residence for business women which is a most excellent institution and in which Mrs. Broughall of St. Stephen's takes a very warm interest.

St. Luke's.—A well-attended meeting for the purpose of bidding goodbye and God-speed to His Grace the Archbishop and the delegates who are to represent this diocese at the forthcoming Pan-Anglican Congress, which is to be held from June 15th to 24th in London, took place in the schoolhouse on Tuesday evening, the 12th inst. The Toronto delegates are: The Archbishop, Archdeacon Sweeny, Mr. N. F. Davidson, Miss Tutley, Canon Tucker and Dr. N. W. Hoyles, B.C. The two latter are already in England, but the remainder were all present at the meeting. The Archbishop presided and in the course of his remarks he said that he had been appointed Chairman of Section E at the Pan-Anglican Congress, namely, that dealing with the Church's Missions in Christian Lands. In addition to presiding over all the meetings which will take place in this section, the Archbishop has also been asked to preside at two of the great mass meetings, which are to be held on each of the evenings of the days on which the Congress will be in session, in the Royal Albert Hall in South Kensington. Speeches were made in addition by all the delegates who were present at the meeting, as also by the Revs. Provost Macklem, Pierre de Lom, Canon Dixon, and the Ven. Archdeacon Warren, of Peterborough. A most pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation to the Archbishop of an address of congratulation from the members of the Greater Chapter of St. Alban's Cathedral in recognition of the fact that SS. Philip and James' Day last His Grace celebrated the 29th anniversary of his elevation to the Episcopate as Bishop of Toronto. The address, which was signed by both of the Archdeacons, was read on behalf of the Chapter and presented to His Grace by the Ven. Dr. Sweeny, Archdeacon of York and Simcoe. The address is as follows: "Toronto, May 1st, 1908. To the Most Reverend the Lord Archbishop of Toronto, and Primate of All Canada: Your Grace,—At the meeting of the Great Chapter of the Cathedral of St. Alban the Martyr, Toronto, we, the members present, are reminded that your Grace is passing another anniversary of your consecration to the Episcopate. Twenty-nine years ago, on this Festival of SS. Philip and James', you came amongst us to be our Father in God, and as we review all the way the Divine Head of the Church has led you through these years up to your present high and exalted position of Primate of All Canada, we are constrained to thank Him; to congratulate you, and to express the hope that He may spare you in this office to serve Him yet through coming years. The Chapter takes the opportunity of your approaching visit to England to attend, as Archbishop of Toronto and Primate of All Canada, the great Pan-Anglican Congress in June, and the Lambeth Conference in July, to wish you a safe and pleasant journey, a happy and satisfactory visit in the Old Land and a healthful return amongst us. With the assurance of our prayers and best wishes, we are, on behalf of the Chapter, your faithful and dutiful servants, George Warren, Archdeacon; J. Fielding Sweeny, Archdeacon." His Grace acknowledged this address in a most feeling manner. During the evening the members of the Quartette Club of St. Luke's choir and two of the gentlemen of the choir gave some very pleasing and delightful musical selections. After the meeting had been brought to a close by the Benediction, which was pronounced by the Archbishop, many stayed behind to bid His Grace a personal farewell.

The Church Bible and Prayer Book Society distributed during the past year in grants to Missions, poor parishes, sailors, immigrants and charitable institutions throughout Canada, but chiefly in the North-West, Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymn Books to the value of more than \$1,500. The reports of the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. S. Barber; the Hon. Secretary, Rev. H. O. Tremayne of Mimico, and the Organizing Secretary, Rev. A. A. Madill, presented at the annual meeting which was held on Monday afternoon, May 11th, showed the Society to be in a flourishing condition. All applications for grants were met. The officers were re-elected.

St. George's.—The Rev. C. B. Kenrick was presented with several parting gifts at a meeting of the congregation which took place in the schoolhouse of Friday evening last, the 15th inst., just prior to his leaving for Europe before he enters

upon the duties of his new post of work as rector of St. Phillip's, Hamilton. Mr. Louis McMurray, one of the churchwardens, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Kenrick with a purse of gold and a magnificently illustrated address which was bound in solid leather. This address was signed by the churchwardens on behalf of the congregation. On behalf of the various young people's associations of the parish, Mr. Dudley Bissell presented Mr. Kenrick with a revolving book-case and library table together with a reading lamp of brass. The Rev. Canon Cayley spoke in very eulogistic terms of Mr. Kenrick. Mr. Kenrick sailed from New York for Europe on Tuesday last, and he will return to this country in July when he will take up his work in Hamilton.

The Rev. C. H. Short, the founder of the Church Boys' Brigade in Canada, will very shortly return to this city after an absence of seven years spent as a missionary in Japan. He will arrive during the first week of June, and a large reception will be tendered to him by the "Old Boys" of the Brigade.

The annual meeting of Anglican A. A. Association was held in the city on Thursday evening, May 7, when the president, the Rev. H. H. Bedford-Jones, occupied the chair. All the reports presented were of a very satisfactory character. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Hon. President, Judge McDonald; Hon. Vice-Presidents, Judge Reynolds, Rev. F. G. Orchard, A. Dodd, W. S. Buell, F. R. Curry, C. E. Baynes-Reed, John Webster, Peter Davis, A. C. Hardy, C. H. Storey, R. J. Jelly, C. deCarle, William Richardson; President, Rev. H. H. Bedford-Jones; Vice-Presidents, Rev. Rural Dean Dobbs, Rev. F. D. Woodcock, H. C. Farr; Sec.-Treasurer, A. D. Pearson; Executive Committee, Fred Rider, D. H. Clow, F. E. Graham, E. Reilly, J. Willrich, George Seekings, W. Edwards, A. Lucas. A resolution of thanks to Mrs. Fulford for her donation of the lacrosse grounds to the town was unanimously passed.

A.Y.P.A. Active.—Preparatory to his departure for Hamilton the Rev. C. B. Kenrick entertained at his home on Baldwin Street, on Wednesday evening last, the Toronto Presidents' Association of the A.Y.P.A. A large representation responded and thoroughly enjoyed Mr. Kenrick's hospitality. At the close of the meeting the host was surprised by the presentation to him of a handsome solid oak and leather finished easy chair. Considerable business was also despatched. An informal conference of the A.Y.P.A. branches in the Archdeaconry of York under the auspices of the Presidents' Association and with the co-operation of the Synod Committee on the A.Y.P.A. will be held during the first week of October next. A joint summer picnic of all the branches represented on the Presidents' Association has been decided upon and the committee, which is hard at work planning details, expect shortly to announce all necessary particulars. It goes without saying that in the hands of the Association, both the picnic and the Convention promise to be a great success.

The Lord Bishop of the Yukon has recently been spending a few days in Toronto and has now gone to Kincardine to spend a few days with his parents prior to leaving for England. His Lordship will sail from Quebec on Friday, the 20th inst., for Liverpool, on board the C.P.R. liner S. S. "Empress of Ireland."

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Synod Office.—At the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee on Friday the annual reports of the various Synod committees were passed prior to being printed in the convening circular. The following matters were also definitely arranged: Special committees appointed on the Striking of Standing Committees; Credentials of Lay Delegates; Annual Missionary Meeting; Annual Report of Executive Committee to Synod; Entertainment; Revision of Order of Proceedings; Receiving of Notices of Motion for Synod. The meeting of the Synod will take place on Tuesday, June 16th, and the Right Rev. W. D. Reeve, D.D., assistant Bishop, will preside.

St. Matthias'.—A most successful "Lock" Social was held in the schoolhouse last Tuesday evening during the course of which an excellent programme of songs, recitations and instrumental pieces, was given. There was a good attendance, and all who were there evidently enjoyed the evening thoroughly. The proceeds were in aid of the Choir Fund.

In addition to the delegates who will attend the Pan-Anglican Congress from this country whose names have been already mentioned, the following will also attend to represent these dioceses:—Athabasca, Miss Hill, and the Rev. F. G. Plummer; Moosonee, the Bishop and M. J. S. Barber.

The Rev. J. Rounthwaite, rector of St. John's, Brantford, Ont., has been appointed one of the delegates to represent the Diocese of Athabasca at this Congress.

Balmly Beach.—St. Aidan's.—His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto has formally set apart this Mission Church as a separate parish with definite boundaries. The Rev. A. E. McIntyre, who has been priest-in-charge for some time, will be the first rector of the parish.

Norwood.—Christ Church.—A Confirmation service was held in this church on Monday evening, May 11th, when Bishop Reeve visited the parish. Nineteen candidates received the laying on of hands, about half of whom had given in their names during the pre-Lenten Mission. The parishioners were glad to welcome the Bishop at this his first visit to the parish, and were delighted with the earnest, practical words which he addressed to the candidates. The church was full to overflowing and the whole congregation joined heartily in the Psalms and Hymns. Evensong preceded the Confirmation, the Lessons being Ecclesiasticus 2 and Acts 8:5-17, the Bishop's remarks being largely based on the account of the Apostles' visit to Samaria. The Rural Dean and the Rev. J. Benner Anderson were also present, the latter speaking at the close of the service.

Weston.—A meeting of the Rural Decanal Chapter of West York was held at this place on May 11th and 12th. Service was held in the parish church on Monday at 8 p.m., at which the Rev. Canon Macklem, Provost of Trinity College, preached. The Holy Communion was celebrated the following morning at 8 o'clock, and the Chapter assembled for business shortly after ten. The news of the sudden death of the Rev. W. E. Cooper, who was a valued associate member of the Deanery, fell like a thunderclap upon those who were present, and out of respect to his memory the Rural Dean (the Rev. Geo. B. Morley) opened the meeting with a short memorial service. The quiet hour was taken by the Rev. W. J. Brain, who based his remarks on the 4th question in the Ordering of Priests, and this was followed by a study of I. Cor. 11:20-34, Greek Testament, ably led by the Rev. John Gibson, Thornhill. After lunch, which was partaken of at the rectory, the Rev. Canon Ingles read a paper on "Indiscriminate Baptism," on which he strongly emphasized the deep importance and need of loyalty to the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer. Business arising from letters, communications, etc., were held over to the next meeting. A vote of condolence to Mrs. Cooper and family was passed by the Chapter, and the Secretary was requested to forward the same to them: "The Rural Decanal Chapter of West York, assembled this day at Weston, have heard with much grief and with a deep sense of shock of the sudden death of our brother, the Rev. W. E. Cooper, which occurred last evening. Mr. Cooper, who was an associate member of our Deanery, has been a most regular attendant at our meetings and we have always enjoyed and greatly benefited by his deep learning and interesting instruction. Mr. Cooper was to have been present with us to-day and to have read before our Chapter a paper on 'The Apocalypse.' We desire to express our sincere sympathy with the members of Mr. Cooper's family in the severe bereavement which has be-

fallen them, and trust that the Heavenly Father will sustain them in their great sorrow." Votes of thanks were passed to the readers of the papers and to the rector, the Rev. J. Hughes Jones, and Mrs. Jones for their warm-hearted hospitality.

Deer Park.—Christ Church.—A very beautiful window was unveiled in this church at the close of the first service on Easter Sunday morning. It is a memorial to the late Alfred Hoskin, who was for many years a member of the congregation, and sometime churchwarden and lay representative to the Diocesan Synod. The window represents "The Sower," and was the gift of Mr. Hoskins' children, the work being beautifully executed by the Robert McCausland Company.

Washago.—Preparations for a new church in this village are far advanced, and the Rev. F. H. B. Cary intends to commence building almost at once. Plans have been prepared and presented by Mr. Hugh Taylor, son of the Rev. E. B. Taylor, former incumbent of Washago. The original projector of the new church, Mr. Cary, has \$300 in hand, and hopes to commence services in the completed church by the end of July. At their annual meeting the Woman's Auxiliary generously made a grant of \$88 towards this project. The people of the Mission are heartily in favour of the new church.

Ashburnham.—St. Luke's.—On Sunday, May 10th, the Right Reverend Bishop Reeve held an Ordination in this church for the purpose of admitting the Rev. C. E. Wilkinson, locum tenens of Apsley, to the order of the priesthood. In addition to the Bishop and the rector of the parish, the Rev. Dr. Langfeldt, the clergy in attendance were the Archdeacon of Peterborough, who presented the candidate, the Rev. W. J. Creighton, the Rev. C. K. Spencer, and the Rev. C. M. Farney. Morning Prayer was read at 10 a.m. by Mr. Farney and Mr. Wilkinson. By eleven o'clock the church was nicely filled with worshippers, and shortly after Dr. Langfeldt ascended the pulpit and preached a forcible and appropriate sermon on St. Mark 3:14, "And He ordained twelve that they might be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach," which was listened to with close attention. The Rev. W. Creighton read the Litany, after which Mr. Wilkinson was admitted to the priesthood by the imposition of the hands of the Bishop and of the presbytery. The solemn and impressive ceremony was brought to a close before one o'clock. In the evening the newly-ordained priest, Mr. Wilkinson, preached a sermon from the text, St. Matthew 18:3, dwelling upon the importance of conversion, and the great change it effects in the whole moral outlook of a man. His words and manner were marked by much earnestness and sincerity, and were a fitting conclusion for the day most to be remembered in the life of a clergyman.

The late issue of the Canadian Gazette contains the appointment of the Rev. Rural Dean Langfeldt as chaplain of the 3rd Prince of Wales' Dragoons. The official notice says: 3rd the Prince of Wales' Canadian Dragoons to be chaplain with honorary rank of captain, the Rev. Ernest Oliver Langfeldt, vice the Rev. H. Symonds transferred April 15th, 1908."

Minden.—St. Paul's.—The annual Vestry meeting of the congregation of this church was one of the most satisfactory in the history of the Mission. The Rev. Rural Dean Archbald in his address to the Vestry mentioned among other interesting facts that he had baptized 76 infants since last Easter, and that in spite of many losses by removal and death the average attendance on Sundays had maintained its level, while the number of communicants had increased from 25 to 35, and the attendance at the special Lenten service had very considerably increased. On Easter Day the offertory amounted to \$33.19. The church-warden's report showed a credit balance of \$73.19. In spite of losses in the congregation from causes already mentioned the past year had been marked by the largest parochial income remembered in the Mission. The church fabric had been thoroughly repaired on the exterior, the cost of which had already been met. A committee was appointed to see to the reseating of the church during the coming summer. The Woman's Auxiliary had done splendid work, while the Young People's Society had presented a complete set of altar linen to the church, which was used for the first time of Easter Day. The Sunday School was in good order, and the children's Lenten offerings amounted to \$17.59. The election of officers resulted as follows: Wardens, Messrs. D. J. Hertte and H. E.

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

Hamilton.—Christ Church Cathedral.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held a general ordination in this cathedral on Sunday, May 10th, when he ordained the following candidates for Holy Orders to the Diaconate and Priesthood respectively. Deacons, Messrs. Gerald Potts, B.A., and Arthur David Castor, B.A., of Trinity College, Toronto, and Chauncey Edgar Snowden, of Wycliffe College, Toronto. This latter gentleman was ordained to the diaconate by Letters Dimissory from the Bishop of Colorado. Priest, the Rev. C. H. E. Smith, B.A., Niagara Falls, Ont. The Rev. Professor Cosgrave, of Toronto, was to have preached the ordination sermon, but the Bishop preached instead himself. The Rev. Gerald Potts, B.A., read the Gospel. At the close of the service the Bishop licensed the Rev. G. Potts and the Rev. A. D. Caslor to the curacies of the cathedral, and of St. Stephen's-on-the-Mount, Hamilton, respectively.

A unique and interesting service was held in the Cathedral on Tuesday evening, May 12th, when the congregations of the whole city joined in a farewell service to His Lordship, Bishop DuMoulin, and the other Pan-Anglican delegates, who left on Thursday evening last for London. The musical portion of the service was led by the massed choirs of all the city churches. The service was read by the Rev. Canon Almon Abbott, rector of the Cathedral, assisted by the Rev. Sub-dean, R. G. Sutherland, and the Venerable Archdeacon Forneret, who read the Lesson for the day. After the reading of the Lesson the Thank-offering from the diocese, amounting to \$3,315.33, was presented to His Lordship by the Rev. Sub-dean Sutherland. This will be laid on the altar of St. Paul's Cathedral by the Bishop on St. John the Baptist's Day. Following this the Chancellor of the Diocese, Mr. Kirwin Martin, M.A., read a very appreciative address and presented a purse of money, which was subscribed by a number of friends, to the Ven. Archdeacon W. R. Clark, M.A., Secretary-Treasurer of the Diocese. To which Mr. Clark made a very feeling reply thanking the friends who so kindly thought of him. The Rev. Sub-dean Sutherland then read an address to the Bishop and presented him with a purse of gold, the gift of the churches of Hamilton, St. Catharines and Guelph. In replying to the address the Bishop thanked the kind friends who had remembered him so handsomely on the eve of his departure. He said he had reached the time of life when there was little pleasure in the world other than doing his duty, and it was gratifying to him to know that he had reached that age with the kindness and esteem of his people, for which he extended his hearty thanks. After a few concluding remarks His Lordship requested the congregation to sing the Te Deum, after which he pronounced the Benediction. Among the clergymen present, were the Bishop, Dean Houston, of Niagara Falls; Sub-dean R. G. Sutherland, Ven. Archdeacon Clark, Secretary-Treasurer of the Diocese, Ven. Archdeacon Forneret, the Rev. Canon Almon Abbott, the Rev. Rural Dean Belt, the Rev. F. E. Howitt, the Rev. E. N. R. Burns, the Rev. Samuel Daw, the Rev. J. W. TenEycke, the Rev. W. G. Davis, Stoney Creek, the Rev. S. D. Caslor, the Rev. Gerald Potts, and the Rev. G. F. Davidson, M.A., rector of Guelph.

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At a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Diocesan Synod, held on the 13th inst., the Rev. J. Fennell, rector of Holy Trinity, Barton, tendered his resignation, but it was arranged that he should remain in charge until the Fall. Permission was given St. George's Church, Guelph, to sell certain church lands. Retiring allowances were granted to the Rev. Dr. Johnston, Welland; the Rev. J. Fennell and the Rev. C. R. Lee, Grimsby, from the Superannuation Fund. The annual meeting of the Niagara Synod will be held on October 7th and 8th, and the annual meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew on October 9th and 10th.

The Lord Bishop of Niagara, Mrs. DuMoulin, and Miss Frances DuMoulin, and the Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Clark, left this city last Thursday evening for Quebec. The Bishop and the members of his family sailed from thence on the following day for Liverpool on board the C.P.R. S.S. "Empress of Britain," and the Archdeacon and Mrs. Clark sailed the same day by the Dominion Liner, "Kingston," for England. The Bishop has appointed the Rev. Canon Sutherland to act as his Commissary during his absence from the diocese and to whom all communications are to be sent until the returns, and Mr. G. E. Bristol has been appointed to sign the cheques of the Synod in the absence of the Secretary-Treasurer in England.

St. Catharines.—St. Barnabas.—The Bishop of the diocese has appointed the Rev. William de la Rosa to be rector of this parish in the place of the Rev. R. B. Nevitt, M.A., who has resigned the living. Mr. de la Rosa took charge of this parish for a year some time ago, and is well liked by the parishioners. He is at present in England, but is expected back about the beginning of next month.

Port Maitland and South Cayuga.—In the two churches of this parish on the evenings of May 12th and 13th, the Rev. R. Macnamara, of Winona, gave an excellent address on "The Life of Christ," illustrated by some 60 splendid lantern views. Mr. Macnamara's kindness in sparing time from his own busy parish for this purpose and work is much appreciated by the incumbent and people. The annual vestry meetings held in Easter week showed the financial affairs of the parish to be in a very satisfactory state. Contributions for diocesan and missionary purposes, amounted to \$120.97. Wardens, Port Maitland, W. R. Docker and Hy. King, Jr., South Cayuga; Jas. Lyons and Reg. Docker; delegates to Synod, H. P. R. Docker, S. H. W. Hornibrook and Jas. Lyons.

HURON.

David Williams, D.D., Bishop, London, Ont.

London.—Huron College Alumni.—The alumni supper will be held at the College on Monday evening, May 25th, at 6.30 p.m., followed by election of officers. At 8 p.m., the usual conference at the College will take place, and will be open to all who desire to attend. The Chairman of the Conference will be Very Rev. Dean Davis, and the address will be delivered by the Rev. N. A. Bourne, of Listowel, on Wall's "History of Infant Baptism," discussion thereon being led by the Revs. F. E. Powell, Frank Leigh, and C. H. P. Owen.

The convening circular calling the members of Synod to London on May 26th, has been issued, and the chief matters entered thereon are proposed amendments to the constitution, and to the canons on patronage and widows and orphans, as well as a notice of motion concerning co-operations with other Christians, and revision of the Prayer-Book. The speakers at the missionary conference will be Dean DuMoulin, the Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, and N. F. Davidson, Esq.

Owen Sound.—St. George's.—The annual Easter vestry meeting was held on Monday, the 20th April, at 8 p.m. The Rev. Rural Dean Ardie, rector, presiding. There was a good attendance. The wardens presented their financial report for the year, which showed the finances of the church to be in a very prosperous condition, with a cash balance on hand of \$100, after paying off all current liabilities. Messrs. D. R. Duncan and W. H. Smith were reappointed churchwardens. Sidesmen, Messrs. Percy Lee, John Tapfe, Horace Brown, John Parker, A. E. Rankin, Wm. Hanbury, Chas. J. Lee, W. J. Ward, Percy Hill, Harding Priest, Lake Malone, E. Malone. Finance Committee, Messrs. S. J. Parker, W. F. Wolfe, H. B. Smith, John Parker, Wm. T. Lee, J. R. Wainwright, A. E. L. Malone, W. J. Heming, A. J.

Lloyd, D. S. Walker, Judge Widdifield, John Robinson; delegates to Synod, Judge Widdifield, John Parker; vestry clerk, John Robinson; auditors, Wm. T. Lee, W. J. Heming. The Easter services and the number of communicants were the largest in the history of the parish, and the offerings of the day the most liberal of any previous occasion. The rector conducted and preached at both services. Kindly memories were revived by the presentation of the members of the family of the late Venerable Archdeacon Mulholland, the pioneer clergyman of the church, of a silver bread-box. This completes the silver communion service which was presented two years ago. The simple inscription on this latest piece is "In Memoriam—Easter, 1908," while inside is engraved "1902-1908," the first year being that of the death of the first incumbent of St. George's. Mrs. A. H. Myles and Mrs. C. L. Shaw were the representatives of the family present on Sunday morning at the dedication.

Tillsonburg.—St. John's.—Wardens, W. H. Roper and L. J. Weston; delegate to Synod, S. Joy, M.D.; total receipts, \$1,552.65; balance in bank, \$73.23. The rector, the Rev. H. A. Wright, was voted a bonus of \$50.

Dereham.—St. Charles-the-Martyr.—Wardens, R. B. Scott, and A. Waller; delegate to Synod, F. Goodwin; total receipts, \$441; balance in bank, \$29.36. The stipend of the rector, the Rev. H. A. Wright, was increased \$50, to commence with Easter, 1907.

Wingham.—St. Paul's.—The Rev. H. T. S. Boyle's departure for Chatham was greatly regretted. Before leaving, Mr. and Mrs. Boyle were presented at a meeting of the congregation, with an address expressing unbounded appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for their work, and the Junior Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary gave Mrs. Boyle a piece of hand-painted china and a souvenir spoon.

Ingersoll.—St. James'.—The adjourned vestry meeting of this church was held in the school-room of the church on May 4th, and was well attended. Printed reports of the financial condition of every department of the church work were presented, which showed the parish to be in a flourishing condition. Votes of thanks were passed to the rector, churchwardens, sidesmen, choir and Sunday School workers. The question of surplusing the choir was discussed and it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance for the present time.

Burford.—Trinity.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held a Confirmation service in this church recently and confirmed four candidates.

Petrolia.—Christ Church.—The adjourned vestry meeting was held on May 4th. Wardens, R. S. Jackson, and C. S. Jones. The financial report presented was a most satisfactory one.

Listowel.—Christ Church.—The adjourned vestry meeting took place on May 4th. Delegates to Synod, A. J. Collins, and J. H. Gunther; all the reports were of a satisfactory nature. There is a movement on foot to build a new rectory, the plans for which are now being prepared.

Wallaceburg.—Church of St. James the Apostle.—On Sunday morning, May 10th, the Rev. E. C. Jennings, rector of Blenheim, preached on Home Missions. His remarks were very pointed and cogent. At the evening service the Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, of Mombasa, East Africa, was the preacher. His sermon on Foreign Missions was an able and instructive discourse. Even the most listless of his hearers were thrilled as he recounted some of the atrocities practised in heathen Africa, and illuminated in graphic word-pictures the ameliorating influences of Christianity. His argument was most convincing and his deductions unanswerable.

Blyth.—Trinity.—The adjourned Easter vestry meeting of this church was held on April 20th, at which the auditors' report was presented. The receipts for the year ending at Easter were the largest for many years, and the financial statement was the best in the history of the parish. All current expenses were met; \$150 was paid on the church debt; a new stable erected, and additional electric light fixtures were installed in the church; and all missionary apportionments have been sent in full, and some \$60 raised for the Diocesan Jubilee Fund, and a balance of over \$100 is still on hand. The excellent financial condition of this congregation is due in a large measure to the earnest and persistent efforts of

the rector's warden, Mr. Frank Metcalf. In presenting the annual report Mr. Metcalf said it was the most encouraging one he had presented during the sixteen years he had acted as warden. Mr. Metcalf makes an ideal churchwarden, and we are sorry he has been forced to retire. Owing to illness in his home he is disposing of his splendid jewelry, book and fancy goods business and intends going to California with his family for a time. We hope he will return under improved conditions, and continue to reside in Blyth where he has so long been a leading and respected citizen. Mr. R. H. Robinson was appointed rector's warden, and Mr. Thos. Coad was re-elected people's warden. The finances of this congregation are raised in a systematic way. The rector's stipend is raised by the envelope system which works well in this parish. The loose collection pays all other current expenses. At the annual Harvest Thanksgiving service the offering is applied to reduce the church debt; four more payments of \$150 will wipe out the debt, and the Harvest Thank-offering usually exceeds \$200. Then at Easter services all the mission apportionments,—Diocesan, M.S.C.C., etc., are raised by special lenten self-denial offering, which this year amounted to over \$80. At the adjourned vestry meeting, holidays covering two Sundays, were voted the rector.

Wyoming.—The Sunday School and Church Workers' Association of the Rural Deanery of Lambton, commenced at Watford on May the 4th. At 10.30 a.m., the Holy Communion was celebrated, the Rev. Canon Davis, M.A., R.D., celebrant. At 11.30 a.m., the Ruri-Decanal Chapter held a business meeting.

The Convention proper was opened at 2.30 p.m., by the President, Dr. Gibson, who delivered a practical address. "Hymns and Hymn Writers" was the subject presented by the Rev. Canon Davis, in his wonted lucid style. Mrs. G. B. Sage, of London, (President of the Diocesan W.A.M.A.), read a thoughtful and much appreciated paper on the "Work of the W.A.M.A." "Teaching the Church Catechism" was exemplified in a masterly manner by the Rev. S. F. Robinson, rector of Strathroy. The Convention proposed as the proper designation of the new "Hymn Book," "The Canadian Church Hymnal." Officers were elected as follows:—President, R. Gibson, M.D., Watford; Vice-President, W. J. p.m., and a most earnest address delivered by the Kerr, Sarnia; and J. B. Dale, Wyoming; Treasurer, Miss Craig, Petrolia; Secretary, the Rev. J. M. Gunne, Wyoming. Evensong was said at 7.0 Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, late of East Africa.

Strathroy.—St. John's.—The adjourned Easter vestry meeting of this church was held on Monday night, May 11th, in St. John's Hall, the rector presiding. Messrs. A. E. Kinder and W. Goodburn, the auditors, brought in their report, which showed the books of the treasurer were very carefully kept and everything found to be correct. They further reported that it would be well for the select vestry to canvass the parish with a view of increasing the revenue by about \$200, which suggestion the chairman, Mr. H. C. Pope, the people's warden, said he would do at once. The rector handed in the report of the working society, which showed that during the year they had paid \$300 on the church debt and still had a balance after meeting all liabilities. The vestry was highly gratified at the splendid report of this working society, and passed a resolution, couched in very kindly terms, expressive of their appreciation, and requested the rector to convey the same to the society through its very capable and energetic president, Miss Pincombe. Since the improvements were finished the church has one of the finest chancels in the diocese.

Atwood.—The first quarterly meeting of the Rural Deanery of Perth was held here on May 13th. The Rev. Rural Dean Taylor, rector of St. Mary's, presided. The proceedings commenced with an administration of the Holy Communion at 10.40 a.m., succeeded by the meeting of the Chapter of the Deanery, consisting of the clergy, lay delegates and churchwardens. In the afternoon a Sunday School convention was held, at which the Rev. Dyson Hague, M.A., of the Memorial Church, London, gave an address upon Sunday School work, succeeded by a discussion led by the Rev. W. J. Spence, of Milverton. The Rev. A. F. Bourne, of Listowel, read a paper upon "How to Teach," and papers were read upon "The Sunday School Library," "The Sunday School a Missionary Society," and Sunday School Papers." Superintendents then gave a report of their work for the year. In the evening a missionary meeting was held, at which the Rev. T. B. Westgate, missionary from East Africa, and the Rev. Dyson Hague, gave stirring addresses.

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St. Alban's.—At the adjourned vestry meeting held on May 4th, Messrs. C. H. Holmes and J. Hatherley were appointed wardens for the ensuing year. It was decided to erect a shed and a hall if a sufficient sum of money could be raised for that purpose. A special committee was appointed to canvass the parish and to report again on June 15th next.

Ruri-Décanal Meeting.—The Ruri-Décanal Chapter of Essex met at St. Paul's Church, in this place, on Tuesday, May 12th, at 10 o'clock. The Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. W. H. Battersby, assisted by the Rev. J. B. Ward. At 11 o'clock the members met for business, the Rev. F. Chadwick, Rural Dean, in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary, and confirmed. Besides the clergy and lay delegates of the Chapter, there were present as visitors, Ven. Archdeacon Hill, of St. Thomas; the Rev. Canon Downie, Port Stanley; the Rev. J. Ross, Presbyterian minister of Essex. The Rural Dean gave on behalf of the Chapter a very hearty welcome to the Rev. K. Masters, who has just been appointed to Kingsville. The Secretary was instructed to send to the Rev. E. C. Jennings who has gone to Blenheim, the good wishes of the Chapter he has just left. The Chapter then placed on record its sense of the loss it had sustained in the removal by death of the Rev. Canon Matthews after long years of earnest and faithful work, and the Secretary was instructed to forward the same to his relatives. Canon Downie then gave a most original and interesting talk on "The Star of Blenheim," which brought out considerable discussion. A paper had been promised on "Confirmation" by the Rev. T. F. Whealen, but the writer was unable to attend. The Ven. Archdeacon Hill read his "Life of St. Patrick," which was much appreciated. The Rev. T. B. Westgate, of Mpapua, German East Africa, then gave an address on "African Missionary Work." His earnest words, his earnest account of difficulties and successes, and his deep faith of the ultimate success of the Gospel when preached, even in darkest Africa impressed strongly the brethren present, and he left with their earnest wishes and prayers that he might be abundantly blessed. Archdeacon Hill then pronounced the Benediction, and the Chapter adjourned to meet next time at All Saints', Windsor. The clergy and delegates were afterwards entertained by the Rev. G. B. and Mrs. Ward at the rectory.

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Winnipeg.—All Saints'.—A matter of considerable importance to the parishes of Holy Trinity and All Saints', namely, the bounds of the respective areas contributing to these churches, was discussed at a conference held in the school-room of this church on the evening of May 5th. On behalf of Holy Trinity, E. D. Martin, Capt. Corelli, Mr. H. Bruce Gordon and others attended as a deputation. Mr. Martin addressed the conference and explained the position of Holy Trinity with regard to the proposed sale of their present site and removal to a site on Kennedy between Portage and Broadway. He then suggested to All Saints' that it would be advisable in the interests of the parish and of the church at large if All Saints' selected a new site on Cornish Street south and west of their present site. That location would be more in the centre of All Saints' parish than the present one. Holy Trinity had not sold their site on Donald Street. The property between the church and Main Street, however, was becoming less of a residential and more of a business character, and in these circumstances he thought that if Holy Trinity could get a good price for their site, a price which would leave the church a sufficient working surplus, it would be to their advantage to rebuild on a fresh site more in the centre of the parish. He desired to place the position of Holy Trinity frankly before the parishioners of All Saints', so that they could act with full knowledge. W. J. Tupper, on behalf of All Saints', explained the position taken at a recent meeting of the two vestries. All Saints' had decided a year ago to erect their new church, and parish house on the present site. Toward the Building Fund a sum of \$12,000 had been collected on the understanding that the new church was to be built on the present site. Both the last annual meetings had decided that the present site was the only one which could hold the Fort Rouge portion of the parish. They still felt that they could not go on with their present rebuilding scheme if they did not build on the present site. At any rate, the authority of the numerous subscribers would be required if a change were to be made. It was finally decided by the All Saints' representatives, by a unanimous vote, to rebuild their church and parish house on the present site, and to go ahead with operations as soon as possible.

Brandon.—St. Matthew's.—The Rev. A. U. De Pencier, rector of this church, has accepted the

rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Vancouver, and will take charge on August 1st. The Rev. A. U. dePencier came to Brandon from St. James' Church, Toronto, where he was senior curate.

Wawanesa.—At the annual meeting of the parishioners of this parish, the Rev. J. W. Woolfe presiding, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: People's Warden, H. E. Holland; Clergyman's Warden, W. Manchester; Delegates to Synod, A. G. Scott and James Thornber; Vestrymen, A. F. Kempton, James Thornber, A. F. Tavernor, E. M. Whitley, James Homer, and S. W. Hardy.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

John Dart, D.D., Bishop, New Westminster, B.C.

Ashcroft.—St. Alban's.—The Rev. Frank Rickard, vicar of Surrey, has been appointed to the charge of this parish. Mr. Rickard is a young man who has been for three years at Surrey, and has been very successful in his work. He has at the present time two churches and six stations. He is a native of Ontario, and his wife is the daughter of a prominent rancher in Alberta. Mr. Rickard will not be able to take charge of the parish until the first Sunday in July.

CALEDONIA.

F. H. DuVernet, D.D., Bishop, Prince Rupert, B.C.

Prince Rupert.—The services on Easter Day were well attended at this place. The sailors of H.M.S. "Egeria" were present this year again, and every available seat in St. Andrew's Church Hall was filled. Bishop DuVernet, who preached at both services, was assisted by the Rev. E. P. Laycock, whom he had ordained deacon the Tuesday before Easter. There were thirty-three at the Easter Communion.

Port Essington. The Rev. W. F. Rushbrook has been much encouraged by the good attendance at church this season. At present the town is crowded with people waiting to get up the Skeena River by the river steamers when the water is high enough. Construction work along the river bank has begun, and this will be a busy summer.

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the King's Hall at the Holborn Restaurant for the remaining two days. Section D, which is entitled "The Church's Missions in non-Christian lands," will meet in two parallel sessions in the Caxton Hall, Westminster, and in the Council Chamber of the same building. Section E, "The Church's Missions in Christendom" is to be placed in the Hoare Memorial Hall of the Church House, while the most important and comprehensive subject of "The Anglican Communion" will be dealt with in the great Hall of the Church House. Lastly there comes Section G which is designated "The Church's Duty to the Young." This section will meet in Pepys Hall, Rochester Row, Westminster.

Children's Department.

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How angelic songs are blending

On this high triumphal day!

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From this world of sin and sadness

To those realms of fadeless light,

There to reign in endless gladness

In the righteous Father's sight.

On the clouds He rides victorious

To His throne beyond the skies,

There, within the veil all glorious,

To present His sacrifice;

Royal in His priestly splendor!

Well may angels incense bring,

And the saints unite to render

Songs of welcome to their King!

Brightness of the Father's glory,

Image of His love divine,

Reigning in the ages hoary

Ere the stars began to shine!

From the Father came he hither,

To His bosom He returns,

Leading His redeemed ones thither

Where the Triune Glory burns.

While His hands are raised extending

Blessings on His chosen few

They behold Him upward wending,

Passing 'neath the cloud from view;

But the promise He hath spoken,

"I am with you to the end,"

To His Church remains unbroken

Till He shall again descend.

Now Thou livest interceding

With the Father evermore,

Now Thy precious death art pleading

On that bright, eternal shore:

Bring us, Jesu, we implore Thee,

There to love, to praise, adore Thee,

There to lose ourselves in Thee.

—William Edgar Enman.

DOCTOR MARTIN'S HELPERS.

"The only way you can help is by keeping very quiet," said Doctor Martin to the little group of boys and girls waiting to hear how Miss Edith was that morning. "She doesn't need bouquets now, and you must not ring the door-bell to ask how she is, but just keep as still as mice. If she is kept quiet a few days, I think she will soon be well."

Then the busy doctor drove away down the street. There were a great many sick people just then, and he had little time to talk to any one who was well. The children whispered about Miss Edith, though they were a whole block away from her house, and were sorry they could not see her. On Sundays it seemed very strange to have a new teacher in the class-room,

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and, though Miss Mary did her best for the children, they all missed their dear teacher.

"I don't see how she can be quiet with all those old wagons rumbling past," said Nellie as eight hoofs pounded over the paved street. "I wish the streets were all soft and dusty like they are at grandpa's in the country."

"I wish they all had carpet over them," said John. "I guess it doesn't do much good for us to whisper when

they rattle and bang over the stones."

"Hur—!" began Tom, and then he clapped both hands over his mouth. "I've got a plan," he whispered loudly. Let's get a lot of that grass Mr. Richards wanted taken away from his lawn and spread it on the streets. It won't take us long with our little wagons."

They all wanted to shout "Hurrah!" at that, but they remembered what the doctor had said, and scurried away like mice for all the little wagons and



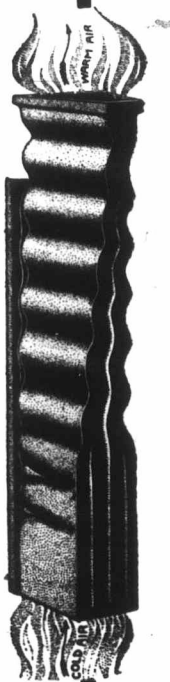
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wheelbarrows in the neighbourhood. Very soon there was a thick, soft grass carpet in front of Miss Edith's house, and the children were working like beavers up and down the street. The hoofs did not make a great noise after that, and even the heavy wheels moved softly over the grass.

"Here! what are you youngsters doing, scattering straw up and down this street?" said a gruff voice, and there stood a big policeman, all shining with brass buttons, and a heavy frown on his face. "You'll have to stop this nonsense at once."

"It's because Miss Edith is sick," said Roy, wiping the big drops off his red face. "Please don't talk quite so loud. The wagons rattled so, and Doctor Martin said she must be quiet. You won't make us take it off, will you?"

"No, indeed!" said the big man kindly. "Go right ahead and I'll help."

When the policeman took a big wheelbarrow and carted several loads of grass from the lawn, the children said he could wheel as much as a dozen wagons could carry, and the task was soon complete. Doctor Martin came the next morning, and was much surprised to find the street so quiet, until he saw the grass carpet.

"Miss Edith is much better, children," he said kindly. "So much better that I have just been telling her about my crowd of little helpers. I wish every patient I have could have such kind, helpful neighbours. Your carpet is doing more good than my medicine." And in a very short time Miss Edith was back in her place well and happy, all because of the doctor's helpers, she said, with a bright smile. —Hilda Richmond.

FRUIT, AND HOW TO EAT IT.

Many a young person, when dining or lunching out for the first time, has undergone much mental torment when dessert has made its appearance and the various kinds have been offered, through being wholly ignorant as to the correct way in which it should be eaten. He, or she, knows that there is a right way, as there most certainly is a wrong one, but is absolutely ignorant as to which is which, and ends either by refusing fruit altogether, or by taking it and feeling gauche and embarrassed. In the first case she feels she has appeared rude, in the second she is convinced she will appear clumsy and ignorant.

It really is not an easy matter to eat fruit gracefully, especially for a beginner, but the following few hints may help her to the confidence and ease which almost amounts to grace.

To begin with, let us take strawberries, which are now to be seen on most tables. These and raspberries, when served with their stalks on, should be held by the stalk, dipped first in the cream and then the sugar, and so conveyed to the mouth, the stalk being held in the fingers all the time, and laid in a little heap on one side of the plate. When the fruit is served without stalks use a fork to eat them with. Grapes are put singly into the mouth, first removing any piece of stem; a little practice will enable one to separate the skin and stones with the tongue while in the mouth; then eject them lightly into

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the hand, which should be half curved round the mouth, and so lay them on the plate. Gooseberries and cherries are eaten in the same way, so are muscatelles.

Stone fruit, such as peaches and nectarines and large plums, are peeled on the plate, using the knife and fork for the purpose; then cut open, extract the stone, and eat the fruit with a knife and fork in the ordinary way. Apples and pears and green figs are eaten in much the same way, only it is sometimes easier to cut them in quarters before peeling them. Oranges, which are perhaps the most troublesome of all fruits to manage, are manipulated in various ways, but the safest and simplest, perhaps, is to cut them in half, then into quarters, then cut the fruit free from the skin, a mouthful at a time as you want it, eating it with a knife and fork.

Pineapples are usually cut in slices before being passed to one. Take a slice and with knife and fork cut it in mouthfuls as required, taking care first to remove the hard outer rind and to try to avoid getting any of the hard knots into the mouth, as it is always unpleasant to have to eject anything. To eat melon use a dessert spoon and fork.

Nuts scarcely need any comment. Crack them with the crackers and convey them to the mouth in the fingers;

almonds should be eaten in the same way.

I had almost omitted to mention bananas, which, although not the choicest of fruits, and mainly a children's favourite, is one of the easiest and pleasantest of fruits to eat. Simply cut off one end or cut in half with the knife and fork, then cut into small mouthfuls and eat in the ordinary way.

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On April 29th the Bishop of Nebraska made a very notable visit to Silver Creek, a town of 500 inhabitants. This Mission is under the care of Mr. Felton, a lay reader and candidate for Holy Orders in the diocese. At 4 p.m. the Bishop held a Baptismal service, when His Lordship administered the Sacrament to 26 persons, varying in age from 1 to 45 years. In the past two months Mr. Felton has been instructing a class for Confirmation and at the evening service nine of these received the Apostolic Rite, but after the service was over three more came to the Bishop and signified their desire to be confirmed also. This the Bishop was willing to do and, going back to the church, the service was repeated. On the following morning there was to be a celebration of the Holy Communion, and, to the surprise of the congregation, three other persons, who had come to a decision during the night, were confirmed and made their first Communion with the rest of the newly confirmed candidates. The total confirmed numbered 15, which is the largest class on record in this Mission.

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