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THE PARISH KALENDAR.

OCTOBER.

5. F. 2 P.M., Churchwoman Mission Aid Society (C. W. M. A.)
6. S. 8 P.M., Choir Practice.
7. S. 20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 A.M., Holy Communion. 4:30 P.M., Baptisms.
9. Tu. 8 P.M., Temperance Guild.
12. F. 2 P.M., C. W. M. A. Work.
13. S. 8 P.M., Choir Practice.
14. S. 21ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 11 A.M., Holy Communion.
18. Th. ST. LUKE, 9.30 P.M., Mattins and Holy Communion.
19. F. 2 P.M., C. W. M. A. Work.
20. S. 8 P.M., Choir Practice.
21. S. 22ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 A.M., Holy Communion. Intercession for Sunday Schools.
22. M. Intercession for Sunday Schools.
23. Tu. 8 P.M., Temperance Guild.
26. F. 2 P.M., C. W. M. A. Work. 8 P.M., Professor Clark Lecture.
27. S. 8 P.M., Choir Practice.
28. S. 23RD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, ST. SIMON and ST. JUDE. 11 A.M., Holy Communion. 3.30 P.M., Young Women's Bible Class.

PARISH REGISTER.

BAPTISMS.

August 22.—Charles-Fisher, s. of John B. and Emma Clougher.
 " 22.—George-Edward, s. of William and Aurelia Foster.
 September 23.—Margery-Sybil, d. of Lewis-Henry and Alice Moffatt.

PARISH NOTES.

OFFERTORY.—September 2nd, \$32.63; 9th, \$38.03; 16th, \$40.23; 23rd, \$48.76; 30th, \$41.18. Total, \$200.83. Corresponding period last year, \$185.08.

As the summer is now at an end, and the congregation is filling up again, the Churchwardens hope that there will be a large increase in the Offertory, which is at present quite inadequate to meet the calls upon it. The amount required weekly is \$55.

MR. PHILLIPS has changed his residence to McCaul Street, opposite the end of Grange Road.

PROFESSOR CLARK intends to resume his Bible Classes during this month, and to deliver on Sunday evenings a special course of sermons on Reason and Faith.

The Sermons will be as follows :

- (1) Reason and Revelation, October 21st.
- (2) Reason and Doctrine, " 28th.
- (3) Christianity and Culture, November 4th.
- (4) Christianity and Civilization, " 11th.
- (5) The Church and Science, " 18th.
- (6) The English Church as a Teacher, 25th.

BIBLE CLASSES.

THE Girls' Bible Class which meets in the Church on Sunday afternoons, will be resumed on Sunday, October, 28th, 23rd Sunday after Trinity at 3.30 p.m. The Bible Class which meets on Thursday afternoon, will be resumed on Thursday, November 1st, (All Saints Day) at 4.30 p.m.

The subject of the Bible Classes will be the Acts of the Apostles, beginning with ch. iii.

In place of the Bible Class which met on Friday evenings, there will be a short service at 8 p.m., after which an expository lecture on a Book of the New Testament will be given by Professor Clark. The lectures will begin on Friday, October 26th; subject, the Epistle to the Colossians.

Regular and uninterrupted attendance upon these classes is so important, that it ought to be made a matter of conscience by all who attend

them to make no engagements for the hours named, and to allow nothing to interfere with them.

TEMPERANCE GUILD.

The Guild again met on Tuesday, September 25th. The number present was not as large as usual, probably because it was the first meeting of the season. Now that the regular meetings have once more begun, no doubt the attendance of members will be as large as during last winter and spring, and will increase as time goes on. It was announced during the evening that the rule excluding children under twelve, will be enforced for the future. Parents will do well to bear this in mind, and keep these youthful enthusiasts at home. The attendance of young children is clearly not desirable at adult meetings. It is intended in a short time to establish a Band of Hope for the benefit of the children. Then they will have their own meetings and take their own part in promoting the Temperance cause. The meeting was opened as usual with singing a hymn and prayer. After the President's opening remarks, Dr. Snelling addressed the meeting at length upon the subject of Temperance, as a work of the Church in which all Churchmen and Churchwomen should take a warm interest. He urged upon those present the necessity of actively helping, and not merely expressing sympathy with, the Temperance movement, and threw out some valuable suggestions for the better working of Temperance Guilds, and for furthering their usefulness. An interesting programme of music and singing followed. The new piano, which it is proposed to purchase for the use of Parish meetings and concerts, was tried in public for the first time this evening, and a favourable opinion was expressed as to its merits. Cake and coffee then brought the proceedings to a close, in a manner befitting a Temperance Society.

ORDER IN CHURCH.

Communicants are again reminded of the simple rule for preventing confusion at the time of Holy Communion, namely, to approach the Holy Table by the centre of the Chancel, and, after receiving, to retire by the side passages, in rear of the pulpit on one side, and of the Rector's seat on the other. By observing this simple rule, confusion and distraction will be avoided.

THE ORPHANS' HOME.

Before the end of this month our young friends will be removed from the old Home to the new and well appointed Home in Brockton. The new House will, no doubt, be better fitted for their use than the old one, and the location more healthy, and yet we cannot look upon their departure without deep regret. Not only shall we miss their faces at Church, but their removal will be a real loss to the Parish. No one who knows the early history of St. George's can forget the earnest, self-denying and warm-hearted labours of Dr. Lett, its former incumbent, in the establishment of the Home. For more than thirty years it has been a source of blessing to the Parish, not only because it has drawn out on its behalf so much of loving care and kindly solicitude from very many of St. George's people, but chiefly because the Father of the fatherless regards with an especial interest His orphaned children, and blesses those who bless them. May this Parish never lose its interest in the Orphans' Home, and may the children be even more happy, more healthy, and better cared for in their new habitation than in the old!

The last of many entertainments in the old Home was held on Monday, September 24th. The room was crowded, and there were many kind friends to aid both with music and recitations. The children also took a prominent and pleasing part in the entertainment of their friends. The net proceeds were over fifty dollars. At the close of the proceedings, the Rector, Chaplain of the Home, announced that the Provost of Trinity College had kindly promised to arrange for service on Sundays, and for the conduct of the Sunday School.

PAROCHIAL GATHERINGS.

AN entertainment of a novel character is proposed to be given in the School-house, in the course of a few weeks. It is to be mainly an exhibition of Amateur Works of Art, Fancy Art and Needle Work, &c. There are a number of amateur art workers in the Parish, several of whom won prizes at the late Toronto Exhibition, and we are convinced that such an entertainment, as is proposed, will bring out a collection of articles which will be well worth inspection. The entertainment will, no doubt, partake to some extent of the nature of a conversazione, with music, vocal and instrumental, with tableau. The

Committee trust that those members of the congregation who are art workers, will kindly lend their works for exhibition, and give their aid to make the entertainment a success. In order to enable proper arrangements to be made beforehand, the Committee would be glad if those who are willing to exhibit, will inform Mrs. Phillips, or Mrs. Chadwick, and if possible, mention the articles to be sent. It has also been suggested that the exhibits of any who desire it, may be offered for sale, with the view of aiding the object of the entertainment, which is to raise funds for the purchase of a piano for the School-room.

OUR NEIGHBOURS.

The congregation of St. Philip's have nearly completed the erection of their new Church. This building is about the same width as St. George's, but of less measurement in length. The present expenditure to be about \$16,000, leaving some portions incomplete, which will probably require about \$4000 more to finish. The windows are to be filled with stained glass. The old building is to be used as a school-house. We cannot congratulate the Building Committee on the present finish of the tower, which is, of course, only a temporary disfigurement of the building, and one which we hope will before long give place to a spire. The seating capacity is said to be estimated at 850, but this seems to us to be a manifest error, as probably 600 would be the greatest number possible to be seated within the dimensions given.

— The measurement of seating capacity of Churches seems to be habitually overestimated. Architects apparently have a very mysterious and unintelligible method of arriving at the figures. Not long ago St. George's was placed at a considerable disadvantage in comparison with some other Churches, when a question arose as to seating capacity. Our figures were given from actual measurement, while others were, we suppose, from architects' estimates, resulting in a very incorrect view of the relative suitability of the Churches for the purpose required. Some of our readers will recollect also another occasion when the Queen's Own Rifles went to St. Stephen's, which was reported as large enough to accommodate a certain number of men, with a result which was rather a surprise to the Commanding Officer.

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