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Lady Correspondents should make their return to the Treasurer yearly. All remittances for any current year should be made to Messrs. Coutts before the 20th December at the latest, and the return sent in to the Treasurer, V. A. Williamson, Esq., 32, Lower Belgrave Street, S.W., as soon after as convenient. Any Lady Correspondent wanting the printed forms for making the return can be supplied on application to the Treasurer.

N.B.-All money should be paid to Messrs. Courts, to account of "The

Qu' Appelle Diocesan Fund."

#### NOTICES.

Church Needlework. -Mrs. Wasbrough, 13, Philbeach Gardens, S.W. It is requested that anyone who will undertake to do some needlework for any of the Churches, or who will contribute towards the purchase of materials, &c., will write to Mrs. Wasbrough, who has undertaken to organise and direct the work, so that the needs of the various parishes may be, as far as possible, met systematically. Pieces of silk, velvet, &c., can be utilised if sent to Mrs. Wasbrough. Workers, and subscriptions towards purchase of materials, are greatly needed.

Size of all Altars in the Diocese: length 7 feet, width 2 feet 3 inches, height

3 feet 3 inches.

Correspondence about making Altar linen or surplices should be addressed to the Sister Caroline, Alverton, Truro.

Working Parties .- Useful and inexpensive clothing of all kinds is very acceptable. Wall pockets are much liked, also sofa cushions and pin-cushions, not Knitted things of every description, long wide "comforters," knitted waistcoats and long stockings are all acceptable. Gloves or mitts (a receipt for the latter can be obtained from Mrs. Wasbrough, 13, Philbeach Gardens, S.W.) are most useful. Children's vests, &c., should be made with long sleeves. All woollen materials can be bought of far better quality and at a lower price in England than in Canada. If working parties would with their kind contributions also (as some have already done) send a few shillings towards the cost of shipping, &c., they would relieve the Mission funds of a considerable burden. All gifts of Church work, articles for sale, &c., will be acknowledged in the Occasional Paper.

All parcels for the Parcels .- Miss Mountain, 14, Argyle Square, W.C. Mission should be sent to Miss Mountain, who will be glad to receive contributions, however small, towards the expenses of freight. The name and address of the sender should be written on the outside of each parcel, and a letter should be sent by post at the same time, stating the contents of the parcel, the value at cost price, and the name of the person for whom it is intended (unless it is for the general use of the Mission). Articles for bazaars should not have prices affixed, as this increases the duty charged on entering Canada. Miss Mountain will be glad if each article sent is ticketed with the name of the sender. This will ensure each gift to the Mission being acknowdledge on its arrival at Qu'Appelle. The kind senders of parcels are earnestly begged to pay attention to these directions, as by so doing they will save a great deal of unnecessary trouble and correspondence.

Collecting Boxes.—Miss G. M. Montgomerie, Gissing Hall, Diss. Collecting boxes for the Mission, price 4d. and 6d., may be had on application to Miss G. M. Montgomerie, who has kindly undertaken this work during Miss M. C. Garnier's absence from home.

Books.—Miss Hope, 47, Montagu Square, W. Books of all kinds are very welcome to the Clergy and others working in the Diocese. They are needed for Sunday Schools, for Parochial Libraries, and for the personal use of the Clergy, and therefore stories, biographies, travels, books of theology, &c., are equally useful. Light reading for the long winter evenings is frequently asked for. The book postage to Canada is the same as to any part of England, viz., a halfpenny for two oz. Anyone who has old books or magazines to give away, or who is willing to send new books from time to time, is asked to write in the first instance to Miss Hope, who will send the address of the parish or Clergyman to whom they will be most useful. The titles of the books should be given, and it should be stated whether they are old or new.

Contributions towards a small fund for purchasing second-hand books and cheap editions of standard works, and also towards their postage, will be gratefully received by Miss Hope.

Newspapers and Magazines.—Rev. W. E. Hobbes, Ocle Pychard Vicarage, Hereford. A Register of the periodicals posted to the Qu'Appelle clergy by friends of the Mission is kept by Mr. Hobbes. He will gladly send a name and address to anyone willing to forward a newspaper or magazine.

Indian Work.—Miss Webster, 4, West View Terrace, Droitwich Road, Worcester. Miss Webster will gladly supply information about Indian Work.

New Local Branches. — The Rev. Canon Liddell, Welton Vicarage, Daventry. Canon Liddell will supply information about the formation of new branches of the Association.

Occasional Paper.—The Rev. Arthur Krauss, Branksome, Bournemouth. Application for copies should be made to the Rev. Arthur Krauss, who will also receive the annual subscription for the paper. He can supply back numbers, if required. Notice of change of address should be sent to him. Reports from the Secretaries of the Branches will be welcomed by the Editor, and would, if possible, be inserted in the next number. Contributions should reach him before the 15th of January, April, July and October.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICES.

It is requested that all remittances to Messrs. Coutts and Co. may be paid to the "Qu'Appelle Diocesan Fund," before Dec. 20th in each year.

V. A. WILLIAMSON, Treasurer.

Contributions in money to any of the objects named in the Occa-SIONAL PAPER may be sent at any time to the Assistant Treasurer, H. A. Grieg, Esq., 12, Lansdowne Place, Blackheath Hill, S.E.

A lady is willing to contribute a quantity of art pottery to any sale of work which is being organised for the Diocese of Qu'Appelle. Application for this gift should be made to the Rev. Arthur Krauss, Branksome, Bournemouth.

### THE OCCASIONAL PAPER.

Subscriptions for the Occasional Paper for the year 1898 may now be sent to the Editor, or to the Secretaries of the local branches. About 700 persons receive the paper, and if each of these would send the sum of one shilling, the subscription asked, the paper could be carried on without charging any deficit to any other fund; indeed, it is possible that at the end of the year a small balance might be transferred to the General Fund.

Unfortunately many who receive the paper do not remit the small subscription asked for, and as a consequence a large deficit on this account is incurred each year. Hitherto the deficit has been kindly met by one friend, but we think that this ought not to be the case. We trust, therefore, that everyone will send us their subscription at an early date that we may not fall into debt. We venture to remind

our readers that a prompt payment has a double value.

We have been urged to frame a fresh rule, by which subscribers of small amounts to our funds would not enjoy the privilege of receiving a copy of our paper unless the subscription of one shilling be paid; but we are very unwilling to take this step, since the paper is a valuable means of rousing and preserving an interest in the work in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, but we feel sure that we shall receive so kindly a response to this appeal that we shall be able to send our magazine to everyone who helps in our work, whether they be subscribers of large or of small amounts.

Our readers will welcome the article kindly written for this number by Canon Dugmore, and we are glad to be able to give notice that Bishop Anson, Canon Liddell, and the Rev. L. Dawson, some time a priest in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, have each promised an article for the present year.

Any spare copies of Nos. 1 to 15 of the Occasional Paper

would be gratefully received by the Rev. Arthur Krauss.

# EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM THE BISHOP.

The Bishop, writing on November 11th, says:-

"Mr. Kettle has gone to the Gordon's School for the winter. On Sunday I opened a new Church at Josephburgh for the ranchers at the Cypress Hills, south of Medicine Hat. I drove seventy-five miles, half of it in the rain, consecrated the Church and preached at Evensong in Medicine Hat. It was the longest drive I have ever had in one day. It necessitated starting from Medicine Hat at 5.45 a.m., and I arrived back at 6.30 p.m. . . . On Wednesday, October 27th, we had the consecration of a very pretty little Church in the Qu'Appelle valley at a place called Ellesboro', in the Rev. T. G. Beal's mission. It was a glorious day, the service was excellently arranged and a large number were present. . . . The service was fully choral."

On November 24th he writes :-

"For the last ten weeks I have been very busy visiting as many parts of the Diocese as possible before the long winter sets in. We are greatly in need of ampler means and additional workers. A clergyman is now needed for the field between Regina and Qu'Appelle Station, and another to take up work between Indian Head and Grenfell."

On December 10th he writes :-

"We need money for the opening out of new missions at three points on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. It is most desirable that we should occupy these, as they are points of advantage for the future."

# NOTES OF THE BISHOP'S VISIT TO THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE DIOCESE.

On Wednesday, November 10th, I left Indian Head by the Canadian Pacific Railroad, and the same evening reached Estevan, where Mr. F. E. Pratt is the lay reader; his mission includes Estevan, Roche Persee, Portal, and some points north of Estevan. The Rev. W. Watson, of Moosejaw, accompanied me over Mr. Pratt's district. Thursday morning dawned bright and clear, and although the first snow

of early winter had fallen, we drove to Roche Persee on wheels. Here we had a Confirmation and a Celebration. Four candidates were confirmed. It was a very touching scene; the service was held in a very small house or shanty. In the next house, a few yards away, an aged woman lay dying, the mother-in-law of two of the candidates, and the grandmother of the youngest candidate; to her we carried the sacrament of the Body and Blood of the Lord. She has since entered into rest.

In the afternoon we drove back to Estevan. In the neat little stone Church (the last Church which the late beloved Bishop consecrated), we had Evensong. There was a very good congregation and the Service was bright and hearty. Mr. Pratt is evidently doing a good work in

this district; he hopes to be ordained Deacon next spring.

The following day (Friday) I left for Oxbow, where I was the guest of the Rev. G. P. Terry, who is the priest-in-charge of a very extensive district. Here again a very fair congregation gathered together for Evensong. The Church is a large room in the middle of the Parsonage, and when it is not needed for Service it is used as a sitting room. This was probably the best arrangement that was possible in the early days of the Diocese, but now either a new Church or a new Parsonage is urgently needed. This building has never been finished, and has never had storm windows, and as the weather had now turned colder and there was a strong wind blowing, Mrs. Terry was able to gather handfuls of snow from her pillow where she slept. There was quite a keen frost in the bedrooms.

The next day (Saturday) Mr. Terry and I went on to Gainsbro', about forty miles from Oxbow, where a new stone Church was to be consecrated. In spite of a small blizzard some members of the choir drove in from Pierson, a distance of eight miles. The consecration took place on Sunday morning, November 14th. In the afternoon Holy Baptism and Confirmation were administered. In the evening there was a very large congregation. I preached at the morning and evening services. There was a specially good choir, and the result of the offertories at the three services was that the Church and organ are entirely free from debt. Nearly all the inhabitants of Gainsbro', a small town of about one hundred people, and most of the settlers in the vicinity have cheerfully assisted in the building of the first Church

of the district; not only Church people, but Presbyterians, Baptists, and Methodists have helped, either by gifts or by personal labour. On Monday evening there was a very successful entertainment in honour of the Consecration of the Church and in aid of the necessary

furnishings.

On my way home I visited Oxbow, Estevan and Moosejaw, and, as I had been much delayed by want of railway facilities, I determined to stay over at Qu'Appelle Station for Sunday, November 21st, where our veteran and much respected clergyman, the Rev. J. P. Sargent, had a nice class ready for Confirmation. I held the Confirmation in St. Peter's Pro-Cathedral on the Sunday morning, and Mr. Sargent's

son drove me over to Bishop's Court in the afternoon. The whole trip

occupied nearly twelve days.

Now, with the exception of Saltcoats, Yorkton, Broadview, Cannington Manor, and Maple Creek and the Indian Missions, I have been over almost the whole of the Diocese. In the twelve weeks from August 30th to November 21st I have travelled over three thousand miles by rail, four hundred miles by road, held ten Confirmations, consecrated three new Churches (Josephburgh, Ellesboro', Gainsbro'), preached thirty times, and given twenty-nine addresses. Everywhere both Clergy and laity have given me a most cordial welcome. The devotion of the Clergy to their work is very striking. Their life is lonely and their labours severe, but cheerfully they labour on. They are doing excellent service for Christ and His Church.

During the winter season I hope to have leisure to think over the whole work in the Diocese, its needs and its resources, its drawbacks and its encouragements, and thus with a personal knowledge of the field, the work and the workers, to form plans for the future. In the formation of these I look for the Divine guidance, and in the carrying of them out I securely rely on the sympathy, intercessions and co-operation of our more privileged brothers and sisters in the mother Church at home.

I. Ou'Appelle.

at home.

December 10th, 1897.

#### PARISH NEWS.

MEDICINE HAT.—The BISHOP visited Medicine Hat on October 23rd and 24th. He arrived on the Saturday, and early on Sunday morning he drove to Josephburg, a distance of thirty-five miles, to consecrate the new Church there, which has been built by the settlers. There was a good congregation notwithstanding the unfavourable weather. The Service consisted of shortened Matins followed by the Consecration Service. The BISHOP preached, dwelling on the meaning of the ceremony, the uses to which the Church would be put, and the spirit in which the worshippers should enter into the Services.

The BISHOP preached in St. Barnabas' Church in the evening, and on Monday confirmed several candidates. In the evening of Monday,

a reception was held in the Reading Room.

WHITEWOOD AND WAPELIA.—The reports of the Harvest Thanksgiving at these places and the Mission Churches have reached us. At St. Mathew's, Forest Farm, the harvest festival was combined with the feast of the Dedication of the Church. At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Whitewood, the Church was decorated with autumn foliage and grain. The sermon at one of the services was preached by the Rev. J. S. Chivers. At Christ Church, Wapella, the harvest festival was commenced on September 30th, and continued on Sunday,

October 3rd. The sermon on the 30th was preached by the Rev. C. Williams, of Moosomin, and on Sunday, September 3rd, there were fourteen Communions made after a service of preparation on the previous evening. No details of the harvest services at Park, Sunnymead, Fairmede, and Poplar Grove have reached us, but the offerings from these places, together with those at Whitewood, Wapella, and Forest Farm, amounted to 39 dollars (£8), which was given to the Diocesan Fund.

The BISHOP visited Wapella on Monday, October 4th, and confirmed ten candidates. The Confirmation was followed by a Celebration of the HOLY COMMUNION, when all the newly confirmed were admitted to their first Communion.

Saltcoats.—We regret to record the death of Evelina Elizabeth Teitelbaum, wife of the Rev. T. A. Teitelbaum, which took place at Saltcoats, after a very short illness, on Sunday, October 17th, at the early age of 32. Many at Saltcoats will miss her kind help in all good

work, as well as her ready sympathy in sorrow or distress.

A sad accident occurred at the Saltcoats Hospital on Monday, January 3rd. One of the nurses, Miss Minnie Biggins, having gone into the basement of the building to attend to the heating stove, by some accident broke her lamp and set fire to her clothing. Her parents, who have lived at Whitewood for some years, were at once telegraphed for, but Miss Biggins' injuries were so severe that they only reached the hospital in time to see their daughter before her death. Our readers will sympathise with Mr. and Mrs. Biggins, who have both been Church workers at Whitewood for many years.

ESTEVAN.—A very successful concert took place in September; the Ladies' Guild provided the necessary tea and refreshments; a sum of £3 7s. was raised for the fund for reseating the Church. The Church has been improved by the addition of a second floor; the cost of which, about £5, was the gift of a friend.

FORT QU'APPELLE.—This mission was visited by the BISHOP on Sunday, October 31st. He Celebrated and preached in Christ Church, Abernethy, in the morning, preached at Katepwa in the afternoon, and in the evening at Fort Qu'Appelle, where he received an address of welcome just before Evensong.

GRENFELL.—At Ellisboro', one of the out-stations of Grenfell, a new Church was consecrated on the 27th of October. The Clergy, six in number, and the BISHOP robed in the hall, which has hitherto

been used for services. The hymn, "The Church's one Foundation," was sung in procession before the Service, and after the consecration had taken place the BISHOP preached on the subject of worship. The Church is a wooden building consisting of chancel, belfry and nave, and is capable of holding seventy-five or eighty worshippers. It is dedicated to St. John the Baptist. Much needs to be done to the interior, for with the exception of Altar, lectern and reading desk, there is but little or no furniture. Suitable benches or chairs, and other necessaries must be provided as the funds for the purpose are raised. A very successful tea and entertainment closed a very happy day for the people at Ellisboro'.

The Grenfell Magazine for December records the gifts of Chalice and Paten for use at St. John's, Ellisboro', from Canon Osler, and a

carpet for the Chancel.

MOOSEJAW.—The BISHOP visited Moosejaw on October 16th and 17th. He arrived Saturday, October 16th, and confirmed a number of candidates in the afternoon. Our report says—"The invocation of the Holy Ghost was sung kneeling, just before the laying-on of hands. The BISHOP gave two addresses, conveying straightforward teaching about the gift in Confirmation, and what is to be expected of those who have been confirmed."

In the evening the BISHOP received addresses of welcome from the Priest and wardens of Moosejaw, and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to which he responded suitably, and gave some account of his recent visit to England. On the Sunday there were two Celebrations; at the first the newly confirmed received their first Communion. The second Celebration was choral, and the BISHOP preached on St. Luke xii. 16-21. Nearly forty persons made their communions at these two Celebrations.

A very attractive localised Almanack has reached us from Moosejaw. The local information concerning the Church, the Diocese, and the

Parish, are well arranged, and should be very helpful.

Qu'Appelle Station.—A new Church is projected in this mission at Edgeley, where services have been held for some years in one of the farm houses. A sum of about 200 dollars (£40) has already been collected by Mrs. Cameron of Edgeley, who hopes before long to raise another 100 dollars, which it is thought will be sufficient to build at least the walls, and add doors and windows, so that the building, even if unfinished, may be used for service, instead of an inconvenient kitchen in a small farmhouse. Mrs. Cameron, when acknowledging a contribution of knitted articles for sale for the benefit of her building fund, gives some particulars which may be of interest to our English workers. Tam o' Shanters, she expects, will find a ready sale, jerseys for boys and girls, and children's petticoats she sold readily, but socks

for children do not find a ready sale, "no Canadians let their children wear anything but long stockings; for these there is a great demand."

The Rev. W. G. Lyon, who worked in the Diocese from 1887 to 1892, writes the following interesting account of a visit to the Diocese in the latter part of last year:-"I have been passing through the North West on my way to New Zealand, and have managed to visit Moosomin, Qu'Appelle and Medicine Hat. When I left the Diocese of Qu'Appelle for England in 1892, the North West was in a very poor way; seasons and prices were bad, and consequently people were depressed and losing heart. Now there is a striking difference, the last two years having been good, and everybody seems cheerful and contented. I was able to spend a Sunday at Moosomin, and enjoyed the services very much. The Bishop was there, visiting the place for the first time since his return from England, and we had good congregations and bright musical services. In the afternoon we drove to Fleming, a distance of eight miles, over the prairie, where there is a district Church. The town of Moosomin has grown considerably since I left in 1892, and some substantial buildings have been put up, besides some very nice private houses. The weather was perfect during my visit-brilliant sunshine, calm warm days and cool nights-wonderful for the second week in November. At Qu'Appelle I saw Mr. Sargent and Mr. Beal, and had a very pleasant visit, meeting many old friends and talking over old times. Mr. Sargent drove me out to the Cemetery, and I was able to take a good photograph of Bishop Burn's monument. handsome one, and in excellent taste—a fine, pure white marble cross on a marble base. The arms of the Diocese, also a mitre and pastoral staff, are carved on the base, and a simple and suitable inscription. If the photograph turns out as I expect I will send some copies for distribution. From Qu'Appelle I travelled to Medicine Hat, Mr. Cunliffe meeting me at Swift Current. At Medicine Hat I found Mr. Nicolls waiting for me at the station, and he took me over to Mr. Fatt's house, where I was to stay. I found many Church people I had known in 1887-89 were gone away, but some of the old devoted members of the congregation are still there, and it was a great pleasure to meet them again. The Church at Medicine Hat continues to be, in my mind, one of the prettiest and best proportioned in the Diocese. Mr. Nicolls is very energetic about building an Indian school close to the Church, on some lots just purchased, and I hope he will be successful in carrying out his plans. From Medicine Hat I came West to Calgary. Archdeacon Cooper is here, at one time a Priest in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, and is much respected and loved by his people. The services on Sunday were a great comfort and help, and the congregations large and devout. Dr. Cooper is evidently doing a very good work. It seems quite like old times to be staying in Mounted Police Barracks, and I met many old friends amongst the men. To give some idea of the varied work the mounted police have to do, I will tell you that on Sunday night, after our return from Church, a sergeant came and reported that the floating ice on the river had become jammed, and had forced the water to take a new channel, flooding some land near and endangering a house built on the bank, in which were two women and some children. One of the women had come to the barracks for help. Superintendent Perry ordered the police to go to the rescue with waggons, &c., and in the intense cold-14° below zero—they set to work, and by half-past one in the morning women, children, and furniture, were all moved to another house. On Monday some of the men had to go seventeen miles to attend an inquest. To-morrow they may be called upon to perform some entirely different duties. I am leaving to-night for Vancouver, if I can get away, but it seems rather doubtful, as a luggage train broke through the bridge into the Bow River last night, and the line is, consequently, blocked. Everyone is talking about Klondyke, and numbers of young men are going from the North West in the Spring. I do hope something may be done in the way of providing Churches and Clergy for the thousands of Church people going into that terrible country.'

### WORK AMONG THE INDIANS.

GORDON'S RESERVE.—The Rev. A. Kettle has been placed in temporary charge of this Mission and School. He writes to a correspondent at Grenfell: "I am confronted by the great clothes question. We are terribly hard up for clothes for the children (of the School) for this winter, especially for boys. . . . What we chiefly want is clothing for the boys, and socks and stockings for the boys and girls." It is, we fear, too late now to supply this need for this winter, but many of our friends can knit warm clothing that such a need may not be felt next winter in Gordon's Indian School.

The following letter from Mr. Kettle will be read with much interest.

He writes on December 3rd, 1897:-

"The BISHOP has asked me to write an account of the work among the natives on the Gordon's Reserve at Touchwood, and I do so most willingly as I want our Church people in England to understand what

is being done.

"First of all there is what one may call the parochial work of the Mission. The Reserve is practically the parish of the mission priest. On the Reserve are some ten or eleven definitely Christian families, who are fairly regular attendants at Church, and many of whom are communicants; with these one has much the same work as in a parish in England, or among settlers in Canada. They come to Church well, especially the younger men; the number of communicants has, however, sadly fallen off, owing no doubt largely to there having been no resident clergyman among them since last March, until I was sent here a month ago. Besides these there are a few nominal Christians,

baptized, but living practically heathen lives; some others, about four families, are avowedly heathen; both these latter classes are very hard to reach, and, as far as one can see, there is little hope of their accepting

Christianity until they adopt a more civilised mode of life.

"Next, there is the school; it is a boarding school, with at present only twenty-three scholars; the children are between the ages of seven and eighteen. They all belong to this reserve except five, who come from a neighbouring reserve; these last are unbaptized, but nearly all the others are baptized. The School is supported largely by Government grant, but we also have help in money from the Diocesan funds, and in clothing from the Women's Auxiliary in Eastern Canada, and from England. Our full number is thirty-five, that is, we have accommodation for that number, and the Government is prepared to give capitation grant for them, so that it is greatly to be desired that we should have our full thirty-five pupils. We are fortunate in having a solid stone building for our School, with large, airy rooms, but which can be kept warm enough in winter. The staff consists of the Missionary on the reserve, who is also Principal of the School; the Head Master, who has charge of the house and does all the teaching; his wife is Matron, and his daughter also helps in the house. The financial side is the charge of a committee appointed by the Bishop, of which he is chairman. School hours are from nine to twelve, and from a quarter past one to three o'clock, but the elder children are not always in school all the time. All the children help in various works; the boys attend to the stables and cows, chop the firewood and so forth; the girls learn to sew, wash, clean, and all the regular round of household work. I cannot say that at first sight they are interesting children, but, as some of us have been taught, 'if we think anyone uninteresting, it is only because we do not know them,' and one soon finds out that each of them have their own individuality, their own character, their good points and their bad ones. Perhaps the most important point, and certainly the most difficult, is to teach them habits of steady work; it is engrained into their nature to be easy-going and lazy. Until recent years the Cree Indians had no need to work steadily, as the buffaloes supplied them with abundance of food and clothing without trouble; now the buffaloes are gone they find it hard to settle down to work, but this they must do if they are to live, and it is this we try to teach the children. Their religious education is entirely in our own hands; we have school Prayers morning and evening, and besides this many of them come to Evensong of their own free-will. I give them half an hour's religious instruction every school day, and Sunday-school on Sunday evening.

"Such is a brief sketch of our work. It is not altogether encouraging work; the Missionary of necessity lives in great spiritual isolation, he has to learn never to expect any sign of gratitude from those among whom he works. I am far from thinking that we have yet found the ideal plan of dealing with our Indian and half-breed children, but at any rate when they leave school they have some elementary knowledge

of the Christian faith, they can read sufficiently well, and write an excellent hand; they can speak English, and they know how to work at manual work. One of our girls, a pure Indian, left the school two months ago to be married, and her house is now one of the neatest and cleanest in the reserve, so we have something for which to thank God and take courage."

### THE WORK IN ENGLAND.

Welton.—Canon Liddell writes on November 14th:—"I had a good meeting on behalf of Qu'Appelle, and especially Saltcoats Hospital, on Friday, the 12th, and gave a lecture with lantern views of Canada and Qu'Appelle. The collection amounted in the room to £2 17s. 6d., and with £1 1s. afterwards added, to £3 18s. 6d. With regard to lantern slides: could we not manage to have a small set of coloured slides, say of the various people in the Diocese—Indian, Chinese, English settlers, Galicians, Hungarians, &c., also of appliances for travelling?

THE REV. F. WELLS JOHNSON, the priest in charge of the Fort Qu'Appelle Mission, is at present in England. He expects to return to his Mission in time for Easter, leaving England about March 20th. His English address is Millfield, Worcester Park, Surrey. During his visit to England he has been working for the S.P.G., and we hear that he has promised his assistance in starting a new branch of the Association at Ifracombe.

BOURNEMOUTH.—Report of the branch for 1897. This branch consists of twenty-two formally admitted associates, and about eighteen other friends and subscribers. There have been two Intercessory meetings held in St. Peter's Church during the past year. At the first, on January 25th, after the Office had been said by the Vicar, the Bishop of Qu'Appelle made an earnest appeal for help for the Diocese. The second Intercessory meeting was held on November 19th. The Rev. Canon Fisher said the Office and gave an address.

On July 13th a drawing-room meeting was held in the house of the local Secretary, an account of which has already been given in this paper. At all these meetings collections were made, amounting in all to £7 8s. 8d. Through the kindness of the Rev. C. G. Doyne, there was an offertory for Qu'Appelle at All Saints Church, Branksome, on St. Andrew's Day.

The subscriptions and donations during the year amounted in all to £21 8s. 8d.—about £2 less than in 1896.

A good collection of needlework was contributed by the Associates and other friends. It consisted of all kinds of warm clothing, fancy articles, dolls, &c., enough to fill a large packing-case. In addition to this there were a few gifts of Church embroidery, including a beautifully worked fair linen cloth, and some white silk alms bags. The box of things for sale was taken out by Bishop Grisdale on his return to Canada, and in the course of a few weeks the Secretary received a letter of thanks from Mrs. Grisdale, who said that the Missions at Indian Head, Qu'Appelle Station, Whitewood and Grenfell had all been assisted from the box, as well as Gordon's Indian School, Touchwood Hills.

We regret to say that Miss Galpin is unable to continue the work she has done so well for the Association in Bournemouth. The secretaryship has been undertaken by Miss Bressey, who is glad to be able to make known the following arrangements. By the kindness of Canon Fisher the Intercession Office of the Association will be said at St. Peter's Church monthly; on the last Wednesday in the month, immediately after the Litany, at 12.30, or after the Choral Celebration

if the last Wednesday in the month be a Saint's day.

By the kindness of the Vicars of the several Churches, a special remembrance of the Mission and its needs will be made at the usual parish Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at St. Peter's, monthly, on the last Tuesday in each month; at St. Stephen's, quarterly, on the first Friday in March, June, September and December; at All Saints, Branksome, quarterly, on the first Tuesday in February, May, August and November. Friends of the Mission resident or visiting in or near Bournemouth will be specially welcomed at any of these Services.

#### NEEDS.

(1) Larger means to enable the Bishop to open new missions

at at least three points. See the Bishop's letters.

(2) Men and workers, especially for vacant missions—Touchwood Post, Yorkton, Cannington Manor, Craven and Pense; also Gordon's Reserve.

(3) More helpers in England.

(4) For the following parishes:—Whitewood, New Stone Church; Saltcoats, help for the hospital; Estevan, Church improvement; Grenfell, money for the completion of the Church at Ellisboro'; Qu'Appelle Station, money for building and furnishing the new Church at Edgeley.

(5) Work among the Indians—more workers.

### OBITUARY.

MRS. HARVEY.

The Diocese of Qu'Appelle has lost a kind and generous friend by the death of Mrs. Harvey, of the Cliff, Shanklin. She was a friend ever ready to help. The Winchester Diocesan Chronicle, for December last, speaks of her good works in that Diocese; of the institution at Broadlands, Newport, founded and maintained by her, for the gratuitous training of girls for service; of the Home of Rest for the Girls' Friendly Society; of her liberal contributions to the funds of Connaught House, Winchester, and St. Catharine's Home at Ventnor; and many other "It is impossible," the Chronicle adds, "to enumerate all her acts of benevolence, for many are known only to the recipients; but many institutions and many individuals will deplore the loss of a kind and sympathetic friend." Mrs. Harvey subscribed the sum of £50 annually to the funds of the Association; we trust that our friends will do their best to fill this gap in our subscription list.

# ON THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT.

I am told by the Editor to write a short paper dealing with the spirit in which work for Foreign Missions should be taken up in our home parishes. I do not propose to indicate the details of such work; that will probably be done by others later on. It seems to me that the first thing is to attempt to lay a foundation of principles which may tend to make work of this kind more real to the workers, and

may stimulate them to greater earnestness in it.

At first sight, indeed, the efforts of people at home in support of Foreign Missions would seem to be important only in a financial sense, as directed to the prosaic and uninteresting purpose of scraping together a quota from each home parish as its contribution to the funds for maintaining missions and missionaries. An important work this, doubtless, for money is necessary to missionary enterprise, as to all others, but singularly unattractive to some minds as an object. If I can show that the actual money-getting, however necessary, is by no means the most important part of the work; that real strength, apart from the matter of money supplies, may go out from our parishes at home, to help and invigorate the actual missionary operations abroad; that the members of the Church in England may take a real part in Christianising the world; it may be that some readers of this paper will be heartened to do, far more cheerfully because far more hopefully. what they have undertaken to do for the special Mission represented by this magazine, and for missions generally.

And to begin, let us remind ourselves of the great Commission which at the first the Church received from her Divine Founder. It has been termed the "marching orders" of the Christian Army. It bade her to spread the spiritual kingdom of Christ throughout the whole wide world, to bring all humankind into discipleship and obedience to Him. No other duty, however urgent, can dispense with this primary obligation. Not the interests of the Church at home, nor the need to make efficient her already professed soldiers, nor the work of raising the ideal of Christian life and character: none of these may be neglected, yet none of them must be allowed to stand in the way of the performance of the Church's first duty, that of spreading the spiritual kingdom and of subduing the world to Christ.

Nevertheless, after nearly nineteen centuries of Christianity, the world is not christianised. Whole races are still outside its pale. There are still vast tracts of continent which the feet of Christian teachers have never trodden, where the Name of Christ has never been heard. And besides this, sad experience has shown that there exists a real danger of the wholesale lapse into unbelief of the emigrants from Christian lands into countries in process of settlement, unless the life of Christianity is kept up by a supply to them of the means of grace

from their mother country.

We naturally ask what is the reason of the slow increase of CHRIST'S

Realm.

The answer will be found if we think of a great Principle of the Divine Government. God has, if we may venture to say it, imposed upon Himself a rule that man must feel a want before He will supply it; that it cannot be supplied until it is felt. There are natural analogies which illustrate this Principle. God supplies His creatures with food, but as a matter of fact they do not seek food until they feel hunger. It is true of spiritual things: "Open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it." "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for

they shall be filled.'

Now there is a solidarity about the Christian Church which makes this realisation of want an essential condition of successful missionary work. As a man must feel and realise with his mind his hunger before he will transmit the needful physical energy to his hands to supply him with food, so the Church must realise in her central being the want of the world's evangelisation, or she will not transmit the needful spiritual energy to her organs, the actual missionaries, for their work to be wholly successful. Looking back on Church history, we find that she was for many centuries lamentably deficient in any yearning desire for spiritual conquest outside her territory—in other words, she was deficient in the missionary spirit; and no wonder if her missionary efforts have been at best only half successful, and sometimes wholly failures.

We may not unreasonably call our home parishes the centre and heart of our portion of the Catholic Church. Here we are in the full light of the Gospel Revelation, here the Christian life beats strongly and warmly, the influences of sacramental grace are circulating freely and fully, the malign power of the Evil One is kept at bay and minimised by the spiritual presence of the INCARNATE, the ministers of

the Church are surrounded by a circle of earnest and prayerful laity; while there, where our missionaries are at work, are all the sinister influences of heathenism, they work beneath the chilling shadow of unbelief, of false belief, of gross impurity, all but lonely standardbearers in a hostile country, with nothing to hearten them, and everything to dishearten them, in their efforts after conquest in the name of CHRIST.

Accordingly, the stirring and maintenance of the missionary spirit among ourselves is of the highest possible importance to the success of the missionary work of the Church. You and I may not be called to go out into the Mission Field ourselves; we have perforce to leave this to braver or less encumbered soldiers than we are. But we are unquestionably called to do each his or her part in keeping up the fire of missionary zeal at home. If each and all of us burned with desire for the evangelisation of the world, heathendom would soon be absorbed into the Realm of CHRIST. Who shall say that some features of spreading the Kingdom are not owing-not to the incompetence of missionaries but to the lukewarmness of ourselves?

I shall do no more than indicate three ways open to us at home, whether clergy or laity, of exciting and maintaining the Missionary

spirit.

(1) By giving and drawing increased attention to the cause of foreign and colonial missions. Let us try to realise ourselves, and make our neighbours realise, the exceeding bitter cry of the heathen world. The cry "Come over and help us" may be unconscious and inarticulate, like that of a fevered child, but it is real. Humanity wants CHRIST, and can never be really satisfied without Him, His Revelation, His Love.

(2) By earnest and methodical intercession for missions—in our private prayers, at family worship, in informal gatherings for missionary litanies, in Church offices, above all in the Church's great Prayer-Meeting, the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. In some sort our

prayers are essential to the success of missions.

(3) By self-sacrificing effort in one way or another. Desire for a blessing without prayer for it is fictitious; prayer without self-sacrifice is hypocritical. The heart of the Church must be right with God, if her hands are to present, in converted nations, an acceptable offering to her LORD. E. E. D.

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