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Thereare four churches in course of erection in the diocese.

The Church people at Webbwood hope to erect a fence around the church plot there next summer

Stets are beiog taken to provide a smail parsonage for the incumbent of Oliver Mission, Rev. T. J. Hag.

Everl one who is acquanted with human nature knows full well people are never enthusiastic for any cause which makes no demand upon them, to which they contribute nether of their substance nor of their works

Ftom the S. P. C. K. monthly report we learn that a grant of $f$ to has been
made, under waal condmons, tward the cost of veneerimg with brick the church of All Same; llurk, Fulls. The cost was estimated .lt $犬$.0

The women of the (hurch congre Lation at Narn held a sale of work in siturday eveming, Novemher isth, and realized over tharty dol'ars, whith it is purpused is use in the errctoon of a fence. around the church lot at Narn

Amung the teachers of the common schouls of ontante there wat he more Chur.hmen and thurchwomen when churchpeopic laok with awhe fatwor upon the teachung profession as a surt able vocation for ther childrin

Rr:. C. J. A. Buandir, wher we sald recently was the missuonary $\cdot$ in st. Jus:ph's Island, is located on another mistion field, viz, Thessalun and Bruce Mmes. His pust ollier addess is Thessaton, Ont Mr. Batstone was warmly welcomed hy the clergy, wholast month met hun at the Sault Conference.

At a meetung held in the Mansion House, York, in Sippember, the Very Kev the Dean of York, in speaking of the spmisual destitution of the coino.،es, sad the least we can do is the try to send our people abroad the same blessong we enjoy at home. It was absolutely tupusathe for thousands of thase who g" "eut $^{\prime}$ " provide these thm; fur them velves

The gathering of cierg's and sepuesentative laymen (would it were laymen of the Agoma Mistrict at Sault Ste. Mane last month was the third ut the kind thas year. Ihe gatherion' at Sanductic, Pust Atthur and sauts ste Wate thave nivelo opportuntes lot all the deray, church wardens and Truennai ruancil represen talues to meet in euntert fice under the Bishop's pres dency, and i.. take counse: concerning some of the protilome that
interest us all and are of importance to the Church's work in this missionary diocese. The journeys to be made in not a few cases involve the travelling of hundreds of miles, but the church, and the individual gentlemen who attend, are much prcfited. Those who have made sacrifice of time and money and have looked upon these gatherings as a means of advancing Christ's Kıngdom in Algoma have not returned home before passing resolutions asking the Bishop t: make these district conferences annual affars in those years the Triennial Council does not meet. Success can, so far, be stamped upon the Bishop's action in this matter, though it be but a day of small things. In the i..lure there will surely be growth in this as in othe: directions.

## The Need of Men.

The Bishop needs at the present time some three or four missionaries for centres of work more $u$ : less remote. He trusts some whose eyes rest upon this notice may be moved to offer the nselves.

Allusion was made in a recent issue to his desire for a number of young men who, being unmarried, would be freer to move about and better able to live on the small stipend offered them. He hoped that a few such men, ready or nearly ready for ordination, full of physical vigour, and of the ardent love of souls, would devote themselves to the work at least for the first few years of their ministry. If for some years to come, in a continuous stream of supply, young men just entering on their ministerial life could be induced to give thus a smill percentage of their life service to Algoma's mission fields the Bishop would nut be far from the solution of one of his hardest problems. And surely the men themselves actuatedas they would be by high, unjelfish motives would be gainers, not losers, by this course. Their gain in spiritual power and in width of experience would far more than compensate them for any trifling temporal loss they might be called upon to sustain. Who will have the honour of being first?

The S. P. G. Bicentenary.
The Bishop has received the accompanying letter from the Rev. Prebendary Tucker, Secretary of the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, which will celebrate the 200th anniversary of its career of use'ulness next year. He
commends it to every parish and to every Churchman in the Drocese. The just and reasonable proposal of the Society that we should join in thanking God for its noble work; in praying that He may continue to bless its labours; and in making some offering according to our ability as an acknowledgment of our unspeakable indebtedness to it.

Churchmen in Algoma need hardly be reminded that to the S. P. G. they owe a debt which can never be repaid. Ever since the foundation of the Diocese the grant of the S. P. G. has cormed a chief part of its income. Many of gur missions owe their very existence to its fostering care. In the aggregate the society has contributed not less than $\$ 75.000$ towards the maintenance of our work. And, although its grant is now being reduced annually in order that it may be able to extend adequate aid to those $n=w$ fields which God $i$, opening so wonderfully in darkest Africa (and who can complain that after all these years of beneficence towards as they should desire us to set their offerıngs freethat people unspeakably more needy than ourselves may reap the benefit-it is giving this very year sorae $\$ 3,000$ to our Mission Fund. At least we musc show our gratitude for ali this generous aid:

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My Dear Lokd, - I am desired to invite your Lordship's earnest co-operation in the observance of the Sociely's approaching bicentenary, June 16th, 1900.1. I sind a little handbook and other literature, which will, I hope, be of use. The Society has expended on British Nurth - Imerica nearly $\$ 1,900,000$, and it feels that it has a great claim on the severa: dioceses, which it has helped so long and so largely. There must be many laymen in Canada willing to give large donations for an occaston of such great in. terest. The Standing Commutec confidently rely on every parish, which has at any time benefited by the Society's means, observing the year of Jubilee and giving offertories to the Bicentenary Fund both in 1900 and in 1901.

I am, my dear Lord,
Your faithful servant,
Henry W. TUCKyr,
Secretary.
The Lord Bishop of Algorma.

## The Bishop Sullivan Memorial Fund.



This month we acknowledge subscrip tions to the amount of $\$ 21792$, and before the year closes contidently trust the sum in hand will exceed a tot:l of more than $\$ 10,000$, or one fifth of the desired sum so necessary to continue the Church's work in this backwoods mission. ary diocese. We ask all friends to give to this fund of their means and of their prajers.

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## Rural Deanery of Muskoka.

The Rev. C J Machin having resigned the Rural Deanery of Muskoka on his departure for England in Septemher last, the Bishop has appointed the Rev. IV. A. I. Burt. of Bracebridge, to be rural dean for the unfinished portion of the present term of office, that is, until the next meeting of the Triennial Cuuncil, when the election will take place in the usual way.

## Notes of a Recent Episcopal Trip.

On Sunday, October 22nd, the Bishop visited Webbwood, and at the morning service held a confirmation, when three persons were presented for the apostolic ri e. This place is still weak from removals and depression in business. The congregation is considerably thinned, and there is no immediate prospect of marked improvement. Ir the afternoon the Bishop was at Massey for a service. At this point things are reviving somewhat, but still improvement is not certain. There is some activity in mining hereabouts. In the evening the Bishop was at Naird, where there was a good congregation and a hearty scrvice. There were four persons confirmed Though smaller than Webbwood, Nairn is a more thriving place. In tiois vicimity lumbering is active.

The day following (Monday) the Bishop visited the Spanish Kiver Reserve, where we have a little mission schosl for Indians. He held an interestrog service, at which twenty-five Indians were present. Two Indians were confirmed, namely, William Wahsashkung and Mrs. James Wahsashisung. Owing to intermaıriages with Roman Catholics there is great danger of these Indians being perverted t.: the Roman Catholic faith. Rev. F. Frost, of Garden River, accompanied the Bishop After a night's sleep in the schoolhouse they arose early (Tuescia)) for a celebration of Holy Communion. Then the oarty set ouc fur Burch Island, twenty five miles distant, in a small canoe -only ten feet-having Wahsashkung as
guide. Tho or three portages were made, and two small nakes crussed before the waters of Lake Haron were reached, only to find a good fredh wind blowing. It took the remander of the day to reach Breh Island, as it was necessary to tol low the shore and take advantage of the sheter of islands owng to the smallines, of their craf.. It was dark when Birch Island was reached. Mr. Ferris, the teacher-who seems to be doing a gnod work there-rece:ved his vistors with much heartmess, and they agan speat a night in a schoolhnuse.

The next mornin; (Wednesday) was beautiful and bight. The Bishop had a spendid service in the schoolhouse, which was lull in Ir.dians. One Indian was cortirmed - Alexander Nabwegahbow. At the celebration of Huly Commution following there were twenty eight communicants It is a grievous pity that thas sellement has become divided, a part of the band living at Waitefinh River, four mile; away. It is impossible for the Writefi.h Indians to send their chuldren to sch sol at Birch I, land, where the wacher hes and wiere the school house stand. The Government is unwiting to establish ancther school, and the Whtefish Indians are unnilling to jon these at Birch Island. The children of the Whittinh band are, therefore, in danger of growing upinignorance. How. ever, one or two have been sent to the Shopwauk Home. It is not sasy to know what to do. The Indians generally are restless in their habits, and bands are frequentl; broken up in this way. It is one of the missionary's trials. The Indians at Birch Island seem to be intelligent and progrisstve.

In the afternoon the party embarked for Litle Current-18 miles axay-and there had a service in the evening. There was a good congregation and evident signs of good work going on in this place. The incumbent, Rev. W. J. Eccleston, has charge of five stations, three of which are Indian.

On Thursday morning, early, the Bishop and Mr. Frost set out nn the mail steamer for Cutler, on the north shore of Lake Huron, where the boat meets the tran on the Sault branch of of the C. D. R. From that point a short run brought the Bishop to Wallord, at which place there was Evening Prajer and Confirmation. Walford is a promis. ing agricultural settlement-one of those stretches of fertile soil found here and there throughout Algoma. The village is small, but some of the fa:mers seem to be doing very well. We have no church there, our service being beld in the union building. The use of the union building serves to increase our sense of the value cf a bulding of our own in which we can inculcate reverence and the true idea of worship Rev. E. Lawlor, M. A, incumbent of the mission of Webbwood and Walford. is decidedly in better health than he was some months ago. He is able to keep ali his appointments and is doing a taithful work. The lumber canmp
in this vicinity are active. Indeed, there seems to be a revival of lumbering :hroughout the district.

One of those sad accidents, unfortunately tuo common in lumber camps, occurred a shors time before the Bishop's visit A soung man, in seekug to escape a failing tree, was literally impaled upon a sharp stake and was suffering intensely at the time of the visitation. The dangers atlending the occupation of the lumberman emphasize the importance of our cleresmen dung all they can to reach and influence the men who at any moment may be victims of some grievous and pissibly fatal accident. For this reason, as well as for whers, such as the isolation of the camps and the lack of - pinual mfluances wation ibem, it is viry denrable that ou clergy throu hout these districts should visit them as often as pos.able.

After a most interssting tour, the Bishop relurned home on Filday, the 27 h October.

## Conference of Clergy.

A Conference rip is ning the Distict of Eastern Algoma wis hela in St. Luke's Pro Cathedral, Suult Sie. Marie, on Tuesday and Wednesddy, Nuv. I4'h and 15 th . Besides the Bishop, there were preseni, Revs. Messrs. Pieicy, Batstone, Graff, Frost, Eccleston and Capp. Mr. Hagan, of 'rnessalon, was also present, and Kev. Mr. Johnston, the rector of the Michigan Sault, attended the conference and tonk part in the discussions. The proceedings opened with a service in the Cathedral on Tuesday evening, when the Bishop delivered a meditation on the work of the ministry. The first service on Weanesday was a celebration of the Holy Communion at $73^{\circ}$ o'clock, followed by Morning Prayer at so o'clock. The Cunference proper was opened in the School house at $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. when papers were read as follows -

1. "Ilindranee and Difficulues in the Way of the Church Wirk in the Diocese of Algoma." . iev. W. J. Ecclestone.
2. "Our Financial Posirion in reference to the withdrawal of Giants by the Eiglish Societies." - Rev. A. I. Young.
3. "Parochal visiting with special reference to visitation of the sick."-Rev. F. Frost.
4. "The Printing l'ress as an aid to Missionary Work."-Rev. I,aurence Sinclair.
5. "Church History in connection with Church Teaching."-Rev. E. Laulor.
6 "The Cnurch's Work amung the Young."Rev. E. H. Capp.

Mr. Eccleston pointed out the difficulties arising from the scattered nature of the seulements, the tremendous distances to be covered by the clergy in their ministration, and the apparent apathy on the part of many of the laity. The first diff. cultics were seemingly unalterable, hut the indifference of the people, might, he argued be overcome oy (1) Restoration of Famils Worship; (2) Increased attention to the Sacrament ; and (3) By direct Church Teaching.

The second paper wa, tiad for Mr loung who was una le to be present. It stated tonat in the early days of the docese's existence, furds had been supplied not only by the English societies, but by the Eastern llioceses of the Do. nunion, who on the upeming up of the Nurth-W'est withdrew their contributions from Algoma that they might send them farther afield. But a worse event confronts us: it is the final withdraval of the English grants which have been conrributed so lon; and so liberally. The position of the diocese now being the loss by cl.sing, of zwo missions per annum untul the tione the grants finally ctase unless money is forthcoming from some new source to carry on the nork The remedy would be found in (1) Prayer definitely offered whit this diffisulty in view ; (2) An increased effort to develop the fininctal postuons of the various parishes in the parishes themselves; (3) Heariy support of the Bisnop Sillivall Memorial Fund ; (4) Appointment of a delegate to witt Eastern Canada to solici funds; (s) A.pointmett of a self demal week throughout the Diocese, and (6) The convenirg, if pussible, of an annual conference of clergy and laity to discuss important phases of the diocesan work.

The third paper, by Mr. Frost, dealt with modes and methods in miss:onary visitation. Mr. Frost thought Saturday visiting, where possible, had the eff ct of bringing peopie to church on Sunday. The men could be reached in the house only in the eveming, therefore evening visits must form a large part of one's work. One important phase of visiting was the instructing of the children in the Catechism and the teaching of hymns and also the closing of one's evening vist with family prayer. One ofteu has opportunities of speaking to the men as they work in the fields or while they are chopping in the woods. Being benighted at an Indian cabin gives many opportunttes of speaking personally to the tomates. At such a time the nerghbouring families may be brought in and a service held.

The visiting of the sick is one of the most important of all duttes. Christ spent most of His time among the stck. "I was sick and ye visited me," Christ will say at the last day. The vistts to the sick affurd opportunities of speaking of holy things which are not to be had at any other ume. These opportunities should never be missed.
Rev. Mr. Sinclair's paper, "The Printing Press as an Aid to Missionary Work" (read by a brother clergyman), pointed out the tremendous power of that agency as a means of extending the knowledge of Christ and His Church. Among other points he mentioned the output of Bibles and hymn books printed on the presses of the B. and F. R. Suciety, whose works are sent to every nation, and of their consequent influence upon those who may not listen to the exhortations of the rois stonarity. The paper alss asserted th importance of Sunday School literature
and tracts, also the outcome of the prant. ing press, whose and catanot be estumated. The putheaton again of missi mary ap peals and missomary papers, sueh as our own Algema Misoluwiks Nif-, bears frutt whose abundance may nut even be gucssed.

Kev. Mr. Lawlor, though absent, sent his paper on "Church History in Cunnection with Church "Teaching," which was then uext read. It emphasized the mportance of keeping before all men the unbroken history of events which have idenufied the Church in every age with the Church of to day and after showing the correspondence, after centuries of struggle, of the Church at present with the Church of the Aposiles, made a plea for the leaching of her history, especially in the Sunday School, that the difference between her posttion and the attutude and hastory of the religious bodes about her nigh 'se recognized and remembered by the children. The teaching of Church History would, the writer thought, tend to do away with individualistic eccentric ity and unify thought and sentiment.

Rev. Mr. Capp then presented a paper on the "Church's Work among the Young" This was the most holy ground the Church worker trad to tread upon. It was important because the children would carry on the work where we left off and would do it $r$ ore or less perfectly according to our traning. The Church must have the affection of the children centred in her. Such might only be by the afforts of workers to win their confidence and esteem. They must be taught sound ductrine, and such would be recewed by willing and attentive minds if imparted by teachers and clergy who were loved by the little ones. Catechising from the Sunday. school piatform must be indulged in where possible. Catechising in the home must also be practised. The duty of parents to the:r children in regard to teligious training and teaching must be kept constantly in sight. Children could be given duties to perform in an. 1 zbout the Church buildings. Girls coull be formed into a Church Guild, whose duties would consist ot dusting and cleaning and beautitying iise chu ch under proper direction: they could also be formed into Juninr Auxiliaries to sew for missionary districts, to collect money for various church needs, to gain information on missions and to hear instructive chats from the Incumbent or others from time to time. Bnys could become the choristers to lead God's fluck in worship ; could bring other lads to Sunday school; could keep the churc'l grounds 'n a tidy state befitung the ground about the temple. Such deeds for the Church would te the outward and visible signs of an inward and developing srace.

Kev. Mes,rs. Piercy, Batstone and Capp were appointed a committee to dram up a Cycle of Prayer for the District.

The following resolutions were passed :
Resolved, That the Lord Bishop be
asked to make this Conference a yearly affiar.

Resolved, That his lordship be requested to communicate with the Rural Deans of the Diocese as to the placing in operation of a Diocesan Cycle of Prayer.

Resolved, That the Secretary make a full report of the proceedings of the Conterence to the A.M. News.

The delegates were entertaned at the rectory by the ladies of the Cathedral immediately after the afternoon service, and in the evening a choral evensung was sung, the Rev. Mr. Batstone, of Thessa. lon, being the preacher.

> Edwand H. Capp,
> Secretary.

## Diocesan Collections for the General Mission Fund.

Among the additional diocesan collections which the Bishop has felt it his duty to inaugutate is ar. annual house to house collection for diocesan missions. Dunng thelpast few weeks the returns have been coming in. Appended is the list of contributions so far. It will be seen that a good number of missions have yet to report. There is no doubt that this cullection will become an important source of revenue if it be loyally and fathfully taken up throughout the diocese.


Rriv. I. J. hay, incumbent.
A correspondent at Stanley Junction, a station in the most westerly mission io the diocese, tells us that the Bishop visited that place on September 12th last. He says:
"The people of this ::Illage having
universally resolved to set apart this day as a holiday to do honour to the Bishop, who had for some months past been looking formard to visit here, carly in the moining flags were set afloat, thus showing our loyalty to Canada, the British Empire and our Gracious Majesty the Quten. In the afternoon a large table was erected on Mr. W. F. Marcy's lawn and a most creditable feast of good things was prepared by the lidies of the village, which was much enjoyed by all present. Before the gathering sat down to tea with His Lordship and Rev. T. J. Hay, an appropriate address of welcome was read to the Bishop by Mr. Chas MI. Neve, to which he made a gracious reply.

In the evening, service was held in the Station warehouse, which had been specially fitted up for the occasion. After the usual service of Common Prayer, the Bishop preached an eloquent sermon from the Psalms, "They that sow in tears shall reap in jos." The audience listened to his discourse with rapt attention, eagerly catching every word that fell from his lips that they might profit thereby. He viewed to those who did not appreciate the Church's idea of worship how that those who come to church did not come to sit as if glued to their seats, but to take a most important and prominent part in the service is their soul's good. During the service Eisoly Baptism was administered-a party of Baptists, who had decided to come back to the Church, had their little hoy baptized. At the close of the service the Bishop thanked all present for the kindness extended to him on the occasion of his visit. The following morning the Bishop administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. "

## English Church Congress Echoes

## The: Bishop of Loudon:

What a man is, and what he is striving to do, can only be expressed in terms of his relatiouship to God.

I say that our Imperial position is forcing upon us the duty of realizing fully what is meant by Christian civilization. We cannot carry civilization without Christianity. Foreign Missions can no lorger be regarded as a luxury, the hobby of a few en:husiasts, a tolerated appendage to our civilizing work in the world. They are of the very essence of that work.

The Church has created Christian civilization, and must be the chief agent in spreading that civilization $m$ other lands.
The history of the Christian Church is a record of effort and aspiration-by no means continuous, I admit, and sometimes perverted - for the good of society. Take any object of public benefit, now recognized as uccessary, and follow it back; you will find that it came into being under the protection of the Chris. tian Church. The Church educated the State, or educated public feeling, to see

Its necessity, until it was taken over as an avowed object of universal pursuit. It is well that this process should go on, that the whole community should be saddled with duties which it recognizes as its own, whether it be conscious of their Christian origin ar not.

We of the Chiscl, of England are in close touch with the vigorous life of a free people. The grea work which God in His providence has assigned to us is to labour for, and with, and through that people. To wish to ab,indon such a work seems to me little short of treachery, to hope to replace it by a cosmopolitan mission seems to me more than folly.

For mysel-shall I venture to confess it P-I have an ideal of the Church of England which has steadily grown with my grorth. I see in it a Church, not existing in indefinite space, and founding claims to universality on the ground that it bas no particular home, but a Church rooted in the minds and hearts of the English people. I am not ashamed to say that, as I look round the world. I see no other home so well suited for a Divine institution. From that home it can go forth courageously, and face the world as it is, believing that God's revelation of Himself, once made in the person of Christ Jesus, is being continually explained to man by that progressive revelation of God's purpose which is continually being made by the Divine government of the world. Steadfast in its hold on the faith and on the sacraments by its unbroken link with the past, it exists for the maintenance of God's truth and its application to the reeds of man-not for the purpose of upholding its own power.

## Sir John H. Kennazuay :

Any review of mission work is incomplete without an aclnowledgment of the translation of the Holy Scriptures and other standards of the Church into the vernacular languages by the S.P.C.K., while we owe it to the British and Foreign Bible Society that in no less than 364 languages or dialects has the translation, printing. or distribution of the whole or part of the Scrip:ures been promoted.

If the shortcomings of some of his converts and failure of his hopes did not prevent St. Paul from thanking God, what need is there for us to be disheartened if progress is not so fast as we had fondly hoped and our Rome is not built in a day? . . Let us not be content with sending missionaries abroad, let us be missionaries ourselves, educating our countrymen at home on this question and inducing them to join with us in forwarding the cause.

## The Bishop of Sierra Leone

It is a lamentable fact that nearly onehalf ot the human race has not yet heard the Name which is ahove every namethe precious name of Jesus. Although there is the universal need and the Divine supply, yet the messengers to carry the provision are sadly lacking in numbers and in strength.

There must be something wrong in our Christianity when those who return from foreign service have io spend their time at home, not in telling of what the lord is doing and desires to do, where pieviously His Name has not been known, but in seeking to persuade men to awake: arise and do their simple duty. If regions, at present unreacined, are to be won for Christ, the soldiers for the warfare must be sought in our churches at home. This must be done in our (wn puipits and among our own congrega tions.

There is little difticulty as regards the methods. Open doors and open coun tries lie before us on every hand. The difficulty of the present day is not so much the way to advance as the where withal to advance as regards means and men. Of the former I will say nothing, for I believe that God will do His part when we do ours. We withhold our Isaacs, and God cannot bless us. We withhold our tithes and offerings, and in so doing shut the windows of heaven against ourselves.

## The Dean of Worcestir.

We owe to this wonderful people (the Jews) a duty se cannot evade-a debt we can never pay. As we value the Holy Book of God-"the most precious thing the world contains"-we will remember that the illapse of the inspiring Spirt, so far at least as the canon of the New Tes tament is concerned, was never received by any one but a Jew.

Then there is our Incarnate Lord Himself. No Gentile woman gave Him birth—no Princess of Imperial Rome rad the unspeakable honour of carrying the Holy Child upon her breast.
Yes, we Gentiles owe a debt incalculable to the Jews. Let us rise to the measure of our responsıbilities in this matter. Let us not rest until all Israel is saved; and, "if the casting away of them is the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be but life from the dead ?"

## The Spirit of Unity.

Giving dilisence to keep the units of the spirit in the bond of peace.--Eph. iv., 3.
To sow the seeds of discord and dis. agreement amongst brethren, whether in the nation, the family or the Church is pre-eminently the work of the evil one from whom, all Christians, every day, prag to be delivered. No chain is stronger than its weakest link. The weakest point in human nature is, therefore, precisely the one selected by the enemy of souls for attack, and only too often with latal success. In the Churrh our "unhappy divisions" are a source of scorn and reproach from the world, a byword among the heathen, and a terrible hindrance to the acivancement of Christ's Kingdom, that Kingdom for which we profess to look and long.

In their train they hring the disease of religiosity, of party sprit, and the conse quent wasting away of the epmitual life for the spiritual life means growth in holiness, and holmess and the spritit of discord cannot lisurish in the same ground. One must xise place to the other. You must either destroy the weeds in your garden or they will des troy it let them have thear way and your garden will hecome a barren wilderness So it was with the once great and glorious Churches of North Africa. The sin of division crept in, bringing many other sins in its tratr, and we know the
 itself is lerought to desolution (a). Chnsthans, men claiming to be followers of the Perfect Man, tre Divine Lord, forgot the very essence 0 : His teaching; lost staht of His grace, the love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost, in bitter and angry, nay, soul destroying disputes over doctrinal formulae. They falleci to remember that unty is a duty, and we, too, are in gtave danger of forgetting it now.
Once let the flood-tide of discord rise in the name of religion and what shall be the end? The logical end of mutual recriminations. of talse accusations, of wilful misuaderstandings, of intolerant denuaciation of others whose opinions are not precisely our ovn, of divisionswith whate ;er specious and high.sounding motives they may be bolstered up-the logical end of all this is persecution. The spirit thereof is the very same spirt which prompted the fires of Smithfield and the tortures of the Inquisition in by-gone ages, and if it be said that the day for such things is past and that we live in more enlightened times, it is nevertheless true that whilst we recoil in horror from such cruelties, we have hardly begun to learn the lesson they should teach us, the lesson of brotherly love, the love that secketh not its wiun, is not provoked, and never faileth (a), diving dilijence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (b).

How, then, is the sprit of urity to be attained?

First of all by seting it before ourselves as a distinct aim, and by being sensitively watchful against the least breach, whether in thought, word or act. By a wise silence in times of beated feeling, and a resolute reiusal to accentuate differences by irresponsible discussion of them etther in public or private. By as resulute a determination always and everywhere to look for points of agreement, to distinguish with extreme care between fundamentals (the great verities of eur Faith which we all hold in common) and mere matters of oprion, personal proclivitues and tastes, not claiming for the latter the same place as the former, remembeting that (jod has cast men's minds in different moulds, and that the spiritual horizon is not corifined to that

[^0]which we only can sec. In serupulously refraining from a harsh judgment of those who differ from us, frons "labelling" them, or accrediting them wholesale with opinions which we have taken singularly little care to ascertain that they really hold. liy boing willing to learn and to see from their point of view as well as our own. By bearing well in mind that in proportion as we take part in, or help by a harr's breadth to intensify division, we are hindering the spread of Ctrist's Kingdom. It es impossille lut that aceas. rons of stumbling shou'd come. hut aope :snto hill, through whom they come (a).

And then again, by persistenily serk. ing a common meeting ground. It is surprising how often that is to be found when it is looked for. The root of difference nearly always lies in misunderstanding and misconception. But so long as we are ready coldly to turn our backs upon one another, to refuse to work logether, pray together, worship together, so long, we may be sure, we are failing to put in practice the governing principle of our religion - it it nito commandment (b), active and enir. gising, which our Saviour gave us-and withuut which alleise is as sonding brass or a changing cymbal (c.) One great meeling-ground we all have. The Mission Field cries aloud o us to sink our differences, to ceal nur stuords into powel shares and our spears into proning hooks (aj) and come to the help of the Lord igainst the mighty. Here lies the cure for our ills. Let us pray God that we may have grace to see that they are ills, and take our cure before it is too late. Some day, when our eyes are opened, how infinitely little, how miserably small it will seem to us that we ever could have wasted our time in wrangling and disputing on questions of ritual or "high "Church or "low" Church, when all the while the one important business of our lives was waitung for us, wating for the right use of all our misdirected energies,-ithe wioning of souls to Gnd, making others Christians.

In th's way we may indeed learn that we are all one in Christ lesus (a) and our prajer will rise up before God-the prayet our Lord has taught us-accompanied by "the sweet incense of oiedient days," the offering of ourselves in very deed and in truith (b) for our brethren's sake.
A. B. Tucker.

The Anglican Church has of late years enormously increased her Episcopate, When Qucen Victoria came to the throne in 1837, there were but seven Bishoprics of our Church in the colonies and mission field. Now there are 91, and the S.P.C.K. can record with tharkfulness that it has been permitted to have a share in the endowment of 55 of these, at a cost to its funds of over $£ 95,000$. Large sums have also been given for the endowment of mission clergy abroad.

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## The Hand of Justice.

## A TALE OF NEPIGON INDIAN WILDS.

It had been a warm day, and as at length the sun sank languidly to rest, genily unrobing itself of its scarlet mantie, it seemed to mock the lone watcher who gazed apon its lading brightness by the waters of the Nepigon. Hid the watcher been at all familiar with English literature there m'ght have come to her the words of the great poet :

- I see the mystery of $y$-ur loveliaess."

But she was only a poor Indian, and the beautiful ending of the day brought back no familar lines of poetry; though it was e videnced as she turned away with bowed head, that the scene had brought to her mind some thoughts that moved her deeply.

Just two gears before she had stood on the same spot, and at her side had stood a man-not an Indian, but one "Wasect Nesagetveen"-from the "Far East," as he had old her. How eloquently he had pleaded that he loved her. Half mock. ingly she had repeated to herself his in.peifect altempts to express his feclings in a language in which he was only two years old. But, though his utterances were imperfect, his gestures left no room to doubt his meaning-they were unmistakeable. She realized all this as she stood there watching the setting sun. She was not broken hearted, she mused-hardly that-possibly a little disconsulate-offended-"If he was satisfied, why, so was she," and she shrugged her shoulders as if to satisfy herself oi her perfect indifference to the course events nad taken. She $i \in f l e c t e d$ on his words-"I cannot live without you "-"Ah, then, she said, smiling, "I saved him ; poor fellow."

Fortune had smiled upon him of late, and the determination to become sich had taken possession of him; but he had gone and left her, and her friends said he would not return And yet she was his wife. Sl wly her soul began to burn within her. The indifference she had striven to as sume gradually deserted her, she felt herself scorned, insulted. "He will regret it," she cried. "I will assuredly be avenged." Savagely she tore the neckerchiel trom her throat and flaunted it jeeringly in the wind. Then, witt the fierce passion peculiar to her people, she rent it to shreds-his gift. The evening had become quite dark; shuddering in the cold wind, she drew her shawl close aoout her, and turned towards her little home. Late into the dark watches of the night, she sat, caretully stitching together a little birch bark box. The botiom she strewed with dead leaves. In this she placed the ring from her fing!r. She would send him this little casket. It should reach him. It must. Theu she sat gazing into the fire in deep thought, though with the expressionless face peculiar to her race, till slowiy she fell asleep.

Twenty years had rolled by echoing many a glad song, yet saddened by many a melancholy moan; garnished with
bliss, yet stained with tears; richer by the solt southing airs of spring, yet chulled by the icy breath of winter. The luyursous hissea faire measures of summers and the deep, solemn moan of autumns, had follosed each uther in quck succession. Things had changed among the Indians of Nepigon Lake. Houses stund where wigwans had been pitched. Here and there was a brave attempt at cultivation. But the whole prewented an aspect sug. gestive of a vain effurt to shake off the characterisucs, which each descending generation continued to display. In full view as one entered the settem:nt, st iod the house of the "Makedaywekonyah" the faithful shepherd, who for twelve long years had watched over his sheep with unfailing solictude and care. On a cer. tain occasion the "Makedaywekonyah" stood outside his door. Evidently time had pressed heavily upon him, wrinkles were cunspicuous above the corners of his eyes and mouth, and the black hair had becom: steelygrey. He was nim only a little sunburnt by the glare of hife, but weather-beaten by its storms and hardened by its blasts. Just now the suaburnt veteran of the cross was gazing anxiously down the footpath, as he watched the long expected vistior, Mr. , who sith his wife had promised to spend a day or two at Nepigon. He could not possibly stay longer. The old clergyman had long awaited this vistt. Mr. ——was now a fur trader and had grown very rich of late, with his young wife he was visuting for the first time in twenty years, as he sald, the old hunting ground and he was much interested in tt yet. Hearty was the hand shake, juyous the welcome, and with becoming pride the old man bowed them into his humble home.
The evening meal was finished. The gentlemen sat smoking ther pipes and reclining in their chars. The young wife finding herselt somewhat alone, arose and excusing herself, passed out into the cool aight air. The men continued their conversation. Gradually the subject drifted back to those good old days-the visitor asked: "Do you know a woman, Nıqua, I think they call her "-he had really tor-gotten-" tall, stately, rather fine louking." "Was she rather delicate; large, sad, searching eyes?" "Wny, yes," he had known her, "she is buried just outside." He turned abruptly and pulled aside the curtains. "Yes you can see the spot from here."

Night folded her starry curtains upon the earth-darkness settled upon hill and vale. It was late September, autumn winds rose eager for their work of death and moaned sorrowfully among the trees. It was a solemn, melancholy night, full of dreary phantoms presaging a dark and dismal morrow.
"Yes," continued the old clergyman, "she always puzzled me. Quietly she passed away in the fatth, in periect peace." He paused and slowly took his pipe from his mou:h. "One circumstance which impressed me much at the time, he con-
tinurd, was her selection of the striking passage of Scripture she insisted 1 would place over her grave-Romants, xii, 19,I "hink."

The visitor for the first time lifted his head and half tremulousi'y his lips parted. H:s face was drawn and pale. The speaker 100 much absorbed by his own thoughts, did not notice him. "Slowly he rose and walking towards the churine $;$, leaned his eltows 0,1 the mantle. But the clergyman remained silent. The trader's mind went back in thought through many years. And the faint, delicious perfumes of violets seemed to steal up from the odor on the hearth, and the face of a queenly woman rose before him. The clergyman now arose. In one hand he held his own Bible, with the other he pointed to the verse, and with solemn eniphasis his words tell on the ears of the anxious lis'ener. "Vengeance is mine ; I will refar', saith the Lard."

Suddenly the distant rumblings of thunder fell into one tremendous crash The lightning flashed in at the windowit had grown quite dark - but the flash threw its celestial brilliancy about the room and reveals the deathly pale face of the man who had fallen to his knees, as the rumbling thuncier re-echoed the words of the reader, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lcrd"
One heartrending scream rose at this moment above the murmuring winds out side, striking panic to the heart of visitor and host alike. Wildly the trader rushed in the direction of the cry. With unerring guidance the vengeful gaddess seemed to direct him to the grave. The old clergy man struggled bravely to keep up with his excited "avant coureur." But when he did arrive at the grave his eyes fell on a scene, before which time recoiled defeated with its all encircling curtains of passing years. On the lonely grave lay the bride, her face upturned to the heavens which had so cruelly scathed her with its fires. She was dewd. One hand lay across he. oreast, the other pointed in majestic silence to the epitaph. "Vrngearce is nine, I will repas, saith the I.ord "

## Is It Reasonable?

Ask this to yourself, honestly, fairly, and squarely: How much last year did my amusement cost me-the club, theatre, sports, balls, dinner parties, even cards?

How much was I obliged to spend in medical advice and medicine for the safety of my body?

How much was I obliged to spend on legal help for the safety of my person and property?

How much did I spend on religion for the happiness, health, and safety of my soul?

How much every week or month do I give for the support of the ministry, the administration of the Sacraments, and the preaching of the Word?

Are sour clergy overpaid? Ought they
to get much less than the prolessional man in law, medicine, or commerce? Do they actually receive halt as much? Are they less educated, less able, less worthy as citizens than the judge, the barnster. the physician, surgeon, or merchant? Have they fewer or more charitable call?? Have they less ts be exzet in pajing their monthly bills? What are their prospects in old age? What provision can iney make for their w:dows and children?

Is it fair that absentees from church (who at least expect the Church's services to be ready for them at call) should es cape their rophtful share of yearly Church expenditure?

Is it fair to leave the burden of respon. sionlity on the shoulders of a few gener. ous people, whe actually have to pay for other people's religion?

The Jews in l'alestine have increased from 8,000 in 1841 and 20,000 in 1883 , to over Sc,000 at the present time.

The Christian should not forget that thanksgiving in not summed up in piving thanks. It includes also what is ali that and more, thanks with, and through, giv-ing.-The Living Church.

This Church of ours 15 called, as by the call of a trumpet, to go forth on the grear task which she-above all other Churches-has recelved from God Him self the means of fulfilling. - Archisishop Temple.

While the population of the United States of America in the last fifty years has increased about four times, the num. ber of communicants in the Amencan Church has increased about twelve tumes. This remarkable growth is attributable to the Church's Missionary labors.

We can never hope to rise to the measure of our opportunitiec, and of our obiseations to meet them until every bap tized man, woman and child shall give freely, systematically, conscientiously, to the support of the Gospel and Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. - Pastoral Let. ter of the $A$ merican Bishops.

If thou deerrest a noble and holy life, and unceasingly prayest to God for it, if thou continue constant in this thy desire, it will be granted unto thee without fail, even if only in the day or hour of thy death; a:Id if Gcd should not give it thee then, thou shalt find it in Him in eternity; of this be assured.-St. Bernard.

We can imagine no career more lolty or honorable than that of a well-informed, capable, and courageous medical missionary. A fow hundreds of such men in the next half-century would powerfully affect the history of China, Iudia, and Africa. If men of commerce could give as good an account of their work in these lands as men of medicine, the evangelization of the world would be hastened. - The Lan.

The year of the Gueen's Ihamund Jubilee gave birth, amonk valuable pub. Iıcations, to "Canada: In Eincsclopxdia of the Country," a work edited ly Mir. J. Castell Hopkins, and capable of sutply ing interesting facts conceruing the his toric relations, the natural resources, the material progress and the national devel. opment of our farr Daminion of Canada. At this noment a revining lumber trade is conscious to the Canadian, who is ap prectating more and more the great value of the forests in all parts of his country. In this Povince of Ontatio men are less willing than heretofore in see our timber cut and floated to the United States for manufacture. Not only is this the case regarding pine, but also with regard to spruce, the material from which is made the pulp for paper and other manufactures. In this connection, from the authority above-mentioned, it is not without interest to note that our timber and lumber trade with Great Britain was given a great impetus hy Napoleon I. After Canada was conquered by the British, the Mother Coun:ry disregarded our forests, being well supplied from the forests of northern Europe. "But the issuing of Napoleon's Berlin Iecrees, for bidding the con:inental nations to trade wuh England, caused Britain to look to other and friendlier sources for her timber supply. Then she saw that the unheeded colony was richly forested," and the trade which then began has steadily increased, until in 1896 it mounted up to some tweive million dollars. It is not a far look into the future when our woodpulp will be a most valuable export, un less, indeed, much of it is made into paper, and in that form placed on the world's market. Canada ir, rich in fiae spruce, and posecsses uncurpassed waterpower. In this growth ins northern part of Ontario, that is to $53 y$, in the Diocese of Algoma, will bear a part. It is to be hoped that, as English and other capital takes our power and our raw material, and develops these natural resources as a a financia? investment, the moncyholders and profit-sharing investors will remember that the best interests of their employees de-nand that they should lib erally support the ministrations of the Church in this diocese.
"If it is only some who are called f" the heathen, All are called for the heathen."

He liveth long, who liveth well : All else is life but flung away. He liveth longest, iwho can cell Of true things truly done each day.
Then till each hour with what will last, Buy up the moments as they go. The life above, when this is past. Is the ripe fruit of life below.

Sow love, and taste ths frutage pure. Sow peace. and reap its barvest bright : Sow sunteams on the rock: and moor. And find a harvest bome of light. -H. Ronar.

## The Church and Her Ways.

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Baptism is a Satrament. A Sacrament consists of two parts. the outward and visible sing, or form, and the inward and spiritual grace, or help. The outward part of Baptism is water, in which a person is baptized in the name of the Father, the Soa and the Holv Ghost. The inward patt is a death unto sin and a new birth unto righteousness, for by it we are born into Gods family, the Church.

Fivery one must be baptized. The Haptism must be administered in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy ( hhost. N.o other Bapusm is valid. The mode of Baphism is for each one to determine. The Church practises both immersion and affusion, or pouring. The mere method is the minor part; the 'act of Baptism by water is the essential thing. Christ said nothing ahout the mode; He instructed the discipites merely to baptize in the zame of the Trinity. Baptism, whether performed in infancy or in mature yea.s, makes one a member of the Church. A person can be baptized but once, as the Scripture says, "There is ale lizptism.

## 8-What is confikmaion?

Confirmation, or the laging on of Hands, is the complement of Baptism. A person is made a member of the Church ly Baptism. The Holy Spirit is communicated in Confirmation. In the Acts of the Apostles ne read that those who were haptized by l'nilip, the deacon, in Samaria, trere alterwards confir, ed by St. Pcter and St. Iohn. Acts vii. St. Paul also confirmed certain discifles at Ephesus. Acis xix. 6.
Confirmation, though not one of the tho Sacraments generally necessary for salvation, is still iactamental in its char. acter, in that it is an outward and visible sign ol an inward and spiritual grace By the laying on ol the Apmst?es hands, the ilory lihiost mas imgarted.

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Confirmation is administered by a Bishop. We rave no instance in Scriplure where this rite was administered by a priest.

Last year a parts of young Indians connected with the mission at I.yton, Brtish Columbia, travelled all ought in urder to be in time for the Good Friday services.
"In fifty years the whole of South Alrica will be nominally Christian. It is for us to make the Chrstianity more than nominal." Thus writes the Rev. A. Bathe from Buiawayo. Mr. Bathe says the progress of Christianity in Africa has been rery great amongst the natives. In reality there is little prejudice against it, and the white man's seligion is naturally an object of respect to those who look on the whte man as a superior being. At one of the mines in Matabeleland, Mr. loathe recently saw a party of natives at work, all of whom, including their ganger were Chnstian.

The clergyman in his parish is the best advccate for missions. If his heart be aglow with love for souls, with zeal in his Master's service, and with fervent desire to sustain and foster the missions of the Church of which he is a minister, he, better than ansone else, can call forth a response from his people. As he goes from house to house, from one to another, pleading the cause of the perishing, he will be helping indirectly, but none the less surely, the works which lie nearest to his hand, and his own support will come more freely out of the unselfish effort which he makes for others.-Sfirit of sfissions.

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