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Morning—Deut. 6; John 5, to 24.
Evening—Deut. 9 or 10; 1 Tim. 5.

May 23.—Sunday after Ascension.
Morning—Deut. 30, John 8, to 33;
Evening—Deut. 34 or Josh. 1; Titus 2.

May 30.—Whitsunday.
Morning—Deut. 16 to 18, Rom. 8 to 18.
Evening—Isai. 11, or Ezek. 36, 25, Gal. 5, 16, or Act 18, 24, 19-21

June 6.—Trinity Sunday
Morning—Isai. 6, to 11; Rev. 1, to 9;
Evening—Gen. 18; or 1 & 2, to 4 Ephes. 4, to 17; or Mat. 3

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

Holy Communion: 310, 314, 549, 553.
Processional: 4, 36, 217, 219.
Offertory: 142, 534, 583, 634.
Children's Hymns: 291, 338, 340, 341.
General: 143, 505, 549, 637.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY.

Holy Communion: 294, 298, 316, 319.
Processional: 147, 280, 297, 301.
Offertory: 149, 248, 296, 300.
Children's Hymns: 304, 342, 343, 346.
General: 148, 235, 295, 299.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.

The responsibility of renunciation is ever with us. The fulfillment of the responsibility means much to our spiritual development. For renunciation in its negative aspect is the purging out of an evil leaven; in its positive aspect it represents the determination to serve God. Renunciation is only a determining step towards, a preparation for, a life of active goodness. And active goodness is the outward sign of true spirituality of character and nature. The Christian life is essentially an active one. Hear the words of the Master: "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven." Then heed the teaching of the

Epistle for this Sunday. "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own-selves." To do good, to grow in spirituality, implies the existence of some standard of life. "Show us the way to walk in," we pray to God. And He gives answer. In Holy Scripture we find the standard. The Commandments though framed in negative language imply very positive duties. They say, "Depart from evil." But they also say, "Do good." Then in the teaching of Jesus we have a perfect revelation of the Way of Life. For He came to teach us the worth of the soul, and to set before us the precepts in the due fulfillment of which we find spiritual life and progress. And in addition to all Jesus reveals the supreme teaching that love is the fulfilling of the law. We express our relation of entire dependence on Jesus in the words of St. Peter which needed no reply. "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." Further the standard is revealed to us in the life of Jesus Christ. From the four Gospels and the Epistles we learn of the absolutely unique consistency between Jesus' teaching and His personal life. We are fond of the concrete. We learn better from example than from precept. And God meets this trait of human character by revealing to us the way of life in the life of His only Son. The standard of life is set before us in the Bible in many precepts covering every possible circumstance and relation, and in the life of Christ Who, having told us what to do, shows us how to do it, and sends His Holy Ghost to aid us in our life. If then we would be spiritual we must obey the precepts of God, and daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of Jesus' most holy life. Such obedience constitutes doing good. And to do good is to develop in the spiritual life. Two things are requisite to doing good. First, a growing knowledge and appreciation of the Word of God. For this is the inspiration of faith which manifests itself in righteousness. God's Word "is a lantern unto my feet, and a light unto my path" testifies the Psalmist. Be diligent in the Holy Scriptures. They illuminate the path of life. They fill our minds with good things, and they guide us to the haven where we would be. They elevate character, encourage weariness, console sorrows, and lift doubts. Every day must our study be in them for therein we discover the way of life. To develop spiritually is to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. Therefore we must seek the co-operation and guidance of God the Holy Ghost. St. Basil says: "Every being who needs sanctification turns towards the Spirit of God.

He is the origin of holiness, He enlightens and enkindles souls in the pursuit of truth." "Let Thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness" should be the prayer of every disciple. The development of spirituality is conditioned and marked by active goodness. Away then with idle criticism and selfish indifference! God wants every one to use his talents. If we would be spiritual let us do good as well as depart from evil. For in the practice of goodness there comes about that development of character and deepening of spirituality which carry us on most surely to a perfect manhood.

Imperial Growth.

To those who have witnessed the amazing growth of the British Empire within the last quarter of a century, perhaps the most surprising fact related to it is, the determined hostility to this beneficent expansion on the part of some few men of British birth. It is hard, nay to many impossible, to reconcile this attitude with the ordinary standard of national self-respect. What reasonable objection can there possibly be to their placing paganism and barbarism with all their attendant crudities and cruelties with the en-

lightenment, civilization and justice of British rule; or to bringing vast areas of wild land under cultivation, developing agriculture, extending commerce and imparting useful knowledge. Surely these good people must realize that the good of mankind is involved in the progress of civilization, the reclamation of wild land, the establishment of law and order, the inculcation of habits of thrift and industry, the promotion of the gentle arts of peace, and the spread of individual and national prosperity, to say nothing of the benign and sanctifying sway of the Christian religion. The advance of the forces of civilization cannot well be stayed, nor, despite certain attendant evils, can the resulting good to mankind be gainsaid. Consider but for a moment what the condition of Canada would be to-day had humanitarian arguments prevailed upon our forefathers to leave the forest an untouched shelter for the wild beast and wandering savage, and the prairies of the West the unviolated home of the red man and his untamed quarry the Buffalo. There are humanitarian foibles and fantasies as well as rights and remedies, but in the long run the common sense of the people maintains the claims of the latter and ignores the persistent plaint of the former. Despite the ceaseless wail of the little Englander the British Empire continues its majestic growth, and the secret of its stability and power lies in the fact that it stands before the nations of the world for the maintenance of peace, prosperity and justice to all races and individuals who share the blessings of her ordered freedom and the mild benignant sway of her wise and beloved King.

Earl Grey.

Very gratifying to Canada, and not the less so, we trust, to Earl Grey, is the extension of his term of office for another year. It is not given to every Governor-General to realize through the action of the Government and the universal expression of opinion through the press of the country over which he has presided that he has borne himself with such consummate tact and ability that his continuance in office for another year is a subject of general congratulation. The noble Earl is a good example of the class of representative men that has contributed so largely to the stability and progress of the British Empire, and which by personal character and influence has stamped upon its various communities the impress, the traditional integrity and honour that have made the Empire not only great but lasting.

Niagara Ice Jam.

The ice blockade at the Falls and the damage sustained below it is a phenomenon of rare occurrence. There was an even greater upheaval according to the oldest inhabitants in 1845, but the damage in those days was small compared to sixty years later. In 1864 there was another jam which resulted in the weakening of a suspension bridge which spanned the river at the mouth of the Gorge, and which was completely wrecked by a hurricane. The cables swinging in the wind formed one of the sights for some time afterwards. This year the power companies' properties and the Gorge Railway have suffered, the tracks of the latter having been buried for several miles under masses of ice, and the wharves have been wrecked. The Niagara Navigation Company, which had planned to begin running its steamers between that port and Toronto on May 17th, now has all its docks to re-build before establishing its summer service. It is reported by those who recall the incident that after the great ice jam in 1864 the City of Toronto landed its passengers by a gangway placed over the ice cakes which lay unmelted above its docks, and had all its freight hauled aboard on sleds. It is an ill wind which blows nobody good. In this case the

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Fish Preservation.

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The Bible Authentic.

It is important when so much is said to discredit the Scriptures that Church newspapers should ever witness for their truth; and the Sunday School is a good place for teaching Christian children to love God's word and trust it. The Sunday School lesson set for May 2nd was Acts 13:1-12, and there is, in that lesson, a word which well demonstrates the truth of the Scriptures. It is the word, translated, "deputy" in the authorized version, or more properly "proconsul" in the revised version. This was seized on as a ground of attack at one time, the charge being made that Cyprus was a praetorian, but not a consular province. But now it is definitely known that, although it had been a praetorian province, it was a consular province when St. Luke wrote "the Acts," the proof of this being found in the histories of the time, but still more convincingly in an inscription on a coin of that period. As the propraetor was appointed by the Emperor, and the proconsul by the Senate it would have been a grave objection to the Scripture record if the wrong word describing Sergius Paulus had been used, but when we find the strictly correct term employed it is another evidence that the Scriptures are a trustworthy and authentic record.

REFORMATION IN TEACHING.

In the course of a conversation with one of our Western Bishops, while he corroborated our impression of the excellent class of Church immigrants from the south of the line, he spoke of others who formed the train of settlers. He was chiefly anxious for the spiritual welfare of quite another class and spoke of them at some length. These people are fairly educated, very intelligent and in most respects excellent settlers, but are devoid of religion, not agnostics, but men and women without a faith, without a God, and, most dreadful, without any desire for one. This is one result of the public school system which we com-

mend to the thoughtful reader. There are many signs of the longed for millenium, and this one fulfils the verse:

"So in the last of days behold
A faithless race arise."

Modern faithlessness is widespread and spreading and we concur in the statement of our Western Bishop that the clergy who are chiefly needed in many new districts are matured men who have had experience, and have read and thought over what they have heard and read. The young missionary has his place, but there are others required with qualifications seldom given to youth and youthful energy. The true reformation is needed at the fountain head; the parental example at home, and the subject's taught and the character of the teaching at the primary schools. For some years this deadly blight has been realized in Scotland. The Cottar's Saturday Night of Burns is a thing of the past. "From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur sprang" are not the scenes of to-day, faith, reverence and manners are vanishing, respect for all things and all persons is a past virtue among the classes where formerly it was a chief characteristic. The young Scot is no longer brought up on porridge and the Shorter Catechism, they have deserted the diet. This school book was borrowed by the Scotch Presbyterian from the English Divines at Westminster and they never let it go. Now, however, it is given up and the nation realizes that some book must be found which would be generally acceptable. In January 1904 a conference of representative members of the Reformed Churches in Scotland was held and in the end a small committee was appointed to prepare "a simple Catechism embracing such teaching in the facts and doctrines of Christianity as might be acceptable to all the branches of the Reformed Church." The Episcopal Church was fully and ably represented and the result was a school Catechism of sixty-four questions and the Creed issued in 1907 by Blackwoods. It is easy enough to sneer and criticise. We have and are suffering from the deadly habit of over criticism. Those who find fault too often are arm chair scholars, who forget altogether the age, the ignorance, the training and capacity of the boys and girls for whom such little books are compiled. But this primer if studied and used in public schools will imbue the mind with a saving knowledge, and certainly obviate the deadly ignorance too prevalent now. It is not intended by this primer to supersede home teaching, Sunday School instruction in more advanced and denominational Catechisms, the hearing of sermons or other instruction in religion. But this is exactly the kind of book which clergy of all the confessions could introduce into our public schools, either by their own personal teaching or by that of authorized and capable deputies. Our clergy have rights in the schools and we are anxious they should use them to the full. In such endeavours we look for the hearty co-operation of the members of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, they must care first of all for the home flocks. Such action would perpetuate the impulse, save it from being a mere flair or flash in the pan and let our lay people see and understand the needs of a class which does not live thousands of miles away but in our very midst. We cannot hope for much success from Missions in heathen lands unless ours is really a Christian country and not one in name only. Lastly we submit to our Bishops to use their powerful influence in favour of the Godly nurture of the young by, as far as possible, direct contact and intercourse with, and making a point of meeting the head masters and teachers of, every common school wherever they hold a visitation. We do wish to stir the conscience of our people. What a dreadful thought that Canadians should fulfil Shakespeare's character: "A man that apprehends death to be no more dreadful but as a drunken sleep; careless, reckless and fearless of what's past, present or to come, insensible of mortality and desperately mortal."

ANOTHER VIEW OF THE CLERICAL SALARY QUESTION.

In a recent number of the Literary Digest appear extracts from an article by an American college professor, himself, by the way, a clergyman, in which this very live and burning question of adequate or inadequate clerical stipends is treated from quite a novel standpoint. The average minister says the author in the vast majority of cases gets all, and sometimes more, than he is worth, and his salary compared with those of other professional men, when the cost of training is taken into account, is relatively high. This conclusion, we hope, will not commend itself to the great majority of thoughtful and unprejudiced religious people, because it is based upon the fundamental fallacy that the ministry is a money-making profession, wherein the "professor" is rewarded according to his ability to make himself useful and acceptable to the public, and wherein consequently the largeness and smallness of his gains determine his success or failure. His is an altogether vicious principle, and its tacit, and, we fear, very common acceptance, is the cause of a good deal of the present distress. It cannot be too often and persistently insisted upon that the ministry is not a money-making profession, or rather to put it more comprehensively, it is not a calling in which success can be gauged by money standards. This is to utterly degrade the ministry, and it is a mistake into which all of us are at times tempted to fall, and into which a very large number indeed habitually fall, half unconsciously in some cases, deliberately in others. To talk, therefore, as the author of this article does about certain clergymen being only "worth" so much a year in dollars and cents, is to start out on a radically false assumption. All a clergyman is justly "worth" is a living. This, of course, it may be urged can be readily expressed in monetary terms, which is true enough to a certain extent. But the distinction still remains between a "living" and a wage. The parson is not paid for his work. He is simply paid a sum, sufficient to enable him to devote his whole time to his work without the distraction of having to supplement his duties by engaging in some secular pursuit. To some this may seem a distinction without a difference, but there is a vital point at issue. The ministerial calling or profession stands absolutely alone among all other callings, as being the only one in existence where the work is (or should be) its own reward. Thus we have always liked the term "living" as universally used in England. It expresses just exactly what the Church offers, and more than which no man has a right to expect. We have, as our readers know, more than once lamented the insufficiency of clerical stipends in these columns, and our opinions on the subject remain unchanged. The position taken up in this article is in no way inconsistent, with what we have advocated as to the strong necessity for an improvement in this respect. It is not that we believe that the parson's services are "worth" more than what they generally receive in dollars and cents, that we advocate a general levelling up of clerical stipends, but that the cost of having so greatly advanced during the past years, their support in reasonable comfort represents a larger sum. Whether or not, therefore, the average clergyman earns his stipend is quite beside the question. A minister is either "worth" his support or else he is worth nothing at all. Clerical salaries vary, we know, in England on account of the accidental enhancement of ancient endowments, or the special piety of certain individuals who had strong local attachments; they also vary in this country partly on account of the difference in the cost of living, but mainly because of the varying membership and wealth of congregations. But in very few cases indeed does the difference in salaries, in this country at all events, mean anything more than a more or less costly style of living. Not one clergyman in a hundred ever

saves, or is in a position to save money. If he gets more he spends more, and it is expected of him. The spectacle of a minister saving money, would, in this country, be an incongruity so startling as to be almost offensive to the moral sense of the average Canadian. And yet this does not prevent the pernicious idea from becoming prevalent, that a clergyman can only prove his worth and weight and usefulness by the extent of the salary which he "earns," an impression we regret to say quite widespread among genuinely religious people, and evidently in the mind of the author of the article in question. The real point at issue is not whether or not the average parson is "worth" a salary of six, eight, twelve or fifteen hundred dollars a year, but whether or not the churches in the persons of their lay members are willing to give them enough to keep them from engaging in secular employments. All we have said on this subject, is, of course, very commonplace, but these great fundamental facts relating to the ministry need frequent reiteration in a commercialized age, such as our own, with its many noble features, undoubtedly is.

"THE PRAYING VOICE."

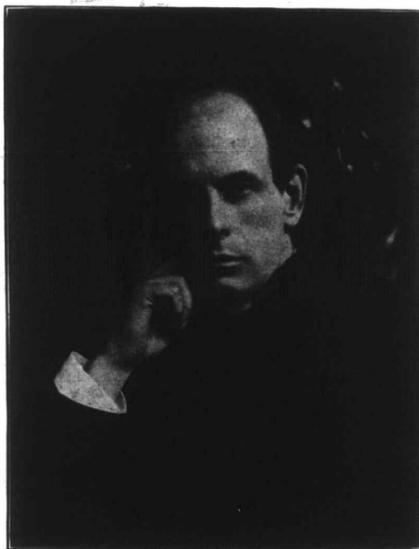
The Bishop of Liverpool (Dr. Chavasse) has recently been admonishing his clergy on the very live and important question of the proper rendering of the services of the Church. He spoke with strong disapproval of what he called the "praying voice." The "preaching voice," he said, was now practically a thing of the past. The clergy nowadays, instead of assuming an unnatural and pompously solemn tone of voice in the pulpit, had very generally adopted the natural conversational intonation. It was time, he said, that the same principle was applied to the rendering of the prayers. The Bishop, we may say in this particular case, was denouncing the universal and indiscriminate practice of intoning the service followed by some clergymen in England, altogether irrespective of the character and training of any congregation to whom they might be called to minister, and in this respect we are in hearty agreement with him. What congregations have suffered at the hands of the parson, who in season and out of season insists upon inflicting an intoned service upon them pitched in an impossible key, might fill many pages, and can be more easily imagined by the sufferers, and few of us have escaped in our time, than described. But is the Bishop strictly correct in his analogy between the "praying and the preaching" voices? It hardly appears so to us. The two things are so essentially different. In preaching, the natural voice, or rather the conversational voice may well be used, in as far as it can be made perfectly distinct. There is a style of "conversational" preaching that is almost more painful to listen to than the old solemnly pompous style, of which we retain vivid memories, and which is not altogether yet discarded. The fact is, that an "easy style of preaching" so far as distinct enunciation goes is one of the most difficult of attainments. However, with all due deference to the Bishop, we cannot, on general principles, agree with him in his statement, as to the absurdity of what he calls a "praying voice." In fact, for the right and proper rendering of the prayers, such a voice is, an absolute necessity. The real question at issue, therefore, is between various kinds of "praying voices." To us "talked prayers" or "orated prayers" are decidedly more offensive and out of place than unnecessarily intoned prayers. For, after all, in intoned prayers there is an absence of self-assertion, and a self-effacement that is glaringly evident and painfully lacking in prayers that are preached from the desk. The ideal "praying voice" is a reverent low pitched monotone, the easiest voice in existence to "catch on to." Few there are in the average congregation that

can do so with intoning, and still fewer with the "conversational" style of delivery. Thus the "confused babble" of congregational responding, so unfortunately common. A low monotone on the other hand furnishes a common meeting ground, and where it is practised there is a very noticeable uniformity and smoothness in the responding. People seem to fall into it insensibly. Speaking generally on the subject of prayer desk delivery it may be well to bear in mind, (1) that the two extremes of slowness and rapidity are equally to be avoided. Some clergymen conform slowness with reverence as others extreme rapidity, and both equally mistakenly. There is a slowness that in its affects on the worshippers at all events is the reverse of reverential, that wearies and finally exasperates. (2) The vital importance of distinct articulation. "Take care of the small words and the large ones will take care of themselves," may be accepted as a very useful working truism. The amount of careless, slovenly articulation one hears in so many churches and from so many men, of whom one would naturally expect better things, is deplorable, and in ninety per cent. of cases it is the result of pure carelessness. (3) Careful voice modulation. The possessor of a strong voice is always under the necessity of exercising strict self-control in this respect. There are so many men possessed of a thunderous voice, from which they derive much personal satisfaction, who find

least equal importance with that of good and effective preaching.

CANON WELCH.

Canon Welch is to resign from the rectorship of St. James' Church, Toronto, which he has held since 1900. It is understood that Canon Welch will leave Canada before the end of July. He will go to England, where he will be made vicar of Wakefield, in Yorkshire, which has lately been made a cathedral city. Canon Welch's departure from Toronto is for family reasons. Past offers of a similar character he has declined. The reason of his decision to leave is that his father, the Rev. Andrew Welch, rector of Woodchurch, in Kent, is now well up in years and desires to have his son in England. The resignation of Canon Welch was a surprise to the members of his congregation and his friends. The resignation is regarded with much regret in Church circles. The learned Canon's high literary attainments, his energy and his preaching have well maintained the traditions of St. James' Church in Toronto. Canon Welch is nearly forty-nine years of age, and came to Canada fourteen years ago, in 1895. There was no cathedral in Wakefield, so that the old parish church, which dated from the 14th century, was adopted as the seat of the Bishop. This diocese has recently had a large amount of money left to it and the Bishop appointed four Canons. Canon Welch will be one of the Canons and Sub-dean, and, of course, vicar. Canon Welch at present is Rural Dean of Toronto, Sub-dean of St. Alban's Cathedral and rector of St. James'. He is also chaplain to the Governor-General's Body Guard, past chaplain of St. George's Society, and is a councillor of Trinity College. Canon Welch, in accepting his new position, will gain nothing in a pecuniary sense. Canon Edward Ashurst Welch was born at Orpington, Kent, England, on August 22nd, 1860. His father is the Rev. Andrew Welch, rector of Woodchurch, Kent. Canon Welch was educated at King's College School, London, leaving in 1879, having gained the Forest and Inglis scholarships and the Jelf medal. At the age of nineteen years he went to Cambridge and took various scholarships and honours, finally taking his B.A. degree, 1st class classical Tripos, in 1882. Two years later he was placed in the 2nd class of the Theological Tripos. For some months he was in the Leeds Clergy School and was ordained Deacon by Bishop Jackson, 1884. Dr. Welch was curate of St. Paul's Haggerston, in 1884-86. In the latter year he proceeded to his M.A. degree, when he received the appointment of Domestic Chaplain to Dr. Lightfoot, Bishop of Durham. Upon the death of the Bishop he received the living of the Venerable Bede's church, at Gateshead. In April, 1895, he was appointed Provost and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Trinity College, Toronto, and he was duly installed on November 13th, 1895, receiving at the same time from the University the honorary degree of D.C.L. In his address on this occasion the new Provost declared that he regarded Trinity University as representing the whole Church and not merely a section. In June, 1895, he was appointed by the Synod of Toronto Diocese a member of the Committee on Religious Instruction in the Public Schools of Ontario. In 1895 he was appointed Chancellor of St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto. He married Miss Edith Marion Grant Mackintosh, in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1890. Canon Welch was made rector of St. James on the 27th of December, 1899, which position he has occupied ever since. In the recent election for the Bishop of Toronto he was mentioned as a possible successor to the late Archbishop Sweatman as Bishop of Toronto Diocese, but he declined to accept nomination for the office. To the Canadian Church the return of Canon Welch to reside in England will be a distinct loss. He is one of those pure, broad-minded, public



Rev. Canon Welch.

it very hard to resist the temptation of "letting themselves go" in the services. This is, of course, commoner in the case of preaching, but it is common enough in the prayer desk to make it often a standing grievance in some congregations. We don't know but this isn't the worst offence of all in the rendering of the services. There are "talked" prayers and "orated" or "mouthed" prayers, but perhaps the "shouted" prayers are the most generally offensive. We fancy that on the whole they are the hardest on the nerves of the worshippers, and the most destructive to devotion. The man who "throws the prayers at you," as we once heard it described, is probably the most trying of all offenders, because he is apt to arouse a sort of antagonistic feeling in the worshipper's mind. Affectation of any kind, it is manifest, is to be religiously avoided, and yet there is often a studied avoidance of affectation of one kind, that may land a man in an equally blameworthy affectation of an exactly opposite kind. Of late years there has, on the whole, been an undoubted improvement in this respect, despite the rage in some quarters for intoned services, but enough leeway still remains to be made up, to render the matter one of prime importance. The intelligibility and acceptability of our services are so dependent upon their proper rendering, that this question, we may safely say, is one of at

spirited, cultivated English gentlemen whose residence in any community cannot fail to leave a strong and abiding impress for good upon all with whom they have been brought in contact. Fortunate in the possession of a strong intellect, refined taste and ample scholarship, the learned Canon is also gifted with business aptitude and a genial and sympathetic spirit. During his residence in Canada he has not kept himself aloof from things Canadian, but with the true Imperial spirit he has sought, and sought successfully, to identify himself with the people amongst whom for the time being his lot was cast. We believe that though we shall lose the charm and advantage of Canon Welch's presence amongst us we shall gain, at the heart of the Empire, a distinguished and influential friend, who whilst tender to our weaknesses and shortcomings will bear witness to whatever there may be of good or of promise in our character and country. It, indeed, gives us a heart pang to say good-bye to one who has in so many ways during the last fourteen years won our confidence and respect in public and in private, who has made for himself an enviable record as a clergyman and citizen; and one for whom, not merely hundreds, but thousands of our people have acquired an affection as lasting as life itself. Whilst expressing its warm appreciation of the past, the Canadian Churchman utters the hope that the future may bring to Canon Welch the choicest blessings that can crown an unselfish, laborious, useful and honoured life. We join with this hope our kindest wishes for Canon Welch's family.

CANON WELCH'S LETTER TO HIS PARISHIONERS.

My Dear Friends,—What I have to say here is already known to you, but I feel that I must make to you some direct announcement of the fact that I have felt it right to accept a call to new work in England. Twice during the last five years similar invitations have come to me from men holding high office in the Church. One was from the Bishop of Durham asking me to go back to the diocese, and indeed to the town, which, at the bidding of his predecessor, I had left nine years before to come to Toronto as Provost of Trinity College. The second invitation was from the Archbishop of Canterbury, who did me the honour to offer me the charge of an important parish in his diocese. Both of these invitations I considered it to be my duty to decline. A change here would have been inopportune, and there was, as far as I could see, no reason why I should not go on with the work at the cathedral, which did not seem to be suffering under my charge, and in which I found my own highest happiness. Towards the end of last month I received a third invitation. This time it came from the Bishop of Wakefield in Yorkshire, whom I have known for more than thirty years, and with whom at one time I was in very close touch for a considerable period. His is a new diocese, which has just reached the stage of being able to establish a fairly complete cathedral system. The authorities, however, are wise in not attempting to build a new cathedral. The ancient parish church is to continue to fulfil a double function, as it has been doing since the formation of the diocese. The present vicar resigns in order, as Archdeacon, to devote himself entirely to Diocesan work. The new vicar is, as incumbent of the Parish Church and Canon and Sub-dean of the cathedral, to be the link between the diocese and its Mother Church. It is this office which the Bishop has offered to me, and which I have accepted. I have taken this course with a full sense of the responsibility involved; but it has seemed to me that while a change in the incumbency of a parish almost always and of necessity puts, temporarily at least, some of the parochial machinery out of gear, yet there is no reason to suppose that the work at St. James' will suffer by a change at the present moment more than would be inevitable at any time, and there are, on the other hand, though I need not enter into them, strong family reasons which lead me to the conclusion that it is right for me now to return to England. If indeed the matter of the Parish House had not been settled, I do not see how I could have consented to go away; the reasons I have mentioned would have been overborne by more imperative considerations.

But now that the work is happily begun, and that we can see our way to its completion and to its financing, it may turn out to be the best thing for the parish that a new rector should come quite fresh to the work, and able to devote himself with enthusiasm to the inauguration, on sound and permanent lines, of an undertaking which will be, I think, unique in the Anglican Church in Canada. Still, it is a disappointment keener than I can express that I shall not see the completion of a work which has been constantly in my thoughts and prayers for years; and I hardly dare yet to think what it will mean to me and mine to leave Toronto, in which the roots have struck very deep during fourteen years, the parish and the church which have been our life for more than nine years out of the fourteen, and especially all the friends, old and young, who have become in a very real sense a part of our life, and whose love and friendship will be an abiding possession to the end and beyond what we call the end. The one consolation that comes, as I think in that way of the change, is the hope that I may find in England and in the Mother Church some means of serving Canada and the Daughter Church in which it has been my high privilege to serve so long. I am always your servant for Christ's sake, Edward A. Welch. 4th Sunday after Easter, 1909.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments and Notes of Public Interest.

The Bishop of Montreal in the course of a Convocation address in the Diocesan Theological College, a few days ago, said one or two things that struck us as rather remarkable and worthy of repetition to a larger audience. He complained that some of his brethren were making enticing offers to certain of his students to go elsewhere and be ordained before they had finished their theological course. His Lordship scathingly remarked that his views on action such as that were hardly suitable for public utterance. In the next place he repeated his determination not to ordain to the ministry men who were not suitably educated for the work to which they would be called. In this determination he hoped to protect the Church public from leadership and instruction at the hands of men who were unfit to lead or instruct wisely, to guard the fair reputation of the Church and to save young men from their worst enemies, men who would induce them to embark in a work before they were qualified to undertake it. It may be a difficult resolution for a Bishop in this country to keep where the harvest is abundant but the labourers are few, but the resolution shows a right conception of the ministry and the needs of the Church. In a thinking age men will not submit to instruction in pious platitudes. We have to think in advance of the people and think more deeply and accurately than they. The training of men to think and to appreciate thinking men's problems is one of the fundamentals in the preparation for the ministry to-day. Say what we will the Church is not thinking in formulae handed down out of the past. We earnestly trust that the training for the ministry may be more thorough as years go on, otherwise the old folly will be intensified when the blind shall attempt to lead those who can see at least a little.

It was Spectator's privilege to attend a second informal meeting between representative men from the Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches to consider the Episcopate in the light of Church union. The point was to state all positions as strongly and straightly as possible so as to get at the heart of our differences at once. Until we see the point of view of the man who differs from us we cannot hope to come together in agreement. To read about that man's position in books that only partially comprehend it, or to satisfy ourselves with some flippant caricature of it is not the way to reach the real issue. It is much more instructive to hear a man speak for himself and put his case at its best, put it as it touches and appeals to him. That was what this

meeting hoped to accomplish. It was to cease discussing hearsay evidence and to appeal to the direct testimony of those who knew whereof they spoke. It is needless to say that the best of good feeling prevailed and there was a straightness and frankness of expression that quite met what was hoped for the little conference.

On the occasion referred to an Anglican view of the Episcopate was presented. It represented as it was intended to represent the position furthest removed from that of the non-Anglican brethren present, so that they might have right out the extreme difficulty which confronted those who hoped for a union in which Anglicans participated. The case was put somewhat like this: Christ's chief work on earth was not teaching, or healing, or converting, but the founding of a society, an organization to which he could commit the truth and the mysteries of his sacraments. The chief concern, therefore, was to have that society properly constituted and officered so that all who minister in holy things in the Church should be duly authorized to do so by those who had the authority to communicate these gifts and privileges. Take the Lord's Supper for example. In that great sacrament Christ communicated himself to the communicant and through these elements passed into the life of him who participated. Hence the extreme care that must be taken in choosing and ordaining men to officiate in such mysteries. That was in the mind of the Master when he founded the Church and set apart Apostles who in turn set Bishops over the Churches who ordained Deacons and Presbyters to take their respective shares in this great work. The continuity of authority was essential and all authority must ultimately reach back to the founder. Episcopacy represented the will of Christ as interpreted through His Apostles since in the life time of one of the Apostles, at least Episcopacy was pretty generally developed in the Church. It was this divine sanction given to Episcopacy that made it impossible for us to surrender it, made us believe that without the Episcopate there could really be no Church and no sacramental life. That in a few words was the pith of what was said. In this theory it will be seen that the stress is laid upon the agent and the institution. The objective side of Christianity is magnified, the subjective side is left in shadow. Christ has left a deposit of truth, he has committed certain sacraments to the Church and if the Church has attended to the valid commission of its officers then we have a divine institution that may not be changed. While through peltiteness we may refrain from passing judgment upon the orders of other Communions who have broken with the Episcopate, still it remains that they have no apostolic ministry and no sacramental life. We may coax them on one pretense or another back into the fold, but the real reason is they are destitute of the essential gifts of the Church.

On the other hand it was argued that Christ bestowed next to no attention upon the organization of a society. His real and perpetual ministry was the giving of a new vision of God and life to men. He was always speaking of a kingdom which he was anxious to usher in, a kingdom which was spiritual dwelling in the hearts of men, a kingdom of love, a kingdom of truth, a kingdom of righteousness and a kingdom of holiness. Neither Christ nor his Apostles emphasized organism or ministerial authority. When reference was made to these things they were always treated as incidental rather than essential. Besides the authority of St. Paul from an ecclesiastical point of view has its doubtful features. "Paul an Apostle not from man, neither through man but through Jesus Christ." Christ had ascended at this time. And furthermore what God cleanses no man is at liberty to call common or unclean. When God shows his approval, by the results of his operation—no

matter what the method may be—then who may deny the validity of the orders that God blesses. This was the tenor of those who took the opposite view. One can hardly say that the argument is all one-sided. It will do us all good perhaps if we get the other man's point of view. Possibly we may return to this point, as at the moment time forbids. Spectator.

FORM OF PRAYER TO BE USED ON ROGATION DAYS.

At a meeting of the House of Bishops held in Toronto on the 26th of April, the following resolution was passed:—"That the House of Bishops request the Bishops in the Dominion to call upon their clergy and congregations to observe the Rogation Days, and to use on each of them, and also on Sunday, 16th May, the service and prayers provided in the diocese of Toronto and other dioceses, calling upon God for a blessing upon the seed being committed everywhere to the ground, and upon the fruits of the earth."

The following is a Form of Prayer which is authorized to be used on Rogation Days:—A Form of Prayer for the Rogation Days, authorized for use in the diocese by the Lord Bishop of Toronto.

Note.—The Rogation Days (the three days immediately before this festival of the Ascension) were first instituted by Mamertus, Bishop of Vienne, in A.D. 452, at a season of special physical calamity, for Litanies and Processions of Supplication. They were observed until the era of the Reformation.

The Church of England has appointed them to be kept as "Days of Fasting or Abstinence," doubtless as a period of preparation for Holy Thursday.

In the Second Book of Homilies is one provided in three parts, "for the days of Rogation Week," which fully sets forth the intention of this edifying observance.

Order of Morning or Evening Service.—The usual order shall be observed, except where it is in this office otherwise appointed.

For the Sentences.—The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof.—Ps. 24:1. Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it; Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.—Ps. 127:1.

Shortened Form of Exhortation, etc.—Proper Psalms, Ps. 8, 19, 103. Proper Lessons, 1st, Deut. 28:1-9; 2nd, St. Matt. 6:25, to end.

The Collect.—Almighty God, Lord of heaven and earth, in Whom we live and move and have our being; Who dost good unto all men, making Thy sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sending rain on the just and the unjust; favourably behold us, Thy people, and send us Thy blessing from heaven in giving us fruitful seasons and filling our hearts with food and gladness; that both our hearts and mouths may be continually filled with Thy praise, giving thanks to Thee in Thy Holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

Instead of the "State Prayers," read the following:—Prayers.—I.—O God, heavenly Father, Who, by Thy Son Jesus Christ, hast promised to all them that seek Thy kingdom and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary for their bodily sustenance; mercifully look upon Thy people, and graciously pardon our sins. O visit the earth, and prepare corn for the inhabitants thereof; crown the year with Thy goodness, and let Thy clouds drop fatness, that we may in due time enjoy the kindly fruits of the earth. Grant this, O Lord, for the riches of Thy goodness in Jesus Christ, our Saviour.—Amen.

II.—O God, Who, to such as seek first Thy kingdom and righteousness, dost promise a sufficiency of all things needful in this our mortal state; let Thy blessing, we beseech Thee, be on the increase of the earth, and on the labour of our hands, that we may eat bread without scarceness, and have to give to him that needeth. Preserve this land from the sore judgments which by our sins we have deserved; and grant that, being led to repentance by Thy long suffering and goodness, we may become a wise and understanding people, having Thee, the Lord, for our God; through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our only Advocate and Redeemer.—Amen.

III.—O God, Who by Thy Church hast ordained this solemn time of supplication for all our necessities, open, we beseech Thee, Thy gracious ears to the prayers Thou inspirest and drawest from our hearts; and by granting us those good things which Thy children, with humility and resignation, ask of Thee, their Heavenly Father, so en-

courage our devotion and obedience, and so increase our hope and love, that transcending and looking beyond all particular goods as safely to be trusted in the hands of Thy providence, our whole souls may thirst after Thee, and trust in Thee, Who art our all in all forever, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end.—Amen.

IV.—O gracious Father, Who openest Thy hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness, we beseech Thee of Thine infinite goodness to hear us, who now make our supplications and prayers to Thee. Remember not our sins, but Thy promises of mercy. Vouchsafe to bless the lands and multiply the harvests of the world. Show Thy loving kindness that our land may give her increase, and so fill us with good things that the poor and needy may give thanks to Thy name. Deliver us from lightning and tempest, plague, pestilence, and famine, and give us peace in our time, O Lord. Above all fill us with Thy choicest spiritual blessings, that we may sanctify Thy temporal gifts, receiving them with thanksgiving, and may desire beyond all earthly things that Bread of Life, which shall strengthen our hearts and nourish us to life immortal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

In the Communion Office.—Instead of the Collect for the day, use the Special Collect provided above. The Epistle.—St. James 5, verses 16-20. The Gospel.—St. Luke 11, verses 5-13.

The Churchwoman.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Windsor.—King's College.—The Woman's Auxiliary of this college met in Christ Church school-room on Wednesday, April 28th. Mrs. Byers, the president, occupied the chair. Miss Wilson, Halifax, Corresponding Secretary, and the following delegates, besides the Windsor ladies, were present:—From Halifax, Mrs. W. L. Payzant, Mrs. F. W. Hanwright, Mrs. W. E. Milner, and Mrs. Geoffrey Morrow. From Dartmouth, Mrs. W. R. Foster, Mrs. M. A. B. Smith, Mrs. George McKenzie, and Mrs. Walter Allison. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. Byers (re-elected). First Vice-President, Mrs. W. L. Payzant; Second Vice-President, Miss B. Brown; Third Vice-President, Miss Timlin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. H. B. Tremaine (re-elected); Corresponding Secretary, Miss Wilson (re-elected); Treasurer, Mrs. E. W. Dimock, (re-elected). Auditors, Miss Curren, Mrs. F. W. Dimock. Miss Wilson read the report of the Executive Committee, which showed a falling off of interest in some directions, and an increase in others, especially in Charlottetown and Westmorland, N.B. On motion, the following resolution was passed:—"That \$1,000 be placed at the disposal of King's towards the salary of the Professor of Divinity at King's College; That \$50 be contributed from the funds of the Auxiliary toward the purchase of a new organ for the college chapel; That \$300 be paid the governors of King's towards reducing the mortgage on the college property at Sydney."

FREDERICTON.

St. John.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, was held at St. John's (stone) Church, commencing on Tuesday, April 20th. After the president had given her address, the report of the secretary, Mrs. C. E. Howard, was received and showed that during the year eleven new branches of the auxiliary had been formed. Eight life members had been elected during the year. These were Mrs. Robert Randolph, Fredericton; Mrs. Peters, Mrs. R. P. McKim, Miss Paton, Mrs. J. Woodforde Smith, Mrs. R. A. D. Paterson, Mrs. W. S. Neales, and Mrs. James F. Robertson. Mrs. Richardson read an interesting paper on Canadian Missionaries in India, after which the report of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. A. D. Forster, was read. Mrs. Heber J. Hamilton, of Nogoya, Japan, gave an interesting talk on her work in that country. The report of the treasurer, Mrs. Mary A. Robertson, showed that the finances of the organization were in good condition. The St. John members of the Woman's Auxiliary in the evening entertained the visiting delegates at a very pleasant reception in the parlours of St. John (stone) Church. It was an unusually brilliant affair, and

was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The guests included His Lordship the Bishop and Mrs. Richardson and ladies from all parts of the province. They were received by Mrs. George F. Smith, Mrs. Kuhring, Mrs. T. Walker, and the two vice-presidents, Miss Barlow and Mrs. A. H. Hanington. The musical programme was a particularly artistic and delightful one and included selections by Mr. Beckley, Mr. Tibbs, of Montreal, Mrs. Cannell, and Miss Edwards, with the accompaniments played by Mr. D. Arnold Fox. All the numbers were heartily appreciated. Miss McKim, missionary, from Persia, made a brief address telling of her work in that country and explaining that it was impossible for her to return at the present time because of the disturbed state of affairs. There was opportunity for a great deal of social intercourse which added to the enjoyment of the evening. The ladies of the stone church provided delightful refreshments, and altogether the reception was an event to be remembered in connection with the meeting in St. John of the W.A. At the next morning's session of the Woman's Auxiliary a large amount of routine business was transacted and very favourable reports were received. The interest in the work continued, the attendance being large. Mrs. E. M. Shadbolt read an address on "Bible Reading," containing many suggestions and observations. Mrs. W. S. Neales read a paper on "How to Interest Women in W.A. Work." After the address a splendid discussion ensued led by Miss Hanington of Norton. The voting of the life membership money then took place and ballots were given out for the election of officers. The nomination of officers will be given out on Thursday. The report of the literary secretary was read, after which the report from the "Mite Boxes" was presented by Mrs. W. Z. Earle. Branch reports were received as follows: St. John, St. Paul, Trinity, St. John the Baptist, St. Andrews, Woodstock, St. Stephen, Nelson, Fredericton, Hillsboro, Burton, Bay de Vin, St. Marys, Chatham. These reports were all favourable and encouraging to the members of the Auxiliary. At Wednesday afternoon's session of the Woman's Auxiliary the first business to be taken up was the report of the Dorcas secretary. This report told of the distribution on behalf of the society of garments, groceries, boxes for Christmas trees and Church furnishings. The total value of the distributions was \$742.83, much of which had gone to the West. Then followed the announcement of the distribution of life membership fees which amounted to \$200, the following objects being chosen: Diocesan needs, the church being built at Cross Creek, Stanley, and repairing St. Thomas' Church at Skiff Lake, Canterbury, Church Buildings Fund for settlers in the North-West and a sewing machine for the school at Lesser Slave Lake, Athabasca; surgical instruments for Dr. Gould's Medical Mission in Palestine, and Dr. Mabel Hanington's Fund for building a hospital in China. The report from the Babies' Branch secretary was received. An interesting discussion upon the subject of how to interest women in the work of the W.A. was led by Mrs. W. S. Neales. Mrs. Heber Hamilton gave an address to the juniors upon the condition of the children in Japan. In the evening a public meeting was held and Dr. Gould, a medical missionary in China, and Rev. Canon Smithers were the speakers. His Lordship Bishop Richardson occupied the chair. Dr. Gould spoke in a very interesting manner of the modern conditions in the Turkish Empire. Rev. Canon Smithers spoke on Diocesan Missions and emphasised the great need of whole-souled and consecrated men in the mission fields. His Lordship said that more men were offering for the work and referred to the recent arrival of six men from England, and said it was hoped that three or four more would arrive during the next month. There was a large attendance at the session of the Woman's Auxiliary on Thursday morning. A fine address on "The Women of the Bible" was read by Mrs. J. W. Millidge. A carefully prepared and instructive article on "Systematic Giving" was read by Mrs. Bate, wife of the rector of Dalhousie. This was followed by a discussion led by Miss Scovil. A letter from Miss Halson, general Dorcas secretary, of Toronto, was read by Miss Brock, Rothesay. The treasurer made a few remarks in reference to the Triennial Thankoffering. Miss Coster, of West St. John, the junior secretary, led a discussion upon junior work. She was followed by Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. John McAvity and Miss Hanington. Ballots for the election of officers were then distributed. The results will be made known this afternoon. Mrs. W. O. Raymond, on behalf of St. Mary's Church, said the church offered \$50 toward the education of Richard Thomas Weaver in Ridley College, St. Catharines, Ont. In the evening, at St. John's Church Schoolhouse, Dr. Gould gave an illus-

trated address on the same subject upon which he spoke on Wednesday evening.

OTTAWA.

Ottawa.—The Rev. E. A. Anderson gave an interesting address before a joint meeting of the Girls' Auxiliaries of St. George's and St. Matthew's churches, held in the latter church, last week. The speaker's subject was the Pan-Anglican Congress held last year in London, England, and he gave a number of impressions created by the Congress. Miss Loucks, President of the St. Matthew's Auxiliary, presided.

Diocesan Board.—The Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary met last week, Mrs. Tilton presiding. Letters were read by Mrs. Capp from Miss Spencer in Japan, and Miss Strickland in India, both missionaries of the society. The following appeals for financial help will be brought before the annual convention to be held in May: The endowment fund of the Yukon Diocese; for a church building fund in Diocese of Qu'Appelle, and for the building of a church at Fernie, B.C. The Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Greene, reported eleven bales sent out during the month, the value of which together with some church and hospital furnishings, amounted to \$315.75. The bales contained clothing, groceries, quilts and other much-needed articles for needy missions and for Indian schools. The secretary read a letter from Rev. F. H. Stephenson, Fenaghvale, which contained his thanks for a set of altar linen sent to the church from the auxiliary. The treasurer, Mrs. George E. Perley, presented the financial statement. Receipts for the last four weeks amounted to \$628.19; expenditure, \$308.10. The E.C.D. Fund treasurer, Mrs. Doney, reported the receipts to that fund to be \$83.18. Miss Greene, organizing secretary, stated that a branch had been formed at North Gower. Forty new names were added to the list of the Babies' Branch, as reported by the secretary, Mrs. J. R. Armstrong. Reports were read from the following branches: Cathedral, Grace Church, St. Bartholomew's, St. John's, St. Luke's, and Fenaghvale. Rev. C. E. Birch officiated at the preliminary service held in the chapel.

St. George's.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the church was held on Thursday the 15th inst., in the parish hall, at which the rector, the Rev. J. M. Snowdon, presided. The attendance included the members of the branch, several diocesan officers, and visitors from other city branches. The treasurer, Mrs. W. C. May, reported the total receipts for the year to be \$348.50, expenditure \$344.63. The Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Horwood, stated that bales had been sent to Lytton Hospital, B.C., and for the Deep Sea Mission, Labrador, an outfit for an India boy was provided. A bed was donated to Alert Bay Hospital by a member in memory of an only child; and church furnishings were also contributed, making the total expended in this department \$110.90. The branch has 53 members; 53 Leaflet subscribers, 25 diocesan and 8 united thankoffering box holders. The election of officers returned the following members to office: Hon. president, Mrs. Snowdon; president, Mrs. Tilton; vice-presidents, Mrs. W. P. Anderson, Mrs. J. B. Fraser; secretary, Mrs. R. D. Baker; treasurer, Mrs. W. C. May; secretaries: Dorcas, Mrs. Horwood; Leaflet, Mrs. W. Bishop; literature, Mrs. Dowsley; box, Miss Jeffrey; Babies' Branch, Mrs. R. W. McCormick; E.C.D. treasurer, Miss Nicholson. Delegates to annual meeting, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. May; substitutes, Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. McCormick.

Grace Church.—The annual of this branch of the W.A. was held recently in the parish hall. During the year all obligations of this society have been met. The membership is now 33, and these ladies raised the amount of \$242.93. The expenditure was \$219.57, leaving a balance in treasury of \$23.36. Through box subscription \$38.67 was collected. Two bales were sent to the Shingwauk Home, Algoma Diocese. Contributions were made to three co-operative bales, and a quilt was made and donated to the Union Rescue Mission of this city. The Boys' Home also received assistance. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. J. F. Gorman; president, Miss Whitcher; vice-presidents, Mrs. Gorrell and Mrs. Bryce; secretary, Miss Washburn; treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Linegar; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Smyth; literature secretary, Mrs. W. H. Martin; representative to the Board meeting, Miss Featherstonhaugh; delegate to the annual meeting, Mrs. C. W. Mitchell and Mrs. W. G. McKay, with substitutes Mrs. Smyth and Mrs. Martin.

St. John's.—The twelfth annual meeting of this branch of the W.A. was held in St. John's

Hall on Tuesday evening, April 13th. In spite of inclement weather an interested audience was present and heard the reports of the year's work. The secretary reported a membership of 66, five of whom are life members and gave a resume of the monthly meetings of the past year, which have been well attended, and at which much missionary information has been imparted. The Dorcas secretary reported that a complete outfit for a boy at Piegan Home had as usual been contributed, this was valued at over thirty dollars. The treasurer's receipts for the year were \$213.08. The Girls' Branch, under the direction of Mrs. Capp, president, have also supplied an outfit for an Indian child, this one being at Vermilion, Athabasca. The membership in the Girls' branch is 28. The Juniors, with 19 members, have worked under the direction of Mrs. Hickman, and have raised fifty-seven dollars for missions during the year. An interesting item on the programme was the presentation of a parting gift to Mrs. Moffatt, a valued member who is leaving the parish. Her fellow-workers had honoured her with a life membership on a previous occasion and took this opportunity to give her a travelling clock and a handsome hand-bag. An address descriptive of the recent laymen's meeting in Toronto was given by Rev. E. H. Capp, who gave the leading points of several of the most striking speeches which he heard there, and held the attention of his hearers as he endeavoured to bring before them the vastness and enthusiasm of that memorable gathering. The officers elected to act in St. John's W.A. for the ensuing year are as follows: Hon. president, Mrs. Pollard; president, Mrs. Curner; 1st vice-president, Mrs. E. H. Capp; 2nd vice-president, Miss Thompson; secretary, Mrs. Morris; treasurer, Miss Grist, literature sec., Mrs. Thompson; Dorcas secretary, Miss Cushing; E.C.D. treasurer, Mrs. Code; box secretary, Mrs. Johnston.

Ottawa East.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Church was held last week. The reports presented showed a year of much work. To the support of a blind boy at Palamcotta, India, this auxiliary gave \$15. An equal contribution was made to the support of a school girl at Murwara, India. A complete outfit of clothing was given to an Indian girl in the Canadian West, and \$20 was raised towards the pledges of the society. The needy and sick of the city also received assistance. The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. president, Mrs. A. J. Cawdron; president, Mrs. J. Trowbridge; vice-presidents, Mrs. C. Winter and Mrs. John Barnett; secretary, Mrs. I. Johnson, treasurer of Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund, Mrs. A. Parks; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Andrew Acres; Babies' Branch secretary, Mrs. William Wright; literature secretary, Miss Nellie Graham; flower fund treasurer, Mrs. Fred. Ferguson.

Perth.—St. James'.—The annual meeting of the W.A. of this church was held in the schoolroom on Tuesday afternoon, April 13th, with a large number present. The officers elected for the year were: President, Mrs. Muckleston; vice-presidents, Mrs. Joan Matheson and Mrs. D. Hogg; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Fowler; recording secretary, Mrs. Burton; treasurer, Mrs. John Code; leaflet secretary, Miss Wrathall; box secretary, Miss Edith Hicks. Mrs. Hogg, who was appointed a vice-president has been recording secretary of the W.A. for nineteen years, and has done her work most admirably. She has been faithful in her duties and always present at the meetings.

TORONTO.

Mothers' Union Report, 1908-09. — Toronto Branch.—The Mothers' Union in the diocese of Toronto has again to report a year of steady work. The outlook for the new year is full of encouragement, more full of hopeful possibilities than ever before. It was proposed at our last annual meeting that the number of our gatherings should be added to, and this has been done. We have met in January, in March, in May, and in October, and each time an address has been given as part of the service. In March the meeting was held on the evening of the Feast of the Annunciation, fathers were invited, also the associates and members of the G.F.S. In all just over one hundred were present. The subject of the address then given was:—Ideals of Family Life as Interpreted by Christianity. Once again we have to regret that the increase in our numbers during the past year has been so small; we began the year with 57, and we end it with 60. Three are

lost and we have gained six. To-day we start again, and with the admission of 12 new members. We earnestly hope that each of our meetings may mean several admissions to the Union. The growth of the Society, we must remember, depends on us, on our prayerfulness in it, on our appreciation of its value to ourselves, shown by our efforts to extend it to others. But, if our own membership has gone up but slightly, virtue has gone out from us, for, members and interest have increased round about us. There are now five branches included in the Diocesan Branch with a total membership of 175. In Toronto itself, in addition to this, the one inter-parochial Branch, there is a second in connection with the Mothers' Meeting in St. James' Parish, which numbers 52; there is a third in St. Stephen's parish where, in that Mothers' Meeting there are 34 members of the Union. A fourth is in Dunbarton where subscribing and non-subscribing members are steadily increasing. A fifth branch is in Allandale, chiefly among the wives of railway employees. It will prove, we hope, to be of direct missionary value to the Union as the members, in consequence of their husbands' work, are constantly being moved onwards into the country. Out of work done here, a branch has sprung up in Quebec, while in Montreal, and as far west as Prince Albert, we have been able to make beginnings, and branches are promised in the future. Our very latest member is Mrs. Newnham, wife of the Bishop of Saskatchewan. Besides the settled work of the branches, much goes on among commended members. Mothers who, coming out from the Old Country to make a new home, long to find the Mothers' Union ready to welcome them in an unknown land. This, at present, can rarely be done except by correspondence of which there is a constantly increasing amount. The letters received from those scattered and often lonely mothers are filled with most entertaining news of their everyday life and surroundings, and express the warmest gratitude for what the Mothers' Union is able to do for them in Canada. By means of letters, Mothers' Union journals, almanacs, Christmas and Easter cards, they are helped to feel they are still, though isolated, members of a Branch. Our quarterly magazine, "Mothers in Council," continues to be a favourite among us: sixty copies of it are taken. Of the "Mothers' Union Journal," 120 copies are paid for; and this year, ten dozens of sheet almanacs have been disposed of. Sample packages of Mothers' Union literature have been sent out east and west at the request of various applicants. Our library has grown from the 33 volumes of last year to the 50 of to-day, and we hope next year will see it still larger. To-day, for the first time, we have opened what may be called a book-stall, which we earnestly trust will attract and appeal to the members present. The question has again come up of having in addition to our four devotional meetings, some way in which we might come together for the reading and discussion of papers bearing directly on subjects pressing on us as mothers. Three papers of unusual merit have been prepared and sent for the use of this Branch—they are on "Ideals of Education," and on "Courtship" and "Marriage." A lady has kindly offered the use of her drawing-room in which we may meet, and it is proposed that we should at once take advantage of the occasion and the place of meeting offered to us and make a new departure. Another development suggested and desired is the formation of a council, composed of five or six of the existing members who would be willing to associate themselves together for the direction and expansion of the Diocesan Branch. There is much that is waiting to be done by some of the able and willing members of our Mothers' Union. Great hopes are entertained that the present year may see all through Canada such a widespread awakening to the claims of the Mothers' Union, with a corresponding desire to realize the ideals at which it aims as will result in a really good working scheme for its general organization. In several dioceses the Union has found a footing, e.g., in Quebec, in New Brunswick, in Ottawa, and in our own. Again in Manitoba there are at least six branches, in Saskatchewan it will undoubtedly develop, it exists in Calgary, in New Westminster also, and in Columbia. Of late, there have been many who have heard of it, of what it means and might do for the homes of our country. Much of this recent interest has been created by the speaking of Miss Kathleen Townend, who arrived in this country in December, and whose labours for the G.F.S. and the Mothers' Union have been unwearied. Her efforts are to be followed up in the autumn when the same ground will be gone over, and fresh work struck out in new directions. There is still one other point to which to draw your attention—There are those who feel strongly that this

great Society which blesses our home life, teaching us as it has been said that there is no nursery of the Christian spirit that can be depended upon except the Christian home, ought not—in planning definite extension—to be confined to Work in our own Communion; but, that its Colonial organization ought, rather, to include a definitely organized non-Anglican interest within or alongside our own. In this feeling Her Excellency Lady Grey is showing a keen interest, and we must trust and pray that the organization of the Mothers' Union in Canada may be framed in the way best calculated to make it possible for every mother to join it, if she will, in order that it may be permitted to become one of the vital forces of the Dominion.

NIAGARA.

Hamilton.—The 23rd annual meeting of the W.A. of this diocese was held in this city on Thursday and Friday, April 29th and 30th. The opening service was held in the cathedral when there was a celebration of the Holy Communion. The sermon was preached by the Rev. T. W. Powell, M.A., rector of St. Clement's, Eglinton, Ont. The first business session was held in the schoolhouse, and the opening address was delivered by the Lord Bishop of the diocese, who, in the course of his remarks spoke in terms of warm praise of the work which had been accomplished by the members which His Lordship said had been a wonderful help to the diocese, and he felt sure that the work would go on with greater earnestness and more fruitful development in the future. Miss Ambrose, at the close of His Lordship's address, asked that the order of business be suspended to allow a motion in regard to the disposition of the undedicated moneys received from the Mary McLaren Memorial Fund, the Extra-Cent-a-Day-Fund, and the thank offering, which amounts to nearly \$600. In the past, the money was voted to the different institutions, practically on impulse. Miss Ambrose pointed out that the method was most unsatisfactory, and it was to this end that the Executive Committee of the Diocese had suggested a committee consisting of ten members, to look after the money and arrange for its distribution in such a way as would do the most good. The motion was adopted by the meeting, and Mrs. T. E. Leather, President of the Auxiliary, suggested the following ladies for the committee, which was unanimously adopted: Mrs. Hobson, Miss Slater, (convener), Miss Ambrose, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Davis, Stony Creek; Mrs. Miller, St. Catharines; Mrs. Harcourt, Welland; Miss Woolverton, Grimsby; Mrs. Gummer, Guelph, and Mrs. Clark, Dunnville.

Miss Moodie presented the report of the Recording Secretary, which gave the following statistics:—Life members, 93; senior branches, 64; junior branches, 11; senior members, 1,934; junior members, 246; total membership, 2,108.

Miss Slater submitted a report of the Corresponding Secretary's department, and which contained a short report of the Dominion Auxiliary, held last summer at Ottawa. The report also contained a list of the appeals for assistance.

The first session was exceptionally well attended, being the largest in many years. Some 40 places in the diocese are represented, and there are 132 delegates from out of town, besides the many from the city churches.

An adjournment was then made to the Armory palm garden, where a dainty luncheon was served by a large committee of ladies from all the city churches.

In the evening the delegates attended a reception which was given by the Bishop of the diocese and Mrs. DuMoulin, at the See House.

Friday.—Very little business of importance, outside of the election of officers, was transacted at the morning session of the Diocesan W.A. Miss Halson, General Dorcas Secretary, gave an interesting talk on Home Missions, and Mrs. Davis, of Stony Creek, delivered the noontide address. Miss Metcalf, of Grimsby, also read an interesting paper. The officers elected were:—Mrs. DuMoulin, Honorary President; Mrs. Leather, President; Mrs. Sutherland, First Vice-President; Mrs. Tidswell, Second Vice-President; Miss Moody, Recording Secretary; Miss Slater, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Houston, Organizing Secretary; Mrs. Dalley, Dorcas Secretary; Mrs. G. F. Glassco, Junior Secretary; Miss Galliver, Convener Literature Committee; Miss Morgan, Secretary-Treasurer Literature Committee; Mrs. Scott, Secretary-Treasurer Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund; Mrs. Howitt, editor of "Leaflet"; Mrs. Hobson, Treasurer.

At the afternoon session the Branch reports by Deanery Secretaries were submitted as follows:—Haldimand, Mrs. Patterson; Halton, Mrs. Chisholm; Lincoln and Welland, Miss B. L. Thompson; Wellington, Miss Bethune; Wentworth, Miss Minty; Hamilton, Miss K. Snider, and Miss Bennetts represented the Girls' Branches.

Very interesting addresses were delivered at this meeting by Miss Cartwright, the Principal of St. Hilda's College, Toronto, and Mrs. DuMoulin. The former spoke on the subject of "The Training of the Children," and the latter on "A Foreword for the Coming Year." The life membership fees were divided proportionately to the vote cast, and resulted as follows:—Yukon, \$181.10; Miss Lennox, \$76.53, and for the Fernie church, \$47.80. The committee appointed to decide the best manner of using the Mary McLaren Memorial Fund decided that it be used for Canadian works, as follows:—Augmentation Fund of Niagara Diocese, \$100; the Rev. E. J. Peck's work, \$108.75; Church Building Fund, \$101, and for the benefit of the Jews, \$31.62. Of the Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund of \$107.52 and \$62.58 undesignated money, Miss Strickland, of India, gets \$50; Dr. Gould, of Palestine, \$25, and the general pledges to the Board are \$90. The officers of the Standing Committees for the coming year are as follows:—Executive Committee.—All officers elected by the Board and the Investment Committee. Investment Committee, Mrs. Leather, Miss McLaren, Miss Ambrose; Literature Committee, Mrs. Gwyn, Miss Gaviller, Miss D. Bull, Miss K. Snider, Mrs. Gerald Glassco, Miss Fairclough, and the editor of the "Leaflet"; members General Board of Management, Mrs. Dalley, Mrs. Hobson, Miss Slater; Secretary for Badges, Mrs. Sewell, Herkimer Street, Hamilton. Votes of thanks were passed to the officers and workers.

The evening meeting took the form of a mass meeting for Girls and Juniors. It was held in the school-room of the Church of the Ascension, and was numerously attended. One of the interesting features of the meeting was the presentation of a sand map illustration of China, showing mountains, cities, and also the mission stations where the work of the missionaries was being carried on. Addresses were delivered during the evening by Miss Thomas, of Toronto, on the subject of "The Girls' Answers to the Missionary Call," and also by the Rev. F. W. Kennedy, a missionary from Japan, who gave a very instructive and interesting "talk" about that country. During the course of his remarks he stated that the first Canadian missionary to Japan came from the diocese of Niagara. The usual votes of thanks to the speakers were passed and after the Benediction had been pronounced the meeting as a whole of the W.A. of the diocese was brought to a close.

Niagara Local Assembly.—The Daughters of the King.—One of the most successful meetings of the Local Assembly of the Daughters of the King, of the diocese of Niagara, was held in All Saints' school-room, on Tuesday evening, April 20th. There were represented Ascension Seniors, Ascension Juniors, St. Mark's Seniors, St. Mark's Juniors, All Saints', St. Stephen's, and St. Peter's Chapters, also members of a Bible Class at St. Thomas. After the opening hymn and prayers, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Miss Thomson, General Treasurer, then gave a short talk on "Wearing the Cross." The members should be glad to wear it conspicuously, and always, wherever they go. They should be ashamed to go where they were not willing to wear the Cross. It often was a bond of union between members, who thus recognized each other, and sometimes opened a way to speak for Christ. The great feature of the evening was the delivery of "Impressions received from a Three Days' Mission," which was held in this city by Miss Connell and Miss Rayner, of the Church of England Deaconess House, Toronto. Never was greater enthusiasm shown by the daughters. There was some slight discussion as to whether theatre-going and card playing should be entirely given up, but the general impression was that the time was short, and the King's business urgent. More earnest efforts should be put forth to win souls. Let the members rise to their opportunities and privileges and there would be no need of a special Mission to extend Christ's Kingdom among women. Miss Hamilton, the President, in her closing remarks advised the members to shine. There is great need of the gospel of joy in the world. Let each go forth showing this in her face. The evening's proceedings ended with a social time, when cake and ice-cream were enjoyed. It is agreed that Niagara's Local Assembly is an event to look forward to with pleasure.

HURON.

Stratford.—St. John's.—The Daughters of the King of this church held their annual meeting at the residence of Mrs. Harris, Grant Street, on May 4th, when the following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. (Rev.) Robinson; Vice-President, Mrs. (Dr.) W. B. Lindsay; Secretary, Mrs. A. Craik; Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Cunifford.

St. Thomas.—Trinity.—The Ladies' Guild of this church organized for the year on Monday afternoon, April 19th, and elected the following officers:—President, Mrs. W. H. Heard; first vice-president, Mrs. D. Newcombe; second vice-president, Mrs. George Stacey; fourth vice-president, Miss E. Briery; secretary, Mrs. E. Williams; assistant secretary, Miss Bristow; treasurer, Miss Love, assistant treasurer, Miss Foss; tea committee, Miss V. Honsinger, Miss Cora Lindop; surplice committee, Mrs. P. R. Williams, Mrs. J. Barnes, Mrs. Fred Roberts. A banquet will be given by the ladies to the young men's club at the schoolhouse on the 3rd of May, when the Rev. T. G. Wallace, of Woodstock, will address the gathering.

COLUMBIA.

Victoria.—Christ Church Cathedral.—This Branch of the W.A. held their annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon, April 28th. A large number, including Bishop Perrin and the Rev. J. Grundy, were present. Mrs. Peters, the president, was absent through illness. Mrs. Toller, the Secretary-Treasurer, read a report showing that \$302.14 had been received and \$275.65 expended, leaving a balance of \$46.49. Mrs. Murray Thain, of Vancouver, was welcomed as a new member. The report of Mrs. Hiscocks, Dorcas Secretary, showed that many donations had been made to the Mission hospitals and schools by that Society. Miss Wootton, Secretary of the Girls' Branch, reported twenty-three active workers. Miss Wollaston, Secretary of the Junior Branch, reported an enrolment of 64 members and an attendance of 53, and much good work accomplished. Mrs. L. Maistre, the Leaflet Secretary, reported 50 subscribers. Mrs. Toller was presented by Bishop Perrin, on behalf of the Society with the certificate and badge of life membership as a token of the high esteem in which she is held. Votes of thanks were passed to the Bishop for interest and help, to Mr. Wollaston for auditing the books and to Mr. Russell for his attention to the comfort of the members of the Society. The election of officers resulted in the unanimous re-election of the President, Miss E. C. Moore; Secretary, Miss Peters; Treasurer, Mrs. Toller; Mrs. Luxton having resigned. Mrs. Hiscocks was elected Vice-President; "Leaflet" Secretary, Mrs. Le Maistre; Secretary Columbia Coast Mission, Mrs. Berkely; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Toller; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. Litchfield, with a committee consisting of Mrs. Hearn, Mrs. Rant, Mrs. Wheatley and Mrs. Thomas. Mrs. Nivin and Mrs. Wheatley were elected diocesan delegates, and Miss Ramsdale was reappointed Superintendent of the Junior Branch.

St. John's.—On Monday afternoon, April 26th, this Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions held a very successful annual meeting. The girls' Branch presented its report likewise and elected officers. Bishop Perrin was present, and also Mrs. Perrin, who is President of the Diocesan Board. In the absence through illness, of the President, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. R. H. Walker occupied the chair. The Rev. J. Stanley Ard conducted the usual opening exercises. The Secretary-Treasurer's report showed that receipts had been \$128.05; expenditure, \$121.60, leaving a balance of \$6.45. The Society has held twenty meetings. There are sixty members on the roll, and Miss Ard, Mrs. Burns, Miss E. Woods and Mrs. R. H. Walker are life members. The work of the Society has been prosperous throughout the year and at the recent bazaar sufficient funds were raised to provide for a bed in the Alert Bay Hospital. Miss E. Woods, the "Leaflet" Secretary, reported thirty subscribers. The Girls' Branch has eighteen members and meets twice each month. At the sale on Friday last they made \$25.10. Mr. Ard, on behalf of the Society, presented Miss Margaret Johnson, their President, with a beautifully illuminated certificate and neatly framed life membership certificate, as a token of the esteem and affection in which she is held. The older society will present her with the gold pin of the Woman's Auxiliary as soon as it arrives. The election of officers was as follows:—Mrs. Burns was unanimously re-elected President; Mrs. O'Meara and Mrs. Garnham, Vice-Presi-

dents; Mrs. Robert Walker, Secretary-Treasurer; Miss Emily Woods, "Leaflet" Secretary; Mrs. Fulton, Dorcas Secretary; Mrs. T. Walker, Secretary to Babies' Branch, and Mrs. Oliver, Literary Secretary. Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Stainter were re-appointed delegates to the Diocesan Board. The election of officers for the Girls' Branch resulted as follows:—President, Miss Margaret Johnson; Vice-President and Dorcas Secretary, Miss Emily Woods; Treasurer, Miss Olive Hayes; Recording Secretary, Miss Lillian Ralph; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Emmeline Andrew; delegates to Diocesan Board, Misses E. Andrew and V. Goodwin.

Home & Foreign Church News

From our own Correspondents

NEWFOUNDLAND.

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

St. John's.—C. of E. Orphanage.—The annual meeting of the managers of the Church of England Orphanage took place recently. His Excellency the Governor arrived punctually at three o'clock, attended by Pay Master Campion, Acting Private Secretary, and was received by the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary of the Institution. The meeting opened with the Orphans singing the hymn, "O God our help in ages past," followed by prayer for God's blessing on the work. After this, an opportunity was given the visitors to see several pieces of work which had been made by the boys in the B.F.C. Manual Training Department, while others had a word with the children, and commented favourably on their clean, neat and healthy appearance. The orphans were then dismissed. A goodly number were present, together with the Governors and Managers of the Orphanage. His Excellency then called upon the Hon. Secretary, the Rev. James Bell, to read the annual report, and the Hon. Treasurer's accounts were presented by Mr. W. B. Grieve. The amended rules were read and adopted, and the following re-elected to office:—Hon. Treasurer, W. B. Grieve, Esq.; Hon. Physician, Dr. Anderson; Hon. Secretary, the Rev. James Bell; Hon. Chaplain, Canon Dunfield. J. Outerbridge, Esq., was elected one of the three trustees; and the following were elected members of the Board of Management:—Mrs. John Harvey, Mrs. Brehm, Miss Bowring, Hon. S. D. Blandford, Messrs. Tasker Cook, M. G. Winter, W. C. Job and G. Davey. His Excellency warmly congratulated the managers on the healthy and happy appearance of the children, and commended the admirable work of the Institution. Mr. Outerbridge moved a vote of thanks to His Excellency for presiding, and it was carried by acclamation. The meeting concluded with the Benediction, pronounced by the Rev. Canon White.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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

Halifax.—A very interesting meeting of the Sunday School Teachers' Institute was held Monday evening, May 3rd, at the Church of England Institute, the Rev. C. W. Vernon in the chair. The subject for the evening was "The Prayer Book in the Sunday School," Miss M. A. Hamilton gave a model lesson to her junior class from Christ Church Sunday School, Dartmouth, admirably showing the possibilities of Prayer Book teaching to quite young children. The Rev. C. W. Vernon gave an address on "The Prayer Book in the Sunday School," emphasizing the need for teaching respecting it and its use, and suggesting that the Sunday School Commission should issue a series of supplementary graded lessons on the Prayer Book. The meeting closed with a short Round Table Conference on the Prayer Book, the questions for which had been prepared by Miss Rodgers.

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Windsor.—King's College.—The Alumni of this College held their annual meeting on the 28th. The proceedings were opened with prayer by the Lord Bishop of the diocese. There was a large attendance, amongst those present being the Bishop and the Dean. The following resolution

was moved by Dean Crawford, seconded by the Rev. G. R. Martell, and passed by a rising vote of the whole Alumni:—"The Alumni of Kings College in annual meeting assembled, desire to put on record, and to convey to the Rev. Dr. Boulden, President of the College, their profound sympathy with him in the illness from which he has been suffering for the past year, and their regret that he has not yet recovered therefrom. They would also express the hope, that if it please God, he may shortly be restored to full health and strength. The Alumni would assure the President of their admiration of the courage and patience with which he has borne his long and trying illness, and the devotion and faithfulness, with which in spite of his suffering, he has fulfilled the duties of his office." This resolution was directed to be sent by the Secretary to Dr. Boulden. Five members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors were appointed. The Rev. G. R. Martell, C. E. Gregory, W. C. Milner, Judge Forbes, and C. S. Wilcox. The two vacancies created by Dean Crawford and Thomas Brown retiring from the Board of Governors by rotation, and the vacancy caused by the death of James Morrow, were filled by the election of C. E. Gregory, K.C., Reginald Harris, and H. H. Pickett. The President of the Alumni together with the Rev. G. M. Ambrose, W. L. Payzant, and Dr. W. Bruce Almon, of the Executive Committee of the Alumni retired from office under by-law and Dr. Trenaman was unanimously elected President of the Alumni. He has held that position for 28 years, and is elected to serve two years in that position. The other vacancies were filled up by the election of Reginald E. Harris, W. L. Payzant, and Dr. Bruce Almon. Messrs. Payzant and Almon being re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Alumni. As usual the report of the Woman's Auxiliary Society was most encouraging, they having received during the year \$742.61 from the different branches of their Society in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The greatest sums obtained being from Windsor, \$271.08; from Halifax, \$159.71; from Dartmouth and Yarmouth, \$100 each; out of the funds for the year 1908-09 it paid the salary of the Alexandra Professor of Divinity, \$1,000, and there was to the credit of the Society in the Savings Bank on the 8th of this month \$1,374.10. A very enthusiastic vote of thanks to this Society was passed by the Alumni. In the Alumni, W. C. Milner presented a resolution endorsing the Executive Committee's recommendation for new buildings, and pledging the Alumni to the extent of \$1,000 towards that object. Dean Crawford moved an amendment, which, while commendatory of Mr. Milner's resolution, differed from it, in not mentioning any sum to be raised by the Alumni. The following took part in the discussion: Mr. H. L. Jones, H. DeBlois, Dean C. Crawford, Prof. McCarthy, Judge DeWolfe, W. L. Payzant, and Bishop Worrell. Dean Crawford's amendment carried. It is said that Mr. H. L. Jones, the canvasser for the College, has met with great encouragement of raising funds for the College. Before the meeting of the Alumni closed, Dr. Crockett addressed that body in a few well conceived and humorous remarks.

The Encaenia.—The exercises in connection with the closing of this college on the 29th ult., were most interesting. The university sermon was preached by the Rev. Stuart Crockett, D.D., New York. Dr. Boulden, although in poor health, presided at the Convocation, and conferred the degrees. Eight students took the B.A. degree; three M.A. degrees were conferred; two were honoured with D.C.L., and on five was conferred the degree of B.C.L. Ray Milner, son of Mr. W. C. Milner, the free coal champion, gave the Valedictory. Bishop Richardson, of Fredericton, was present and gave an admirable address. The Alumni oration was delivered by Dr. M. A. B. Smith, of Dartmouth. On the evening of the previous day, the students put on a play "For One Night Only," that was one of the best things seen in Windsor for years. The play was well staged, and greatly enjoyed by all. The honorary degree of D.C.L. was conferred on His Honour Judge Savary, and the Rev. S. Crockett, D.D., of New York.

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Boulden have gone to England for a trip. Dr. Boulden's health is giving his family and friends a great deal of anxiety, and he has undertaken this journey for the purpose of receiving special medical treatment. Dr. and Mrs. Boulden expect to return to this place in July next. The Rev. Canon and Mrs. Vroom and their daughter are (D.V.) sailing for England from Quebec on the 29th May, by the Dominion Liner "Ottawa." They purpose spending the summer vacation in the Mother Land.

Truro.—St. John's.—The wardens of this church have appointed Miss Lorrie Archibald, daughter of Ross Archibald, Esq., organist of the church, and Mr. F. G. Matthews as choir leader. Miss Archibald, on the first occasion of playing, won universal praise from the parishioners for the efficiency and smoothness of her organ work, which was highly creditable, considering that she was interpreting pretty difficult music for the first time.

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St. Eleanor's.—St. John's.—Wardens, W. Andrew, H. Compton; delegates to Synod, the churchwardens; substitutes, J. R. Forbes, H. Andrews. The financial report was a satisfactory one.

MONTREAL.

John Cragg Farthing, D.D., Bishop, Montreal.

Montreal.—St. Martin's.—The adjourned vestry meeting was held on April 26th. Wardens, J. R. Meeker, W. B. Gilmour; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Strachan, (K.C.), and Alex. Bethune. All reports presented were of a satisfactory character.

St. James' the Apostle.—The 45th annual vestry meeting of this church, which was adjourned from Easter Monday, was held on the evening of Monday, April 26th. The rector, the Rev. Canon Ellegood, presided. Wardens, W. H. Leach, and H. B. Loucks; delegates to Synod, E. J. Coyle, A. M. Crombie. The sum of about \$3,500 has been spent during the past year in renovating, re-decorating and rewiring the church, and all of this work has been paid for with the exception of about \$700. The Rev. A. P. Shatford's services were recognized by an increase in stipend. The Laymen's Missionary Association of the Church was highly complimented on its efforts in raising funds for missionary purposes. The efforts of the Rev. E. Bruce, curate, in charge of the St. Antoine Street Mission, were spoken of, and an increase in salary was voted him. The Rev. Canon Ellegood has given \$1,000 as a thank-offering towards relieving the Mission mortgage debts, which amount to \$4,600, the Canon's donation to be paid when the balance of the amount has been raised. This generous offer was suitably acknowledged and a committee was appointed to arrange for the raising of the balance of the indebtedness as soon as possible. Mr. Judah, at the meeting, expressed a desire to place a handsome clock in the church in memory of his father and mother. The offer was thankfully accepted.

Diocesan Theological College.—The annual Convocation was held on April 30th. In the morning there was a special service in the chapel, at which the Rev. J. H. Bell preached the Convocation Sermon. In the evening a large number gathered together in the Convocation Hall, amongst those present being the Bishop of the diocese. The Rev. Principal Rexford in his report stated that this was the thirty-sixth session of the college, and referred to the changes which had taken place in the governing body during the past year. A sad loss had been that of the late Bishop, and another one whom they greatly missed had passed away in the person of the late Mr. Samuel Carsley. Dr. Rexford extended to Bishop Farthing, a hearty welcome on this his first appearance at Convocation proceedings at this college. He said that "the greatest need of the Canadian Church was an ample supply of properly trained candidates for the ministry. In order to meet the needs of this diocese, and to take some share in the great work of the North-West, fifty or sixty students are required in this institution." Principal Rexford also touched on the financial condition of the college, and stated that they required half a dozen bursaries, such as Lieut.-Col. Carson has provided, of the annual value of \$120, to enable students of moderate means to go through their training at the college. After the governing body had practised the strictest economy, the college treasurer was confronted with an annual deficit of about \$2,000. This deficit arose partly from the increased cost of maintenance and from the disinclination of the management to increase the charge of \$120 upon each student for residence, board and tuition. The Rev. D. B. Rogers, curate of Grace Church, Point St. Charles, delivered the Valedictory address. The Very Rev. Dr. Bidwell, Dean of Ontario, delivered a special address on "Pastoral Work," and addresses were given by Principal Peterson, of McGill University, and the Dean and Bishop of Montreal. The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology and the Benediction which was pronounced by the Bishop.

The following is the prize list:—Third year—Class I.—Rev. D. B. Rogers, M.A. Class III.—W. H. Gale. Second year—Class II.—W. Y. Nicholson, P. Isherwood, B.A. Class III.—P. D. Locke. First year—Class I.—C. E. Riley, B.A.; J. Norman. Class II.—J. Hodgkinson. Class III.—W. Newman. Gault gold medal, the Rev. D. B. Rogers, M.A.; Robert Reford prize, the Rev. D. B. Rogers, M.A.; Renouf prize, the Rev. D. B. Rogers, M.A.; Buchanan prize, the Rev. D. B. Rogers, M.A.; first year aggregate prize, C. E. Riley, B.A.; first year aggregate prize, J. Norman; the Hague prize, C. E. Riley, B.A.; Buchanan prize for missions, J. Norman; the Rev. T. S. Boyle prize, J. A. Osborne, Mrs. Jas. Norris prize, J. Norman and W. J. H. Lummis and J. Norman; Catechism prize, J. Norman.

Bishop Carmichael Memorial Church.—The following letter to the clergy and laity of the diocese of Montreal, dated from Bishop's Court, April 27th, and written by Bishop Farthing, was read in the churches on Sunday, May 2nd. "My Dear Brethren,—It was resolved at the last meeting of our Diocesan Synod that a memorial should be erected to the late revered Bishop Carmichael. A committee was appointed to consider the matter, and they have resolved that the most suitable memorial that could be erected is a church to serve a needy district. After very careful investigation, the committee have decided that this proposed memorial church shall be built in the parish of St. Alban's, at the corner of St. Zotique and St. Isabel Streets. The site is already secured and paid for by the parish. Most heartily do I concur in the selection made by the committee. I do not know of any locality where the church is more needed. It will serve a large district composed almost entirely of working people, who have not the means to provide accommodation for their work, which has grown far beyond the present structure. This church will be carrying on the work of church extension which was so near to the late Bishop's heart. I am sure that no memorial would more honour his memory than a church, built in a place where it is most needed. There is not a man, woman or child who did not love the late Bishop, and none who would not take pleasure in doing something to perpetuate his memory. Let us all unite in making this memorial worthy of one so universally beloved. The amount required will be at least \$15,000. I would ask that a collection be taken up in each church on May 9th. Subscriptions should be put into envelopes containing this letter, and should be made through the offertory on Sunday, May 9th, or sent to the wardens as soon thereafter as possible, that work may be begun at once."

St. John's School.—Much interest is being manifested in the radical changes which are about to be effected in this school, an institution which has been in existence for upwards of forty years, through whose class-rooms have passed many of the most prominent business and professional men in the city, and claiming amongst its "Old Boys," men who have made their mark, not only in Montreal, but throughout the American continent. The present headmaster, Mr. C. S. Fosbery, M.A., has arranged to remove the present entire staff of teachers and 143 of the present pupils to a new institution which he is having erected on Royal Avenue, Notre Dame de Grace, and which will be opened in September. This new school, which will cost about \$60,000, and for which a charter has been obtained, will accommodate 50 boarders and 150 day boys, and will be one of the best equipped educational institutions in the Province. Some doubt has been expressed as to whether the old school would be carried on after Mr. Fosbery left and whether the departing headmaster would be permitted to use the old name of St. John's in connection with his new institution. The Rev. Arthur French, warden of St. John's School, now definitely states that the old school will be carried on as formerly after Mr. Fosbery's departure in September. The Rev. Arthur French, and the Rev. Edmund Wood are the joint lessees of the school premises, and the lease has yet ten years to run. Mr. French intends to proceed at once to England to arrange for the engagement of a new staff of masters. While he himself will not take charge of any of the classes, the routine of the school will be under his personal direction, and he will be responsible for its finances.

Hochelaga.—St. Mary's.—The Rev. Percival G. Rollit has been appointed by Bishop Farthing as assistant temporarily to the Rev. H. Jekill, rector of this church. Mr. Jekill, who has been in poor health for some time past, will spend the summer in the mountains.

Farnham.—St. James'.—The adjourned Easter vestry meeting was held on Monday night, April 26th. Messrs. F. F. Brown and A. E. Gough were re-elected churchwardens, and Dr. B. A. Planche and A. E. Gough, delegates to Synod. Final steps were taken to put the envelope system into operation. During the year the church property was improved by the building of about 140 yards of concrete walk. A brass eagle lectern in memory of the Rev. Rural Dean Harris, for seven years rector of the parish, and an oak chair in memory of Mrs. Carpenter, were placed in the church, and the Parish Hall has been renovated with new varnishing, painting and papering. The thanks of the vestry were tendered to the churchwardens. The Ladies' Guild, the Sunday School teachers, and to Messrs. D. B. Meigs, M.P., Wm. Sturgeon, and D. Seale, for kind services rendered.

ONTARIO.

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

Kingston.—St. George's Cathedral.—The Rev. Canon Starr left on Tuesday of last week for New York, and from thence he will go to Boston to attend the Church Congress. He preached in the latter city last Sunday. He expects to return to this city to-morrow.

St. James'.—The adjourned vestry meeting took place in the school-house on Monday, May 3rd. The Rev. T. W. Savary, who had sufficiently recovered from his late illness to be able to do so, presided. Wardens, W. J. C. Allen, F. King; delegate to Synod, Dr. R. V. Rogers, K.C.

Tamworth and Marlbank.—The Bishop held Confirmation services at both of these places on Sunday, May 2nd, and confirmed a large number of candidates at both places.

Brookville.—St. Paul's.—The Rev. O. Dobbs, the rector of this church is leaving this week for England. He will be away for six weeks.

Trinity.—The clergy of the Rural Deanery of Leeds and Grenville held a meeting here on Monday, May 3rd. Besides the Brockville clergy there were present; the Dean of Ontario, the Rev. Ven. Archdeacon Carey; the Revs. H. P. Patton, of Prescott; R. J. Dumbille, of Kemptville; F. G. Kirkpatrick, of Cardinal; J. H. Coleman, of Merrickville; W. E. Kidd, of Frankville; T. A. Smith, of Lyn, R. B. Patterson, of Athens, J. Stanton, of Newboro; T. A. Leech, of Lansdowne, J. R. Serson, of Gananogue, and A. O. Cooke, of Westport. The afternoon was devoted to business and a devotional meeting, conducted by the Very Rev. E. J. Bidwell, Dean of Ontario. In the evening there was a service in the church at which all the clergy were present, the rector of Trinity taking the service, the Revs. R. J. Dumbille, and A. O. Cooke reading the lessons; while the sermon was preached by the Dean on the text, "Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled." St. Matt. 5:6. The meetings were continued next day, and in the evening there was a public missionary meeting in the church, addressed by the Dean, Dr. R. V. Rogers, of Kingston, and His Honour Judge Reynolds.

Maberly.—St. Alban's.—Wardens, R. J. Hughes, W. Clarke.

Bathurst.—St. Stephen's.—Wardens, J. Gordon, R. Taylor; delegates to Synod, J. Acheson, R. Taylor. An encouraging financial report was presented in connection with this Mission. During the past year a barn has been built and a well sunk in connection with the parsonage, at a cost of about \$250. This outlay has been fully met and in addition to this the sum of \$100 has been paid off on the parsonage note.

OTTAWA.

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Archbishop, Ottawa, Ont.

Ottawa.—St. John's.—The Rev. Canon Pollard, rector of this church, and Mrs. Pollard, who have been in England for several months, returned home last week. The congregation held a reception in St. John's Hall, on Tuesday night to welcome them home.

Grace Church.—Prayer Book revision was thoroughly discussed at a well-attended meeting of the Men's Guild last week. Dr. Chas. Morse, President, occupied the chair. The rector, the

Rev. J. F. Gorman, gave a description of the Prayer Book revision as proposed by the convocation in England, and a resume of the proposed action of the committee appointed by the General Synod of Canada. The question was discussed from both standpoints, pro and con, the general opinion being that Prayer Book revision was inevitable and that the proposed change was advisable.

All Saints.—The Archbishop conducted a Confirmation service at this church Sunday evening the 2nd instant. The Confirmation class consisted of between fifteen and twenty young persons of both sexes. The church was crowded. The address of the Archbishop was a very eloquent effort. The services throughout were accompanied with great impressiveness. The May festival and the crowning of the May Queen and entertainment held under the auspices of the Children's Auxiliary of this church last week, was a success in every way. The proceeds are to be devoted towards the support of a blind boy at Palamcottah, India, and sufficient was realized for the purpose.

St. Matthew's.—The adjourned annual vestry meeting of this church was held last week, and was largely attended, the rector, the Rev. Walter M. Loucks, M.A., presiding. The various reports showed notable progress in all directions. The number of families in the congregation had increased from 287 to 312, and the total church membership was now 1,309. There had been 49 baptisms, 28 marriages, and 12 burials in the year, and the Sunday School roll totalled 405 teachers and scholars. The total receipts for the year had been \$6,200, and the expenditure \$5,687. The assets of the parish over all liabilities at the close of this the tenth year of its history were \$23,700. Officers elected were, rector's warden, F. H. Gisborne; people's warden, G. W. Dawson; delegate to Synod, Dr. A. A. Weagant. It was decided to purchase a new organ at a cost of \$3,150, towards which the members of St. Anna's Guild have already raised \$240 by recent entertainments, and a further sum of \$1,900 has so far been subscribed.

St. Barnabas.—At the close of the services at this church last Sunday evening, an address of congratulation was presented to His Grace the Archbishop. The Rev. H. Lane, the rector, has sent the cheerful news to his congregation and friends in Ottawa that he has now recovered his health and expects to return to Ottawa in about eight weeks. He is at present the guest of friends on the west coast of Ireland.

Richmond.—St. John's.—The Rev. R. B. Waterman, rector of Carp, has been appointed to succeed the Rev. Chas. Saddington as rector of this parish. The former rector conducted his last services in the church on Sunday, the 2nd inst., and has gone to take up his new duties as rector of Almonte.

Perth.—St. James'.—A very pleasing combined bazaar and concert took place in the basement of this church on Monday evening, May 3rd. About \$40 was cleared as the result thereof.

Almonte.—Prior to leaving the parish to enter upon his new duties as the rector of Smith's Falls, the Rev. Rural Dean Bliss was presented with a purse of gold containing \$105. Mr. Bennett Rosamond read the address, and Mr. T. A. Thompson made the presentation. On behalf of the ladies of the parish Mrs. James Rosamond read an address to Mrs. Bliss, and Mrs. Henry Curtis presented her with a purse of \$50 as a token of their regard and esteem.

Cornwall.—Trinity.—The members of the Parochial Guild of this church gave a tea at the rectory on Wednesday, April 28th, the proceeds of which went to swell the Rectory Fund. The beautiful day brought many people out and the ladies were kept busy pouring tea and serving ice-cream, also at the housekeepers' table, which is always one of the centres of attraction. In the evening Miss Bertha Shaver, who is leaving Cornwall, was presented with a very handsome pearl pendant and chain by the Rev. T. J. Stiles, on behalf of the congregation. Mr. Stiles spoke, with much regret, of Miss Shaver's approaching departure to Ottawa, and thanked her very much for the services she had so kindly given to the choir on all occasions. The choir and congregation would miss Miss Shaver a great deal and wished her success in her new home. Both before and after the presentation several musical numbers were much enjoyed by those present. The considerable sum of \$55 was netted, which will be devoted to the Rectory Fund.

TORONTO.

James Fielding Sweeny, D.D., Bishop, Toronto.

St. Simon's.—The Rev. E. C. Cayley, the rector of this church, left this city for Montreal on Friday last, whence he sailed on the following day on board the Dominion Liner "Canada" for England. He will be away for two months, and during his absence the parish is in the hands of the Rev. E. J. Wood, the curate.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.—Probably the most successful concert held in connection with this church took place on Thursday last, May 6th, under the auspices of the Parish Guild. The school-house was not large enough to hold those who attended, and it was necessary to use the body of the church (which adjoins), and this was also filled. The programme included instrumental items, songs, recitations, and several physical drills and tableaux (about 40 performers), all of which were well rendered and appreciated. The proceeds will be devoted towards the new church Building Fund, and all concerned, especially Mrs. A. A. MacKay (President of the Guild, who organized the entertainment), are to be congratulated on its success. The affairs of this church and parish are prospering.

St. Philip's.—The Rev. J. H. Teney, rector of Emily and Omeme, in this diocese, has been appointed by the Lord Bishop rector of this parish in succession to himself. The rector-designate was ordained deacon 15 years ago by the late Archbishop Sweatman, and is 43 years of age. Previously to taking charge of his present living, where he has been for the past seven years, Mr. Teney was rector of Craighurst. He will enter upon his new duties about the beginning of next July.

Trinity College Divinity Class.—Annual Examinations, 1909.—Prize list—First year:—General proficiency, G. E. Simmons, B.A.; New Testament subjects, G. E. Simmons, B.A.; Old Testament subjects, G. E. Simmons, B.A.; Early Church History, G. E. Simmons, B.A. Second year:—General proficiency, W. H. F. Harris; Old Testament subjects, W. H. F. Harris; Liturgics, A. N. McEvoy, B.A.; Apologetics, A. H. McGreer, B.A. Third year:—Special prize for general proficiency, W. J. McAndrew, B.A.; Patristics, W. J. McAndrew, B.A. Hamilton Memorial, G. E. Simmons, B.A. Judge McDonald's prizes for Biblical Knowledge:—1, (W. H. F. Harris); 2, (G. E. Simmons, B.A.), equal. College Prize for Reading, J. F. Wiseman. Doolittle Prize for Improvement in Reading, E. A. Baker. Osler Prizes for Reading:—1, S. W. H. Hornbrook; 2, A. H. McGreer, B.A.; 3, A. N. McEvoy, B.A. Honour List:—E. A. Baker, B.A., obtained honours in Early Church History and Liturgics; G. M. Brewin and E. C. Dawson, in Liturgics; W. H. F. Harris, in Old Testament Introduction, Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, Christian Ethics, and general Bible knowledge; S. B. Holmes, in Church History and Ecclesiastical Polity; P. M. Lamb, B.A., in Dogmatics and Liturgics; W. J. McAndrew, B.A., in Patristics, Homiletics, Church History, and Ecclesiastical Polity; A. N. McEvoy, B.A., in Apologetics, Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, Liturgics, and Christian Ethics; A. H. McGreer, B.A., in Apologetics, Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, and Christian Ethics; C. R. Palmer, in Church History and Ecclesiastical Polity; G. E. Simmons, B.A., in Old Testament Introduction, Homiletics, Dogmatics, Apologetics, Liturgics, and General Bible Knowledge.

Bowmanville.—St. John's.—Bishop Reeve held a Confirmation service in this church on Tuesday, May 4th, when twenty-two candidates were confirmed. The Bishop's address to the candidates was very interesting and attentively listened to by a large congregation.

Perrytown.—St. Paul's.—The Right Rev. Dr. Reeve visited this Mission on May 3rd, and administered the rite of confirmation to twenty-five candidates, seventeen of whom were adults, ranging from twenty-five to seventy. Of the adults, 10 were men and 7 were women. At Harwood on the same day fourteen candidates were confirmed, five of whom were adults and eleven had been Methodists. The two classes consisting of thirty-nine candidates are the largest number of candidates ever presented in this Mission in a single year.

Corrie.—St. Stephen's.—Confirmation service was held in this church on Monday evening, May 3rd, when the Bishop of the diocese administered the rite of confirmation to twenty-one candidates, six of whom came in from other de-

nominations. The service throughout was very impressive, and all present felt that the ordination to the priest-hood of the laity was a very solemn and a very sacred thing. His Lordship gave a most instructive and interesting address on the name Christian, the origin of name, its meaning, how proud Christians should be of that name today, and how earnestly each should strive to live that nothing they should say or do would bring discredit upon them, or their great Leader, and the name they bear.

NIAGARA.

John Phillio DuMoulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton, Ont.

Georgetown.—The Rev. Robert Atkinson has resigned this living, which is now vacant. An adjourned Vestry meeting was held on Monday evening, May 3rd, at which the Rev. Canon Belt, Milton, presided at the request of the Bishop. The wardens appointed are Messrs. F. M. Scarff and Sydney Young. Messrs. F. L. M. Sims and C. C. Roe were elected lay representatives to Synod for three and two years respectively. Mr. J. Beaumont being the representative from Glenwilliams. The prospects are very promising for the future and it is expected that a permanent appointment will be made in the near future.

Glenwilliams.—St. Alban's.—On Sunday, April 25th, St. Mark's Day, the Rev. R. J. Atkinson, the rector, who has been in charge of the parish for the past three years, took leave of his people. He preached his farewell sermon in the evening, when the church was crowded to the doors, and he chose for his text Philippians 3:13-14.

Jarvis.—St. Paul's.—The adjourned Vestry meeting of this church was held on Tuesday evening, May 4th, the Rev. W. E. White presided. There was a very good attendance and the reports presented were of a very encouraging nature, showing that excellent work had been done during the year by the various societies of the church, which is now entirely out of debt, and they are anxiously looking forward to the service of consecration of the church. The election of officers for the ensuing year was as follows: Wardens, J. G. Murdoch and Dr. T. H. Lewis; Finance Committee, C. E. Bourne (convener), W. E. Sowter, J. A. Burwash, J. S. Jones and D. F. Aiken. Mr. C. E. Bourne who has so faithfully represented the parish in Synod for so many years, was re-elected lay delegate for the next three years. The Vestry also passed a resolution expressing their great sorrow for the death of Mrs. Bourne (who died on Easter Sunday), and their sympathy with the bereaved family. Mrs. Bourne will be greatly missed not only in the church but in the community at large, as she was deservedly loved and respected by all who knew her.

Milton.—Grace Church.—The spring meeting of the Deanery of Halton was held on Tuesday, the 4th inst. The sessions were held in the rectory. Those present were, the Revs. L. W. B. Broughall, Oakville, Rural Dean; F. W. Hovey, Burlington; W. L. Archer, Lowville; H. Kelleman, Acton, and Canon Belt, Milton. The Easter reports from the several parishes in the Deanery were carefully studied, and all showed attentive work and satisfactory progress. Arrangements were set on foot for the Convention of Sunday School and Woman's Auxiliary workers, to be held at Oakville. The date set for the Convention was Wednesday and Thursday, September 29th and 30th. Resolutions of condolence were passed to the Rev. S. C. Noxon, Stewarttown, on the death of his mother, which occurred on Easter Day; to Mrs. Belt, Toronto, and Canon Belt on the death of the Rev. Canon William Belt, who had been for twenty years rector of Burlington and for a considerable term Rural Dean of Halton. In the evening, service was held in Grace Church, at which Rural Dean Broughall preached an excellent and practical sermon on "The Joy of Service." The service was taken by the Revs. Messrs. Archer and Kelleman and the rector.

HURON.

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

London.—Huron College.—The following are the names of the chief prize-winners at this college in the examinations which have been lately held: Haensell reading prize, A. L. Charles; Matthew Wilson's gold medal, W. B. Hawkins. The Haensell reading prize, which was won by A. L.

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Charles, is given for oral reading of service from the Prayer Book and selected passage from the Bible. The value is twenty dollars in books. The Matthew Wilson gold medal is given for preaching without manuscript, for extempore address, for reading of unprepared passages (not Biblical), and any other test deemed necessary by the examiners to determine the best and readiest all around public speaker in the class.

Christ Church.—The ladies of the congregation of this church entertained the members of the choir to a delightful banquet in the schoolroom of the church last evening. The room was picturesquely decorated with flags and bunting and the tables were set and ornamented for the occasion. After the repast had been served an excellent toast list, which had been prepared, was given. The Rev. R. S. W. Howard, the pastor, occupied the chair for the evening. After the toast list had been dispensed with Miss Agnes and Roy Harding, two members of the choir, who are leaving for the West, were presented with an address and appropriate gifts, expressing the regret of the choir in losing two of its valuable members. The evening's entertainment was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

An extensive missionary campaign commenced on Sunday last throughout this diocese. A plan has been carefully prepared by which every church, both in town and country, will be visited and have a special missionary service and preacher. A Sunday will be devoted to each Arch-deaconry in turn, that of the last Sunday being devoted to the Arch-deaconry of London.

South London.—St. James'.—Mr. Charles Percy, the organist of Christ Church, London, has been appointed organist of this church to succeed Mr. Willgoose. There were twenty applicants for the vacancy. Mr. Percy has been the organist of Christ Church for the past eight years and he will carry away with him to his new post of work the best and kindest feelings and the warm esteem of the members of the congregation of the church which he is leaving.

Woodstock.—New St. Paul's.—The death took place on May 1st at his residence on Dundas Street of the Rev. M. M. Goldberg, at the age of 60 years. The deceased was born at Warsaw, in Poland. He received his education in England, and in 1889 he came to Canada. He was ordained to the Anglican ministry and had charge of several parishes, including Lucknow, Markdale and Eastwood. While engaged in his work at Eastwood his health failed him and he found it necessary to retire from active duty. Some two years ago he came to reside in Woodstock. Mr. Goldberg was a man of most admirable character and was held in affectionate regard by a great many friends who will extend sympathy to the widow and daughter, Miss Rosa, who survive. The funeral was held at the church Monday afternoon, the 3rd inst.

Sarnia.—Indian Reserve.—St. Peter's.—In addition to sums previously sent for my Indian church and acknowledged in these columns I beg to acknowledge with thanks these further gifts, namely: One dollar from Miss Cutler, Chatham, N.B., and a beautiful stole and surplice from Mrs. Jewel, London. (Rev.) T. G. A. Wright, St. John's Rectory, Sarnia, Ont.

Millbank.—The Lord Bishop was present in the evening of the 25th instant and administered the rite of Confirmation to a class of twenty-five candidates. The class was presented by the rector, the Rev. C. F. Washburn, B.A. The whole service was characterized by its deep reverence and His Lordship obtained the closest attention from

the large crowd, who packed even the aisles of the church.

Innerkip.—St. Paul's.—A Brass Lectern Unveiled.—A beautiful polished brass Lectern was unveiled and used for the first time on Easter Day in this church. It was provided for by the Chancel Guild of the church and would do credit to any church in Canada. The brass from which this Lectern was made was bought from the Dennis Company of London and part of the work was done by that firm, whilst the remainder was done at Woodstock under the supervision of the Rev. G. M. McQuillin, the rector of the parish. In this parish on Easter Day the largest number of Communicants ever known to communicate on any one day since the founding of the parish received the Sacrament, namely, 111. At Oxford Centre, 33; at Innerkip, 33; and at Eastwood, 45; total, 111. This speaks well for the work in the parish.

ALCOMA.

Geo. Thorneloe, D.D., Bishop, Sault Ste. Marie.

Aspdin.—St. Mary's.—The annual meetings of the vestries in all the stations of this Mission have been of a very pleasant and harmonious character. The Rev. L. Sinclair has found good reasons to commend the efforts of the congregations. All the wardens are returned to office.

MOOSONEE.

G. Holmes, D.D., Bishop, Chapleau, Ont.

Chapleau.—St. John's.—Sunday, May 2nd, was a day long to be remembered by the congregation of this church. Bishop Holmes, who had been in England for the past year, had returned and was spending a Sunday before taking up his new work in the diocese of Athabasca. The rector, the Rev. P. R. Soanes, presented twenty-one candidates for Confirmation at the morning service, after which fifty-eight partook of the Holy Communion. In the afternoon the Bishop with Archdeacon Renison conducted a special Cree service for the fifty Cree Indians who were present. In the evening the Bishop preached a special farewell sermon on Deut. 31:2, 3, reviewing the work of the diocese during the last four years. At nine o'clock there was a men's meeting in the Railroad Y.M.C.A., at which about fifty men were present. Both the Bishop and Archdeacon gave earnest addresses. On Monday evening a farewell social was given by the congregation in the new church rooms. A very pleasant evening was spent by the large number who were present. During the evening the Archdeacon presented the Bishop with an illuminated address on behalf of the clergy of the diocese. Mr. Geo. B. Nicholson, the people's warden, presented an illuminated address on behalf of the congregation, testifying to their gratitude for his kindness and assistance in the parish as well as their great regret at his leaving the diocese. In the Bishop's reply he spoke of the happy and cordial relationships which had always existed between himself and the clergy and the congregation of St. John's, Chapleau. The evening closed with the singing of the hymn "God be with you till we meet again." Archdeacon Renison, who has spent ten years at Moose Fort, has decided to remain in the diocese though he has had tempting offers from large and influential churches in the United States. For the present he will have charge of the lower half of the diocese comprising the new and developing parts of New Ontario as well as the many bands of Ojibway Indians situated in the tract of country lying north of the C.P.R. between Missanabie and Biscotasing. It is expected that Bishop Anderson will start on his summer tour to the Mission Stations along the rivers and around James Bay early in June.

CALCARY.

Wm. Cyprian Pinkham, D.D., Bishop, Calgary N.W.T.

Lethbridge.—The Rev. Canon Rogers, a retired clergyman, died here on SS. Phillip and James' Day, aged 53 years. He was at one time rector of St. Luke's, Montreal, and afterwards Clerical Secretary of the Diocese of Rupert's Land. The Hon. Robert Rogers, the Minister of Public Works

for Manitoba, and Dr. William Rogers, of Winnipeg, are brothers of the deceased.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

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

Death of the Ven. Archdeacon Small.—The Ven. Archdeacon Small, M.A., died at midnight, April 29th, of heart failure, while ill with pneumonia. For twenty-five years, with the exception of a short time spent in missionary work in Corea, he had been superintendent of missionary work among the Church of England Indians in the diocese, most of whom reside in the Lytton district. The Archdeacon graduated at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, in 1872, and was ordained by the Bishop of Ripon. He held curacies in Bradford and Midsen, England, and came to the diocese of New Westminster in 1884. He was appointed Archdeacon of Columbia in 1896, and Archdeacon of Yale in 1897. The latter appointment confining his jurisdiction to all Indian congregations in the diocese. His ministry in British Columbia has been given to hard self-denying work among the Indians. Assisted of late years by the Rev. E. W. W. Pugh, he has ministered to thirteen congregations of Indians, the central church being at Lytton. During his tenure of office, the school for girls was established at Yale, and an Industrial School for Boys near Lytton. Day schools have been established at Lytton and Shulus, and St. Bartholomew's Hospital built and equipped at Lytton, together with a mission parsonage occupied by the Rev. Mr. Pugh. At Lytton a daily Eucharist is maintained, and there are always Indian communicants. There are reported to be about 1,600 Indians belonging to the church in the diocese, and several hundred are reported as communicants. The devotion of the Archdeacon to his work among these people was remarkable, and he will be sincerely mourned by his Indian flock. His last act was one of ministry to the people whom he loved. Two Indian houses caught fire at Lytton, and the Archdeacon was fighting the fire. It is stated that he entered one of the houses to save some money belonging to an Indian woman, which he secured for her. It is probable that he inhaled smoke or flame. The next morning he was found in the little house he occupied alone, in a very serious condition. It was thought best to have him sent at once to St. Luke's Nursing Home, Vancouver, where he was nursed continuously night and day by Sister Frances and attendant nurses. At the crisis of his disease he suddenly and painlessly passed away. The body is now lying in the chapel of St. James' Church, Vancouver, and will be conveyed to Lytton on Monday and buried on Tuesday. Lytton is an Indian village, and his body will rest among those to whom he so devotedly ministered.

Burnaby.—St. Alban's.—A class of seventeen candidates was confirmed by the Bishop on May 2nd, at this church, who were presented by the Rev. D. Dunlop.

Lynn Valley.—This district has been organized and the name St. Clement adopted for the missionary parish.

KOOTENAY.

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

Nelson.—St. Saviour's.—The annual Vestry meeting was held in the schoolroom on Monday evening, the 19th April, and was well attended, there being about 36 persons present. The meeting was opened with prayer, after which the rector, the Rev. F. H. Graham, gave a short address on the year's work. He desired to give thanks to our Father for the blessings He had bestowed on the parish and its organizations, and he expressed great gratitude to the congregation for the feelings expressed towards himself during "the week of years" that he had now been with them. In spite of the fact that one-third part of the members of the congregation move from Nelson each year, the organizations are strengthening and being well supported. There were ten teachers in the Sunday School who were most painstaking in their work. The choir, which was entirely voluntary, did good work and had earned the gratitude of the parish. Amongst the various organizations he wished to mention his special appreciation of

the Churchman's Club. The attendances at the various services had been very satisfactory, especially at the Holy Communion; and the offerings and special collections had been very generously supported. From the Treasurer's report it was learned that the very necessary repairs to the Church fabric had cost \$753, which had been fully met by the congregation. About \$60 per week were wanted to carry on the necessary work of the church, and he would like to have a minimum guarantee fund of \$39.00. The Sunday School picnic last August had been so successfully managed as to produce a surplus of over \$100 which was handed over to the Building Fund. The Woman's Auxiliary has 35 members, which shows a slight falling off from last time, but in spite of that more work has been done. The Junior Woman's Auxiliary has 40 members, and the 16 meetings they had held showed an average attendance of 22. The Parish Guild have for their present main object the re-seating of the church, but they handed over \$75 to the churchwardens as part of the proceeds of their sale of work last week. The Altar Guild has taken entire charge of providing flowers for the church throughout the year, cleaning it for the various services and the washing of the Altar linen. The Churchman's Club welcome any young men or others, especially such as are newcomers and strangers to the parish. They have also cleared sixteen lots in our portion of the cemetery which was getting into rather an untidy state and will assume charge of that work during the ensuing year. A recommendation was passed urging the Church Committee to adopt the new duplex envelope, and to an active canvass on behalf of the Guarantee Fund. The elections of the various parish officers resulted as follows: Churchwardens, Fred. Irvine, rector's warden, and George Johnston, people's warden. Lay delegates to Synod: J. M. Lay, George Johnstone, Fred. Irvine; substitutes: H. Bird, George Playle, L. B. De Veber. Sidesmen: H. Bird, L. B. De Veber, J. M. Lay, G. A. Spink, D. S. Fraser, C. W. Busk. Vestry clerk, H. Bird. Auditors, George Playle and N. F. Kendall. Correspondent to Church papers, C. W. Busk. Votes of thanks were passed to the choir, the Parish Guild, the teachers on the Sunday School, the Senior and Junior Woman's Auxiliary, the Altar Guild and the Vestry Clerk. After the singing of the Doxology the rector pronounced the blessing, and the meeting adjourned.

COLUMBIA.

William W. Perrin, D.D., Bishop, Victoria, B.C.

Cedar Hill.—St. Luke's.—The annual Easter vestry meeting was held in the Sunday Schoolroom on Thursday evening, April 22nd, the rector, the Rev. H. A. Collison, presiding. Wardens, W. Lovell, L. Clark. The finances of the church were reported to be in a flourishing condition.

Nanaimo.—St. Paul's.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Tuesday, April 27th, in the parish Hall. There was a good attendance, and it was the most encouraging meeting for years, all present taking a real and deep interest in the matters discussed. The fact that the wardens were re-elected, and the same Church Committee but two who retired in favour of F. G. Mackhill and John Hunt, shows the confidence bestowed in the work of the past year. The church this Easter kept its second anniversary of the consecration of the new church in an imposing series of festival services. A very hearty and appreciative vote of thanks was passed to the rector at the close of the meeting. Receipts, \$2,119.75.

Salt Spring Island.—Wardens, Drs. Brocker and Beech; delegates to Synod, W. J. Hamilton, Col. Layard, E. Walter.

Chemalms.—St. Michael's.—Wardens, C. S. Askew, H. H. Payzant.

St. Saviour's.—The annual Easter vestry meeting was held on Thursday, April 29th. Wardens, C. J. Carey, C. L. Foster.

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The Bishop of Southwark has just celebrated his 65th birthday. It is remarkable that he and Dr. Gore, the two best known contributors to Lux Mundi, have become the first Bishops of the new Diocese of Southwark and Birmingham, and have previously filled the mother Sees of Rochester and Worcester, out of which they were taken.

The Committee of the British and Foreign Bible Society have appointed the Rev. R. Kilgour, M.A., B.D., to the post of editorial superintendent, left vacant last autumn by the retirement of the Rev. John Sharp. Mr. Kilgour has been for the last twenty years missionary of the Church of Scotland Mission at Darjeeling, where, in addition to his other labours, he has been engaged in translating the Old Testament into Naipali.

Recently a number of parishioners of Kilkenny (Clarina) Ireland, assembled at Cooper Hill for the purpose of presenting to the Rev. T. F. Abbott, B.D., a piece of plate, and to Mrs. Abbott a pendant of pearls and tourmalines, accompanied by a framed address, bearing the names of the subscribers, as expressive of their esteem and regard on their leaving the parish, Mr. Abbott being now Succentor of St. Mary's Cathedral. The proceedings were of a cordial character, and the presentation was made by Mrs. Nixon, Cragbeg.

The late Lord Gwydyr was born in 1810, but he did not succeed his cousin, the third baron, until 1870. His death leaves the veteran Churchman, Earl Nelson, not only Father of the House of Lords, but the only peer who was actually a member of the House of Lords when William IV. was king. Lord Nelson succeeded to his earldom in 1810, but he did not take his seat until 1845. He is a son of the second Earl Nelson, who was son of the brother of the great admiral.

The cathedral-like church of All Souls', Halifax, will have been opened fifty years on November 2nd next, and it is proposed to duly celebrate its jubilee. The Bishop of Wakefield has already promised to preach on that day and address a public gathering in the evening. Five hundred jubilee boxes are to be given out for the purpose of raising funds for various pressing parochial needs. About £5,000 will be required. The present Vicar (the Rev. T. Lewthwaite) has been in charge of the parish for more than twenty-one years, and during his vicariate over £21,000 has been raised for general purposes.

Merchant sailors have lost a good friend by the recent death of Colonel Clayton, of Glastonbury. An ardent amateur carpenter, Colonel Clayton had for the last few years devoted his hobby to providing the Missions to Seamen with "service boxes" to hold Bibles, prayer and hymn books, and a book of sermons, which other friends of sailors supplied for promoting Divine worship at sea. Each box, filled with service books for twenty men, costs 23s., and friends of sailors have given 1,200 "service boxes" to as many cargo ships in

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which someone on board promised to use the books every Sunday at sea.

A bazaar was held in the Guild Hall, Gloucester, in aid of the Restoration Fund of the ancient Church of St. Mary de Crypt in that city. St. Mary de Crypt is considered one of the most beautiful and interesting churches in Gloucestershire. It probably occupies the site of an original Saxon church, and is mentioned in Doomsday Book. It contains a remarkable Easter sepulchre and a Norman west doorway. It is also interesting as being the resting-place of Robert Raikes, founder of Sunday Schools. In this church George Whitfield was baptized, and here he preached his first sermon. Mr. Grey, who was formerly curate under Canon Eliot, Holy Trinity, Bournemouth, and also with the late Rev. W. Talbot Hindley at Eastbourne, found on being appointed Rector at the end of 1907 that the tower and belfry, as well as other parts of the church, were in a state of serious decay, and accordingly issued an appeal for £3,000 to put the noble old church into thorough order. Nearly £800 has been contributed, and the Rector has succeeded in completing the first section of the work. The present Dean of Gloucester and Canon Mowbray Trotter were formerly Rectors of St. Mary de Crypt. The parish itself is one of the smallest and poorest in the city, but strenuous work is carried on, and the congregation is drawn from all parts of the town.

Phillipstown Church, in the Diocese of Kildare, was lately re-opened after a thorough renovation and improvement. The interior of the building has been completely altered by the building of an internal chancel, the formation of a central aisle in lieu of the former side aisles, insertion of two new window openings, the provision of an underground heating stove, and the recoloring of the walls. The church is now in perfect order, and worthy in every way of its high purpose—the public worship of Almighty God. The interior has been further beautified by a handsome oak pulpit and reading-desk, presented by Miss Ball and Miss Lucas, of Mount Lucas, in memory of the parents of the former, Benjamin Manly Ball and his wife, who died in March, 1908, and December, 1907, respectively. New Communion rails and an oak lectern have also been provided, and the chancel covered with inlaid tile linoleum. A crimson carpet on the chancel steps is enriched with heavy brass triangular rods with fleur-de-lys finials, presented by Messrs. J. G. Wolff & Co., of London, and new matting has been provided for the aisle. The reopening ceremony was performed by His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, who, after the singing of the processional hymn, offered the dedicatory prayer. His Grace preached from Psalm 100:3. Lamps are to be placed in the nave and chancel.

Newcastle-on-Tyne has at last acquired the fine four hundred yards stretch of its ancient wall which lies between Newgate and Westgate, and which is believed to have been built as long ago as the latter part of the thirteenth century. Included in the property now purchased are the Morde Tower, a vaulted bastion that has been used as a meeting-room for the Plumbers' Company, and the Arber or Herber Tower, which occupies an angle of the wall, and has still parapets, loops, vaulting, and other original features. The corporation now owns all but the Plummer and Ever

Towers, the Sallyport being already usefully employed, and the keep of the castle, which dates back to 1172-77, being occupied by a museum of antiquities. The great gate, built into the castle in the middle of the following century, is also public property, as well as the Corner Tower and the Durham Tower. The city walls, of which the remaining western portion has now been acquired, originally extended for a total length of two miles, and Leland described them as in "strength and magnificence passing all the walls of the cities of England, and of most of the towns of Europe." The new purchase is extremely well preserved, being at its full original height, and having the ancient watch towers, parapets, and bastions. The Sallyport Tower is perched high above the surrounding thoroughfare, and acquires its somewhat dominating appearance from the fact that the corporation, in lowering the gradient of the hill, had to under-build it with walls twenty feet high.

On a recent date two windows and baptismal font placed in Dunlavin Parish Church, in memory of the late Colonel Fortescue Tynte, C.B., were solemnly dedicated by His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. Colonel Tynte belonged to a family whose connection with Dunlavin covers more than a century. He was an extensive and popular landowner, and the parish church, in which the dedication service was held, stands on his estate. A staunch Churchman, he was always a liberal subscriber to the Church's funds. His interest on her behalf was gratefully acknowledged by both clergy and laity, who, so far as they had it in their power, appointed him to positions of honour in her service. He held office for a number of years as a member of the Select Vestry; he was also a Parochial Nominator and a member of the General Synod. The windows erected to his memory in the parish church, where he was a regular worshipper, were supplied by his brothers and sisters and the Misses Rochford, his step-daughters. One of the windows, that to the right of the pulpit, represents "The Good Shepherd." The other, in the opposite wall, represents St. Michael, the patron saint of the army, in which the deceased had been an officer of high rank. The baptismal font, standing at the entrance, was supplied by the parishioners, with whom the deceased maintained throughout his life the most cordial relations. It is of Caen stone, and bears the following inscription: "In memory of Fortescue Tynte, C.B. Born 1841, died 1907. Erected by his friends and neigh-

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bours." The dedication service was commenced at half-past three o'clock, when a large number of the parishioners attended. The pulpit, lectern, Communion rails, and choir stalls were beautifully decorated with lilies of the valley, daffodils, and narcissi. The Rev. Chancellor O'Connor read the opening service, the Lesson was taken by the Very Rev. Dean Brandon, and the Rev. S. R. Magee read prayers. In addition to the clergy taking part in the service, the following were present: The Rev. A. E. Johnston, the Rev. E. Clover, the Rev. J. S. Long, and the Rev. F. G. Rochford-Wade, the Rector, who composed the hymns used on the occasion. The anthem, which was sung with much steadiness, was taken from the 147th Psalm, "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem." The Archbishop having read the dedication prayer, afterwards ascended the pulpit and delivered a brief address. The service was closed with the Benediction, pronounced by His Grace.

The Mission Church of the Epiphany at Louisville, Ky., of which the Rev. William Mockridge is the priest-in-charge, has lately undergone extensive improvements, which add much to its churchly appearance.

As a memorial to the Rev. R. H. Davies, incumbent of the Chelsea Old Church for upwards of half-a-century, it is proposed to rebuild the vestry on the north side. Other work contemplated is to restore the tomb of Sir Thomas More, and the repair of the organ.

The aged but still active Archbishop of Armagh has just completed a cure in London, and has now returned to Ireland. He expects to be very busy during the next five or six weeks, as he has to give long addresses to several Diocesan Synods of the Church in Ireland.

A presentation was recently made to Dr. J. Kendrick Pyne, in connection with his retirement from active duty as organist of Manchester Ca-

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thedral. A handsome case of silver plate, a cheque and an illuminated address were given to him and the presentation was made by the Right Rev. the Dean of Manchester.

The Rev. L. Amalric, who was a priest of the Roman Communion until several months ago, was admitted to exercise the functions of the ministry of the Church in St. Mary's Cathedral, Memphis, Tenn., recently by the Bishop of Tennessee. He expects to work in Mexico under Bishop Aves. Mr. Amalric is a Frenchman by birth, and came to the United States two years ago.

The Rev. G. H. Gray, who has just vacated the post of minor canon and sacrist of Canterbury Cathedral, on his departure to take up his work as Vicar of Ticehurst, has been presented by the Cathedral Sunday evening choir with a handsome Gunn's sectional bookcase. The presentation was made by Canon Danks, who paid a well-merited tribute to Mr. Gray's work in connection with the services.

The Very Rev. J. G. H. Barry, D.D., Dean of Nashotah House, has been appointed rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York, in succession to the Rev. Dr. Christian.

Two gifts were made to St. James', Chicago, on Easter Day, the first being a silver private Communion service in memory of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Dyer, and the second a super frontal of rich and beautiful material, and of most exquisite workmanship, from Miss Mary Alden.

Mrs. Feeney is defraying the cost of carrying out the following alterations in the beautiful Berkswell Parish Church, in Worcestershire, placing a new marble floor in the body of the chancel, a marble mosaic in the sanctuary, new carved oak altar rails, a single row of carved oak stalls, moving the pulpit from the chancel arch to the north-east corner of the nave, replacing the stone lectern with carved oak, placing an oak screen in the archway between the chancel and the side chapel, re-laying the floor and renovating the same, removing the gallery from the north aisle, and placing new stained-glass in the seven east lights of the chancel.

The Suffragan Bishopric of Burnley has only been in existence for seven years, but, as a correspondent points out, is already on the eve of receiving its third Bishop. The first Bishop of Burnley, Dr. Hoskyns, was appointed to Southwell within three years of his consecration. The Bishopric is said to have been then refused by three well-known clergymen, prior to its acceptance by Canon Pearson, then of Sheffield. The second name submitted

to the King was that of Canon Wright, the new Archdeacon of Manchester. Much sympathy is felt with the Bishop of Manchester, the Right Rev. Dr. Knox, who has within three months lost by death his Suffragan Bishop and two of his Archdeacons.

Among the most active and useful of the members of the Lower House of Convocation is the very venerable Archdeacon Kaye, of Lincoln. Archdeacon Kaye was ordained deacon and priest in 1846, taking his decree in 1844. He has been rector of Riseholme since 1846 (sixty-three years), has been Archdeacon and Canon of Lincoln since 1863; Rural Dean of Laress since 1873; he preaches every Sunday in the nave of the Cathedral during his three months' residence as Canon, sometimes twice; and is particularly strong and active, and his intellect most clear. He is a son of a late Bishop of Lincoln, and celebrated his golden wedding about three years ago.

A very painful sensation was caused at Norwich just after the opening of the Norwich Diocesan Conference by the sudden death of the Rev. Canon Hare, the venerable Vicar of Docking and Rural Dean of Heacham, Norfolk. The sad event took place just after the luncheon interval on May 7th. On the re-assembling of the Conference it was found that the clergyman had fallen to the floor, from which he was unable to move. Several of the clergy and laity carried the reverend gentleman to an adjoining room, and Dr. Crowford, a lay member of the Conference, attended him, but death came within seven minutes. The deceased, who was just eighty years of age, had been Vicar of Docking since 1873, and Hon. Canon of Norwich since 1894. Mr. Hare was highly esteemed as one of the oldest beneficed clergymen in the diocese, he was considered a moderate High Churchman, took great interest in missionary work, and was an ideal parish priest. He leaves a large family of grown-up sons and daughters.

PRAYER.

The twilight falls, the night is near,
I fold my work away
And kneel to One Who bends to hear
The story of the day.

The old, old story; yet I kneel
To tell it at Thy call;
And cares grow lighter as I feel
That Jesus knows them all.

Yes, all! The morning and the night,
The joy, the grief, the loss,
The roughened path, the sunbeams bright,
The hourly thorn and cross.

Thou knowest all—I lean my head,
My weary eyelids close;
Content and glad awhile to tread
This path, since Jesus knows!

And He has loved me! All my heart
With answering love is stirred,
And every anguished pain and smart
Finds healing in His Word.

So here I lay me down to rest,
As nightly shadows fall,
And lean, confiding, on His breast,
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