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"Grace be with all them that love our Hord Jesag Christ in gincerity."-Lph. vi. 24.



## ecclesiastical notes.

Anoterr Soffragan for London.-The Yorkshire Post observos that "it is quite on the cards that the Bishop of London will take the first opportunity of securing the services of yet another Suffragan, and that in this case there is every reason to believe that Preben. dary Sandford's name will stand first." Pre. bendary Sandford was at one time Domestic Chaplsin to Bishop Temple, when Bishop of Exeter:
The Bishop of Roonester on Churue De-Tenee.-The Bishop of Rochester, in his annual letter to the clergy of his diocese, spoaking of Church defence, says:-"While I deeply feel that for us clergy to bave it constantly on our lips and in our minds is a mistake, and may even be a danger, the laity of the Church, both in Parliament and out of it, should constantly be on their guard. Any moment a chasm may yawn under our feet, ahould personal ambition or party tantica make the privileges either of the Cburch of England or the Cbureh of Scotlaud a good rally cry. If the Church in Wales is thrown to the wolves, we know what will follow: When our neighbopera party-wall is on fire, ours may be the next to burn. It is with the religious opponents of national and established Churches we have most to settle on the spiritanl principle which anderlies the whole question, and if we can convince the great mass of yet anconvinced religious Nonconformists that the principle of a National Church is reasonabie, practical, and Scriptraral, we shall have broken ap in the best kind of way the only really formidable phalanx against us."

Good. IF Truk.-The Month and Tablet, Roman Catholic organs in England, complain that they are losing more yearly by secessions than theg gain from all sources.

Edinbtrab.-The Caterdral.-Canon Liddon's Gift.-Most of our readers are probably aware that, when in the summer of A. D 1886, the clerical and lay electors of this Diocese chose the Rev. Canon Liddon for their Bishop. Dr. Liddon, in declining the appointment. expressed a very doep sense of the honour which had been thereby conferred upon him. He did not, however, think it enough to confine bis expression of gratitude to words, but shortIV after wrote to the Vory Rev. the Dean of Edinbargh, intimating his dosive to make a gift of $£ 100$, which should be expended in some way that might stand as a record of the event. and of his seatiments concerning it. The matner in which this most liberal and gratifyiug prefent should be expended wat left to the decision of the Dean aud Chapter A proposal. which found much favour with that body, was to invest the sum, and to bestow the interest annually as an hongrarium on some select preacher; the discourse thns endowed to be known as "the Liddon Sermon." The celebrity of the Canon, as probably the first preacher of bis age, appeared to lend a pecaliar fitness to this plan. But the modesty of the donor (which is, in truth, one of the great charms of his character) was evidently distressed at the
idea of a foundation, which seemed to him too personal and too much akin to a feeling of vain glory.
To devote the sum to a purpose repagnant to the wisbes of the giver was of course ont of the question, and on reconsideration the Cathedral dignitaries decided that a chair within the sanctary, more befitting the Episcopal dignity than the very plain one actually in use, wonld be a highly proper expenditure of the money, and one not without a certain special fitness of its own.
With the assistance of Mr. Oldrid Seott, the architect, the matter was entrusted to the skilfal hands of Messrs. Brindley \& Farmer, of London, and the result is certainly a Cathedra of great eloquence and beanty.
The Chair itself is of walnat wood inlaid with ebony, ivory, and mother-of-pearl. The sbape is all that could be desired, and at the back a Latin inscription perpetuates the name of the donor, though not the special circumstances which induced him to add this orna. ment to the Cathedral.

Hawain.-Anglican Churehmen (of Hono lulu), have reason to congratulate themsolvos
 Chronicle. There bas boen to evint to disturb the equilibrium of the ecclesiustical atmosphere, and much good work has boen done. The new Cathedral has been a source of great comfort and convenience. The bailding itself bas also been a source of pleasure and instruc tion.

Cinhietaras in Hawain.-Christmas Day the feast of the Nativity of our Lord, was observed with great enthusiasm by the worship. pers at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Honolulu. There have never been larier numbers presont nor a greater namber of commrnicants on that festival than on this occasinn. The day hegan with a celebration of Holy Commanion at 6.30 a.m., which was fully choral, the Bishop being the celebiant.

A second celebration of the Holy Communion followed which was also choral, and the Rov. George Wallace was the celebrant. Matins was sung by the Rov. Alex. Mackintosl at 930 ; the Bishop of Honolulu was the preacher. The Rov. H. H. Gowen read the lessons, and the Rev. V. H. Kiteat sang the litany.

The Rev. Georgo Wallace nang matins at 11.15, and preached. The service way well rondered by the choir. The Te Deum and Jubilate wore Tours in F., and the Anthem, "In the beginning was the Word," by Allen.
A third celebration of Holy Communion followed, at which the Rov. Alex, Mackintosh was the celebrant.

Evensong was sung and a sermon preached in the Hawaiian language by the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh, who aloo administered the sacrament of Holy B ptism to a number of infants.

Erenaong followed in Euglish at 6 o'clock by the Bishop, at which the Rev. H. H. Gowen was the preacher.
A second evensong was sung by the Rov. Alex. Mackintosh at 7.30, und the Rev. George Wallace preached.

The offerings throughout the day were $\$ 132$, one hundred of which were devoted to the edu.
cation of two children at Cbrist Church School, Sonth Kona.
The Holy Days of St. Stophen, St. John, and the Holy Innoconts were duly observed in tho Cathedral.

On Christmas Eve, the Rev. Alex. Mackintosh received a anbstantial token of the affection and grood-will in which he is held bo the members of the Church and others in Honolalu. They prosented him with an addreas beautifully sotton up and rocording nearly 140 names, and aiso a splendid purao ornamented with a golden monogram, and containing $\$ 400$ in twenty dollar gold pieces.

Mr . and Mrs. Mackintosh celnbrated on St. Stephen's Day their Cryatal Wedding, and again they wero the recipients of beautiful presents from many of their kind frionds.
On Friday, Degombor 29th, the Bialuop of Honolvlu. left Honolulu for South Kona to perform Episcopal functions.

Accession.-The Choster Chronicle says, "We are informed that the Rev. T. Phillips, late Fnglish Congregational Minister at Boughton, Chester (now of Llangattock, Breconshire), has secoded to the Chatch of England in Wales."

A Thind House for York.-It is reported that the Archbishop of York contomplates tho organization of a third Houso, to work in connection with the Upper House of Bikhopa, and the Lower House of Proctore, \&e. This Honno will be of laymen, but the Archbishop's arrangements aro not yot completed.

The Sunday.School in the Family,-The following list was suggestod to a Church family in the U.S., which was minded to onter on the work of Sunday-school instruction within their own house:-
Manuals of Chrintian Ductrine: Doane Series, no copy of the Senior grade, two copies of each of the other grades; Mre. Sherwood's Stories for Sundayn, illustrating tho Cburch Catechism; The Children's Bread. Sermone to Children. (Buxton); Lowrie's English Church History for American Children; Aunt Margaret's Letters to her God-Childron on the Church's Seasone and the Christian Life; Cbureh Doctrine, Biblo Truth (Sadler); Kip's Double Witnens; Ready and Desirous. (Bishop Lay) ; Blant's Houschold Theology, and Blunt's Key to the knowledgo and use of the Holy Bible; Geikie's Honres with the Bible.
Lot a Church family provido themselves with as many nuch booksas thoy fool ablo to bov, and une them faithfully, and the result will be fur more ratinfactory in ovory way, than to abandon Church teaching and tura children over to the average denominational teaching.

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## LENT.

From the February Number of the Teachers Assistant, Toronto.

A Fast before Elaster has been observed from the earliest Christian times. The primary ob ject of its institution was donbtless that of perpetuating in the hearts of every generation of Christians the sorrow and mourning which the $\Delta$ postles and Disciples felt daring the time that "the Bridegroom was taken away from them." No Easter joys could ever erase from the mind of the Church the memory of those awful forty hours of blank and dobolation which followed the last sufferings of her Lord; and she lives over, year by year, the time from the morning of Good Friday to that of Eastor Day, by a representation of "Christ evidently set forth, crucified among us" (Gal. iii. 1). This was probably the earliest idea of a F'ast bofore Easter. But it almost nccessarily followed that sorrow concerning the death of Christ should be accompained by sorrow concerning the cause of that death. Hence the Lenten Fast became a period of self-discipline, and was so, probably, from its first institation in Apostolic times: and, according to the literal habit which the early Church had of looking up to the pattern of her Divine Master, the forty duys of his fasting in the Wilderness became the guage of the servants' Lenten Fust; deriving still more force from the typicul prophecy of it which was so evident in the cares of Moses and of Wlijah.
As regards the mannor in whieh Lent was unciontly kept:-
"It was (1) by fusting, which generally meant abstinence trom all food till the evening, when food was takon great moderation was shewn, and luxuries were aroided; (2) by consation of all festal rites and anusementa, narriages, birthday festivals, \&e, and (3) by ins attempl to maintain a higher spirit of devo. tion": (S. P. O. K. Commentary)

Our Church lays down no detinite rules on the mode of fasting, but leaves it fur oach individual to settlo with himsolf.
The objocts of fasting aro thus stated in the

## First Homily on Fasting :-

1. "To chastise the flesh, that it bo not ton wanton, but tamed and brought in eub jection of the spirit;
2. "That the spirit may bo more forvent and earnest in prayer;
3. "That our fast be a testimony and witnees with us before God of our humble submission to His high Majosty."
Comp. the Collect for First Sundisy in Lent. The namo "Lont" (Old Eng. Lencten) means Spring.
The Collects for this season consists for tho most part, of confossions of our own weakness and sinfulness, athà prayera for Divine grace and pardov.
The Epistles aud Gospels sot before us the necessity of self-denial and bumiliation, and the example furnished for our imitation in tho history of our Lord.

## NEWS FRORT TAE HOME FIELD.

## dIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Amberst.-Rat. V. E. Harris arrived at Halifax on Saturday morning the 4th instant, from Eugland, per SS. "Vancouver," having had a very quick passage, and roached this parish at noon the eame dily. A large nocial gathoring of the parinhionors was hold in Christ Church Schoolroom on the following Mond:ly eroning, for the purpose of oxtonding a hearty welcome to their pastor and presentiug him with an adarees and a handsomo fur cout, and to Rev. C. le V. Brine. who bas been in chatye of the parieh for the past four montls, a south Soal seal oap. J. T. Smith, Eeq., road the address and made the presontation on behalf of the dovorre. Both the roverend gentlemen repliod in suitable
terms and were evidently deeply tonched by these unexpected gifts of affection and esteem. Music, both vocal and instrumental, together with agreeable conversation filled out the remainder of a very pleasant evening.
A meeting of the Chapter of the Raral Deanory of Amherst was beld in Traro on Monday, $J$ anuary 30th alt. There were present, the Rev. Raral Dean Moore, Rev. Dr. Bowman, and the Revs. J. A. Kaulbach, J. R. S. Parkinson, G. R. Martell, W. Charles Wilson, A. Bent, R. Hudgell, and Lay Reader Lloyd, of A'bion Mines. The services in the Charch during the Chapter meeting were particularly hearty and impressive, each one of the clergy officiating in some part of the services. At Evensong on the 30th, the respected Rural Dean preuched an earnest and forcible sermon on "True Religion." At
Matine and Holy Communion on the 3Ist, the Rev, W. Charles Wilson preached from the text, "Heaven and Earth shall "pass away, but my words shall not pass away." At Evensong the Rev. J. R. S. Pan kinson delivered a poworful sermon on " Divine Knowledgo," and gave a brilliant address to the clergy present. The business meeting of the Chapter was an unusually long and interesting one, resulting in the accomplishment of a great deal of business and of much edification. The question of the election of a Bishop took ap some time, and regret was felt that the worthy Socretary had refused tho nomination. His work in Truro, its model atone Church, with ite chaste appointments, his self-denying and faithful labors in the diocese from his youth, his anblemished character and unrivalled respect in which he is beld by hfr brother clergy; all these made thoughts turn to the Vicar of Truro as worthy of and fit for the honour. The S.P.C.K. branch depository in Truro was started and the Coramitte authorized to purchase books from England, for which tho members of the Chapter would become security. Books can now be purchased from Fulton's book store at S.P-C.K. catalogae prices. Groui rogrot was folt becanse no appointment had jot been made to the travelling misbionaryship. A man full of zeal and onorgy for waste places is required. The Chapter diseassed the sorvice fer adult baptism, which elicited an edifying commentary on tho words, "Born of water and tho Spirit."

After Erensong a clerical and congregational eociuble was held in the crypt of the Church and a genercus hospitality was displayed in the rich things provided for all. The members of the Chapter are deeply sensible of the extreme kiadneess showered upon them by the Traro church peoplo, who certainly are "givon to hospitality" in a regal manner, and who did overything possible to maiso the visit one of great confort and ploasure to the visiting clergy.

The Bighop Elect.-Tho Boston Herald re grets that Dr. Courtney is to leavo Boston, whore he has become one of the most highly estcemed of the clorgy, anys that Dr. Courtney is a native of Plymouth, Kng., and is 50 yeara old. He was educated in part at Christ's hospital, first at the preparatory school at Hartford, then the Blue Coat school in Nowgste st., London. After that he graduated in the first class from King's Collese, London, in 1863, when Dr. Solf, Dis. MciCabe, Bishop Ellioott, Dern Plumtreo, and Archdeacon Choatham were professors there. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on bim by Racine College." Besides the positions held by the Bishop olect and referred to in our last issue, ho was also incumbent of St. Jude's, Glasgow, Scolland, trom 1870 to 1876 , and assistant manister of St. Thomas Charch, New York, of which Dr. Morgan Was iector from 1570 to 1880, and roctor of St. James' Church, Chicago, from Easter, 1580 until March, 1882, when he nccepted the call from St. Paul's Charch, Boston. The Herald further says: Dr. Courtney is tall, erect and well formed. He has grayish
blue eyes. His cast of mind is not one-sided, and yet is logioal analytical and acote, rather than emotional, poetical or imaginative. Iu theology he describes himself as "high, low and broad." As a preacher, Dr. Courtney, in many respects at least, has very few equals in this country. His sermons are abont thirty-five minutes in length, he uess no manasoript or notes, and yet his discourses bave a rhetorical finish which is marvellous. In a whole sermon he will not hesitate for a word, nor use one infelicitously. His diction is not floral, but copions and expressive. and inclades a fair proportion of metaphor. His illastrations are drawn mostly from Scripture, and he seems to carry the very words of the whole Bible on his tongae's end. His delivery is generally calm and deliberate, bat occasionally becomes impassioned. His enanciation is distinct, and his emphasis always correct.

Albion Minys.-Mr. Thos. Lloyd, of Island Brock, has come to assist the Reetor, as master of a small parish school and lay reader. Mr. Lloyd will also take charge of the singing at the parish church. He has made a favorable impression, and will, we doubt not, do good work in the future.

Hantsport.-The Rev. J. Harrison gratefully acknowledges the receipt of five dollars from Mrs. Seymour, Bister to Rishop Seymour of Springfield, Ill., U. S., towards the New Chareh Building Fund.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Cafrlotretown.-Septuagesima was a red letter day for the Missions East. of Charlottetown. Of late years a successfol attempt has been made to reclaim them from the neglect they had been suffering from Georgetown and Cherry Valloy, are now supplied from St. Poter's, Charlottotown. Last Sunday the Rov. C. E. Lowe, of Summerside, took charge of St. Peters, while the priest incumbent (Rev.James Simpson) devoted the whole day to the Church nt Georgetown. The Rev. T. B. Reagh, of Now Liondon, went to Cherry Valley in the afternoon, returving after evensong to take the evening service in St. Paul's, Charlottetown, the Rev. Weston Jones being on his way to the Diocesan Synod.

## DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

St. Joun.-A very interosting lectare wars delivered in the Leeture Hall of Trinity Church before a large audience, on the evening of the 7th Fobruary, by Mr. J. W. Lawrence, nuder the auspices of the Charch of England Institate upon the histo:y of Old Trinity.
In the absence of the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rector and President of the Institate, the chair' was occupied by Chas. T. Kinnear, Esq., who introduced the lectarer.
Mr: Lawrence, in his openlng remarke, referred to tho fact that this was the centennial of the laying of the corner stone of "Old Trin ity "Church, and, therefore, a fitting time for examination and enquiry as to who were the Fathers and Founders of Trinity Church, and what manner of men were thoy. He then referred seriatim to the clergy who had ministered to the congregation and had occupied severally the positions of incumbent or rector, and also to layman, who had at difforent times takon a prominent part in connection therewith. Amongst the clergy to whom he refurriod were the Rev. John Beardsley, who had becn rector of Poughkeepsie, New York, and who came to minister to the Loyalist Churchmen who daa emigrated to the Provinces. After his departure in 1784, for Mangerville, Mr. Jonalhan Odell officiated as lay reader, antil he was ordained, The old church building stood on a lot in Germain street, on which the hoase of the late James MoMillan, Esq., now stands,
and was bought from the original grantee for the sam of $£ 140$. In it was placed the "Royal Arme", so long and no well known as the distinguishing feature of the interior of "Old Trinity," and which, reacued from the great fire in St. John in 1877, now ocoupied a position over the west door of new Trinity. From letters read by Mr. Lawrence, it would appear that this relic came originally from the Council Chamber at Boston in the then Colony of Massachasetts.

Amongst other clergyman associated with its affairs was the Right Rev. Samuel Seabury, first Bishop of The Charch in America. On his way out to his See (Connecticnt) after his consecration in Sootland Bishop Seabury visited St. John, where he remained and preached for several weeks to the congregation of Old Trinity, then without an incumbent.

St. John Parish was organized somowhere about 1806, and the Rev. George Bissett became its first Rector. He was an Englishman, bat had occupied previously Trinity, Nowport, R.I., and came to St. John in 1786, and in the church where he preached in the morning Quakers held their meetings in the ovening.

Mr. Bissett died in March, 1788. In the same year the fuar lots of land on which Old Trinity was erected, and on which the present Trinity Charch now occapies were given for the purpose of bailding a Charch by General Coffin, and John Cochrane, and Thos. Wbitlock, Esqs., to all of whom Mr. Lawrence referred in his lecture, giving incidents in connection with them.
The lecturer also referred to the fact that the first Bishop of the United States, the Right Rov. Dr. Inglis, had performed Episcopal acts in Old Trinity, and held on the 20th Augast, 1788, a Confirmation, at which ninety-five candidates were confirmed, and he delivered a charge to the clergy, gathered from different pirts of the Province, and then numbering five, and also laid the corner stone of OId Trinity.

- Mr. Lawrence notod the fact that the corner stone of Old Trinity was probably the first evor laid in America by a Bishop of the Church of England, since up to that time there were no prelates in the Colonies, nor in the then new Republic, and it also appeared that Trinity was the first English Church i: the Northern part of Canada to possess a chancel.

The lecturer then referred to subsequent occupants of the Rectory, viz. : Rev. Dr. Byles, who died in 1814; Rev. Dr. Willis; Rev. Mr. Pidgeon: Rev. Dr. G. B. Gray: Rev. J. W. D. Gray; Rev. G. M. Armstrong, and Rev. M. Swabey, all of whom had occupied the position prior to the present Rector.
The lecture was highly appreciated by the large audience present, who regretted that, owing to the multitudinous incidents to be referred to, it was impossible to complete the hirtory at this session; and the hope was expressed that Mr . Lawrence on so me future occasion would be able to centinue his interesting account of Old Trinity.

Cormeotion.-In the last paragraph of the article following the letter of $\mathbf{H}$. Montgomery, in the Guardian of the 1st Fobruary, instead of "ang want of untruthfulness," read "any want of truthfulness.." The mistake is ours, not the writers,-ED.

## DIOCESER OF QUEBEC.

Sr. Franers.-A meeting of the Chapter of this Deanery was held at Bishop's College on the 31st alt. There was Holy Communion in the chapel at 10 a.m., the Rev. Dr. Adams celebrant, assisted by Dr, Roe and Dr. Allnatt. The Rural Dean being unable to attend from illness, the Principal of the College was requested to act as chairman for Chapter meeting. A letter from the Vencrable $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{r}}$. Reid was read tendering his resignation as Rural Dean. Although all had to acknowledge the adranced
age of the Dean, yet the feeling was general to miss his presence and supervision would be severely felt. The letter was ordered to be entered on the minute book, and the Rev. Dr. Roe asked to prepare a reply setting forth the feeling of regret of all present. As nine only out of the twenty-five olergy of the district were present, the election of a Raral Dean was postponed till June next. Four additional members having arrived at a later hour, the Rev. Mr. Eames, inoumbent of the now Mission of Barnston gave a short but encouraging report of the progress of the work in that field of labor. The Rev. Dr. Adams brought forward tine advisability of having a series of quiet days at the College during the year for the clergy, and a resolution was passed asking the Bishop to organize such a retreat the first week in Septomber. The clergy were very hospitably ontertained in the College Hall and at the houses of the Professors, and went away refresbed by zocial intercourse with the brethren, and highly pleased at the seeming prosperity of both the College and School.

Lower Ireland,-On Dec. 30th, 1887, the congregation of Christ's Church, Lower Ireland, gave a very successful oyster supper and entertainment in the Chureh Hall in aid of the organ fund. There was present a large and appreciative audience. A splendid programmo of vocal music, readings, and recitations was performed to the evident enjoyment of all present. Particularly to be remarked was the selection of readings and recitations given by the "small boys" of the place. It is not often that a programmo is prepared in a country place where such an excellent collection of recitations are so well rendered as that performed by the boys who took part in the entertainment. The receipts for the organ fund wore something over $\$ 40$.
Before the programme was entered apon Mr. A. S. Jobnson, M.P.P., in $\Omega$ complimentary speech, on behalf of the congregation, presented the incumbent, Rev. R. Hewton, with a purse containing \$67. Mr. Hewton was completely taizon by sarprise, and in response expressed his appreciation of the thoughtfalness and the spirit which prompted the givers to make provision for his worldly wants in such a respectable manner.

## DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

Montreal.-The Women'b Auxiliary Mis sion of the Diocese of Montreal beld its second annual meeting on Tuesday the 7th inst., at the Synod Hall, the Bishop presiding.
The roport for the year was read by Mies H. E. Houghton, which indicated the total memborship of the society to be 357 . The parish of Arundel, the mission fund and such special objects as the Bishop might desire were under the members' care, and they woro often callod on in connection with other church work.

On motion of the Rev. G. O. Troop, seconded by Canon Hondorson the report was adopted:

The Treasurer's repoit was read by the Rev Rural Dean Lindeay, and showed the revenue for the year to have been $\$ 65280$. The expenditare amounted to $\$ 607.20$, leaving a balance of $\$ 45.60$.

On motion of Rev. Canon Ellegood, seconded by Canon Mills, both of whom spoke highly of the Society and its work, and ealogized the efforts of the women composing it, the report was adopted.
Madame Schereschewsky then spoke on the subject of missions in Pokin, where she has been laboring. She stated that the Roman missions. were estublished thore two hundred years ago, but that their success had been marred by the interforence of the Jesnits, whose political interference made tho Chinese tarn from them; otherwise the Roman Church might have been general in China. Notwithstanding the dislike of Chinose for foreigners,
the fomen of whom were supposed to have the evil eye, prejudice gradually died away, and her schools gradually became well attonded and her papils docile. They respeoted education and studied energetically. The translation of the Bible into Chinose had given the Word of God to 400,000 poople, and was now being carefully distributed by colporteurs, who were at times well received, at others in danger of their lives. A mission field like China had to be served by trained and conseoratod workers, and she hoped that in future women would be trained for the work. The Biehop announced that the Bishop of Algoma would shortly address a meeting in the city on the subjoct of missions.

St. James the Apostle.-On Saturday, tho 4th of February, the Soc-Treasurer of the Ladies Aid of the Church of St. Jamos tho Apostle, had the ploasure of wailing upon Miss Taylor, the Rector's siator-in-law, and presenting her on behalf of the congrogation, tho Sundayschool teachers and scholars, with a fur-lined cloak and muff in recognition of her untiring zeal and anselfish worls for tho Church and the Ladios' Aid.

The above montioned Society has ahroady sent a valuable box of clothing, sc., in answor to an appoal from the clergymun at Gravenhurst, Diocese of Algoma. The mombors of the Society are now at worls proparing a box to be placed at the disposal of Bisbop Bond for distribution in our own mission-fiold. Tho Ladies' Aid also presented a handsome chair to the Roctor, the Rev. Canon Ellogood.
The concert givon last week in the lecture Hall of the Church of St. James the Apostle, was a grand succoss, and reflects much credit upon the members of the Fife and Drum Band. Misses Scott and Turtou sang a duolt whioh was much approciated.

St. Thomas.-The Annual Fostival of the Sunday-school took place in the schoolroom on the evening of the 8th inst. After a capital tea a first-class programmo was gone through, the choruses and singing being well rendered by the pupils. Tho Rev. R. Lindsay, the Rov. S. Massey, and Mr. Armetrong, favoured the meeting with appropriato speeches. Prizes were prosented to the children, and betore closing all present were entortained in a dolightful manner by an amusing and instruotivo addrose from Mrs. Shereshenesky, who has laboured in China for over twonty jears. The distribation of jubilee mugs and medals, with the usual candy bag to the children, closed a long-to-beremembered evening. Tho schoolroom had been handsomely docorated with flugs and bannors hung round the walls, intersporsed with shields, stars, mottoos and jubiloo flags, while the ceiling was ablazo with festoons of coloured paper, tho wholo being much admired.

Cote St. Paul.-Church of the Redeemer.A pleasant entertainment took place in tho Parochial Hall on the ovening of the 7th inst. Recitatione, part songs, songs, instrumontal muaic, and a tableau, formed the programmo. Mrs. Spodding and Miss Higgins prosjded at the piano-an excellent one from the wellknown ostablishment of the Mosers. Willis, Notre Dame Street, Montroal. Mr. Frasor and Mr. T. J. Badford delighted the audionce with their recitations; Misses Morrison, Mise Susie Gilmore, Messrs. Woollams, Huby, Parker, Carver, Gilmore, and Clark, also admirably performed their several parts in tho programme. Tho opening recitation by seven little girls of the Sunday-school was woll rendered, reflecting credit upon their teacher Miss Gilmore. Thanks are duo to Mrs. T. J. Bedford and $R$. Carver, and others, for troable takon in preparing for the ontertainmont.

A Subscriber renowing, writes: "I enjoy its (The Church Guardian'e) contents with much interest : and it is a welcome vinitor in our circle."

## DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

Kinaston.-The Quarterly meoting of the Kingaton Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. Paul's schoolroom on the 7th inst. There was a large attendance of ladies and a very interesting evening was spent. Reports were read by the secretaries of the city Churoh branches, which showed that the following contributions in money and boxes had been made since the last meeting:-St. George's $\$ 180$; St. James', $\$ 37.75$; St. Paul's, $\$ 67$. Letters of thanks were read from Mr. Wilson, Indian bomes, Sanlt Ste. Marie, Plerna, Oso and Sharbot Lake and Parhum. A most interestting letter, giving an acconnt of the work and sufferings of the missionaries, from Mrs. Renison. wife of the rnissionary at Nepigon, was read by Mrs. Rogers, also a letter from Mrs. Boomer, and another from the Bishop of algome were read br Miss Muckleston, giving a statement of the Woman's Jubilee Widow and Orphane' fand for Algoma. The meeting was closed with the benediction.
The 5th was Hospital Sonday, the collection in all the Churches were much larger than last year, St. George's Cathedral heading the list with $\$ 96.48$.

## DIOCESE OF HURON.

London.-The Bishop has been away from town much of the past few weeks on a Confirm. ation tour.
It would appear that many of the clergy of the Diocese are much interested in the "Quiet Day" or "Visitation," to be held March 7th, 1887, by the Bishop, judging from the number who buve signified their intention of being prewent.
His Lordship deals with the several subjects the first day inimself. On the socond day, whioh will be devoted to a Conference on Missions, meetings will open at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in Cronyn Hall.
The following are the subjects for consideration:
a. The present moral condition, and fatare doom of the beathen. $b$. The responsibility of the Cburch to follow the indications of God's providence in the matter of Missions. c. The reflex iufluence of Missions on Home work. d. The duty of the Church with reference to Israel. e. The best methods for advancing the cause of Missions.
It is expected that the several clergymen will come propared to discuss the subject of Missions, und in order that the time may be more profitable it is hoped that the above beadings
will draw out more practicable information.
London Townelip.-The annual Miseionary moeting was held in St. John's, on Tueaday, Jan. 3lat. The attendance was very good. Archdeacon Marsh opened the meeting with prayer and a few introductory remarks. After which addresses were delivered on the Missionary work of the Churoh, Home, Domestic and Foreign, by Rev. Evans Davis and his Lordship the Bishop of Huron.
Mifchill.-The Rer. Mr. Ker has accepted the offor made him by the Stratford congregation, and will become assistant minister of St. James' after Waster; salary $\$ 1,200$ per annum. Much regret is expressed at his leaving Trinity congregation bere. It is not yet known who may succeed him. Mr. Kar is an excellent mreacher aud his talente will have a wider scope in Stratford.
On the eveniug of Feb. 1st a Sundsy-school entertainne ent was held in the Town ball; tables were spread and a good tea served to all. Then a good programme was rendered, consisting of singing, recitations, debate and, addresses by Reva, Evans Davis, of London, and J. Taylor, of Wardsville.
The next evening, Feb, 2nd, the annual Misnionary meoting was held in Trinity Church.
delivered by Revs. Taylor, K. Davis and Wade. These addresses wore replete with missionary information, snd were listened to with deep attention.

Ter atudents of Huron College have organized a Society, mainly with a view to develope the powers of each in extempore speaking. Rev. Principal Fowell, M.A., has been elected Honorary President; Rev. Professor Williams, B. A., Honorary Vice-President; Rev. Wm. Lome, President; Mr. T. E. Higley, VicePresident. Mr. C. A. Kinder, Secretary. The meetings for the present Lent term will be held semi-weekly.
Epigoopal Appointminnta.-If the Lord will, the following order will be observed by the Bishop in his visitation of the Diocese for Confirmations for 1888:
Clergymen in each Parish or Mission are requested to have all the candidates from their several stations prepared and ready to be presented at the service, as arranged in the following lists.
it is the Bishop's wish that a list of all the candidates, with christian names in full and plainly written, be handed to him on his arrival, which lists, if necessary, will be subjeot to correction after the service.

The Bishop placea the responsibility of punctual attendance at each service on the clorgyman in charge, and particularly requests that nothing be allowed to interfere and prevont the Bishop from being present and ready for service, as named in printed lists. For February the appointments are:
County of Grey-Tuesday, March 1, St. John's, Dandalk Rev. O. Edgelow; Tuesday, March 1, St. Paul's, shelbarn, and Friday, March 2, Hornings Mills, Rev. H. G. Moore.
Sunday, March 18. Christ Church, Meaford, and St. Thomas', St. Vincent, Rev. A. C. Channer, M.A. ; Monday, March 19, St. Matthew's, Sydenham, St. Philip's, Walters Falls: Taesday, March 20, St. James', Euphrasia, St. Augustine. Heathcote, Rev.'J. A. Ball; Wednesday, March 21, St. George's, Clarksbarg, Rev. G. Keys.
Sunday, Maroh 4, Christ Church, Glan worth, Trinity Church, Lambeth: Tuesday, March 13, St. Anne's, Byron, Rev. C. W. Ball; Sanday, February 19, St. John's, Glencoo, Christ Charch, Newbury, St. Jumen', Wardsville, Rev. W J. Taylor; Sunday, March 11, St. Matthew's, London E., Emmanuel, London Tp., Rev. W. M. Seaborn ; Sunday, March 25, St. George's, London Tp., Trinity, London Tp., Rev. N. Wilson.

## DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

Lowville.-St. George's.-In consequence of the removal of Rev. Thos. Motherwell to be assistant priest at Grimsby, we have been without regular services since Easter last. Yon will appreciate our joy and gratitude, and congratulate us apon their renewal under the incumbency of Rev. Mr. Morton, late of Birtle, Man. He began the year with us, and has already made himself loved by his flook, who are fast taking him to their hearts, and, pour quoi non. Calm, earnest, natural, he conducts, the services in a manner to strengthen the faith and excite devotion. His sermons are briff but very logical, consecative and direct. Serviaes ended, he is among his people, and throaghout the week like the Master rejoicing with the joyful, weeping with the afflicted. Thus have we been suddenly roused out of our involuntary, painful torpor into full activity, and our spiritual nerves made to act with life and pregroes. This, however. is a very staunch zongregation-want of regular vervices, that worst or disentients, could not scatter it-more over the Sunday school with its excellent library und efficient staff did mach to preserve the esprit de corps, and prevent the disintegration esprit ae corps, and
of the body italf;

Our annual Missionary meating in behalf of Algoms was held on the evening of 1at instant; the depatation consisted of Raral Dean Rev. A. Belt, of Harriston, and Rev. G. B. Cook, of Palmerston. There was a full house and more than usual interest elicited. The financial results bave not yet been reported. The camera was used to illustrate the Mission work. "Beginning at Jerusalem," we had a vision of Missions there. On the "" Dark Continent," Asia, our own North west-a panorama of zeal, devotion. self denial, suffering and sacoess ; the field, the harvesters and the sheaves. As the illustrations went on my thonghts more than onoe recurred to the Churoi Guabdlan. I have often while reading it felt shat it was to me both field glass and observatory-its pages sweeping into view the entire Catholic Domain. This with its choice excerpts illustrating, defending and enforcing its mott., cleaning the rubbish from the "Old Paths." and its defence of the Lord's Day observance, and the divine lastitation of marriage ought to make it of priceless value to overy Charchman.

## DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

Rosbrav.-The annaal vibit of the Bibhop of the Diocess, was begun on Jan'y 19, when be was met by the Incumbent at Segrin Falls, whence be proceeded to Rosseau. Jan'y 20th, Vestry, $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Jan'v. 21st., The Church yard of St. Thomas, Uilswater, was consecrated and a vestry held.
Jan'v 22nd, Ull-water: Matins, Confirmation, Holy Eacharist; here three candidates were presented for the A postolic rite of Lay. ing on of bands. In the evening the Bishop proceeded to Rossean where Evensong was said and four candidates were presented for Confirmation. At both Churches the Bishop addressed those about to Ratify and Confirm their Baptismal promises in language which is to be hoped will long be remembered by them and prove hopeful to them in after life; as aliso it is to be hoped that many who havelong been Confirmed were called to remember their own responsibility. At each of these Charches the Bishop preached powerful sermons.
Jan'y 23rd: Service was held in Peter's Lumber Shanty, and a very suitable sermon was preached by the Bishop. Next day the Bishop was taken to Utterson, whence hedeparted for Bark's Fall Mission. His visit causing in the Rossean Mission pleasant recollections and prodacing mutual good.

## DIOCESE OF RUPERTS LAND.

Gerswold-St. Margaret's.-On Sunday, 29th Januery, 188s, the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, Bishop Machray; Dean Grisdale, and the Revs. W. A. Burman, C. Qainney, and J. Merrick, officiated at the oponing of this Charch. The Church a frame bailding of good capacity and solid materials, was mach admired, and well filled br devout and hearty congregations at both services afternoon and evening, the offerings being $\$ 56$ and $\$ 13$, ma amount very ereditable and encouraging. The services were happily rendered, that of Praise, an Anthem, and Hymns; and the sermons of the Bishop and Dean, words of encoaragement and gospel blessings, addressed to all present. It was a day of much thankrgiving to many, and of prayer and hope for the well-being of the settlers of this beantiful and wheat-growing tract of country.

## CONTEMPORARY CHURCH OPINION.

The Living Church, Chicago, says, :-
There have always existed different types of Charchmen. The conservatism of St. Peter has always been s. little anxions about the intellectual boldneas of gt. Paul. The man, asserting principle as the basis of action, rebukes
the man of cantions expediency. Works are emphasized by one sohool; their internal vivifying principle by another. Faith, sa the action which grasps the rope, is jealously gaarded by some; the Word and Sacramonts, as instruments of Christ's saving work, by others.
There is no reason why now, ss heretofore, all these should not work harmoniously ${ }_{i}$ together. Past controversies have so prov ded definitions and enforced limitations whereby doctrines are restrained within their legitimate boundaries, that it is easier intellectually to do this than ever before.
All types, however, of Churchmanship are more or less imperfect, and are open to friendly and remedial critioism. What should be held at least worthy of respect is the colorless Churchman, the man who for the sake of perponal advancement avoids committing himself. The politic Churchman verily often gains his reward, but it is at the expense of his own manliness. Our Charch is not indifferent to the truth.

She is not a Church of good-natured toleration of everybody's views and everybody's practices. No one within her shonid have occasion to ask to be tolerated. She is however a comprehensive Charoh. She holds the whole great circle of the Catholic Faith. She expresses it in her ordinal, sacraments, and liturgy. Each individual doctrine is related in seeming antagonism to some other doctrine. But just in proportion as one is able, intelligently, to hold all the extremes that shine on every point of the great circumference of trath, is he bimself not extreme, bat comprehensive like his Church; and be best and most faithfully represents her.

## The North Dakota Churchman says:-

The comfortable season of Lent is near at hand. We like that good old word in its old English sense as appliod to the blessed Lententide. It is comfortable, beyond words to express, to him who rightly observes and uses it. Let us make it so in all the churches. To him who wonld realize his religions, position and discor. er what his faith may mean to him, what it has in store for him. Lent comes as a most gracious opportanity. Make it real to yourself in every way open to you. Observe t by devontattendance at the quiet week-day services, as well as on the Sundays. Encourage your rector, your neighbors and vourself by ynur faithful observance in the church and in the world.
The Church expects her children to emphasize it thas. And be who takes advantage of her temperate views of the amusements and relaxations of society at other times, should be the more careful to heed her call to special prayer fulness and watchfulness and meditation in Lent.
Above all see to it that your Lent is not a sham. Let it cost you something. Make it cost you all you can give in time, and service. and money which reprosents your daily life and work. It is your opportnity to find where you have placed your hope of Eternal Life in your category of things valuable to you. It is your opportanity to find out the trath as to yourself.
If our blessed Lord needed a Lent to prepare Himself for His great: work, do not you need it every year to help you to go rightly on your work? Draw near to God, and he will draw near unto you.

The $N$. Y. Independent (Congregational) says:-
We print the following as another straw to show how the carrent sets in this day of endeavor to find out a way of unity:
"Old denominations come to an end. Two, or three, or four unite to form one. The first grand example was the union of the old and New School Presbyterians in 1871, and now
we see the Presbytorians North and South anxious for union, and fretting becanse they cannot achieve it. We see in Canada all the Presbyterian denominations joined in one, and all the Methodists in another. In the Jayanese mission field not only have all the Presbyterian and Reformed ohurohes joined in one body, bat the Congregationalists, with another polity-most astonishing thing of all-have also joined in the same Charoh of Japan. Oar Evangelical Alliance and our Pal-Presbyterian Council are evidences of the earnest feeling after closer organic unity. They protest that they do not seek organic union, but they are helping it just the same. There is scarce one of our denominational national assemblies, or conventions, or conferences, or councils, bat has thts subjeot of consolidation with some other body before it is a ohief topic of disenssion. Each is planning how it shall join with some other, or, as with the Episcopalians, bow it can join with all others. This age the paradise of denominations? It is more likely to be their grave."

The Church Guardian, Omaha, Neb., gives the following from the Bishop (Dr. Worthing. ton): -
There is a rubric in the Prayer-Book which requires the clergy to announce to the people, whether they are able to observe the season or not, what Holy Days occur daring the week. This rale is neglected by many and in many ways it is a loss. Firat, it is a loss to the Priest not to obey the Church; she is wiser than an individual. Secondly, it is a loss te the people not to know the sacred seasons and their teachings and requirements, which the loyal, faithful Priest, wonld be most caroful to give when the anoonncement was made.

Have some well defined plan for Lent and its carefal observance, and also some scheme of deeply religions and spiritnal instruction for your people before Ash Wednesday.

The Anglican Church Chronicle, Honolulu, thus spesks of Gambling:-
As unual we in Hawaii have a taste of everything that goes on in the outer world, and now we are inflicted by the evil of gambling. Of course there has always been more or less gambling and betting in these Islands, but we think the evil has not been so pernicious in its extent, or the numbers engaged in it so great as of late. Bishops, clergymen, prison chaplaina, and others, are preaching against the evil in England, and we would like our voice of warning to reach every person in these Islands who is addicted to the practice. It is only another indication of the immense activity sad excitement of the prosent age, that oven our amusements noed an incentive and a fillip to make them have their effect.
It is not to be wondered at, that some people bave no taste or inclination to public worship when unmized with noisy demonstration and other sensational indacements to exoitement. All these thing we put on the same plane with gambling and betting, and affirm that thoy are detrimental to peace and happiness.

Gambling is breaking the Eighth Commandment, because it takes from one party property without giving an equivalent. That it is done with the consent of that party is no proof to the contrary; as is proved by the many attempts to recover by law the losses. It is de moralizing to the extreme, and brings as mach misery to men as drankenness or any other corroding vice. It leads too often to other orimes. It is harmfal to play for small atakes, becanse it is very difficult to know where to draw the line. A good rale would be for every person to ask himself whether he can afford to lose the wagers be wishes to make, or whether he would be happy in winning what he knows

## LIENT AT HAND.

Before another issue we shall be more than ne week in the Lenten Fast.
Oar idea of Lent observance, so far as the daty of the Clergy, is, that services shall be added no farther than the strength of the Rector will allow, and his congregation will appreciate the opportanities. We think that Lent should be improved in the use of "private monitions" to the flock, as they may be lakewarm in their Christian profession, or utterly indifferent as to their soul's welfare.
The charoh services will reach only a part of even the commanicants. A number will regularly attend, but when Lent is over, it will bo found that many, perbaps the majority even of the cosamunicants, have rarely attonded.
The blessing of Lent will come to the people, as united with earnest church attendance is unusual attention to private means of grace-the work of each one with his own heart before God. For those who unwillingly relinquish their pleasures, or even relinquish them only so far as a religious decescy requires;-as wo have beard of one going to her Pastor to ark if the euchre club could not continus to meet in Lent,-there is no blessing. They may as well enjoy the world they love so well, for there is nothing laid up in store for them beyond its scenes.-Bishop Gilespie in The Church Helper.

THE WORLD, THE FLESH, AND THE DHVIL.

## what ghall we do aboutit!

The common complaint of earnest Pastors is-" the pleasare seoking; it is in the way of all my work; it renders our weok day services dull with the fow where there should be the many; it stands in the way of plans and purposes I knew would be for the good of my people: it takes away the power of the Church, it just disheartens me."
"Living in pleasure," is a stern roulity. And it is just as real in the church as ont of it. What are wo thiuking of? This-the winter has its craze. Last winter it was one form of card playing, this winter it is another A fow years ago it was the skating rink; that wore itself out. But the masquerade came in one place, the hop in anothor, and something else in another. Moderation in amusoment is prohibited by clubs, for the card table, the dance, that must meet. From Sanday to Sanday, every night it is something for a "good timo." The home is left, the church bell oalls in vain. And who are the votaries of wild pleasure? No more the young than the mature, even the aged. Scarcely more the indifferent, than the men and women who claim the Churoh's Sacraments a blessing. How vain the Pastor's cautions when proparing his Confirmation olass, the Bishop's counsels in the sacred hour ; when the young disciplos soe day in and day out, even the would-be pillars ia the church, mad on their pleasures.
It is just the world, the fiesh and the devil. It is the same spirit that made the blessed Apostle's heart hled, whon, as he passed through the thorough fares of Athens, "he saw the city wholly given to idolatrg."
What shall we do abont it?
Consent to it, say we cannot prevent it, we must overlook it? Never, if wo are Ministers of Him who told of "cutting off the right hand, and plucking out the right eye."
We must be bold, the Elijahs and John the Baptists of our day, We must go to these men and women, and tell them, you are "the enemies of the cross of Christ," you will lose your souls, if you sacrifice your daties to God and man for your pleasures.
We must preach a gospel that while it is fall
of the love of God and Obrist, pronounces the blessing only on those who the spirit of Christ.

We have dealt entirely too gently with this "living in pleasure on the earth." What would an Apostle say to it? What would we say about it to a dying man or woman, whose awakened conscience begged us to warn its votaries among kindred and acquaintance?
Jast as I am closing this, my eye happons to fall on these lines in a secular paper: "A Lont is rapidly approaching, is close at hand, the interests of the social world in its round of pleasures, sooms to increase, and the number of evente as one might term them increases.
There is in fact a plethora of amusements, and some of them aro unable, oven by going six nights of the seven to accept all the invitations showered on them: And yet-society is not especially gay."
This referonce to Lent tolls who are the great patrone of amusements.
G. D. G.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[Tlu name or Correspondent mustinall cases be enolosed Flth letter, but will not be pablighed unless desired. Tho opinlons exprefsed by Correspondente.]

## GRACE BEFORE AND AFTER MEAT.

## To the Editor of the Ceuroh Guardian :

Sir,-Please explain the reason for asing the final clause: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, at the conclusion of the "Grace after Moat." There is no petition asked as in that "Before Moat." "Thanks be to God for these and all His bounties bestowed upon us, Through Josus Christ our Lord": no better thankegiving is possible in as few words; but the last clause, without the full stop and capital " $T$ " is a mis. take; seems on un moaning repetition of the ond of the "Graco before Meat," where it is most necessary and propor. A simple rondering of thanks to Almighty God does not require the mediation of our Saviour, or the use of his name to make it acoeptable. Or, if so, it should bo differently worded.

## Enquiber.

[Our corrospondent seoms hypercritical, or we do not anderstand his merning. We can hardly regard the thanksgiving contained in the words he refors to as confined to temporal mercies,-more bodily food. "All Hia bounties" might woll cover that which is referred to in the Gonoral Thankggiving, as especially remomberod. And more, St. Paul says, (Rom. i, 8), "First, I thank my God through Josus Christ for you all"; and again in Rom. vii, 25. The use of the poriod and of the capital " $T$ " can surely in this instance mako no material difference in the sonse. - Eid.]

## QUERIES,

Sir,-Apropos of your remarks concerning the now vory markedabstontion from the use of the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Montreal for ordinations, anothor question is suggosted, How is it fhat in fixing these ordinations the Ember Setsons are so frequently ignored? A atriking case in point, one unexplainable by ordinary mortale, is seen in the approaching ordination of Mr. Duttio, on the Sunday after the Ember weok, Sunday viz: 2nd, S. in Lont. It seems passing strange that it could not as wol, and as more bolitting, have been appointed for the Ind Sunday in Lent. This question may not meet the eye of the Bishop but it possibly may meet that of his examining chaplain, who might bring it before him. But speaking of the ohaplain leads me to ask, why is it that such an obsolete book as,
"Potter on Church Government," has been fixed as a Text Book for ordination candidates $b$ It is a book, if not out of print, very little heard of, and quite superseded by abler and better books and of a more modern cast. Why, I have been informed that men going up for orders have not been able to obtain the book and that one copy from the Dean's Library has had to go from hand to hand I Bat, once more, why are ordination examinations based on certain books, and not on the sabjects; so mach so, that the Examiner says: "I will examine on the book." In Bishop Falford's time, the candidate having gone through certain books in his college (no matter where) was supposed to have been gronnded in the matter of those books, and so the questions put before him during the Ember week, were concerning certain sabjects, and his replies could from any source, so long as they were in accordance and up to the requirements. If such was the way now a man might get up the sabject of Charch Government from books more easily obtainable than that of Bishop Potter, however good that may have been in its day, and for the parpose the Bishop had in view

Enquirrr.
[We fancy that the necessity of giving due notice of Mr Dattie's ordination prevented its taking place as our correspondent conld wish. We cannot think that withont urgent cause the blessings attendant apon the prayers of the whole Church at the Ember Seasons would willingly be lost. Farther the 31st of the Canons Eoclesiastical of the Church of England provides "that no deacons or ministers bo "made and ordained but only apon the Sundays "immediately following Jejunia quatuor tem"porum commonly called Ember Weeks, appointed in ancient time for prayer and fasting (parposely for this cause at their first (institation) and so continued at this day in "the Church of England; and that this be done "in the Cathedral or Parish Church where the "Bishop resideth. and in the time of Divine "Service \&o."-Ed.

UPPER OTTAWA AND NIPISSING MISSION.
Sir,-In the interests of the work to which for six yeara I have striven to devote whatever energy God has given me, I desire to make a plain statement of some very plain facts. Six years ago the Charch had no mission here. In 1882, a missionary was appointed to organize the work in a district comprising 14 towuships, with settlers so isolated that tho labour involved in patting into active operation any effective scheme, was almost incredble. But few were able to render any material pecaniary assistance, and little could be done without it. To all his other work this additional duty was imposed on the missionary, and he had to become general financier; to devise ways and moans and receive and expend the trust funds committed to his care, according as in his judgment the bost interests of the Church woald be served. No seheme of services workable by one individual over so large a feld, could reasonably be expected to accomplish any appreciable resalts. From an aconomic standpoint it were anwise to tax our revenue with the charge of a curate, so the plan adopted, with the sanction of the Bishop, was to associate young unordained men with the missionary, and thus, at a minimom cost, secure the reqnisite assistance without which no schomo of services at all adequate to the wants of the mizsion, could be pat in operation. The plan has worked admirably; the namerous services have been regularly maintained, and young men have gone up for ordination from the mission, or entered Trinity College, and others
have taken their place. There was but one missionary here five years ago, the first the Chareh had been able to send, now there are four; two being in priests orders, and two not in orde s, one of the former having charge of a district to the west where a separate mission has been created. The maximam annual cost to the Church under this plan of associated lay hotp is $\$ 500$ (for two men), or a priest and two lay helpers $\$ 1,300$, an average cost for three men of $\$ 433$ each. The actual oost to us has been less than this as during portions of the period referred to we have been short of men. I consider this a most practical plan for carrying on the mission work of the Charch in large, poor or sparsely settled districts, as from it may bo obtained a maximam amoant of work at a minimam cost. There were no Churches in the district, none west of Pembroke, 6 years ago, now there are 5 , two of which are in the Algoma mission west of ns. We retain three Churches and have also a substantial clergy house at Mattawa. The following statistics from our Parish Register will serve to show some visible results of 6 years labourthe other and more lasting results, the invisible, are not to be shown by any table of statisuies or figures of earthly arithmetic:-

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Our average congregations are 10 to 45 . For example: On one Sunday each missionary will hold two services, and be distant from one another 22 and 90 miles, the aggregate number of worshippers at the 6 services being 190. The following Sunday the missionary may be just as far apart, though at different stations to former Sunday, hold the same number of services, and the congregations will not aggregate more than 122. The journeys are long, and constantly travelled on foot; much of the land is wild and unsettled, mile after mile may be travelled with only here and there a sign of human habitation. One of our Charches is yet unpaid for, all three are unfinished, and two more are urgontly needed. On the property yet involved (brick Church and house) we have expended over two thousand five hundred dollars. A special and generous offer has recently been made towards assisting us in removing the one debt provided the requisite balance is raised within a reasonable period.
Surely, I may claim the attention of Churchmen generally, and plead the cause of the Church in this extengive misaion field! I have striven most faithfolly to fulfil the arduous duty imposed upon me-to plant the Church and organize her work in this virgin soil. Evidence is not wanting that our poor efforts have been accepted, and that God has blessed them. What He has enabled me to begin, I desire to go on and labour towards developing and comploting, so long as hoalth and strength is continued me-bat no one outside has even the faintest conception of either the physical labou.s or mental anxiety of all these years. I caro to say nothing of this, indeed, it is as nought if only Carist is preached, and perishing souls brought to find rest and peace. Bat there is sumething that I do care for, and there is something I must and do ask. I care for the Church here-for those large number of souls committed to my charge-aut conscience compels me, at the risk of being accused of trampoting successful work, to hold up this sacred trust in the oyes of the Church at large, and to plead for the establishment of what is bat began, on a firm and permanent basis. We must
look to the fature and secure for the Churob now that which will enable her to maintain her rightful position, and advance with the development of the country. This cannot bedone by suffiering her to be crippled for want of that help withont which progress in a material sense can never be accomplished. There is here a field for missionary work ihan whioh there is none other more important in the whole ecclesiastical province. The greater portion of the large district of Nipissing, as so far settled, is at present umbraced in this mis. sion, and its importanee is such that at the last meeting of our Synod (Ontario) the Bishop gave as a farther reason for dividing the diocose, the fact that so large an addition as that of Nipissing district had been made to hi existing diocese. For the information of many kind friends who have entrusted me with funds daring the past six years, I give the following brief abstract of our recoipts and paymonts, the detailed accounts having been published and circulated from time to time. I must here exprese my personal gratitude for many favours so eheerfally extended. ©ur total receipts from all sources, whether from within or from without the mission (not of course our offertories) since its formation 6 years ago, amounts to $\$ 7,577.06$. Upwards of $\$ 5,000$ of this sum was collected by personal canvass of parishes in and out of the Diocese, and more than onehalf was contributed within the Diocese. Nine hundred und eighiy-seven dollurs was contribnted in the mission. Our expenditure has been $\$ 7,707.36$. Of this amonnt upwards of $\$ 5,000$ was expended on actual Church propertios, baildings, land, \&e., over $\$ 1,000$ on the Stipend and maintence of assistants, and upwards of another $\$ 1,000$ for travolling, printing, \&e. The cost of collection has beon a trifle over ten per cent.; I do not know whether this is much, but I have ever guarded most zealously all exponditure, and striven to do the best with the means at my disposal. The accounts of the mission are very carefully kept. and all receipts and payments rogularly entered in dotail. This is a heavy responsibility, and with the mass of correspondence a very great labour, which I would cheerfully relinquish, but it appears to be a necessary part of the priests duty in such a work as oura, only to be rid of by relinquishing the work iteelf. One of the above expenditures might well have beon very much reduced, that for travelling on collecting trips, but so long as our present abominable aystem of giving continues in vogue, just so long must the contribations be mulcted of a certain pro portion to cover the expense of going after them. It has been to me no ploasare to go canvassing, it has been the bane of my minis. terial life, amounting at times to perfect dread. It is a shame, and disgrace to our Christianity that such a duty is a necessary adjunct to Church extension. Not only is it degrading, but it is a bar to spiritual progress in the par ish, clogging the whole machinery of the Church. The clergy, instead of being constantly among their people, discharging their divinely committed trust, feeding and nourishing immortal souls in anticipation of that grest day, must perchance hurry off at the call of another duty, to seek means whereby to house their houseless flocks. Lot us again propose an alternative; many friends have become Annual Subscribers to the General Fund of the mission for 3 jears. These subscriptions are payable each October, and are sent to me, instead of my going for them. What a saving of expensel The amount so promised has now reached $\$ 248$ jearly. To be of full benefit to our work it must rcach at least three times this sum. Who will now help us to extend this list and thus in the traest sense assist in farthering the work of the Church of God in this large and important mission field? When we look anound us and see all that remains to be done we are oppressed with ite magnitude, rather than elated by the little we have accom.
plished. Forgive me for occupying so mach of your valuable space, for which 1 heartily thank fou.

Forater Blisg.

## The Mission House <br> Mattawa, Feb. 6, 1888.

[This interesting account of the work being done in the Upper Ottawa District of the diocese of Ontario (and which is closely followed by like faithful workers in the Gatineau dis trict of the Diocoses of Montresl, and in Al goma), will be read with pleasure by our many readers. Whilst there is much indeed to oncourage and for which to render thanke, there is one feature of the work as reported which is not wholly satisfactory, that is that the in croase in local contribations for the work of the Charoh is not proportionate to the incroase in population. Taking Mr. Blise' figares tho contributions per family in 1882 throagh the Gen eral offertory was $\$ 10.22$; whilst in 1887 it was only $\$ 3.32$ ! The rate per head in 1852 was \$2.24; in 1887 in was only 67 e .1 The rate per head of contributions to the Mission Fund in 1882 was 15c.; in 1887 it had fallen to 10 c . One gront hindrance to the advance of the Church in this land in the past has beon in our opinion the almost absolute dependence upon outside aid for the carrying on of her work; inducing a want of generosity and of self. denial on the part of the poople, and a slavinh dependence upon othors. It is only of late years that this has been somowhat remedied through the reduction or wiihdrawal of the grants of that noble Society the S.P.G., and in consequence, one recognized means of tosting the progress of any particular mission, has nuw becomo its contribution to local and outside ob. jects. Wo cannot think that in a mission as well-worked as this, the principle of self-support has not been developed, but the figures given do not show this; they rather give warning of the old danger of dopending too much on outside assistance.-ED.]

## LETTERS FROM CALIFORNIA.

## No 4.-Continued.

Coronado began its exiatence in Novembor, 1886, when it was purchased by the South Pacific R.R. Company, and comprisos eleven hundred acres of fertile land upon which tho Company claim to have spent and are sponding one million dollars. The hotel del Coronado is one of the wonders of this Southern region, covers five acres and is said to be the largost in the world, and cornbines the Queen Anne and Elizabethan styles of urchitecture with somo modificstions to accord with modern ideas; it is built around a grand court $250 \times 150$ feet which is filled with beds of flowers, statues and fountains. The future town, at present only in an entry state, is well laid out with broad streets and avenues nune less thav eighty feot in width, the boulerards extending along the ocean front and also fronting the bay, are one hundred and forly feet in width, and afford a splondid promenade and drivoway ; a bonutiful avenue cailed Orange avenue extends fier two miles throngh tho centre of the town site, it is planted the whole length on both sides with orange and palm trees, and between there aro bashes of geraniums, almost in constant bloom; about half-way down this splondid street is the Star park from which radiate streets from the different corners planted with pepper lime and olive trees; these avenues although graded and in capital order are as yet very litule built upon, all are waiting the opening of the graud

Hotel whioh is to set the ball rolling, whioh opening will take place some time in the month of Janaapy; in the meantime lots are for asle at prices somewhat astounding to a stranger who sees only the beginning of a settlement for instance prime lots on the boulevard forty feat front, are four thousand dollars; a little farther back twenty-five hundred and two thousand; the lowest priced lot of any to be had was aix hundred and fifty; there are however many fine residences already built and in procoss of erection, and thero is no doubt that in a very few years Coronado Beach will become the Newport of the South being the only harbor and boach sonth of San Francisco that is worthy the name and having a climate as near perfection as it is possible to imagine; the olimato in fact is the capital on which the place has been inaugurated; tho rareat troprical plants grow out of doors; and stopping in front of one of the beutiful squares, bright with velvet turf and flowers such as we see in our hot-hounes at home, also well grown troes, we were ivformed to our amazement that this square was just four monthe old; trees esn be transplanted any month in the your without injury. Imagino such a keeno in the middle of Docember and wondor not that so many wonlthy citizons from the East aro investing in property in this Southern land and not only investing but coming hore to livo; many have bought and built with a viow only of obcaping the severo wintor, but many others are permanont residents. Water is abundant all over the tract being furnished at low mates by the Company; also electrie lights and a motor railway connocting with San Diego ovory twonty minutes. Yours truly.

## PRE-LENTEN THOUGHTSS.

Whon Epiphany is spent
Sundays throe, like herald sont, Cry aloud the Fast of Lent. Septuagesima first, and recond Sexagesima is reckoned; Quinguagesima, tho last; Thon comos in the solomn Fast With Ash Wednesday's litanios, That from hoarts repontant rise. Forty days at Jesug' foct Hide wo now in blost rotreat. At their close through Holy Week We His Way of Sorrow seols, Fintering first Jeruanlom, While the throngs His progress hem, And with shouts of welcome press Zion's lowly King to bless, Scattering palma along His way On that one triumphant Day. Though they shout Ho weeps aloud O'or the self-deceiving crowd. Through that woek we soe Him bear Anguish nonecan know or share; On Good Friday follow Him, Scourgod and hruised in ovory limb, And with thorns in insult crowned; While the foes that Him surround Jibes and sneers incossant toss. On the Allar of the Cross We behold Him meckly die For the world's iniquity. Every Friday for His sake Let us here our station take, At His feet confession making, Self and sin alhorred forsaking.
-Harriet McEwen Kimball.

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## THE RELATION OF EPISCOPAL TO NON-EPISCOPAL MINISTRIES.

To speak the truth in love is the office of the Church of God. All who represent her, whether acting undercommission as her accredated ambassadors or moved to speak for her by a constraining sense of duty ought to boar in mind the solomn obligations which this principle imposes upon them to seek to speak the truth, and to speak what they honestly believe to be the truth in love.
As regards the truth, men may not always be sare, since it is buman to err, but in reference to the manner in which they make known what they bolieve to be the truth no one need be in doubt.

With his best exertions to discover the truth and state the truth one may fail, bat as regards his manner, the way in which be proclaims and teaches what he honesily holds to be the truth, one need not go wrong. He can eacily discern of what spirit he is. He may not bo sure of his matter when he is speaking by his own authority, formularing his own opinions and couvictions and beliefs, but ho can be of his own manner. He has citeria at hand in spoken and writton disaourse to test him, to
bear witnese for or against him Whether or not his spirit be love.
The Charch in her authoritative teaching illustrates perfectly the falfilment of this twofold obligation to speak the trath in love. She spaaks the truth, and here we are certain of the matter, ard she speaks it aniformly in love. Her croeds, hor offices, her Catechism, hor ordinal announce what we believe to be God's revealed truth - trath gathered ont of His Holy Word and most surely proved thereby, and her manner is to state the truth positively, succinct Iy clearly, and there she leaves it, as her Lord left the precious seed of his teaching, to fall in whatsoever kind of soil it may.

It is not the habit of the Charch to draw negative inferences. She makes her solomn de o aration of trath, resting upon God's Word and sustained by the testimony of antiquity, and then she stops. "I believe in God," she says. There is the trath, and it is attered in the spirit of ber Divine Master, who taught after the same melhod, "I am the way, the trath, and the life."
We are to remeanber that the sphere of charity is in the manner, not in the matter. One of the essential conditions of trath, whether it be abstract or concrete, is that it is exclusive. It shuts out everything except itself. Let the subject-matter be of what kind soever, the result is inevitable. Two bodios cannot occupy the same sprce at the same time; two and two make make four ; there is one God and one Mediator between Gud and man. Here in the statement of these truths, there is no room for compromise, for giving and taking, for changing and adapting. We may not say, in order to satisfy the demands of a thoughtless, careless world, in ordor to gain popularity and secare the repatation of being genial and broud and kind, " two and two make three, or five, or four, just as you please, it is of no consequence what a man believes, so long as ho does what is right." We may nol say this, or compate in this way to accommodate ourselves to the ignorance and prejudice which are prevalent around us. If we do, we sacrifice the truth committed to our hands as a trust, and in so far we are guilty before God of treachery and falsehood. Bat we must say, if the occasion requires us to speak up on the subject, and it is the ouly thing, which we can say, "two and two make four," and we mast continue to say, wherever and whenever it is our daty to speak, calmly and firmly," two and two make four;" and yet we may not say, whoever refuses this statement of the result of adding two and two is a fool, an ignoramus, and unworthy of recognition as
a human being. To do this would be to violate a human being. To do this would be to violate to speak it in love.

It is obvious that the rejection of any truth must entail consequences more or less disastrous in proportion to the importance of the truth so rejocted, and the nearnors and extent of its relation to ourselves and our affairs, but these consequences need not be stated, and if stated, When necessity so requires, not putin an offensive way, at all events not pressed as a threat, so as to wear the appearance of se.king to drive the objector to accept the trath irrespective of his convictions.

We have been at some pains to make this statoment of principles clear in order to propare the way for a brief application of them to the subject of the Christian ministry, as presented in the ordina! of our Church and gaarded by our canons. Hore we have what our Charch holds, and would have her children accept and hold as the truth tonching the ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysterios of God, proclaimed and tanght in the spirit of love.

The matter is positive, and is clearly and definitely presented. There can be no roasonable doabt about the loading elements of the tesoh. ing: a threefold ministry, a representative ministry, the restriction of the power of ordinaministry, the restriction of the power of ordina-
tion to the highest order, and the official charac-
ter of the ministry; these and other elements are distinctly tanght, bat beyond this the Church does not go; she draws no negative inferences as to those who reject her view of the ministry, either in whole, or in part; she pronounces no jadgment upon the value, absolute or relative, of other ministries than those derived from episcopal ordination, nor does she intimate the consequences which will follow the rejection of her own and the acceptance of such ministries.
Here we have one of the best illustrations of speaking the trath in love, or if it be preferred, we will say, what is believed to be the truth in love.
No one will deny that the Church has the right to make known and teach what she believes to be the truth, when she doesso in a way which is not offensive.
But the misunderstanding besing when we leave the ordinal and pass to the canons, when we descend from theory to practice, from the act of ordination to the restrictions placed by the law of the Church upon those who have received the imposition of episcopal hands, be they bishops, priests, or deacons. These are not permitted to exchange ministries with those who have not been ordained by bishops; and hence, the position of the Charch seems to many exclusive, illiberal and nageoerous.
Thoy would present the case thas: "We," they say, "invite and allow the clergy of the Church to minister to our congregations, but the Church refases to reciprocate, and invite onr ministers to officiate in her churches. Thus she shows her exclasivenoss, she refases to recognize our ministries as valid, and she does not imitate our liberality." Onr reply is simple and to the point, and ought, it seems to na, to be perfectly satisfactory. It is this: "You," we answer, addressiag our friends, who deny the necessity of episcopal ordination to constitate an official ministry representing Christ, "you," we answer, "in admitting our clergy to officiate in your churches surrender no principle involved in your polity. Your theory of the Christian ministr' $\begin{aligned} & \text { admits the validity of }\end{aligned}$ ours together with your own, and consequently our clergy are as truly in your own eyes, on your own principles, ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God as your own."

Our theory, on the contrary, of Christian ministry, if it be trae, and we, you admit, have the right to believe it to be true, our theory excludes all from the represontative official ministry of Christ except those who have been orduined by bishops. Were we, therefore, to allow your ministers to officiate in our. churches, we would be surrendering our deposit of truth, as we regard it, in the possession of the episcopste; we woald be stultifying ourselves to be worse than fools, dishonest, since we would be practicalis saying that oar ordinal, our rubrics and our canons were meaningless, that they seemod to say what they did notsay; we would be affirming by our action that itwas a matter perfectly indifferent whether we said two and two make three, or 4 , or 5 ; and while such conduct might win for us the commondation of the ignorant and the thoughtless, it would justly expose us to the condemation of all sober-minded, sonsible people, as well without the Charch as within; mosst of all it would render us liable to the righteous judgment of the God of truth.

We make no reflections upon you if you are satisfied with your ministries and the grounds on which they rest, we pronounce no judgment upon fou; we are simply acting for ourselves and leaving yon to do the same. We should be very glad if you would allow as to convince you that we are right; bat meanwhile we are ready and glad to admit that you are honest and conscientious in your theory and practice, and we are also ready and glad to believe that God blesses you, and that through our adorable Redeemer you will be accepted in the last great
day. We are ready and glad to admit and believe all this, and yet we would fain win you to what we conftently believe to be a more excellent way.

We are satisfied that in the good providence of God we have inherited the historic episcopate and the sacraments and means of grace dependent on this ministry, and that these good things, these blesings of inestimable worth, have been put into our hands not only for ourselves to onjoy, but as a sacred trust to be held by us for the benefit of all mankind, and to be transmitted by us to posterity.

Georer F. Sbitmode.
THE TEACHER'S PURPOSE.
A Paper read at a Sunday-School Teacher's Conference in Trinity Chapel, Pittsburg, Monday Evening, December 12, 1887.

## By Bibeop Whitriead.

This subject is, I presume interrogative. It implies the question, What ehould the teacher's purpose be? And, as is ueually the case with anch irquiries, there may be sevorel answers, all perhaps equally true, bat to be separated into two classes in accordance with the proponderance in each of sentiment or practical. ity. If we say that the teacher's purpose should be to do good, to teach the Biblo, to bring his pupils to Christ, these answors may be true, bat they are indefinite; full of right sentiment, but well nigh useless to any teacher who really longs to be successful. As well exhort the teachers in our public schools to make ustronomers, linguists and grammarians of the pupils, and leave them without fariher assis. tance to that end. Many sermons indeed go no further, and the frequently lamented weakness of the pulpit is almost entirely due to this very thing-a general indefiniteness of exhertation; an earnest charge to be good, or to do good, with silence profound as to how or what; an eloquent monition which stirs the feelings, but gives ne direction to the will, the mental faculties or the physical powers.
I seek for a mach more definite, practical and, therefore, helpfal answer to our query:one answer out of many which might be given. And I think we have no right to ignore the assistance which our common-school system affords. Why the secular education of our childron should be ao carefully fashioned upon principles which in their religions training the vast majority of our Sunday-schools entirely neglect, is one of the problems which awaits solution. The graded school, the strict discipline, the capable teachers, the pregessive advance from one class to another, the graduation into higher school and normal school, command our admiration and challenge imitation, which alas 1 on every hand we fail to find. The parpose of each toacher is not a general one, bat specifically to pass on each pupil to the next higher grade-to teach each one thoroughly up to a certain point in certain well.defined stadies and text books, and thas by division of labor to effect an exact result-namely, graduattion from school into active life. Each teacher labors as a part of a system; there is harmony of effort with every possible diversity of talent both in the teachers and papils. But the purpose of all is identical, and although that parpose necessarily includes the sentiment that edueation of any human being means development of character and fitness for the duties of life, nevertheless, in the conscionsness that these results must follow if the system be faithfally pareaed, attention is given to the system, and the thought and talk and effort are above that, the resulls being left in great measure to take care of themeelves.
Now, the relation of the Sunday-school to the

Charch if very different with us from that which it sustains in most of the Protestant bodies of Christians around us. With them the Charch is one thing and the Sunday sehool another. The Charch is the high school and normal sehool for whioh the Sunday-school prepares the papils. He only is a disciple who comes of his own accord and assumes that position, having already learned much or little, which qualifies him to come and thas declare himself.
With us the system of Christian living necessitates a different view of the Sunday.school, a view which we avow to be not only more scriptural, but also more reasonable and in sccordance with analogy. In our view Sandayschool and Church are not two institations, bat the Sunday-school a section of the Charch. It is all church, the Sunday-sohool being the juvenile department. The whole church is a school, and every member of the school is a disciple; not because he knows anything, but because bo is learning something; not becanse he is in a higher class, but in any class. The infant scholar is as much a disciple as the Bibleclass member or the Bishop himself. The entrance to the sehool is rightly and only Baptism, because that is the only entrance to the charch. No rector or saperintendent can rost satisfied until every person, adult and child, in the Sunday-school, is properly entered throngh this holy sacrament. The anbaptized child is out of gear with the whole system. The unbaptized teacher cannot possibly escape unreality if it be not hypocrisy; because the whole fabric rests upon the sacrament of Baptism as a foundation.
Here, then, is our churchly because scriptural portraiture of the position of the Sanday school. It is the nursery of the Ghurch, into which the children are born physically and spiritually by the washing of water and the promised accompaniment of the Holy Ghost. The children are "holy," "called to be sainta" from the outset, within the covenant "mombers of Christ," the "children now of God," the "cbildron of grace," prospective "inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven."
Baptism dees not suddenly transform them into fully developed Christians. Nor does it take the place of faith, repentanoe, prayer, selfconsecration, any more than one of these oan be rightly sabstituted for the others. And yet it is true that by it they join the sohool, they come to Christ, they crave the benefits of His incarnation. Hir life, death and exaltation; they are marked as His; they leave the kingdom in which they were by nature; they have been touched by something "from above" and lifted up to the plane of redemption; they becoms citizens in the Kingdom of Heaven, brought to a "state of salvation." It is their daty, but much more their privilege, henceforth, to "grow up unto Him in all things which is the Head, even Christ." They do not enter the Church when they graduate from the Sunday-school, but when they are baptized; for the school is incladed in the Charoh, and is not something apart from it or annexed to it.
Now, let us look at our analogy again. The Charch, being a school, has a preseribed course of study. As reading, writing and arithmetic, virtasily inclade all that is to be learned, or, rather, as by them every department of haman kaowledge may be entered and explored, so the Charch bas ordered that every "child shall be taught as soon as he shall be able to learn," the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments. First, his memory is to be stored with their words, so that he shall say them by rote. Those words are to be seeds from which all the fature growth is to proceed. They are to be touchstones by which all the after instruction is to be tested. They are the motherCburch's condensation of Divine trath, fally enough for any dieciple to feed upon-susceptible of inestaustible study, and yet so simple
priate instruction from them. So each ohild is to be drilled in the mere words of them; explanations and illastrations are to be added from time to time, as the ohild is able to read them ; more and more advanced instruction is to be given, bat always centering in these chief things, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, the rule of faith, the rule of prayer, and the rale of life and duty.
And then comes a time when the child passes on to wider instraction. There ought to be a grade and a class or classes into which bo shall graduate, where he shall be instructed by wise and well qualified teachers in those many "other thinga which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health."

But let ps notice that the purpose is still not to give a general education in religious matters, bat in those thinge which conduce to the soul's health-practical, religions truths and duties. My interpretation of this is that the instraction of the more advanced pupils should still centre in the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments-the practical every-day traths which bear upon daily dut5 and the for mation of Curistian character; for, does not the Church's system lay great atress upon this when the olergyman is tanght to say: "Ye are to take oare that this child be brought to the Bishop to bo confirmed by him so soon as be can say the Creed, the Lord's Praver, and the Ton Commandments, and is sufficiently instracted in the other part of the Church catechism set forth for that parpose"?
And then comes Confirmation-the gradurtion of the well taught pupil in primary and grammar school, into that which should be the Eigh school, the Rector's Bibloclars or Com-municant-class, too seldom, alas! a feature in our parish work.
This is the Church's system of Christian nurtare for the children and youth. How carefally it is provided for, not only thono passages already quoted, testify, bat also tho rubrios which follow the catechism :
"The minister of every parish shall diligently, upon Sunday and holy days, or on some other convenient occasions, openly in the Charch, instract, or examine so many childron of his parish, sent unto him, as he shall think convenient, in some part of this Catechism.
"And all fathers, mothers, masters, and mistresses, shall cause their children, eervants and apprentices, who have not learned thoir Catechism, to come to the Charch at the time appointed, and obediently to hear and to be ordered by the minister, until such time as they have learned all that is here appointed for them to learn.
"So soon as children have come to a competent age, and can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and can answer to the other questions of this short Catechism, they shall be brought to the Bishop."

We are beholden to this system for more than we can estimate of good. Wowho were born and brought up in the Charch know the preciousness of this quiet, orderly instruction, and our experience beare witness that there conld be no better system for impressing trath upon the mind and heart. I do not believe we have any right to neglect, misuse, disuse, or adulterate it. The qualities which commend it are that it is clear, definite, progressive, eminently practical, and, above all, spiritual.
It may not teach the distance between Jericho and Jerasalem, or the value of a drachma, or the many dotails of Jewish living in the time of Christ. Bat it does instruct and catechize the children in those things which they ought to know for their soal's health, namely:-the traths concerning the Bleesed Trinity; Ged the Father, who made them; God the Son, who redeemed them; God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth them. It does helpthem to approach their Heavenly Fathor in prayer. It does teaeh them what their daty is both to God and
to man, and points them to the sacraments as constant helps and means of grace.

And to thene thitoge the Holy Soriptures are to be in due time added, just in the right order, according to their own teaching as, e.g.:
"It seemed good unto me also,

* to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilns, that thou mightest know the certainty of those things wherein thou hast been already catechized. (St. Luke i. 4).
"Every seripture, given by inspiration of God is profitable," etc. * * "that the man of God may be porfect-thoroughly furnished unto all good works." (2 Tim. iii. 16, 17.).
(To be continued.)


## FAMLIY DEPARTMENT.

## THE LENTEN TIDE.

What have we done that we should seek,
This Lenten-tide, to be forgiven?
Our lips have never dared to speak
Reproach or calumay of Heaven !
Yet to the Lenten-tide belongs
Repentance from some secret wrongs.
What need have we for deep distress?
Our hande have never robbed the poor,
We have not spuined in bitterness
The trombling feet that sought our door; And yet the Lonten prayers are meant
For those whose hearts aro penitent.
We beg for "new and contrite hearts," Within the saored walls to-day,
And somo forgotion sbadow starts
From out our sunshine as we pray;
For Heaven takes our souls aside
To search them, at the Lonten-tide.
What have wo done? Our hearts can tell Of scorn, impurity and hate,
Of pride wo have not sought, to quell,
Of Duty's promptings, bidden to wait.
Ab, Heavon bils us view our pride
With sorrow, at the Lenten-tide.
What have wo done? Our narrow thought Has limited tho Lovo Divine,
And all the flood of Truth has sought
In human ohannels to confine,
The Truth of God, so free and wide,
Condemns us at tho Lenten tide.
The wob of lifo is spun apace,
And many threads aro gay and bright,
But some to give the pattern graco,
Must bear the impross of the night.
No woaver's hand may cast aside
The darls threads of the Lenten-tide.
-Parish Visitor, N. Y.

## HOW TO MABE LENT PROFITABLE.

We wish we could present to our young readors tho iden of Lent just as it really is. It is rogarded by so many as a long, dreary, sad season, with no bright spot in it. They, consequontly, dread its coming, and are glad when it is over. Now we think this is a very wrong view to take of this season, and we should bo glad to correct it. The vory moanibg of the word Lent is anything but ead. It is a good old Saxon word, and signifies Spring, and spring, wo all know, comes after winter, and is full of brightness und hope. It is the time whon the grass begins to spring up, the leaves to put forth, and the flowers to bloom.

There is something very grand and inspiring about this soason of Lont, and wo want you all to fand this out for yoursolves. This is what it mersts $t$ us: A time for a fresh start; a time to be better; a time for new helps heavenward; a time for taking oloser hold of what we know is truo, aud so orery day to grow stronger in and for the right. We want Lent to mean all this to our boys and girls, for Lent is a time appointed by our Church for epecial thought and prajor. We are so apt to grow careless
and to forget our good desires and resolations, that we all, old and young, need soch speciai times to remind us of what our Heavenly Father wants us to be and to do. Let as all, then, take a fresh alart together. If we have been growing careless in our work and unfaithful in our daties, if we have neglected to pray and to read God's Word, let us make up our minds at once to stop all this, to turn right around and begin a better life.
It is a grand thing to grow better. It is the pleasantest feeling in life to know wo are making progress, and improving as we go on. Come, then, and let us start together to put down the wrong by doing the right.-Parish Fisitor.
" BECAUSE YOU SAID YOUR PRAYERS."

## $\triangle$ TRUE BTORY.

## By Edith M. Dauglish.

Mother, mayn't I take Smattie, and go and sit at the door? He wants some fresh air, and to look at the birds. I shan't get in the way of the whitewashers, mother, dear."

It was a pathetic little voice, telling a tale of patient endarance, and the owner of it, a pale girl of eight or nine jears old, looked as if saffering and she wern old companions. She sat huddled up on a low seat near a bright fire, her large blue ejes wistful gazing out of the window, whence she could see into the garden, where the February sunsbine was lesting on the snowdrops. There seemed a touch of spring there, a gloam of hope, after the long cold winter that had kept litile Elsie a prisonor. On her lap, encircled by he: thin arms, luy a fat puppy, as black as a coal, and evidently the pride of his little mistress's heart. It was tor Smut's sake, chicfly, that she wished to go outside; Smut needed both fresh air and some diversion for his pappy mind, so for Smut Elsie Horton preferred hor request.

The mothor, busy with her "spring cleaning," pansod a moment, and looked anxiously at her child, and then out of doors.
"Well," вhe said, "porhaps a breath of air won't hart you. I'll wrap you up warm, and you must keop Smut in your lap. He's as warm as a toast. The man is whitewashing the front of the house now, but his ladder won't be in your way."

Joyfully Elsie began to prepare for her outgoing, while Smnt danced about, wriggling his angainly black body and ridicalous tail in much excitement.

Once seated in their little chair in the sun, with the frosh air playing orer her pale cheeks, Elsio felt equal to controlling Smut's antics. It was not easy, however, to hold him, as his chiof idea of exercising was to rush after the sparrows with infantile barks, and as Elsie insisted on his romaining on her lap, he continually jerked his pointed black muzzlo into her face, suddenly applying his warm tongue to her cheek, as if by this means he hoped to get bis own way.

The little scene was not unnoticed by the man who was lime-washing the front of the cottage.
He was a foung fellow, not above five-andtwenty, broad shouldered and tall, but his face was downcast, while his heary, inflamed eyes indicated the love of strong drink.
Truth to tell, Sam Jones felt very miserable that bright Fobruary morning. Overnight, he had beon with a social clab, and one of the best of "good company" there. No one sang a more uproarions sung or told a doubtful story better than he; strange that by the morning light he should be at the opposite point of the compass! He would tell you a "man must have his aps and downs," but his reasoning did not honestly account to his own heart for the

Weight of awfal depression that lay on his soul like a black barden.

As he listlessly plied his brash he sew little Flisie come out, tenderly cared for by her mother. He watched her seat herself in her chair, with a red shawl about her, and then Smat came in for a share of notios.

Smut was decidedly restive. Finding the blandishments of his tongue unavailing, he tried fresh tactios, and seizing a corner of his mistress's shawl, he set to work to worry and shake it, trying to believe he had a rat in his jarps.
Elsie now administered a pat, apon which the sly little fellow looked up in her face with an expression of mook sorrew and indignation, so absurd that she broke ont into a fit of childish langhter.
It was a pretty sound, and seemed to Sam's heavy heart like a melody "speetly played in tane." He spoke, "You seem mighty fond o' that there little beast," he said.

Elsie looked ap surprised, so did Smut, and he showed himself equal to any emergency by a baby growl. No doubt, he thought this sign of ferocity would at once silence the third party who bad broken in on their tete a tete.
"Yes, he's my darling dog," replied Elsie " but he's very naughty and disobedient to-day. I shail have to punish him, I'm afraid."
"Where did you get him?"
"Oh, the kind doctor gave bim to me, when I was very ill this winter. He's a great comfort to me."
"Are you hetter now?" asked Sam pityingly, looking at the little face, with its frame of bright hair-auch a fragile little face it was, bearing a close resemblance to the snowdrops that bent their heads in the border hard by.
"Oh! I'm mach better now," she answered. ("Bequiet, Smut; I shall put you in a dark cupboard if you aren't good!") "Now the spring is coming, I shall be soon well, mother thinks."
Sam had no more to say just then. He went on with his brush work less wearily. Suddenly, by some movement of his, the ladder gave a great lurch, brosh and whitewash splashed over to the ground, and Nam only saved himself from a bad fall by clinging to the gutter. In a moment or two thing had righted themselves; but, meantime, Smut startled, had leaped from Elsie's arms and rushed forward to seize the fallen brash

With such a delightful toy, which his puppy imagination converted into some hairy animal, a foe to his race, of course he was deaf to his mistress's entreaties to come back to her. Sam, laughing now, made his wry down the laddor to regain his property.

Smut was promptly picked ap, protesting with all his might at the indignity, and restored to Elaie, who, flasked and rather alarmed, lonked up at Sam with startled ejes.
"Were not you frightened ?" she said, rather. under her breath, as the loright colour faded away.
"No, I was not frightened," eaid Sam, still smiling at Smut, "bat I am afraid you were!"
"Yes, I was rather, but-why, weren't you frightened ? You might have fallen, and bean killed?"
"Oh! no fear," said Sam, lightly. "Accidents will happed. I have as many lives as a cat."

Elsie looked at him thoughtfully, atroking Smut's velvet head. She was evidently considering something which perplexed her. Suddenly a light seemed to come into her mind, and shine out over her whole face. Sam was surprised at the radiant expression.
"Oh I I know I" she said, softly. "I know Why you weren't frightened." She smiled and the colour came again into her cheeks.
"Do you?" said Sam, curiously. "Tell me why."
Elsie hesitated, then bending down over Smut's head, so that she could hardly be herrd,
said, "fery" softly, "Becanse you said your prayers this moraing."

Sam whas so startled that, for a moment, he stood stock still, while Elsie, not daring to look up, caressed her dog. Then, so utterly takon absok was he, that he walked away, and, slowly ascending the ladder, recommenced his work without a word. Because he had said his prayers that morning ! None knew but Sam how very far this was removed from the fact. Not that morning; no, nor for more mornings than he cared to connt had he bent his knees in prayer. Careless, and easily led, he was naturally open to every temptation that assailed him, and by his own folly he was without armoar.
Elsie's words had struck home. Her childish faith was so strong that Sam felt ashamed before it. Not a word of reproach had been said, yet how deeply the child's simple sentence had gone into his mind I An arrow shot from God's quiver, had hit the mark, and rank. led in Sam's bosom.

A week or two passed away, and one evening after work Sam presented himself at Horton's cottage. He had never been near it since that one important day. Ever since he had thought of Elsie and her words, until he resolved to give up his old life and follow the Lord Jesas Christ. Nothing else seemed open to him. He had fallen on his kness before God, and prayed from bis heart, "God be merciful to me a sinner!" And God had been merciful. Not at tirst did the weight of his past sins seem lifted, but though
"Tossed about
With many a confict, many a doubt,
Fighting within, and fears without,"
Sam had gone to the Refuge for the sin-stricken and heavg-laden, and found it open.
Now he felt impelled to go and see once more the little maiden who had sent him there. On knocking at the door, he was confronted by Elsie's father, looking very sad. "Could I see your little girl ? said Sam, rather timidly.
"My little girl ?" said the man, hoarsely; "Oh, no, my little girl is very ill, dying, the doctor tolls me."
" $S$, bad as that!" exclaimed Sam, with something like a sob "Bat the Almighty won't take her till I've told ber what she's done for mel Surely."
"Come in," azid Horton, looking curiously at Sam , through the tears which filled his own eyes. "Tell me what you mean. We're dreadfal cast down, for Elsie's our only one."
Sam followed the man into the kitchen, and there told his story. He told it lamely, and not without interruptions, for his heart was full to overflowing. When he had finished, Horton put his hand on his shoulder, and with a trembling voice asid, "Thank God, my little one has done her work here, and if we must lose her-," He could aay no more, and in response
to a gentle tapping from the room overhead, went upstairs. In a few moments he returned.
"Would you like to come up?" he said in a whisper. "Her mothor thinks she's, going; she doesn't know anyone."
Sam rose withoat a word, and was ushered into the saored chamber, whence the little soul was about to take fight, It was very atill, Mrs. Horton calmly sat by the bed holding the waxen hand of the apparently sleeping child. The dog lay curled up on the bed, a faithful companion to the last. The wealth of golden hair lay on the pillow, and sarrounded Elsie's ethereal little face like an aureole glory. Her breath was somewhat aboured, but there was no truggle. Saddenly the obild opened her eyes. An oxpression of rudiant beauty beamed from them such as Sam had seen there in a slight dogree, once before. She slightly raised herself and murmured, "I'm coming!" Then turning towards her mother, she closed her oyes. One gentle sigh, and Elsie was in arms of the Good Shepherd, who, having loved His own which were in the world, loved them "unto the end."

The tbree who watched the de partare of the child's soul stcod silent, " and there was a great calm." A calm which comes only from the near neighbourbood of the Saviour. One lamb was gafe folded; and one wandering sheep bad been led to the Shepherd, who has promised that His sheep "shali never perish.'

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Rev. M. M. Stephen has lately been moved to Mosa, as he seoms to show more aptitude for Evangelistic work than Pasteral, and he has a large field before him in the Moka district.

Rov. J. Pickwood is working very well in the Island of Praslin and in the adjacent islands. The Home Committee lately showed their appreciation of his services by providing him with a new boat, for which be has already expressed his grateful thanks. In his churoh (St. Matthew's) he has an average attendance of 150 every Sunday, and a good proportion of communicants.

The Rev. R. T. de Carteret re ports very favourably of the work at the Morne and Petit Cap in his district, both of which places be has lately visited. He had an attendance at church on a week day of 52 . Mr. De Cartoret visits Bambous twice a month, as no ordained man has yot been found to replace the late Rev. Desveaux. The attendance last time was 56.

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A lady at once rose and oraved permissicn to aly a few words. "I cannot," she said, " presume to enter your compotition list, and to make a speech a fortnight hence, bat I should like to say something on the art of condensing now. In speaking in publio we too often forget what it is we wish to say, and are anxious by flowery langaage to make an impression, and by here and there inserting a striking quotation from some learned writer, to show the extent of our acquaintance with literatare. Then our very anxiety to make an impression leads us to be nervous, and wonder if we are doing so, and this gives rise to those painfal 'hame, ' 'ha's,' 'as I was saying,' eto., whioh is so exoraciating to the listener, and it is almost sare to hide the point of the speech out of sight. You see my hankerchief, ohe said, taking it and spreading it out upon her dress. "I make an impression by extending it thus to its utmost capabilities, and you see a large white surface. I may wish to give it to a friend, but I lift it, it falls down at my feet, and refuses to be sent. but if I condense it thus," rolling the hankerchief up into a small tight ball, "then I can send it direct and with force where I will, and it does not fall meaningless at my own feet. After you have mado your speeohes, try to roll them up into a condensed ball, that their objeot and purpose may not fail, when you try to send them direct to the minds of your hearers."
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"You ask me why I advocate temperance? I look around me, and see on almost every side sicknees, suffering, and unhappiness. Fair faces lined with care, and
young mothori fletwertinggling widows. Then in the poorer streets I seo poverty and dirt, ialleness and crime. I see homes that are not homes at.all, and. I see fáces that are marred and spoiled, from which all semblance of beauty, or even of comeliness, has departed Then I remember those words that are written, And God saw everything that He had made, and behold it was very good.' All that He made was beautifal and good. From whence, then, comes all this pain and suffering, these diseased bodies, these crippled forms, these desolate homes, and starving childrent? All of it, every form of sufforing, comes as the eure and inevitable result of wrong doing. Every act of sin bringe some evil in its train either upon ourselves or apon others. God intended us to be happy and bright, free from all pain, How, then, is it that there is so much misery? Has it ever struck you that our hospitale, our cripples' homes, or orphanages, of which we are so prond, ought to be considered a disgaace to our country? They ought not to be needed. Allowing that suffering comes from evil doing, yet drink is only one amongst many evils This is so, but yet what do I find? I go into a hospital with its 300 beds always full, and the doctors tell me nine out of every ten cases are from drink. I go to the chaplain of a prison, and he tells me the same-it is drink that fosters and encourages crime, that destroys the moral sense of right and wrong. I trace the history of this and that poor oripplo, and after a long series of questions $I$ find that A.'s mother let her fall as a baby, one night when she had been drinking. B. has a log all twisted and uselebs, and the mether says: 'He never seems to have been right since my husband came in one night, just a little maddled (he never drinks, you know), he didn't see him, and sat upon him. I go to an orphanage and find that drink directly or indirectly eaused the rain and early death of the greater number of the parents. Or else I find the parents died of consumption, and that this consumption arose because their parents indulged too freely in intoxicants. This, then, is why I advocate tomperance. I feel such acrrow for the poverty around me,such sympathy for all the many who lie suffering sach terrible pain in our hospitals and and infirmaries, for whom we can do so little, and I know that almost all this pain, comes from drink. Let us try to win everyone wherever we can to temperance, to lead pure and sober lives, and nearly all our hospitals our sargical aid socioties, and our homes for incurables, would be unneeded. To fight the battle of temperance is to strike at the root of the evil, is to attack this river of safferings at its source; and if we go to the batule carrying the Gospel message with us, we bope to win a victory. Why have we not moze enthasiastic temperance workers, and more funds to make the work prosper? Is it not a contradiotion and a false charity to raise $£ 20,000$ for our hospitals, while we can acarcely raise £200
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