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# The Church Chronicle.

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TORONTO, AUGUST, 1863.

VOI. I.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Read at the public Meeting, on Wednesday Evening, 10th June last.

"That the Almighty has been pleased to make the propagation of the Gospel dependent on the exertions of His church is more a matter of fact than of theory. The responsibility therefore incurred by any branch of the Church of Christ when the necessary work is either declined, or prosecuted in a languid spirit, is undoubtedly great. A positive and unqualified injunction remains on record both as a warning and as a guide, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Nor can there be a more striking manifestation of the vitality of a church than sincere and persistent efforts to carry out this high commission to its fulfilment. Under this conviction your committee submit the 21st Annual Report of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, in the hope that a statement of its past operations and present labours may awaken a warmer interest than has hitherto been manifested in its prosperity.

"The Society's first and principal aim is the support and encouragement of Missions. Yet, with an uncertain income at the best, manifestly disproportionata to the objects it designs to accomplish, its missionary efforts necessarily vary in accordance with the increase or diminution of its funds. Even at the present moment all available means are almost exclusively absorbed in the maintenance of missionaries who have been labouring for several years under the auspices of the Society, while those subsequently appointed, from the inability of the Society to afford them a permanent provision, are obliged mainly to depend on such voluntary contributions of the people among whom they minister as they are disposed to make. Your committee are induced to mention these facts in order if possible to stimulate churchmen to a fuller recognition of their duty, and a more active zeal in A fresh impulse of missionary enterprise is much needed. demand presses with equal earnestness on the clergy and laity of our communion for the wants of the church are many, and painfully urgent; as those can testify who in advocating the claims of the Society have been led to visit the new settlements in the northern parts of the diocese. There is enough of spiritual destitution to employ our largest liberality-enough of moral and religious barrenness to claim the fullest culture which our offerings can be made the means of supplying And although the depression of the times consequent upon the scarcity of the harvest of the last year and the effect of the unhappy civil war still raging in the neighbouring country have affected to some extent the receipts of the Society, yet the pecuniary embarrassment produced by these causes can be only temporary. Should our Heavenly Father this season "give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth," (at present so promising,) and bestow upon our neighbours and ourselves the blessings of peace, may we not reasonably anticipate such an abundant harvest of good works and such oneness of purpose and action as will afford a cheering proof that the Author of all our blessings is better remembered and more duly honoured.

Before proceeding to the financial statement of the Society's affairs, the committee deem it due to those so recently called to assume the duties of the late lamented Secretary, to state that owing to his sudden removal they have experienced some inconvenience in arriving at a knowledge of its affairs, which, had he been living, would no doubt have been easily explained.

### INCOME.

The total receipts for the year ending 31st April, when the books were closed, were from all sources
From this amount is deducted the following, made up of sums received
on account of trusts and endowments, and not belonging to the
income
Shewing the total received as income 18,649.20
And is composed of the following, viz.:
From Widows and Orphans' Fund \$3,481.78
" Mission Fund 11,216.55
"General Purpose Fund 3,246.06
" Students' Fund
Total amount of receipts last year
Increase this year over last
It must be borne in mind that the income of last year was in part made up from
collections from that part of the diocese which now constitutes the Diocese of
Ontario. COLLECTIONS.
The proceeds of the quarterly sermons included under the head of income amounts to
Made up of the following:
Mission Fund, 386 collections 2,312.79
Widows' and Orphans' Fund, 165 collections. 1,076.98
Students' Fund, 124 collections 754.86
Total, 675 collections
WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.
Amount received on this account during the year \$3,431.73 Consisting of the following, viz.:
Collections 1,076.98
Subscriptions 33.00
Interest on Investments . 2,321.75 \$3,431.73
The disbursements on this account have been:
Amount paid for pensions 1,770.00
Insurance and taxes on property and law costs 246.18 \$2,016.18
Shewing an excess of income over expenditure of 1.415.55

### MISSION FUND

MISSION FUND.	
Amount received on this account during the year, including the sums	
	\$11,216.55
Consisting of the following:	
Parochial Branches 6,997.81	
Collections and Guarantees 8,988.04	
Interest on Investments 280.00	
Amount from Rev. N. Desbross, being one-	
tenth of wheat from Parsonage Grants 5.70	11,216.66
The disbursements on this account have been:	•
Salaries of Clergymen including guarantees. 9,596.50	
District Expenses charged against Collections 101.96	
Interest on Account Current with Bank 80.58	
Registry Fees on Doeds and Printing 9.97	9,788.96
Shewing an excess of Income over expenditure of	\$1.427.59
The Missionaries paid out of the above Fund were:	
Indian Mission, one 240.00	
Home District, eight 1,975.00	
Simcoe District, four	
Gore and Wellington District, five 2,850.00	
Niagara District, three	
Newcastle District, four 1,050.00	\$9,596.50
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.	
Amount received on the account during the year	8,246.05
Consisting of the following, viz.:	-,
From Parochial Branches 2,185.73	
Collections, Subscriptions, and Donations 623,73	
Interest on Investments 845,00	
From sale of Annual Reports 24,81	
Re-paid by Synod amount advanced 60,00	
Petty disbursements refunded 6.79	3,246.05
The disbursements on this account have been:	,
Grants.—Churches, \$225; Parsonages, \$100; Books and	
Tracts, \$110.54	
Salaries and wages.—Secretary, Book-keeper, extra Clerk	
and Messenger	
Rent, Fuel and Contingencies, including taxes 637.88	
Law Costs in the matter of Saugeen Land, part payment 34.00	
Taxes on Lands and Registry of Deeds 67.14	
Printing Reports, Books and Stationery 517.00	
Proportion of District Expenses charged against Collections 33.99	2,836.68
Excess of Income over expenditure	409.43
DAGGES OF MOOMO OVER CAPCULATION	====
STUDENTS' FUND.	<b>**</b> ** ** **
The amount received during the year on this account	754 67
Paid the Bursar of Trinity College for Exhibitions	420.00
Excess of Income over Expenditure	

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### BOOK AND TRACT FUND.

The sales made on this account during the year	116.27
The amount disbursed on this account was:	
For purchase of Books	
Freight and charge on do	118.87

The annual subscriptions of incorporated members have been passed to the credit of general purpose fund. The clergymens' payment of such having been required in order to entitle their widows and orphans to the benefit of the fund, it would seem that moneys paid for such intent should be disposed of accordingly.

On reference to the general purpose fund, it will be found that there is a large amount in the shape of lands sold and leased belonging to it. It is of considerable moment that means be taken to realize all arrears due on account of rent and sales, and to make such a disposition of the lands unsold as may serve to produce a profitable investment. It is quite possible that this being done, the parochial branch collections might eventually be exclusively appropriated to the mission fund, which only receives three-fourths. This will be rendered the more practicable on account of the considerable reduction in the expenses of management.

The books of the Society shew since its formation a considerable outlay on account of trusts and endowments, much of which has been treated as an expenditure on account of the Society's funds—this calls for investigation and adjustment.

### MISSION BOARD.

Convinced that a missionary spirit is the best evidence of the church's vitality, your committee are gratified to perceive that the desire to make the Society more missionary in its character is greatly on the increase. They are convinced that if suitable missionaries can be procured and adequately maintained, every other aim of the Society will be speedily accomplished.

To promote this important object the Mission Board was organized. And your committee deem it not out of place again to state its objects and commend them to the zealous support of the members of the church generally.

They are, 1st, to support travelling missionaries altogether, giving them a stipend of \$600 per annum, and \$100 for an outfit. 2nd, to aid in making up the income of resident elergymen to \$600 per annum, contingent on the provision of \$400 and a residence being properly guaranteed by the missions. We would here remark, these are missions in which it would be impossible to maintain missionaries independent of this aid. 3rd, to receive and pay to the elergymen of settled missions the annual sum which has been promised for their support.

It is however the first and second of these objects which entitle the mission board to the name it has assumed and points out its duties, which are none other than sending the word of life to the needy and perishing members of our communion throughout the diocese. It is indeed the only missionary agency of the church, without which there would be no effectual means of supplying the spiritual wants of the remoter settlements by the labours of travelling missionaries. Nor should we have any means of taking part in the civilization and conversion of that poor people who have such a strong claim on our bounty—the Indians of this continent.

The board cannot accomplish these objects without means at its command; and

it is with much concern the committee have to report that there are at present several missionaries labouring in the field whose stipends are not permanently secured because the board has not the funds.

Your committee would therefore carnestly recommend that active measures be taken by the clergy and other friends of the mission cause to promote this desirable They are of opinion much more might be done than now is by a general arrangement among the clergy to plead the cause of the society in each other's par-By reports and communications in the Church Chronicle, which is published with a view to inform our members as to what has from time to time been accomplished by the board, what it is engaged in, and what cases of spiritual destitution demand their co-operation. Nothing is so likely to elicit interest in the Society's operations as the names of localities and details of their wants, represented by persons cognizant of the facts and known to the church. While a clear knowledge of the trifling amount required to relieve the wants of a particular locality might lead to very important results of christian charity. None are so competent to give information on these subjects as the clergy, and it is to be regretted that so little interest in this matter is shown by many of them. Your committee would, however, here take eccasion to remind those missionaries who are connected with the board that it is their stipulated duty to furnish these reports. But of all the means calculated to promote the object in view, none in the opinion of your committee is so well adapted as a well organized system of missionary and parochial meetings They would urge on the district committees the necessity of making judicious arrangements for holding those meetings at such periods of the year as may be deemed best. In every neighbourhood where a sufficient number of our members and friends may be got together, and in order to incite an interest on the part of the people, and ensure the claims of the Society being brought home effectually to the minds of all, they recommend that the system of deputations be in all cases adopted

Detailed statements of the labours of these missionaries will be published in the reports from the several districts, as well as interesting details of the progress of our Indian missions, satisfactory accounts having been received from them. It is hoped that before your committee is again called on to report, another and most important Indian mission, at the Sault St. Marie, will have been established.

### THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' FUND.

An important alteration was made a year or two since relating to this fund. It has hitherto been the custom to pay over to the Church Society the amount raised by the annual sermon for this fund, and this amount has been appropriated to eight scholarships tenable for two years, four being vacant every year—one of \$120, two of \$100, and one of \$80, the maintainance of these scholarships required an income of \$800, and the collections under the sermon did not always realize that average. It has been thought by many that the interest felt in this department of the Society's labours would be greatly increased if the nomination of the holders of these scholarships were transferred from the college authorities to the district committees of the Church Society.

The corporation of Trinity College has most readily acquiesced in the change, and it is proposed to provide in the different districts exhibitions of \$120 per annum tenable for three years, the exhibitioner being appointed in such way as the district branch may deem best. It is not expected that these exhibitions should be endowed, but it is obvious that the benefit resulting from them will be greatly impaired if

they cannot be regarded as permanent. In the instance of any individual exhibitioner, the payment for the three years should undoubtedly be guarranteed to him upon his nomination. Your committee would also suggest, whether a partial endowment of such exhibitions would not be a most useful exercise of christian charity, a sum of money devoted to this special object, and bringing in even \$40, would almost ensure the raising of the other \$80, and in many instances the nucleus thus formed would swell by repeated accumulations into a sum representing the principal of the whole exhibition.

The plan thus recommended in 1860 has been enried out but very partially. One exhibition has been provided for in the Ningara District, one in the Gore and Wellington District, one in the Home District, and one by the congregation of St. George's Church, Toronto, in response to a causual appeal by the Bishop to the ladies of that congregation.

Seven students now in the arts course have signified their intention of entering the divinity course in October next, and of these four are unprovided with exhibitions. The very inadequate remuneration which our clergy receive renders a small assistance of this kind during the time of preparation of very great value. It may relieve a student from the necessity of absolutely exhausting his own slender resources; or it may prevent the more serious evil of his incurring a debt which though of very small amount, he may find it very difficult, if not impossible, to re-pay.

It should also be remarked that the collections for the Students' Fund made in those districts which have provided no exhibition, are required to make provision for divinity students who have received no nomination, and that in districts where one or more exhibitions are established, any balance which may remain from the receipts for the year should be forwarded to the Secretary of the Church Society for the same purpose.

### WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Repeated endeavours have been made to amend the by-law by which this fund has been administered, so as to meet more equitably the circumstances of the claimants on it, and last year an alteration having this object in view was adopted; but, on consideration, it was found that the income of the fund would not admit of it, the necessary steps have been taken to rescind it and to amend the original by-law so as to meet the exigency.

Your committee regret to report that during the year two applications for pensions have been made. In one case, the requirements of the society not having been complied with, a diminished pension was granted, on the special recommendation of the Bishop: in the other, the full amount accorded by the amended by-law has been claimed and allowed.

### PARENT SOCIETIES.

Under a deep sense of the benefits conferred on the church in Canada by the venerable Societies for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, and for Promoting Christian Knowledge, your committee have gratefully to record further proofs of their love and interest in our welfare.

The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has responded to the appeal of the Bishop, in behalf of the proposed Indian mission at Sault St. Marie, by an annual

grant of £80 stg., while the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, in addition to its valuable grants of service books, and contributions to churches in course of erection, recently made us a donation of Bibles and Testaments to the value of £50 stg., towards a depository for this diocese.

### DIOCESAN SOCIETIES.

From the reports of the Church Societies and Synods of the neighbouring Dioceses of Nova Scotia, Quebec, Newfoundland, Montreal, Huron, and Ontario, we are gratified to receive assurances of their continued prosperity.

In common with every portion of the original See of Quebec, this society has not failed to convey to the sister society of that diocese, its deep condolence on the loss of its venerable founder, the late truly excellent Dr. Mountain, and have recorded its "sense of the great value of the services rendered to the church in Canada by that distinguished prelate, during his long and laborious career, as well as the character of deep and gentle piety by which, through life, he was distinguished."

The recent election by the unanimous choice of a presbyter of that diocese, as his successor, is a matter of sincere congratulation.

"It has been customary in presenting the annual report of the society, which is designed for general circulation, briefly to review the leading events bearing on the church's progress during the year. In doing so, it is cheering to perceive how rapidly "the field of the church's operations is becoming the whole world."

"Among the more important and interesting events in the history of the mother church during the past year may be mentioned the arrival of the Bishop of Honolulu in his diocese; shortly after which the king and queen of Hawaii give a striking proof of their interest in his mission, and of their value of the privileges of an apostolic church, by publicly presenting themselves as candidates for the rite of confirmation. The death of their youthful son which occurred shortly before the Bishop's arrival, frustrated the long cherished intention of his parents that he should receive baptism at the hands of the Bishop.

"The mournful loss of Bishop MacKenzie has been supplied by the consecration of Bishop Tozer to the mission on the Zambesi, in central Africa: and there is every prospect of the successful prosecution of the work there begun; while in south Africa another missionary bishopric has been established on the Orange River Free State, to which the Rev. J. Twells has been appointed.

"In Auckland the metopolitan diocese of Sidney has been divided by the erection of the see of Goulburn.

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"While our church, however, has been thus extending her limits, or more fully occupying ground which she had already acquired, she has been subjected to the pain and disgrace of witnessing, in the instance of one of her colonial bishops, the promulgation of opinions ultimately subversive of all belief in revealed religion. So grievous a departure from the right way is deeply to be deplored, not only on account of the eminent position occupied by him who has gone astray, but also on account of the discredit which it reflects on our communion, in the eyes of other bodies of professed Christians; and, perhaps, most of all for the sake of those recent converts to the Christian name, who have been taught by their chief pastor, on the very threshold of the temple of God, to doubt or disallow the foundation on which the temple rests.

"We may, however, trust that this evil will be over-ruled for ultimate good; we

may be thankful that the crude speculations and rash conclusions of the Bishop of Natal have been received with so little sympathy; with so general disfavour and repugnance; we may hope that many will be stimulated thereby, to examine well the grounds of their belief, and above all, that men may learn from the instance of one, whom they must deeply pity, while they no less deeply condemn his opinions in what spirit it becomes us to investigate any record, which claims, with the cumulative evidence borne to the books of the Old Testament, to be a revelation from God to man; and how surely they must err, who enter on such an investigation in forgetfulness of the words and of the mind of Him who said: 'I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent and has revealed them unto babes; even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Thy sight.'

"It was a beautiful custom of the early church at their solemn assemblages to rehearse the names of those who having been emineut for their good deeds in life, had departed in the true faith. On this occasion it devolves on your committee, in imitation of this pious practice, to record the less of an unusual number of valued members, both clerical and lav. Daring the year not less than five of those included last year in the list of vice-presidents have been called away. The Venerable G. O. Stuart, Dean of Ontario, Justus Merwin, of Prescott, D. B. O. Ford, of Brockville, and Sir John Beverley Robinson. Bart., a name honoured and beloved whenever it was known. In his lamented doubt the church has lost one of her most exemplary and consistent members. This society an able, steadfast, and unwavering friend, and the province at large one of its most honoured and distinguished sons. Of him, it has been well said: He was a sincere and carnest christian, not merely in the sense of a devout worshipper, but as one who felt through life it a duty to exert his best faculties for the support and extension of that 'pure and reformed faith,' held and taught by the church of which he was a member.

Your committee desire to place on record the deep and lasting obligations this society is under to him for his invaluable services and edifying example. His views on its establishment are best expressed in his own w rds, which we commend to the consideration of all the members of our communion.

"What I contemplate is the promoting the support of the Church of England in a spirit and by measures which shall be wholly unexceptionable, giving no just cause of offence or jealousy to any, but with a constancy and fidelity which shall not abate in the sightest degree, from an apprehension of what persons who chose to not in an unchristian or unreasonable spirit may think or say or do."

To him chiefly are we indebted for the constitution of our society, and to the day of his death he manifested the livelest interest in its prosperity.

Your committee have to add to the record of losses during the bygone year three of the clergy of this diocese.

The Rev. E. H. Dewar, M.A., Rector of Thornhill, a zealous and talented member of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Thomas Smith Kennedy, for upwards of ten years the society's active energetic, and indefatigable secretary, whose earnest advecacy of the claims of the society throughout the original Diocese of Toronto will long be remembered, while his kindness of heart, and readiness to do good and oblige, will cause his memory to be cherished with affection and regret by all who knew him.

And lastly, we are called on to mourn the death of one of the oldest clergy of the diocese, and a zealous supporter of this society from its formation, the Rev. W. Leeming.

This excellent man came to Canada in 1819, as one of the missionaries of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, and was stationed at Chippawa, but his ministrations extended over a wide sphere, embracing the towns and villages of Chippawa, Fort Eric, St. Catharines, Thorold, and Stamford, maintaining them till relieved by the appointment of missionaries, when his labours were confined to his late charge.

This humble and faithful servant of his divine master closed a long and useful life by a holy and happy death. Blessed with a vigourous constitution, he was enabled to attend to the last to the calls of his charge with diligence and regularity. On the Wednesday preceding his death, he met his class of candidates for confirmation, having walked that day to and from the church, a distance of several miles, for that purpose. One Sunday only was he absent from his public ministrations.

A neighbouring brother, also a carly missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, long his intimate friend, writes of him: "Implicitly acknowldging the truth of christianity in general, he was devotedly attached to the Church of which he was a member, regarding her articles as a form of sound doctrine, her ministry as the appointment of God, and her worship as the purest and most acceptable scorifice which could be rendered unto Him.

"His faith, however, was not merely of a speculative kind, but a practical and efficient principle, influencing his heart, governing his conduct, regulating his interceurse with mankind, and abounding in the peaceable fruits of righteousness." At the advanced age of 77 years he died as he had lived, beloved by all who knew him, at peace with his fellow men, and in the divine favour. His last words, in surrendering his soul into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour, were the third petition of the Lord's prayer, "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven."

The first bequest in the will of our lamented brother was a thousand pounds to the Church Society of this Diocese.

In conclusion, your committee would remark that they believe the constitution of the Church Society one admirably calculated to subserve the end for which it was devised by its eminent, able, and lamented author, and only requires faithful and efficient services on the part of the office-bearers, and zealous co-operation on the part of the members, to render it what it is indirectly designed to be, the most efficient instrument, under God, for sustaining and extending His church in the diocese.

Let the work then in which we are engaged be performed in faith and hope, remembering that the church in Canada must look more to the free-will offerings of her children for temporal support, and let there be fostered amongst us an increasing spirit of charity, based on true christian principles, and therefore seasoned with self denial and humility, considering always that we are servants and disciples of Him who said "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

### CHURCH SOCIETY NOTICE.

The next general (quarterly) meeting of the society, will be held in the society's board room, on the second Wednesday in August next, (the 12th,) at 11 o'clock a.m The mission board and standing committee will meet at the same place and hour on the Tuesday preceding.

The book and tract committee have entered into arrangements with Mr. Rowsell, to open a depository for the publications of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge; and orders will be executed by him from and after this date.

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### THE CLERICAL ASSOCIATION OF THE NIAGARA RURAL DEANERY.

The clergy of the Niegara Rural Deanery are reminded that the next meeting of the Clerical Association will take place (D. V.) on Monday, 19th August, prox., at Niegara. Those of the clergy who intend to be present on the occasion are requested to intimate their intention to the Rector one week previous to the day of meeting.

Litany and Holy Communion at 9 a.m. Chapter for consideration, Heb., ii. Subject for discussion, "Extemporaneous Preaching." Evening service with ser-

mon by Rev. D. MacLeod, M.A.

CHARLES LYCESTER INGLES, B.A., Scoretary.

Drummondville, July, 1863.

### COMMITTEE MEETING.

The committee of Synod appointed to consider and report upon the proposed canon for the assessment of vacant parishes is convened to meet at the Society's rooms on Tuesday, the 11th August, at 7½ p.m.

### TRINITY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

The annual examination for Matriculation and for Scholarships, will commence on Thursday, October 1st, 1863.

The following Scholarships will be open to competition:-

Four Foundation Scholarships, tenable for three years, viz.: one of £30 currency per annum; one of £25, and two of £20.

One Cameron Scholarship, tenable for three years, of the annual value of £25

currency, appropriated to sons of clergymen.

The holders of these Scholarships will be required to attend lectures and examinations in the arts course.

All persons presenting themselves for examination must produce testimonials of good conduct. Candidates for Matriculation must have entered ou their sixteenth, and candidates for Scholarships on their seventeenth year.

The subjects of examination may be learned by application to the Provost of Trinity

College, who will furnish any information which may be required.

One Wellington Scholarship, of the annual value of £30 currency, tenable for two years; one Bishop Strachan, one Allan and one Dickson Scholarship, each of the annual value of £30 currency and tenable for three years, will be awarded to students commencing their College course in October next, according to the result of yearly examination in the following June.

In lieu of the four Church Societies Scholarships annually awarded to students for Holy Orders it is proposed to substitute Exhibitions, of which the particulars

will be made known when the scheme is matured.

One Jubilee Scholarship, of the annual value of £40 currency, and tenable for two years, is open annually to the most deserving Bachelor of the year, who, having graduated in honors, shall have expressed his intention of studying for Holy Orders.

### PRESENTATION.

BOWMANVILLE, July, 1863.

At the celebration of the abunal Sunday School pic-nic in connection with St. John's Church, a handsome Bible was presented by Mrs. Armour on behalf of the teachers and pupils of the School, to Mr. A. E. Miller, "as a token of their grateful appreciation of his services as superintendent during the past three years." The parting between Mr. Miller, who is about to remove to the diocese of Huron, and his friends was of an interesting character.—Communicated.

### REMITTANCES RECEIVED FROM THE 1st JULY TO THE 20th JULY INCLUSIVE.

STUDENTS' FUND.	_	1	Claus's Landing	4	00
	\$4	00	Gore's Landing		48
	•		Grafton, St. George's Church		52
Coldwater, St. Mathews'	9	65	Colborne, Trinity Church		
Binbrook		62	Caledonia		55
Saltsicet		55	York		50
Stoney Creek		96	Cayuga		95
Ontario.		87	Etibicoke, St. George's	-	00
Newmarket, St. Paul's Church	4		Grimsby, St. Andrew's Church	7	40
Holland Landing, Christ Church	8	00	Seymour	2	49
Seymour	1	05	Barrie	1	60
Percy		86	Carleton	5	15
Shool-house		64	Barton, St. Peter's Church	3	70
Alma		871	Glanford, St. Paul's Church	4	30
Winfield		87 j	Weston, St. Philip's Church	12	81
Glenallan		30°	Mimico, Christ Church	3	00
Houston		25	Chester, Epiphany Church	1	70
MISSION FUND.			Toronto, St. Stephen's Church	7	40
Collingwood, All Saints' Church.	5	00		25	00
St. Catharines, St. George's Ch.			Ningara, St. Mark's Church	8	00
Chippawa, Trinity Church			Waterdown, Grace Church	5	00
Drumondville, All Saint's			Lowville, St. George's Church	ĩ	50
Stamford, St. John's Church			Thorold, St. John's Church	5	00
Toronto, St. Paul's Church			Port Robinson, St. Paul's Ch	2	60
Thornhill			Berkley, St. John's Church	3	7.5
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Grantham			Palermo, St. Luke's Church	$\tilde{2}$	
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### CONFIRMATIONS.

The Venerable Bishop of this Diocese has just returned from his confirmation tour, the fatigues of which, if we may judge from his appearance, he bore remarkably well. We have pleasure in inserting the following notice of his confirmations in Hamilton; and hope in our next to favour our readers with some notes of his Lordship's tour.—Ed.

The solemn and interesting ceremony of confirmation was administered on Sunday, in the several churches of the Anglican communion in this city, by the Honorable and Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Toronto. His Lordship we were glad to see was looking remarkably well, and though at the advanced age of 86, discharged the duties of his high office with great earnestness and vigour. His labours commenced at Christ's Church, where morning service was held at 10 o'clock. His Lordship preached from the 2nd chapter of St. Luke the 20th verse, an energetic and impressive discourse, after which he administered the Apostolic rite of "laying on hands" to 116 persons, some of whom were advanced in years. After the ceremony was concluded His Lordship addressed the newly confirmed in an affectionate and paternal manner, exhorting them to steadfastness and firmness

in the holy course upon which they had that day entered. The same services were subsequently performed at the Church of the Ascension at 2 P. M., and at St. Thomas' at 5 P. M. At the former upwards of fifty were confirmed, and at the latter

between thirty and forty.

The Bishop preached and addressed the candidates upon each occasion, thus going through an amount of physical and mental exertion which would have severely taxed the energies of much younger men. The churches were all crowded with large congregations, who seemed to view with the deepest interest this most beautiful of all ceremonies—when a band of youthful disciples publicly enrol themselves as volunteers in the service of Christ—and solemnly engage "to fight manfully under His banner against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldiers and servants unto to their lives end." The age of the venerable Bishop and the profound respect in which he is held by all classes of the community, added greatly to the interest of the occasion, as in all human probability it may be the last occasion on which Confirmation will be administered in this parish by his hands.—Hamilton Spectalor.

### THE CONSECRATION OF "ALL SAINTS" CHURCH, DRUMMONDVILLE.

Sunday, the 19th July, was a day of joy and thanksgiving in Drummondville, their beautiful little church being then set apart for ever to the service of Amighty God, and "God's Acre" in which it stands hallowed for the reception of His faithful dead.

The consecration was one of peculiar interest, inasmuch as it was the "top stone," as it were, that is, the real completion of the earnest labours and faithful prayers of many years; it was begun and has been continued and ended on the true evangelical principles of faith, love and rightcousness; it is well finished and very neatly furnished, and out of debt, as its wise and righteous builders have all through determined to go on no farther than they could pay. The entire history of this holy and beautiful house is worthy of record and imitation. In March, 1853, the Rev. C. L. Ingles, curate to the late esteemed Rector of Chippawa, the Rev.W. Leeming, being earnestly desircus to see a church crected at Drummondville, in the neighbourhood of Niagara Falls, commenced on a subscription list, and at the same time did what was better still, issued a pastoral to the congregation setting forth a form of prayer to be used in their families until this holy work was accomplished; the contract for the shell and roof, &c., was given out in 1855, and in the autumn of that year the late Rector dug the first sod, on the ground given by Mrs. General Murray, this actual commencement of the work being hallowed by a religious service; the following spring the corner stone was laid, and on "All Saints' Day," 1857, the zealous congregation had the happiness of worshipping within its walls; true, it was in a very unfinished state, but it had been made comfortable and was free from debt. In 1859 the chancel was fitted up with oak stalls, &c.; and by the return of All Saints' Day in each year, some additional work was done, still keeping free from debt, until on its consecration, it was completely fitted up from east to west, with very church-like oak seats, a nicely covered oak altar table, and altar rail of similar character, rich velvet altar cloth, with the sentence, "I am the bread of life," worked in large gold letters on the front; the east window is a triplet of stained glass with an emblem in each division, and a chancel well carpeted and matted. The building itself is of lined rubble stone, with a massive square tower on the north side, at the junction of the chancel and nave, the vestry being in it; the chief thing wanting is, I believe, the spire by which it is intended the tower shall be surmounted, and a small peal of bells, which would be a comely offering from some wealthy churchman who appreciates clerical earnestness, and that not only in church building, but in the still more important duties of ordinary clerical life. Mr. Ingles, now, I am happy to learn, about to be the Rector of Stamford, including the church in question, has been ably seconded by his attached flock, amongst which it is right to particularize Mrs. General Murray and ner zealous family.

As the undertaking was commenced in faith and prayer, so it was crowned with complete successe, after ten years of arduous labour, at a cost of between 4 and 5000 dollars, and out of debt, the collection being more than sufficient to cover the little

labour remaining. It was consecrated on a lovely Lord's Day by the Venerable Bishop of Toronto attended by eight clergymen, the church being unable to hold all the congregation. His lordship preached and addressed the confirmed, 15 in number, happily alluding to the vast superiority in tone, sentiment and dignity of Solomon's Prayer, and the whole dedication of the temple, to any other event of similar antiquity. The choir singing, and the psalter being antiphonal was hearty The clergy present were His Lordship, the Rev. Drs, Shelton and and creditable. VanRanselear of the Diocese of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Townley of Huron, and the Rev. Messrs. Robertson and Robarts of Toronto Diocese. The gentlemen from the other side who as neighbours to Mr. Ingles had known his struggles expressed in my hearing their utter astonishment as to how he had raised the funds. the place being very small and the people by no means wealthy; and your correspondent can testify that it was not done by neglecting his flock and running to get subscriptions from Quebec to Sarnia, but in "quietness and confidence" for ten long years he pursued his earnest way, and he has his reward; may it only prove the promise of a brighter one when he sees him for whom and in whom he has began. continued, and ended this noble and godly work.

The more exact description of the church and its dimensions are as follows:—
The style is the early English pointed of course rubble work; chancel 24ft. 9 by 16ft.; nave 58ft by 26ft. 3, in the interior; the tour 14 by 16ft. and 40ft. high; the porch on the north side at the west end 11 by 11 ft. The choir are placed in front of the congregation just within the chancel, where there is a very good melodion, until there are funds to procure an organ to be set up in a chamber under the tower on the north-side of the chancel. The font is at the north-western door.

### MR. GAVILLER'S CHALLENGE.

At the late annual meeting of the Church Society, held in this city, Alexander Gaviller Esq., of Tecumseth, in seconding a resolution, in a short but excellent speech, which elicited much applause, illustrated the benefits of systematic cooperation, by instancing the amount of work accomplished at a logging bee. His familiarity with the toils of a new settlement enabled him to speak fron experience. It was customary, he said, in his neighbourhood at these gatherings to assign to every teamster and his yoke of cattle, four able hands to aid in building the log heaps, and where all were smart fellows, it was surprising how much log rolling they could do.

To give point to his address, with his usual liberality, he threw out a challenge to those present to try a turn at logging in the cause of missions. As it required £50 per annum to enable our destitute brethren in new settlements to secure the services of a Missionary, he was there with his team, (for on such occasions he always drove them himself) and if four willing hands would unite with him, with God's blessing, they might open a New Mission.

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The following morning, John Carter, Esq, and another gentleman of this city, expressed their readiness to raise £10 each, if the whole amount could be secured. The proposition is too good and generous to be lost sight of and we hope soon to hear, that the amount required is made up: and that some, now, destitute neighbourhood, will do its part towards securing the services of a Missionary, by forwarding to the Mission Board, an application for a missionary, accompanied by the usual guarrantee.

### PRESENTATION OF PLATE TO MR. JAMES MOGRATH.

We have much pleasure in publishing the accompanying notice of a well deserved compliment to an old and faithful labourer in the church. We have many years been a witness of Mr. Magraths' zealous endeavours, not merely as a churchwarden, but as a devoted son of the church, to advance her interests in every way in his power. His many friends, clerical and lay throughout the diocese, while regretting the cause of his retirement, will, we are persuaded, heartily unite in the good wishes for his welfare so happily expressed in the address.

"Presented by the congregation of St Peter's Church, Credit, to James McGrath, Esq., in recognition of his faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of churchwarden during a period of thirty years, July, 1863."

The following address and reply explain themselves :-

"DEAR SIR,—In accordance with a resolution unanimously passed at the last Easter Vestry Meeting held at St. Peter's Church in this parish, deeply regretting your retirement from the office of churchwarden, the duties of which you had scalously and assiduously discharged for upwards of thirty years, and declaring the intention of the parishioners at the earliest convenient period of testifying their sense of, and thankfulness for, the services rendered by you during that long period, by offering for your acceptance some suitable testimonial in acknowledgment thereof; it affords us much pleasure to inform you that that intention has been carried into effect.

"We are now commissioned by the congregation—being a deputation of your old friends and associates in office—to present to you the accompanying Tea Service and Tray in token of their esteem for you personally, and in acknowledgment of

your valuable and disinterested services to the church.

"It may enhance your satisfaction to learn that this testimonial has not been procured out of the means of a few only who might be supposed to be influenced by feelings of personal friendship, but that it has been subscribed for heartily by the entire congregation of St. Peter's Church and for the most part in small sums.

"During your long tenure of office you have been privileged in being chiefly instrumental in, and have had the gratification of seeing at its close many desirable objects accomplished and promising arrangements made for sustaining and perpetuating the work of the church in a proper efficiency—exhibiting upon the whole a pleasing contrast with the state of affairs on your first assumption of office.

Among such objects we would allude in particular to the erection of a substantial and commodious parsonage house—a work, next to the building of a church, of

paramount importance in every parish.

The congregation deeply regret the cause of your retirement, and they one and all pray that you may be sustained by divine grace under the trying and depressing influence of ill health from which you are at present suffering, and that it may please Almighty God in His own good time to restore you to your accustomed health and to grant you a longer continuance among us, that you may be enabled to continue your good works in the midst of the congregation with which your name has been identified from its first formation, and that you may be permitted to witness a still furtheir consummation of your efforts for its welfare.

We do not feel that by making any further remarks we could more adequately express the sense of the congregation on this occasion, and therefore conclude by begging your acceptance of this testimonial—assuring you that with it you have

the heartfelt good wishes of every member thereof."

We are, dear sir,

Your sincere friends,

Signed on behalf of the deputation,

Credit, County of Peel, July 7, 1863.

T. P. HODGE.

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"MY DEAR FRIENDS,—It is with feelings of much gratification that I receive the very kind address, and accept the handsome testimonial which you have been

deputed by the congregation of St. Peter's Church to present to me.

During the long period I have been churchwarden, it has always been my earnest desire to perform the duties of that office in such manner as to be most conducive to the best interests of the church; and also so as to meet the approval of the congregation; and if I have been so fortunate as to succeed in my humble endeavours, I now find in this very flattering address, and the valuable testimonial which accompanies it, my ample reward.

Accept my heartfelt thanks for the very kind sentiments expressed with regard to my health, and be assured that I shall always feel a deep interest, and exert my

best endeavors for the welfare of the church.

I beg you will convey to the congregation my most grateful acknowledgments of their kind regard for my humble but zealous efforts for the interest of St. Peter's Church."

JAMES MAGRATII.

## REPORT OF THE PENETANGUISHENE PAROCHIAL BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY, 26th OF JANUARY, 1863.

In referring to the operations of this Branch of the Church Society, your committee have the satisfaction of stating, that since our last meeting this Parish has been enabled to raise the sum of \$400 towards the salary of an assistant clergyman; and this desirable result has been brought about by the zeal and diligence of the two churchwardens in soliciting subscriptions, and by the readiness with which the members of our Church have responded to their call. Your committee would further beg leave to mention that the churchwardens have (as far as this mission is concerned) completed the business by becoming sureties to the Church Society for the payment of the above mentioned sum.

Your committee have next to state the amount of the annual subscriptions of this Parochial Branch of the Church Society for the last year, and also the proceeds of

the annual sermons for special purposes.

The annual subscriptions amounted to \$62 13, which was transmitted to the parent society for missionary purposes.

The collections after the special sermons were as follows:-

Mission Sermons\$	16 0	0
Students' Fund	5 0	0
Widows' and Orphans'	5 0	0
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Having now stated the operations of this branch as connected with the parent society, your committee will briefly report on matters more immediately connected

with this mission in regard to church objects.

The offertory collections of last year amounted to \$70.63. Out of these collections the expenses connected with the church are defrayed, such as the payment of the sexton, firewood, &c., and the overplus has been expended on the parsonage house.

There was expended last year on the parsonage house \$79 50.

Your committee have the satisfaction of stating that the amount raised in this mission for church purposes is much larger than in any former year; for including their liabilities to the parent society in regard to the salary of (expected) assistant

clergyman it amounts to more than \$600.

In concluding their report, the committee beg leave to remind the members of the church that something still remains to be done to make the parsonage house a fit and convenient residence for the expected clergyman; and therefore suggest that it would be well (as soon as the season will allow) to employ some of the time which may clapse before his arrival in finishing the parsonage house, and also enclosing part of the land immediately adjoining it, to give an air of comfort and respectability to the premises.

Bummary for the year 1302.		
Bonds to Church Society	\$400	00
Subscriptions to Penetanguishene Parochial Branch		
of Church Society	. 62	13
Collections after the special sermons	. 26	00
Offertory collections	. 70	63
Expended on Parsonage House		50
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	\$638	26

GEORGE HALLEN, Chairman.

The Devotional Services of the Church.—The height of beatific purity and holiness to which, as christians, we are called to rise, and the influence from above by which alone we can thus by anticipation dwell in God's tabernacle, and rest upon bis holy hill, are the two grand points to which the devotional forms of our church are directed. Concluding the matter of our true happiness to consist in a virtual, but vital commencement of our future heaven, and the indispensable means of that happiness not less to consist in a really divine communication, our church aims at forming us to such habits and feelings of devotion, as must imply a constant commerce of the heart with heaven, and a gradual approximation to its purity, its

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secreity, and its happiness, through frosh and fuller infusion of that eternal life which God has given us in his Son. Such is the uniform import and design of all our established services. Their object is to raise us to every thing for which we were created, which can make us well-pleasing to God, acceptable to men, and happy in ourselves; substantially happy even while in the body; with the assurance of unalloyed and consummate happiness hereafter. And for this exalted purpose, while every possible degree of fidelity and vigilance is to be exercised on our part, we are continually taught to look upward, and expect all increase of wisdom, fortitude, or virtue, from the boundless provision made for us in the mystery of redemption. We are taught that, from the first to the last step of our christian course, we can accomplish nothing effectually by our own power, but must obtain both the implantation and the increase of every spiritual affection, from the grace of God infused into us by the operation of the Holy Ghost.—Remains of A. Knox, Esq.

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